

Programme Schedule of the Three-Day Online International Conference on

***Cultural Identity, Tradition and Belief System:  
from discourse to practice***

Organized by

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**Date: 24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> March 2021**

**Day 1**

**Date: 24<sup>th</sup> March 2021**

**Time: 09.30 to 11.45 AM**

**Inauguration**

<b>SL. No.</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Time</b>
1	<i>Log in and Congregate</i>	09.30-10.00 AM
2	Mangalacharan	10.00-10.05 AM
3	Welcome Address by <b>Dr. Gurmet Dorjey, Director, CIHCS</b>	10.05-10.20 AM
4	Speech of the <b>Chief Guest, Sri Prahlad Singh Patel, Hon'ble Minister of Culture, Govt. of India, New Delhi</b>	<b>10.20-10.35 AM</b>
5	Speech by Guest of Honor by <b>Prof. (Dr.) Baidyanath Labh, Hon'ble Vice- Chancellor, Nava Nalanda Mahavihara, Nalanda</b>	10.35-10.50 AM
6	Speech by Guest of Honor/Inauguration Plenary Speaker by <b>Prof. (Dr.) Saket Kushwaha, Hon'ble Vice- Chancellor, Rajiv Gandhi University, Itanagar, Arunachal Pradesh</b>	10.50-11.05 AM
7	Keynote Speech by <b>Prof. Anura Manatunga Director General, Archeological Survey of Sri Lanka, Sri Lanka</b>	11.05-11.20 AM
8	Guest of Honor by <b>Dr. Ashutosh Bhatnagar, Director, Jammu Kashmir Study Centre, New Delhi</b>	11.20-11.35 AM
9	Vote of Thanks by <b>Shri Aakash Shah, Administrative cum Accounts Officer, CIHCS</b>	11.35-11.45 AM
<b>Session Coordinator: Miss. Y. H. Kharsiing, CIHCS</b> <b>Rapporteurs: Miss. Tsong Drema, Miss. Sangeeta Biswas, CIHCS</b>		

**Day 1**  
**Evening Technical Session**

**Date: 24<sup>th</sup> March 2021**  
**Time: 01.30 PM to 04.35 PM**

**Session Coordinator/Moderator: Miss. Tsong Drema, CIHCS**

**Rapporteurs: Dr. Dharmendra Kumar, Miss. Pema Droma, CIHCS**

**Chairperson: Prof. (Dr.) Sanjib Kumar Das, Department of Indo-Tibetan Studies, Visva-Bharati, Santiniketan**

Sl. No.	Name and Affiliation	Title of the Paper	Time
<i>Log in and Congregation</i> <i>01.30 PM-02.00 PM</i>			
1	<b>Ven. Ashin Vimala</b> Shan State, Myanmar	<i>Palaung Buddhism in Northern Myanmar: Customs and Practices</i>	02.00 PM-02.20 PM
2	<b>Smt. Vinita Srivastava</b> Executive Director, Railway Heritage heading the Heritage Directorate of the Railway Board in Rail Bhavan, New Delhi	<i>The Darjeeling Himalayan Railway as a unifier– Cultural Identity, traditions &amp; belief systems linked to the UNESCO world heritage railway</i>	02.20 PM-02.40 PM
3	<b>Dr. Rumi Roy</b> Assistant Professor, Centre for Political Studies, School Of Social Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University, Vivekananda School Of Law and Legal Studies, Vivekananda Institute Of Professional Studies, New Delhi, India	<i>Identity Formation among the Bodos: Reflections on the Linguistic and Cultural concerns in the region</i>	02.40 PM-03.00 PM
<b>Break</b> <b>03.00-03.10 PM</b>			
4	<b>Dr. Rustam Brahma</b> Asst. Professor, Dept. of English, Bodoland University, Assam, India	<i>Bathou and Bodo Cultural Identity: A Critical Perspective</i>	03.10 PM-03.30 PM
5	<b>Shreeparna Roy</b> Assistant Professor Dept. of East Asian Studies University of Delhi, India	<i>Buddhism and China's Cultural Identity: Formation, Continuity and Change</i>	03.30 PM-03.50 PM
6	<b>Discussion</b>		03.50 PM-04.10 PM
7	<b>Comments from the Chair</b>		04.10 PM-04.30 PM
8	<b>Vote of Thanks by Miss. Tsong Drema, Session Coordinator</b>		04.30-04.35 PM

**Day 2**  
**Morning Plenary & Technical Session**

**Date: 25<sup>th</sup> March 2021**  
**Time: 10.00 AM to 01.45 PM**

**Session Coordinator/Moderator: Dr. Chandan Das, CIHCS**

**Rapporteurs: Miss. Sangeeta Biswas, Mr. Kangge Darin, CIHCS**

<i>Log in and Congregation</i> <b>09.30-10.00 AM</b>			
<b>Plenary Session</b> <b>10.00 AM-11.00 AM</b>			
SL. NO	Plenary Speaker	Title of the Talk	Time
1	<b>Prof. Dr. Jagaralankara</b> Dhammaduta Chekinda University Yangon, Myanmar	<i>Brahmavihara: Sublime Living- Ancient Tradition for Modern Lives</i>	10.00 AM-10.15 AM
2	<b>Dr. Rathnasiri Rathnayaka</b> Senior Lecturer, Postgraduate Institute of Pali and Buddhist Studies, Sri Lanka Visiting Lecturer, Bhiksu University, Sri Lanka Visiting Lecturer, Buddhist and Pali University, Sri Lanka, Minuwangete, Sri Lanka	<i>Refurbishment of a Universal Tradition for the Enhancement of Personality through the Trajectory of Buddhist Belief System</i>	10.15 AM-10.30 AM
3	<b>Ven. Dr. Pannasami</b> Head of Buddha Dhamma Ramsi Missionary Association, Finland (Founder, Yadanarmyint Buddhist Academy Yangon, Myanmar Abbot, Ratanasukha Monastery)		10.30 AM-10.45 AM
4	<b>Phra Luangsalath Khonsavanh</b> Ban Salakham, Vientiane, Laos (Lao-PDR)	<i>The Influence of Indian Culture on the Lao Buddhist Tradition and Culture</i>	10.45 AM-11.00 AM
<b>Break</b> <b>11.00 AM-11.10 AM</b>			
<b>Technical Session</b> <b>11.10 AM-01.45 PM</b>			
<b>Chairperson: Prof. Jagdish Batra, Professor of English, Jindal Global University, Sonapat (NCR) India</b>			
Sl. No.	Name and Affiliation	Title of the Paper	Time
1	<b>Ven. ARLAWKA</b> Dhammadūta Chekinda University Yangon Myanmar	<i>A Psychological Study of Mindfulness for Stress Management</i>	11.10 AM-11.30 AM
2	<b>Prof. Sanjib Kumar Das</b> Department of Indo-Tibetan Studies, Visva-Bharati, Santiniketan, India	<i>What is Mindfulness?: A Unique Antidote to Delusion</i>	11.30 AM-11.50 AM

3	<b>Ven. Thic Dong Dac</b> Independent Scholar Vietnam	<i>Nibbana in Here and Now: An Understanding of True Mind in Buddhist Traditions</i>	11.50 AM- 12.10 PM
<b>Break</b> <b>12.10 PM-12.20 PM</b>			
4	<b>Mrinal Kumar Baruah</b> Assistant Professor Dr. Bhupen Hazarika Centre for Performing Arts Dibrugarh University, India	<i>Sankari Culture and Its Influence in Assamese Lifestyle</i>	12.20 PM- 12.40 PM
5	<b>Jaya Kapoor</b> Assistant Professor Department of English University of Allahabad, India	<i>The voice of the Bhakti tradition as the voice of sanity with reference to Kabir in Kamleshwar's "Kitney Pakistan."</i>	12.40 PM- 01.00 PM
6	<b>Discussion</b>		01.00 PM- 01.20 PM
7	<b>Comments from the Chair</b>		01.20 PM- 01.40 PM
8	<b>Vote of Thanks by Dr. Chandan Das, Session Coordinator</b>		01.40 PM- 01.45 PM

**Day 2**  
**Evening Technical Session**

**Date: 25<sup>th</sup> March 2021**  
**Time: 02.00 PM to 04.15 PM**

**Session Coordinator/Moderator: Miss Pema Droma, CIHCS**

**Rapporteurs: Dr. Dharmendra Kumar, Mr. Kangge Darin, CIHCS**

**Chairperson: Prof. Dr. Jagaralankara, Dhammaduta Chekinda University, Yangon, Myanmar**

<i>Log in and Congregation</i> <b>01.30-02.00 PM</b>			
<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Name and Affiliation</b>	<b>Title of the Paper</b>	<b>Time</b>
1	<b>Prof. Jagdish Batra</b> Professor of English Jindal Global University Sonapat (NCR), India	<i>Envisioning Impact of Re- tellings of Indian Myths on Culture</i>	02.00 PM- 02.20 PM
2	<b>Dr. Lalan Kumar Jha</b> Assistant Professor Dept. of Pali, Nava Nalanda Mahavihara Nalanda, India	<i>Popular Indian Cultural Identity as Co-existence and Deep rooted in Traditional System: Not only Discourse but A Practical Approach (with special reference to Buddhism)</i>	02.20 PM- 02.40 PM

3	<b>K. C. Srivastava &amp; Dr. Shashi Bala Srivastava</b> 645A/165 Janaki Vihar Colony, Prabhat Chauraha Madion Gaon Rd. Lucknow, India	<i>The Relation of India and Ceylon in cultural Perspective</i>	02.40 PM-03.00 PM
<b>Break</b> <b>03.00 PM-03.10 PM</b>			
4	<b>Dr. Raghul V Rajan</b> Assistant Professor of English Aligarh Muslim University, Centre Malappuram, India	<i>Cultural Identity of Ayyappa in Kerala: A Critical Evaluation</i>	03.10 PM-03.30 PM
5	<b>Discussion</b>		03.30 PM-03.50 PM
6	<b>Comments from the Chair</b>		03.50 PM-04.10 PM
7	<b>Vote of Thanks by Miss Pema Droma, Session Coordinator</b>		04.10 PM-04.15 PM

**Day 3**  
**Morning Plenary & Technical Session**

**Date: 26<sup>th</sup> March 2021**  
**Time: 10.00 AM to 01.35 PM**

**Session Coordinator/Moderator: Miss. Y. H. Kharsiing, CIHCS**

**Rapporteurs: Miss Tsong Drema, Miss Pema Droma, CIHCS**

<i>Log in and Congregation</i> <b>09.30-10.00 AM</b>			
<b>Plenary Session</b>			
SL. NO	Plenary Speaker	Title of the Talk	Time
1	<b>Prof. (Dr.) Somboon</b> Dean of Graduate School of Mahachulalongkornrajavidyalaya University Thailand		10.00 AM-10.15 AM
2	<b>Dr. Arvind Kumar Singh</b> Director, International Affair Gautam Buddha University New Delhi, India		10.15 AM-10.30 AM
3	<b>Vhikkhuni Dr. Pham Nhat</b> Huong Thao Vietnam	<i>Economic dimensions in Buddhist Tradition</i>	10.30 AM-10.45 AM
<b>Break</b> <b>10.45 AM-11.00 AM</b>			

<b>Technical Session</b> <b>11.00 AM-01.35 PM</b>			
<b>Chairperson: Dr. Arvind Kumar Singh</b> , Director, International Affair, Gautam Buddha University, New Delhi, India			
Sl. No.	Name and Affiliation	Title of the Paper	Time
1	<b>Dr. Konchok Tashi</b> Head, Department of Far East Languages, Central University of Jharkhand, Cheri-Manatu, Ranchi-835222, Jharkhand, India	<i>The Cultural language of Indian Himalayas: A Broader Identity Formation</i>	11.00 AM-11.20 AM
2	<b>Dr. Jyotsna Krishnan</b> Assistant Professor, St. Claret College, Bangalore, India	<i>Mending Wall: Reinvention of Indian Tradition in Social and Aesthetic Sphere</i>	11.20 AM-11.40 AM
3	<b>Jyoti Parameswaran</b> , Lecturer, Mount Carmel College, Bengaluru, India	<i>Eating words: Street Food Writing and the National Cuisine</i>	11.40 AM-12.00 PM
<b>Break</b> <b>12.00 PM-12.10 PM</b>			
4	<b>Dr. Chandan Sharma</b> Assistant Professor of Economics, Morigaon College, India & <b>Mr. Ajit Konwar</b> Assistant Professor of English, Morigaon College, India	<i>The Borghar System in Tiwa Tribe of Assam: Continuity and Change</i>	12.10 PM-12.30 PM
	<b>Dr. Ankita Dutta</b> Research Scholar, Center for Political Studies/Jawaharlal Nehru University, Delhi, India	<i>Tusu Puja in Eastern India: A Comparative Study of Tusu Devi and Ma Tara and the Worship of the Feminine in India</i>	12.30 PM-12.50 PM
5	<b>Discussion</b>		12.50 PM-01.10 PM
6	<b>Comments from the Chair</b>		01.10 PM-01.30 PM
7	<b>Vote of Thanks by Miss. Y. H. Kharsiing, Session Coordinator</b>		01.30 PM-01.35 PM

**Day 3**  
**Evening Technical Session**

**Date: 26<sup>th</sup> March 2021**  
**Time: 02.00 PM to 04.30 PM**

**Session Coordinator/Moderator: Sri Kangge Darin, CIHCS**

**Rapporteurs: Dr. Dharmendra Kumar, Miss. Sangeeta Biswas, CIHCS**

**Chairperson: Dr. Konchok Tashi**, Head, Department of Far East Languages,  
Central University of Jharkhand, India

<i>Log in and Congregation</i> <b>01.30-02.00 PM</b>			
Sl. No.	Name and Affiliation	Title of the Paper	Time
1	<b>Dr. Natasa Thoudam</b> , Assistant Professor Dept. of Humanities and Social Sciences IIT, Jodhpur, Rajasthan, India	<i>Sanamahism and Newar Buddhism: Stories of Two Revived Scripts from South Asia</i>	02.00 PM- 02.20 PM
2	<b>Ms. Pema Droma</b> Assistant Professor in English Central Institute of Himalayan and Cultural Studies, India	<i>Studying the stories</i>	02.20 PM- 02.40 PM
3	<b>Niharika Arya</b> University of Delhi, Lady Irwin College, Department of Human Development and Childhood Studies, India	<i>Exploring the Experiences and Participation of Children in Folk Rituals of Uttarakhand (Kumaon)</i>	02.40 PM- 03.00 PM
<b>Break</b> <b>03.00 PM-03.10 PM</b>			
4	<b>Deepali Bhushan Awasare</b> , Research Scholar, Bharati Vidyapeeth, Pune, Maharashtra, India	<i>The Buddhist Way: Non- violence and Universal Responsibility as a response to Environmental Crises</i>	03.10 PM- 03.30 PM
5	<b>Discussion</b>		03.30 PM- 03.50 PM
6	<b>Comments from the Chair</b>		03.50 PM- 04.10 PM
7	<b>Vote of Thanks by Miss Tsong Drema, Session Coordinator</b>		04.10 PM- 04.15 PM
8	<b>Announcements and Conclusion of Conference by Dr. M. P. Borah, Coordinator, Online International Conference, CIHCS</b>		04.15 PM- 04.30 PM