

Interfaith initiative “ Seminar Organized by SUNFO Silver Supportive Fellow Dr. I. Y. M. Aniff”

In celebration of World Interfaith Harmony Week, SUNFO Silver Supportive Fellow Dr. I. Y. M. Aniff organized and supported a unique series of seminars on February 7th, 2025, at three educational institutions: Wijayarathnam Hindu Central College, Thoppu Roman Catholic Tamil College, and Walihena Tamil Roman Catholic Maha Vidyalaya. These seminars combined the study of mathematics—a universal language—with interfaith understanding, promoting unity, and encouraging collaboration among students and faculty from diverse religious backgrounds. The event highlighted the importance of interfaith harmony in building a peaceful and inclusive society, while also emphasizing the role of education in fostering mutual respect and cooperation.

Key Highlights of the Seminar:

Awareness Sessions by SUNFO Peace Messengers:

SUNFO Peace Messengers conducted awareness sessions on interfaith understanding, emphasizing the shared values of compassion, respect, and peace across different religions. These sessions encouraged students to appreciate diversity and work together toward common goals.

Promoting Unity Through Collaborative Learning:

Students and faculty from different religious backgrounds worked together on mathematical problems and group activities, fostering teamwork and mutual respect. This collaborative approach reinforced the idea that interfaith harmony is built through shared experiences and collective effort.

Celebration of Diversity:

The seminars included cultural exchanges where students shared traditions, stories, and practices from their respective faiths. This celebration of diversity highlighted the richness of different cultures and their contributions to society.

Focus on Youth as Peacebuilders:

The event emphasized the role of young people as agents of change in promoting interfaith harmony. Students were encouraged to take leadership roles in their communities, fostering dialogue and collaboration across religious divides.

Integration of Education and Interfaith Values:

By combining mathematics with interfaith understanding, the seminars demonstrated how education can be a powerful tool for promoting peace and unity. This innovative approach inspired students to see the connections between knowledge, faith, and social harmony.

This initiative serves as a powerful reminder that interfaith harmony can be fostered through innovative and inclusive approaches. By empowering young people to embrace diversity and work together, we can build a future where knowledge, faith, and mutual respect coexist harmoniously. Let us continue to support and celebrate such efforts, ensuring that interfaith harmony remains a cornerstone of our shared humanity.

