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A Brief report on One Day Virtual National Seminar

On

Socio-Cultural and Political Perspectives in Indo-Anglian Fiction

Date: 7th August, 2021

A One Day Virtual National Seminar on "Socio-Cultural and Political Perspectives in Indo-Anglian Fiction" was organized by Dr. M. K. Umathe College, Nagpur in collaboration with Prin. Arunrao Kalode College, Nagpur, CSM's Arts & Commerce College, Chakan, Pune, Shri. Shivaji Arts, Commerce & Science College, Akot and Govindrao Warjurkar Arts and Commerce College, Nagbhid on 7th August, 2021. The aim of the webinar was to throw light on the different shades of Socio-Cultural and political perspectives in Indo-Anglian writings.

The webinar started with the verbal welcome of the resource persons and the participants. **Dr. Rajesh Latane**, Principal, CSM's Arts & Commerce College, Chakan, Pune gave the Welcome Speech. **Dr. A. L. Kulat**, Principal, Shri. Shivaji Arts Commerce & Science College, Akot expressed his feelings and his views on the topic of the webinar. Dr. D. V. Naik, Principal, Dr. M. K Umathe College, Nagpur made the introductory remarks.

Dr. Jaydipsingh K. Dodiya, Professor, Department of English & Comparative Literary Studies, Saurashtra University, Rajkot (Gujrat) was invited as the eminent resource person for the first plenary session. The topic of his presentation was "Ethnocentric Discourse in India: English Fiction with Special Reference to Parsi Indian English Novelists." His presentation was indeed interesting and informative. Dr. Sanjay Vakil, Principal, H. A. College Of Commerce, Ahmadabad aptly summed up the session and expressed his views on the topic. Dr. Vaishali Meshram, an Assistant Professor of English, Dr. M. K. Umathe College, Nagpur conducted the proceedings of the first plenary session.

Prof. Manish Shrivastava, Dept. of English and Foreign Languages Guru Ghasidas Central University Bilaspur, Chhattisgarh Dr. Indira Nityanandam, Director, Bhartiya Bhasha Sanskriti Sansthan Gujrat Vidyapith, Ahmedabad (Gujrat) was invited as a resource person for the second plenary session. The topic of his discourse was "Culture, Literature and National Identity: Understanding the shift from History to Itihaas" He made wonderful deliberations on his topic and received accolades from the participants. Dr. Ashok Sachdewa, M.J.V. Govt. Girls P.G. College, Indore, Devi Ahilya University presided over the session. He expressed his views on the topic and summed up the session.

The third session was exclusively for Paper Presentation. **Dr. Urmila Dabir**, Principal, Rajkumar Kewalramani Mahila Mahavidyalaya, Nagpur and the Chairperson, BOS, RTM Nagpur University, Nagpur was the chairperson for the paper presentation session. She gave some instructions pertaining to paper presentation to all the paper persenters. Six participants presented their research papers. At the end of the third session Dr. Dabir madam summed up the session and made apt comments on the presentations made by the participants. Dr. B. Swain, Associate Professor, Dept.of English,

Principal Arunrao Kalode Mahavidyalaya, Nagpur conducted the proceedings while Dr. Deepak N. Morande, Assistant professor, Govindrao Warjukar Arts Commerce College, Nagbhid proposed the formal vote of thanks.

The webinar received an overwhelming response and more than 170 participants from all over India attended and actively participated in the webinar. Research papers were invited from the participants. Around 74 participants across the nation sent their papers to be published in the journal "Knowledge Resonance"—ISSN 2231-1629, National Peer Reviewed Research Journal indexing with SJIF impact factor (8.072). The webinar was conducted on Zoom Cloud App and was also streamed live on YouTube.

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