

## DAKSHIN UTSAV (06 – 13.09.19)

The Students' Union, in line with its ideal of 'inclusivity' decided to acknowledge and celebrate the diversities of various states of India, mainly the five South Indian states of Kerala, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka, Telengana and Andhra Pradesh.

This week-long celebration was named 'Dakshin Utsav' which translates to festival/celebration of the South. As part of this Utsav, each day was dedicated to each state and respective names were attributed – Kuttanadan Punjayile (Kerala Day), Tamizhachi Da (Tamil Nadu Day), Namma Karnataka (Karnataka Day) and Telugu Velugu (Telengana and Andhra Pradesh Day). Dakshin Utsav was scattered across a week – 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> September 2019.

This festive commemoration of the differences saw students dress up in traditional attires of the state, dance and sing in the indigenous styles and play games during the respective breaks in both shifts. A highlight of the gala was culturally significant photo-booths put up in the NCC Ground by the Event Management Club. This was also used as a platform to sell customised Union merchandise like badges and books.

