LIBA celebrates the Harvest Festival- Pongal!

“In seed time learn, in harvest time teach, in winter enjoy!” – William Blake.

The students of LIBA despite their eventful schedule celebrated the Harvest festival of Tamil Nadu-Pongal. The evening witnessed different cultures coming together to celebrate the festival as one family, the first event of the day was ‘Make the best Pongal’ a contest between the girls of the two batches to identify the batch with better cooks. This event saw girls participating with great confidence; a quality needed for every manager!

The campus was brightly lit and decorated beautifully with the embellishments which brought to life the theme pertaining to the festival; also Tamil folk music and dance by the students strengthened the spirit of celebration. The traditional pot breaking ceremony was also a part of the celebration.

The climax of the event was the battle for the title ‘Azhagiya Thamizhmagan’ (Eligible (bachelor) son of Tamil soil), as part of this event a few chivalrous and dynamic managers of tomorrow were chosen based on a voting system – an exclusive right of the ladies of LIBAI, and the nominees were given a set of tasks to test their forte in various skills. The presenter kept the show lively and going through his humour which was thoroughly enjoyed by the audience. In the end, one of the first year students, James Idhayan Britto, surpassed the hurdles and claimed the title for the year!

The celebration ended with an elegant, traditional Tamil dinner served by the Tamil students themselves to keep alive the tradition of ‘virunthombal’ (a warm hospitality to guests) which was truly appreciated by everyone gathered that evening. The Institution uses such platforms to inculcate its students with a respect for other cultures and sow the seeds of fellowship among them.