

**Breaking the Power Structures: A Quest for Roles and Identities of
the Neo-Liberal Women
6-10-2016 & 7-10-2016**

A two-day national seminar on 'Breaking the Power Structures: A Quest for Roles and Identities of the Neo-Liberal Women' was organized by the department on 6th & 7th of October, in the MMT Hall. The seminar was inaugurated by Ms. R Nishanthini IPS, District Police Chief, Thrissur, Rural, by delivering a gender sensitisation talk in a broad-spectrum. The first session of the first day was handled by Dr. Gopakumar A V, Dean, Faculty of Humanities, Christu Jayanthi College, Bengaluru. The academic and socio-political aspects in the portrayal of the New Age women in Indian film and advertisement were conferred. The second session handled by Dr S Maya, writer/critic and Assistant Professor, SKVC Thrissur, explored the issues of gender and power structures in mainstream society.

A panel discussion was also organized as part of the seminar on 7th October on 'Mapping Facets of Neo-Liberal Women'. Renowned personalities like Mr P N Gopikrishnan, Kerala Sahithya Academy Award Winner in poetry, Adv Asha Unnithan, President, Gargi Women Media Collective, Ms Sheela Kochouseph, MD, V-Star Creations and Ms Jeena Paul, Chief News Producer, Malayala Manorama participated in the Panel Discussion. The discussion, which debated political, economic, historical and socio-cultural perspectives, was moderated by Dr Muralikrishnan T R, Associate Professor and Head, MES Asmabi College, Kodungallur. The fourth session was handled by Dr Muralidharan T, Principal, Chethana College of Media and Performing Arts, Thrissur, which discussed new directions and sexuality debates in gender studies.



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Students : Rs. 150/-

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Venue: Mother Mariam Thressia Hall

Dear Sir/Madam,
The Post Graduate and Research Department of English is pleased to invite you to a Two Day National Seminar on the topic "Breaking the Power Structures: A Quest for Roles and Identities of the Neo- Liberal Woman."

The new woman of the 21st century has definitely made long strides toward independence, authority and opportunity. Realities for women constantly change with entry into domains formerly the preserve of men. Economic independence of women is changing their overall equations, perspectives and outlook. The globalised world envisages unfettered individual freedom. The gender blind economic structures offer many an opportunity for the empowerment of women. Dismantling of the old patriarchal order ensures a neo- liberal female self and positions woman for self transformation and renaissance. The modern woman acts as a rational individual, exercising freewill, making choices, engaging in political, social and economic spheres, creating a space and room of her own in this brave new world.

The seminar will provide a platform to explore and construct the image of the new age woman. There will be invited talks, paper presentations and a panel discussion by eminent personalities from various walks of life.

With immense pleasure we invite you to participate in this seminar and look forward to your gracious presence.

Dr. Sr.Lilly P.L
Principal

Dr. Shali Anthappan
Head of the Department

Dr. Asha Thomas
Ms. Linet Sebastian
Coordinators

PROGRAMME



9 am : Registration

Inauguration & Inaugural Address : Ms. R Nishanthini IPS
District Police Chief
Thrissur (Rural)

Session I
11.15am-12.45pm : Portrayal of the New Age Woman
in Indian Film and Advertisement
Dr. Gopakumar A V
Dean, Faculty of Humanities,
Kristu Jayanthi College(Autonomous)
Bengaluru

Session II
1.45pm- 3pm : Gender & Power: Issues of
Mainstream Concepts
Dr. S. Maya (Writer & Critic)
Asst. Professor, Dept. of Philosophy
Sree Kerala Varma College, Thrissur

3.15pm- 4.00pm : Paper Presentations

Session III
9.30am-12.30pm : Panel Discussion
Mapping Facets of the
Neo Liberal Woman

Moderator : Dr. Muralikrishnan T R
Assoc. Professor & Head
PG Department of English
MES Asmabi College
Kodungallur

Panelists : Mr. P N Gopikrishnan
Poet & Kerala Sahitya Academy
Award Winner

Ms. Sheela Kochouseph
Managing Director
V-Star Creations

Adv. Asha Unnithan
President
Gargi Women Media Collective

Ms. Jeena Paul
Chief News Producer
Manorama News Channel

Session IV
1.45pm-2.45pm : New Directions in Gender
Studies: the Sexuality Debates
Dr. Muralaeeharan T
Principal, Chethana College o
Media and Performing Arts
Chiyyaram, Thrissur

Valedictory Session
3.00pm-4.00pm

Valedictory Address: Dr. Radha Muralidharan
Head
PG Dept. of English (S.F)
Christ College (Autonomous)
Irinjalakuda

