



# GOVERNMENT DEGREE COLLEGE SOGAM

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### GDC Sogam Celebrates 150<sup>th</sup> Year of Vande Matram

To commemorate the 150<sup>th</sup> year of Vande Mataram, a series of events organised in GDC Sogam on 10/11/2025. This momentous occasion was celebrated with great enthusiasm and patriotic fervour. **Prof. (Dr) Shamim Ahmad Dar** (Worthy Principal) acted as the patron of the event. The competition was organised by the NSS Unit, NCC, Debates and Seminars Committee in collaboration with the Department of History and English.

The 150<sup>th</sup> year of the National Song Vande Mataram with great enthusiasm and patriotic fervour. The event began with a collective rendition of Vande Mataram by students and staff, which filled the atmosphere with national pride and unity.

This was followed by an insightful lecture by **Prof Mohammad Ishfaq Wani** (HoD, History), who highlighted the historical significance, literary beauty, and enduring relevance of Vande Mataram in India's freedom struggle and national consciousness.

To mark the occasion, an **essay competition** was also organised on the theme "*Vande Mataram: An Emblem of Patriotism and National Unity*". Eight students namely, *Muneer Altaf, Aaqib Rasool, Zahid Hussain Bhat, Mudasir Nazir Bhat, Sahil Sajad, Rasiq-ul-Islam, Afroza Akhter, and Zeeshan Ali*, from various semesters, enthusiastically participated, expressing their thoughts on the song's role in inspiring patriotism and unity among Indians. The essays were evaluated by a two-member jury comprising **Dr Syed Sabreena Bukhari** (Faculty member, Political Science) and **Ms Bilkis Jamaal** (Faculty member, Political Science). In this competition, **Muneer Altaf** (3<sup>rd</sup> semester), **Zahid Hussain Bhat** (1<sup>st</sup> semester), and **Aaqib Rasool** (1<sup>st</sup> semester) bagged the first three positions, respectively.

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