

## QUEEN MARY'S COLLEGE (A) CHENNAI - 4

### DEPARTMENT OF HISTORICAL STUDIES

#### SOSA MEETING – 2025-2026



The department of Historical Studies conducted Sosa meeting on 14<sup>th</sup> February 2026. The meeting was presided by Dr. M. Raziya Parvin, head of the department of Historical Studies, welcomed the gathering, it is a celebration of memories, achievements, friendships, and the enduring bond that connects with this department.

The chief guest of the event was our department alumnae Mrs. D. Tamararasi, Assistant Professor, did her MPhil and Dr. Puratchi Selvi, did her UG and PhD in Queen Mary's College.



Mrs. Tamararasi shared a few thoughts on a subject that has shaped not only my academic journey but also my understanding of the world — the study of history, The greatest value of history is that it helps us develop critical thinking. It teaches to question, analyse evidence, and understand multiple perspectives. In today's fast-changing world, these skills are extremely important for responsible citizenship and informed decision-making.

and Dr. Puratchi Selvi gave some simple tips from her experiences, to stay updated with current affairs and not limited only to Group IV exams but also to concentrate on other exams as History offers many career opportunities and never stops learning.

Few alumnae also shared their opinions with the present students, how the institution helped them to shaped their thinking and confidence and also thanked the department for their achievement. The meeting ended with the distributions of sweets to the students and staffs.

t gives me immense pleasure and pride to welcome each one of you to this gathering of our Old Students Association. Today is not just a reunion — it is a celebration of memories, achievements, friendships, and the enduring bond that connects you with this department.

As former students, you are the true ambassadors of our institution. Your accomplishments in diverse fields reflect the values, knowledge, and discipline nurtured here. Seeing you return to your alma mater fills us with happiness and inspiration, especially for our current students who look up to your journeys as examples of dedication and success.

This association serves a very meaningful purpose. It strengthens lifelong connections, encourages mentorship, supports institutional development, and preserves the rich legacy of our department. Your continued involvement — whether through guidance, collaboration, or simply staying connected — plays a crucial role in our growth.

I sincerely hope today's interaction rekindles old friendships, creates new opportunities for collaboration, and reminds you that this department will always remain your academic home.

ood morning / Good evening respected Head of the Department, faculty members, dear students, fellow alumni, and distinguished guests.

It is truly a privilege for me to stand here today as an old student of this department and

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History is far more than dates, events, and names recorded in textbooks. It is the story of human experiences, struggles, achievements, ideas, and transformations. By studying history, we learn how societies evolved, how cultures interacted, and how decisions made in the past continue to influence our present and future.