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TWENTY SIXTH ANNUAL CONFERENCE AND INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR

ON

'Dimensions of Literary, Cultural and
Socio-economic Developments and
Communications in South Asian Countries

Date : 15,16,17 May 2024



In collaboration with



Thunchath Ezhuthachan Malayalam University
Aksharam Campus, Vakkad (PO)
Tirur, Malappuram District
Kerala - 676105

Venue :
Rangasala, Aksharam Campus,
Malayalam, University

Prof. L. Sushama
Hon'ble Vice - Chancellor
Thunchath Ezhuthachan Malayalam University
Tirur, Kerala

will inaugurate the Conference

Dear Sir/Madam,

We are glad to announce the XXVIth Annual Conference and International Seminar of the Association of Third World Studies - South Asia Chapter (ATWS-SAC) to be hosted by Thunchath Ezhuthachan Malayalam University, Tirur, Kerala on 15-17 May, 2024. **Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor of the University Prof. L. Sushama** will inaugurate the Proceedings. Dr. Swapnarani. S.S., Asst. Professor and Director, School of Sociology (Mob. 9539207747) and **Dr. Manjusha R.Varma**, Asst. Professor and Director, School of Historical Studies, Thunchath Ezhuthachan Malayalam University (Mob. 9847348845) have consented to be the Local Secretaries of the programme.

Thunchath Ezhuthachan Malayalam University

Thunchath Ezhuthachan Malayalam University is an institution of excellence dedicated to the study of Kerala's language, literature, arts and other cultural expressions, intellectual traditions and the life of people in depth, with a view to generating new perspectives, knowledge and ideas and connect them with the present. The University will constantly watch the contours of the contemporary cultural changes and evaluate its complexity and equip along with Malayalam language and Kerala's cultural and intellectual life to meet the challenges of the future.

Association of Third World Studies - South Asia Chapter (ATWS-SAC)

The International organization of the Association of Third World Studies Inc. (now renamed as Association of Global South Studies), taking its inception in 1983 at Georgia, USA, has become the largest professional forum in the world with its Chapters all over the world. Dr. Isaih Azariah a great Indian academician and philanthropist, having been engaged in activities of ATWS in USA, founded at Bengaluru on June 10 th, 1995, a South Asia Chapter of the Association (ATWS-SAC) during his tenure as Full Bright scholar and Visiting Professor to the University of Kerala. The succor provided by the late Professor Dr. K.K. Kusuman, the first Organising Chairperson, in co-ordinating the academic activities of ATWS-SAC has been enormous. The contributions of Dr. K.Sadasivan, the immediate past secretary of the Association has also been largely responsible for enhancing the popularity of the Association.

The multi-disciplinary organisation of ATWS-SAC has taken up as its main objective, providing of open forum facilitating professional and social communication by sponsoring activities which will bring together persons interested in studies of issues of the Developing countries. For the past twenty five years, it could without interruption organise workshops, annual conferences and regional, national and international seminars with the co-operation of academic institutions, activists and agencies striving towards the betterment of society. It has taken up genuine research and publication on a multitude of problems, of the Developing countries such as social harmony, environmental protection, sustainable development and uplift and empowerment of the marginalised.

Release of Books:

ATWS - SAC from the beginning has provided venue for the release and publication of books and monographs by budding scholars in different disciplines. In its Silver Jubilee Conference it has released a *festchrift* in honour and memory of Dr.(Prof.) K.Sadasivan, our past Secretary.

Excellence Award

ATWS - SAC has also instituted an Excellence Award to a person dedicated to the cause of peace, prosperity, culture or social service. The award is instituted in honour of our late President Mrs. Helen Azariah whose life was dedicated to the service of the destitutes and differently abled.

ATWS-SAC Journal

The Association has already released five volumes of its journal with ISSN. The Sixth issue is expected to be released during the forthcoming Conference as Silver Jubilee Volume and will be published later with successful entry into UGC CARE list.

We, the office bearers of ATWS-SAC along with the respective authorities of the Thunchath Ezhuthachan Malayalam University, Tirur, the Local Secretaries, the organising committee and co-ordinators take this opportunity to extend to you a cordial invitation to participate in the XXVIth Annual Conference and International Seminar of the Association. It will definitely offer a common platform for multi-disciplinary practioners where valuable suggestions for the betterment of life in developing countries can be offered. We anticipate to meeting you at the proposed conference and Seminar.

Membership

As an international forum ATWS-SAC enrolls as members from among the academic community as well as the public who are interested in the problems afflicting developing nations of South Asia. Members of the following categories are admitted.

Life ₹ 3,000/- (INR)	Institutional ₹ 5000/-	Teachers and Public Annual ₹ 300 /- Research Scholars & Students ₹ 100 /-
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Membership Fee may be remitted by a Demand Draft payable at **Canara Bank, Trivandrum Cantonment Branch, Spencer Jn., MG Road, Thiruvananthapuram - 695039**, favouring Treasurer, ATWS - South Asia Chapter or at the Conference Venue in person to the Treasurer. Two passport size photos to be submitted along with Life Membership form duly filled, so that Identity Cards or Certificates may be issued in due course. Life Membership forms can be either downloaded from our website or had from the Office bearers.

Membership Fee can also be transferred online as follows

Beneficiary Name : ASSOCIATION OF THIRD WORLD STUDIES - SOUTHASIA CHAPTER

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Accommodation and Registration

Participants are requested to ensure their accommodation during the Conference and seminar period, through payment of the Registration fee as stipulated below on or before **25th April 2024**. They are requested to indicate their requirements regarding accommodation in the accompanying form.

Registration Fee

Teachers & Public (Needing Accommodation)	- Rs.3000/-
Local Participants (Teachers & Public)	- Rs. 1500/-
Research scholars & Students (Needing Accommodation)	- Rs.2500/-
Research Scholars (Local)	- Rs.900/-
Students (Local)	- Rs. 600/-

Persons can join as **Patrons** of the Association with payment of Rs. 5000 onwards

Registration fees

Participants shall pay Registration Fees by Demand Draft payable at **Canara Bank, Thiruvananthapuram Cantonment Branch, Spencer Junction, MG Road, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala, Pin : 695039** favoring Treasurer, Association of Third World Studies - South Asia Chapter.

Mailing Address of the Treasurer : Dr. Jithin Shankar, 'Manjusha', (Kannanchira), Mathil Bhagam, Thiruvalla, Kerala, Pin : 689101.

Registration fee can also be transferred online. **For Online payment** the details will be as following;

Beneficiary Name: Association of Third World Studies, South Asia Chapter (Registration Fee for 26th Annual Conference and International Seminar) (ATWS-SAC)

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Last date of receipt of DD / Online Payment, will be 3rd May 2024

Themes for Seminar

The **main theme** of this year's seminar will be **'Dimensions of literary, cultural and Socio-economic Developments and Communications, in South Asian Countries'**.

There are also sub themes as:

a) Environmental Problems

- A Relook at Human Interventions, climate change and perils to human existence - the role of South Asian Alliance.

- Drinking water Scarcity in Third World Countries - Governmental interventions and WHO initiatives.
 - Forest policies and Encroachments : Man - animal, tussle.
 - Trends towards Green Energy and Environmental Protection.
- b) Science and Technology**
- Advances of Science and Technology in Third World Countries - Science, Engineering, Bio-technology, Agriculture and Fisheries.
 - Latest leaps in Artificial Intelligence and Ethical Boundaries.
 - Indian Advance in Space Research, Technology and new space missions.
 - Technological Revolution and expanding perils of cyber crimes.
- c) Health and Medicine**
- Enhancing Lifestyle diseases and the drug market enterprises.
 - Homeopathic Medicine and vistas of exploring personalised curative practices.
 - Kottakkal Aryavaidyasala - the pioneering legacy in traditional medicine
 - Scope and status of Ethnic medicine in the evolution of indigenous medical system.
- d) Political Issues**
- Colonial Policies reread in the post - colonial context.
 - State *versus* Centre - the financial conflicts and judicial intervention.
 - Civil liberties, Political Surveillance and free states?
 - SAARC : The need for Revival of Regional Rejuvenation in Global South.
 - Chinese South Asian Policy - the Sino -South Asian perspective.
- f) Sociological , Psychological and Gender Issues**
- Women Empowerment - trends and loopholes in South Asian Context.
 - Drug abuse in children and youth : Need for Psychological and Societal intervention.
 - Psychological and social problems of abused women and children.
 - Question of Ethnonymic Identities and social boundaries.
- f) Economic and Legal Questions**
- Digital Economic Inclusion - India a case study.
 - Sustainable Development and food security - the problems and solutions.
 - Legacy and new dimensions of the Land struggles of Tribals in Kerala
 - Mainstreaming the isolated Tribal communities.
 - Lingering loopholes in reforms of the agricultural sector.
- g) Educational and legal issues**
- The New Education Policy - problems and prospects of implementation.
 - Amendment of Indian Forest Act - the legal issues.
 - Religion, Migration and Identity in South Asia - The legal procedures.
 - Criminal justice system : Implementation against caste discrimination of the marginalised communities in the education sector.
- h) History, Archaeology, Art and Literature**
- Rewriting Histories of the Third World Countries - the imperative factors.
 - Recent Advances in Archaeological research and Epigraphical studies - the Indian scenario.
 - Liberation and Empowerment in post-colonial writings.
 - The folk narratives - assuming novel trends in literature, art and history.
 - Expanding dimensions - Music, Theater, Cinema and performing arts in South Asia.
- i) Music, Religion and Philosophy**
- Hidden genius of Carnatic Music - A search.
 - Musical rarities in different locales of India.
 - Moderating trends in Indian Tantrism : critical reading of Sankaracharya's *Soundaryalahari*.
 - Thunchath Ramanujan Ezhuthachan: Morning star of Malayalam Bhakti literature and philosophy.
 - Humanism, Religious synthesis and Universalism in Sree Narayana Guru's Philosophy.

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Call for Papers

Papers are invited on any one of the above themes. Scholars are requested to send the abstract of their paper in not more than 100 words by **20th April 2024** in the email : **atwsac@gmail.com**. Date for acceptance of the same will be 23th April 2024. One hard copy of the full paper has to be submitted on the day of commencement of the seminar to Dr. P. Vasumathy Devi, Vice-President and Programme Chairperson, ATWS-SAC. Papers should be neatly computed in about 10 pages, double space on A4 size paper with adequate references following Chicago Style Sheet. Authors are requested to use endnotes instead of footnotes and papers should contain the author's mailing address, mobile number and email ID. Papers containing original research will be selected to be published in the Journal of ATWS - SAC based on the evaluation of a Peer Review Committee.

Book Release

Scholars who wish to release their monographs / books at the inaugural ceremony of the conference should contact **Dr. G. Gopikrishnan**, Asst. Professor and Head, Dept. of History, NSS Hindu College, Changanassery, Kottayam, Kerala, (Secretary, ATWS - SAC). Ph : 9495519339

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2. From Tirur Railway Station, Malappuram it takes 15 min (8 kms) by car to reach the venue.
3. From Tirur Bus Terminal it takes 15 minutes (8 kms) to reach Thunchath Ezhuthachan Malayalam University by car. Number of cabs and buses available.

Climate : Weather in the month of May is temperately hot with 38°C - 39°C day time

Post-Conference Tour

Tirur and the totality of Malappuram, one of the northern districts of Kerala, is a historically significant place from an early period. Besides the temple of Thirunavay (Nava Mukundan) and the beach of River Nila these being the historical spot of the famous Mamakam festival of Kerala history, the significant temples of Thirumandhamkunnu (from where Valluvakonathiri's forces set out for Mamakam and encounter with the Zamorin of Calicut), the famous Siva temples of Thirukandiyoor, Thiruprangodu, the Sri Rama Hanuman temple - all are historically significant. One day tour of the places can be conducted for the interested delegates. Please contact Dr. Shinoy Jesinth, Ph : 9995011120, Dr. Shithor Ph : 9100878856 or Dr. Manjusha R Varma, Ph : 9847348845, for details of local tour to places of historical significance in and around Thunchanparampu.