

C.H. Mohammed Koya Chair for Studies On Developing Societies, University of Calicut

ANNUAL REPORT 2013.

C. H. Mohammed Koya Chair for Studies on Developing Societies, sponsored by the Grace Educational Association (Regd.) came into being vide the Order of University GA IV/B1/1530/2009 dated, 16.09.2010. University allotted 3 rooms in the old Academic Staff College Building for the Chair and the Chair started functioning from 24.02.2011.

A brief note on the activities of CHMK Chair during 2013.

On 29th January 2013 Chair conducted a colloquium on Social Transformation of Malabar. Dr K.N. Ganesh, Department of History, University of Calicut inaugurated the discussion. Sri. K.N.A. Khader, M.L.A was in chair. Dr P.K. Pokker, Department of Philosophy, C.K. Abdul Azeez, Dr V. P. Abdul Hameed, Civic Chandran, A. P. Kunhamu, Dr T. Mohammedali, Dr N. Mohammedali etc. participated in the discussion. The proceedings of the colloquium will be made as a basis for further topic-based discussions and studies.

Governing Body meeting was held on 18.04.2013 under in Chairmanship of Vice Chancellor and resolved to appoint a Research Officer for the Chair, Sri. Abdurahiman Mangad, a writer and retired teacher joined duty as Research Officer in Chair on 15th May 2013.

On May 17, 2013 Sri. Mehdi Hassan Ghani, the Cultural Director of Iran Cultural House Mumbai delivered a speech on Indo – Cultural Relations. The function was inaugurated by Dr M. Abdul Salam, Vice Chancellor and Sri. C Hamsa a renowned Persian Scholar of Kerala, spoke on the occasion.

On June 29, 2013 A National Media Seminar was conducted at EMS Seminar Complex. Sri.Rabeeh Nadvi Rector Darul Uloom, Nedvath Lucknow, inaugurated the seminar. Sri. E.T. Mohammed Basheer M.P. Abdussamad Samadani, N.P. Chekkutty, O Abdurahiman, Ajay P. Mangad, Mujeeb Rahman spoke on the occasion. The seminar which was organized in association with Kerala Chapter of International League of Islamic Literature, was attended by 250 delegates.

On 12th and 13th August 2013 CHMK Chair in association with Malabar Praxis Research Collective, conducted Malabar Praxis Graduate Research Conference. About 30 Research Scholars from various Universities participated and presented papers. Dr. M.T. Ansari, Dr. K.N. Ganesh, Dr M.V. Narayanan led the discussions.

On 29th August 2013 a Table Talk on current affairs was conducted. Shri. Shajahan Madampatt, the columnist and Head of the Media Division, Ministry of Food and Agriculture, Abudhabi led the discussions.

Commemorating the 30th Death Anniversary of late C. H. Mohammed Koya, the CHMK Chair conducted C.H. Mohammed Koya Seminar on 28th September 2013. Dr Shashi Tharoor, Union Minister of State for Human Resource Development delivered the C.H. memorial lecture. Dr D. Babu Paul, Shri. K.M. Roy, Sri. S. Sundareshanipkier, Dr K.M. Anil and Shri. T.A. Ahammed Kabeer spoke on various facets of the contributions of late C.H. Mohammed Koya. Shri. Panakkad Hydarali Shihab Thangal presented mementos to writers and filmmakers for their works on C. H. Dr M. Abdul Salam, Vice Chancellor welcomed the guests. Shri. P.K. Kunhalikutty, Minister for Industries, Dr M.K. Muneer, Minister for Panchayats, Shri. K.N.A. Khader M.L.A., Shri. Abdurahiman Randathani spoke on the occasion. An exhibition was also arranged which was inaugurated by Prof. K. Raveendranath Pro-Vice-Chancellor.

C.H.M.K. Chair republished the book 'C. H. Mohammed Koya' The book was earlier published in 1987 by Calicut University, the copy of which had been exhausted since decades. The seminar was well attended.

C. H. Mohammed Koya Chair proposes to conduct, topical lecture series and we expect Justice M.S.A. Siddiqui, Chairman, National Commission for Minorities Education, New Delhi to visit the Chair in December 2013.

At present the library of the Chair has 662 books. During the year about 50 research scholars made use of the library. The Mappila Heritage Library run by the Grace Educational Association, the Sponsor of the Chair, is being housed at the Chair. This unique collection of 3716 books is a reliable source for research work. A number of students makes use of this library.

Sd/-
Director