



# TAGORE COLLEGE OF PHARMACY

(Affiliated to The Tamil Nadu Dr. MGR Medical University, Chennai, Tamil Nadu)  
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<b>Name of the event</b>	PONGAL CELEBRATIONS
<b>Date &amp; Time</b>	20/01/2026; 8:30 am to 1:30 pm
<b>Organized by</b>	Student Council, Tagore College of Pharmacy
<b>No. of Participants</b>	300
<b>Report</b>	<p>Tagore College of Pharmacy organized <b>Pongal Celebrations</b> in association with Tagore College of Physiotherapy and Tagore Institute of Allied Health Sciences on 13<sup>th</sup> January 2026 to mark the traditional harvest festival of Tamil Nadu. Prior to the main celebration, competitions such as Rangoli, Elocution (Tamil), and Flameless Cooking were conducted on 12<sup>th</sup> January 2026 in the respective colleges as part of the Pongal festivities. Students actively participated in these events with great enthusiasm, showcasing creativity, communication skills, and teamwork. The programme was conducted to promote cultural awareness, preserve traditional values, and strengthen the spirit of unity and festivity among students and faculty members. Pongal celebrations began on 13<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 am with a symbolic <b>Pongal pot boiling ritual</b>, decorated with rangoli, turmeric and sugarcanes, representing gratitude to nature, farmers and worshipping the Sun God for a bountiful harvest. Students and staff dressed in traditional attire added vibrant colour to the celebration. Various cultural activities such as traditional folk songs, dance performances, and games like uriyadithal were organized. Respected Chairperson, Prof. Dr. M. Mala, Shri. G. Manikandan, Trust Secretary, and Selvi. Rakshana, Member, Tagore Educational Trust and CEO, Jerusalem College of Engineering graced the occasion and distributed medals and cash prizes to the best performers and the winners of the competitions. Pharmacy and Physiotherapy Students performed <b>Silambam demonstration</b> showcasing the traditional Tamil martial art that emphasizes agility, discipline, and cultural heritage. The performance reflected the bravery, strength, and ancient combat traditions of Tamil civilization, adding vibrancy and cultural pride to the event. Students actively participated with great enthusiasm, reflecting the richness of Tamil culture and heritage. The campus atmosphere was filled with joy, laughter, and festive spirit. Traditional Pongal dishes were prepared and shared among participants, fostering a sense of togetherness and community bonding. The celebration provided an opportunity for students to understand the cultural significance of Pongal and appreciate the importance of agricultural traditions in Indian society, thus leaving the participants with cherished memories and strengthened cultural pride.</p>