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'VRDHI' *Online Lecture Series*
(Social Transformation In The History Of
Kerala)

In Association With

LITERARY CLUB

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To
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Introduction

A lecture series titled "Vṛdhi," organized by V. T. Pathanakendram in association with the Literary Club, focused on "Social Transformation in the History of Kerala." The aim of the lecture series was to raise awareness among students about the social issues embedded in Kerala's history and how transformation was achieved through the efforts of social reformers, with a particular emphasis on the contributions of V. T. Bhattathiripad. The series aimed to provide an in-depth understanding of the historical context of social issues in Kerala, exploring topics such as caste discrimination, gender inequality, and economic disparities.

The First Session - Date: 04/10/2021

The inaugural session of the lecture series "Vṛdhi," organized by V. T. Pathanakendram in association with the Literary Club, took place on October 4, 2021. Dr. Geetha K., Head of the Department of History, commenced the session by welcoming the resource persons and all the participants. Dr. Jayan E. delivered the presidential address, setting the tone for the event. The lecture series was formally inaugurated by K. C. Narayanan, a distinguished writer. In his keynote address, Narayanan spoke on the topic "Transition from Social Orthodoxy to Modernity in Kerala through V. T. Bhattathiripad." K. C. Narayanan highlighted Bhattathiripad's pioneering contributions to social reform, particularly through his involvement in the literary and theatrical movements. The session concluded with a lively interaction between the speaker and the audience, where students and faculty engaged in discussions about the historical context and impact of Bhattathiripad's work. This inaugural session set a strong foundation for the subsequent lectures, promising a rich exploration of Kerala's social history and the transformative power of its reformers.

The Second Session - Date: 11/10/2021, Time: 2 PM

The second session of the "Vṛdhi " lecture series featured a presentation by C. K. Parvathy Antharjanam, a prominent and successful woman from the Namboothiri community, known for her social activism. The session, held on [date], focused on the topic "Influence of V. T. Bhattathiripad in the Namboothiri Community." Parvathy Antharjanam highlighted specific instances where Bhattathiripad's work resonated within the community, leading to shifts in attitudes and practices. The session was actively attended by both students and faculty members, who engaged in a dynamic exchange of ideas and questions related to the topic. At the conclusion of the session, Sreedevi M., a student from the Department of History, delivered the vote of thanks.

The Third Session - Date: 25/10/2021, Time: 2 PM

The third session of the " Vṛdhi " lecture series was delivered by Dr. Sudheer Kumar P., an Assistant Professor in the Department of History at SNGS College, Pattambi. The

session, titled "Kerala Renaissance: A Brief Study," provided a comprehensive overview of the Kerala Renaissance, a pivotal period in the region's history marked by significant social, cultural, and intellectual transformations. The session was inaugurated and warmly welcomed by Dr. Geetha K., Head of the Department of History at SVTB College. Dr. Geetha K. introduced Dr. Sudheer Kumar P., highlighting his expertise and contributions to the field of history. The session was well-attended by students and faculty members, who participated actively in the discussions and sought to deepen their understanding of this transformative period in Kerala's history.

The Fourth Session - Date: 15/11/2021, Time: 2.30 PM

The fourth session of the "Vṛdhi" lecture series focused on the topic "Renaissance Leaders in Kerala" and was delivered by Retired Professor Sreekumar from the University of Calicut. Sathyabhama N., an Assistant Professor from the Department of History, welcomed Professor Sreekumar and introduced the session. The session provided an in-depth analysis of the influential figures that played pivotal roles during the Kerala Renaissance, highlighting their contributions to social reform, education, and cultural revival. Sruthi P. A., the coordinator of the Literary Club, delivered the vote of thanks at the conclusion of the session. She expressed her gratitude to Professor Sreekumar for his enlightening presentation and to the attendees for their active participation.

The Fifth Session - Date: 22/11/2021, Time: 2.00 PM

The concluding session of the "Vṛdhi" lecture series was held on November 22, 2021, and featured a lecture by Retired Professor Dr. Rajasekharan, former Head of the Department of History at SVTB College. The topic of his lecture was "V. T.'s Contribution to the Intellectual Discourse of Kerala," where he explored the significant impact of V. T. Bhattathiripad on the intellectual and cultural life of Kerala. Sruthi P. A., the coordinator of the Literary Club, welcomed Professor Dr. Rajasekharan and introduced him to the audience. Dr. Jayan E. delivered the presidential address, setting a reflective tone for the concluding session and highlighting the importance of the topic. Dr. Saritha Namboothiri, IQAC Coordinator, felicitated the function, acknowledging the contributions of all involved in organizing the lecture series and celebrating the insights shared throughout the sessions. At the end of the event, Dr. Geetha K., Head of the Department of History at SVTB College, delivered the vote of thanks.

List of Participants

Sl. No.	Name	Designation
1	Aravind G. S.	Asst. Professor
2	Dr. Geetha K.	Asst. Professor
3	Sathyabhama N.	Asst. Professor
4	Mini K	Asst. Professor
5	Sruthi P. A.	Asst. Professor
6	Dhanya M.	Asst. Professor
7	Madhavasadasivan	Asst. Professor
8	Vaishnavi R.	BA History
9	Bhavya K. R.	BA History
10	Haritha P.	BA History
11	Jamsheena P. K.	BA History
12	Maya T. M.	BA History
13	Krishnaveni K.	BA History
14	Radhika M. T.	BA History
15	Saleema P. P.	BA History
16	Anitha C.	BA History
17	Deepa K.	BA History
18	Jaseena P.	BA History
19	Pallavi A. M.	BA History
20	Remya K. R.	BA History
21	Sandhya P. S.	BA History
22	Divya P.	BA History
23	Fathima P.	BA History
24	Aravind V. P.	BA History
25	Arjun K.	BA History
26	Sarath G.	BA History