



MOKSHA VERSION 6.0 – CULTURAL REPORT

“**MOKSHA**” is an annual sports and cultural fest held at SRM dental college for the past 13 years. It serves both as a forum to express one’s talent and as a platform for improving the bond between the students. The main objectives of hosting “Moksha” are to build leadership qualities, improve organizational skills and teamwork amongst the students, unearth hidden talents, break the shackles of a tough academic year, and to prepare the students for their future endeavours.

Moksha is celebrated lavishly like a carnival every year and is organised by the CRR batch, carefully monitored by the Sports secretary – Dr. Edeinton and the Cultural secretary – Dr. Rajkumar and ably supported by the SRM management and administration. Tagged as “Moksha version 6.0” this year, it was organized by the 2011 batch – “Pegasus”. The cultural fest was held on the 26th, 27th and 28th of April amidst a record attendance of over 800 students, alumini, Post-graduates, staff and other dignitaries.

The cultural extravaganza was preceded by a series of pre-cultural activities in which both the staff and students took active participation. A rice bag challenge was initiated and the students were asked to donate bags of rice to old age homes, orphanages and various institutions for the underprivileged. A stunning response from the staff and students resulted in donations of over 2000 kilograms of rice among other goods such as cooking oil, clothes to name a few. It was heart-warming to witness the students interact with those in need of love and care. It also instilled a sense of social service and responsibility in the minds of the students and also made them grateful of all the amenities they have been blessed with.

The cultural fever was kicked off on the 26th of April as the students dressed themselves in Ethnic wear. Various events such as cooking, Bridal makeup, Rangoli to name a few, were held which received encouraging participation from the staff, Post-graduates and students. The last two days of the cultural was held at the Open Air Theatre. A massive stage was set up, highlighted by three high resolution LED screens completed by state of the art sound systems and lighting.

The prize distribution for the sporting events was held on the 27th at the TRP auditorium. The event was presided by Assistant Commissioner of Police Thiru. Gunasekaran, Director of Ramapuram and Trichy Campus – Dr. T.S. Sridhar and the Dean – Dr. K. Ravi. Students were rewarded for their exploits and their hardwork was rightly appreciated by the dignitaries.

The events in the Open Air Theatre were kick started after the prize distribution. The students and Post-graduates stole the show with dazzling displays of Solo dance, duet and Indian dance. Melodious vocal performances in solo and duet singing enthralled the audience. The events were judged by playback singer – Dr. Nikita Gandhi of “Ladio” fame who is a dentist herself. The day came to a close after a string of entertaining dance performances by the students.

The Final day was by all means the grandest of Moksha. The audience was in for a shocking surprise when Flamboyant actor – “**Nadippin Nayagan**” Suriya graced the occasion with his presence. He

wished the students the very best for their examinations and also praised the college for their donations to the Agaram Foundation. The staff also threw a special performance amidst deafening cheers from the Gathering. It was indeed a pleasant gift from the teaching faculty to the students. The staff also encouraged and mingled with the students for many events which helped break the barriers between them and helped their interaction. The day came to a close with the Gran Finale. The Final year students, nicknamed – the “Troezianz”, ran home with the Overall Championship.

The fest might have lasted only three days, but the memories will forever remain etched as the best 72 hours in the academic for every budding dentist at SRM.