

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS

Abstracts of original and unpublished papers in 200 words with name, address, brief bio-data, a passport size photograph and phone number should be sent to Dr. K. V. Dominic, Secretary of GIEWEC (email: prof.kvdominic@gmail.com) by email attached Word file before 15 October 2015. The acceptability will be intimated within two days. Full papers should not exceed 2000 words and should be sent by e-mail after the registration.

Paper presenters will be given ten minutes for their presentation and three minutes for interaction. The poets will be given upto ten minutes for reading their poems and three minutes for interaction. Two unpublished short poems of not more than twenty lines each on the theme "Nature and Environment" and a passport size photograph of the poet with full address, brief bio-data and phone number should be sent to the Secretary by email before 15 October 2015. The acceptability will be intimated within two days.

Registration fee for participants is Rs. 1000. The fee shall be paid through DD drawn in favour of Dr. Joji John Panicker payable at Kottayam and it shall be sent by speed post to Dr. Joji John Panicker, Department of English, CMS College, Kottayam, Kerala, Pin: 686001, Ph: 09526781674 along with the photo copy of the registration form duly filled. Name, address and phone number of the participant shall be written on the back side of the DD without fail. Scanned copy of the DD and the filled up registration form shall be sent by email to Dr. K. V. Dominic, Secretary, GIEWEC, along with the abstract/poems, bio data, passport size photograph etc. **Only GIEWEC member participants will be provided free accommodation on 4th, 5th and 6th December.** GIEWEC members include life members, current annual members and those persons who renew or take their life/annual membership before the registration of the festival. For membership kindly contact the Secretary Prof. K. V. Dominic at prof.kvdominic@gmail.com. GIEWEC member participants, who need accommodation, have to inform Dr. Joji John Panicker (jojipanicker@gmail.com) and Prof. K. V. Dominic by email before 15th October 2015.

REGISTRATION FORM FOR THE FESTIVAL PARTICIPATION

(Photo copy of the duly filled form is to be sent along with the DD by Speed Post to Dr. Joji John Panicker, Department of English, CMS College, Kottayam, Kerala, Pin: 686001, Ph: 09526781674 before 15 October 2015. Simultaneously, scanned copy of the DD and the Registration form should be sent by e-mail to Dr. K. V. Dominic, Secretary, GIEWEC along with abstract/poems, bio-data, passport size photograph etc.)

Name of the Participant:

Address of the participant with e-mail address and phone number:

Participation as paper presenter or poet:

Details of the Registration Fee:

Through DD of Rs. 1000 drawn in favour of Dr. Joji John Panicker payable at Kottayam

DD number of Bank, dated..... for Rs.

Name and Signature of the participant with date.....

For Contacts

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PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

Day One: Saturday, 5th December, 2015

- 9.30 a.m. : Registration
10 a.m.-11 a.m. : Inaugural session including Launching New Books
11 a.m.-11.15 a.m. : Tea Break
11.15 am-1.15 p.m.: Plenary Session on "Environmental Literature"
1.15 p.m.-2 p.m. : Lunch break
2 p.m.-4 p.m. : Poetry Reading on the theme "Nature and Environment" (Leading English poets of the country read their poems)
2 p.m.-4 p.m. : Parallel sessions of paper presentations on "Environmental Literature AND BEYOND"
2 pm : Poetry writing competition for English UG and PG students of Kottayam colleges. The first and second will be awarded with cash prize of Rs. 2000 and 1000 respectively. They will also be given certificates
4 p.m.-4.30 p.m. : Coffee break
4.30 p.m.-6.30 p.m. : GIEWEC's Executive Committee and General Body Meeting
6.45 pm - 8 pm : Cultural Programmes
8 pm : Dinner

Day Two: Sunday, 6th December, 2015

- 10 a.m.-11.30 a.m. : Paper Presentations on "Environmental Literature AND BEYOND"
11.30 a.m.-11.45 a.m.: Coffee break
11.45 a.m.-1.15 p.m.: Paper Presentations on "Environmental Literature AND BEYOND"
1.15 p.m. - 2.00 p.m.: Lunch Break
2.00 p.m. - 3.15 p.m.: Poetry Reading on any theme
3.15 p.m. - 3.30 p.m.: Coffee break
3.30p.m. -- 4.30 p.m.: Valedictory function including certificates distribution

Advisory Committee

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NOTE: No T. A. will be given to any participant. Non-GIEWEC outstation participants can seek accommodation in several hotels at Kottayam. All registered participants will be supplied copies of the souvenir along with the seminar kits. They will also be given participation certificates. Boating at Kumarkom (eight kilometers from Kottayam through the Vembanad Lake to the sea at Alleppey) will be arranged on 7th morning for the outstation participants who desire for it. The trip will end at noon and the expense will be shared among the passengers.



Guild of Indian English
Writers, Editors and Critics
(GIEWEC),

H.Q. at Thodupuzha East, Kerala
in Collaboration with

Post Graduate and Research
Department of English,
C.M.S. College, Kottayam, Kerala

National Seminar
on

Environmental Literature
AND BEYOND

at C.M.S. College, Kottayam
on 5th and 6th December 2015
(Saturday and Sunday)





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A literary forum of Indian writers in English, entitled Guild of Indian English Writers, Editors and Critics (GIEWEC) was established on 24 September 2010 at Thodupuzha, Kerala, India. It was registered on 13 October 2010 and its Head Office is functioning at the residence of the Secretary at Thodupuzha. GIEWEC is a non-profit-making institution aimed at promoting Indian literature in English through the members' creative and critical writings and by editing and publishing books and journals. The chief objectives of the Guild are: to promote Indian Literature in English, to exchange creative writings between nations, to conduct annual conferences and literary festivals, and to help Ph.D. scholars. The Guild is publishing an international biannual refereed journal entitled *Writers Editors Critics* (ISSN 2231-198X). The issues come out in March and September. GIEWEC is fast growing with more than 250 members now of which 86 are life members. Professors and Lecturers of universities/colleges, professional English writers and PhD research scholars are its members. GIEWEC had already conducted three national seminars in collaboration with St. Teresa's College, Ernakulam in 2011, K. J. Somayya College of Arts and Commerce, Mumbai in 2012 and Pondicherry Central University in 2014 on the topics "Contemporary Indian English Poetry: Dimensions and Directions," "Contemporary Indian Literature in English: Dimensions and Directions," and "Indian Literatures in English: New Directions, Newer Possibilities" respectively. GIEWEC honoured Literary legends Justice Shri. V. R. Krishna Iyer, Jayanta Mahapatra and Ashokamitran in these festivals. Membership fee of GIEWEC is: Life – Rs. 5000, Annual – Rs. 1100

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CMS College, Kottayam, Kerala – 686001 **Affiliated to Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam** **(NAAC re accredited 'A' Grade College,** **Recognized by UGC as a College with Potential for** **Excellence and Special Heritage Status)**

The CMS College, Kottayam, founded by the Church Missionary Society of England, is the first College in India. It was Colonel John Munro, the British Resident and Dewan of the erstwhile princely state of Travancore who invited the C.M.S. missionaries to Kottayam with the vision of reforming the Church where ignorance and superstitions prevailed. The missionaries believed that education was the weapon for reformation. Thus 'The College', Cotym, which later on came to be known as the CMS College, was started in 1817 to be a centre of light and life in this land and a blessing to many. Over the past 200 years of its celebrated existence, it has carved a niche of excellence in the domains of higher education. CMS College is now one of the largest colleges in Kerala with 14 departments offering 47 courses for 1900 students, 110 teaching faculty members and 35 administrative staffs. Deeply rooted in Kottayam and dedicated to its mission, the CMS College is one of the top colleges in Kerala. With its 21 departments the CMS College offers programs in almost all academic fields in arts and sciences. Whether you have a passion for basic science, applied science, literature, history, politics, commerce or economics, you'll find a department that best suits your needs.

The CMS College is thrilled to celebrate its 200-year history in 2017. CMS College's bicentennial is a time to honor the College's 200 years of achievements and to imagine what might be accomplished as its next century begins. The College has been accredited with 'A' grade by the NAAC and was recognized by UGC as a College with Potential for Excellence. It was also accorded with the special heritage status by the UGC. As a premier institution which is entering into its 3rd century the college is all geared up for facing new challenges and accomplishing greater achievements in the path towards the future.

Post Graduate and Research Department of English
English had been a part of the curriculum since the inception of the College. But, it was only in 1953 that the undergraduate course in English Language & Literature was started. Six years later the postgraduate programme in English Language & Literature was launched. The Department played a crucial role in designing and realizing the triple - main B. A. Communicative English course for the Mahatma Gandhi University in 1993. The Department is equipped with a language laboratory that offers training in language skills to the students of all undergraduate courses. In 1999, the Department became a Research Centre

HOW TO REACH THE VENUE

Kottayam Railway station is a major station linking almost all major railway stations in the country. The distance from the railway station to CMS College is just two kilometers and pre-paid auto rickshaws and taxi cars are available at the station. The nearest airport is Kochi international airport and from there one can get pre-paid taxi cars to CMS College, Kottayam. The distance is 92 kilometres and takes 2 hours 45 minutes.

Call for Critical Papers and Poems for the Festival

The two day literary festival will have eight sessions, including inaugural ceremony, paper presentations on various stages, poetry reading and valedictory function. Original and unpublished critical papers and poems on the topic **"Environmental Literature AND BEYOND"** are invited. Topics may include, but are certainly not limited to:
Geological writing and eco criticism: rocks, minerals, earthquakes, eruptions, tectonic shifts, fossils, mountains, volcanoes, stone, sculpture
Resistances and emergences: indigenous cultures, sovereignty, alliances, identities, literatures; postcolonial, anti-colonial, anti-racist and intersectional/assemblage politics and writing; feminist, queer, trans and allied eco criticisms; materialist, post humanist and object-oriented perspectives
Underground aesthetics: subterranean currents of literature, film, music, art and performance; literatures of excavation, decomposition, vegetation, eruption; poetics of darkness, claustrophobia, spelunking; dirty words and pictures; seismic nature writing and poetry; performing underground
Aesthetics and the Futures of Environmental Representation
Climate Change: mitigation, adaptation, costs, and the concept of place
Empire, Race and Environment: postcolonial ecocriticism
The Futures of Ecofeminism
Indigenous Environmentalisms
"Natural" Histories of Race, Ethnicity, Gender, Class, Sexualities...
Ecomarxism
Ecocomposition, environmentalism and rhetoric, sustainable pedagogies/the pedagogies of sustainability
Digital Representation and Natural Experience
Visions and theories of globalization in their relationship to the environment, including the resistance to globalization
Postcolonial ecocriticism and the geopolitical relationships that have shaped different human populations' uses of natural environments in the past and the present
Environmental justice
Environmental literature as world literature, including comparative literature, crosscultural approaches, borderlands writing, and travel writing
Environmental disasters and their repercussions, including their representations and cultural reactions to them (including both natural and human caused disasters), in their local, regional and global ramifications
Studies of migration, both human and nonhuman
Wildlife conservation, including the policies and practices of parks, refuges, and assisted migration
Place based writing in any genre or field, including ecopoetics, ecotheatre, environmental film, environmental history, landscape architecture, and cultural geography
Ecocriticism, literary theory, and ecophilosophy, including post structuralist approaches
Scientific research and writing, including the history of science
Ideas of the human, including meditations on animals and animality, the body, and disability studies
Narratives of "greening the campus," including initiatives related to recycling, transportation, and energy
Nature and Nature Writing
Class Issues and Considerations in Literature and Environment
Environmental Justice Activism, Literature, and Ecocriticism