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52ND ALL INDIA CONFERENCE OF DRAVIDIAN LINGUISTS AND INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON NEP AND EQUIPPING MOTHER TONGUE FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

The 52nd All India Conference of Dravidian Linguists and International Symposium on “NEP and Equipping Mother Tongue for Higher Education” is scheduled to be held on 19th – 21st June, 2025 at the Centre for Advanced Studies in Linguistics, Annamalai University, Annamalainagar, Tamil Nadu in collaboration with the Central Institute of Indian Languages, Mysuru, International school of Dravidian Linguistics and the Dravidian Linguistic Association of India. The conference will be an ideal academic platform for linguists, scholars and students to present and deliberate their study and findings.

The registration for the conference is progressing. It will be conducted in hybrid mode. Linguists from all over India and abroad are requested to register for the conference and submit their papers as early as possible to ensure proper accommodation. For registration, visit our website www.ijdl.org Link for registration : <https://forms.gle/uGLWHFvZ9sNNjGPb6>



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All correspondences with regard to the registration for the conference should be sent to dlavis1971@gmail.com One can download the pdf registration form from our website (www.ijdl.org). The mode of payment details are given in the registration form. The requisite registration fee can be remitted in person, by post or by bank transfer. **Please send the filled-up registration form to the Secretary-DLA by post or by e-mail to dlavis1971@gmail.com on or before 31st May, 2025.**

Participants who intend to present papers are requested to send the abstract of the paper in English / Tamil to the organizing secretary Prof. R. Saranya, Director, CAS in Linguistics, Annamalai University, Annamalainagar. The abstract should cover the main points of the paper and should not exceed 300 words. The abstract and the paper should be submitted in A4 size with margins of 1.5 on all the four sides of each sheet. They must be fully 1.5 spaced with soft copy. The abstracts should be sent to dla52auling@gmail.com on or before 06/04/2025.

SPECIAL LECTURES

In connection with the 52nd AICDL, eleven special lectures will be arranged during the three days of the conference which will be the highlight of the event. These lectures will be delivered by prominent Linguists.

A. ENDOWMENT LECTURE

PROF. ANVITA ABBI ENDOWMENT LECTURE

B. MEMORIAL LECTURES

1. PROF. V.I. SUBRAMONIAM MEMORIAL LECTURE
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8. PROF. H.M. MAHESWARAIAH MEMORIAL LECTURE
9. PROF. K. MAHADEVA SASTRI MEMORIAL LECTURE
10. DR. PARSO GIDWANI & LACHHMI JESSARAM MEMORIAL LECTURE

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DEADLINES - 52nd AICDL**(a) Paper Presentation**

Submission of the Abstract : 6th April, 2025

Notification of Acceptance : 15th April, 2025

Submission of Full Paper : 15th May, 2025

[not more than 15 pages- A-4 size].

Abstracts not exceeding 200 words including key words.

Abstracts may be sent to email :

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(b) Awards and Prizes

Last date of Nomination for Awards : 15th May, 2025

**Publications for assessment may please be sent to
The Secretary, Dravidian Linguistic Association of India,
V.I. Subramoniam Memorial ISDL Complex, St. Xavier's
College P.O., Thiruvananthapuram - 695 586.
E mail : dlavis1971@gmail.com**

(b) Last date for Registration

31st May 2025

Location (Annamalai University)

The Annamalai University is approximately 240 km south of Chennai. It is well connected by road and train. Buses frequently ply from Koyambedu & KCBT, Kilambakkam. Train facility is available from Egmore & Thambaram. Hi-Tec deluxe bus service is also available from Chennai. The Annamalai University campus is situated at the East of Chidambaram town, 3 km from bus stand and 2 km from Railway station.

Accommodation will be arranged in the University guest house and hostels.

For more details visit our website : www.ijdl.org

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SMRITHI

The 5th death anniversary of Dr. Puthussery Ramachandran (Former Professor of Malayalam, University of Kerala) was observed on 14th of March 2025 at Thiruvananthapuram Press Club Hall. Dr. Puthussery Ramachandran was a renowned poet, linguist and a founder member of DLA.

Prof. V. Karthikeyan Nair inaugurated the program. Prof. V.N. Murali delivered the presidential address. Mr. Subair Arikkulam (Malayalam Aikyavedi) delivered the keynote address and he remembered the various contributions of Puthussery Ramachandran to the field of language, literature and culture. Mr. Sudarshanan Kattampalli felicitated the gathering. Dr. K.S. Ravikumar welcomed the audience and Mr. P.R. Unnikrishnan proposed the vote of thanks.

The program 'Smrithi' was organised by Dr. Puthussery Ramachandran Trust.

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The National Testing Service India (CIIL) has made the recruitment announcement for the following positions:

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REGISTRATION FORM

52nd All India Conference of Dravidian Linguists

The Centre for Advanced Studies in Linguistics, Annamalai University, Tamil Nadu
(19th -21st June, 2025)

Name (Prof./Dr./Mr./Ms.) :
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Accommodation Needed : YES NO
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Students and Research Scholars without Fellowships	₹.2000/-	US\$ 250/-
Local students	₹.1500/-	
Other categories of delegates	₹. 3500/-	U \$ 350/-

* Payment of **registration fee** is to be made to: Treasurer-DLA, **52nd AICDL**, V.I. Subramoniam Memorial ISDL Complex, St. Xavier's College P.O., Thiruvananthapuram - 695 586.

The application forms for life-membership and institutional membership of the Dravidian Linguistic Association of India and also for the 52nd AICDL can be downloaded from www.ijdl.org

The filled-up registration form should reach the Secretary, Dravidian Linguistic Association of India on or before **31st May, 2025**.

- **Only those registrants who participate offline are eligible for conference kit.**
- **Online participants will be issued only the soft copy of the certificate**

Date :

Signature

REPORT ON NATIONAL SEMINAR ON 'INDIA AS A LINGUISTIC AREA – A REVISIT'*(Continued from previous issue)***Academic Session – I (Day 01)**

After the inaugural function and keynote address the first academic session commenced at 2:00 p.m. with Prof. Sam Mohan Lal (Mysuru) as the Chairman. Four insightful research papers were presented in this session. The first paper was presented by Prof. V. Renuga Devi on "Similarity among Indian Languages," highlighting the linguistic unity among diverse language families in India. This was followed by Prof. V. Saratchandran Nair's paper, "Second Language Learning in a Multi-Language Setup and India as a Linguistic Area". The paper explored inter-language development and the transfer of linguistic structures among second-language learners. Continuing the discussion on linguistic convergence, Dr. C. S. Swathi presented a paper titled "Pronouns in Indian Languages: A Phonosemantic Study," by analyzing the sociolinguistic aspects of pronoun usage across Indian languages. The last presentation of this session was by Dr. Viswanatha Naidu on "Semantic Universals in Indian Languages: The Case of Motion Events". He examined the similarities in how motion events are expressed across various Indian languages. The session fostered discussions on linguistic commonalities, second-language acquisition, and semantic patterns, contributing to a deeper understanding of India's linguistic landscape.

Academic Session - II

The second session of the seminar commenced at 3:45 p.m. after tea break. It was chaired by Prof. K. Srikumar (Lucknow). The session began with a paper by Prof. Sam Mohan Lal on "Environmental Impact and Cultural Changes Among the Indian Tribal Groups: A Case Study," which examined the challenges faced by the Urali community concerning four fundamental value systems: biospheric, altruistic, egoistic, and hedonic values. Following this, Dr. K. Suryanarayana presented a paper titled "Influence of Sanskrit on Modern Indian and Southeast Asian Languages," exploring the enduring influence of Sanskrit on linguistic structures, vocabulary, and cultural ethos of the people of India and beyond. Prof. K. Karunakaran delivered a lecture titled "From Linguistic Geography to Modern Studies Related to Linguistic Convergence: What Exactly has Happened?" He traced the evolution of linguistic contact, blending, and intermingling, highlighting how modern linguistics has expanded the study of language relationships beyond geographical constraints. The session proceeded with Prof. Naduvattom Gopalakrishnan's paper, "Indian and Non-Indian Scripts and Languages used in Kerala Inscriptions: A Linguistic-Cum-Cultural Study," which examined inscriptions in Kerala, revealing insights into the region's historical, social, and cultural interactions, as well as the influence of external linguistic traditions. The final paper of the session, "India as a Linguistic Area—Google Chrome Articles: A Review Paper," was presented by Prof. K. Pasumpan, offering a critical review of Google Chrome articles discussing India as a linguistic area. This session provided an engaging discussion on linguistic convergence, historical influences, and contemporary research perspectives on India's linguistic diversity.

*to be continued...**Aiswaria G. Shajan**Resource Person, NTS-I, CIIL, Mysuru***ISDL CELEBRATED INTERNATIONAL MOTHER LANGUAGE DAY**

February 21, 2025 was celebrated as International Mother Language Day at the International School of Dravidian Linguistics, V.I. Subramoniam Memorial ISDL Complex, Thiruvananthapuram. The programme started at 10.30 AM at the Rabindra Bhavan Seminar Hall with an invocation song by Mrs. Aswathy. The celebration was formally inaugurated by the Chairman of the meeting, Prof. G.K. Panikkar, Hon. Director, ISDL who talked on the importance of mother tongue in the education of children. Prof. Naduvattom Gopalakrishnan, Former Director, ISDL delivered the special address on the significance of International Mother Language Day and the importance of mother language in the learning of skills. Felicitations were delivered on the occasion by Research Fellows and ISDL and DLA staff members. ISDL team recited special mother language day songs. The programme began with the welcome address delivered by Dr. N. Muraleedharan Nair, Senior Research Fellow and came to a close with the vote of thanks proposed by Dr. Abdul Samed, Treasurer, ISDL.

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ENGLISH BANGLA MALAYALAM BASIC VOCABULARY, Dhruvajyoti Das, 2024, PB, Crown 1/4, pp. 133, Rs. 450/- (US\$ 45/-) DRAVIDIAN TOWNS IN THE MAHAVASTU AND MILINDAPANHA A DEMOGRAPHIC STUDY, Bryan G. Levman, 2023, PB, Demmy 1/8, pp. 152, Rs. 350/- (US\$ 30/-) ELAMITE AND DRAVIDIAN : A REASSESSMENT, Filippo Pedron, 2023, PB, Demmy 1/8, pp. 264, Rs.450/- (US\$ 40/0) PAPERS IN LINGUISTICS, G.K. Panikkar (Ed.), Mary Susan, S. Abdul Samed, N. Muraleedharan Nair (Asst. Eds.), 2023, HB, Demmy 1/8, pp. 512, Rs.1000/- (US\$ 80/-) AN ACCOUNT OF BANGLA DISCOURSE PARTICLES, Rajat Ghosh, 2023, PB, Demy 1/8, pp. 142, Rs.300/- (US\$ 30/-) GLOSSARY OF GRAMMATICAL TERMS IN TRADITIONAL MALAYALAM GRAMMARS, C.S. Jayakumari Kunjamma, 2023, PB, Demy 1/8, pp. 232, Rs.450/- (US\$ 45/-) THE ART AND EDIFICE OF GENDERLECT, B. Sreedevi, 2023, PB, Demy 1/8, pp. 160, Rs.320/- (US\$ 32/-) A DICTIONARY OF SANSKRIT, PRAKRIT AND PALI WORDS IN TAMIL AND MALAYALAM, N. Gopinathan Nair, 2022, HB, Crown 1/4, pp. 988, Rs.2300/- (US\$ 230/-) . 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. Muraleedharan Nair, 2022, PB, Demy 1/8, pp.225, Rs.260/- (US\$ 26/-).

ESTABLISHMENT OF A NEW LINGUISTICS DEPARTMENT

A New Department of Linguistics is established at Baba Ghulam Shah Badsha University (BGSBU), Jammu & Kashmir. This is a welcome move and holds immense potential in the light of the growing importance of linguistics in understanding the nature and utility of Linguistics vis-à-vis human communication and its applications in various fields. In this era of information and communication technology, the importance of linguistics has increased manifold and has become one of the most sought-after courses in western and other developed countries of

the world because of its interdisciplinary nature and vast application in diverse fields. Linguistics is a well-established discipline in most Indian universities, including IITs and other premier institutions.

Prof Jawaid Iqbal, Vice Chancellor of BGSB University felt very happy and said that the introduction of the Department of Linguistics aligns perfectly with the objectives of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020, which emphasizes the promotion and preservation of regional and local languages. Jammu & Kashmir is home to a rich linguistic diversity, and this initiative will play a crucial role in documenting, studying, and revitalizing indigenous languages of the region. He further said that beside linguistics many other departments have also been introduced to provide better educational opportunities to the students of this region.

Prof. M.J. Warsi, Dean Academic Affairs of the BGSB University said that with the advancements in artificial intelligence and machine learning, it was felt that there is an escalating demand for individuals proficient in linguistics. The department will also cater to the linguistic diversity of the region, promoting research and documentation of local languages and dialects. It is worth mentioning here that the Jammu and Kashmir is a rich multilingual area where languages belonging to Dardic, Indo-Aryan, Tibeto-Burman and Indo-Iranian families are spoken. The inclusion of linguistics at the undergraduate level, both as a major and minor subject, has also been endorsed by the National Education Policy of 2020 (NEP-2020), recognizing its significance and growing demand.



M.J. Warsi

NOMINATED AS DEAN



The Vice Chancellor of Kashmir University has nominated Prof. Aejaz Mohammed Sheikh, HOD, Dept. of Linguistics as the Dean, School of Arts, Languages and Literature. Hearty congratulations to Prof. Aejaz Mohammed Sheikh from the members of DLA, ISDL & IJDL.

THIRUKKURAL IN BRAHUI LANGUAGE



The renowned ancient Tamil work Tirukkural is translated into Brahui (A north Dravidian Language) by Prof. Muhammad Afzal Brahui, Former Director of Mohenjodaro Conservation Cell (UNESCO, UNDP, JTE). The linguistic community is thankful to him for this scholarly endeavour.

E. Annamalai

PROFESSOR M. ISRAEL ENDOWMENT LECTURE

The Department of Linguistics (School of Linguistics and Communication), Madurai Kamaraj University has instituted an endowment lecture in the name of Prof. M. Israel, former Head of the Department, Madurai Kamaraj University (MKU) and an eminent Scholar in Dravidian Linguistics and Tamil Language. It was inaugurated in a function held on the 28th of February, 2025 at Prof. Neethivanan Hall, MKU. The function was inaugurated by Prof. V. Renugadevi, Former Head, MKU. Dr. Umaraj, HOD, Dept. of Linguistics, MKU, welcomed the participants. Prof. A. Srinivasan, Former Chairperson, MKU delivered the presidential address and Prof. I. Arul Aram, Media Study, Anna University, Chennai delivered the Keynote address. Dr. K. Pasumpon, Former Special Officer, World Tamil Sangam, Madurai, Dr. S. Nagarathinan, Chairperson, MKU and Dr. A. Munian, Former Head, MKU, felicitated the function. The programme came to an end with a Vote of thanks by Dr. R. Kumarasamy, Assistant Professor, MKU.

Abdul Samed S.

INDEX OF RĀMAKATHAPPĀṬṬU, G. Sulekha, 2021, HB, Demy 1/8, pp. 1742, Rs. 1960/- (US\$ 196/-). BANGLA AND OTHER INDIAN LANGUAGES: LINGUISTIC AND CULTURAL RELATIONS, Naduvattom Gopalakrishnan & Dhruvajyoti Das (Eds.), 2021, PB, Demy 1/8, pp. viii + 483, Rs. 600/- (US\$ 60/-). INDIAN STYLISTICS, Desamangalam Ramakrishnan, 2020, PB, Crown 1/4, pp. 8 + 73, Rs. 170/- (US\$ 17/-). MALAYALAM AS A CLASSICAL LANGUAGE, Naduvattom Gopalakrishnan (Ed.), 2020, PB, Crown 1/4, pp. xx+616, Rs. 1250/- (US\$ 125/-). COLLECTED PAPERS OF V.I. SUBRAMONIAM, Naduvattom Gopalakrishnan (Ed.), 2020, HB, Crown 1/4, pp. 6+187, Rs. 450/- (US\$ 45/-). EVOLUTION OF MALAYALAM, Anantaramayyar Chandrasekhar, 2020, PB, Crown 1/4, pp. 8+216, Rs. 450/- (US\$ 45/-). 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/-).

THREE DAY WORKSHOP ON TRANSLATION AND ANNOTATION OF SCIENTIFIC, TECHNICAL AND KNOWLEDGE TEXTS AT ISI KOLKATA

The Linguistic Research Unit of the Indian Statistical Institute (ISI), Kolkata, organized a three-day workshop on "Translation and Annotation of Scientific, Technical, and Knowledge Texts" from March 5 to 7, 2025 at the ASU Seminar Room, 8th Floor, S.N. Bose Bhavan. under the Vidyaapati Project of Bhashini, an initiative sponsored by the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), Government of India.

It was led by Professor Niladri Sekhar Dash, the Head of the Linguistic Research Unit at ISI Kolkata and a distinguished scholar in linguistics and language technology. Under his guidance, the workshop offered both theoretical insights and hands-on training to participants, promoting advancements in scientific translation and annotation.

The interactive sessions and discussions were led by top experts. This workshop set a landmark in the field of scientific translation research. The workshop concluded with a valedictory session, where key issues were discussed.

Akash Bhagat

INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR ON INDIAN LANGUAGES AND TRANSLATION

The Department of Linguistics, Madurai Kamaraj University, Madurai, in collaboration with the Journal of Indian Languages and Indian Literature in English, is organizing a one day International seminar on Indian Languages and Translation on 24th March 2025.

Interested scholars are requested to submit their papers through e mail ID jilile.in12@gmail.com, umarajk@gmail.com

Conference Fee:

Faculty : Rs 1000 Research Scholars : Rs 700

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Registration can be done by availing the prescribed form along with prescribed fees.

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A TWO-DAY NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON NARRATIVES IN ENGLISH AND FOREIGN LANGUAGES: STORIES ACROSS TIME, SPACE AND CULTURES.

The Department of English and Foreign Languages, College of Engineering & Technology, SRM Institute of Science and Technology, SRM Nagar, Kattankulathur, Chengalpattu, Tamil Nadu is organizing **A Two-Day National Conference on Narratives in English and Foreign Languages: Stories Across Time, Space and Cultures** during 3rd – 4th April, 2025. The areas to be deliberated upon at the conference are as follow:

(1) Narratives, Traditions and Transformations Across Literary History and Genres, (2) Memory, War and Political Narratives (3) Gender, Identity and Disability Studies (4) Science, Technology and Environmental Narratives (5) Medical and Health Humanities (6) Language Teaching and Pedagogy (7) Interdisciplinary Crossings: Literature and Other Fields.

Papers are invited from interested linguists from all over India and abroad. The conference will be in hybrid mode. **The registration fee for Faculty/ Academicians ₹ 1000 (offline presentation), ₹750 (online presentation), Research Scholars ₹ 750 (offline presentation) ₹500 (online presentation), Students (UG & PG) ₹ 600 (offline presentation) ₹ 350 (online presentation), Industry Professionals ₹ 1500 (offline presentation) ₹ 1250 (online presentation) and for Attendees ₹ 500 (offline) ₹ 300 (online).** We request all the intended delegates to register for the conference as early as possible.

Link for registration: <https://forms.gle/BKvwHxhwy.pqi3HxW9>

Important Dates: Last date for Abstract Submission - **18th March 2025**

Acceptance Notification – **21st March 2025** Full Paper Submission - **28th March 2025**

Registration Deadline – **30th March 2025**

For more details : e mail : efl.conclave.ktr@srmist.edu.in Call/What Sapp : 7338774141

Annie Tisha Jerald

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ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF FOSSILS & NATIONAL SEMINAR ON MYTHOLOGY AND INDIAN FOLK AND TRIBAL LORE TRADITIONS

The 31st Annual Conference of FOSSILS & National Seminar on Mythology and Indian Folk and Tribal Lore Traditions was held at the National Sanskrit University, Tirupati in collaboration with National Sanskrit University, Tirupati and Central Institute of Indian Languages, Mysuru from 8-10 March, 2025. Prof. G.S.R. Krishnamurthy, Hon'ble Vice-chancellor, National Sanskrit University, Tirupati presided over the inaugural function. The Vice Chancellor focussed on the importance of myth, folk and tribal lore studies and how they have contributed to the unity in diversity of our beloved country. The conference was formally inaugurated by Prof. Purushottama Bilimale, Chairman, Kannada Development Authority, Govt. of Karnataka at Padmashree Prof. Ramaranjan Mukherjee Auditorium. Prof. H.C. Boralingaiah, former Vice Chancellor, Kannada University, Hampi, President, FOSSILS talked on the relevance of Folk and Tribal Lore cultures. Prof. K. Rama Suryanarayana, President Awardee, former Professor of Sahitya, National Sanskrit University who was the guest of honour talked about the Indian Culture and how India has maintained its cultural features to strengthen the unity of our country. Prof. Raghavan Payyanad, Former Professor of Folklore, Calicut University delivered the keynote address. Prof. G.K. Panikkar, Director, International School of Dravidian Linguistics delivered the felicitation address. Prof. N. Bhakthavathsala Reddy, Director, Institute for Indian Folklore introduced the activities of FOSSILS and thanked the Vice Chancellor, National Sanskrit University, Tirupati for his kind gesture of hosting the conference at the Sanskrit University. Dr. D. Nallanna, Associate Professor, National Sanskrit University, Tirupati and the Organising Secretary of the conference, welcomed the dignitaries, delegates and scholars. Prof. B. Krishna Reddy, Vice-President, FOSSILS, proposed the vote of thanks.

During the three days of the conference delegates from different parts of India participated and many valuable papers focusing on the various aspects of myth and folk and tribal lore were discussed and deliberated in detail.

The three day National Seminar ended with the valedictory function which was chaired by the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor Prof. G.S.R. Krishnamurthy. Prof. V. Varaprasad Murthy, Former Director, Acharya Nagarjuna University, Guntur was the Guest of Eminence. Sri. K. Venkata Narayana Rao, Registrar, National Sanskrit University, Tirupati and Prof. Rajanikanth Shukla, Dean, Academic Affairs, Prof. Satyanarayan Acharya, Dean, School of Sahitya and Samskriti were the guests of Honour. Prof. B. Krishna Reddy, Vice-President, FOSSILS welcomed the guests and Prof. K.M. Bharatan, Secretary- Correspondent, FOSSILS, Registrar, Malayalam University, Tirur proposed the vote of thanks.

N. Muraleedharan Nair

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ONE-DAY NATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON BHARATIYA BHASHA PARIWAR

A One-Day National Symposium on Bharatiya Bhasha Pariwar was organized by the P.G. Department of Linguistics at Berhampur University, Odisha, in collaboration with the Bharatiya Bhasha Samiti, Ministry of Education, Government of India, on March 12, 2025. The event took place at the New Conference Hall at 10:30 AM.

The symposium was not merely an academic endeavor but also a celebration of India's linguistic heritage. By bringing together experts from various fields, the symposium aimed to foster a deeper understanding of the unity that underlies India's linguistic diversity. It served as a reminder that, despite the differences in languages, a shared cultural and historical fabric binds the people of India together. The event contributed to the ongoing dialogue on preserving, promoting, and celebrating India's linguistic richness while fostering a sense of national unity.

The invited speakers and resource persons for this symposium included: Prof. R.C. Sharma, formerly of the Department of Linguistics, University of Delhi, Prof. Uma Maheshwar Rao, formerly of the CALTS, University of Hyderabad, Prof. Ramesh Kumar Mishra, University of Hyderabad, Prof. Jagannath Dash, Utkal University, Prof. Ananta Kishore Jena, J.K.B.K. Government College, Cuttack, Dr. Naresh Annem, CALTS, University of Hyderabad, Dr. Urmishree Bedamatta, Ravenshaw University, Dr. Mendem Bapuji, LRU, Indian Statistical Institute, Kolkata and Dr. L.R. Prem Kumar, LJRO, CILL, Mysore.

The symposium was coordinated by Dr. Anup Kumar Kujur, Department of Linguistics, Berhampur University, and Dr. P. Phani Krishna, National Coordinator, Bharatiya Bhasha Samiti, Ministry of Education, Government of India.

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