

**Bhartiya Vidvat Parishad
&
Tattvasamshodhana Samsat, Udupi**

Jointly organise

A Three Day International Conference

on

“Churning of Indology”

(4 - 6, January, 2019)

Venue: Rajangana, Shri Krishna Matha, Udupi, Karnataka

Highlights:

- **First conference of Bharatiya Vidvat Parishad on its 10th Anniversary**
- **International reputed scholars deliberate upon Shastra and Indology related topics**
- **A congregation of traditional and modern scholars**
- **A platform for Young research scholars to present their innovative ideas.**

President of the Conference

Prof Ashok Aklujkar, Emeritus Professor, UBC, Canada

Preamble

Bharatiya Vidvat Parishat (BVP) provides an e-platform to the Sanskrit Scholarly fraternity to discuss, share, inquire, and to study the theme that falls under the wider umbrella of ancient Indian wisdom with a state of the art perspective. It was established as a e-mail list of a group of scholars with a common interest in 2009. Currently having 2000 members across the globe, the BVP celebrates its decennary in 2019. As part of the celebration the BVP organise the first meeting of its members from 4th - 6th January 2019 at Udupi. Welcome to all BVP members and other interested scholars.

This meeting hosts an international conference on “Churning of Indology” where the issues related to Indological studies deliberated in last 250 years will be reviewed.

There has been a constant review of Indological research outcomes in the BVP list by many prominent scholars. Many debates, dialogues, and discussions held in BVP have been leading us to the correct understanding of Shastras in a consolidated way. It has been successful in spearheading improvement of quality research in Samskrit Shastras and related disciplines. It has emerged as a knowledge revolution with the Indian academia. BVP has been a platform for sharing new ideas, creative writings, information of academic activities, innovative projects, new discoveries and developments that kept the entire Samskrit academia ever updated. In order to expand the sphere of research and literary creations in Sanskrit and to make them accessible to everyone the BVP desires to set new directions through this conference.

Genesis of the conference:

1. Greater concerns about quality of research are increased despite of unprecedented growth in new Sanskrit universities and institutions for Indic studies in India.
2. Demand for quality education in shastras and Gurukula model traditional educational system in the society is a positive sign for further scope of Indic wisdom.
3. The change in traditional scholarship by embracing modern tools and methods and understanding the need of the hour has brought new era in shastric learning.
4. The entry of modern scholars from different disciplines to shastric studies has given rise to new avenues to emerging interdisciplinary knowledge disciplines.
5. A trend setting environment in the field of Indology has been created through the Swadeshi Indology and other conferences.

This conference is aptly titled (Dispassionate) “Churning of Indology” to reflect the need of the day. We aim to arrive at clear directions for future research, based upon past experience, and long-past histories of Bharatiya Vidyas. We expect senior scholars to show the paradigm-shifting-avenues while youngsters will be encouraged to produce ground breaking research in their respective fields.

It is a unique opportunity for scholars to blend with other experts in the field. We welcome all interested scholars to attend the conference. Different parallel panels and sessions will be held to give proper space for in-depth discussions among the peer team members.

Venue of the Conference

Rajangana, Shri Krishna Matha, Udupi, Karnataka

Udupi is famous for the Krishna Temple established by Sri Madhvacharya, the propounder of Dvaita Siddhanta or Tattvavada school. Udupi has been a vibrant centre for the studies of Shastras for more than a millenea. Dvaita Vedanta school is the most visible contribution of Udupi to Shastric Studies, among many others. Eight Mathas established by Madhvacharya, known for their repositories of thousands of Palm leaf manuscripts, are the key centres for the study of Dvaita School even today. Numerous institutions are also working for the propagation of Samskrit studies here. Delegates will enjoy the local tour to those institutions.

Tattvasamshodhana Samast (est. 1995) is the research Institute patronised by HH Vidyadheeshatirtha Svamiji of Palimaru Matha Udupi, who is performing his paryaya of Udupi Krishna Matha now. Samsat has brought out many excellent publications by conducting in depth research work

Call for research papers:

Research papers are invited from Research scholars, faculty members, and traditional scholars

1. Abstracts may be in English, Hindi or Sanskrit (Times new Roman 12/Arial Unicode 12 points)
2. Abstract in both Word and PDF format, with no more than 300 words, and 10-12 key words, can be sent to the email below.
3. All papers and submissions to the conference are subject to peer review before acceptance.

4. Please look at the list of themes in the Conference announcement and indicate which theme your paper fits best under.
5. Soft copy of the abstract/paper may be sent to the Email. bvpseminar2019@gmail.com.

Broader themes of the Conference (but not limited to):

1. Review of Indological studies
2. Research in Shastras/Indian philosophies
3. Ancient Indian Pedagogy
4. Ancient Indian Sciences
5. Indic Research methodology
6. Vedic studies
7. Mahabharata and Purana studies
8. ICT for Research in Sanskrit
9. Digital Sanskrit and Computational Linguistics
10. New creative literature in Samskrit

Various panel discussions will be conducted on new directions to the functioning of Samskrit Universities/Institutions. Shastrarthas and avadhanakala will be presented as an example of living shastric tradition.

Participant Fee (includes vegetarian food and accommodation and does not include travel to the venue)

	For Indian Nationals	For other Nationals
For College/University Students	₹ 1000	US\$ 100
For others	₹ 2000	US\$ 150

Important Dates

Last date for sending abstract: 30 November 2018

Last date for registration: 25 December 2018

Registration fee should be drawn in favour of : Tattwa Samshadhan Samsat Trust

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