



Centre for Endangered Languages

Central University of Karnataka, Kadaganchi, Kalaburagi

Two-day National Seminar on 'Languages of Karnataka'

Dates: 11-12 March 2016

Call for Papers

We are pleased to announce a two-day National Seminar on 'Languages of Karnataka'.

Karnataka is home to around 150 languages belonging to different language families. Though Kannada is the major language of the state, Urdu, Konkani, Kodava and Tulu are also widely spoken. Karnataka is the second major state in terms of speaker strength for languages like Tamil, Marathi, Telugu, Malayalam and Konkani. Some of the major languages of India like Marathi and Dakhani Urdu are said to have evolved in this region. Languages like Tamil, Marathi, Telugu, Bangla, etc also have their different dialects spoken in Karnataka. Apart from all these major language, Karnataka also encompasses several minor languages like Sanketi, Aruvumu, Vaddari etc. Many tribal languages like Korava, Koraga, Badaga, Irula etc, are spoken within the state. All these languages and dialects being in close proximity with each other has led to major linguistic contact situations. Kannada being a major language has naturally influenced the other minor and tribal languages and dialects. It is also noticed that Kannada shows instances of influence from many other languages and dialects.

This two day national seminar on languages of Karnataka aims to provide a space for the researchers to discuss their research issues on the different languages and their dialects spoken in Karnataka.

Acceptable themes include, but are not limited to, linguistic contact and convergence, other aspects in sociolinguistics, language policy, corpus linguistics, psycholinguistics, historical linguistics, phonetics, phonology, morphology, syntax, semantics, pragmatics, etc.

Abstracts, excluding references, should be limited to 500 words. One person can submit at most one abstract as sole author and one abstract as co-author. Abstracts (Times New Roman, 12pt, single space) can be submitted in both .docx and .pdf formats by mail or by post. Papers in Kannada and English are accepted.

Important dates:

Abstract Submission Deadline: 12-02-2016

Abstract Acceptance Notification: 20-02-2016

Full Paper Submission: 02-03-2016

Abstracts can be sent by email or by post.

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