

ACTIVITIES 2019-20 HISTORY DEPT

- **An Academic Tour** to the National Museum for the students of B.A. History (Hons) on November 7, 2019.
- An **Educational Excursion** to the historical sites of Sanchi and Bhimbetka and in the areas of Bhopal, Vidisha, and Raisen of Madhya Pradesh from January 15-17, 2020.
- A **National Seminar** on *Syncretism in Indian History Through the Ages* was held on March 3-4, 2020, and was sponsored by the Indian Council of Historical Research.

The students and faculty members of the Department of History went for an educational excursion to the historical sites of Manas Museum, Taj-ulMasajid, Sanchi Stupa, Bhojeshwar Temple, Heliodorus Pillar, Bhimbetka, Udayagiri caves at Bhopal, Sanchi, Vidisha and Raisen in Madhya Pradesh from 15-17 January 2020.





The Department organized a National Seminar on *Syncretism in Indian History Through the Ages* 3-4 March 2020, sponsored by the Indian Council of Historical Research. Eminent speakers like Prof Dilip K Chakrabarti and Prof Bhagwan Josh among many others delivered seminal lectures at the seminar. Colleagues from within the college and other colleges of the University of Delhi and other Universities also presented papers at the seminar.



SYNCRETISM IN INDIAN HISTORY through the ages

National Seminar
organised by
Department of History
Shivaji College
University of Delhi

Sponsor: Indian Council of Historical Research
Tuesday- Wednesday, 3-4 March 2020
in the College Auditorium



Tuesday, 3rd March

INAUGURAL SESSION: 10.00 am
Chief Guest: Prof. Kumar Ratnam
Member Secretary, ICHR

Keynote Speaker: Padma Shri Prof. Dilip K. Chakrabarti
Prof. Emeritus, University of Cambridge, UK
From Harappan Civilisation to the Vedic Age: Change/Continuity

SESSION I: 11.45 am
CULTURAL MOSAIC OF INDIA-I
Chair & Speaker: Prof. Wangchuk Dorjee Negi
Central University of Tibetan Studies, Sarnath
Indian philosophical elements as reflected in Buddhist Art in the Monasteries of the Himalayan Region

Speaker: Dr. Pankaj Mishra
Department of Sanskrit, St. Stephen's College, University of Delhi
The Cultural Mosaic of Early Medieval India: Looking through the prism of Jainism

Speaker: Dr. Vikas Verma
Department of History, Ramjas College, University of Delhi
The elements of Syncretism in early Tamil Trade: A Religio-Economic Perspective

SESSION II: 2.30 pm
CULTURAL MOSAIC OF INDIA-II
Chair & Speaker: Prof. Sugam Anand
Acting V.C. & Head, Department of History, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar University, Agra
Syncretism in Indian religions - a special reference to Radhasoami Faith

Speaker: Mr. Prem Kumar
Department of History, Motilal Nehru College (E), University of Delhi
Socio- economic, political and cultural profile of an early Indian city: A case study of Sudraka's Mrchakatikam

Speaker: Mr. Dipankar Das
Department of History, Motilal Nehru College (M), University of Delhi
Gendered Motifs of Procreation and Counter- procreation in the Vedic rituals: A study of Brahmanas

Wednesday, 4th March

SESSION III: 10.00 am
CULTURES OF CONSUMPTION
Chair & Speaker: Prof. Bhagwan Josh
CHS, Jawaharlal Nehru University
Syncretism, Cultural Power and Contest

Speaker: Dr. Sonal
Department of History, Shivaji College, University of Delhi
Consumption of Art- Work in Colonial India

Speaker: Mr. Dinesh Kataria
Research Scholar, CHS, Jawaharlal Nehru University
Producing Home: A Short History of Architectural Magazines in India

SESSION IV: 12.00 noon
CULTURES OF CHARITY
Chair: Dr. Khurshid Khan
Department of History, Shivaji College, University of Delhi

Speaker: Mr. Sarvjeet Yadav
Research Scholar, CHS, Jawaharlal Nehru University
Dana tradition: A study of Kanhere through inscriptions

Speaker: Mr. Dhiraj Kumar
Department of History, Kironi Mal College, University of Delhi
Vivekananda on Universal Brotherhood and Syncretic Culture

CULTURAL PROGRAMME: 3.00 pm
OH KRISHNA!
Kathak dance based on Medieval Bhakti Poetry
by Pandit Jayant Kastuar and his Group

ORGANISED BY
Dr. Amarjiva Lochan (Convener), Dr. Khurshid Khan, Dr. Shama Mitra Chenoy, Mr. Mukesh Kumar, Ms. Nishtha Srivastava, Dr. Kundan Kumar, Mr. Skand Priya, Mr. Sarvjeet Yadav, Dr. Sonal, Mr. Dinesh Kataria



PATRON
Dr. Shiv Kumar Sahdev
(Principal)



Dr. Khurshid Khan is the senior-most faculty in the Department of History, Shivaji College. Her specialisation is Medieval Indian History. Her doctoral work was on *Sufi Malfizat*. She is the founder-convenor of the Literary society of the college and member of several other committees.
Dr. Khurshid Khan will chair the session on **CULTURES OF CHARITY**.

Mr. Saryjeet Yadav is a doctoral candidate at the Centre for Historical Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University and teaches at the Department of History, Shivaji College, University of Delhi. His research is focused on the intersection of environmental history, Buddhism and ethics in ancient India. He is exploring the ecological dimension of Jataka stories and Buddha's teachings.
Mr. Yadav will speak on: *Dana tradition: A study of Kanheri through inscriptions*

