



MANONMANIAM SUNDARANAR UNIVERSITY

DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH

A Three-Day National Workshop on

TRIBAL PERFORMING ARTS

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Date: 17, 18 & 19 October 2024

Venue: Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli



Invitation

Day 1 - 17/10/2024, Thursday

Registration 9:00 a.m. to 9:55 a.m.

Inauguration

Mangala Isai : **Mr. MARI SELVAM & CREW**

Invocation 10:00 a.m. to 10:05 a.m.

Welcome Address 10:06 a.m. to 10:10 a.m.

Dr. S. SUSHMA JENIFER

Co-Project Coordinator – ICSSR,
Principal, Maria Arts and Science Women's College, Vallloor.

Concept Note 10:11 a.m. to 10:20 a.m.

Prof. S. PRABAHAR

Convenor, Project Coordinator – ICSSR,
Dean, Faculty of Indian & Other Languages,
Chair, School of Languages,
Professor & Head, Department of English, MSU.

Presidential Address 10:21 a.m. to 10:35 a.m.

Prof. N. CHANDRASEKAR

Vice-Chancellor,
M. S. University, Tirunelveli.

Felicitation 10:36 a.m. to 10:40 a.m.

Prof. S. MADHAVAN

Dean, Faculty of Arts, MSU.

Inaugural Address 10:41 a.m. to 11:10 a.m.

Mr. S. ANNADURAI, C.L.S.

Director, Directorate of Tribal Welfare,
Government of Tamil Nadu, Chennai.

Key Note Address 11:11 a.m. to 11:40 a.m.

Prof. S. ARMSTRONG

Professor & Head, Department of English,
University of Madras, Chennai.

Vote of Thanks 11:41 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.

Dr. P. VEDAMUTHAN

Assistant Professor,
Department of English, MSU.

Tea Break 11:46 a.m. to 12:00 Noon.

Invited Talk - I

12:01 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Chair

Dr. A. RAMASUBBIAH

Principal, Mannar Thirumalai Naicker College, Madurai.

Prof. T. MARX

Professor & Head, Department of English,
Pondicherry University, Puducherry.

Title: "Ethno Poetics and Narrative Performances"

Rapporteurs

Dr. A.CHANDRA BOSE, Assistant Professor,
Madura College, Madurai.

Ms. N. A. SUHA, UGC-SRF, MSU.

Lunch Break

1:01 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Invited Talk - II

2:01 p.m. to 2:45 p.m.

Chair

Prof. G. BALASUBRAMANIA RAJA

Professor & Head, Department of Communication, MSU.

Mr. B. KOLAPPAN

Journalist, "The Hindu", Chennai.

Title: "Folk Music and Ethnic Connections"

Rapporteurs

Dr. M. SAJI

Head, Department of English, S.T. Hindu College, Nagercoil.

Ms. SHERLIN JOHNSON, UGC-JRF, MSU.

Invited Talk - III

2:46 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Chair

Dr. R. DHAYALAKRISHNAN

Head i/c, Department of English, DDE,
M. K. University, Madurai.

Prof. A. CHELLA PERUMAL

Former Professor & Head,
Department of Anthropology,
Pondicherry University, Puducherry.

Title: "Tribes and their Performing Arts in Tamil Nadu"

Rapporteurs

Dr. A. XAVIER CHANDRA BOSE

Head, Department of English, LPC, Neyyoor.

Ms. S. KEJAPRIYA, UGC-JRF, MSU.

Tea Break

3:31 p.m. to 3:45 p.m.

Technical Session & Performances

3:46 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Chair

Dr. J. BALASUBRAMANIAN

Assistant Professor, Department of Journalism, MKU.

Thol Paavai Koothu: **Mr. P. MUTHU CHANDHIRAN & CREW.**

Kani Music and Dance: **Mr. N. VELMURUGAN & CREW.**



Day 2 – 18/10/2024, Friday

Visit to Kalakad Mundanthurai Tiger Reserve (KMTR)

Deliberations & Panel Discussion

Mr. M. ILAYARAJA, IFS.

Deputy Director,
Project Tiger – KMTR, Ambasamudram.

Dr. R. SURESH SWAMIYAR KAANI

Director, Tribal Cultural Research Institute,
Thadikarankonam, Kanniyakumari District.

Dr. Y. THARMARAJ

Senior Kani Researcher,
Former Principal,
M S University Constituent College, Kanniyakumari.

Rapporteurs

Dr. T. YUVARAJ, Head i/c, Department of Psychology, MSU.

Dr. V. DENESH KUMAR

Assistant Professor, Department of Statistics, MSU.

Ms. EUBE BLOSSOM, UGC-SRF, MSU.

Mr. S. PREETH VAITHEESWARAN, Research Assistant, ICSSR, MSU.

Lunch Break

1:01 p.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Invited Talk VII & VIII

2:01 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Chair

Prof. K. RAVICHANDRAN

Professor & Head,
Department of English,
Thiruvalluvar University, Vellore.

Dr. ERIC MILLER

Director, World Story Telling Institute, Chennai.
Former Professor, New York University, USA.
Dean, Rojavanam International School, Nagercoil.

Title: "Kanikkaran Kathaiyum Paattum (Story and Song)"

Prof. B. HARIHARAN

Professor, Institute of English,
University of Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram.

Title: "Textualising the Folk Narrative"

Rapporteurs

Dr. V. DAVID ARPUTHA RAJ

Assistant Professor, Bharathiar University, Coimbatore.

Dr. G. MAGESH KUTTALAM

Assistant Professor, Department of Management Studies, MSU.

Mr. S. KISHORE KUMAR, UGC-JRF, MSU.

Mr. AJIM SHEIKH, UGC-JRF, MSU.

*Faculty members, who serve as rapporteurs shall chair the parallel technical sessions.

Day 3 – 19/10/2024, Saturday

Technical Session

8:45 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

Invited Talks - IV, V, VI

Panel Discussion & Performances

10:01 a.m. to 01:00 p.m.

Chair

Prof. V. VINOD KUMAR

Professor & Head,
Department of English,
Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirapalli.

Performances

Kaniyan Koothu – **Mr. V. MUTHAM PERUMAL & CREW.**

Villupattu – **Mr. T. THANGAMANI & CREW.**

Dr. A. K. PERUMAL

Folklorist, Former Head,
Department of Tamil,
Arignar Anna College, Aralvaimozhi.

Title: "Kaniyan and their Performing Art"

Dr. N. RAMACHANDRAN

Folklorist, Former Director,
Folklore Resources & Research Centre (FRRSC),
St. Xavier's College, Palayamkottai.

Title: "Bow Song: Tradition and Modernity"

Prof. G. STEPHEN

Folklorist, Former Professor & Head,
Department of Tamil, MSU.

Title: "Kakkarasi"

Rapporteurs

Dr. B. PADMANABHAN

Assistant Professor, Bharathiar University, Coimbatore.

Dr. P. DINESH, Assistant Professor, PSR College, Sivakasi.

Ms. R. MIZPAH, UGC-JRF, MSU.

Tea Break

3:31 p.m. to 3:45 p.m.

Valediction

Welcome Address

3:46 p.m. to 3:50 p.m.

Dr. R. VASUHI

Assistant Professor,
Department of English, MSU.

Presidential Address

3:51 p.m. to 4:05 p.m.

Prof. J. SACRATEES

Registrar,
M. S. University, Tirunelveli.

Felicitation

4:06 p.m. to 4:10 p.m.

Prof. R. KALA

Member Syndicate,
Dean, Faculty of Science, MSU.

Report & Feedback

4:11 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Ms. JYOTHI LEKSHMI G

UGC-SRF, Department of English, MSU.

Valedictory Address

4:31 p.m. to 4:55 p.m.

Dr. S. UDHAYA KUMAR

Director, Tribal Research Centre,
Uthagamandalam.

Vote of Thanks

4:56 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Prof. S. PRABAHAR

Convenor, Project Coordinator – ICSSR,
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