Report

Dialogia

Online Lecture Series on Reading Humanities:
Theories and Praxis

Lecture I:

Topic: "Structure, Sign, and Writing: The Texts of Roland Barthes"

Resource Person: Mr. Josy Joseph

Associate Professor, PG Department of English and Research Centre, St. Berchmans Autonomous College, Changanassery.

Date: 1 October 2021 (Friday) Time: 2.30 PM

Platform: Google Meet

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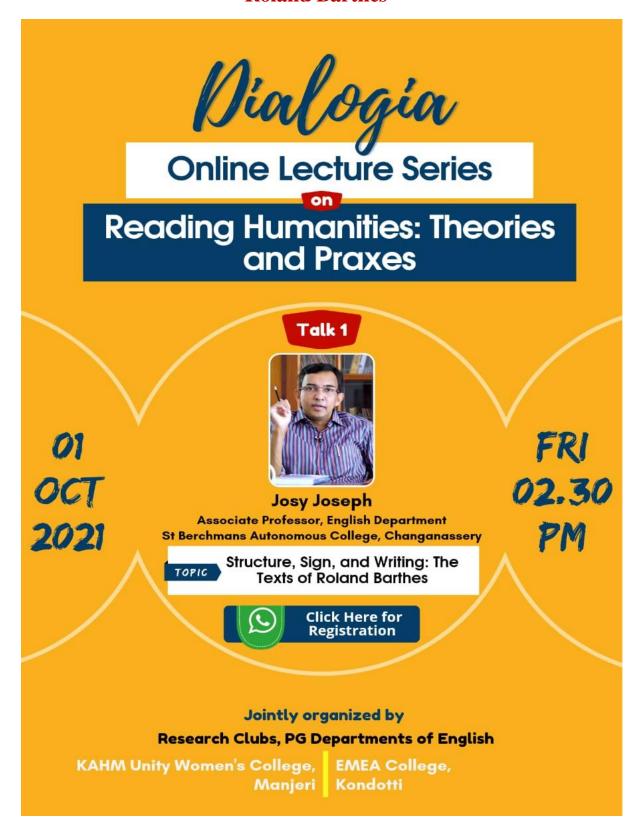
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About the Resource Person:

Mr. Josy Joseph is an Associate Professor in the Postgraduate and Research Department of English at St Berchmans Autonomous College, Changanassery. He has 28 years of experience in teaching Undergraduate and Postgraduate programmes. He secured the First Rank in 1992 for MA English of Mahatma Gandhi University and started teaching the next year. He specialises in Shakespeare drama, Twentieth Century literature, Literary Theory and Cultural Studies.

A bilingual writer, public speaker, translator, and amateur actor, he is an active presence in the academic and cultural circles of Kerala. His translations have appeared in Oxford and Macmillan anthologies. He has published several research papers, including in peer reviewed journals. He has also contributed chapters to critical anthologies. A critical essay he published in 1997 was prescribed for the MA (Malayalam) syllabus at S B College. In the last few years, he has given more than 50 lectures at various colleges, including for National seminars. He writes regularly in the new media on contemporary issues. He was previously a Columnist for Onmanorama (the online English news portal of the Malayala Manorama group) as well as The Kochi Post.

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Assistant Professor & Head, PG Department of English

K A H M Unity Women's College, Manjeri

Principal Remarks : 1. Dr. C. Saidalavi

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2. Lt. Abdul Rasheed

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Moderation : Mr. Abdul Jaleel. M

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Inaugural Lecture : Mr. Josy Joseph

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Vote of Thanks : Ms. Nandana

III Semester MA English

K A H M Unity Women's College, Manjeri

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In the lecture Mr. Josy Joseph has given an overview of the entire corpus works by Roland Barthes, the famous French Literary and Cultural Critic. Foregrounding the life and times of Barthes, the speaker eventually moved on to the analysis of every single work written by the author. He pointed out how desperate and pathos stricken was Barthes throughout his entire life, yet he managed to retain his passion for analysing the culture and practices prevalent in and around him.

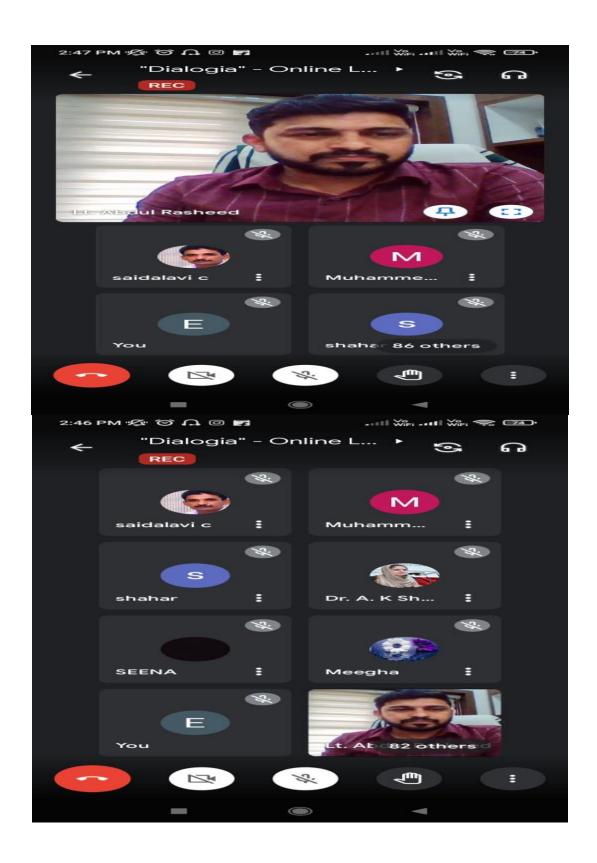
The analysis of the selected works of Barthes by Josy Joseph made the listeners fall in love with Barthes and urged them to (re)read Barthes. The major texts of Barthes analyzed by the speaker includes *Writing Degree Zero* (1953), *Mythologies* (1957), *Criticism and Truth* (1966), *S/Z* (1972), *The Pleasure of the Text* (1973), *Roland Barthes by Roland Barthes (1975), A Lover's Discourse (1977)*, *From Work to Text. (1977)* and *Image Music Text* (1978). By reading out some excerpts, the speaker highlighted some of the key ideas Barthes had put forth in his seminal essay *The Death of the Author.* The ideas such as reading/writing, (rejection of) authorial authority on the meaning of the text, etc have been discussed.

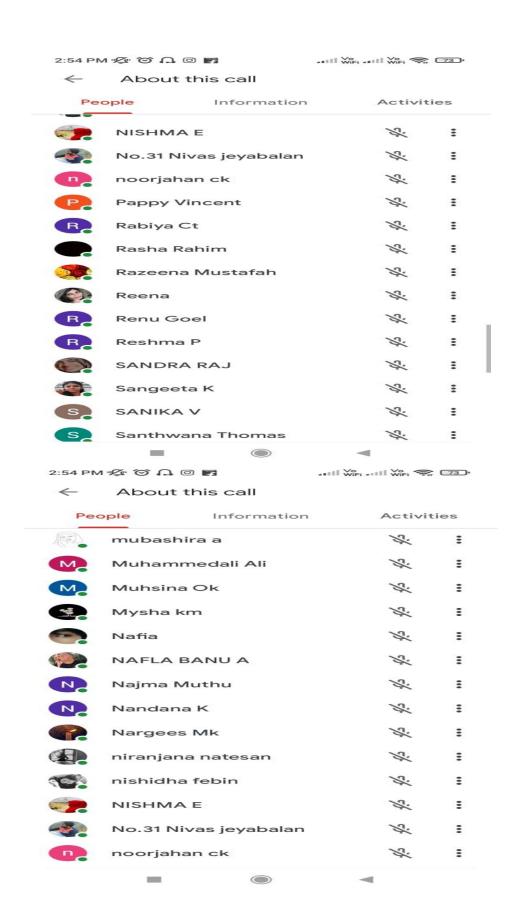
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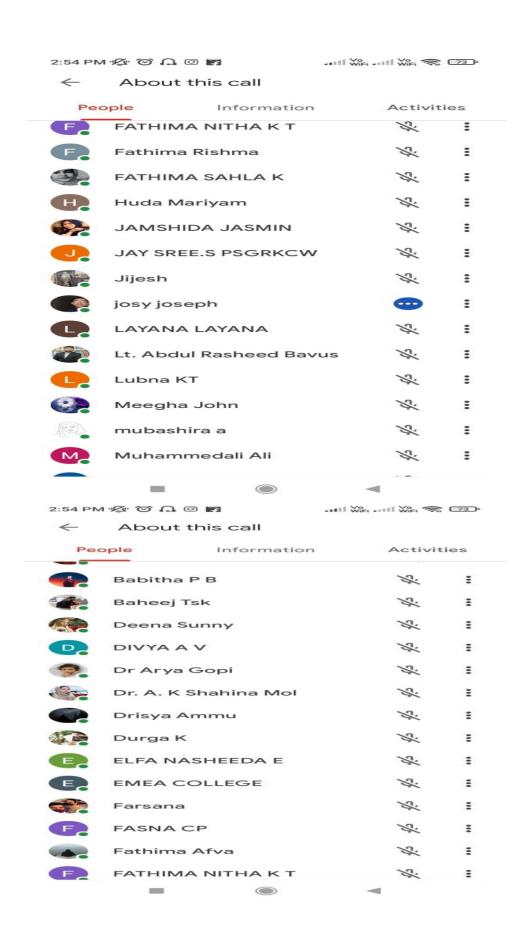


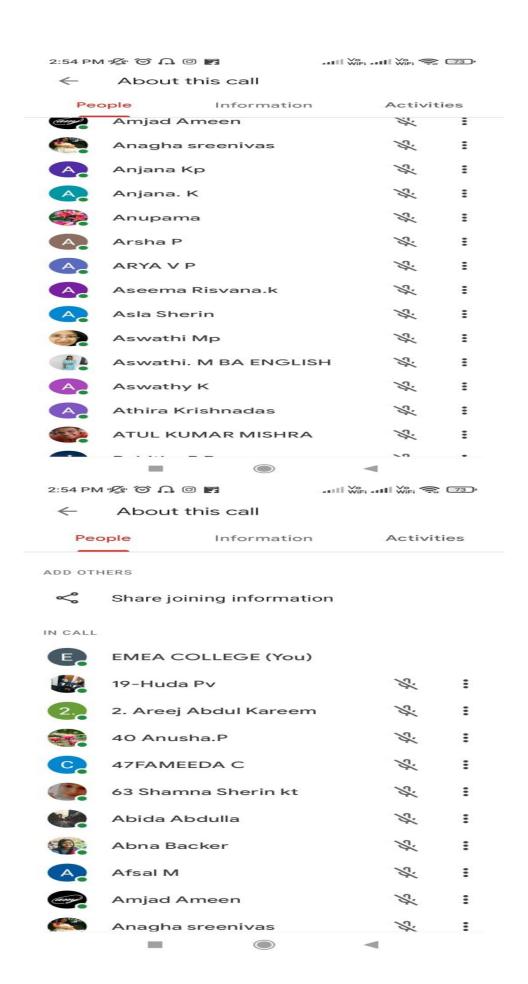


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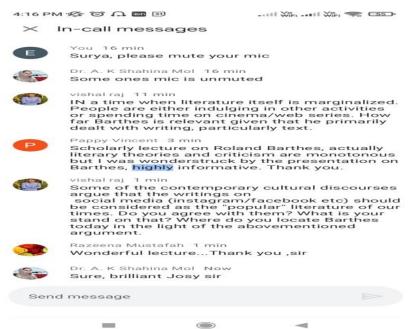






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Coordinator

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Lecture II:

Topic: "Antonio Gramsci, Hegemony and Reading Literature Today: An Introductory Discussion"

Resource Person: Mr. Abdullah Abdul Hameed

Assistant Professor, Department of English, Zakir Hussein Delhi College, Delhi University.

Date: 29 January 2022 (Saturday) Time: 07.30 PM

Platform: Google Meet

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About the Resource Person:

Mr. Abdullah Abdul Hameed teaches at the Department of English, Zakir Husain Delhi College, University of Delhi. He holds a masters degree in English and comparative literature from Central University of Kerala. His MPhil from Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi is on the evolution of Kerala's literary landscape. He is currently pursuing his Ph.D. from Jawaharlal Nehru University on Mappila Sufi narratives. His research areas include comparative literature, postcolonial studies and translation studies. He is the author of Naduthoppil Abdulla's Akbar Ṣaḍaqa Pakshippāttu: Translation and Study, a pioneering book of its kind on Arabimalayalam literature (Central University of Kerala Press 2012). His other publications on Mappila literature include articles 'Mappila Sahithyathile Desheeya Sankalpam', Middle East Chandrika — Qatar: Annual Edition 2017, 'Linguistic interfaces and inter-literary relationships: Rethinking Arabimalayalam', Indian Journal of Comparative Literature and Translation Studies, 2013 and 'Mappilappa - ttu as/in the "Popular": Texts and contexts', Quote Unquote: International Journal of Language and Humanities, Bahri Publications 2013.

Mr. Hameed has taught English Linguistics, Translation Studies, and Comparative Literature at Kannur University, Kerala, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi, and Language and Literature at various colleges under University of Delhi. He has authored a pioneering book on Arabimalayalam literature (CU Kerala Press 2012). He has presented papers in many national and international seminars and workshops. His research areas include Translation Studies, Comparative Literature, and Postcolonial Studies. He was part of a collaborative project with UGC-DAAD funding, and visited University of Gottingen,

Germany in 2015. He is a member of Comparative Literature Association of India (CLAI), and International Comparative Literature Association (ICLA).

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Assistant Professor, Department of English, Zakir Hussein

Delhi College, Delhi University

Topic : Antonio Gramsci, Hegemony and Reading Literature

Today: An Introductory Discussion"

Vote of Thanks : Ms. Ameena Banu. PK

III Semester MA English

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Summary of the Lecture:

The second lecture of *Dialogia*: Online Lecture Series on 'Reading Humanities: Theories and Praxes' – jointly organized by the Research Clubs of the PG Departments of English, EMEA College Kondotty and KAHM Unity Women's College Manjeri – was delivered by Mr. Abdullah Abdul Hameed (Assistant Professor, Department of English, Zakir Hussein Delhi College, Delhi University) on the topic "Antonio Gramsci, Hegemony and Reading Literature Today: An Introductory Discussion" on 29 January 2021 at 07, 00 PM.

In the lecture Mr. Abdullah Abdul Hameed has given an overview of Marxism as a Literary Critical methodology. Placing the main concepts of Marxism such as Base/Super Structure, Capitalist/Proletariat, Upper Class/Lower Class, Ideology, Hegemony and so on, the speaker moved on to Antonio Gramsci. Distinguishing Gramsci from other Marxists theorists, he elaborated on various concepts put forth by Gramsci.

Focusing his Lecture on the famous *Prison Notebooks* of Gramsci, Mr. Hameed detailed the concept of hegemony and, illustrated through various examples, how hegemony has been working in our society in different disguises. He has argued that literature, like any other cultural artefact, also plays a vital role in the practice of hegemony.

Mr. Hameed further elaborated on the Gramscian formulation of Traditional Intellectuals/Organic Intellectuals and how Gramsci had talked for having more and more Organic intellectuals for the betterment of the society at large.

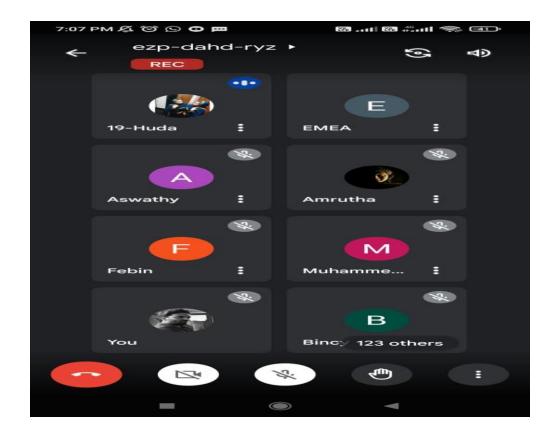
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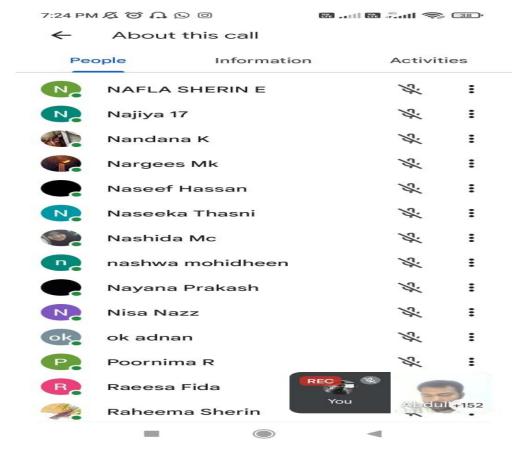
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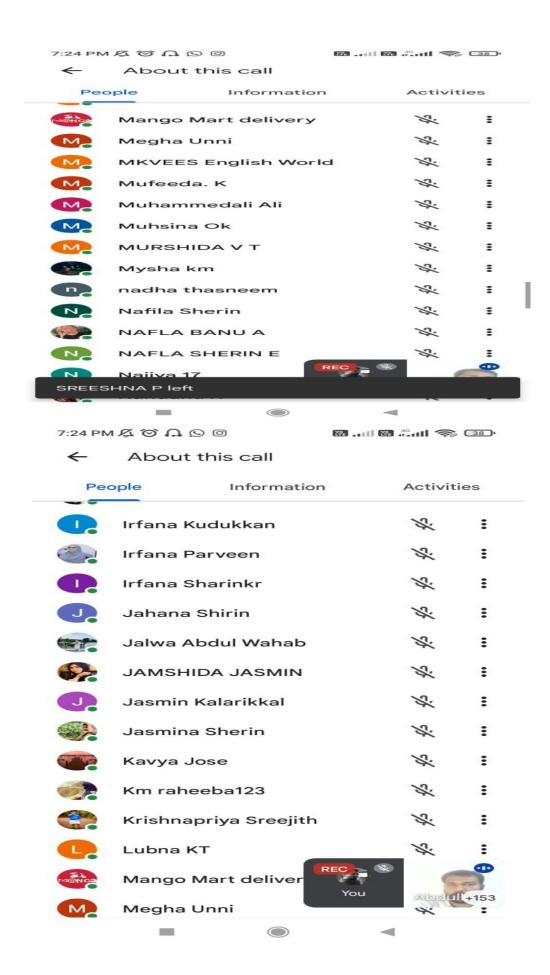




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Lecture III:

Topic: "Understanding Discourse and Power: A Brief Introduction to Michel Foucault"

Resource Person: Dr. Ashraf Kunnummal

Post-doctoral Research Fellow, Johannesburg Institute of Advance Studies, University of Johannesburg, South Africa.

Date: 26 February 2022 (Saturday) Time: 07.30 PM

Platform: Google Meet

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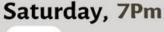
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A BRIEF INTRODUCTION

TO MICHEL FOUCAULT
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Poster of the programme

About the Resource Person:

Dr. Ashraf Kunnummal is a Post-doctoral Research Fellow, Johannesburg Institute of Advance Studies, University of Johannesburg, South Africa. He holds an Undergraduate and Postgraduate degree in Journalism from Calicut University, Kerala. Then he has another masters and then PhD in Religion Studies from the Johannesburg Institute of Advanced Studies, Johannesburg University, South Africa. He had worked as a Research Associate at the Faculty of Humanities, Johannesburg University, South Africa. Currently he is a Post- Doctoral Fellow at the Johannesburg Institute of Advanced Studies, Johannesburg University, South Africa.

An intellectual and emerging scholar, Mr. Ahraf has given lectures at various institutes and in various programmes. He has published widely on topics like Islam, Secularism, Contenting Modernity and so on. Some of the articles authored by Mr. Ashraf are: Traveling Islamophobia in the Global South: Thinking Through the Consumption of Malala Yousafzai in India, Seeking the Muslim Gandhi: Asghar Ali Engineer and the Shifting Positions on 11 September 2001 Debates on Islam and Violence, Malala Yousafzai and the Post-9/11 Politics of Gender and Governmentality, The Decolonial Turn in Liberation Theology: Between Theory and Praxis, On the Beemapalli Police Shooting: State, Violence and Community in Kerala, Muslims, Global Violence and Politics of Condemnation, Islamophobia and Muslim Metaphors in Kerala, Islamophobia, Pluralism and Public Sphere, Left and Muslim Stereotypes, When Sharjeel Imam Reads Paul R Brass, and so on.

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Vote of Thanks : Ms. Shahanas

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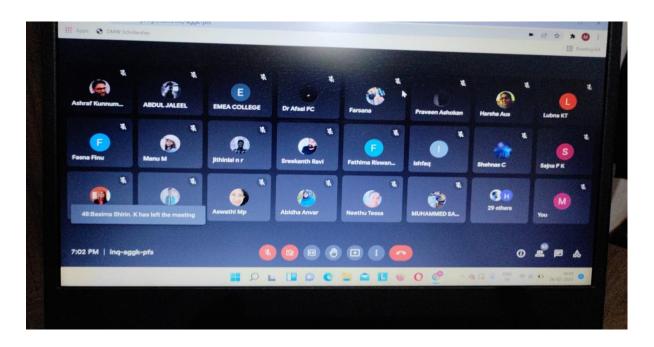
In the lecture Mr. Ashraf Kunnummal has given an overview of two most important philosophical terminologies of Michel Foucault – 'Power' and 'Discourse'. Michel Foucault, the French postmodernist, has been hugely influential in shaping understandings of power, leading away from the analysis of actors who use power as an instrument of coercion, and even away from the discreet structures in which those actors operate, toward the idea that 'power is everywhere', diffused and embodied in discourse, knowledge and 'regimes of truth'. Power for Foucault is what makes us what we are, operating on a quite different level from other theories:

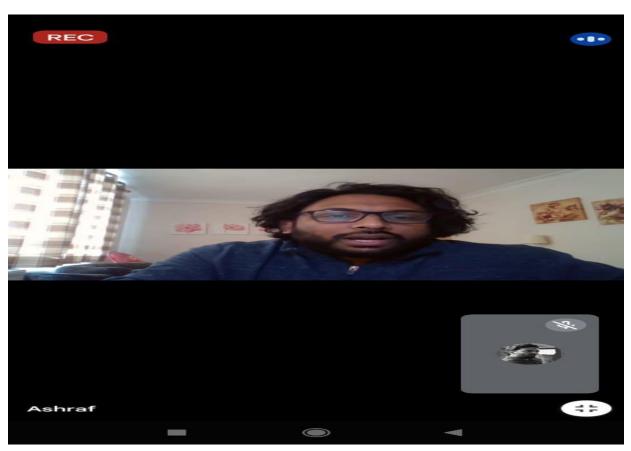
Foucault challenges the idea that power is wielded by people or groups by way of 'episodic' or 'sovereign' acts of domination or coercion, seeing it instead as dispersed and pervasive. 'Power is everywhere' and 'comes from everywhere' so in this sense is neither an agency nor a structure. Instead it is a kind of 'metapower' or 'regime of truth' that pervades society, and which is in constant flux and negotiation. Foucault uses the term 'power/knowledge' to signify that power is constituted through accepted forms of knowledge, scientific understanding and 'truth':

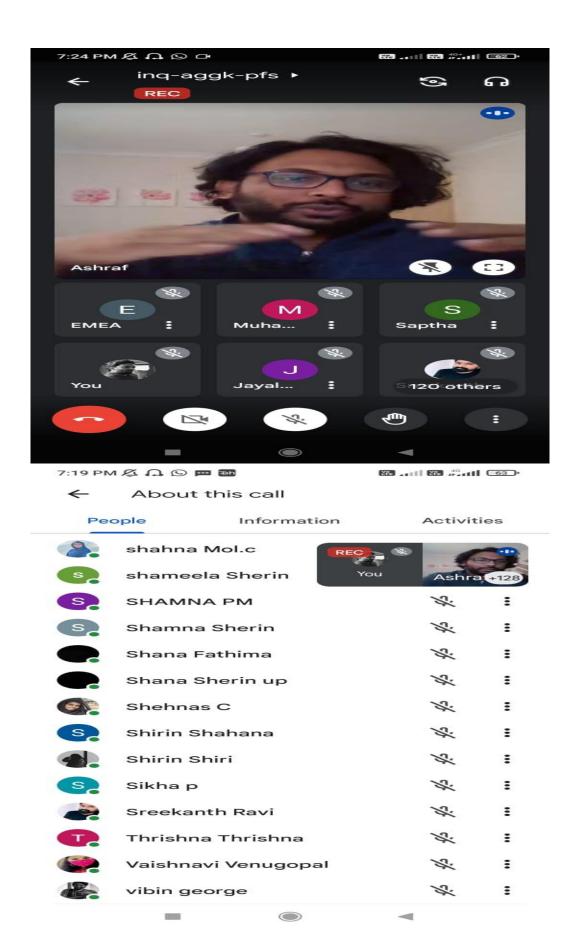
The speaker elaborated on these two topics in detail, with some subtle examples. In the post – talk discussion, responding to a question from the audience, he explained the Foucaldian concept of "Panopticon". The panopticon is a type of institutional building and a system of control designed by the English philosopher and social theorist Jeremy Bentham in the 18th century. The concept of the design is to allow all prisoners of an institution to be observed by a single security guard, without the inmates being able to tell whether they are being watched.

Ashraf concluded the lecture by explaining the ways in which power is exercised and normalised in the society.

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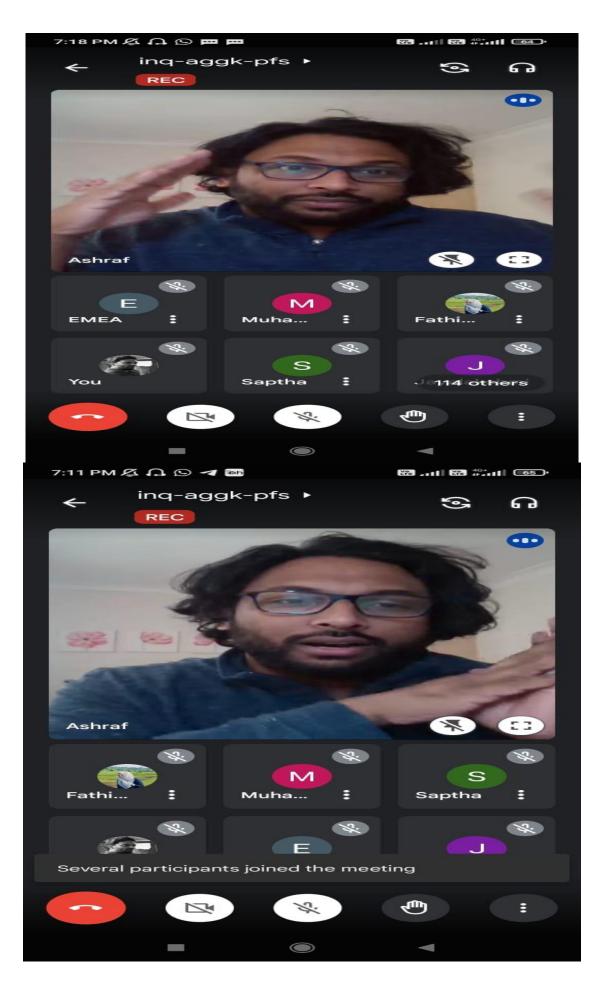




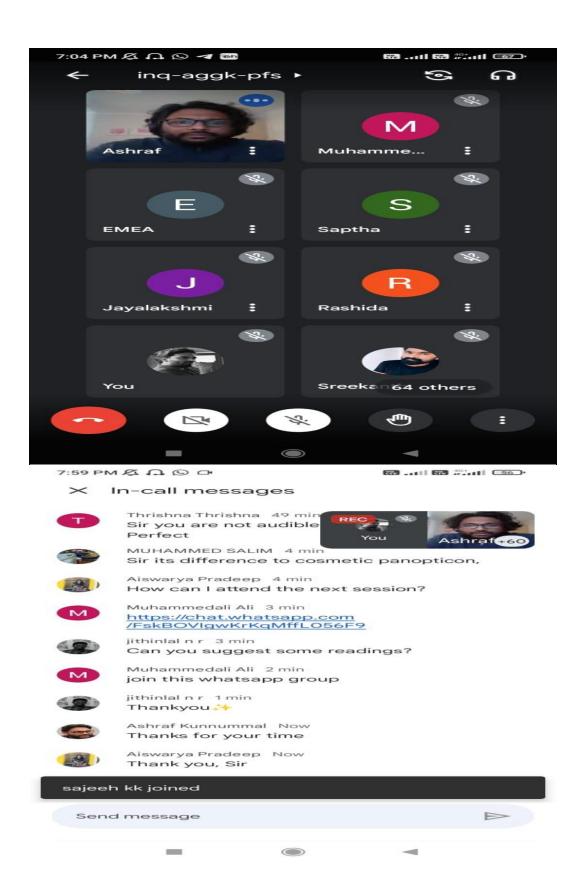
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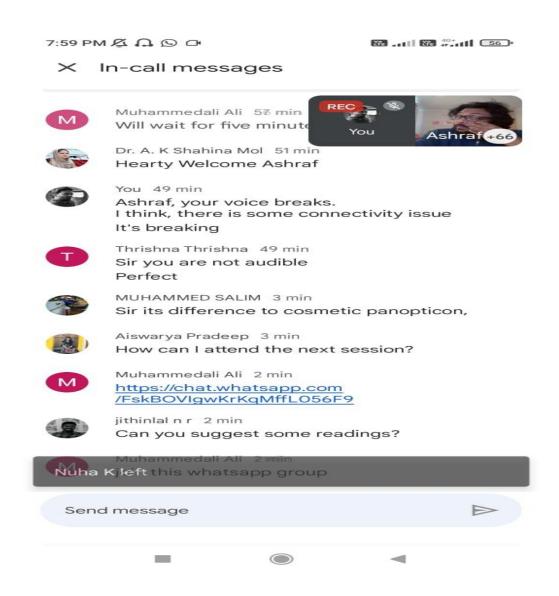






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LOCAL HISTORY WRITING AND DOCUMENTATION

Organized by PG Department of History and West Asian Studies

on
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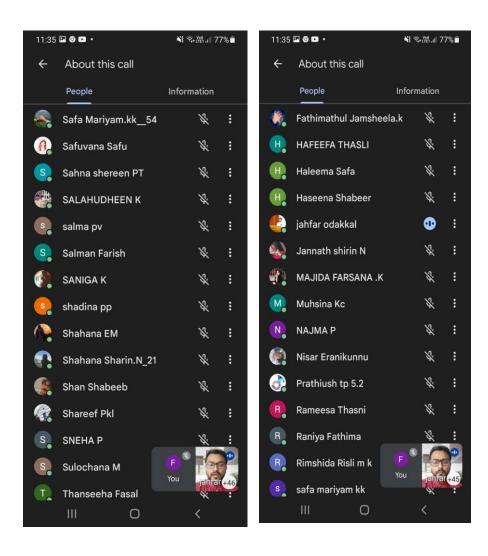
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Google Meet

The PG Department of History and West Asian Studies, EMEA College Kondotty organized a talk on 'Local History Writing and Documentation on 23rd April,2022. The session was intended to give an orientation to the final year students who are pursuing their project work.

Mr. Jahfar Odakkal (Asst.Professor, Department of History, Govt College, Malappuram) inaugurated the session and delivered his talk on the topic. the session was welcomed by Mr.Firoz KT (HOD of History and West Asian Studies, EMEA College, Kondotty).



REPORT ON WEBINAR ON SUMMER RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS

ORGANIZED BY **DEPARTMENT OF BIOCHEMISTRY**

E.M.E.A. COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCE

3 JUNE 2021

The summer fellowship provides students much needed exposure to actual research going on in reputed institutes. **DEPARTMENT OF BIOCHEMISTRY,** E.M.E.A. COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCE decided to conduct a one day webinar on **Summer Research Fellowships: What You Need to Know** on third June of 2021 to aware students on such fellowships and its importance in one's academic life and progress in career.



Ms. Greeshma Shanavas, UG/PG rank holder in Biochemistry, SRFP 2019 holder and alumni of Department of Biochmistry (2015-2018)was invited to handle the session. Mr. Abdurazaque P. M., IQAC coordinator of E.M.E.A College inaugurated the webinar.

The seminar started on time at 11 A.M. The Resource Person Greeshma Shanavas gave a detailed outlook on different summer research fellowships. She also interacted with students and helped them clear their doubts regarding the topic. A maximum of 101 participants were present at the seminar.

Feedback was collected from the participants. Overall the feedbacks received were positive and motivate the department to conduct similar programmed in the future.

