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DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

is organising a Two Days National Seminar on

"CONTRIBUTION OF TAMIL NADU TO THE INDIAN FREEDOM STRUGGLE: FOCUS ON SALT SATYAGRAHA"

from 27th to 28th March 2024

Venue: Guest House Conference Hall, Central University of Tamil Nadu, Thiruvarur



About Central University of Tamil Nadu:

The Central University of Tamil Nadu (CUTN) is one of the twelve Central Universities established in India by an Act of Parliament in the year 2009. It is located at Thiruvarur, 290 kilometers away of Chennai, positioned between Thanjavur and Nagapattinam. It is located at Thiruvarur spreading over a swarling campus of 516 acres with an excellent atmosphere for academic pursuit. The university aims at the fashioning of an enlightened society founded on a relentless pursuit of excellence through innovations in teaching-learning process, interdisciplinary studies and research. The University currently has 27 Departments under the 12 different Schools.

About Department of History:

The Department of History is one of the six Departments in the School of Social Sciences and Humanities. It was started in the academic year 2017-2018. Although the Department is in its infancy, it has made rapid strides both in teaching and research. The Department offers courses of Master of Arts in History and Ph. D in History. The focus areas of teaching and research are Ancient History, Medieval History, Modern History, Archaeology, Regional History and Intellectual History. The course structure is designed meticulously to cater to the need of both traditional and applied aspects of historical study and diversified career objectives. Besides, a career in academics like teaching and research, our courses will help prepare for government services including civil services.

About the Seminar:

Tamil Nadu played a significant role in all the phases of the Indian Freedom struggle: the Swadeshi Movement, the Non-Cooperation Movement, the Civil Disobedience Movement, and the Quit India Movement. The Swadeshi Movement began in Tamil Nadu following the partition of Bengal. During this movement, V. O. Chidambaram Pillai spearheaded the Coral Mill Strike, started the Swadeshi Steam Navigation Company, and encouraged the British India Steam Navigation Company boycott. Similarly, the Non-cooperation Movement began in Tamil Nadu. Prominent leaders like E. V. Ramaswami Naicker, S. Satyamurthi, and C. Rajagopalachari worked to cause the people of Tamil Nadu to end their cooperation with the British government.

Further, when Gandhi launched the Civil Disobedience Movement with the Dandi March in 1930, C. Rajagopalachari, popularly known as Rajaji, started the Vedaranyam Salt Satyagraha March. He began his March on April 13, 1930, on Tamil New Year's Day from Trichy and reached Vedaranyam on April 28, 1930. Following this, he was arrested for violating the salt laws. In addition, the Quit India Movement commenced in Madurai, Coimbatore, North Arcot, and many other places in Tamil Nadu. This movement attracted factory workers, students, and the masses. The sacrifices of the people of Tamil Nadu for the freedom of India from British colonial rule must be deliberated, highlighted, and reiterated. Therefore, this two-day national seminar on "Contribution of Tamil Nadu to the Indian Freedom Struggle: Focus on Salt Satyagraha" is, in part, an attempt to deliberate, highlight, and retell the contributions of Tamil Nadu to the Indian Freedom Struggle.

Sub-themes:

Interested candidates may prepare a paper on any one of the following sub-themes:

- Ø Press and Salt Satyagraha
- Ø Women's Role in Salt Satyagraha
- Ø Salt Satyagraha in Coastal Tamil Nadu
- Ø Prominent freedom fighters in Tamil Nadu
- Ø Rajaji's role in Salt Satyagraha
- Ø Unsung heroes of the Freedom Movement from Tamil Nadu
- Ø Tamil Nadu and Swadeshi, Non-Cooperation, and Quit India Movements
- Ø Impact of Salt Sathyagraha and other Movements in Tamil Nadu

Important Dates and Deadlines:

Deadline for abstract submission: March 20, 2024 Notice for paper acceptance: March 24, 2024 Deadline for full paper submission: March 25, 2024

Submission of Abstract and Full Paper:

The participants are requested to attach their abstracts in the given link. The abstract may be prepared within 250 words in MS Word, Times Roman(font), font size 12-pt, and 1.5 line spacing. The abstract may be prepared with five keywords, and it should mention the complete affiliation details of the author/authors with their full address. The full paper may be prepared within 4000 words in the above format.

Note: The organising committee will review the papers and publish them after the seminar with ISBN.

Accommodation:

Paper presenters will be provided lodging in the guest house on a sharing basis with prior request. Authors/ Paper presenters are requested to meet their travel expenses. The organizers will not reimburse the travel expenses.

Registration Fee:

Students- Rs 200/ Scholars- Rs 500/

Faculty- Rs 1000/

The Delegate fee may be paid through the online Payment Gateway. The last date for receiving online payment is 23.03.2024. Only registered delegates will be permitted to attend the seminar.

Online Payment and Registration Link:

The Seminar Registration and Payment link (through SBI collect) is given below.



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