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Invitation Letter

The Department of English, Govt. V.Y.T. PG Autonomous College, Durg cordially invites you to deliver an online extension lecture on "Post colonialism" on 6.3.2021 at 11.30 am. The platform used will be google meet.


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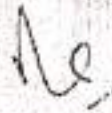
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Notice

The Department of English, Govt. V.Y.T. PG Autonomous College, Durg invites the faculty and students of M.A. English to attend the extension lecture by Dr. SZH Abidi on "Postcolonialism" on 6.3.2021 at 11.30 am. The platform used will be google meet and the link will be shared on 5.3.2021.


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A Report Formation and Inauguration of ELA

6/3/2021

The Department of English inaugurated the English Literary Association after its formation on 6th March 2021. The ceremony was organized on virtual platform (Google Meet) following the protocol of covid-19 pandemic.

The faculty felt honored to have on the occasion Dr SHZ Abidi as a Guest Speaker. The event started with the welcome speech by Dr Somali Gupta at 11:30 am. Addressing the Professors, students and participants, she briefed the aims and objectives of the English Literary Association. Dr Gupta said that such platform marks the beginning of a new initiative as it provides the PG students of the department to exhibit their literary traits and also instills leadership qualities for their all round development. After the inauguration Dr Somali Gupta announced the names and designations of the officebearers for the session 2020-21.

President	—	Devraj Baghel	— MA Sem II
Vice President	—	Priyanka	— M.A Sem I
Secretary	—	Shilpi	— MA Sem I
Joint Secretary	—	Aniket	— MA Sem.

After the announcement Dr Somali Gupta gave a brief introduction of Prof SHZ Abidi, the renowned dignitary. The topic of the discourse was "Post Colonialism".

The objective behind organizing the lecture was to provide a deep understanding of the 'Post Colonial Theory' and its wider perspectives to study social, cultural and psychological impact after Colonialism.

Dr. Abidi began his discourse defining the terms 'Post Colonialism' and 'Colonialism'. He said that Post Colonialism is basically a discourse of the marginalized, the wretched of the Earth (Franz Fanon), pilferation, power politics, linguistic dominance, hegemony, subjugation, feminist criticism. He described in detail the relation between the Colonizer and the Colonized which is mutual and unidirectional. He encapsulated Edward Said's 'Orientalism', Homi K. Bhabha's 'The Location of Culture' and 'The Other Question's four keys - Mimicry, Hybridity, Ambiguity and Fixity, quoting various examples from the literary texts. The description of his self created formulas $T^3 + PS + SE + CB + CC + HS$ really mesmerized and enchanted the listeners as he explained these signs. T^3 - denotation the whole, as Traders, Translators and Thief with the ideology of white man's burden. He quoted the last line of Caliban's Curse - Prospero Syndrome. He said that 'The Tempest' is an allegory of post Colonialist.

perspectives/discourse where the hierarchy has been dismantled. Prospero's claim that in exchange of the island he has given Caliban the gift of language is shown as the prototype of the order and Caliban's response - 'Is, I know how to curse'.

Dr Abidi also stressed as to how theories / theory is being dominated by foreign names - Foucault, Lacan, Said, Gayatri Spivak, H.K. Bhabha and many more. Indian intellectuals do not theorize they enjoy the fruits of modernity and then start theorizing. Towards the end of his discourse he said that the present time is to talk about fourth (IVth) World Literature, the subalterns, dalits, marginalized sections, gender parity, tribals, ecological issues, how to restore and conserve, resist, and assert which leads to self-realization - 'Decolonization' the process began long ago, no doubt.

He also answered a few questions asked in the Questionnaire session with the participants. The event ended with a note of gratitude extended by Dr Tarlochan Kaur Sandhu. More than 90 participants had joined the event.

Outcomes: The students and participants became familiar to post color theory, terms like colonialism, decolonization, hegemony, the response was highly appreciate