

High Commission of India
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Press Release

Confluence: Samagam – Language Lecture Series
Preservation & Propagation of Malayalam Language in Malaysia

High Commission of India, Kuala Lumpur and Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose Indian Cultural Centre (NSCBICC) organised “**Confluence: Samagam- Language Series**” on Malayalam language on Saturday, 6 October 2024 at NSCBICC premises in Kuala Lumpur.

2. The event was the fifth in Indian Languages’ Series organized by the High Commission of India and NSCBICC, with Punjabi, Telugu, Tamil and Gujarati languages covered since April 2024 under this activity.

3. Professor Emeritus Dato’ Dr.V.G Kumar Das, Chair of Senior Fellow’s Committee, Akademi Sains Malaysia graced the occasion as Chief Guest and delivered the key note address.

4. Speaking on the occasion, Deputy High Commissioner of India to Malaysia, Smt.Subhashini Narayanan conveyed her appreciation to the members of various Malayalee organizations in Malaysia for partnering with the High Commission of India in organizing the lecture series.

5. Prominent Malayalam language scholars and academicians in Malaysia including Dr Manohur Kurup, Dr Suresh Govind, Mr Haridas Menon, Mr Sasikumar Poduval, Mr Ravindranath G Menon and Mr Mathew George Monsi made presentations on diverse topics. Mr K.Siladass, Advocate and Solicitor and young students gave impressive testimonies of their Malayalam language learning experience at the centres / schools established by the Malayalee Associations.

6. The topics covered included History Malayalee Community in Malaysia : A broad overview; Relevance of Malayalam language as a Mother Tongue in contemporary times; Propagation of Malayalam language through Language classes; Role of Malayalee Civil Society Organizations in promoting Malayalam Language in Malaysia; Art and Culture as vehicles for promotion of Malayalam Language and Religious Institutions as spaces for promoting Malayalam Language.

7. A invocatory recitation by Mr Sreekumar Ramakrishnan, Carnatic Vocal Teacher of NSCBICC and a Bharatanatyam cultural performance by members of Nritya Kalanjali Dance Academy was also organized as part of the event.

8. The event was attended by over 140 members, which included members of All Malaysia Malayalee Association (AMMA), Perak Malayalee Association, Malaysia India Heritage Society, Members of Media and Officials from High Commission of India and Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose Indian Cultural Centre.

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