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2DAY NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON
POST – MODERNISM AND PROGRESSIVE INDIA
Literary Articulations and Non-Literary Interventions

22nd & 23rd March 2013

Organized by
Department of Languages
Garden City College
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Garden City College offers 10 Under Graduate courses and 10 Post Graduate programs. GCC has over 5500 students from across India and more than 72 other nations comprising all the six continents. Upholding the motto “Emphasis is on Life” GCC believes in providing a holistic learning experience to its students and is on the path of constant innovation. At Garden City College, we believe in “Creating Dreamers, Achievers and Winners” in every walk of life.

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Department of Languages

The Department of Languages, since its inception, has been endeavouring earnestly towards its commitment to bring qualitative improvement for all the stakeholders. The department provides the students an extra edge by involving them in various activities under the aegis of Literary Club, Thespians – Theatre Club, and Cine Club. The faculty members of the department are actively involved in conducting various skill-based programs like Functional English, Communication Skills, Soft Skills, Voice and Accent Training for the student community to help them gain confidence to face interviews and other challenges of the globalized world. The faculty members of the department are also actively involved in research and publication. Luminaire (ISSN 2249-2542), the department journal devoted to English literature and language is another feather in the cap of our achievements.

ENGCONF2012 – An Insight

ENGCONF2012, the 2-day International Conference on “Recent Trends in Literature: A Global Perspective” organized by the department of Languages on 27th & 28th January 2012saw overwhelming response from all over the nation. 207 papers were presented during the conference attended by 250 delegates from 17 states and 66 cities across the globe. The conference was inaugurated by Dr. V.B. Coutinho, Director, Legal Studies, Bar Council of India; President – Governing Council, Garden City Education Trust; Former Vice Chancellor, Gulbarga University and Prof. Jose Varghese, Former Vice Chancellor, National Law University – Raipur, Chattisgarh & Advisor – Garden City College. Dr. Avadhesh Kumar Singh, Professor & Director, School of Translation Studies & Training, IGNOU, New Delhi; Convener, Knowledge Consortium of Gujarat, Education Department, Government of Gujarat; former Vice Chancellor, Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Open University, Ahmedabad was the guest of honour and delivered the keynote address.

ENGCONF2012 provided a platform for much-needed discussions among academicians, research scholars and students on contemporary discourses of literature in a global perspective.

Theme of the Conference

Post-modern Indian English literature, starting from the late 1970s, brought about a trend in progressive writings of protest and struggle. The contemporary literary scenario represents challenges and dilemmas in varied ways. The conference would focus on recent issues and tensions in Indian English literature with an attempt to critique matters related to families, social relationships, class/caste conflicts, gender, political ideologies, religion and other equally important ideas from a post-modern perspective. It aims at exploring different strategies adopted through literary articulations as well as non-literary interventions in grappling the primary concerns of progressive India.

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Objectives of the Conference

The primary objective of the conference is to create a platform for academicians, research scholars and students to share experiences about the role of literature in a progressive country like India. It also aims at a meaningful discussion among professionals involved in the teaching of English, exploring the central tensions experienced in the Indian post-modern situation resulting from shifts in political and social ideologies.

Discussion themes: The themes for discussion and paper presentation will have a close bearing on the following sub-themes.

- The post-modern family
- Patterns in social relationships
- Shifts in value system
- Representation and misrepresentation of women
- Subverting the patriarchal paradigm
- Political ideologies and changing political scenario
- Religion and the state
- Caste/class conflicts
- Threat of violence
- Post-modern Nationalism
- Literature and the environment – an eco-critical perspective
- India and Human Rights – the post-modern social, political and legal framework

Note: Participants can choose any of the above sub-themes to write their paper. However, the list is only illustrative and not exhaustive, and therefore participants can present papers on any theme of their choice by relating it to the main theme of the conference.

Call for Papers

Insightful papers focusing on the theme of the conference are invited. Interested participants may send the abstract of their papers (not exceeding 300 words) by 10th February 2013. The abstract should include the title of the paper, author’s name, designation, institutional affiliation, postal address, telephone number and email id. Participants should also mention their category – academicians (teachers from educational institutions) or research scholars/students.

Guidelines for Paper Submission

- Standard A4 size paper with 1.5 margins on all sides.
- Double spacing throughout.
- Full paper must not exceed 20 minutes in delivery.
- Soft copy of the abstract may be sent as an e-mail attachment to engconf2013@gardencitycollege.edu. Kindly send only the abstract, full paper may be brought directly during the conference for presentation.

Registration Fee

- Delegate from Academic Institution (with twin sharing accommodation) : ₹1200.00
- Delegate from Academic Institution (without accommodation) : ₹800.00
- Research Scholars/Students (with twin sharing accommodation) : ₹800.00
- Research Scholars/Students (without accommodation) : ₹400.00

Demand Draft should be drawn in favour of Garden City Education Trust, payable at Bangalore.
- Registration fee includes breakfast, lunch, tea and the conference kit

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**Important Dates**

- Last date for sending abstracts (E-mail attachment) : 10th February 2013
- Intimation of acceptance of abstracts after scrutiny : 12th February 2013
- Last date for registration (DD along with the registration form) : 28th February 2013

**Note:**
- There will be no spot registration.
- LCD facility will be provided for presentation. Participants need to mention LCD requirement in the registration form.
- Participants need to send the filled up registration form along with the demand draft for registration on or before the due date.
- Only paper presenters will be given the certificate of presentation. In case of co-authors, all of them need to be present during the conference.
- We will not be able to issue paper presentation certificate to those who are not present during the conference.

**Conference Committee**

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