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A symbol of Dedication

FOUNDER’S DAY TROPHY REPORT - 2026

AN INTER COLLEGIATE INVITATIONAL

A STATE LEVEL INTER COLLEGIATE INVITATIONAL TOURNAMENT

(MEN AND WOMEN)

Organized by the

DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND SPORTS

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Tournament date and venue February 18th, 19th, 20th 2026, **GRDCS**, Coimbatore

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RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. The Tournament will be held between February 18th - 20th, 2026.
2. Games & Venue with the Schedules:

S. No	Names of the Events	Venues	Dates
1	CARROM (Men, Women)	KAILASH INDOOR STADIUM Dr. GRD CS, Main Campus	18.02.2026
2	CHESS (Men, Women)	RD HALL, Dr. GRD CS Main Campus	18.02.2026
3	TABLE TENNIS (Men, Women)	KAILASH INDOOR STADIUM Dr. GRD CS, Main Campus	18.02.2026
4	BASKETBALL (Men)	BASKETBALL COURT Dr. GRD CS, Main Campus	19.02.26 to 20.02.2026
5	SHUTTLE BADMINTON (Men, Women)	KAILASH INDOOR STADIUM Dr. GRD CS, Main Campus	19.02.26 to 20.02.2026
6	FUTSAL (Men)	Dr. GRD CS, (Football Field) Malluroundangurud Campus	19.02.26 to 20.02.2026

INTRODUCTION

Recognizing that sports inculcate essential virtues—including physical fitness, competitive spirit, dexterity, mental agility, and nimble-mindedness—promoting athletics has become a national priority.

The **Founders Day Trophy 2026**, a state-level inter-collegiate tournament for men and women, concluded on the birthday of Dr. G.R. Damodaran, a symbol of dedication. Held from February 18th to 20th, 2026, at **GRD College of Science**, the event is celebrated annually to honor his legacy. This year’s tournament saw over 700 students from across Tamil Nadu compete in six sporting disciplines across 14 categories.

The Department of Physical Education successfully organized this mega-event, bringing together talented athletes from various institutions to showcase their prowess in an array of thrilling competitions.

THE CEREMONY

The opening ceremony took place at the **Kailash Indoor Stadium**. Chief Guest Mr. Sunil Uppalapati delivered a special address, expressing his delight at the sportsmanship demonstrated by the participants.

Encouraging the students, **Dr. D. Padmanaban**, Managing Trustee & Correspondent, remarked: “The sporting talent showcased here is exemplary. Sportsmanship and teamwork—the qualities required to excel in sports—are the same traits needed to succeed in life.” He noted that GRD students, with their professional competence and result-oriented approach, are true "go-getters" and assets to any organization.

Smt. Geetha Padmanaban, Joint Managing Trustee & Secretary, extended her best wishes to the players, officially declared the tournament open, and led the lighting of the torch. **Dr. T. Santha**, Principal of GRD CS, delivered the welcome address and motivated the athletes, while **Dr. L. Manivannan**, Director of Physical Education, provided the tournament introduction. The special guest lit the Olympic torch and presented it to achieving athletes, who carried it together to ignite the ceremonial flame.

EVENTS

The Founders Day sports fest hosted a diverse range of events designed to maximize student participation. With an exciting lineup including **Football, Basketball, Shuttle Badminton, Chess, Table Tennis, and Carrom**, the 2026 Trophy provided an unforgettable experience.

The winners were honored with Rolling Trophies for the top three teams, and all participants received certificates. The celebration vividly highlighted the team spirit, camaraderie, and harmony among the student-athletes.

PARTICIPANTS

This year witnessed an overwhelming response, with over **42 Colleges** across Tamil Nadu sending their teams. This diversity fostered a spirit of healthy competition and collaboration. To ensure maximum inclusivity, entry fees were kept reasonable. Furthermore, the college provided complimentary food and refreshments to all players, coaches, referees, and team managers.

IMPACT

The Founders Day Sports Fest had a profound impact on all participants. It fostered a sense of unity and camaraderie, bringing together diverse individuals to celebrate a shared passion for sports. The event promoted a healthy, active lifestyle and encouraged students to prioritize their physical well-being.

The platform allowed talented athletes to shine, boosting their confidence and promoting true sportsmanship. Additionally, the **Founders Day 2026 Trophy** enhanced the reputation of GRD College of Science, establishing it as a vibrant campus and leaving a lasting positive impression on the academic and sporting community.

TOURNAMENT RESULTS

S.NO	NAME OF THE EVENT	TOTAL NO OF TEAMS	WINNER	RUNNER	THIRD
1	Football - Men	22	GRD	Sri Kaliswari, Sivakasi	SRM Trichy
2	Basketball - Men	12	NGP	SNS	GRD
3	Chess Women	7	GRD	Sri Ramkirshna College	SNS College
4	Chess - Men	24	VLBI Cas	Sri Kaliswari	VLBJ
5	Table Tennis Doubles – Men	5	GRD	SRM IST Trichy	GCT

participants to further develop their skills and consider sports a vital part of their future careers. Ultimately, the Founders Day Trophy 2026 instills a deep sense of passion, curiosity, and sportsmanship in every player.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We express our heartfelt gratitude to everyone who contributed to the success of the Founders Day Trophy 2026 at GRD College of Science. We are deeply thankful to our Honorable Managing Trustee & Correspondent, **Dr. D. Padmanaban**, our Honorable Secretary, **Smt. Geetha Padmanaban**, and our Principal, **Dr. T. Santha**, as well as all members of the Tournament Committee for their unwavering support.

We also wish to thank the participants from various colleges for their passion, talent, and commitment. Special appreciation goes to the faculty, staff, student volunteers, and all supporting departments of GRD CS for their dedication to organizing and executing this event seamlessly.

Finally, we extend our gratitude to the match officials for sharing their expertise and ensuring fair play. Every contribution played a part in making the Founders Day Trophy 2026 a landmark event in our history, truly celebrating the essence of sports and sportsmanship.



The event promoted sportsmanship, teamwork, healthy competition and we look forward to hosting more such tournaments in the future on behalf of our GRD College of Science. Every year Founders Day Trophy will be conducted with the support of management during February 3rd week.

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TABLE TENNIS (Men & Women)	CARROM (Men & Women)

Faculty members: Dr. G. R. DAMODARAN (Principal), Dr. S. PARAMASAYI (Organizing Faculty), and Dr. SURESH P. SURESH (Organizing Faculty).

FOUNDER'S DAY - 2026 PRESS NEWS

ஜி.ஆர்.டி. கல்லூரியில் மாநில அளவிலான விளையாட்டுப் போட்டிகள்!

கோவை, பிப்.22
கோவையில் உள்ள டாக்டர் ஜி.ஆர். தாமோதரன் அறிவியல் கல்லூரியில் மாநில அளவிலான கல்லூரிகளுக்கு இடையேயான 'நிறுவனத்தினக் கோப்பை 2026' விளையாட்டுப் போட்டிகள் 3 நாட்கள் நடைபெற்றது. கல்லூரியின் நிறுவனர் டாக்டர் ஜி.ஆர்.தாமோதரன் பிறந்தநாளை கொண்டாடவும், மாணவர்களின் முழுமையான வளர்ச்சிக்கு அவர் ஆற்றிய சேவையை போற்றும் வகையிலும், உடற்கல்வித் துறை சார்பில் இந்த ஆண்டு முதல் இப்போட்டிகள் நடத்தப்பட்டது.

போட்டிகள் கல்லூரி வளாகத்தில் உள்ள கைலாஷ் உள்விளையாட்டு அரங்கில் நடைபெற்றது. விழாவில்

ஸ்ரீ கனில் உப்பலபதி சிறப்பு விருத்தினராகக் கலந்து விளையாட்டுப் போட்டிகளை தொடங்கி வைத்தார். முன்னதாக ஒலிம்பிக் ஜோதியை ஏற்றி வைத்தார். முன்னதாக,



கல்லூரி முதல்வர் டாக்டர் டி. சாந்தா வரவேற்புரை வழங்கினார். உடற்கல்வித்துறை இயக்குநர் டாக்டர் எல். மணிவண்ணன் போட்டி குறித்த அறிமுக உரையை ஆற்றினார்.

கூடைப்பந்து, கால்பந்து, இறகுப்பந்து, மேசைப்பந்து, சதுரங்கம் மற்றும் கேரம் ஆகிய போட்டிகள் நடைபெற்றது.

தமிழகத்தின் பல்வேறு முன்னணி கல்லூரிகளில் இருந்து ஏராளமான மாணவ, மாணவிகள் இப்போட்டிகளில் பங்கேற்றனர். இதில் கால்பந்து போட்டிகளில் ஜிஆர்டி கல்லூரி முதல்

இடத்தையும், கூடைப்பந்து போட்டிகளில் என். ஜி.பி கல்லூரி முதலிடத்தையும், செஸ் போட்டியில் ஆண்கள் பிரிவில் வி.எஸ்.பி கல்லூரி முதலிடத்தையும், பெண்கள் பிரிவில் ஜி.ஆர்.டி கல்லூரி முதல் இடத்தையும் வென்றது. ஜி.ஆர்.டி கல்லூரி கால்பந்து, செஸ் மகளிர், மேசைப்பந்து, இறகுப்பந்து என பெரிவுகளில் முதலிடமும், 3 பிரிவுகளில் இரண்டாம் இடமும், 6 பிரிவுகளில் மூன்றாம் இடம் என 15 இடங்களை வென்று ஜி.ஆர்.டி கல்லூரி ஒட்டுமொத்த சாம்பியன் பட்டத்தை வென்றது.

TELECAST LINK:

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BASKETBALL MATCH FINAL

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VALEDICTORY FOR BASKETBALL

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With commitment and unity, let us continue the journey he has begun.*

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