



REPORT OF IMPORTANT ACTIVITIES FOR THE MONTH OF JULY 2026

Events :-

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

- On 01.07.26, Cultural Presentation by Kalakshetra Foundation as part of Sea Food Expo 2026 by Marine Products Export Development Authority (MPEDA).
- Performed Bharatanatyam as part of Monsoon Festival In Perumbavoor, Kochi conducted by South Zone Cultural Centre, Thanjavur on 04.07.26.
- **2-Day Folk Festival – 6th & 7th July 2026** -- A 2-day Folk Festival was organized at Rukmini Arangam in collaboration with the South Zone Cultural Centre (SZCC), Thanjavur. Pre-event posters and banners were arranged, and immediate event updates with photographs were posted on official social media channels and official website.
- **Kala Mela July Series – 18th & 19th July 2026**
Day 1 Featured Carnatic Kutcheri by Shri Trissur Ramachandran & Ensemble.
Day 2 Featured – Bharatanatyam by Shri Girish Madhu (faculty) Kalakshetra Foundation & Smt Vidhya Girish.





- **Digital Outreach** During the month, all events and activities were posted across all social media platforms. This included real-time updates for the Folk Festival and July Kala Mela series, post-event photo uploads for the BASS Annual Day, and the distribution of official job notices. Verified photographs from all July events were uploaded to update the official website. The foundation also increased its reach by reposting and retweeting content from the Nodal group.
- **Instagram Followers:** Follower count increased from 39.4k to 39,734 (+334)
- **Facebook Followers:** Follower count increased from 43.5k to 43,619 (+119)
- **Campus Visits:** Guided heritage tours were coordinated for 56 visitors, including incoming domestic groups, international delegations, and tourists.

Establishment

- On the basis of her request for **voluntary retirement** from service, **Dr. Jyolsana Menon**, HoD and Professor (Bharatanatyam), Rukmini Devi College of Fine Arts, Kalakshetra Foundation has been relieved from the services of Kalakshetra Foundation with effect from the afternoon of 6-7-2026.
- On attaining the age of **superannuation**, **Smt. Nandini Nagaraj**, Assistant Professor (Bharatanatyam), Rukmini Devi College of Fine Arts, Kalakshetra Foundation retired from service on 31-7-2026.
- Based on the recommendations of Screening Committee constituted for consideration of cases becoming due for grant of Financial Upgradation on completion of 10/20/30 years of service, 4 employees viz. Shri S.Ramesh (LDC), Shri V. Srinivasan (Engineer Officer), Shri G.Swaminathan (Cook) and Shri P.Ramesh Kumar (Cook) have been granted Financial Upgradation from the date of their becoming eligible.

Civil works:

- The following civil works undertaken are in progress (1) strengthening and raising of Random rubble compound wall in the eastern boundary wall of Kalakshetra Foundation (Rs 22,62,160) (2) tarring of road surface inside Kalakshetra Foundation from BCCH to wooden gate - Thriuvanmiyur (Rs.13,55,885) (3) procurement of stage curtains/back drops for BKA in Kalakshetra Foundation(Rs.4,95,500)
- Tenders have been floated for (1) development works for covering the pathway at visual arts section in Kalakshetra Foundation at an estimated cost of Rs.15,67,678 and (2) special repairs to quarters in Kalakshetra Foundation for an amount of Rs.10,81,229.

Rukmini Devi College of Fine Arts (RDCFA)

- A workshop was conducted on 1-7-2026 by the Counsellor, Dr Kavitha, for First year students, on mental health orientation to help them adapt to college life, manage stress and promote emotional well-being.
- As part of the curriculum, an educational tour was arranged for the **first-year students** of Rukmini Devi College of Fine Arts to various places in the city --- **Theosophical Society (Adyar), Government Museum (Egmore), and Kapaleeswarar Temple (Mylapore) on 18 July 2026.** The **second-year students** visited various temples in **Kanchipuram** on **17 July 2026.**
- Admission process for 6 years Prathama courses have been completed and classes were started for Bharatanatyam on 21st July, Carnatic Music on 24th July, and Visual Arts on 24th July, 2026
- Highest-ever number of admissions in the Diploma and Post Diploma programmes have been recorded during this academic year.

Besant Arundale Senior Secondary School (BASS School)

- Elections to Student council were conducted on 4 July 2026, for the benefit of students to exercise their suffrage.
- To provide a comprehensive overview of the NCERT reformed curriculum and the revised examination pattern for Grade IX iterating the synergized stake holding by parents, an Orientation meet for parents of Grade IX students was convened on 4 July 2026 (Saturday) by the Senior PG Teacher.
- A one-day educational trip was organized for the students of Classes IX to XII on 11 July 2026 (Saturday) to the Sri Venkateswara Zoological Park and the Regional Science Centre, Tirupati.



- Birth anniversary of former Chief Minister of TN, *Perunthalaivar* Shri K Kamaraj, was observed in the school campus on 15 July 2026. Students presented speeches eloquently on the ideologies of Shri K Kamaraj.
- The school celebrated its 52nd Annual Day on 17 July 2026, under the leadership of Sri. Suresh Kumar Chikkala, Director, Kalakshetra Foundation.



- The teaching faculty participated in a webinar on 'Tricks for Making Learning Stick' by Ms. Divya Pasampora Ahluwalia on 17 July 2026.
- The Principal briefed the parents of Class VI Students regarding the three- language scheme in the CBSE on 21 July 2026.
- Teachers attended a Free Blended Learning Webinar on 26 July 2026, which provided valuable insights into integrating technology with classroom instruction and adopting innovative teaching practices.
- The verification processes for List of Candidates (LOC) registration which was started on 27th July was extended to 28th, 29th and 30th to facilitate authentication of documents furnished.
- The admissions made during this academic year is the highest-ever in the school.

Besant Theosophical Higher Secondary School

- On 13 July 2026, Police Officials came from Adyar and Thiruvananthapuram Stations to conduct awareness program for all the children and guided our students towards safety measures.



- On 15.07.2026, our school celebrated the birth anniversary of “**Perunthalaivar K. Kamarajar**” with great respect and enthusiasm. Various competitions were conducted, and the winners were awarded prizes by Deputy Director of KF.



- Uniform (2 sets each) were distributed by the Deputy Director to the children of classes I to V. These Uniforms were sponsored by Correspondent & Secretary of BTHS School.



- During the month, the students participated in zonal level competitions in Basketball and Volleyball competitions for Under 14 and Under 17, Tennikoit competition on 28 July 2026, beach volleyball competitions on 29 July 2026 and won prizes.



Tennikoit at the zonal level and won the prizes.



Beach Volley Ball at the zonal level and won the prizes

- On 29.07.2026, a student of Class XII (Udhayan R), won prize in a zonal level Silambam competition.



Craft Education and Research Centre

Weaving		Painting	
Silk Saree	19 Nos.	Wall panels	14 Nos.
Cotton design Sarees	8 Nos.	Painting Saree	1 No.
Cotton Korvai saree	3 Nos.	Painting Dupatta	1 No
Made up Articles		Printing	
Jewel Bags	25 Nos.	Chanderi Dupatta	20 Nos.
Greeting cards	32 Nos	Sarees (Printing Order)	06 Nos
Mobile sling bag	25 Nos	Cotton Dupatta	03 No.
Greeting cards	31 Nos.	Dress material	14.60 M
Laptop Sleeve	1 No	Printing Wall panel	02 Nos.
Shoulder Tote Bag	1 No	Cotton Stole	87 Nos.
		Chanderi sarees	25 Nos.
		Towel	34 Nos.
		Cotton Salwar Set	11 Nos.

During the month, as a part of the proposal of expansion of weaving production through weaving cluster as per the advice of the Ministry, an agreement with M/s. Arunachaleswara Handloom Weavers Co-operative Production & Sale Society Ltd, Madanapalle, A.P. has been entered for job work of Weaving of Kalakshetra Sarees and materials handed over to the Society.

Workshops & Visitors:

- A group of 34 students from VIT Fashion Institute of Technology (VFIT), Chennai visited the Craft Centre to witness the traditional Craft making at

Kalakshetra Foundation as part of their curriculum on Indian Traditional craft making.

- A total of 40 persons (33 Indians and 7 foreigners) visited the Craft Centre during the month in addition to the campus visitors.
- During the month, 2 persons have attended workshop.