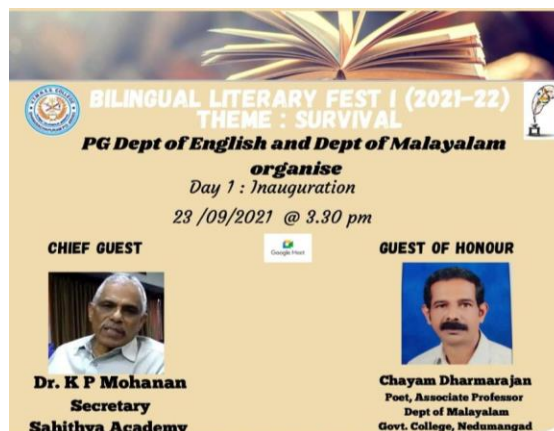
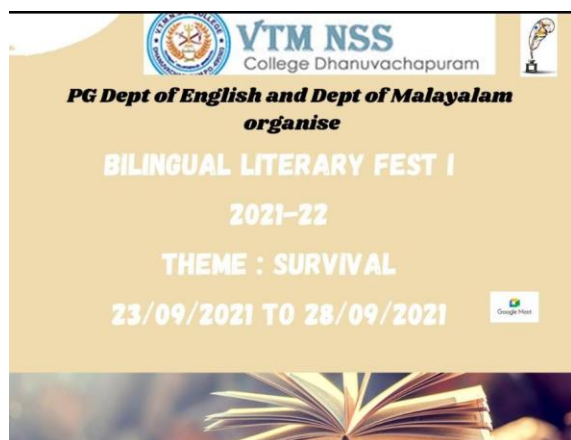




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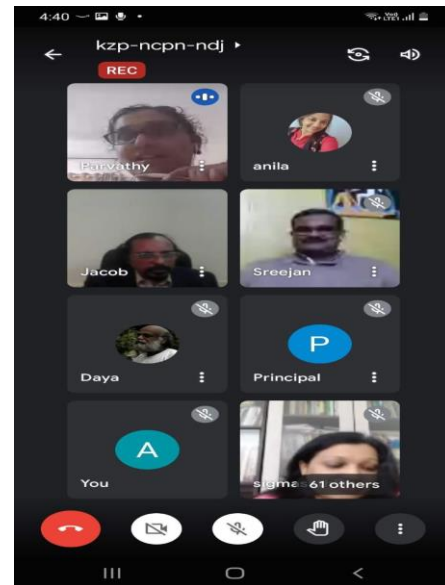
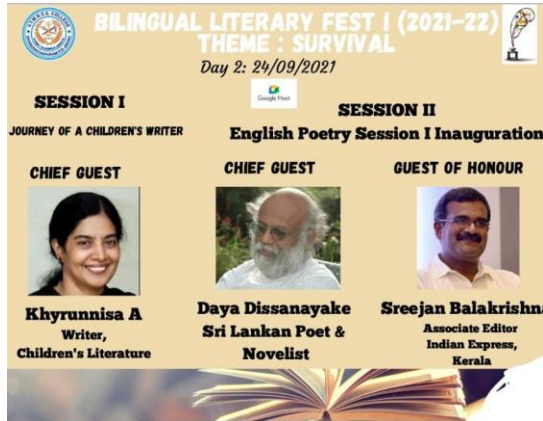
Bilingual Literary Fest 2021

The PG Department of English in association with the UG Department of Malayalam of VTM NSS College, Dhanuvachapuram, hosted one of the most vibrant literary festivals ever, The Bilingual Literary Fest '21 from 23-09-2021 to 28-09-2021. The programme was conceived as a platform to enrich students' awareness about the importance and relevance of a classic language like Malayalam as conceived in NEP. The programme also aimed at promoting multilingualism among the academic community. It witnessed the coming together of various literary icons from different parts of India as well as from outside the country. The five day fest was inaugurated by Dr K P Mohanan (Secretary, Kerala Sahitya Academy) and Chayam Dharmarajan (Poet, Associate Professor, Govt College, Nedumangad). Apart from this, the fest also witnessed the presence of eminent personalities like Daya Dissanayake, Sreejan Balakrishnan, Sri.K Jayakumar IAS, Chador Wangmo, PJ Antony, Dr. George Onakkoor, Khyrunnisa A etc. The bilingual literary fest attracted literature lovers from different places as it can proudly claim itself in providing a neoteric experience to them and in maintaining justice to its theme of survival

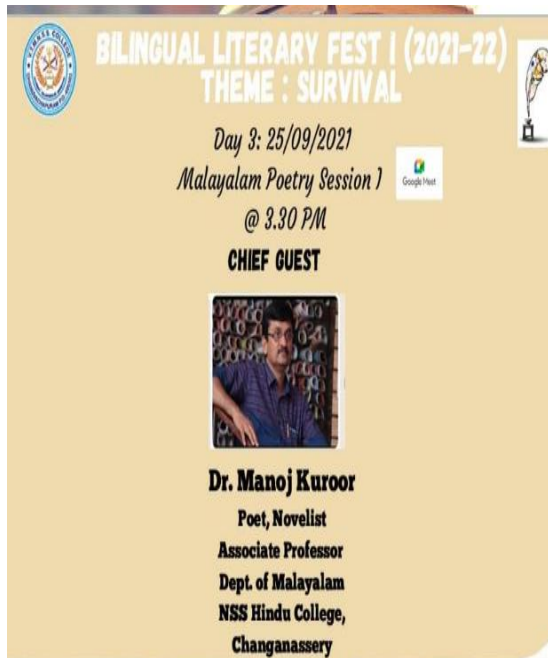


In the first session of the second day of the fest (24/09/2021) Khyrunnisa A, a well acclaimed figure in children's literature talked about her

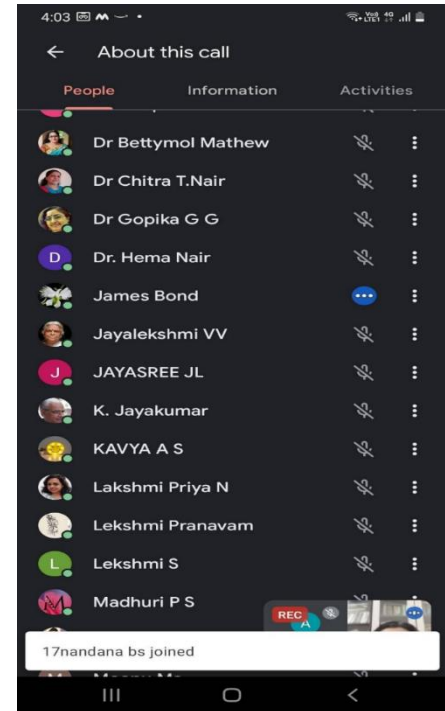
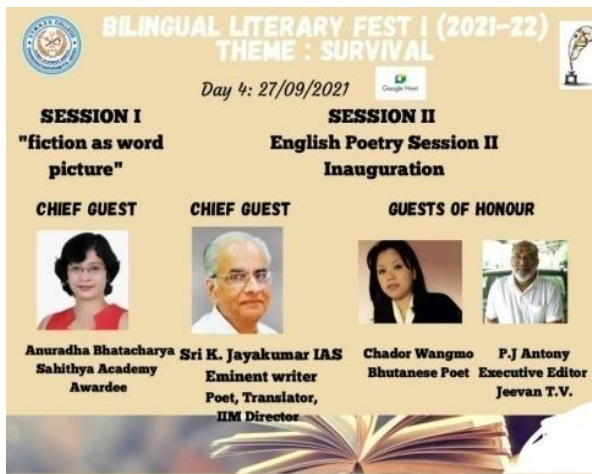
journey as a children's writer. Session two was the official inauguration of the English poetry where in the famous Sri Lankan poet Daya Dissanayake talked about the survival and the role of literature in the same. Sreejan Balakrishnan (Associate editor, Indian Express, Kerala) was the guest of honour. Around hundred participants took part in both the sessions.



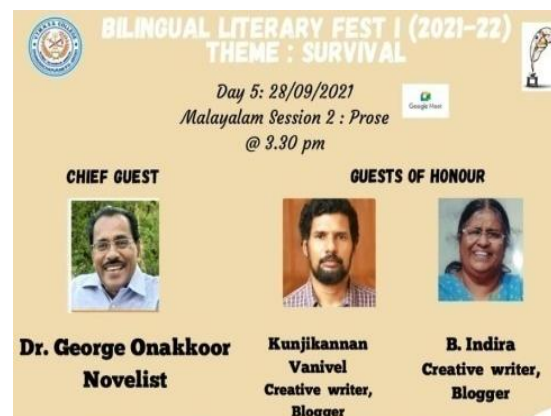
Day three of the fest (25/09/2022) was dedicated to Malayalam poetry. The session began at 3.30 pm with the inaugural speech of Dr. Manoj Kuroor, poet and novelist.



Day four (27/09/2022) witnessed two fruitful sessions including both fiction and poetry. Session one was on the topic “fiction as word picture” by Anuradha Bhattacharya, an eminent writer and sahithya Academy Awardee. Second session of the day was also the second session dedicated to English poetry which was inaugurated by Sri. K. Jayakumar IAS (poet and translator). Famous Bhutan poet Chador Wangmo and P.J. Antony, executive Editor, Jeevan TV were guests of honour.





The last day of Bilingual Literary Fest '21 (28/09/2021) focused on prose in Malayalam Literature. The session began at 3.30 pm with the inaugural words of the famous Malayalam novelist George Onakkoor. Kunjikannan Vanivel and B. Indira, creative writers and bloggers were the guests of honour. The valedictory session had a participation of more than hundred literary aspirants.




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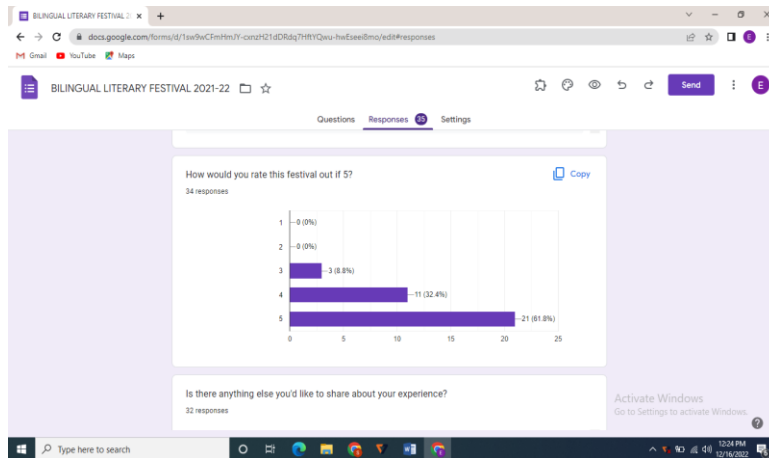

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Feedback was collected after each session through Google forms. Most of the participants commented highly about the programme as it helped them understand various genres of literature in a better way. Most of the students shared their excitement about the rare chance of interaction with eminent figures in literature. Also opinions were shared in feedback about including discussions on genres like drama and film as well as cyber literature.




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