

## **National Seminar on “Converging Crossroads of Humanities: Memory, Literature, AI, ELT and Unmapped Territories of the New World”**

The Post Graduate Department of English, Alphonsa College, Pala, organized a two-day National Seminar on “Converging Crossroads of Humanities: Memory, Literature, AI, ELT and Unmapped Territories of the New World” on 30th and 31st January 2025, sponsored by the Indian Council of Social Science Research. The seminar was inaugurated by Prof. Joseph Dorairaj, Emeritus Professor from Gandhigram Rural Institute and Fulbright Scholar. The first day featured three sessions with distinguished speakers: Prof. Joseph Dorairaj's morning session on “Critiquing the Canon.,” Dr. Mary Magdalene Abraham’s forenoon session on “Postfeminism,” and Prof. Rajesh V Nair’s afternoon talk on “Voices of Resistance: The Intersection of Life Writing and Human Rights.” The day also included paper presentations by participants on diverse themes ranging from memory and cultural heritage to AI-generated creativity and new trends in English language teaching.

The second day brought fresh perspectives on technology and literature. Dr. Priya K Nair from St. Teresa’s College examined how artificial intelligence is reshaping our understanding of creativity, prompting many in the audience to reconsider traditional notions of authorship and imagination. Rev. Fr. Sabu Thomas from Sacred Heart College followed with practical insights on integrating AI into language classrooms, while Dr. K J Varghese from Christ College rounded off the academic sessions by discussing how technology can enhance language learning experiences.



