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*Heartily Welcome*  
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The 2 Day International Conference-Transformations and Transitions: Emerging Trends in Literature and Language Studies-11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> March-2024 held at K L Deemed to be niversity, Vaddeswaram Guntur District, AP brought together educators and Research scholars from iffereent states of India. The conference provided a platform for fruitful discussions, nowledge exchange, and Paper presentations.

Hon'ble Pro Chancellor-Prof. Jaganadha Rao has inaugurated the conference. He spoke about the importance of the language English at global level. He maintained that language is the

Brain's Activity and English stands as the nucleus of all the subjects. The Dept chair Dr K V Divya welcomed the gathering and presented the profile of the Dept. The convenor of the conference Dr K K Sunalini has briefed on how the thought of the conference has made this happen. She said that about 200 delegates both National and International have registered themselves for the conference. Two books- Bridging the Gaps: Emerging Trends in Literature and Language Studies, edited by Dr. K. K.Sunalini & Dr K B Glory ,The Essence and Matrix of Literature and language edited by Dr.S. Farhad are released during the inaugural.

Dr. Dinesh Kumar Nair Professor and Head, Department of English VG Vaze College of Arts, Science and Commerce (Autonomous) Mulund East, Mumbai has delivered the Keynote address on "Oceanic Narratives: Blue Humanities and Nautical Fiction" and has captured the minds of the participants with his spell binding eloquence by his innovative diction of Marine Literature.

Dr. Kalpana Purohit, Professor and Dean, Faculty of Arts, Education and Social Sciences, Jai Narain Vyas University, Jodhpur (Raj.) has delivered plenary talk on Socio- Cultural constructs in Indian Diaspora Literature: A Kaleidoscopic View. Her focus is on Research

scholars, giving guidance on how to pursue their research in their career. Prof. Daniel S. Arper, Associate Vice President for International Initiatives at Christian Brothers University, United States has delivered plenary talk on “Kindly do the Needful: Global Citizenship and Linguistic Flexibility”. He maintained that the global citizenship refers to the concept of recognizing oneself as a member of global community rather than just a citizen of a particular nation state.

After the Day one keynote address and plenary talks, about 100 delegates and research scholars have enthused in presenting their research papers at different parallel sessions. The participants deliberated on ways to teaching and learning English Language and Literature.

Day 2-12<sup>th</sup> March has lined up with plenary addresses by- Dr. Prantik Banerjee Professor of English, Hislop College, Nagpur on Petrofiction or Petrification? Narratives of Oil in a Hydrocarbon Age –he says it’s an age of Pop Tech Culture focussing on Energy and health humanities connected to Petro fiction or oil literature to the old and new writings.

Prof Nicholas Birns, New York University- spoke about Totality and Totalitarianism in Literature and maintains that totality is the realization of the total. Prof Kamal Mehta, Professor, Saurashtra University, Rajkot. Gujarat- spoke on The Relevance of the Application of Indian Classical Literary Theory and he maintained that the contemporary theories are ideology specific. He quoted George Orwell's 'Animal Farm' novel as an example work which could be effectively interpreted with Rasa Dwani theory.

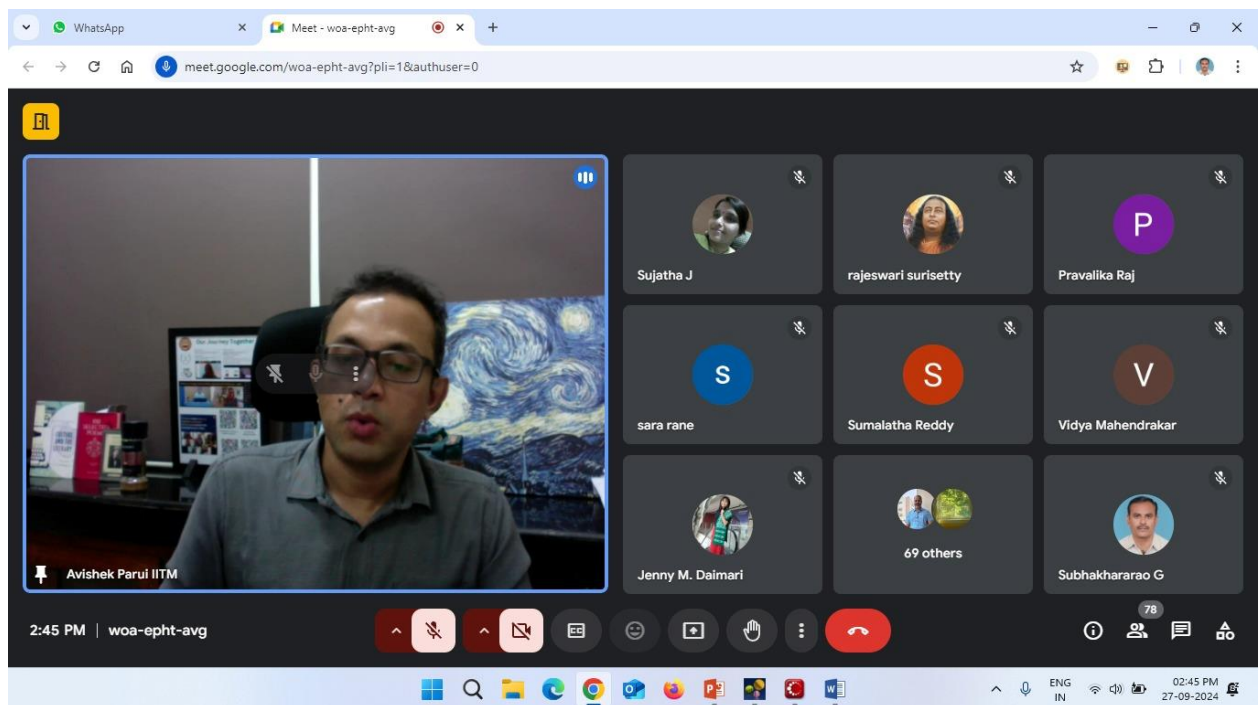
Dr. Pradipta Sengupta, M. U. C. Women’s College, Burdwan, West Bengal- presented a plenary talk on Absent Fathers and Single Mothers in American Fiction, gathered eclectic examples from the genre of fiction.

Dr Derek Irwin, Chair of the International Systemic Functional Linguistics Association, and Honorary President of the International Hallidayan Association, University of Nottingham Ningbo China- Using the tools of systemic functional linguistics for stylistic analysis: an example from Canadian children’s literature. He elaborately discussed how SFL offers

several tools for analyzing stylistics, which is the study of Linguistic style and its effects on readers and listeners.

The conference has concluded extending the horizons of English language and literature among all the participants. Valedictory address was by the Guest of Honor Prof. Shruti Sircar, Professor of Linguistics , EFL University, Hyderabad- Cognitive processes in language comprehension: The mind leads the eye Her talk is focussed on the cognitive aspects of language comprehension and how the mind processes language before directing visual attention. The delegates maintained that this conference has provided them with plethora of knowledge at the right time and wished to have more of this opportunity in the time to come.

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