

POSTGRADUATE DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH & CENTRE FOR RESEARCH BASELIUS COLLEGE, KOTTAYAM NAAC accredited @ A++ Grade With CGPA 3.51

## PROF. RAJARAM MENON MEMORIAL LECTURE & BOOK RELEASE

Date : Wednesday, 22 November 2023, 10.30 am Venue: Dr. A. P. Mani Media Centre



It is with great pleasure that we invite you to the **Sixteenth Prof.Rajaram Menon Memorial Lecture** which will be delivered at **10.30 a.m. on Wednesday, 22 November 2023** at Dr. A.P. Mani Media Centre. Dr. C.S. Jayaram, well known academician will be the chief guest of the day. The book, "**One Hundred Years of the Waste Land**" edited by Dr. Muralikrishnan T.R., Dr. Jyothimol P., Dr. Rajesh M., and Mr. Vishnu N. will be released in this august gathering.

Yours Faithfully, HoD, Staff and Students P.G. Dept. & Centre for Research in English

## PROGRAMME

Prayer Welcome Speech : **Prof. Dr. Jyothimol P.** (Vice Principal, Baselius College, Kottayam) **Gurusmriti** Presidential Address : **Ms. Elsa C. Maria Sebastian** (HoD of English) Principal's Address : **Prof. Dr. Biju Thomas** (Principal, Baselius College, Kottayam) Book Release : **Prof. Dr. Biju Thomas & Dr. C.S. Jayaram** Introduction of the Book : **Dr. Muralikrshnan T.R.** Invited Lecture : **Dr. C.S. Jayaram** Vote of Thanks : **Dr. Jyothi Susan Abraham** (Coordinator)

## AN IQAC INITIATIVE

Baselius College, Kottayam has been blessed with a galaxy of glittering teachers right from the day of its inception in 1964. Many of these great gurus have left us forever, but the fragrance of their memories lives on in the minds of their innumerable students and several others who came in contact with them. Prof. P. Rajaram Menon was the doyen among these renowned academicians.

Born into the illustrious Poothambali family in Ernakulam on 26th August 1917 as the son of Sri. Kerala Varma Thirumulpadu and Smt. Kunjukavu, Prof. Menon had his professional debut in NSS College, Changanacherry. From there, he shifted to Catholicate College, Pathanamthitta in 1956. Eight years later, he moved over to Baselius College, then a fledging institution, as the first Head of the Department of English. His invaluable contributions to the Department in the initial years of its development will remain etched in gold forever in the annals of the college. A great lover of learning, language and literature, he impressed his colleagues and students by his vast knowledge, impressive lectures and simple, austere lifestyle.

**Prof. P. Rajaram Menon** passed away on the 1st of July 2007. The Dept. of English has been organizing a memorial lecture every year, to honour this great teacher. Dr. Sukumar Azheekode (2008), Dr. K.S. Radhakrishnan (2009), Dr. Jancy James (2010), Dr. Babu Paul (2011), Sri. T.P. Sreenivasan (2012), Dr. Siby James (2013), Dr. C. Gopinathan Pillai (2014) Prof. George Onakkoor (2015), and Sri. B. Unnikrishnan (2016), Sri. Unni R. (2017), Benyamin (2018), Ambikasuthan Mangad (2019) and Sri. Santhosh George Kulangara (2020), Sri. C. Radhakrishnan (2021), Dr. Rajesh V. Nair (2021), Smt. Sajitha Madathil (2022) have all delivered their excellent discourses. This year Dr. C.S. Jayaram shall share his thoughts on literature and art.



Dr. C.S.Jayaram

Dr. C. S. Jayaram, a luminary in the field of English literature and visual arts, is a name widely recognized and esteemed in the realm of academia and creativity. He has traversed the realms of both education and fine arts with unparalleled finesse, leaving an indelible mark in his wake. He is the former Head of the Department of English at Sacred Heart College, Thevara and currently holds a dual position as a Professor in both the Department of English and the Department of Visual Media at Amritha School of Arts & Sciences, Kochi.His talent as an artist is arguably as extraordinary as his expertise in academia. Over the years, he has garnered a plethora of awards for his exceptional contributions to the world of art. As the Founding Director of the esteemed Raja Ravi Varma Centre of Excellence for Visual Arts at the University of Kerala, he continues to shape the future of visual arts through his visionary leadership.Professor C. S. Jayaram is a true maestro, seamlessly blending his expertise in English literature with his artistic capabilities.