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REPORT ON THE COMMEMORATION OF CONSTITUTION OF INDIA DAY

Report on Constitution Day, celebrated at the Department of English, Bharathidasan University, on 25<sup>th</sup> November, 2022 to commemorate the adoption of the Constitution of India. The ceremony started at 12.00pm at the Tagore Conference Hall in the Department of English, with oration delivered by Dr. D. Laura Dameris Chellajothi, Associate Professor. She began by defining democracy as demo – people and cracy – rule and by giving due acknowledgement to Dr. B. R Ambedkar, the architect of Indian Constitution and that this Constitution was adopted on November 26, 1949. She then, traced the marks of democracy in the urban lifestyle of Indus valley civilization and the period of Sangam era, discussing the political structures of chieftains, the essential characteristics of how a ruler should be with reference to Thirukkural and elaborated on the Aimperunkuzhu(the council of five ministers) and Enperaayam (the group of eight administrators) as followed in the Sangam era. She discussed the Kudavolai system prevalent during the Middle Chola period and flourished during the period of Paranthaka Chola, The detailed method of voting and the qualities of the leader are still found in the inscriptions in Uthiramerur. She created the awareness to the students about the democracy and the rights as citizens of India and encouraged them to read the Indian Constitution.