SESSION III
3.30 P.M. to 5.00 P.M.

Chairman
DR. YUSUF AKKARA
Asst. Professor
Dept. of Botany, University of Calicut

Topic
“Departing rites in marriage ceremony”
Dr. Soman Katalur
Asst. Professor
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“Farewell Ceremony of Police Community”
Mr. M.K. Madhu
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“Rites of Passage, birthday party function in the globalization context”
Dr. P. Krishnumoorthy
CICT, Chennai

“Evaluation of 60th birthday celebrations among Kalari Folk”
Mrs. Jasheea, V.R.
Research Scholar
School of Folklore Studies
University of Calicut

VALIDITORY SESSION
5.30 P.M. to 6.30 P.M.

Welcome
Dr. E.K. Govinda Varma Raja
Head of the Dept., School of Folklore Studies
University of Calicut

Presidential Address
Professor T.K. Narayanan
Dept. of Sanskrit, University of Calicut

Validictory Address
Mr. T.V. Rajesh,
MLA

Seminar Evaluation
Professor K.M. Jayaram
Dept. of Botany, University of Calicut

Vote of Thanks
R. Unnimadhan
Secretary, Cherathu, Cheruthazham, Kannur

CULTURAL PROGRAMME
6.30 P.M. to 8.30 P.M.

VISHNUMOORTHY THEYYAM
The modernization of the society led many scholars to think that Folklore was dying or would die out very soon. Though it is true that some genres are now almost extinct in the society due to the impact of modernization, they continue to live on in other cultural forms. According to cultural evolution theory, evolution of culture is from savagery to civilization through Barbarism. The crux of this theory is technological development and rate of consumption of commodities. New technology and innovations are giving rise to new folklore and new traditions. In other words the more things change, the more things remain the same. From the cradle to grave an individual follows different kinds of rites and rituals. One is traditional and other is modern. They get changed during the passage of time. Stages in life are marked with the observation of rites and rituals. The milk-giving ceremony, Sunnath (the ceremony of cutting off the foreskin of the male organ), Baptism, Choroonu (the rite of giving the first meal), Kathakuthu (the rite of boring the ear), Ezhuthiniruthu (initiating in the study of alphabet), Upanayanam (investing with the Brahmanical string), Puberty Ceremony, marriage, the sixtieth birthday anniversary, seventieth birth anniversary, funeral rites etc. belong to traditional kind, whereas rites related to promotion, transfer and retirements are modern rituals. These rituals and rites are to convince the individual and the folk of the change from one plane to another. In this globalised age these have changed in form. Rites and rituals are seen observed by many with an intention of getting recognition, for monetary benefit, mere ego satisfaction or for community gratification. The aim of this seminar is to study the changes in these rituals and rites, that occur with the normative changes in society and document the same.

Dr. E.K. Govinda Varma Raja
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PROGRAMME

INAUGURAL SESSION
May 30, 2012 Wednesday
10.30 AM to 11.30 AM

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Inagural Address
DR. Prakash Khaenge
Professor
Lokkala Academy
University of Mumbai.

Felicitation
Dr. K. Sivaraman
Member, Syndicate, Calicut University
Dr. Anil Vallathol
Head of the Dept. of Malayalam

Vote of thanks
Mr. Krishnan Naduvath
President, Cheruthu, Cheruthazham, Kannur

SESSION I
11.30 AM to 1.00 PM

Chairman
Dr. R.V.M. DIVAKARAN
Asst. Professor
Dept. of Malayalam, University of Calicut

Topic
“Upanayanam” in changed Brahmin’s context”
Dr. M.N. Venkitesha
Asst. Professor
Dravidian University, Kuppanam, Andra Pradesh

“Rites of Passage- Farewell Party in the globalization context”
Dr. M. Ramakrishnan
Associate CICT, Chennai

“A neo-trade on Deathrite”
Mr. A.V. Ajaykumar
Research Scholar
Dravidian University, Kuppanam, Andra Pradesh

“Rites, Rituals & repertoires A study on Kannok rituals”
Mr. Balakrishnan Koyyal
Programme Head
AIR, Kannur

SESSION II
2 PM to 3.30 PM

Chairman
Dr. ASOKAN MUNDON
Professor & Head
Dept. of History, University of Calicut

Topic
“Concept rites and values of fertility in the different stages of transformation”
Dr. K.M. Bharathan
Associate Professor, M.G.M. College, Mahé

“Premature maturity of the children folk: media impact”
Dr. K.M. Aravindakshan
Associate Professor
7th April University, Libya

“A study on wearing rites of Kadathanadu Folk”
Mr. Sineesh Velikkuni
Project Assistant
Dept. of Malayalam, University of Calicut

“Problems of bulk cremation in holy places”
Mr. Sathesh. K.P.
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