

2022-2023

- **International Symposium on Cultural Insights**

Kallianpur Milagres College in association with IQAC & Department of English Organised One Day International Symposium on Cultural Insights on 20th December 2022.

Prf. em. Dr George van Driem was the resource person of the day. He had conducted 2 technical sessions on , "The History of Scholarly thinking on Dravidians Origin." and " Unresolved questions with regard to Koraga and Tulu".

Prf. em. Dr George van Driem is from the Linguistics Inatitute, University of Bern, and presently a scholar at IIT, Guwahati, Assam. He presented a detaiked study on Dravidian languages of Indian. Being a foreigner his knowledge on Indian epics, dynasties and development of languages is amazing. He also touched upon the origin of Tulu language and history and life of local Koraga adivasi community.

Dr Vincent Alva, Principal of Milagres College, appreciated and congratulated Dr George for conducting such an informative sessions. While the addressing the audience he said, "History plays an important role in every one's life. It shows right path to move. "Knowing Origin of Dravidian languages are very important for us as we speak these local languages - he added.

Mrs Chandrika, Convener of the conference welcomed the guest. Dr Jayaram Shettigar, IQAC Coordinator, Mr Jason Sequieira from Mangalore and Mr Caeser Gonsalves, Co-Convener of the conference were present on the dais. Ms Prathima, compeered the programme.

Delegates from various colleges, literary and Optional English students were present in the conference. After the each session delegates were interacted with the resource person and clarified their doubts. Altogether 96 Delegates including both staff &students benefitted from the symposium. At the end of the conference few Delegates and students shared their feedback.

- **Under the Mango Tree**

A unique programme by the Department of English is, "Under the Mango Tree". Every Thursday between 1.00 pm and 1.25 pm students discuss various issues connected with culture, education, and politics. Competitions and activities based on the significance of the days, poetry recitation, picture description, interpretation of Idioms and phrases, English literature, English spellings, sentences and expressions, are the uniqueness of this programme. Students conduct some games, activities and Quiz for the audience under the mango tree. Our student singers, poets and orators get a beautiful opportunity to exhibit their talents.

