

The Department of Philosophy, University of Mumbai

Organizes 3 – Days National Seminar on

The Philosophy and Praxis of Communal Harmony: Revisiting Its Success and Challenges

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13 – 15 March, 2018

Schedule of the Program

Day 1: March 13, 2018		
10.00 am – 11.45 am: Inaugural Session		
10.00 am – 10.05 am	Welcome Address	Dr. Geeta Ramana, Associate Professor and Head, Department of Philosophy, University of Mumbai
10.05 am – 10.15 am	Convener on the Theme of Seminar	Dr. Namita Nimbalkar, Associate Professor and Convener, Department of Philosophy, University of Mumbai
10.15 am – 10.45 am	Chairman’s address	Prof. S.R.Bhatt, Chairman, ICPR, New Delhi.
10.45 am – 11.00 am	Guest of Honour’s address	Dr. Shubhada Joshi, Former Head and Professor, Department of Philosophy, University of Mumbai
11.00 am – 11.40 am	Chief Guest address	Pujyashri Shyam Manohar Goswami, Guru of Pushti Marg Tradition
11.40 am – 11.45 am	Vote of Thanks	
11.45 am – 1.15 pm: Session I		
Chair: Prof. Rajaneesh Shukla, Member Secretary, ICPR, New Delhi.		
11.45 am – 12.30 pm	<i>Dharmik Sahaastitva ki Bhartiya Dristi</i>	Prof. A.D.Sharma , Professor, Dr. Hari Singh Gour University, Sagar
12.30 pm – 1.15 pm	Chairperson’s remarks and Question – Answers session	
1.15 pm – 2.00 pm: Lunch		
2.00 pm – 3.10 pm Session II		
Chair: Prof. R.C.Sinha, Former Head and Professor, Patna University, Patna		
2.00 pm – 2.30 pm	A Prologue to Principles of Social Harmony	Prof. S.E. Bhelke, Former Head and Professor, Department of Philosophy, Savitribai Phule University, Pune.
2.30 pm – 2.50 pm	Identity and Communal Harmony	Prof. R. K. Jha, Dept. of Philosophy & Religion, B.H.U. Varanasi

Day – 2, March 14 2018

2. 50 pm – 3.10 pm	The Genesis and Definition of Communalism in the Indian context	Dr. Namita Nimbalkar, Associate Professor, Dept. of Philosophy, University of Mumbai
3.10 m – 3.30 pm	Chairperson’s remarks and Question – Answers Session	
Time: 3.30 pm – 4.30 pm - Session – III		
Chair: Dr. Shakuntala Singh, Former Principal and Head, Department of Philosophy, K.G.Joshi College of Arts and N.G.Bedekar College of Commerce, Thane		
3.30 pm – 4.00 pm	Living harmoniously with Religious ‘others’: A Gandhian Perspective	Prof. Bindu Puri, Chairperson, Centre for Philosophy, School of Social Sciences (SSS –I) Jawaharlal Nehru University(JNU) New Delhi.
4.00 pm – 4.20 pm	Cultivating Horizons of Harmony	Father Keith D’Souza, Associate Professor, St.Pius College, Mumbai
4.20 pm – 4.45 pm	Chairperson’s Remarks and Question Answers Session	

09.30 am – 12.00 noon Session – IV		
Chair: Prof. S.E. Bhelke, Former Head and Professor, Dept of Philosophy, Savitribai Phule University, Pune		
10.00 am – 10.30 am	Conflict Resolution and Toleration in Islam from Legal and Historical Perspective!	Prof. Hamidullah Marazi, Professor, Central University of Kashmir, Jammu Kashmir
10.30 am – 11.00 am	Jaina Perspective on Communal Harmony	Dr. Meenal Katarnikar, Associate Professor, Department of Philosophy, University of Mumbai
11.00 am – 11.30 am	Buddhist Concept of Compassion	Prof. Mangala R.Chinchore, ICPR Senior Fellow
12.00 noon	Chairperson's Remarks and Question Answer Session	
12.15 pm - 1.30 pm Session V		
Chair: Prof. A.D.Sharma, Department of Philosophy, Dr. Hari Singh Gour University, Sagar		
12.15 pm – 12.30 pm	The Crisis of Secularism in India: A Critical Review	Shri Alok Tandon, Senior Scholar, Lucknow
12.30 pm– 12.45 pm	Presumptions of Communal Harmony: A Philosophical Reflection in the Context of Nature of Indian Society	Prof. Dr. Shivani Sharma, Associate Professor, Dept. of Philosophy, Panjab University, Chandigarh
12.45 pm – 1.00 pm	The Crux of Communal Harmony with Special Reference to Sri Ramakrishna	Dr. Priya Vaidya, Assistant Professor, Department of Philosophy, University of Mumbai
1.00 pm – 1.15 pm	Communal Harmony through Poetry	Dr. Archana Goure, Assistant Professor, Department of Philosophy, University of Mumbai
1.15 pm – 1.30 pm	Chairperson's Remarks and Question Answer Session	
1.30 pm – 2.15 pm – Lunch		
2.00 pm – 4.00 pm Session VI		
Chair: Prof. Hamidullah Marazi, Central University of Kashmir, Jammu Kashmir		
2.15 pm – 2.35 pm	Religious Acceptance and Harmony in Islam	Dr. Tabassum Sheikh, Associate Professor and Head, Department of Philosophy, G.M.Momim College, Bhiwandi

2.35 pm – 2.55 pm	Communal Harmony: A Reelity in Hindi Cinema	Dr. (Mrs.) Suchitra A. Naik Principal, Assoc. Professor in Philosophy, Counsellor, Joshi Bedekar College, Thane
2.55 pm – 3.10 pm	Communal Harmony: Theory and Practice	Dr. Sharmila Virkar, Associate Professor, Department of Philosophy, University of Mumbai
3.10 pm – 3.30 pm	A Way to Communal Harmony as seen in Principal <i>Upaniṣads</i>	Dr. Shakuntala Gawde Assistant Professor, Department of Sanskrit University of Mumbai
3.30 pm – 3.50 pm	Challenges to Secularism: The Constitutional Ideal	Prof. Ketan S. Bhosale, Asst. Prof. in Political Science, Sathaye College, Vileparle
3.50 pm – 4.10 pm	Significance of Dialogue in Secularism	Dr. Harsha Badkar, Head and Associate Professor, Department of Philosophy, Wilson College, Mumbai
4.10 pm – 4.30 pm	Chairperson's Remarks and Question Answer Session	
4.30 pm – 5.00 pm	Play by M.A. Part I students	
March 15 2018, Day 3		
10.00 am – 11.30 am: Session VII		
Chair: Prof. Jatashankar, Department of Philosophy, University of Allahabad		
10.00 am – 10.45 am	Indian Culture, Secularism, and Human Rights in Indian context	Prof. S. Panneerselvam, Professor, Department of Philosophy, University of Madras, Chennai
10.45 am – 11.05 am	Communal Harmony: A Key and the Source of Economic Development	Dr. Medha Tapiawala, Associate Professor, School of Economics and Public Policy, University of Mumbai
11.05 am – 11.25 am	Communal Harmony	Dr. Purnima M. Dave Visiting Faculty Dept. of Philosophy University of Mumbai

11.25 am – 11.40 am	Shree Narayan Guru's Teaching on Communal Harmony, Its Relevance Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow	Dr Swapna H Samel, Fulbright Scholar, Associate Professor, Dept. of History, Birla College, Kalyan
11.40 am – 12.00 noon	Multilinguality – A Harmonizing Resource	Dr. Vasumati Badrinath, Assistant Professor, Department of French, University of Mumbai, Mumbai
12.00 noon – 12.20 pm	Transcending Communal Biases through the System of Guru Nanak	Dr. Davinderpal Kaur Bhasin, Vice-Principal, Head and Associate Professor, Department of Philosophy, G.N.Khalsa College, Mumbai.
12.20 pm – 12.40 pm	Chairperson's Remarks and Question Answer Session	
12.40 pm – 1.30	Lunch	
1.30 pm – 3.30 pm	Session VIII: Valedictory Session 'Dialogue among Traditions for Communal Harmony'	
Special Guests of Honour	Prof. R.C.Sinha, Former Head and Professor, Patna University, Patna Swami Shrihari Prasad, Vishnumohan Foundation, Chennai Pandit Ghulam Dastagir Birajdar, Junglee Pir Dargah, Mumbai Father (Dr) Michael Simon, Retd. Professor, Dept of Sociology, University of Mumbai.	