

IMPORTANT DATES

Last Date for Submission of Abstracts : 30-03-2024

Last Date for Submission of Full papers : 05-04-2024

Delegate Fee

Members of the South Indian Numismatic Society (SINS), who wish to attend the conference must send their delegate fee of Rs.1000/- by way of DD or bank transfer to "Local Secretary, State Bank of India, BRAOU Branch, Hyderabad, A/c. No: 42755238513, IFSC code: SBIN0020872. Accompanying persons also should pay delegate fee of Rs.1000/-each and those who are seeking accommodation are requested to pay Rs 500/ extra towards meeting logistics.

Accommodation

As the accommodation is limited, the delegates are requested to intimate their travel plans to the Local Secretary or Organising Secretary in advance. We are planning to arrange accommodation in the University guesthouses located in University Campus. Those who are willing bring their spouses are requested book their accommodation in private hotels.

Certificates will be issued only to participants/paper presenters who attend the two days of the seminar.

Accommodation

Accommodation will be provided at University Guest House as per the request of the delegates on payment basis. Please contact the Seminar Director for more information.

Note: the space is available for Exhibition and sale of coins. Vendors, please use it.

Venue of the Seminar

CSTD Mini Auditorium, Dr. BRAOU Campus,
Jubilee Hills, Hyderabad.

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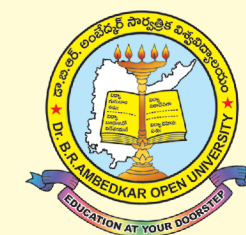
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XXXII ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF SOUTH INDIAN NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

Organized by
Department of History,
Dr. B. R. AMBEDKAR OPEN UNIVERSITY

10th-11th April 2024



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About the University

The University, initially known as Andhra Pradesh Open University, was set up on 26th August 1982 through an Act of the A.P. State legislative (APOU Act 1982). Subsequently the University was renamed as Dr. B. R. Ambedkar Open University (BRAOU) on 26th October 1991 by the Govt of A.P with a vision of creating an egalitarian society. The establishment of this university, the first of its kind in India, heralded an era of affirmative action on the part of the government to provide opportunities of higher education to all sections of society with a network of RCC and Study Centres across the State to meet the changing individual and social needs. It takes full advantage of revolutionary changes in the fields of educational technology to provide and deliver multi-media course materials.

The motto of the University is Education For All. The new experiment in distance education led to opening of the portals of higher education to a variety of potential learners who would otherwise not be able to acquire new skills and higher qualifications. Thus, the University is bridging inequalities between age groups, gender and social groups in terms of educational access allowing learning to take place parallel to work and social obligations.

The program offered range from Research Programmes to short term Certificate Programmes leading to the award of Degrees, Diplomas and certificate programs through five Faculties, such as (1) Arts, (2) Commerce, (3) Social Sciences (4) Science, and (5) Education. At present the University offers sixty-five short term, long term academic and research programmes.

About the Department

The Department established and took forward in the year 1983 and taken forward by Prof. Subramanyam, Prof. Ramakrishna Reddy and Prof. E. Sudha Rani. The Department of History offers courses leading to B.A., M. A., D.C.H.T., M.Phil., and Ph.D. Programmes. Courses designed to provide students with a broad overview of World History, Indian History and Regional History. Since its inception lakhs of learners are obtaining the knowledge as well as Degrees in history with special emphasis on socio-economic and cultural aspects. Presently the Department is enriched with the presence of Senior Professor E. Sudha Rani, Professor Srinivas Rao Vaddanam and Associate Professor Dr G. Dayakar.

About the Conference

The English word numismatics, which owes its origin to Latin numisma (i.e., currency), 'signifies' the study of coins. The Indians of antiquity would sometimes designate the subject as Paurana-sastra, i.e., the science that dealt with the old silver currency known as the Purana. Proficiency in this branch of learning is stated to have required a study of the Rupasutra and the scrutiny of numerous coins, old and new. The student was then in a position to ascertain the significance of the symbols on the coins and to recognise the place of their origin and the artisan who was responsible for minting them.

The word numismatics is often translated into the Neo-Aryan languages by such expressions as mudra-vidya, mudra-tattva, mudra-vijnana, etc., and therefore numismatics, as a source for the reconstruction of ancient Indian History, may be called pratna-mudra-vidya, etc., in these languages. But, since the word mudra conveys different meanings in Sanskrit, pratna-mudra-vidya, etc., may also signify the study of old seals and similar other objects. Words like rupa, rupya, etc., which are used in Sanskrit in the sense of currency, have likewise different meanings and cannot be regarded as more suitable than mudra in this respect.

The importance of coins as a source of history is less felt in those countries where regular historical chronicles of the early period are available. But they are of outstanding importance for the reconstruction of ancient Indian history, because this subcontinent did not produce in early times a Herodotus or Thucydides, a Livy or Tacitus. The coins often offer the names of persons or institutions that were responsible for their issue. Of them, only some are known from epigraphic and literary records.

The introduction of coins is a landmark in the history of civilization and is a great achievement of the human race. The development of trade and commerce is impossible without money, while the happiness and prosperity of human society depended largely on the ease with which one's necessities can be procured. Such problems to a great extent. There several coins were found in Northern and Southern India. These coins were issued in Gold, silver, bronze, lead and other metals. The coins are important to reconstruct the history of South India. The forthcoming Conference will discuss various aspects of the study of coins in South India.

Objectives of the Conference

- Importance of numismatic study in South India
- Role of the coins in expansion of Trade and Commerce
- Metals used in the coins.
- The seals and symbols on coins
- Localities of Minting of Coins

The conference is proposed to address the pertinent problems and issues of study of coins, minting and circulation during various dynasties in South India particularly in Telangana region. Following sub-themes are proposed for deliberations and discussions. Prof. K.P.Rao, Department of History, University of Hyderabad is the General President of the Conference and Prof. Shakunthala former Professor, Department of Ancient History and Archaeology, Sri Venkateshwara University, Tirupati is going to deliver Endowment Lecture on the 10th April at 6 pm. Cultural programs will be conducted on the first day i.e., on 10th from 6.30 to 7.30 pm.

Sub-themes of the Conference

1. Numismatic Studies in South India: Issues and Challenges.
2. Role of coins in reconstruction of Economic History
3. Metallurgical Science and Technology in South India
4. Coins minting Centres in South India
5. Significance of Coins in South India

Call for Papers

Papers are invited from the academicians, researchers, students and others who are interested on the field of numismatics. Participants are invited to submit the abstracts (500 words) for presentation on the sub-themes of the conference. The abstracts should be emailed to headhistory@braou.ac.in by 30th March 2024. And a soft copy of the full-length original papers should be submitted on or before 5th April 2024 in MS word format with a limit of 1500 to 3000 words. The papers will be peer reviewed by the subject experts and the papers will be published in South Indian Numismatics Society Proceedings.