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A THREE DAY NATIONAL SEMINAR ON

INDIA AS A LINGUISTIC AREA – A REVISIT

5th - 7th February 2025

by

International School of Dravidian Linguistics

In collaboration with

Central Institute of Indian Languages

Venue: Rabindra Bhavan Seminar Hall, V. I. Subramoniam Memorial ISDL Complex,
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International School of Dravidian Linguistics is organizing a Three Day National Seminar on "India as a Linguistic Area – A Revisit" during 5-7 February 2025 in collaboration with the Central Institute of Indian Languages, Mysuru.

Emeneau (1956) first recognized 'India as a Linguistic Area'. Some attempts have been carried out to map Linguistic and Cultural Traits, since then. For instance, Linguistic Traits such as the existence of Retroflex sounds, SOV Word Order, absence of Prepositions, Morphological Reduplications (Expressives), Echo Formations, etc., have been discussed. Process of acculturation has also been equally marked. Yet we have not given due attention to map a compendium of the socio-cultural and linguistic processes of Indianness.

Keeping the antiquity of coexistence in mind, and understanding the outcomes of the policies adopted since independence for maintaining the unity in diversity, the seminar proposes to deeply discuss various trajectories of these Linguistic and Cultural processes.

Linguistic and Cultural Achievements as part of the nation state in strengthening fraternity, integration and shaping the Indianness is intended to examine through this seminar. Grey areas, if any disrupts this process of unity, may also get explored.

Call for Abstracts: Intending Participants are requested to submit abstracts on the following themes: (1) Indian Multilingualism and its Uniqueness (2) Linguistic contact and its Convergence (3) Areal Linguistic features in Phonology, Morphology, Word Order (4) Typology of Indian Languages (5) Reduplication and Eco Word Formation (6) Semantic Universals in Indian Languages (7) Language Policies of India aiming National Integration (8) Cultural Syncreticism (9) Pan Indianness in Literature (10) Pan Indianness in Performing Arts, Music, etc. (11) Pan Indianness in Ethics (12) Spiritual Unity and Diversity of India (13) Genetic Archaeology (14) Archeo- Linguistics (15) Indian Festivals and their Underlying Similarities (16) Pan Indian traits in Folklore, Proverbs, Riddles, Idioms, etc.

❖ The abstract should be limited to 250 words excluding references typed in MS word, Times New Roman, 11pt font, single spacing with one-inch margins on all sides. The abstracts must include the name of the author, affiliation, designation, etc.

❖ The abstract will be selected after review. The interested participants must send an email about their interest to participate in the seminar. The abstract and email should be sent to the following email id: isdlseminar@gmail.com

❖ Selected abstracts will be duly acknowledged.

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Important Dates : Date of Registration & Abstract Deadline : 20/12/2024 Acceptance of Notification : 10/01/2025
Full Paper Submission : 31/01/2025

Accommodation: The accommodation for the participants is in ISDL Campus or other guest houses in the vicinity.

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For Registration, click here:

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NATIONAL SEMINAR ON INDIA AS A LINGUISTIC AREA – A REVISIT
5th - 7th February, 2025

Venue: Rabindra Bhavan Seminar Hall, V.I.Subramoniam Memorial ISDL Complex,
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Please indicate your choice for the Seminar : Paper Presenter Participant

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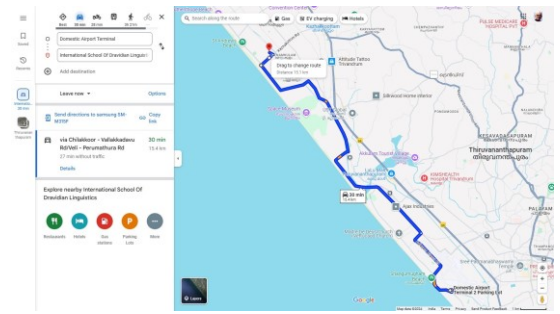
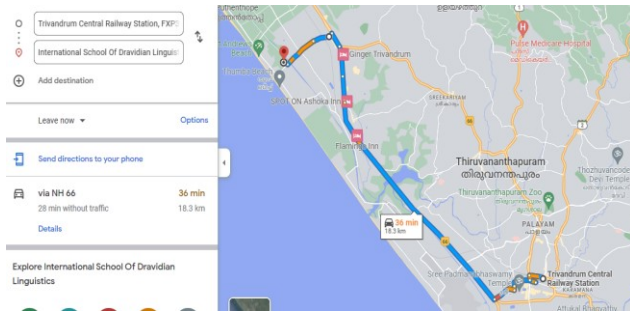
More Information on ISDL National Seminar: (1) No Registration Fee (2) TA will be provided only to special invitees (3) **Location:** The ISDL Campus, Menamkulam is about 17 kms North of Trivandrum Central Railway Station and about 10 kms North of Kochuveli Railway station (Trivandrum North). It is 2.5 kms west of NH 66 (old number NH 47, Trivandrum - Attingal/Quilon/Alleppey/ Ernakulam road). One can get Prepaid Auto rickshaw or Uber Taxi/Auto rickshaw to ISDL Campus from Airport/Railway station. The Trivandrum Transport stand is just opposite to the Central Railway Station and hence one can come to ISDL by Kerala State Transport Corporation (KSRTC) Buses first to Kazhakoottam and then by Auto Rickshaw/ Taxi or share auto to ISDL Campus. Share auto will be available in front of Amman Kovil near to A.J. Hospital, Kazhakuttom.

Those who opt to come by Veli-Thumba costal road will have to come to Arattukadavu and turn right and travel 500m towards Kinfra Apparel park, Menamkulam. ISDL Campus is located just opposite to Kinfra Apparel park Menamkulam, Kazhakoottam.

Google location of ISDL : <https://goo.gl/maps/GoSY5dfmZ6pkDbkS6?coh=178572&entry=tt>

From Trivandrum Central Railway Station to International School of Dravidian Linguistics, Menamkulam = 18.3 kms

From Trivandrum Airport (Domestic Terminal) to International School of Dravidian Linguistics, Menamkulam = 14.8 kms



ONE DAY SYMPOSIUM ON 'INDIAN LANGUAGES AND NEP 2020'

International School of Dravidian Linguistics is organizing a one day symposium on 'Indian Languages and NEP 2020' on 20th December 2024 at Ravindra Bhavan, Seminar Hall, ISDL Campus. Prof. K. Karunakaran, Prof. V. Thiruvalluvan, Prof. Arangapari, Prof. N. Rajasekharan Nair, Prof. S. Saranya, Prof. G.K. Panikkar and Prof. Naduvattom Gopalakrishnan will present papers in the symposium.

The symposium will be in offline mode only.

TO THE ATTENTION OF THE DRAVIDIANISTS & LANGUAGE TYPOLOGISTS

There exists an important work of A.D. 1905 authored by an erudite scholar Homer B. Hulbert which somehow eluded the attention of most of the Dravidian linguists and South East Asian Language Typologists. A library copy of it is now digitalized by Google books and can be accessed through <https://books.google.com>. The title of the book is "A Comparative Grammar of the Korean Language and the Dravidian Dialects of India". Thanks to Dr. Ravisankar S. Nair for bringing this book to our notice.

G.K. Panikkar

NATIONAL EDUCATION POLICY 2020 (NEP-2020) AND ITS LINGUISTIC OBJECTIVES: A CRITICAL APPRAISAL - A REPORT



The International School of Dravidian Linguistics organized an online lecture "National Education Policy 2020 (NEP-2020) and its Linguistic Objectives : A Critical Appraisal" on 23rd November 2024. The speaker was Prof. Dr. Niladri Sekhar Dash, Head, Linguistic Research Unit, Indian Statistical Institute, Kolkata. The event commenced at 10:30 AM at Ravindra Bhavan. Dr. Annie Tisha Jerald, Junior Research Fellow, ISDL, welcomed the speaker and the attendees who joined in hybrid mode. Prof. Dash spoke on "National Education Policy 2020 (NEP 2020) and its Linguistic Objectives: A Critical Appraisal." The lecture lasted approximately two hours and examined various Linguistic aspects of the topic i.e. Preparation of Text Materials, Lexicon, & Terminology, Translation and Related Activities in ILs, Human Resource Development, Applicationality of ILs in Various Sectors, National Integration & Indian Knowledge Systems, Promotion of ILs at Different Levels and Domains and finally Promotion of Sanskrit and Classical Languages. This scholarly lecture led to a rich open discussion in which Indian and foreign scholars participated. Scholars, researchers, students from various universities and academic institutes, and members of the DLA worldwide attended the lecture via blended mode. Ms. Gouri V.B., Junior Research Fellow proposed the vote of thanks.

Arup Pandit

"CASE AND AGREEMENT IN INDIAN LANGUAGES: A MIS-MODELLED PHENOMENON" - A REPORT



The International School of Dravidian Linguistics arranged an online lecture by Dr. Pradeep Kumar Das, Professor of Linguistics, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi on the topic "Case and Agreement in Indian Linguistics: A Mismodelled Phenomenon" on 19th November 2024 from 12:00 noon in online mode at the Seminar Hall, Rabindra Bhavan, ISDL. Prof. G.K. Panikkar, Hon. Director, ISDL introduced Prof. Pradeep Kumar Das. Dr. Remya, Senior

Research Fellow welcomed the invited speaker and all the attendees both online and offline.

Prof. Pradeep Kumar Das described the case system and the agreement in the various Indian languages and explained the mismodelling of the case and the agreement in those languages. He argued why he completely disagree with such mismodelling which states that the case and the agreement have to be kind of implicational correlational factor.

He discussed the Ergativity of the languages in different language groups with examples of various languages and dialects viz. in Indo-Aryan group: - Hindi-Urdu, Punjabi, Marathi, Ahirani etc.; in Tibeto-Burman languages: - Liangmai, Mizo, Hmar, Tinker-Lo, Thadou-kuki etc.; in Dravidian: - Malayalam etc. Prof. Das explained all these with plenty of examples, charts and diagrams.

The lecture was followed by an open discussion in which Indian and foreign scholars participated. Mrs. Annie Tisha Jerald, Junior Research Fellow proposed the vote of thanks.

Dhrubajyoti Das

CALL FOR LSI HONORARY FELLOW NOMINATIONS 2025

Linguistic Society of India (LSI) is pleased to announce the opening of the nominations for LSI Honorary Fellows for the year 2025. Call for Nominations for Honorary Fellows is a new initiative by Linguistic Society of India approved by the Executive Committee and LSI-AGBM. Both self-nominations and nominations of colleagues are welcome. Members who have made distinguished contributions to the discipline may be recognized as Fellows of the Linguistic Society of India. Please consider nominating a colleague for this honor. The 2025 LSI Honorary Fellows will be chosen through a nomination process for their sustained and distinguished contributions to the discipline.

Nominations for the LSI Honorary Fellows are now open and will be accepted until March 31, 2025. Nomination should be accompanied by a letter of nomination and the curriculum vitae of the nominee along with the nomination forms filled in all respects. It may be sent to the Secretary, LSI at secretaryil@gmail.com as per the attached guidelines.

Note: Detailed Guidelines and Application Form may be found under Announcement Section at <https://www.lsi.org.in/>

Abhinav Kumar Mishra
Secretary, LSI

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A SOCIO-CULTURAL, HISTORICAL AND LINGUISTIC STUDY OF THE PATHANS OF KERALA, S. Abdul Samed, 2022, PB, Demy 1/8. pp. 104, Rs.130/- (US\$ 13/-) MAPPILA MIGRANTS IN ANDAMANS - A SOCIO-LINGUISTIC STUDY, N. Muralreedharan Nair, 2022, PB, Demy 1/8, pp.225, Rs.260/- (US\$ 26/-). GRAMMAR OF RĀMACARITAM, Naduvattom Gopalakrishnan, 2022, HB, Demy 1/8, pp. 395, Rs.500/- (US\$ 50/-). TAGORE'S GITANJALI, K. Jayakumar, 2022, PB, Demy 1/8, pp.95, Rs. 130/- (US\$ 13/-). ENDANGERED SPEECHES OF IDUKKI IN KERALA, V.R. Prabodhachandran Nayar & K. Velappan, 2021, PB, Demy 1/8, pp. 12+500, Rs. 660/- (US\$ 66/-). INDEX OF BHARATAMALA, R. Saraswathy Kutty Amma, 2021, HB, Demy 1/8, pp.892, Rs.1100/- (US\$ 110/-). COLLECTED PAPERS OF LV RAMASWAMI IYER, G.K. Panikkar, K. Rangan & Naduvattom Gopalakrishnan (Eds.) 2021, HB, Demy 1/8, pp.826, Rs. 990/- (US\$ 99/-). INDEX OF EARLY MAṆIPRAVĀLA WORKS, N. Gopinathan Nair, 2021, PB, Crown 1/4, pp. 1086, Rs. 2240/- (US\$ 224/-).

DR. P.N. KAMALA HONORED

This year's N. Subbu Reddiyar Endowment for Literary Criticism "Thiranaayvu Chemmal" is awarded to Dr. P.N. Kamala, an active member of the Dravidian Linguistic Association of India. This Award consisting of certificate and Rs. 25000/- was awarded by the Tamil University, Thanjavur by its Vice-Chancellor on 26th November 2024.



Hearty Congratulations to Dr. P.N. Kamala from the members, staff and researchers of DLA, ISDL and IJDL.

CALL FOR LETTER OF INTENT TO HOST INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE OF LINGUISTIC SOCIETY OF INDIA (ICOLSI-47)

The LSI-Executive Committee is seeking proposals from the academic institutions to host the International Conference of Linguistic Society of India (ICOLSI-47) in the year 2025. The Annual Conference of the Linguistic Society of India (LSI) is the premier gathering of linguists, academicians, professionals, scholars, and students worldwide. The International Conference of Linguistic Society of India is generally organised in the month of November every year. Proposal to host the ICOLSI-47 should be sent to the Secretary, LSI at secretaryil@gmail.com on or before 31st December 2024. Please ensure that proposal addresses all of the points identified below:

1. Location: Details about connectivity by road, rail and Air.
2. Accommodation: Details about the accommodation and other facilities for the delegates.
3. Financial Support: Details about the funding.
4. Facilities: Details about the infrastructure to schedule parallel sessions.

Feel free to reach us for any additional information.

We look forward to receive well-conceived and exciting proposals to host ICOLSI-47.

Abhinav Kumar Mishra
Secretary, LSI

INTERNATIONAL MULTIDISCIPLINARY WEBINAR ON IMPACT OF LANGUAGE ON EMOTIONS & DEVELOPMENT

Department of Linguistics, University College of Arts & Sciences, Osmania University organized an Online Webinar on Impact of Language on Emotions & Development, Talk delivered by Prof. G. Sri Krishna, Senior Professor, Clinical & Rehabilitation Psychology, Sweekaar Academy of Rehabilitation Sciences, Secunderabad, on 20 November 2024, 11am. He emphasized the role of language on emotional development over lifespan. Prof. Sri Krishna also focused on the role of stories in the emotional development of child. Prof. C. Kaseem, Principal, UCASS, OU graced the webinar as chief guest and addressed the gathering and spoke about importance of mother tongue, language ethics and values in communication. The Head, Department of Linguistics, Dr. C. S. Swathi outlined the authorities of the Department of Linguistics, Osmania University. Dr. K. Susheel Kumar, convener of the program, delivered the inaugural speech & highlighted the importance of language and emotional development. Dr. K. Balu Naik introduced the speaker to the participants. Students, Research Scholars, Faculties and Practitioners from across the disciplines like Psychology, Counselling, Languages, Linguistics, Cognitive Sciences, Arts and Social Sciences have actively participated and appreciated the session. Over 1600 participants across the world registered and over 800 participants attended in zoom and YouTube live sessions.

C.S. Swathi
Head, UCASS, Osmania University

A TWO-DAY NATIONAL SEMINAR ON ECO DYNAMICS OF TRIBAL LIFE - REPORT



The Department of Linguistics, University of Kerala, and Directorate of KIRTADS, Govt. of Kerala, Kozhikode jointly organized a two-day National Seminar on "Eco Dynamics of Tribal Life" at the Department of Linguistics, University of Kerala, Kariavattom Campus on 6th and 7th December 2024 in connection with the 150th Birth anniversary of Bhagawan Birsa Munda as Jan Jatiya Gourav Year Celebration.

Dr. Anil Kumar, Registrar, University of Kerala inaugurated the two-day National seminar. The Keynote address was delivered by Prof. M. Sreenathan, Senior Professor (Retd)., Thunchath Ezhuthachan Malayalam University. Renowned writer and Tribal Activist in the Toda Tribal Community Ms. Vasa Malli was honoured by Dr. Darwin L., Head, Department of Linguistics, University of Kerala. Eminent Scholars like Dr. Maheswaran, former Director, Tribal Research Centre, Tamil Nadu, Dr. V.R. Rajasingh, former Senior Fellow, Andaman Commissioned Project, CIIL, Mysore, Ms. Vasa Malli, Toda Tribal Community Member and Activist, Dr. Pradeep Kumar K.S., Deputy Director, KIRTADS, Ms. Sandhya Sekhar, Deputy Director, KIRTADS, Dr. Indu V. Menon, Lecturer, KIRTADS, Mr. Mano, Former Senior Fellow, ISDL, Dr. Vijayarajeswari, Assistant professor, Tamil University, Thanjavur, Dr. Ramesh Kumar, Assistant Professor, Tamil University, Thanjavur, Dr. Remya L.B., Dr. Annie Tisha Jerald, Ms. Gouri V.B. (ISDL), Dr.Lijisha A.T, Research Assistant, KIRTADS, Dr.S. Prema, Assistant Professor, UOK, Dr. Darwin, Head, Department of Linguistics, UOK, Dr. Syam.S.K., Assistant Professor, UOK, Ms. Aaruni Prasad, UOK, Ms, Lizbath James, UOK, Rahul Krishna, UOK, Keerthana, UOK, Dr. Shagi, UOK, presented their research articles.

The valedictory session was inaugurated by Dr. Pradeep Kumar K.S., Deputy Director, KIRTADS. More than 16 research articles were presented in the Two-day National Seminar and it was a grand success.

L. Darwin
HOD, Dept. of Linguistics, UOK

ONLINE INTERNATIONAL MULTIDISCIPLINARY WEBINAR ON ROLE OF LANGUAGE ON SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL LEARNING & EMOTIONAL INTELLIGENCE

Department of Linguistics, UCASS, Osmania University organized an Online International Multidisciplinary Webinar on 'Role of Language on Social and Emotional Learning & Emotional Intelligence' on 25-11-2024 at 11am. In this webinar, Prof. Matt Perelstein – Clinical Professor of Practice, USA & Dr. Challa Krishnaveer Abhishek were the invited speakers. They stressed the research contributions on importance of the role of language in social learning, emotional learning, emotional development, intelligence and emotional quotient, the impact of language on social skills and emotional regulation, and the influence of language on physical, psychological & social emotional well-being. Dr. K.Susheel Kumar, CBoS, Dept. of Linguistics, OU, and the Convenor of this program, delivered the inaugural speech which highlighted the importance of language, linguistics and emotional intelligence. Prof. C. Kaseem, Principal, was the Chief Guest, while, Dr. Ram Sheperd Bheenaveni, Vice-principal, was the Guest of Honour for the program. Dr. K. Balu Naik, Vice-principal (H&M), the Co-ordinator of the webinar introduced the speakers. Webinar ended with formal Vote of Thanks by Mr.Ravindra, final year student who expressed gratitude to all former Professors, speakers, organizers and all the participants. Students, Research Scholars, Faculties and Practitioners from across the disciplines like Psychology, Counselling, Languages, Linguistics, Cognitive Sciences, Arts and Social Sciences have actively participated and appreciated the sessions. Over 1050 registrations were received from across the world and over 850 participated Live on Zoom and YouTube and made it a grand success.

C.S. Swathi
Head, UCASS, Osmania University

THE DRAVIDIAN CULTURE AND ITS DIFFUSION, T.K. Krishna Menon, 2020, PB, Demy 1/8, pp. 58, Rs. 75/- (US\$ 7.50/-). **THE MOTHER GODDESS IN BENGAL AND IN KERALA**, T. Madhava Menon, 2020, PB, Demy 1/8, pp. vi + 463, Rs. 600 (US\$ 60/-). **INDEX OF KAṆṆAŚŚĀ RĀMĀYAṆAM**, Puthuserry Ramachandran, 2020, HB, Demy 1/8, pp. 1122, Rs. 1930/- (US\$ 193/-). **COLLECTED PAPERS ON TAMIL**, Naduvattom Gopalakrishnan (Ed.), 2019, PB, Demy 1/8, pp. x + 374. Rs. 400/- (US\$ 40/-).

TEN - DAYS WORKSHOP

The Central Institute of Classical Tamil (CICT), is organizing A Ten-days workshop on “Treatment of Phonology in Tamil Grammar” from 22nd -31st January, 2025. The aim of this workshop is to study the origin and development of the grammatical tradition in the grammatical texts of Tamil language.

For details visit – cict.in / <https://forms.gle/mNsYodQycGi2jvg79>

SUBMISSIONS INVITED - IJELLS

IJELLS invites submission of articles for the January issue of IJELLS 2025. The articles written in the core areas of English and creative writing which cover English Literature, English Language Teaching and English Communication skills will be considered. One can also submit poems, short stories, book reviews and interviews with prominent writers and scholars. The submission has to be sent to the email : editor.ijells@gmail.com before 20/01/2025

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PROFESSOR VINAY KUMAR SRIVASTAVA MEMORIAL LECTURE 2024

Kolkata Society of Asian Studies (KSAS) organized the 4th Prof. Vinay Kumar Srivastava Memorial Lecture on 3rd December, 2024. The lecture was delivered by Prof. Ranjana Ray, Vice President, KSAS and Emeritus Professor, University of Kolkata on the topic “Beliefs and Practices connected with Bhumijas, a tribe in Eastern India”. Dr. Sarmistha De Basu, Secretary, KSAS delivered the welcome address. Dr. Arpita Basu, Treasurer, KSAS proposed the vote of thanks.

WORKSHOP ON MODERN LEXICOGRAPHY

A three-day National Workshop on Modern Lexicography was held at the Department of Tamil, University of Kerala from 27-29 November 2024. Scholars from various institutions in India addressed the students about the trends in modern lexicography. The workshop was on hybrid mode.

On the first day of the workshop in the first session, Prof. K. Nachimuthu spoke on the topic ‘lexicography, lexical suffixes, and lexical suffix dictionaries’. He also spoke on the creation of dictionaries from lexical suffixes, and the role of lexicographers in dictionary creation.

In the second session, Prof. L. Ramamoorthy spoke on the topic of ‘Status of Dictionaries in the Age of Artificial Intelligence’. He discussed in detail about the methods of electronicization of paper works and the Perunchol dictionary project and verchol dictionary project.

In the third session, P. Madhaiyan, spoke on ‘A Multilingual Dictionary of Sangam Literature’ and explained the various types of dictionaries and their classification principles. He also detailed the interpretation of multilingual dictionaries.

In session 4, Dr. Siva, Assistant Professor, University of Delhi, spoke on the topic of ‘Inscriptional Noun Dictionary Practice’. In his talk he discussed the preliminary studies of inscriptional vocabularies, measurements, and symbols.

In the first session on 28-11-2024 P. Madhaiyan, talked on the subject of ‘Thirukkural Monolingual Dictionary’ and explained about the monolinguals found in Thirukkural.

In the second session, Dr. A. Kamatchi, spoke on the topic of ‘Sangam Literary Vocabulary and Creation via the Internet’. He explained the functions of his website ‘Sangam Literary Vocabulary and its Arrivals’ and how to use search engines.

In session 3. Dr. S. Sundarabalu, spoke on the topic ‘The Content Structure and Creation Environment of Tamil Dictionaries’, explained the grammatical structures in literature and the structural principles in grammar and outlined the history of dictionaries.

He also gave instructions to the students on the elements of dictionary creation on the topic ‘Content Dictionary Creation and Question List in Tamil’ in the fourth session.

On the third day, Dr. P. Madhaiyan discussed the compiling of a Thirukkural dictionary under the theme ‘Thirukkural Multilingual Dictionary’ in the first session.

In session 2, speaking on the topic of ‘Computer-based Syntax Generation: Challenges and Solutions’, Dr. K. Palanirajan explained the methods of searching for classical Tamil syntax online by using the Syntax page of the Central Institute of Classical Tamil Studies.

In the next session, Dr. Aji T. gave students and researchers training on vocabulary building.

The three-day National Workshop on Modern Lexicography concluded successfully on 29/11/2024.

Hepsy Rosemary
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46TH INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE OF THE LINGUISTIC SOCIETY OF INDIA

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Department of Linguistics, University of Kashmir, Srinagar

(Continued from November issue)

Day 2, October 4 : The second day of the "46th International Conference of the Linguistic Society of India" (ICOLSI-46) commenced with a plenary lecture which was delivered by Prof. Niladri Sekhar Dash on the topic 'Digital Lexicography in Digital India: Dreams and Challenges'.

Prof. Dash emphasized the crucial role technology plays in shaping the future of Indian linguistics. His core argument revolved around how digital lexicography could transform linguistic studies in India and whether the country is prepared to develop the necessary resources to make digital dictionaries (DD) readily accessible to students and teachers alike. Prof. Dash described digital lexicography as a new and exciting "avatar" in modern linguistics.

It was followed by another plenary talk which was delivered by Professor Pradeep Kumar Das on the topic "Ergativity as an Enigma in Some Major Indian Languages". Prof. Das began by highlighting the importance of ergativity in linguistic typology, particularly in languages exhibiting full or split ergative patterns. In his talk, Professor Das emphasized the importance of clarity and precision in analysing ergativity, particularly when dealing with complex linguistic data.

The plenary talks were followed by technical session 2 which included four parallel sessions as detailed below:

Parallel Session 1: Language & Media Stylistics was chaired by Prof. G. K. Panikkar. This session focused on the interplay between language and media stylistics, examining how linguistic elements are used in various media formats. The presentations explored the influence of language on public discourse, advertising strategies, and the implications of digital communication on contemporary linguistic practices. The session included eight presentations.

Parallel Session 2: Psycholinguistics chaired by Prof. Abhinav Kumar Mishra delved into psycholinguistics, the study of how language is processed in the mind. It examined cognitive mechanisms underlying language comprehension, production, and acquisition, as well as the interplay between language and thought. The presentations explored various aspects of psycholinguistics through empirical research and theoretical discussions. There were eight presentations in this session.

Parallel Session 3: Language, Culture, Contact, Identity & Revitalization chaired by Prof. Shobha Satyanath, focused on the interplay between language, culture, and identity, exploring how languages evolve and interact within communities. It emphasized the significance of language contact and revitalization efforts, examining how linguistic diversity reflects cultural identity and the challenges faced in preserving endangered languages. The session featured eight presentations that highlighted critical aspects of language revitalization and sociolinguistic dynamics.

Parallel Session 4: Language Teaching, Learning & Testing was chaired by Prof. Michal Schwarz, and focused on language teaching, learning, and testing, exploring various approaches to language education and the factors influencing language acquisition. It examined how pedagogical strategies and assessment methods impact language learning outcomes and the role of language in shaping educational experiences. Seven presentations of diverse range were the highlight of this session.

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