UGC- HRDC, BHARATHIDASAN UNIVERSITY, TRICHY

REFRESHER COURSE FOR ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE -BATCH B

DATE: 06/08/2019 SESSION: FORENOON(10am – 1 pm)

The forenoon session began with the Coordinator Dr. D. Laura Dameris Chellajothi also Assistant Professor of English, Bharathidasan University, welcoming the guest, Dr. R. Azhagarasan, Associate Professor of English, University of Madras, Chennai. Dr. B. Devaki, Assistant Professor of English, Kangeyam Government Arts College, introduced the guest. Dr. R. Azhagarasan spoke on 'Teaching Theory: Barthes' "Death of the Author" in the Classroom' during the first session. He introduced the ways of teaching critical texts in classrooms through Barthes' essay. His second session was on "Bakthi as Perspective". He brought out the distinction between Bakthi poetry and religious poetry focussing on language. Dr. T. Lilly Golda, Assistant Professor of English, A.P.C. Mahalaxsmi College for Women, Thoothukudi proposed the vote of thanks.

DATE: 06/08/2019 SESSION:AFTERNOON(2pm – 5pm)

Dr. D. Laura Dameris Chellajothi, Coordinator of RC-Batch B and Assistant Professor of English, Bharathidasan University welcomed the Resource Person for the third session. Dr. P.R. Amudha, Assistant Professor of English, Auxiliam College, Vellore introduced the Speaker, Dr. Vinod Balakrishnan, Professor of English, NIT, Tiruchirappalli. He spoke on "English in the Twenty First Century". He introduced the use of technology in teaching English through pictures, emojis, videos, audiobooks etc and created awareness on the role of the teacher in the digital age. His lecture on "Critical Thinking" gave an insight on how to pursue research. The need to have an idea, believe in an idea, being creative, ethical and speculative was insisted. Dr. M. Anjum Khan, Assistant Professor, Avinashilingam Institute for Home Science and Higher Education for Women, Coimbatore proposed vote of thanks.

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DATE: 07/08/2019 SESSION: FORENOON(10am – 1 pm)

The day began with the Coordinator Dr. D. Laura Dameris Chellajothi also Assistant Professor of English, Bharathidasan University, welcoming the resource person, Dr. Catherine Edward, Associate Professor of English, Holy Cross College, Tiruchirappalli. Dr. V. N. Manjula, Assistant Professor of English, Government Arts College, Udumalpet introduced the speaker of the first and second sessions. The first session was on the topic "Myth and-as Literature" and the second session was on the topic, "Immigrant Literature". During the first session, a distinction was made on myth and literature and also on ancient belief and modern enlightenment. The adoption of myth as a technique in literature by immigrant writers and the completion of the cycle by the processes of 'myth making', 'myth using', 'myth transforming' and 'myth creating' were discussed in the second session. The guest was thanked by Dr. V. Sri Ramachandran, Assistant Professor of English, National College, Tiruchirappalli.

Dr. S.Senthilnathan, Director(FAC), UGC-HRDC Bharathidasan University welcomed the Resource Person, Dr. N. Ilango, Associate Professor of English, American College, Madurai, for the third and fourth sessions. The guest was introduced by Dr.Vimala, Assistant Professor of English, Mannar Thirumalai Naickar College, Madurai. Dr.Ilango delivered a lecture on "Semiotics of Theatre: Classroom and Theatre". By distinguishing the two art forms, drama and film, the various aspects like wit, humour, comedy, absurdity, the significance of language, stage techniques, method acting, naturalistic acting etc were dealt in an engaging manner. The need of a teacher to be a performer in the classroom and to make the students visualize the text was enforced. The vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. P. Parthiban, Assistant Professor of English, Government Arts College, Karur.

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DATE: 08/08/2019 SESSION: FORENOON(10am – 1 pm)

Dr. D. Laura Dameris Chellajothi, Coordinator of Refresher Course – English Batch B also Assistant Professor of English, Bharathidasan University, welcomed the resource person for the first session, Dr. T. Priya, Assistant Professor and Coordinator, Centre for French School of English & Foreign Languages, Bharathidasan University. Mr. M. Chinnadurai, Assistant Professor of English, Arignar Anna Government Arts College, Villupuram introduced the resource person. The first session was on the topic "Ecriture Feminine and Body Politics". During the first session, the works and contribution of Feminists such as Helene Cixous, Simone de Beauvoir and Luce Irigari were discussed. The guest was thanked by Dr.M. Natarajan, Assistant Professor, Department of English, & Foreign Languages, Alagappa University, Karaikudi.

The second session was began with Mrs. D. Priyadharsini, Assistant Professor of Englsih, Thiru Kolanjiappar Government Arts College, Virudhachalam welcoming the Resource person, Dr. A. Kadambari, Former Adjunct Professor, Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development. "Women and Literature" was the topic for the session. Dr. Kadambari gave a detailed description of Showalter's 'Feminine', 'Feminist' and 'Female'. Dr. V. N. Manjula, Assistant Professor of English, Government Arts College, Udumalpet proposed the vote of thanks.

DATE: 08/08/2019 SESSION:AFTERNOON(2pm – 5pm)

Dr.Angkayarkan Vinayakaselvi, Assistant Professor of English, Bharathidasan University was the resource person for the third and fourth session. "Teaching Rape Narratives: A Few Pedagogical Questions" was the topic for discussion. Mrs. R Abee, Assistant Professor of English, Government College for Women, Kumbakonam introduced the resource person. Dr Venkataselvi stated that rape is a contemporary social problem and it is academically under theorized and apparently theorized. She brought out the victims perspective. Vote of thanks was proposed by Dr. Akilandeshwari Srinivasan, Assistant professor of English, Avvaiyar Government College for Women, Karaikal.

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DATE: 09/08/2019 SESSION: FORENOON(10am – 1 pm)

Dr.Roopkumar Balasingh, Professor Emeritus, Department of English, Bishop Heber College, Trichy, was welcomed and introduced by Dr. V. Sri Ramachandran, Assistant Professor of English, National College, Tiruchirappalli. He delivered a lecture on "Literature and Application". With a series of illustrations, the maintenance of the balance between the teacher and the student was suggested by the speaker. The vote of thanks was proposed by Ms. S.Jayalakshmi, Assistant Professor of English, Periyar E.V. R.College (Autonomous), Tiruchirappalli.

The resource person of the second session, Dr. Joseph Ponnaiah, Associate Professor of English, NIT, Trichy was welcomed and introduced by Dr.R. Geetha, Assistant Professor of English, Thiruvalluvar Government Arts College, Rasipuram. Dr. Joseph Ponnaiah spoke on "Language Acquisition: Towards a Biolinguistic Perspective". The speaker recommended to use 'comprehensible inputs' to the students and demonstrated how such texts would help the learner learn a second language. The vote of thanks was proposed by Dr. Elangbam Hemanta Singh, Assistant Professor of English, Ideal Girls College, Manipur University.

DATE: 09/08/2019 SESSION:AFTERNOON(2pm – 5pm)

Dr. S.Senthilnathan, Director(FAC), UGC-HRDC Bharathidasan University welcomed the Resource Person, Dr. T. Marx, Professor of English, Pondicherry University, Pondy for the third and fourth sessions. The guest was introduced by Dr. L.Sangeetha, Head and Assistant Professor of English, Thiruvalluvar University Constituent College of Arts and Science, Kallakurichi. Dr.Marx delivered a lecture on "New Comparative Literature: Theory and Practice". The origin of comparative literature and its development was traced using examples. The topic in the Indian context was also thrown light on. The recent trends like cultural studies, disability studies and minority studies were discussed in the last session. The vote of thanks was proposed by Dr. T. Lilly Golda, Assistant Professor of English, A.P.C. Mahalaxsmi College for Women, Thoothukudi.

DATE: 10/08/2019 SESSION: FORENOON(10am – 1 pm)

Dr G. Bhaskaran Professor of English, Gandhigram Rural Institute, Dindigul, was the resource person. Dr. Vimala introduced the speaker. The topics that he dealt are "Cyber Literature" and "Post-colonial Translation". Under Post-colonial Translation, he spoke translation as tool, the Indianness in the works and focussed on linguistic and cultural tradition by citing examples from Gabriel Okara, Tagore, Toni Morrison, Manju Kapur, Maheshdattani and Salman Rushdie. Under "Cyber culture" he dealt with the themes, writers, theoriticians and keyterms. Dr. Manjula proposed the vote of thanks.

DATE: 10/08/2019 SESSION: AFTERNOON(2pm – 5 pm)

Dr. K. Rajaraman, Professor of English, Annamalai University was the resource person for the third session. Dr. B. Pradeepa, Assistant Professor of English, Urumu Dhanalakshmi College,

Tiruchirapalli introduced the guest speaker. "Reader Response Criticism" was the topic. He introduced the nine common approaches by elucidating the tenets and the practitioners. The fourth session was on Moralistic Approaches to Literature. Dr. A. Selvraj, Professor of English, Annamalai University was the Guest speaker. Mr. Chinnadurai, Assistant Professor of English, Arignar Anna Government Arts College, Villupuram, introduced the resource person. The relevance of moralistic approaches to literature in the present day scenario was explained through T S Eliot and stated the advantages and disadvantages of it.

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DATE:11/08/2019 SESSION: FORENOON(10am – 1 pm)

Dr. A. Selvraj, Professor of English, Annamalai University was the resource person. He spoke on Reader response criticism in detail. By contrasting the approach in direct opposite to formalistic criticism, he insists on the primacy of the reader. The vote of thanks was proposed by Ms. V.K. Smitha, Assistant Professor of English, Dr. Ambedkar Government Arts College, Chennai. Dr. K. Rajaraman, Professor of English, Annamalai University was the resource person for the second session. He spoke on the moralistic approach studying Nathaniel Hawthorne's novel *The Scarlet Letter*. Dr. N. Sumathy, Assistant Professor of English, St.Mary's College, Thoothukudi proposed the vote of thanks.

DATE:11/08/2019 SESSION: AFTERNOON(2pm – 5 pm)

Dr. Pappu Benjamin S., Professor and Head (Retd), St.Joseph's College, Trichy was the resource person for the afternoon session. Dr. T. Lilly Golda, Assistant Professor of English, A.P.C. Mahalaxsmi College for Women, Thoothukudi, introduced the speaker. Dr Benjamin delivered a lecture on Contemporary Literature. He traced the growth of Comparative literature and focussed on the various schools of thought. He gave a list of key concepts on Comparative literature and also dealt with folk literature. The speaker also suggested possible research topics. The vote of thanks was proposed by Dr. P.K.Gomathi, Assistant Professor of English, Thiruvalluvar Govt Arts College, Rasipuram.

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DATE:13/08/2019 SESSION: FORENOON & AFTERNOON

Dr.V. Vinod Kumar, the Coordinator and Professor and Head, Department of English, Bharathidasan University welcomed and introduced the Examiner for Seminar, Dr. C. Isaac Jebastine, Professor, Department of English, Bharathidasan University. The participants presented their views on topics such as Effective Communicative skills, Teaching using technology, Use of Memes as a pedagogy to learn preposition and idiomatic phrases, English in the 21st century, Types of sentences, Total physical response, Softskills, Project Proposal, One minute presentation, Future feminism, Gynocriticism, Postmodernism, Hyperreality, Acrostic poetry, Sound poetry, Comparative Literature, Trends in translation, Food and Literature Poems such as Tagore's Gitanjali, Douglas Malloch's Be the best, Walt Whitman's When Lilacs Last in the Dooryard Bloom'd, Drama of Marlowe, Dr. Faustus and Fiction like James Fenimore Cooper's The Last of the Mohicans, Lahiri's Interpretor of Maladies etc. Dr. Dr. P.R.Amutha Arockia Mary, Assistant Professor of English, Auxiliam College, Vellore proposed the Vote of thanks. After the lunch, the participants a summative test was conducted.

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DATE 14/08/2019

In the forenoon session, a lecture on Elements of "Literary Research and Publication" was delivered by Dr.Sathyaraj Venkatesan, Associate Professor of English, NIT, Trichy. He discussed the various disciplines that can be studied across literary texts.

During the afternoon session, the Valediction for Refresher Course was organized at the Main Campus- Palkalaiperur AC Auditorium and the participants received their participation certificates. Dr. G. Gopinath, Registrar, Bharathidasan University delivered the Valedictory address.