

SREE NARAYANA COLLEGE

Sivagiri, Varkala, Thiruvananthapuram-695145

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CRITERION VII: INSTITUTIONAL VALUES AND BEST PRACTICES

7.3.1 Institutional Distinctiveness
Performance of the institution in one area distinctive to its priority



7.3. INSTITUTIONAL DISTINCTIVENESS 2023-24

Upholding the Philosophy of Sree Narayana Guru: A Distinctive Feature of Sree Narayana College, Sivagiri, Varkala

Sree Narayana College, Sivagiri stand as a beacon of enlightenment and progress, rooted deeply in the teachings of Sree Narayana Guru, a social reformer, philosopher, and spiritual leader who envisioned a society based on equality, education and ethical living. The distinctiveness of the institution lies in their steadfast commitment to upholding his ideals, which permeate every aspect of their functioning, from academics to extracurricular activities, governance, and community outreach.

At the heart of Sree Narayana Guru's philosophy is the principle of "One Caste, One Religion, One God for Humanity," which underscores the importance of unity, inclusivity, and social harmony. The college embody this vision by fostering an environment that transcends social, religious and cultural barriers. The institutions are open to students from all walks of life, ensuring equitable access to quality education and creating a space where diversity is celebrated.

Education, as envisioned by Sree Narayana Guru, is a tool for individual and societal transformation. The college prioritizes holistic education, integrating academic excellence with moral and ethical development. By promoting values such as humility, compassion and self-reliance, we prepare students not only for successful careers but also for meaningful contributions to society.

The extracurricular activities are designed to reflect the Guru's teachings. Activities like community service, cultural programs and seminars on social reform inspire students to embrace the ideals of equality and service to humanity. Environmental conservation and sustainable

practices, central to the Guru's philosophy of living in harmony with nature, are also key priorities.

Moreover, the governance of the colleges reflects the democratic and egalitarian values championed by Sree Narayana Guru. Decision-making processes emphasize transparency and inclusivity, ensuring the participation of all stakeholders in shaping the institution's vision and policies.

In conclusion, the distinctiveness of Sree Narayana College, Sivagiri lies in their unwavering dedication to embodying the philosophy of Sree Narayana Guru. By integrating his teachings into their educational framework, these institutions continue to inspire generations of students to uphold the ideals of equality, knowledge and social progress, making them not just centers of learning but also instruments of social transformation.

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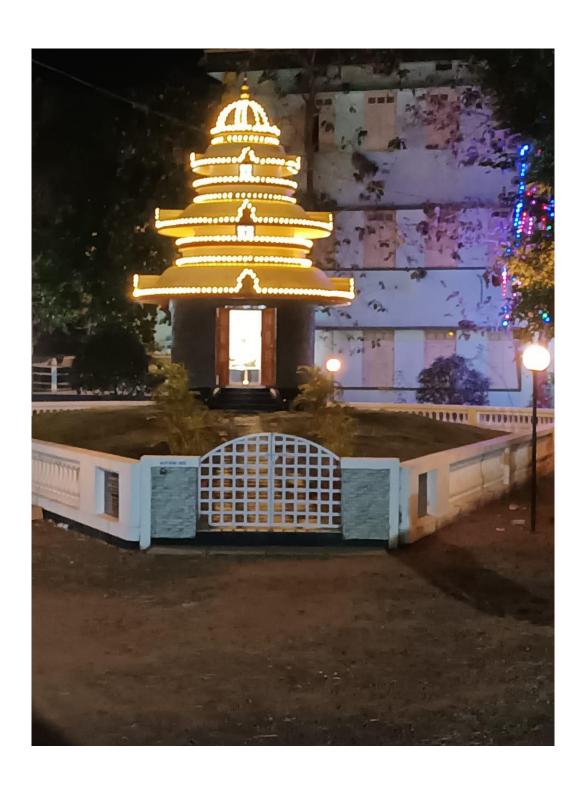
Chathaya Dinam, commemorating the birth anniversary of Sree Narayana Guru, is celebrated with great reverence and enthusiasm on the campus of Sree Narayana Colleges. The day begins with special prayers and floral tributes at the Guru's statue or portrait, reflecting the students' and staff's respect for his teachings. Seminars, talks, and cultural programs are organized to highlight the Guru's contributions to social reform, education and spiritual enlightenment. Traditional arts, music performances and processions often showcase the cultural heritage linked to the Guru's vision. Students actively participate in community service activities such as blood donation drives, distribution of food and essentials, or environmental clean-up initiatives, embodying his principles of selflessness and social responsibility. The celebrations create a unifying atmosphere, inspiring everyone on campus to embrace the Guru's ideals of equality, education, and unity.

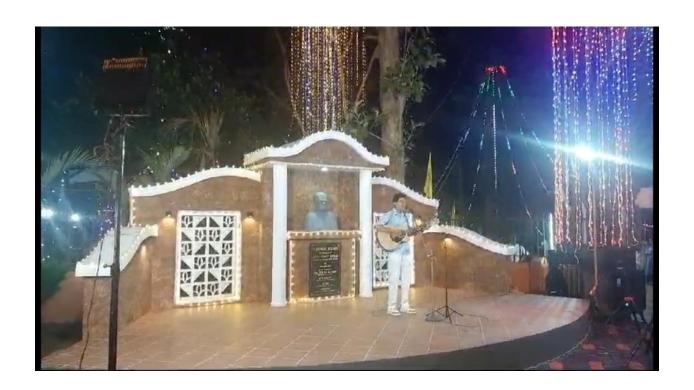






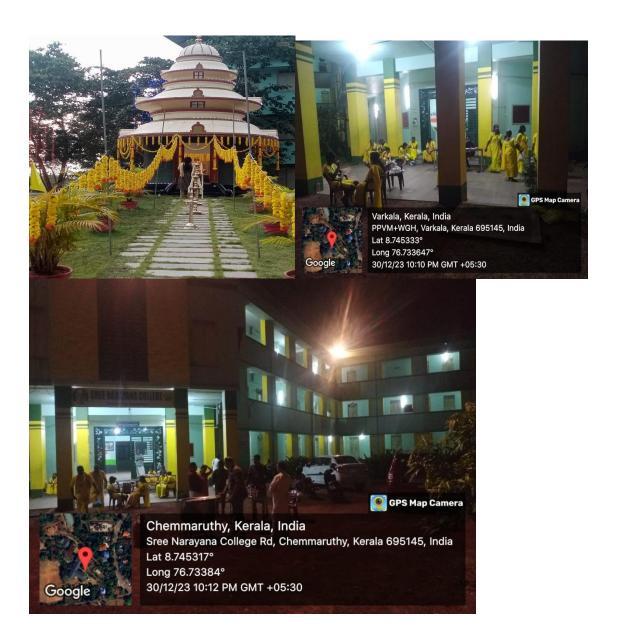


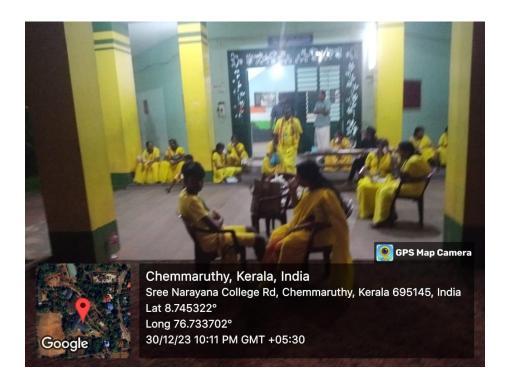




SIVAGIRI THEERTHADANAM

During the Sivagiri pilgrimage, Sree Narayana College, Sivagiri extends its hospitality by providing essential facilities to pilgrims, reflecting its commitment to the ideals of service and community welfare. The college arranges free or affordable food and lodging to accommodate the large influx of devotees, ensuring their comfort during the spiritual journey. Dedicated parking spaces are organized to manage the vehicular flow efficiently, offering convenience to those arriving by car or bus. Refreshment stalls are set up to provide snacks and drinking water, catering to the needs of the pilgrims. Clean and well-maintained toilet facilities are made available across the campus, emphasizing hygiene and accessibility. These efforts demonstrate the college's role in upholding Sree Narayana Guru's principles of compassion and service, fostering a welcoming environment for all.





Green Army During Sivagiri Theerthadanam

During Sivagiri pilgrimage the service of NSS is rendered to the Government and the Sivagiri Mutt to help arrange facilities for the pilgrims and conduct the pilgrimage with green protocol. On 30Th and 31st December and 1st January every year, the NSS units of Sree Narayana College Sivagiri ,Varkala offers service and hep to all the pilgrims.













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