

REPORT ON WORLD POPULATION DAY PROGRAMME

Date: 8 July 2026

Venue: M.V. Hall

Introduction

The Department of Economics, Andhra Mahila Sabha Arts & Science College for Women (Autonomous), organized the **World Population Day Programme** on **8 July 2026** at **M.V. Hall** with the objective of creating awareness among students about population dynamics, sustainable development, responsible parenthood, and scientific understanding of human populations. The programme aimed to promote scientific temper and encourage students to understand the relationship between population studies, genetics, public health, economics, and sustainable development.

Inaugural Session

The programme commenced with the ceremonial **lighting of the lamp**, followed by the **Welcome Address**, in which the significance of observing World Population Day was highlighted. The gathering was formally welcomed, and the objectives of the programme were presented.

The **Principal** addressed the gathering, emphasizing the importance of population awareness, women's education, health, and responsible citizenship in achieving sustainable national development. The Principal appreciated the Department of Economics for organizing an academically enriching programme on a globally significant theme.

Keynote Address

The programme was graced by **Dr. K. Thangaraj**, renowned scientist and former Director of the Centre for DNA Fingerprinting and Diagnostics (CDFD), Hyderabad, as the **Chief Guest**.

In his keynote lecture, Dr. Thangaraj delivered an insightful presentation on **human genetics, population evolution, migration patterns, genetic diversity, and public health**. He explained how genetic research contributes to understanding human origins, disease susceptibility, and population diversity. He also highlighted the interdisciplinary relevance of genetics in economics, anthropology, sociology, medicine, and public health.

The lecture was highly interactive and inspired students to cultivate scientific curiosity, evidence-based thinking, and a deeper appreciation of population studies. The session concluded with an engaging interaction, during which students actively participated by asking questions related to genetics, evolution, and population research.

Felicitation

The Chief Guest was felicitated as a token of gratitude for his valuable contribution to the programme. The organizers expressed appreciation for his inspiring lecture and his efforts in promoting scientific research and education.

Vote of Thanks

The **Vote of Thanks** was delivered by the faculty coordinator, expressing sincere gratitude to the **Chief Guest**, the **Principal**, the **distinguished guests from Jana Vignana Vedika**, faculty members, students, and everyone who contributed to the successful organization of the programme.

The formal session concluded with the **National Anthem**.

Population Awareness Rally

Following the formal session, the students of the **B.A. programme** enthusiastically participated in a **Population Awareness Rally** within the college campus. Carrying placards and raising awareness slogans, the students spread important messages on:

- Population stabilization
- Women's education
- Gender equality
- Public health
- Environmental sustainability
- Responsible parenthood

- Family welfare

The rally effectively conveyed the importance of building a healthy, equitable, and sustainable society through informed and responsible citizenship.

Learning Outcomes

The programme enabled students to:

- Enhance their understanding of population dynamics, population evolution, and sustainable development.
- Develop awareness of responsible parenthood, family welfare, and population stabilization.
- Promote scientific temper and evidence-based thinking through an understanding of genetics and population studies.
- Appreciate the interdisciplinary relationship between genetics, economics, public health, anthropology, and social sciences.
- Strengthen communication, leadership, teamwork, and community participation skills.
- Recognize the importance of women's education, health, empowerment, and gender equality in achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

Programme Outcome

The **World Population Day Programme** was conducted successfully with enthusiastic participation from students and faculty members. The keynote lecture delivered by **Dr. K. Thangaraj** provided valuable insights into human genetics, population evolution, migration patterns, and the application of genetic research in understanding human diversity and public health. His thought-provoking interaction enabled students to understand the interdisciplinary relevance of genetics while fostering scientific curiosity and critical thinking.

The programme successfully achieved its objective of creating awareness about population issues, sustainable development, scientific research, and responsible citizenship. It inspired students to adopt a scientific outlook and actively contribute towards building a sustainable, healthy, and equitable society.





