

## REPORT OF THE PROGRAMME CONDUCTED

Title of the Programme : International Seminar on Southern Saivism

Date & Time : 27 - 2 - 2019, 28 - 2 - 2019, Full Day

Total no. of Participants : 50

Convener : Dr. Suvarnani Antherjanam S, Dr. Harikrishna Sharma K.N

## **Detailed Report**

The department of Sanskrit organised a two day international seminar on Philosophical postulates in Southern Saivism in collaboration with MG University, Kottayam, Research institute of Saivism, Karnataka Sanskrit University and Swadhyaya research foundation on 27th and 28th February 2019. The main objective of the seminar was to bring out the specific assertions of theoretical perspectives based on Saivagamas. Seminar was inaugurated by MD Sri. K. Anand and the presidential address by college principal Dr.A .Suresh. The keynote address was delivered by Dr.N.Ushadevi ( HOD,Sanskrit). The first session was led by Prof A.Subramonia lyyer in 'Tamil Saivism'. There were two main lectures in the second session on 'Saiva Tradition in Kerala' by Dr. Palnadu Vasudevan ( Asst.Editor,Panchangam press,Kanippayyur)and 'Tamil Vazhakkangal Agastya Tradition by Dr. Sreedharan Anchumurthi HSST,Govt.HSS,Palakkad) . The session was chaired by Dr.K.Muthulakshmi ( HOD, Dept.of Vedanta, SSUS). After the main lectures there were a number of complimentary papers by research scholars as well as teachers from other institutions. The session ended with a vote of thanks by Dr. V.V.Anikumar

On the 28th The morning session was chaired by Dr. N Ushadevi ( HOD,Dept.of Sanskrit,SSC). There were two invited lectures in this session. The resource persons were Dr. Sarathchandra Swami ( Director, Research Institute of Saivism, KSU) who delivered a speech on 'Philosophical aspects of Shaivite Bhakti movement of Southern India' and Dr. Elena Mucciarelli ( Martin Buber Society,Jerusalem University) who delivered a lecture on 'Many Tevarams - a preliminary Study'. Besides these lectures there were a number of contributory papers by teachers as well as students from colleges and universities. The session ended with a vote thanks by Dr.Aparna.P. The afternoon session was chaired by Dr.B.Chandrika( Director, International Centre for Sree Sankara Studies,SSUS,Kalady). The resource person Dr. Manjunath Bhat ( Asst.Professor,Faculty of Sastra,KSU) delivered a lecture on 'The real nature of Liberation in Shaivism' The session ended with a vote of thanks by Dr.Suvarnani Antherjanam S. The seminar concluded with a valedictory session in which the discussion on scope and unveiled areas in Shivism which has to be researched and published.



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## **Photos**



**Dr.Sharath Chandra Swami**Asst.Professor (KSU) presenting paper



**Audience of the International Seminar** 





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**Dr.Ellena Mucciarelli** presenting the paper