



REPORT OF IMPORTANT ACTIVITIES FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2026

Events held in Kalakshetra Foundation during the month of February, 2026

- A “*jugalbandhi*” was presented by Kalakshetra on 13 February 2026 in a programme Coastal Cyclathon 2026 organised by CISF at Chennai.



Figure 1: Kalakshetra Performing Jugalbandhi for Coastal Cyclathon 2026 by CISF, Chennai ON 13.02.26

- As part of the *navarathri* celebration of Sri Ramakrishna Math, the dance drama production of Kalakshetra Foundation, “*Andal Charitham*” was enacted on 14 February 2026 at the Vivekanandar Illam, Chennai.



Figure 2: Kalakshetra Presented ‘Andal Charitham’ for Sri Ramakrishna Math in Vivekanandar Illam Chennai ON 14.02.26.

- On 21 February 2026, a cultural event was presented by Kalakshetra Foundation during the valedictory function of MILAN 2026, organised by the Indian Navy at Visakhapatnam.
- As part of the 128th Induction Training Programme (ITP) for officers promoted from the State Civil Services to the Indian Administrative Service, a team of 9 IAS officers visited KF on 26 February 2026. After a brief interactive session, the officers were shown a video presentation and an exclusive PPT throwing light on the rich history of KF and its significance in the preservation of our nation’s culture and heritage. As a concluding part, they were taken on a campus tour, thus making their visit an enriching engagement.





- In a programme organised by Airport Authority of India as part of an international seminar, a cultural event “Madhurya Bhavan” was presented on 27 February 2026, at the Hotel Trident, Chennai.
- The Remembering Rukmini Devi festival was held for 3 days from 27 February 2026 to 1 March 2026. It was inaugurated by Shri ESL Narasimhan, former Governor of Andhrapradesh & Telangana. Former Chairman, KF Shri Gopalswamy, Governing Board members Shri R Nataraj and Shri L Venkataesh and Shri Suresh Kumar Chikkala, Director, KF attended the programme.
- As part of RRD, “Andal Charitam” the dance drama production of Kalakshetra Foundation was performed on 27 February 2026 at Bharatakalakshetra Auditorium. On 28 February 2026, a flute concert was held by Shri JA Jayanth and party at Bharatakalakshetra Auditorium. On 1 March 2026, the programmes held were a bhajan recital by Kum. Soorya Gayathri in the morning and a Bharatanatyam recital by Smt Rajasree Warriar at Rukmini Arangam in the evening.



Figure 3: Day 1 - Remembering Rukmini Devi Festival on 27.02.26 ‘Andal Charitham’ Presentation by Kalakshetra Foundation in Bharata Kalakshetra Auditorium.



Figure 4: Day 2 – 28.02.26 – Flute Concert by Shri J A Jayanth & team as part of Remembering Rukmini Devi Festival in Bharatakalakshetra Auditorium.



Figure 5: Day 3 – 01.03.26 – Bhajan recital by Kumari Soorya Gayathri in Rukmini Arangam as part of Remembering Rukmini Devi Festival.



Figure 6: Day 3 – 01.03.26 – Smt Rajasree Warriar Performed Bharatanatyam Recital as part of Remembering Rukmini Devi Festival in Bharata kalakshetra Auditorium, Kalakshetra Foundation.

Rukmini Devi College of Fine Arts (RDCFA)

- Notification for admission to the Four-Year Diploma Courses in Bharatanatyam, Carnatic Music, and Visual Arts for the Academic Year 2026–2027 was released on 15th February 2026 in leading newspapers and the website, www.kalakshetra.in
- The Second Internal Assessment Tests for the Even Semester commenced from 18 February 2026 for all Diploma and Post Diploma courses of RDCFA
- “The Remembering Rukmini Devi Festival” in commemoration of the 122nd Birth Anniversary of Rukmini Devi Arundale, Founder of Kalakshetra Foundation, was held from 27 Feb 2026 to 1 March 2026 as a tribute to the legendary Rukmini Devi Arundale, one of the foremost pioneers of the Bharatanatyam dance form and a visionary who reshaped India’s cultural landscape.

Besant Arundale Senior Secondary School (BASS School)

- Admit Cards for student appearing for board examinations (Class XII and Class X) were issued by Director, KF on 13 February 2026.



- The valedictory ceremony of Co-curricular Activities was held, in which Director KF was the chief invitee. He had distributed prizes to the winners and contestants of various cultural and sports events.



- The live webcast on You Tube, captioned “Board Exams @ CBSE” on the modalities for conduct of fair and square Board Examinations 2026 and OSM Digi evaluation for class XII was attended by the BASS Teachers on 13 February 2026.
- The CBSE board examinations commenced on 17 February 2026 for both Grades 10 and 12.
- The 122nd birth anniversary of Smt Rukmini Devi Arundale, Founder of Kalakshetra, was celebrated on 27 February 2026.

Besant Theosophical Higher Secondary School

- The Annual Day of the school was celebrated on 5 February 2026. It was presided over by the Chief Guest, Shri M Sundaresh Babu, IAS, Director of Census Operations & Citizen Registration, Tamil Nadu and Puducherry. Director, KF was the Guest of Honour. Various events were held on the day, and certificates were distributed to the teachers for their meritorious performance.



- On 16 February 2026, the BTHSS students were honoured by Thiru. Anbil Mahesh Poyyamozhi, Hon'ble Minister of Education, Govt., of Tamil Nadu for winning championship for Silambam events at district, state and national levels.



- Director, KF distributed hall tickets and stationery pouch for the students of class XII, and also cash awards for silambam champions, on 25 February 2026.



Craft Education and Research Centre

Weaving:

Item	Quantity (Numbers)
<input type="checkbox"/> Silk Saree	14
<input type="checkbox"/> Cotton Dupatta	15
<input type="checkbox"/> Cotton design Sarees	2
<input type="checkbox"/> Cotton Korvai saree	6
<input type="checkbox"/> Dance Sarees	6
<input type="checkbox"/> Silk Dupatta	5

Painting:

<input type="checkbox"/> Wall panels	12
<input type="checkbox"/> Painting Saree	1
<input type="checkbox"/> Painting orders	2

Made-up Articles:

<input type="checkbox"/> Bags printing	53
Ear rings	10
Greeting cards	52

Printing:

<input type="checkbox"/> Venkatagiri Sarees	7
<input type="checkbox"/> Maheswari Dupatta	10
<input type="checkbox"/> Maheswari Sarees	8
<input type="checkbox"/> Chanderi Sarees	16
<input type="checkbox"/> Dress material (meters)	12.50
<input type="checkbox"/> Voile Stole	68
Napkin set	5
Cotton blouse	28
Salwar set	8

Workshops & Visitors:

- Forty-nine persons (30 Indians 19 from other countries) visited the Craft Centre, in addition to the campus visitors.
- During the month, 7 persons have attended workshop.
- Students from The NEST School, Kodambakkam, Chennai, an international school, visited the Centre and participated in hands on activity of traditional crafts