

## National Conference

### Revisiting Indology and Sanskrit in India (RISI)

Shillong, India

Date: 21<sup>st</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> September, 2017



North Eastern Hill University,  
Shillong

The Department of Linguistics is organizing a National Conference on *Revisiting Indology and Sanskrit in India*. The proposed conference is a culmination of two events: (1) Conference on Sanskrit and (2) Conference on Indology. The focus of the twin event is to initiate a debate in a refreshingly new way on the issues of empowering, promoting and developing Sanskrit. On the other hand, focus of the event is also to initiate a new discourse on Indology. Such a shift in focus requires a new lens for interpreting Sanskrit and Indology. The western ideology of Indology needs to be liberated. We need to develop insider's views.

Sanskrit has played a role of unifying language in the past. Sanskrit texts are still vital to understanding our history and contribution to the Indic philosophy and art since time immemorial. The proposed event attempts to transcend traditional disciplinary boundaries in an effort to think more deeply about Sanskrit and Indology. The descriptive account of the pertinent issues relating to ideological and interdisciplinary studies as an interface envisages a profound understanding of the different interrelated subject matter cross-disciplinary to procure a meaningful comprehension of language in particular and social sciences in general. Therefore, the thrust areas and the theme of the

conference correspond to different interrelation, theoretical and descriptive approaches to broaden the horizon, scope and perspective of Sanskrit as a language of wider communication and significance.

Additionally, this conference endeavours to foster a meaningful academic interlocution which will encourage scholars from various fields to contribute to this discussion. Furthermore, it could provide the essential theoretical framework for re-conceiving Sanskrit and Indology from a more realistic non-western perspective. It intends to promote Sanskrit language that has been the most important medium in lending continuity to Indian civilization and linguistic Scenario in the Asian context. It seeks to serve as an avenue for a cerebral deliberation on themes and issues having a bearing on or in connection with the theoretical development based on the existing theories and practices such as the unit of analysis and the dynamic nature of Sanskrit in relation to societies. This earnest endeavour is a pertinent subject area in the present scenario as it is concerned with studies that carry crucial socio-symbolic importance as it actually identifies and thus serves as the emblem of societies, communities, religions, regions and traditions.

The conference will be appropriate to understanding the social, philosophical

and geographical boundaries of Sanskrit used and practised by the speech communities, philosophers, professionals, and academicians. In particular, the conference attempts to highlight the socio-cultural, historical, literary and traditional dimensions in India. The conference will report on the use of Sanskrit found among the various linguistic regions in different parts of the country.

Since the study of Sanskrit and Indology is a complex task which involves the collaboration of a number of disciplines, we invite researchers working on these and related problems to submit papers for presentations in the proposed conference including but not limited to topics such as:

- Sanskrit in the past, present and future
- Indian Civilization and Sanskrit
- Sanskrit as a Link Language
- World Civilization and Sanskrit
- Roadmap for Sanskrit in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century
- Sanskrit Literature and World Literature
- New Linguistic World Order and Sanskrit
- Sanskrit and Literary Evolution
- Globalization of language and Sanskrit
- Language Contact and Convergence factors in Sanskrit
- Language Environment and Sanskrit Literary Production
- Language Vitality and Sanskrit

- Sanskrit and Linguistic Diversity of India
- Sanskrit, Traditional Knowledge and Language Policy and Planning
- Sanskrit and Multicultural Literature
- Sanskrit, Indology and Literary Ideology
- Sanskrit Linguistic Ecology and Landscape
- The maintenance and survival of Sanskrit and Indian Literature
- The ecologies of Indology, Narrations and Discourses
- Critical discourse analysis, Indology and Sanskrit
- Postcolonial Ecologies: Sanskrit and Indology
- Sanskrit, Indology and power Indology and Emergence of New Forms
- Language Struggle and Sanskrit
- Sanskrit Rich Heritage and culture
- Sanskrit texts, manuscripts and translation
- Sanskrit and Issues of National Languages
- Sanskrit as a unifier language
- Preservation of Sanskrit
- Sanskrit: East and West Sanskrit Cultural Bond.
- Sanskrit & Language Technology
- Sanskrit & Machine Translation

## IMPORTANT DATES

Date of Conference: **21<sup>st</sup>- 22<sup>nd</sup> Sept 2017**

Date of Submission: **1<sup>st</sup> Sept, 2017**

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