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Session 3A – Phonetics, Phonology and Phonetic Change – in room 202 was held under the Chairmanship of Prof. M. Rama. Five papers were presented in this session. Prof. G.K. Panikkar presented a paper Malayalam Reflexes of Dravidian *1.

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In Malayalam dialects, /l/ of the literary language is found pronounced in different ways. He has explained that it does not occur in word-initial position; medially it

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occurs inter-vocalically and as the first constituent in consonant clusters. Analysis of phonetic features was made on the Malayalam reflexes of /*!/ and also a comparison of it with spoken and written Tamil and also with old Kannada was done. The paper concluded with the following observations: Prof. Bh. Krishnamurti's positing of /*z/ as voiced retroflex fricative, Prof. P.S. Subrahmanyam's suggestion of /*z/ as approximant do not fit in from the Malayalam point of view. The position of articulation is to be reconstructed as palatal and the manner of articulation may not be fricative. It might have been a palatal lateral.

Abhinav Kumar Mishra and Amit Kumar Chandrana in their paper *Regularity in Sound Patterning: A Morphophonemic Study of Maithili Verbs* made an attempt to search the various morphophonological markers attached with the verbal roots in Maithili. They have tried to look at these verbs on the morphological grounds and ended up with some interesting results and they have found a unique sound patterning in the verbal paradigm of Maithili.