

Methodology of Local History

Two-day state level workshop: 5-6 December 2019

**Research & P.G. Department of History
Christ College(Autonomous) Irinjalakuda**

INAUGURAL SESSION:

PROGRAMME

Prayer

Welcome : Ms. Lisha K K (Head of the Department)

Presidential Address : Dr Mathew Paul Ukken (Principal)

Felicitations

: Sri. Bose P R (Vice-Principal)

Fr.(Dr.) Jolly Andrews C M I (Vice-Principal)

Fr. Joy P. T. C M I (Vice-Principal)

Dr.Vivekanandan T (Dean of Commerce, Humanities
& Languages)

Dr.Robinson Ponminiessery (Coordinator -IQAC)

Inauguration &

Keynote Address : **Dr. M T Narayanan** (Head, Department of History,
Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit, Kalady,
Payyannur centre)

Vote of Thanks : Ms. Jincy S R (Coordinator)

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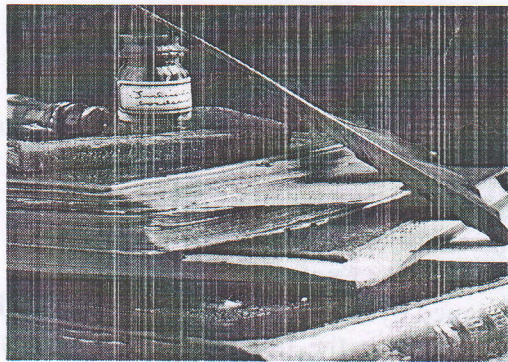
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Organizes

Two-day state level workshop on
Methodology of Local History



Date: 5-6, December 2019

Venue: Seminar Hall

Dear Madam/Sir

Department of History is organizing a two-day state level workshop on **Methodology of Local History** on 5-6, December 2019. We welcome you all to participate in the workshop. It will be an opportunity for students, researchers, professionals and academicians, to enrich the knowledge through the interactions with the renowned scholars and academicians.

Competition on Local History Writing

As a part of the workshop, we are organising a **competition on Local History Writing** for the students.

College students who are studying History (either core or optional) can participate in the competition.

Attractive prizes and awards!!!!

Rules & Regulations

- Research paper should be prepared in the Times New Roman, Font 12. Not exceeding 15 pages with ample citations and references as endnote.
- A brief profile should be attached with the article.
- Only one entry will be considered from a class.
- Research paper can be either in English or Malayalam.
- It should certify and signed by the Head of the Department/ Institution with office seal.
- Can send the research paper to the following email address on or before 4th December 2019
Email Address: history.christijk@gmail.com
- Selected ones will get the opportunity to present it in the workshop.

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REPORT

Two day state level workshop was conducted by the Research and Post Graduate Department of History of Christ College (Autonomous) Irinjalabuda on the topic "Methodology of Local History". Workshop was conducted on 5th and 6th of December 2019 at Seminar Hall of the college.

First session of the first day started with the welcome address of Ms. Lisha K.K., the Head of the Department at 9 am. Dr. Mathew Paul Ukken, Principal of the college delivered the Presidential Address. Dr. M. P. Narayanan, Head of the History Department of Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit Kerala, delivered the keynote speech and officially inaugurated the workshop.

He spoke on the aspects that has to be kept in mind while writing local history. The features like territory, sources, literature etc was discussed. The territory mentioned should include economic and human space not only the geographical space. About sources he opined that not only the traditional sources but sometimes non conventional sources too provide information. Thus whatever provides insight on a society,

is a source. History wrote on the basis of literature includes both historical and imaginative characters. He concluded his talk with the note that 'History is dynamic'.

Ms. Jincy, S.R., coordinator of the event delivered the vote of Thanks and first session ended at 11am.

2nd session started at 11.30am. Dr. Adarsh, C, Assistant Professor in Malayalam Department of Sree Vivekananda College, Kunnamskulam lead the session. He made his talk on the topic 'Paadeshika Charitha rajarajude koduvallu mathrubha'. He shared the views that local history has no methodology, but only methodologies. Experiencing history is an important aspect and while writing history the emotions, contents of the part can't be exactly wrote down. Documents doesn't showcore truth and accuracy but only relatedness to history. Local history should act against undemocratic things. Session ended at 12.30pm.

3rd session started at 1.30pm. Session was handled by Sri. Narayana Pisharody, retired deputy Tahasildar and historians of local history. His topic was 'Chalabudy: Charithrauvu varthamanam'. He spoke on changes underwent by the local territory over years. The changes in geographical features

that changed and it causes shows the history of a region. These changes recede the history of the locality in many minds. How geographical changes helps in reconstructing the history of a region. The session ended at 3.30pm.

2nd day, the first session started at 9.30am. The session was lead by Dr. P.S. Momenji Kumar, Head of the Department of History at Sree. C. Achutha Menon Crout. College, Kuttanellur. He talked on the topic 'Local history: knowledge dimensions'. He pointed that the term 'locality' is not defined. A local historians must define the 'locality' of his research and should state the parameters used to provide such a definition. It should also be justified. Before doing the actual work for a research, generalisations and projected history should be abandoned and should seek history with a open, clear and investigating mind. The session ended by 11am.

2nd session started at 11.30am. Dr. P.P. Abdul Rasak, Dean of Social Sciences, University of Calicut talked this session. 'From telescope to microscope: doing micro history' was the subject that he discussed. He discussed the features and importance of

microscopic history. Fernand Braudel and his works on microscopic history, 'the Mediterranean world'. The works of Eric Hobsbawm, Carlo Ginzberg, & Le Roy Ladurie, etc dealt with various aspects of micro history. Their works pioneer in the genre. Micro history reduces the compass but makes a deep focus with clear view on minute events. The session ended at 12.30 pm. With this all the sessions of 2nd day too ended.

Thus the two day workshop on methodology of local history ended.