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Last date for submission of Abstracts: **15th January, 2022**

Last date for submission of Full Papers: **17th January, 2022**

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Venue

Seminar Hall, Academic Block, Maharaja Bir Bikram University, College Tilla, Agartala

Two Day National Seminar
On
“Children’s Literature: Addressing the role of
Folktales”

28th-29th January, 2022

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Concept Note

Children's Literature covers the genres right from picture books to fairy tales, fantasy, comics, adventure stories, and others etc with the intention of providing entertainment or enjoyment to children. Though, Children's Literature is primarily meant to amuse the juveniles, it may also be consumed by the adults as well, thereby problematizing the very definition of "Children's Literature" itself. Literature for children, whether oral or written has always been a powerful medium to initiate children into the ways of the world, both within and beyond the confines of homes. Children's Literature had its emergence in antiquity, and it had always held its sway over the minds of the young ones enough to shape their ways of interpreting the world. Children's Literature was derived from Folklore and then retold from generation to generation as oral stories. Folklore and Folktales includes traditional stories, myths, legends and orally transmitted nursery rhymes and songs from the past. Each and every community whether be it their social history, social beliefs, culture and practices of a community are embedded in folklores. Folktales, being a genre of folklore can be considered in one way, as the beginning of a child's life. Folktales can be used to help children develop strong reading skills, study other cultures, model positive character traits, and discover a love of stories. At the same time, its importance lies in the fact that it is gaining momentum in the present world of degrading environment and globalisation. Many researchers have emphasized on its importance for the preservation of nature, culture and identity.

Objectives of the Seminar

The main objective of this seminar is:

1. To explore the rich world of Children's Literature while at the same time to find out the importance of the genre of Folktales in relation to the development of a child.
2. To explore the role of Folktales as a literary device in the context of globalisation.
3. To find out the importance of Folktales in the conservation of nature.

About Maharaja Bir Bikram University

Maharaja Bir Bikram University, established by an Act of Tripura Legislative Assembly, began its maiden journey in 2015. Situated in a lush of green landscape adjacent to MBB College, Agartala, the university intends to sail through the vibrant world of academia with the objective of encouraging imagination, innovations and ideas in the newly emerging academic disciplines without ignoring the vast knowledge that have been accumulated over long period of human civilization.

Department of English

The Department of English started its journey in the year 2016. The aims and objectives of the Department are to prepare the students as well-conversant and knowledgeable in the vast world of English Literature and Language. At the same time, the students are also nurtured and encouraged to pursue research further. The curriculum of the Department focuses right from the making of English Literature to World Literature in English. This provides the students with necessary conceptual awareness to undertake further specialized studies and research activities.

Theme of the Seminar

"Children's Literature: Addressing the role of Folktales"

Sub-Themes

Theme is divided into several sub-themes as detailed below, but not necessarily limited to:

1. *Race and Children's Literature.*
2. *Child's Development and Folktales.*
3. *Culture and Children's Literature.*
4. *Children's Literature and Psychology.*
5. *The Role of Folktales today.*
6. *Folktales and Education.*
7. *Folklore as a contemporary literature.*
8. *Folklore and Northeast India.*
9. *Folklore and women.*
10. *Folktales and Environment.*
11. *Folktales and History.*

Call for papers

Original contributions based on theoretical or empirical research, case study on any of the themes of the Seminar as mentioned above or any topic that is related to the main theme of the seminar are invited. Abstracts in A4 size paper, typed in double space (MS Word, Times New Roman, Font Size 12pt), within 200 words should be submitted to seminarengmbbu@gmail.com latest by **15th January, 2022.**