

18-05-2017

9.30 - 11.00 AM

Plenary Session II - Special Session

Theme: Socio-political Milieu of Thirukkural

Chairperson - Prof.V.T. Chellam, Professor of History, (Rtd)

- Speakers: 1. Dr. K. Baskaran, Vice-Chancellor, Tamil University, Thanjavur.
2. Datuk Dr Denison Jayasooria, National University of Malaysia (UKM),
3, Dr. Priyadarshana Jain, Head, Dept. of Jainism Madras University.
4. Ven. Dr. Bhikkhu Bodhipala,
5. Dr. K. Nedunchezian, Prof. of Tamil.

11.30 - 1.00 PM

Parallel Session II

1.00 - 2.00 PM

Lunch Break

2.00 - 3.30 PM

Parallel Session III

3.30 - 5.30 PM

Plenary Session III - Special Session
Theme- Translation of Thirukkural

Chairperson Dr. P. Marudanayagam, , Consultant, Central Institute of Classical Tamil, Chennai

- Resource Persons 1. Dr.V. Murugan, Prof. of English, (Rtd.),
2. Dr.V.Ramasamy, Prof. of English(Rtd.),
3. Prof. T. Murugarathanam, Professor, Thirukkural Chair,(Rtd) Madurai Kamaraj University
4. Mr. Kumar Punithavel, Canada

With the participation of the translators of Thirukkural of the Central Institute of Classical Tamil , Sahitya academy and other organisations and individuals

6.00 - 7.30 PM

Cultural Programme

The Altruistic Love - Dance Programme- hosted by the New York Christhava Tamil Koil

Villupattu - Artistes from Kanyakumari District

7.40 PM

Dinner

19-05-2017

9.00 - 11.00 AM

Plenary Session IV - General

Chairperson Dr. E. James R Daniel, President, Association of Third World Studies & South Asia Chapter (ATWS &SAC)

- Speakers: 1. Dr. Na. Ganesan, Senior Scientist, NASA, Houston, USA.
2. Dr. K. Mohanraj, Prof. of Tamil,(Rtd.) Madras University
3. Dr.S. Padmanabhan, Senior Historian and writer.
4. Mr. Gopalsamy Pillay Mauree, Mauritius
5. Dr Brigitte SEBASTIA, France

11.30 - 1.00 PM

Parallel Session IV

1.00 - 2.00 PM

Lunch Break

2.00 - 3.30 PM

Parallel Session V

4.00 - 6.00 PM

Valedictory Session

Welcome address - Dr. J.R.V.Edward, Controller of Examinations Scott Christian College, Nagercoil

Chairperson - Dr. Edwin Gnanadhas, Principal Scott Christian College, Nagercoil.

Felicitation - Dr. Muhilai Rajapandian, Registrar Central Institute of Classical Tamil, Chennai

Valedictory Address - Datuk Dr Denison Jayasooria, National University of Malaysia (UKM),

Vote of Thanks Dr. G. Isaac Arul Dhas

6.30 PM

Dinner

20-5-2017

Post- Conference Tour- Visiting Chitharal,Valluvar Rock, Padmanapuram Palace,Kanyakumari and Suchindram.

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International Conference on Thirukkural

17th to 19th May 2017

Theme: Thirukkural as an ethical corpus of universal appeal

Venue: Scott Christian College, Nagarkovil



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INVITATION

We solicit your esteemed presence at the Inaugural function of the **International Conference on Thirukkural** at 9.30 A.M on 17th May 2017 (Wednesday), at the Auditorium of Scott Christian College, Nagarkovil and the subsequent academic sessions and the Cultural programmes for three days.

Her Highness **Princess Gowri Parvathi Bayi** of Travancore has agreed inaugurate the Conference.

Dr. Gregory James, Professor(Retd), Hongkong University of Science and Technology, has consented to deliver the inaugural address..

Hon'ble Thiru. **Pon. Radhakrishnan**, Minister of State for Road Transport, Highways and Shipping , Govt. of India has consented to inaugurate the exhibition and Hon'ble Thiru **Sevvoor Ramachandran**, Minister for Tamil Development and Religious Endowment, Govt. of Tamilnadu has consented to release the Conference Souvenir volume.

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Programme (Inaugural Session, Plenary Sessions, Cultural events and Valedictory Session)

17-05- 2017

8.30 - 9.30 AM	Registration
9.00 - 10.00 AM	Welcoming the delegates with various folk dances of Tamilnadu, by Dept. of Culture and Tourism, Tamilnadu Eyal, Isai Nadaka Manram, Govt. of India.
9.30 - 10.00 AM	Mangala Isai (on the Dais)
10.00 - 12.30 PM	Inaugural Session - Master of Ceremony - Dr. E. James R Daniel , Former Principal, Scott Christian College
	Invocation / Prayer Theme Song - Video Presentation
Welcome Address	- Prof. Armoogum Parsuramen , President International Association of Tamil Diaspora, Mauritius
Scope and Objectives of the Conference	- Dr. G . John Samuel , Founder Director, Institute of Asian Studies, Chennai.
Inauguration	- Her Highness Princess Gowri Parvathi Bayi Of Travancore
Special Inaugural Address	- Dr. Gregory James , Professor(Retd), Hongkong University of Science and Technology.
Releasing of the Souvenir	- Hon'ble Thiru Sevvoor S. Ramachandran , Minister for Tamil Development and Religious Endowment Govt. Of Tamilnadu.
Inauguration of the Exhibition	- Hon'ble Thiru Pon.Radhakrishnan , Minister of State for Road Transport Highways and Shipping, Govt. Of India.
Felicitation	- 1. The Rt. Rev. Dr. G. Devakadasham , , Bishop , Kanyakumari Diocese, Church of South India

2. **Mahaguru Bala Prajapati Adigalar**,
Swamithoppu
3. **Dr. Kumari Ananthan**, Ex. M.P
4. **Dr. V. G. Santhosam**, Chairman,
VGP World Tamil Sangam, Chennai

Keynote Address - **Dr. P. Marudanayagam**, , Consultant,
Central Institute of Classical Tamil, Chennai

Vote of Thanks - **Mr. Robert Bruce**, Treasurer, CSI Synod &
Correspondent-Secretary,
Scott Christian College (Autonomous),
Nagarkovil

12.30 - 1.30 PM

Lunch Break

1.30 - 3.30 PM

Plenary Session I - Special Session

Theme: The Universal Appeal of Thirukkural

Chairperson: Prof Armoogum Parsuramen, Mauritius

- Speakers:**
1. **Prof. Gregory James**, Former Director,
Language Centre, Hong Kong University of
Science and Technology, Hong Kong.
 2. **Prof. Daniel Jeyaraj**,
Liverpool Hope University, England
 3. **Prof. K. Chellappan**, Prof. of English (Rtd.),
 4. **Dr. Thilagavathi Chandulal**, Canada
 5. **Prof. A. Sanmugasadas**, Emeritus Professor,
University of Jaffna, Srilanka

3.30 - 5.00 PM

Parallel Session I

5.00 - 6.00 PM

Demonstration of the Martial Art- Kalari

6.00 - 7.30 PM

Cultural Programme

Dance drama on Thirukkural sponsored by the
Department of Arts and Culture, Govt. of Tamilnadu.

7.40 PM

Dinner