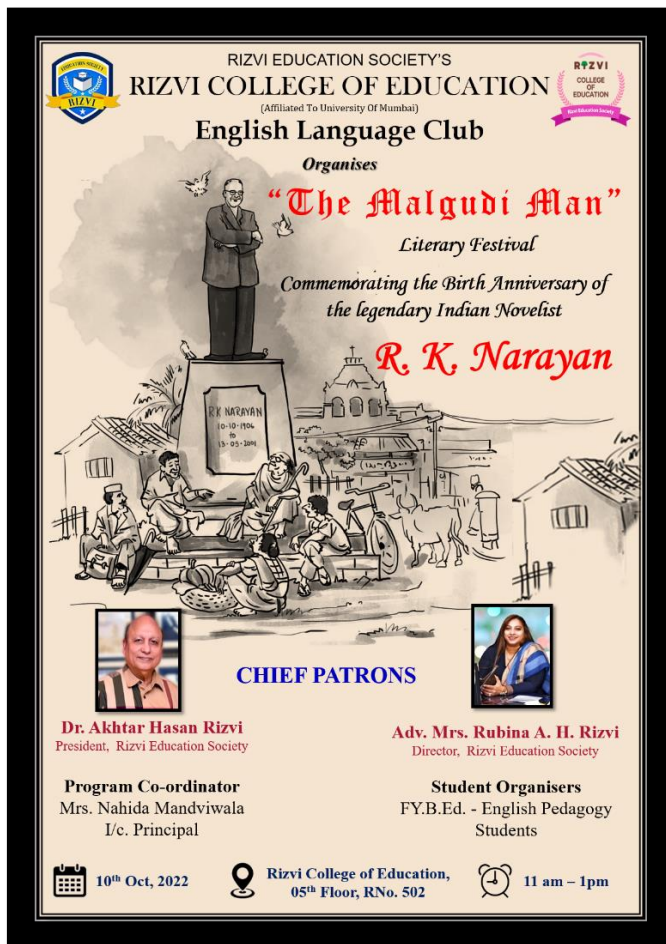


“The Malgudi Man” - A Literary Festival

The English Language Club of Rizvi College of Education organised a literary meet on 10th October, 2022 to commemorate the 116th birth anniversary of the legendary Indian writer, R. K. Narayanan, the writer of the famous Malgudi Days and Novels converted to films like The Guide (starred by Dev Anand). The event was held under the patron-ship of Principal Mrs. Nahida Mandviwala. SY.B.Ed English method student-teachers presented their views and perspective about the works, life, career and achievements of the story writer and novelist, R.K. Narayan.



The poster features the Rizvi Education Society's logo and the college name. It includes a central illustration of a man on a pedestal overlooking a village. Text on the poster includes: 'RIZVI EDUCATION SOCIETY'S RIZVI COLLEGE OF EDUCATION (Affiliated To University Of Mumbai) English Language Club Organises "The Malgudi Man" Literary Festival Commemorating the Birth Anniversary of the legendary Indian Novelist R. K. Narayan'. It also lists the Chief Patrons: Dr. Akhtar Hasan Rizvi (President, Rizvi Education Society) and Adv. Mrs. Rubina A. II. Rizvi (Director, Rizvi Education Society). Program Co-ordinator: Mrs. Nahida Mandviwala (I/c. Principal). Student Organisers: FY.B.Ed. - English Pedagogy Students. Date: 10th Oct, 2022. Location: Rizvi College of Education, 05th Floor, RNo. 502. Time: 11 am - 1pm.



The English Language Club through the literary meet commemorated the birth anniversary of R. K. Narayanan. On this day SY. Students Ms. Rukhsar and Ms. Oilann gave a deep insight into the style, structure and artistry in his novels titled, 'The English Teacher' and 'Swami and his Friends'.



Report

On Monday morning 10th October 2022 The Rizvi College of education conducted an event on RK. Narayan's works and different books. It was conducted with respect to give tribute to RK Narayan on his 116th birth anniversary.

Event was conducted by the second year students - batch 2021 to 2023. Start of the event Miss Tressy Saldanha began with a small inauguration ceremony in which the Principal Mrs. Nahida

Mandviwala along with faculty members Dr Spoty, Karthik, Dr. Priyanka Pandey, Dr. GyanPrakash Arya were invited for the ceremony. The event started with giving a glimpse of the way RK Narayan lived in his earlier days. Miss. Sanjana and Miss. Sakshi were invited to be the ones to elaborate over RK Narayans life and his books As well as elaborate over the form in which he wrote things. Malgudi Man, an iconic character created by the legendary Indian author R.K. Narayan, embodies the essence of simplicity, resilience, and endurance. Set in the fictional town of Malgudi, Narayan's works beautifully capture the nuances of human life and the struggles faced by ordinary individuals. Malgudi Man, the epitome of an average person, represents the hopes, dreams, and aspirations of countless individuals who strive to find meaning and contentment in their lives. An elaboration on how RK Narayan is a well-known Indian writer and a novelist known for his work set in the fictional South Indian town of Malgudi. He was a leading author of early Indian literature in English. His life in Madras along with his sibling and other family members were spoken about with beautiful childhood as well as adulthood pictures of theirs. His different books and genres or writing were presented.

The event continued with the SY students who came forward and elaborated over RK Narayan different books Miss. Shloka explained in brief about his book known as the vendor of sweets - The story beautifully reflects his conflict with his estranged son and how he finally leaves for renunciation, overwhelmed by the sheer pressure and monotony of his life. Mr. Jansen gave a brief elaboration on his work on The Malgudi days in which he explained the The book includes 32 stories, all set in the fictional town of [Malgudi](#), located in South India. Each of the stories portrays a facet of life in Malgudi.

A critical Analysis on two different books were given by Miss. Rukhsar on Swami and his friends who first came forward Followed by Miss Olian on The English Teacher who critically analyse the books and gave us a gist of it as well as explained important aspects that caught their eyes. They elaborated on different quotes that were mentioned in

the book “Yes, but my drawing master has asked me to see him. I suppose even then I should not go if I fail in the drawing examination I think you will be pleased”. Such short and touching quotes were elaborated on and gave us an emotionally available feeling towards the book.

The event also had a library setup by Miss. Hani and Miss. Iqra with different books of RK Narayan which were collected from the college library as well as other Rizvi institutions and well organized according to their names and Genres.

At the end of the event a humorous activity was conducted where Miss. Suhana and Miss. Samreen enacted like different characters in R K Narayan's books like the boy and Grandmother's bond in *The Grandmother's Tale* & *The Bachelor of Arts* novel and many more.

In conclusion Miss. Christina explained about the Malgudi Man and how he is a literary creation that transcends boundaries and leaves an indelible mark on readers' hearts. Through his simplicity, resilience, and endurance, he embodies the quintessential qualities of an ordinary individual navigating life's challenges. Narayan's portrayal of Malgudi Man serves as a gentle reminder that true happiness lies in embracing life's ordinary moments and finding contentment in the simplest of joys.

The guests were thanked and asked to put forth their reviews on the event with a positive attitude the students understood where we can do better and what were the best parts of the event. The students who were not aware of the great works of the Malgudi Man were able to acknowledge and learn about the new books as well as the way of writing of the very well-known R K Narayan.

