

National Seminar
on
Eternal Life Values: Education, Media, Governance and Change
3&4 March, 2017
to be organized
University Department of English
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The denigration of the actual purport of communication which implies “building together” and “working together” (J. Krishnamurti, First Public Talk, November 04, 1969) has caused an immense societal devastation. The aforesaid “togetherness” signifies a rich community life which forms the core of any society. Ironically, the education system and the media of communication today have the least to offer that could encourage/enrich community life. What it does instead is providing exposure of an exotic (alien) culture along with inoculating a false value system into the young, impressionable minds resulting in cultural as well as psychological uprootedness.

Since in the present era of globalization and privatization, media and education are regulated by the politics of capital, market and hence profit, its irresistible influence remains unstoppable as it has swallowed the entire folk-cultural space. Given the variety and sophistication of programmes that media offers, and the brightening professional prospect environment today, orality comprising grandma’s tales of eternal values and literature imparting moral education has almost vanished from a household. As a consequence, any modern space of human being is made up by “forgery, swindling and falsehood today”. Contrastingly, our glorious past enthral us. How is it that the societal fabrics of ancient India was morally so strong? Our forefathers struck a balance between worldly and spiritual, the points of ramifications were not to be imported from outside - the presence of an elderly man/woman fulfilled that dire need; the educational institutions also had provisions for imparting character education. Can’t it, therefore, be argued that our education has squarely failed in making a ‘Provision’ for the “Vision” created by the so called advancement and progress? Can’t the ‘Vision’ and ‘Provision’ be juxtaposed by according a

considerable space to the teaching and learning of eternal values? Hasn't this disconnect adversely impacted the governance/democratic governance of this country?

The seminar, therefore, proposes to discuss the following:

- 1.Eternal Life Values and our Literary Tradition
- 2.Eternal Life Values and Media and Education
- 3.Eternal Life Values and Governance

CALL FOR PAPERS

Research Papers are invited for the said National Seminar latest by Feb 15, 2017. Those interested in submission of their contribution to this seminar are requested to initially submit an abstract of 150-200 words.

IMPORTANT DEADLINES

- 1.Submission of Abstract
15 February, 2017
- 2.Intimation of Acceptance of the Paper
20 February, 2017
- 3.Seminar Dates
03-04 March, 2017

HOW TO SUBMIT THE ABSTRACT

Abstract of about 150-200 words is to be sent in MS-Word format. The following information should be sent along with the Abstract:

1. Name (in full) of Participant
2. Designation
3. Name of the Institution
4. E-mail Address
5. Contact Number
6. Title of the proposed paper
7. Abstract

Mail your abstract to: eternalvalues2017@gmail.com on or before 15 February, 2017.

REGISTRATION

All delegates need to register themselves for the event. Registration forms will be available on the spot or can be downloaded from University Website. The Registration fee will be Rs. 1000.

All future correspondence will be through mail. In case of any further query

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