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About CREST



Centre for Research & Education for Social Transformation (CREST) is an autonomous institution under Government of Kerala. CREST has been conceived as a national institute of humanities, science and professional studies, addressing the needs of the Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and other marginalized communities of India while integrating with the informational society. The Centre was incubated by Indian Institute of Management Kozhikode. The governing council headed by the Minister for Welfare of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes and Other Backward Communities as Chairman monitors the activities of the Centre. Dignitaries like the Governor of Kerala, Chief Minister of Kerala and the Speaker of the Kerala Legislative Assembly are the patrons of this autonomous institution. The Governing Council has representation from institutions like Indian Institute of Management Kozhikode, National Institute of Advanced Studies, Bangalore, Kerala State Council for Science, Technology and Environment, Thiruvananthapuram and Sree Chitra Thirunal Institute for Medical Sciences & Technology, Thiruvananthapuram. CREST conducts a five months Post Graduate Certificate Course for Professional Development (PGCCPD) as its flagship program.

Activities

Private Sector & Public Sector Employability: A Realistic Perception



A two - day workshop on Private Sector & Public Sector Employability was held at CREST on 13 & 14 September 2017. It was conducted by Ms. Remya Roshni and Mr. Arun PT, faculty, Civil Service Academy, Pala. Themes covered included Skills, Values and Competencies, Skill development and Employability and Innovations in Skills development. Remya Roshni was in the Indian Police Service (IPS). She has authored a self help guide book on the Myths and Realities on IAS Exams which was published by DC Books. Mr. Arun P T was in the Indian Postal Service and founder of DOOR Centre for Civil Services in Chennai.

Workshop on Social Intelligence



Aparna Viswanathan of Zocio, Bangalore conducted a one day workshop for the students on Social Intelligence on 6th October 2017. She is the founder of RACE, an organization that works to bring children out of their comfort zones. Aimed to bring significant development to the participants' personal and social lives, the workshop involved curated social intelligence sessions engaging the participants in various unique and authentic experiences. Modeled on experiential and reflective learning methodologies, the workshop encouraged participants to break their comfort zones and explore the unknown; to

identify themselves internally; to create an attitudinal shift in their perceptions and judgments. Overall, the workshop assisted the participants in developing their capacity to effectively negotiate complex environments, situations, and relationships.

Workshop on Language of Job Search



A two day workshop on resume and job search was conducted for the students of Post Graduate Certificate Course for Professional Development (PGCCPD) by Dr. Rajeevan Karal on 9th & 10th of October 2017. Dr. Karal is an accomplished teacher trainer and content developer, with over forty years experience in teaching English at all levels. He has authored many books on different aspects of English, targeted at learners at school and university levels. He has wide experience in organizing training programme in Business Communication, Technical Writing, and Presentation Skills for managers and executives from the corporate sector.

Workshop on Career Planning



Dr. TN Krishnan, Professor, Indian Institute of Management Kozhikode gave a special lecture on career planning on 13 October 2017. He was a Fulbright Senior Fellow, The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania. He was awarded Fulbright-Nehru Senior Research Fellowship (2013-14). The academic positions include Senior Fellow, Center for Human Resources, The Wharton School (2013-14) and Chairperson, FPM (Doctoral Programme), April 2012 - March 2013.

Workshop - “Redefine your horizons”

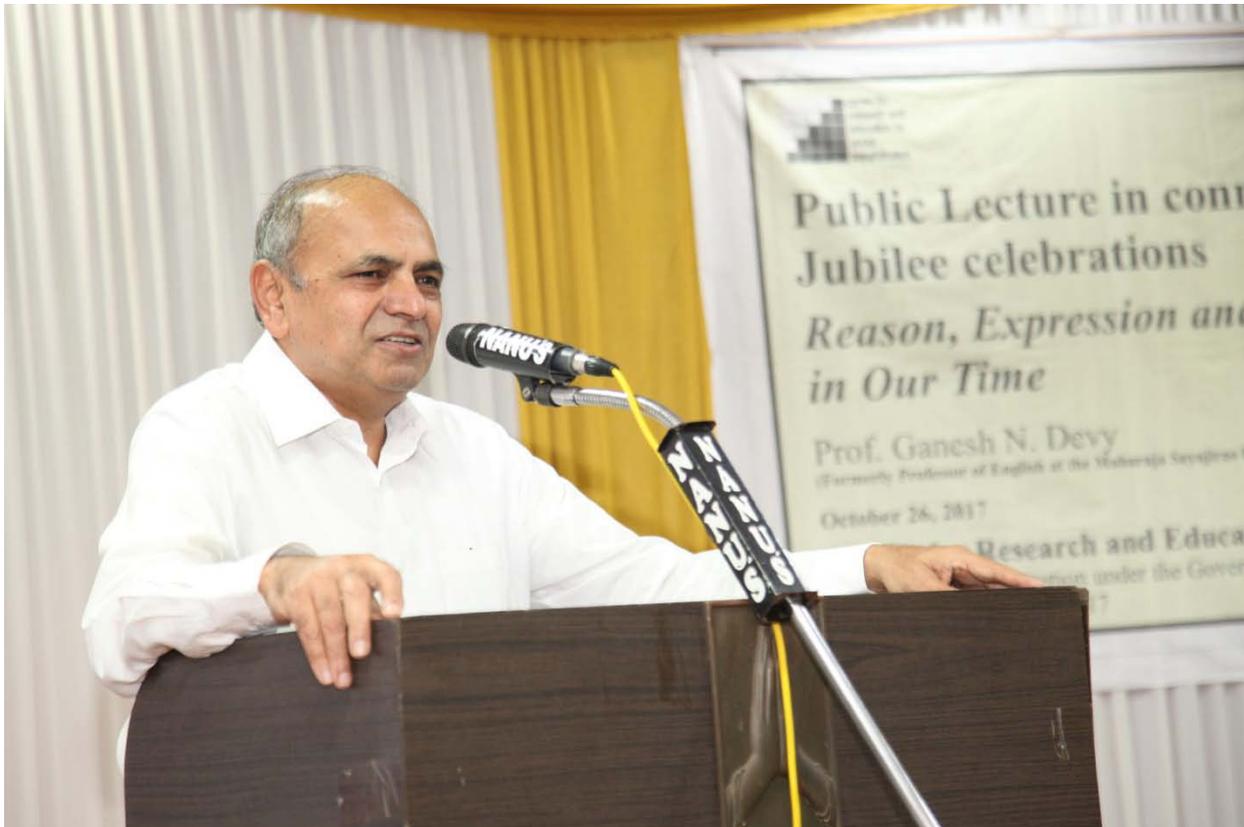


Balachandran Gopinath, International Training Fellow of the Junior Chamber Training Institute of USA conducted a two day workshop “Redefine your horizons “on 23rd & 24th of October 2017 with an objective to improve the confidence level of students. The workshop covered themes on preparing a career map, long-term professional goals and action steps for achieving them, work style and analyzing strengths and weaknesses and professional development.

Kerala Diamond Jubilee Lecture - Reason, Expression and Freedom in Our Time by Prof. Ganesh N. Devy

In connection with the Kerala diamond jubilee celebrations, CREST organized a public lecture on October 26, 2017. The lecture entitled *Reason, Expression and Freedom in Our Time* was delivered by Prof. Ganesh N. Devy at Hotel Alakapuri Auditorium, Kozhikode. Dr. Devy spoke on the disappearance of languages and how visual communication is increasingly becoming important.

Ganesh N. Devy, formerly professor of English at Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda, is a



renowned literary critic and activist. He is the founder director of the Bhasha Research and Publication Center, Vadodara and Adivasi Academy at Tejgadh, Gujarat. He led the People's Linguistic Survey of India in 2010, which has researched and documented 780 Living Indian Languages. He was educated at Shivaji University, Kolhapur and the University of Leeds, UK. Among his many academic assignments, he has held fellowships at Leeds University and Yale University and has been a Jawaharlal Nehru Fellow. He was awarded Padma Shri in 2014 in recognition of his work with denotified and nomadic tribes education and his contribution on dying-out languages. He was awarded the Sahitya Akademi Award for his work *After Amnesia* and the SAARC Writers' Foundation Award for his work with denotified tribal people of India. He has also won the reputed Prince Claus Award (2003) awarded by the Prince Claus Fund for his work for the conservation of the history, languages and views of oppressed communities in Gujarat. Along with Laxman Gaikwad and Mahashweta Devi, he is one of the founders of The Denotified and Nomadic Tribes Rights Action Group (DNT-RAG). He won the 2011 Linguapax Prize for his work for the preservation of linguistic diversity in India. Dr. G. N. Devy returned his Sahitya Akademi Award in October 2015 as a

mark of protest and in solidarity with other writers who sees a threat to Indian democracy, secularism and freedom of expression . He lives in Dharwad, Karnataka

KR Narayanan Memorial Lecture

On 4 November 2017 Dr. Nivedita Menon, Professor at Centre for Comparative Politics and Political Theory, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi delivered the KR Narayanan Memorial Lecture organized by CREST at Hotel Alakapuri Auditorium, Kozhikode. Delivering the lecture entitled "*Beyond the Eurocentrism/Indigenism Binary: Counter-narratives to Hindutva Claims*". Delivering the lecture she said that the claim to pure Hindu roots of India is the foundation of Hindutva and



Hindutvavaadi nationalism. Apart from the standard challenges to this project from left wing, secular and feminist politics, there are two other discourses that challenge the common sense being produced by it. One, which emerges from a long tradition of critical engagement with the West, far more serious than anything that Hindutva can lay claim to, and which deconstructs both 'India' and 'Europe' through the excavation of cultural and philosophical exchanges between the two. This tradition of critical engagement opens up important ways of thinking about our present predicaments – both in relation to the West's continuing hegemony over our ways of thinking as well as in exposing Hindutva's hollow rhetorical claims on India's 'past'. The other one is the powerful, ancient yet living Dalit Bahujan Adivasi traditions that split the skin of North Indian 'savarna masculinist' Hinduism, from within itself.

Nivedita Menon, is the author of "Seeing like a Feminist" (2012). Apart from research papers in Indian and International journals, her previous books are "Recovering Subversion: Feminist Politics Beyond the Law" (2004); and a book co-written with Aditya Nigam "Power and Contestation: India

after 1989" (2007). She also has two edited volumes "Gender and Politics in India" (1999) and "Sexualities" (2007); and a book co-edited with Aditya Nigam and Sanjay Palshikar "Critical Studies in Politics: Exploring Sites, Selves, Power" (2013). She is a regular commentator on contemporary issues on the collective blog kafilalonline (of which she is one of the founders), and active in democratic politics in India. She has also translated fiction and non-fiction from Hindi and



Malayalam into English, and from Malayalam to Hindi, and received the AK Ramanujan Award for translation instituted by Katha.

Dr.Meera Velayudhan , Policy Analyst, Research Unit On Local Governance (RULSG), Centre For Development Studies, Trivandrum shared with the audience reminiscences on Dr.KR Narayanan , her cousin. Prof.DD

Namboodiri, Executive Director, CREST and Prof.Ashley Paul, Associate Program Coordinator spoke at the function

Theatre Workshop

A theatre workshop was held for the students of the 28th Batch of the Post Graduate Certificate Course for Professional Development on 6th, 7th and 8th of November 2017. The workshop was conducted by Ms. Shweta Vij. Ms.Shweta has been a faculty of theatre at Shri Ram Centennial School, Dehradun. The workshop was held at the Government Youth Hostel., Kozhikode. On 9th of November the students did a play before a selected audience. The theatre workshop was conducted in connection with the communication skills module of the Post Graduate Certificate Course for Professional Development.

Valedictory function

Valedictory function for the 28th Batch of the Post Graduate Certificate Course for Professional



Development was held on 12 November 2017 at Hotel Alakapuri Auditorium Kozhikode. Dr. Rajan



Gurukkal Visiting Professor, Centre for Contemporary Studies, Indian Institute of Science, BANGALORE , former Vice Chancellor, Mahatma Gandhi University and Governing Council member of CREST was the chief guest. Dr. Sumit Mitra Professor, Strategic Management Indian Institute of Management Kozhikode was the Guest of Honor. Welcome address was given by Prof. Ashley Paul, Associate Program Coordinator and Presidential Address by Prof. D.D. Nampoothiri Executive Director, CREST. The students were felicitated by Dr. Anita Ramesh, Faculty, CREST, Ramita A, Alumni of CREST Mojisha Mohan K. K

and Sangeeth M. K. Students of 28th Batch gave the reply speeches. Vinod Krishnan TY, Associate Program Coordinator delivered the vote of thanks.

Governing Council Meeting

Meeting of the Governing Council of CREST was held on 5th December 2017 in the chamber of Sri.A.K Balan, Honorable Minister for the Welfare of Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward Classes, Law, Culture and Parliamentary Affairs, Secretariat, Thiruvananthapuram. The meeting was presided over by the Minister who is the Chairman CREST. The Governing Council discussed the expansion plan of CREST and resolved to undertake programs during 2017-22 which includes Joint Academic programs with Indian Institute of Information Technology & Management, Kerala and setting up of an access academy to support candidates from Scheduled Communities of Kerala in obtaining admission to undergraduate programs in nationally reputed institutions.

CREST - Chintha Ravindran Foundation Public Lecture

CREST in collaboration with Chintha Ravindran Foundation organized a public lecture series on 9th December 2018 at Hotel Alakapuri Auditorium, Kozhikode in connection with the 150th year of Das Kapital. The lecture series entitled *Revisiting Capital in the Age of Finance - 150 Years of Das Kapital* was delivered by Dr.CP Chandrasekhar Professor, Centre for Economic Studies and Planning, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. The two-part lecture series by C.P. Chandrasekhar gave



insight into the dialectics of anarchy and order within capitalism. The 150th anniversary of the publication of Das Kapital, Prof. Chandrasekhar said, was an occasion to celebrate a treatise that has had a major influence on people who tried to understand the nature of capitalism and its dynamics. Marx framed his discussion in Capital as a critique of political economy, especially the works of the classical economists, through Smith and Ricardo, and in constant opposition to the vulgar economists of that period whom he saw as conscious or unconscious apologists of the bourgeoisie.

Marx framed the elements of Das Kapital from the traditions of French socialism, German philosophy, and English political economy. But it was in England that he saw the classical ground for capitalism, he observed. The analysis of the classical economists proved inadequate to Marx, the



reason being that political economy within the bourgeois horizon looked at capitalism not as a historical phase in the evolution of social production, but as something which was near-eternal. Finance today is very different from the times in which Marx wrote Das Kapital with credit assets forming the main form of financial assets and banking the over-whelming dominant financial activity. Finance capital has spread globally from financial centres of metropolitan capitalism to underdeveloped countries and not just the so-called emerging markets. The dominant conclusion from the 150 years that have passed is the persistence, in changed forms, of the extremely intensive exploitation of workers and producers, especially in the periphery through primitive forms of subsumption and the persistent reliance on absolute surplus value extraction, and the realization of all of these at the expense of weakened labour with help from the state. Moreover, ever since the onset of the monopoly phase of capitalism in the quarter of a century after the publication of Capital Volume I, the role of the state as a means and site for primitive accumulation has hugely increased. Among the reasons for the resilience of capitalism, thus, is its ability to find new ways to extract surpluses using old means.

Dr.KV Kunhikrishnan, Chairman, Executive Committee CREST & President, Kerala State Library Council Shri. Sashi Kumar, Chairman, Chintha Ravindran Foundation &Chairman, Asian College of Journalism, Chennai and Prof.D.D.Nampoothiri, Executive Director CREST spoke at the function.

New Batch of Post Graduate Certificate Course for Professional Development

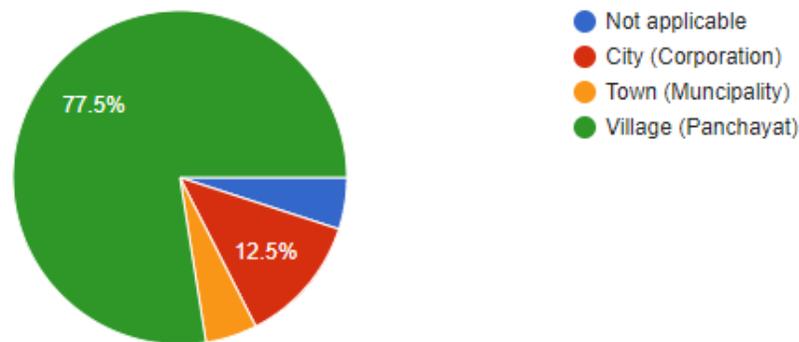
Interviews for admission to the 29th Batch of Post Graduate Certificate Course for Professional Development (PGCCPD) were held on 20th, 21st & 22nd of November 2017 at CREST. 214



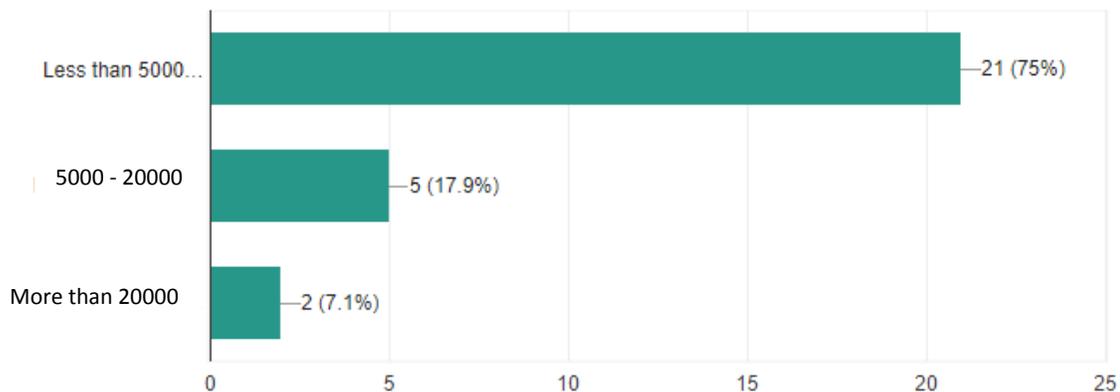
candidates were invited for the interview and 40 students were selected for the course based on the marks they obtained for their Bachelors / Masters Degree course and interview. 29th Batch of the Post Graduate Certificate Course for Professional Development (PGCCPD) commenced from 13th of December 2017. Of the 40 candidates who joined for the course, thirty were girls. On 14th an ice-breaking session was conducted for the students at the Maria Eugenie Centre, Malaparamba. The sessions were held by Sucharita Hota and AR Vinod the faculty of CREST.

Of the 40 candidates who joined for the course, 77.5% are from rural background with 75% with monthly family income less than INR 5000.

Background



Income



The candidates are from diverse academic background. The present batch of PGCCPD comprises of 21 graduates and 19 post graduates belonging to science, arts, humanities and professional degree courses. Of these 10 candidates hold post graduate degree and 9 hold graduate degree in science. Ten are from arts and humanities background; Four candidates hold BTech degree and another four hold Degree in Commerce. Rest of the students have their academic background in social work, and tourism administration.

Orientation Programme

A two day orientation program was held for the students on 19th & 20th of Dec 2017 The workshop



was held at Pratheeksha Training Centre, Sultan Bathery, Wayanad . The workshop, conducted by Aparna Viswanathan of Zocio, Bangalore covered themes on Team Building , Presentations and communication skills.

Special Lecture on current trends in job market in IT Sector

Girish Ramachandran , President, Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) Asia Pacific, gave a special lecture on current trends in job market in IT sector on 26 December 2017. Girish Ramachandran is responsible for business operations in 12 countries in the regions of Australia & New Zealand, ASEAN, Greater China and Korea. Girish is based in Singapore, the Headquarters of TCS Asia Pacific, where he oversees over 25,000 employees covering the region. Girish joined TCS in 1994 and has held a number of key portfolios in the organization. Prior to TCS Asia Pacific, he served as



Corporate Vice President in the CEO's office at TCS House in Mumbai, where he was responsible for global strategic business initiatives. Before that, he was Head of TCS Europe and TCS Middle East, Africa and Mediterranean where he grew the business multifold and was instrumental in developing many key customer relationships with leading global brands. Other roles have included Head of TCS Business Intelligence Practice worldwide as well as Executive Sponsor of numerous global customer relationships. Girish serves on a number of executive boards, including at the Europe-India Institute and International Business Foundation Amsterdam, Chairman of Confederation of Indian Industries' Benelux chapter, and is a board member of Kooh Sports. Effective January 2018, Girish has been nominated to the Board of GRI (Global Reporting Initiative), an independent International organization that has pioneered sustainability reporting.

Girish holds a Bachelor's degree in Computer Technology from PSG College of Technology, Coimbatore, Tamilnadu, and a Master's degree in Management from Jamnalal Bajaj Institute of Management Studies, Mumbai. He is a recipient of the Frans Banninck Cocq Medal from the Mayor of Amsterdam. He is a frequent guest lecturer at universities across Europe and Asia Pacific. Girish is based in Singapore

Access Program

Academic support sessions at Model Residential School Punnapra, Alappuzha

On 1st of October 2017 academic support programme in Physics and Chemistry was held for plus two students of MRS Alappuzha. An Orientation for Plus Two students of MRS Alapuzha on entrance examination for admission to Undergraduate Program at Azim Premji University, Bangalore was held for the Plus Two students of MRS Thrithala on 6th & 7th of October 2017. Students were also provided support in the application process for entrance examination for UG programs in Azim Premji University, Bangalore. On 11th & 12th of November 2017, a two day workshop was conducted for Physics for the Plus Two Students the school. Selected students were given special session on English and logical reasoning to appear for entrance examination for UG Programmes at Azim Premji University, Bangalore. A two day academic support programme in Physics was held for Plus One students of the school on 25th & 26th of November 2017. Academic support programme in Chemistry was held for 10th standard students on 9th & 10th of December 2017. On the same day sessions were held in logical reasoning for those Plus Two students who appear for entrance examination for UG program of Azim Premji University, Bangalore.

Academic support programme at Model Residential School Keezhmad, Aluva

On 02.10.2017 a one day workshop on Chemistry covering the Plus Two syllabus was conducted for the plus two students of MRS Aluva. An orientation was given for the Plus Two students of MRS



Aluva on 3 October 2017 on entrance test for admission to undergraduate programs offered at the Azim Premji University Bangalore. A one day academic support program in Chemistry was held for the Plus Two students of MRS Aluva on 7 October 2017. A two day academic support programme

was held for the Plus One and Plus Two students of MRS Aluva on 23rd & 24th of October 2017. Sessions were held in Physics and Chemistry. On 28th & 29th of October 2017, a two day workshop was conducted for the Plus Two students of the school. The workshop covered syllabus in Mathematics. Career guidance was held for the students during the workshop. A one day academic support programme in Chemistry was held for the Plus two students of MRS Keezhmadu, Aluva on 4 November 2017. On 18 November 2017, a one day academic support programme in Mathematics and Chemistry was conducted for the plus two students of MRS Aluva. On 19th November 2017 academic support program in Chemistry and Physics was held for plus two students, MRS Aluva. A two day academic support sessions in Mathematics and logical reasoning was held for plus two students (who attend Azim Premji entrance test) of MRS Aluva on 2nd & 3rd of December 2017. Academic support programme in Hindi and Chemistry was held for 10th class students of MRS Aluva on 9th & 10th of December 2017. On the same day sessions were held in logical reasoning for those Plus Two students who appear for entrance examination for UG program of Azim Premji University, Bangalore.

Academic support programme at Model Residential School Thrithala

On 2 November 2017 an academic support program in Physics was held for the plus two students of MRS Thrithala. An Orientation for Plus Two students of MRS Thrithala on entrance examination



for admission to Undergraduate Program at Azim Premji University, Bangalore was held for the Plus Two students of MRS Thrithala on 4th & 5th of October 2017. Students were also provided support in the application process for entrance examination for UG programs in Azim Premji

University, Bangalore. A two day academic support was provided for the Plus Two students of MRS Thrithala on 10th & 11th to help students in the entrance test for admission to undergraduate programs at Azim Premji University, Bangalore. On 21st of October 2017 a workshop on mathematics was conducted for the plus one students. A session on the importance of higher education in premium institutions of the country was held for the parents of the Plus Two students of MRS Thrithala on 3rd November 2017. ON 12th December 2017 a workshop on logical reasoning and quantitative aptitude was held for the plus two students. The program was held in connection with the entrance examination for admission to UG Programmes at Azim Premji University Bangalore. On 19 November 2017, a workshop was on logical reasoning for plus two students of the school. On 26th November 2017 academic support programme in Physics was held for plus one students of and logical reasoning for plus two students of the school. A two day academic support sessions in Physics and logical reasoning was held for plus two students (who attend Azim Premji entrance test) of MRS Thrithala on 2nd & 3rd of December 2017.

Academic support programme at MRS Peerumedu, Idukki

A four day academic support programme was held for the Plus Two students of MRS Peerumedu from 04.10.2017 to 07.10. 2017 in connection with the undergraduate entrance test at Azim Premji University, Bangalore. On 21st & 22nd of October, a two day workshop was conducted for the Plus Two students of MRS Peerumedu. The workshop covered syllabus in Economics and Geography and career guidance. A two day workshop was organized for the Plus Two students of MRS Peerumedu covering economics and geography for plus two students. A session on career guidance was also held for plus two students. A two day academic support programme in English and logical reasoning was held for Plus Two students of MRS Peerumedu on 25th & 26th of November 2017

Session on Motivation for high school students of Model Residential School Vadakkanchery

A special session on motivation was held for the tenth standard students of MRS Vadakkanchery on 19th November 2017. A two day academic support sessions in Mathematics was held for 10th standard students of the school on 2nd & 3rd of December 2017.

Academic support programme at Model Residential School, Kasargode

A one day academic support programme in Physics and Chemistry for tenth standard students of MRS Kasargode was held on 19th November 2017.

Academic support programme at Model Residential School, Chelakkara

A two day academic support sessions in Mathematics was held for 10th standard students of MRS Chelakkara on 2nd & 3rd of December 2017. A similar programme was held for the same students on 9th of December 2017.

Entrance examination for Undergraduate programme in Azim Premji University

On 17th December 2017, 27 students - 8 from MRS Thrithala, 7 from MRS Aluva, 7 from MRS Alappuzha and 5 from MRS Peerumedu - were taken to Marthoma Girls HSS Thrissur to appear for the entrance examination conducted by Azim Premji University.

Christmas vacation camp for Plus Two school students of Model Residential Schools

A ten day residential workshop was organized for the Plus Two students of MRS Aluva from 22.12.2017 to 02.01.2018. Sessions covered included English Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics



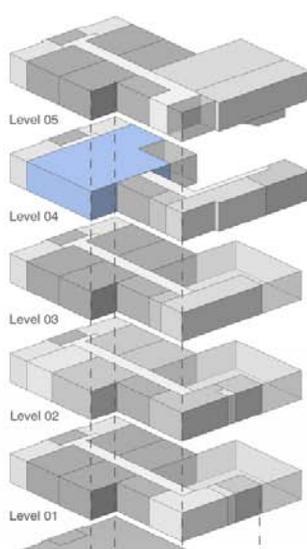
and Biology . A five day residential workshop was organized for the Plus Two students of MRS Alapuzha from 23.12.2017 to 28.12.2017. Sessions covered included Physics and Chemistry, A seven day residential workshop was organized for the Plus Two students of MRS Alapuzha from 25.12.2017 to 01.01.12.2018. Sessions covered included Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics and Biology

Master Plan of CREST Campus

Government of Kerala has assigned INKEL Ltd, a Public Private Partnership (PPP) initiative which brings together government agencies, prominent global investors, NRI industrialists and business



people in the infrastructure development of Kerala, to construct the campus of CREST in Government Cyberpark Kozhikode. The Master plan was designed through a collaborative venture



The main stacks area to integrate reading spaces and the colour palette to use the same base scheme of white, black and grey with the CREST blue as an accent (left and above)



Digital library to provide an array of independent work stations



by PLURAL, an integrated multidisciplinary architecture and design firm based in Dubai, Toronto and Kochi and Uralungal Labour Contract Co-operative Society Ltd, one of the leading cooperative societies in India. The estimate of the project is 48.32 Crores.

CREST in Media

Print as well as the visual media has given coverage to various programmes of CREST held during September – December 2017. *Mathrubhumi Daily, Mathrubhumi TV, Malayala Manorama, Deshabhimani* daily, and *The Hindu* covered news on the activities of CREST-during these months.



ക്രസ്റ്റിന്റെ ഡയറക്ടർ ജനറലി ആശോഷത്തിന്റെ ഭാഗമായുള്ള പ്രഭാഷണത്തിൽ പ്രഫ. ഗണേഷ് എൻ. മേനോൻ പ്രസംഗിക്കുന്നു. പ്രഫ. ഡി.ഡി. നമ്പൂതിരി സമീപം.

ആശയവിനിമയം ഭാഷയിൽ നിന്ന് ദൃശ്യത്തിലേക്ക് മാറുന്നു: പ്രഫ. ഗണേഷ് എൻ. ദേവി

കോഴിക്കോട് • ആശയ വിനിമയത്തിന്റെ മിന്നി മാറ്റത്തിൽ നിന്നു ദൃശ്യത്തിലേക്കു മാറിക്കൊണ്ടിരിക്കുകയാണെന്നു ബഹുമാനമാല സമാഹാരം സർവ്വകലാശാലയിലെ ഇന്റർനാഷണൽ പ്രോഗ്രാമിന്റെ ഹെഡ് ട്രാൻസ്ലേഷൻ ഗണേഷ് എൻ. ദേവി അഭിപ്രായപ്പെട്ടു. ക്രസ്റ്റിന്റെ ഹെഡ് ട്രാൻസ്ലേഷൻ ഗണേഷ് എൻ. ദേവി അഭിപ്രായപ്പെട്ടു. ക്രസ്റ്റിന്റെ ഹെഡ് ട്രാൻസ്ലേഷൻ ഗണേഷ് എൻ. ദേവി അഭിപ്രായപ്പെട്ടു.

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ദേശീയത ഹിന്ദുത്വത്തിൽ അധിഷ്ഠിതമെന്ന് വരുത്താൻ ശ്രമം- നിവേദിത മേനോൻ

കോഴിക്കോട്: ഇന്ത്യൻ ദേശീയത സ്വാഭാവികമായും ഹിന്ദുത്വത്തിൽ അധിഷ്ഠിതമാണെന്ന് സ്ഥാപിക്കാനാണ് ഹിന്ദുരാഷ്ട്രീയത്തിന്റെ വക്താക്കൾ ശ്രമിക്കുന്നതെന്ന് ജെ.എൻ.യു. പ്രൊഫസറും എഴുത്തുകാരിയുമായ നിവേദിത മേനോൻ അഭിപ്രായപ്പെട്ടു. സെൻറർ ഫോർ റിസർച്ച് ആൻഡ് എഡ്യൂക്കേഷൻ ഫോർ സോഷ്യൽ ട്രാൻസ്ഫോമേഷൻ (ക്രസ്റ്റി) അക്ടോപറ്ററി ഓഡിറ്റോറിയത്തിൽ സംഘടിപ്പിച്ച ചടങ്ങിൽ കെ.ആർ. നാരായണൻ സ്റ്റാരകപ്രഭാഷണം നടത്തുകയായിരുന്നു അവർ.



ക്രസ്റ്റി സംഘടിപ്പിച്ച ചടങ്ങിൽ പ്രൊഫ. നിവേദിത മേനോൻ കെ.ആർ. നാരായണൻ സ്റ്റാരകപ്രഭാഷണം നടത്തുന്നു.

മതേതരത്വത്തെക്കുറിച്ചുള്ള യൂറോ കേന്ദ്രീകൃതമായ സങ്കല്പങ്ങൾ തിരുത്തണമെന്നാണ് ഹിന്ദുത്വരാഷ്ട്രീയക്കാർ ആവർത്തിച്ചു പറയുന്നത്. അനാദികാലം മുതൽ ഹിന്ദുത്വപാരമ്പര്യമാണ് ഇന്ത്യയുടെ അടിസ്ഥാനം എന്ന് അവർ വാദിക്കുന്നു. എന്നാൽ, ദേശീയതയെക്കുറിച്ചുള്ള സങ്കല്പവും ഹിന്ദുത്വവാദികളുടെ രാഷ്ട്രസങ്കല്പവും യോജിച്ചുപോകുന്നില്ല. ആധുനിക പാശ്ചാത്യസംസ്കാരത്തിന്റെ ഉൽപന്നമായ ദേശീയത എങ്ങനെയാണെന്ന് അനാദികാലം മുതലുണ്ടെന്ന് പറയാനാവാകും? ഹിന്ദുസ്ഥാൻ എന്ന സംജ്ഞ ഹിന്ദുക്കളുടെ രാഷ്ട്രം എന്ന അർത്ഥത്തിലല്ല ഉപയോഗിക്കപ്പെട്ടിരുന്നത്. ഇവിടെ അധിവാസിച്ചിരുന്നവരെ വിശേഷിപ്പിക്കാനുള്ള പൊതുനാമമായിരുന്നു അത്. വാസ്തവത്തിൽ ഹിന്ദു എന്നൊരു മതമേ ഇല്ലെന്നും അതൊരു മതമല്ലെന്നും ഡോ. അംബേദ്കർ വ്യക്തമാക്കിയിട്ടുണ്ട്. ബ്രിട്ടീഷുകാരാണ് ഹിന്ദുക്കളെ പ്രത്യേക മതമായി രേഖപ്പെടുത്തിവർ സംസാരിച്ചു.

നെയ്താണ് അനാദികാലം മുതലുണ്ടെന്ന് പറയാനാവാകും? ഹിന്ദുസ്ഥാൻ എന്ന സംജ്ഞ ഹിന്ദുക്കളുടെ രാഷ്ട്രം എന്ന അർത്ഥത്തിലല്ല ഉപയോഗിക്കപ്പെട്ടിരുന്നത്. ഇവിടെ അധിവാസിച്ചിരുന്നവരെ വിശേഷിപ്പിക്കാനുള്ള പൊതുനാമമായിരുന്നു അത്. വാസ്തവത്തിൽ ഹിന്ദു എന്നൊരു മതമേ ഇല്ലെന്നും അതൊരു മതമല്ലെന്നും ഡോ. അംബേദ്കർ വ്യക്തമാക്കിയിട്ടുണ്ട്. ബ്രിട്ടീഷുകാരാണ് ഹിന്ദുക്കളെ പ്രത്യേക മതമായി രേഖപ്പെടുത്തിവർ സംസാരിച്ചു.

നെയ്താണ് അനാദികാലം മുതലുണ്ടെന്ന് പറയാനാവാകും? ഹിന്ദുസ്ഥാൻ എന്ന സംജ്ഞ ഹിന്ദുക്കളുടെ രാഷ്ട്രം എന്ന അർത്ഥത്തിലല്ല ഉപയോഗിക്കപ്പെട്ടിരുന്നത്. ഇവിടെ അധിവാസിച്ചിരുന്നവരെ വിശേഷിപ്പിക്കാനുള്ള പൊതുനാമമായിരുന്നു അത്. വാസ്തവത്തിൽ ഹിന്ദു എന്നൊരു മതമേ ഇല്ലെന്നും അതൊരു മതമല്ലെന്നും ഡോ. അംബേദ്കർ വ്യക്തമാക്കിയിട്ടുണ്ട്. ബ്രിട്ടീഷുകാരാണ് ഹിന്ദുക്കളെ പ്രത്യേക മതമായി രേഖപ്പെടുത്തിവർ സംസാരിച്ചു.

'മൂലധന'ത്തിലെ കാഴ്ചപ്പാടുകൾ ശരിവെച്ചു സെമിനാർ

സന്ദേശം ലേഖിക കോഴിക്കോട് > ചരിത്രവും വർത്തമാനവും പരിശോധിക്കുമ്പോൾ മുതലാളിത്തം അതിന്റെ ഏകാധിപത്യം മുതലാധിപത്യമായി മാറിയെന്നും ഇദ്ദേഹം കടന്നുപോകുന്നതാണ് സെമിനാർ. ധനമൂലധന കാലത്ത് മാർക്സിന്റെ കാഴ്ചപ്പാടുകളെ ശരിവെക്കുന്നതാണ് സന്ദേശത്തിന്റെ പരിശോധന സെമിനാർ. ക്രസ്റ്റി (സെൻറർ ഫോർ റിസർച്ച് ആൻഡ് എഡ്യൂക്കേഷൻ ഫോർ സോഷ്യൽ ട്രാൻസ്ഫോമേഷൻ) ചിന്ത രചനാശാസ്ത്രം ആകാപുരിയിൽ സംഘടിപ്പിച്ച 'മൂലധന'ത്തിന്റെ പുനർവായന' വിഷയത്തിൽ നടത്തിയ സെമിനാറിൽ 150 വർഷം മുമ്പിറങ്ങിയ 'മൂലധന'ത്തിലെ കാഴ്ചപ്പാടുകളുടെ വർത്തമാനകാല ശക്തികളിലേക്ക് വെളിച്ചം പകർന്നത്.

ലേഖകനെ സാമ്പത്തിക രംഗത്ത് ആവേശം തോന്നിപ്പിക്കും വിധം അതിശക്തമായ ചില പ്രതിബന്ധങ്ങളുണ്ടെങ്കിലും മുതലാളിത്തം നിലവിൽ പ്രതിസന്ധികൾ നേരിട്ടിട്ടുണ്ട് മുതലാളിപാടുകാരന്മാർ ജാവാഹർ ലാൽ നെഹറു യൂണിവേഴ്സിറ്റിയിലെ പ്രൊഫ. സി പി ചന്ദ്രശേഖർ പറഞ്ഞു. ധനമൂലധനത്തിലധിഷ്ഠിതമായ ഇന്നത്തെ മുതലാളിത്ത വ്യവസ്ഥ ഒരു കുതിച്ചുചാട്ടം ചെയ്യാൻ, ഏത് നിമിഷവും അത് തകരാറും ബാധകങ്ങളിലും മറ്റും നിരോധങ്ങൾ വർദ്ധിക്കും. ഇത്തരം സമ്പന്നമായ മിഥ്യയഥനമൂലധനത്തെ സൃഷ്ടിക്കുകയെന്നും ഇതിന്റെ അവസാനം പെട്ടെന്നായിരിക്കും. മേനോൻ ഉടലെടുക്കുമ്പോൾ തൊഴിലാളികൾക്ക് പ്രതിസന്ധി പരിഹരിക്കപ്പെടുമെന്നും ഒരു പ്രത്യേക സമയത്തിനുശേഷം ആ



ചിന്ത രചനാശാസ്ത്രം ക്രസ്റ്റി സംഘടിപ്പിച്ച സെമിനാറിൽ സി പി ചന്ദ്രശേഖർ സംസാരിക്കുന്നു

നങ്ങളിലൂടെ പരിധികൾക്ക് അപ്പുറത്തേക്ക് അതിനെ മാറ്റേണ്ടതാണ്. മുതലാളിത്ത മിതിയിൽ വന്ന ആധുനിക മാറ്റങ്ങൾ സംഘടിത തൊഴിലാളികളുടെ സമരങ്ങളെ സഹായിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ട്. പുതിയ ഒരു വ്യവസ്ഥിതി ഉണ്ടാക്കുവാൻ മാർക്സിസം ഏകദേശം പ്രതിബന്ധിച്ച് നിൽക്കുന്ന വിഭാഗമായിരുന്നു ഇത്. ഒരു എൽ കെമി ഉണ്ടായതുകൊണ്ടുമാത്രം മുതലാളിത്തത്തിൽ മാറ്റമുണ്ടാകില്ല. മുതലാളിത്ത വ്യവസ്ഥയുടെ നാശത്തിന്റെ ആഴം അതിന്റെ പ്രതിസന്ധിയിലൂടെ വ്യക്തമാകുന്നു. അദ്ദേഹം പറഞ്ഞു. ചിന്ത രചനാശാസ്ത്രം പെയർമാർക്ക് ശക്തികൾ സംസാരിച്ചു. ക്രസ്റ്റി ഏകദേശം പെയർമാർക്ക് കെ വി കുഞ്ഞിപ്പിള്ളി സാഹസര്യം ഏകദേശം പ്രതിസന്ധിയിലൂടെ വ്യക്തമാകുന്നു. അദ്ദേഹം പറഞ്ഞു. ചിന്ത രചനാശാസ്ത്രം പെയർമാർക്ക് ശക്തികൾ സംസാരിച്ചു. ക്രസ്റ്റി ഏകദേശം പെയർമാർക്ക് കെ വി കുഞ്ഞിപ്പിള്ളി സാഹസര്യം ഏകദേശം പ്രതിസന്ധിയിലൂടെ വ്യക്തമാകുന്നു. അദ്ദേഹം പറഞ്ഞു.

പ്രതിസന്ധി മറ്റൊരു അടർത്തിൽ വീണ്ടും തലപൊക്കും. 2008ലെയും മറ്റും അമേരിക്കയിലെ സമ്പന്നതക പ്രതിസന്ധി

വീൽപ്പുണ്ടെന്നു ഇതിലേക്കാണ്. മിഥ്യധനമൂലധനത്തിലുണ്ടാകുന്ന പ്രതിസന്ധികൾ മാത്രമല്ല യഥാർത്ഥ സമ്പന്നത

നെ ബാധിക്കും. സമ്പന്നതയുടെ പ്രശ്നങ്ങളും മറ്റും ഇതിന്റെ ഏറ്റവും മുതലാളിത്തത്തിൽ മാറ്റങ്ങൾ വരില്ല. മുതലാളി

ത്തത്തിന്റെ ഭാഗമായുണ്ടാകുന്ന മനുഷ്യതമില്ലാത്തതും തൊഴിലാളികളുടെയും എൽ കെമി ശക്തികളുടെ പ്രവർത്തന

Forthcoming Events

Special Lecture on International Banking

A special lecture on International Banking by Subash Narayanan, Deputy Head and Managing Director – Project Finance at DBS Bank Ltd, Singapore will be held on 3 January 2018

Kerala Diamond Jubilee Lecture Series

Fifth Kerala Diamond Jubilee Lecture will be held on January 15, 2018, (Monday) at 5:30 PM at Hotel Alakapuri Auditorium, Kozhikode. The Lecture entitled *Building an Institution: The Case of Indian Institute of Management Kozhikode (IIMK)* will be delivered by Prof. Amarlal H Kalro Academic Advisor, Ahmedabad Education Society and Former Director, IIMK

Sixth Kerala Diamond Jubilee Lecture will be held on January 29, 2018, (Monday) at 5:30 PM at Hotel Alakapuri Auditorium, Kozhikode. Dr. AK Ramakrishnan , Professor, School of International Studies , JNU, will deliver the public lecture entitled *Regions and Globality: Understanding Kerala's Linkages with the Arab World*

Documentary Screening

Documentary film maker Priya Thuvassery , Senior Producer , NDTV will exhibit and discuss her acclaimed documentary films 'Survey Number Zero' and 'My Sacred Glass Bowl' on February 14, 2018



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