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Report on World Book Day Celebration 2026

In celebration of World Book and Copyright Day on 23 April 2026, the College Library of Government Degree College Pampore organised a student-centric creative activity titled the **“World Book Day Reel Challenge 2026 – One Book. One Minute. One Story.”** The event invited students to create a one-minute video reel about a book that had influenced and inspired their lives, with the aim of promoting a vibrant reading culture, encouraging deep reflection on personal literary experiences, and providing a creative digital platform for self-expression.



The challenge theme was **“The Book That Influenced My Life,”** and students were free to use any language they chose, provided the video was original content and exactly 1 minute in length. Registrations and submissions were accepted until 20 April 2026, and the



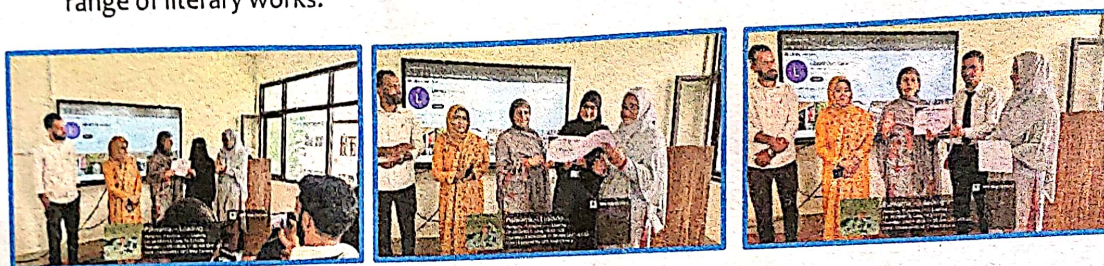
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response from the student body was highly encouraging, with many participants sharing honest stories about books that had shaped their perspectives, helped them overcome personal challenges, or ignited intellectual curiosity. The submitted reels covered a wide range of literary works.



Selected videos were showcased on the College Library's official platform (www.youtube.com/@LibraryUserCare) and internal display screens on World Book Day itself. All participants received certificates of participation in accordance with library norms. The event successfully bridged traditional library values with contemporary digital habits, as students not only discovered new books through their peers' recommendations but also gained confidence in public speaking and short-form content creation.



The feedback was overwhelmingly positive, with many students requesting similar creative challenges in the future. Reflecting on the conceptual framework of the event, the coordinator and College Librarian, Dr Tabasum Maqbool, noted that the initiative was



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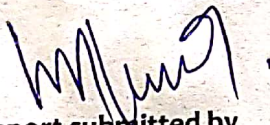
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deliberately designed to bridge timeless literary values with contemporary digital habits, challenging students to distil transformative reading experiences into concise, powerful narratives. Building upon this vision in her presidential remarks, the patron and College Principal, Prof (Dr) Gazala Gaiys, emphasised that cultivating robust reading habits must remain inextricably linked to every student's core educational endeavour. She powerfully reminded the audience that reading is a profoundly emancipating force that ultimately sets the mind free. Commending the event's success, Prof Gaiys advocated for the regular organisation of such enriching programmes by the library and assured the administration's unwavering support for all future literary initiatives.

Ultimately, the World Book Day Reel Challenge 2026 reaffirmed that a single book, encountered at the right moment, can indeed alter a life's trajectory, and that such stories deserve to be seen, heard, and celebrated in the creative language of today's youth.

The event was moderated by Ms Sana Fazili, a 2nd-semester student.


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