

# **SAHITYA AKADEMI**

In Collaboration with

Mar Ivanios College (Autonomous), the Department of Malayalam

Presents

## **MALAYALA NOVELINTE SANCHARAPADHANGAL**

On 13th September 2022, Tuesday at 10 A.M at Mar Gregorios Hall,  
Nalanchira, Thiruvananthapuram.

### **REPORT**

In collaboration with the Dept. of Malayalam, Mar Ivanios College (Autonomous) and Sahitya Akademi conducted a one-day seminar, “Malayala Novelinte Sancharapadhangaal” On 13th September 2022, Tuesday at 10 A.M at Mar Gregorios Hall, Nalanchira, Thiruvananthapuram. The programme started with a prayer by students of the Malayalam department.

Sri. L. V. Harikumar, Advisory Board member of Sahitya Akademi delivered the welcome speech. He spoke about the various activities conducted by Sahitya Akademi in rural areas of Kerala and also specified the importance of this seminar, highlighting the contributions of writers of Malayalam fiction.

Prof. Dr. Jijimon K. Thomas, Principal of Mar Ivanios College delivered the introductory address and expressed his happiness in conducting this seminar on the college campus.

Sri. Prabha Varma, poet and Convener of Malayalam Advisory Board, Sahitya Akademi did the presidential address. He talked about the basis of the Malayalam language and its literary genres. He spoke a great deal about language and culture. “Novel is a social document.

The literary form of the novel has undergone a historical evolution. Malayalam novel also clarifies this fact.” He added.

The eminent writer Dr. George Onakkoor inaugurated the function. He referred that Malayalam novels open up a vast world of diversity. The cultural history of Kerala can be understood through the study of the history of the novel.

Followed by greetings from Rev.Fa.Soji Muruppel, Bursar of Mar Ivanios College. The vote of thanks was delivered by Dr. Sherlly Stuart, Vice Principal of Mar Ivanios College.

In the first session Dr. Mary M. Abraham, Professor and HoD of the Dept. of Malayalam, St. John’s College, Anchal chaired the session. Prof. Dr. P. S. Radhakrishnan, Professor of Malayalam School of Letters, M G University presented a paper on “*Novel: The Chemistry of Popular Culture.*”

Dr. Nithya P. Viswam, Professor and HoD of the Dept. of Malayalam, S N College, Varkala presented a paper on “*Women in Malayalam Novel: Experience and Expression.*”

In the second session of the seminar, Prof. Dr. R. B. Sreekala, HoD of Oriental Research & Manuscript Library, Kerala University, chaired the session and famous critic Sri Chandrasekharan Thikkodi presented a paper on “*Patriotism in Novel.*”

The final paper presentation was done by Dr. Rajendran Edathumkara, Assit. Prof. Dept. of Malayalam, Govt. College Madappally on “*The Future of Malayalam Novel.*”

The closing session started at 3.00 pm with the welcome speech of Prof. Toji Varghese T, HoD of the Dept. of Malayalam, Mar Ivanios College. Prof. Dr. Jijimon K. Thomas, Principal of Mar Ivanios College presided over the function. Much celebrated novelist,

V. J. James inaugurated the function. After the inauguration, Prof. Dr. N. Ajithkumar, Dean of Cultural Studies, Central University of Kerala and General Council member of Sahitya Akademi gave an immense lecture. The program concluded with a vote of thanks by Dr. Sajitha B. L, Assit. Prof. Mar Ivanios College.

All students and teachers of the Campus have actively participated in the Seminar. The seminar was highly influential and thought-provoking. The program started at 10.AM and ended at 4.00 pm.