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Kattankulathur, Chengalpattu, Tamil Nadu

DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH AND FOREIGN LANGUAGES

LANGUAGES DAY 2025

In the echo of languages,
find belonging...



Online Competitions
11 - 18 February, 2025

Chief Guest
Dr. K.S CHITRA

Dr. T. P Ganesan, Main Auditorium
20 February 2025 - 1pm to 4pm

For students, research scholars and faculty across KTR campus



Why Celebrate Languages Day

Language is more than just a means of communication. It carries culture, history and identities. At SRM Institute of Science and Technology, the Department of English and Foreign Languages proudly celebrates **Languages Day** to honor the linguistic diversity that shapes our world. This celebration is about appreciating different languages and recognizing their role in shaping societies, preserving heritage, and encouraging cross-cultural understanding. By organizing exciting events, stimulating discussions and exhilarating activities, we aim to bring attention to the beauty of languages and the urgent need to preserve them in an increasingly globalized world.

The significance of languages, global and regional, cannot be overstated. Languages like English, German, French, Spanish, Russian, Japanese, Mandarin, and Korean opens doors to international opportunities and collaborations for academic pursuits, as well as career. Further, these languages allow students to engage with diverse perspectives. Meanwhile, India's rich heritage of languages like Tamil, Hindi, Malayalam, Bengali, Odia, Marathi, etc., form an essential part of our cultural fabric. However, with rapid urbanization and the dominance of English in professional and academic spaces, younger generations are slowly losing touch with their mother tongues. This disconnection affects their cultural identity and limits their access to centuries of indigenous knowledge and literature.

Languages Day also confronts a pressing global reality that languages are disappearing at an alarming rate worldwide. UNESCO reports that nearly 40% of the world's languages are endangered. Nearly one language vanishes every two weeks erasing centuries of knowledge, folklores, traditions and cultural nuances,

The Ainu language of Japan, now spoken by a handful of elders, Guarani in Paraguay, Ayapaneco in Mexico, and Latvia's Livonian, with its last native speaker passing away in 2013, are stark reminders of this loss. India, too, has seen a decline in several tribal languages due to modernization and migration. Celebrating **Languages Day** becomes an act of resistance, a way to rekindle pride in linguistic roots and educate students about the fragility of these vulnerable treasures.

Aligned with India's National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 which prioritizes mother-tongue education for holistic student development, the department's initiatives emphasize multilingualism as the foundation of intellectual growth and emotional well-being. **Languages Day** accentuates this philosophy by creating space where students engage with their native languages through inspiring discussions and counter the notion that regional languages are "less relevant" in modern contexts.

Through this annual event - **Languages Day**, the department reiterates our commitment to promoting linguistic diversity and celebrate stories, traditions and wisdom which is worth protecting.

Join us in this journey, taking pride in the linguistic heritage, embracing the beauty of learning new languages and thus contributing in nurturing every syllable of our spoken tradition.



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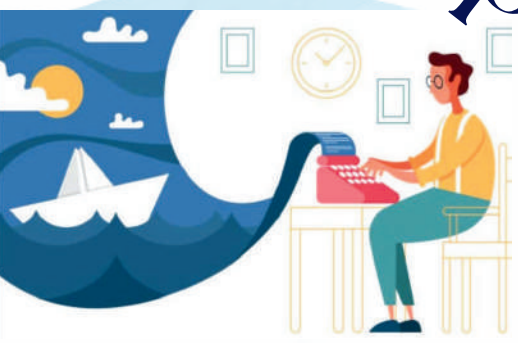
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To have another language is to possess a second soul.
- Charlemagne

Participate Online: (11 -18 February, 2025)

Tale Tapestry



Word Weaver



Langsmith



Quilluminations



Meme Matrix



Tune Transit



Offline:

Register and
Exhibit your talents,
Win exciting prizes!!!

Art Reimagined



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Choose your
language to compete

Foreign Languages

- French, Spanish, German, Russian, Japanese, English, Chinese

Indian Regional Languages

- Tamil, Telugu, Hindi, Bengali, Assamese, Nagamese, Odia, Malayalam,

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