

SEMINAR REPORT

TWO DAY NATIONAL SEMINAR ON

"Breaking Boundaries: Exploring Gender Dynamics and Social Equality"

6th and 7th November 2023

After registration the programme commenced with the inaugural session. Head of the Department of History, Sheeba S delivered the welcome speech. She eloquently highlighted the significance of the seminar's topic. Following this, Principal in charge Dr.Lakshmanan M P delivered the presidential address, shedding light on the importance of the event. The inauguration of the programme was done by Dr Chinchu C, Assistant Professor, Center for Women Studies Pondicherry University. Designated Arts Club Secretary Sonaj graced the occasion with a heartfelt felicitation, sharing appreciation for the event. Concluding the session on a gracious note, Smt Jayanthi.C ,Asst. Professor, Dept of History extended the vote of thanks, expressing gratitude to all participants and contributors for making the session a success.

Following a refreshing tea break, the technical session commenced with an insightful presentation by Dr.Chinchu C on the topic "Gender and Relationships: Democracy and Intimacy." Sri. Prasanth. P.V HOD, Department of Political Science, serving as the chair for the session, skillfully moderated the discussion. The session proved to be enlightening. In acknowledgment of the engaging session, Preena P, a student of II BA History, expressed gratitude on behalf of the participants during the vote of thanks. This marked a fitting conclusion to a session that fostered intellectual exploration and meaningful dialogue.

Technical Session II commenced exactly at 11:30 am. Sri. Suresh M,Asst. Professor, Dept. of History chaired the session. His exceptional introduction set the tone for an engaging and insightful session. The paper presentation, was delivered by Dr. Malavika Binny, HOD, Dept of History, Kannur University, on the topic "The Embodiment of the Gendered Self: Women and Queer People as Actors and Agents in Ayurvedic Records." The session paved way to a thought-provoking discussion. III BA History student, Swathi S, in her role delivering the vote of thanks, expressed gratitude to all involved.

The technical session III started at 2 pm, post the lunch break, It was chaired by Smt Reshma Majeed, Assistant. Professor Dept. of English. The session unfolded with a presentation by Smt Sajna T A, Research Scholar ,Department of History, University of Calicut, focusing on the topic, "Breaking Thresholds:

Changing the Concept of Muslim Women in the Twentieth Century." The session, marked by its richness in content and insightful perspectives, proved to be a noteworthy segment of the seminar. The discussion flowed seamlessly, with active participation from all students. The engagement and enthusiasm of the participants added depth to the exploration of the subject, contributing to the overall success of the session. In recognition of the collaborative efforts that made the session fruitful, Swetha S, student of III BA History stepped forward to deliver a warm and appreciative vote of thanks.

Under the chairmanship of Smt Jayanthi C, Asst Professor, Dept of History, Technical Session IV unfolded seamlessly. Sri Prasanth P V, HOD, Department of Political Science, took the stage, delivering a presentation on "Gender Equality and the Indian Constitution: A Critical Analysis." The presentation provided an examination of the subject, contributing to the academic richness of the seminar. The presentation fostered an environment conducive to discussion. Students actively participated, offering perspectives and queries that added depth to the critical analysis of gender equality in the Indian Constitution. As the session concluded, Swetha S, student of III BA History stepped forward to extend heartfelt gratitude in the vote of thanks. Her appreciation encompassed the organizers, speakers, and participants, acknowledging the collective effort that made the session a valuable and intellectually stimulating part of the seminar.

The second day of the Two Day National Seminar started at 9.30 am in the Music Concert Hall. Technical Session V, overseen by Smt Jayanthi C Asst Professor Dept of History, as the chair, featured a presentation by Dr. Priya P, Principal, Govt. Arts And Science college, Meenchanta, Kozhikode. The topic, "Political and Cultural Dimensions of Dalit Woman: The Life and Times of Dakshayani Velayudhan," offered a nuanced exploration into a critical aspect of societal dynamics. Priya's presentation was both insightful and thought-provoking, contributing to the overall depth of the seminar. The session facilitated an engaging discussion, with participants delving into the political and cultural complexities surrounding the life of Dakshayani Velayudhan. The active participation of the audience enriched the session, creating an atmosphere of shared exploration and understanding. As the session concluded, Akhila V, student of II BA History expressed her gratitude in the vote of thanks, extending appreciation to all involved in making the session a meaningful one.

Technical Session VI, started after a tea break. Geetha C Asst Professor, Dept of History, Govt Victoria College, Palakkad, as the chair, featured an insightful presentation by Dr. Sreekala Mullassery, Assistant Professor, Department of Comparative Literature, University of Calicut, on the intersection of "Technology and Gender: Breaking Boundaries in the Era of AI." Her

presentation delved into the transformative role of technology in reshaping traditional gender norms, particularly in the context of artificial intelligence. Her presentation sparked thoughtful discussions, and the session proved to be a valuable contribution to the broader theme of the seminar. Devika U, student III BA History in her role delivering the vote of thanks, expressed gratitude to all involved in making the session a success.

In technical session VII, Dr. Arathi Ashok, Assistant Professor, Dept. Of English Govt. College, Chittur, took on the role of the chair. The presentation, delivered by Dr. Parasuraman, Assistant Professor in English, Govt. KNM Arts and Science College, Kanjiramkulam Thiruvananthapuram, explored the crucial topic of "Expanding Gender Queer Rights under Our Law: The NALSA Judgment and the Transgender Rights Act." The session provided a platform for insightful discussions on the legal dimensions of gender queer rights. Dr. Parasuraman's expertise and the engaging discourse contributed to a session that was both informative and thought-provoking. Concluding the session, Anjali Krishna, students of III BA History stepped forward to deliver the thanks note, expressing appreciation for the presentation. Her note of thanks extended to all participants, acknowledging their valuable contributions to the session.

Technical session VIII featured a captivating presentation by Geetha C, Asst Professor, Dept of History, Govt Victoria College, Palakkad, on the topic "A retrospective analysis on women Leprosy and vulnerabilities: A gender perspective". The presentation was well-received, and Abhinesh U of I BA History expressed gratitude in the vote of thanks.

Subsequently, a valedictory session took place, during which certificates were distributed to participants. Students' feedback were gathered during this session. Most of the students expressed the view that the seminar was highly beneficial. The seminar concluded with the National Anthem.

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