

PROGRAMME
OF
INAUGURAL SESSION

SOUTH ASIAN LITERATURE FESTIVAL
OCTOBER 4, 5, 6, 7, 2018
NEW DELHI

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2018
Multipurpose Hall, Kamladevi Complex, India International Centre, New Delhi

Registration of Delegates : 9.00-10.00

CHIEF GUEST : PROF. CHANDRASHEKHARA KAMBARA
President, Sahitya Akademi

INAUGURAL SESSION
10-00-02.10

Welcome by :

Prof. Anand Kumar, Director of the
South Asian Literature Festival 10.00-10.05

Hon'ble Guests floating rose petals in the 'urli' 10.05-10.15

Welcome Address :

Ajeet Cour, President FOSWAL 10.15-10.25

Chief Guest's Address

Prof. Chandrashekhara Kambara,
President, Sahitya Akademi 10.25-10.45

Keynote Address :

Prof. Ashis Nandy, Political Psychologist, Social Theorist 10.45-11.15

Special Address by :

Prof. Muchkund Dubey
Former Foreign Secretary 11.15-11.25

Special Address by :

Mr. Piyush Srivastava, Joint Secretary SAARC,
Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India 11.25-11.35

Special Address by :

Shri Buddhadeb Dasgupta, Eminent Movie Maker
on 'Cinema and Literature' 11.35-11.45

Addresses by Guests of Honour (10 Minutes each):

1. H.E. Mr. Shaida Mohammad Abdali,
Ambassador of Afghanistan in India 11.45-11.55
2. H.E. Mr. Syed Muazzem Ali
High Commissioner of Bangladesh in India. 11.55-12.05
3. H.E. Dr. V. Namgyel
Ambassador of Bhutan in India 12.05-12.15
4. H.E. Mr. Bharat Kumar Regmi,
Ambassador of Nepal in India 12.15-12.25
5. Her Excellency Ms. Chitranganee Wagiswara,
High Commissioner of Sri Lanka in India. 12.25-12.35

Scholars presenting their views on Contemporary Literary Scene in their Countries:

1. Mr. M. Afsar Rahbeen (Afghanistan) 12.35-12.45
2. Dr. Selina Hossain (Bangladesh) 12.45-12.55
3. Ms. Chador Wangmo (Bhutan) 12.55-01.05
4. Dr. K. S. Rao (India) 01.05-01.15
5. Mr. Biplab Chakraborty (India) 01.15-01.25
6. Mr. Ibrahim Waheed (Maldives) 01.25-01.35
7. Prof. Abhi Subedi (Nepal) 01.35-01.45
8. Mr. Kaushalya Kumarasinghe (Sri Lanka) 01.45-01.55

Release of Books 01.55-02.04

Vote of Thanks: Dr. Ashraf Jewel (Bangladesh) 02.04-02.10

Lunch: 02.10-03.00 (Only for Delegates)

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**MULTIPURPOSE HALL, KAMLADEVI COMPLEX,
INDIA INTERNATIONAL CENTRE, NEW DELHI**

Co-Compere : Prof. ABHI SUBEDI (Nepal)

**SESSION I
03.00 pm - 03.50 pm**

3.00-3.30

Poetry Readings (6 minutes each)

Chairperson: Sitakant Mahapatra (India)

1. Afsar Rahbeen (Afghanistan)
2. Syed Ali Hamid (India)
3. Namgay Tshering (Bhutan)
4. Ashraf Jewel (Bangladesh)
5. Sitakant Mahapatra (India)

3.30-3.50

Readings from Fiction (10 minutes each)

Chairperson: Selina Hossain (Bangladesh)

1. Purushottam Agarwal (India)
2. Selina Hossain (Bangladesh)

SESSION II
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2018

3.50 pm - 4.40 pm

3.50-4.20

Poetry Readings (6 minutes each)

Chairperson: Abhi Subedi (Nepal)

1. Bhisma Upreti (Nepal)
2. Kavita Mukesh (India)
3. Chulananda Samaranayake (Sri Lanka)
4. Buddhadeb Dasgupta (India)
5. Abhi Subedi (Nepal)

4.20-4.40

Readings from Fiction (10 minutes each)

Chairperson: Neelum Saran Gaur (India)

1. Ghulam Hazrat Nabipour (Afghanistan)
2. Neelum Saran Gaur (India)

**SESSION III
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2018**

04.40-05.35

Poetry Readings (6 minutes each)

Chairperson: Rinzin Rinzin (Bhutan)

1. Fakrul Alam (Bangladesh)
2. Sanjita Verma (Nepal)
3. Gul Agha Ahmadi (Afghanistan)
4. Tajendra Luthra (India)
5. Tushar Kabir (Bangladesh)
6. Anupam Roshi (Nepal)
7. Dilip Mohapatra (India)
8. Rinzin Rinzin (Bhutan)

High Tea : 05.35 - 06.00 (Only for Delegates)

**CULTURAL PROGRAMME :
6.00 to 8.00 pm**

An Introduction of the Movie 'Uttara' (The Wrestlers) by

Shree Buddhadeb Dasgupta **06.00-06.10**

Screening of the Film **06.10-07.50**

Questions Answers **07.50-08.10**

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Venue :

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SESSION IV

9.30 - 11.35

09.30-10.05

Poetry Readings (6 minutes each)

Chairperson: Mohammad Nurul Huda (Bangladesh)

1. Subroto Bondo (India)
2. Thameera Manju (Sri Lanka)
3. Karuna Jha (Nepal)
4. Harashit Bala (Bangladesh)
5. Adyasha Das (India)
6. Mohammad Nurul Huda (Bangladesh)

10.05-10.35

Readings from Fiction (10 minutes each)

Chairperson : Mohammad Mansoor Nassimy (Afghanistan)

1. Vikram Kapur (India)
2. Anika Shah (Bangladesh)
3. Mohammad Mansoor Nassimy (Afghanistan)

10.35-11.05

Poetry Readings (6 minutes each)

Chairperson : C.P. Surendran (India)

1. Gopilal Acharya (Bhutan)
2. Leeladhar Mandloi (India)
3. Shafinur Shafin (Bangladesh)
4. Khaleda Froagh (Afghanistan)
5. C.P. Surendran (India)

11.05-11.35

Readings from Fiction (10 minutes each)

Chairperson : Prof. Riyaz Punjabi (India)

1. Neil Wijeratne (Sri Lanka)
2. Mr. Mahesh Paudyal (Nepal)
3. Prof. Riyaz Punjabi (India)

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SESSION V
11.35-1.45

11.35-12.20

Poetry Readings (6 minutes each)

Chairperson: Bimal Guha (Bangladesh)

1. Shrikant Saxena (India)
2. Alamgul Sahar (Afghanistan)
3. R.Y. Deshpande (India)
4. Raj Babu Gandham (India)
5. Lakshmi Kannan (India)
6. Kapila M. Gamage (Sri Lanka)
7. Nur Gul Shafaq (Afghanistan)
8. Bimal Guha (Bangladesh)

12.20-01.05

Poetry Readings (6 minutes each)

Chairperson : Rubana Huq (Bangladesh)

1. Varsha Das (India)
2. Iqbal Rashedin (Bangladesh)
3. Amarendra Khatua (India)
4. Khum Prasad Sharma (Nepal)
5. Jharna Rahman (Bangladesh)
6. Nahar Farid Khan (Bangladesh)
7. A.J. Thomas (India)
8. Rubana Huq (Bangladesh)

01.05-01.45

Readings from Fiction (10 minutes each)

Chairperson : Kanchana Priyakantha (Sri Lanka)

1. Fazal Rahman Rahmani (Afghanistan)
2. Zuairijah Mou (Bangladesh)
3. Ishrat Tania (Bangladesh)
4. Kanchana Priyakantha (Sri Lanka)

Lunch Break: 1.45-2.30 (Only for Delegates)

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SESSION VI
2.30 - 4.30

2.30-3.00

Poetry Readings (6 minutes each)

Chairperson: Tarannum Riyaz (India)

1. Kamrul Islam (Bangladesh)
2. Alka Tyagi (India)
3. Tapan Kumar Bagchi (Bangladesh)
4. Savita Singh (India)
5. Tarannum Riyaz (India)

3.00-3.35

Poetry Readings (6 minutes each)

Chairperson: Deo Prakash Choudhary (India)

1. Oman Niazi (Afghanistan)
2. Chanakya Barai (Bangladesh)
3. Dhiraj Rai (Nepal)
4. S. Pathmanathan (Sri Lanka)
5. Quamrul Bahar Arif (Bangladesh)
6. Deo Prakash Choudhary (India)

03.35 - 04.05

Readings from Fiction (10 minutes each)

Chairperson: Bhisma Upreti (Nepal)

1. Mridula Garg (India)
2. Jahra Jahan Pearlya (Bangladesh)
3. Sheikh Rabiul Haq (Bangladesh)

High Tea: 4.05 - 4.30 (Only for Delegates)

FRIDAY, October 5, 2018
SESSION VII
4.30-6.20

04.30 - 5.10

Poetry Readings (6 minutes each)

Chairperson : Alok Bhalla (India)

1. Anand Kumar (India)
2. Mujtaba Bashari (Afghanistan)
3. Trina Chakraborty (India)
4. Khaled Ud-Deen (Bangladesh)
5. Besmillah Pashtoonmal (Afghanistan)
6. Alok Bhalla (India)

05.10 - 5.50

Poetry Readings (6 minutes each)

Chairperson : Gopikrishnan Kottoor (India)

1. A M M Ariful Haque (Bangladesh)
2. Elaha Sahel (Afghanistan)
3. Manprasad Subba (India)
4. Mallika Shakya (India)
5. Milon Satpathi (India)
6. Waheed Warasta (Afghanistan)
7. Gopikrishnan Kottoor (India)

5.50-6.20

Readings from Fiction (10 minutes each)

Chairperson : S. Pathmanathan (Sri Lanka)

1. Asadullah Daudzai (Afghanistan)
2. Sulaiman Suman (Bangladesh)
3. S. Pathmanathan (Sri Lanka)

CULTURAL PROGRAMME:

NRITYAAKSHAR
a performance by
Dancer (Padmashri) GEETA CHANDRAN
highlighting the rasa of poetry in Bharatanatyam

6.30-7.15 PM

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SESSION VIII
9.30-11.30

09.30-10.10

Poetry Readings (6 minutes each)

Chairperson: Ganga Prasad Vimal (India)

1. Chador Wangmo (Bhutan)
2. Mr. Nimesh Nikhil (Nepal)
3. Ramakrishna Perugu (India)
4. Farid Ahmad Dulal (Bangladesh)
5. Gagan Sharma (India)
6. Hanzala Hain (Bangladesh)
7. Ganga Prasad Vimal (India)

10.10-10.50

Poetry Readings (6 minutes each)

Chairperson: Bob D'Costa (India)

1. Sukhwinder Amrit (India)
2. Mr. Dhiman Barman (India)
3. Rokeya Islam (Bangladesh)
4. Manorama Biswal Mohapatra (India)
5. Shreedhar Gautam (Nepal)
6. Bob D'Costa (India)

10.50-11.30

Readings from Fiction (10 minutes each)

Chairperson : Mamang Dai (India)

1. Shazia Aslami (Afghanistan)
2. Ishrat Tania (Bangladesh)
3. Nasima Bari (Afghanistan)
4. Mamang Dai (India)

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Session IX

11.30-12.30

11.30-12.00

Poetry Readings (6 minutes each)

Chairperson: Suman Pokhrel (Nepal)

1. Naher Ahmed (Bangladesh)
2. Manpreet Singh Sidhu (India)
3. Tusar Talukder (Bangladesh)
4. Zarina Akhter (Bangladesh)
5. Suman Pokhrel (Nepal)

12.00-12.30

Readings from Fiction (10 minutes each)

Chairperson: Partaw Naderi (Afghanistan)

1. Nahida Ashrafi (Bangladesh)
2. Jaishree Umale (India)
3. Partaw Naderi (Afghanistan)

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Session X

12.30-01.30

12.30-01.00

Poetry Readings (6 minutes each)

Chairperson: Muchkund Dubey (India)

1. Hasida Moon (Bangladesh)
2. Charanjit Singh (India)
3. Meena Guha (Bangladesh)
4. Sigma Sathish (India)
5. Muchkund Dubey (India)

01.00-01.30

Readings from Fiction (10 minutes each)

Chairperson : Ibrahim Waheed (Maldives)

1. Mohibullah Zegham (Afghanistan)
2. Nadie Wasalamudaliarachi (Sri Lanka)
3. Ibrahim Waheed (Maldives)

Lunch Break: 1.30-2.30 (Only for Delegates)

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Session XI

2.30-4.00

2.30-3.15

Poetry Readings (6 minutes each)

Chairperson: A.K. Rashid (Afghanistan)

1. Nisansala Dharmasena Bertholameuze (Sri Lanka)
2. Farhana Rahman (Bangladesh)
3. Girish Goiric (Bangladesh)
4. Santosh Kumar Dhali (Bangladesh)
5. A.K. Rashid (Afghanistan)

03.15-04.00

Readings from Fiction (10 minutes each)

Chairperson : Afsar Rahbeen (Afghanistan)

1. K S Sivakumaran (Sri Lanka)
2. Syed Mohammad Hamim Kamal (Bangladesh)
3. K. Shriganeshan (Sri Lanka)
4. Zuairijah Mou (Bangladesh)

High Tea : 4.00-4.30 (Only for Delegates)

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Session XII

4.30-6.45

4.30-5.00

Poetry Readings (6 minutes each)

Chairperson: Shakila Wadjidi (Afghanistan)

1. Manjul (Nepal)
2. Mohammad Anisur Rahman (Anis Mohammad) (Bangladesh)
3. Khaled Ud-Deen (Bangladesh)
4. Habibullah Shiraji (Bangladesh)
5. Shakila Wadjidi (Afghanistan)

5.00-5.30

Poetry Readings (6 minutes each)

Chairperson: Mr. Gopal Parajuli (Nepal)

1. Mosuduzzaman (Bangladesh)
2. Tarequl Ahsan (Bangladesh)
3. Ram Chandra Paudel (Nepal)
4. Nur Quamrun Naher (Bangladesh)
5. Mr. Gopal Parajuli (Nepal)

5.30-6.10

Readings from Fiction (10 minutes each)

Chairperson : Kaushalya Kumarasinghe (Sri Lanka)

1. Aditya Sen (India)
2. Wijayasiri Mihindukulasuriya (Sri Lanka)
3. Abdus Selim (Bangladesh)
4. Kaushalya Kumarasinghe (Sri Lanka)

6.10-6.45

Poetry Readings (6 minutes each)

Chairperson: Ashraf Jewel (Bangladesh)

1. Naqeebullah Karim (Afghanistan)
2. Partha Bijoy Dutta (India)
3. Kavita Singhal (India)
4. Bulbul Mahalanobish (Bangladesh)
5. A M M Ariful Haque (Bangladesh)
6. Ramakrishna Perugu (India)

CULTURAL PROGRAMME:

**Dr. Molly Kaushal, Professor and HoD at Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts (IGNCA), will introduce her Film 'RAMLEELA OF KHERIYA' : 06.45-06.55
Screening of the film : 06.55-07.50**

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SESSION XIII
09.30-11.30

09.30-10.10

Poetry Readings (6 minutes each)

Chairperson: K.V. Dominic (India)

1. Partaw Naderi (Afghanistan)
2. Susmita Nepal (Nepal)
3. Aiman Abdullah (India)
4. Elaha Sahel (Afghanistan)
5. Sarifa Khatoon Chowdhury (India)
6. Bijoy Sankar Barman (India)
7. K.V. Dominic (India)

10.10-10.50

Poetry Readings (6 minutes each)

Chairperson: Mobarak Hossain (Bangladesh)

1. Mozid Mahmud (Bangladesh)
2. Kamaluddin Ahmed (India)
3. Sujana Perugu (India)
4. Nandini Sahu (India)
5. Mobarak Hossain (Bangladesh)

10.50 – 11.30

Readings from Fiction (10 minutes each)

Chairperson : Ahmad Farid Sultani (Afghanistan)

1. Sulaiman Sumon (Bangladesh)
2. Ahmad Javed (Afghanistan)
3. Sumudu Seneviratne (Sri Lanka)
4. Ahmad Farid Sultani (Afghanistan)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2018
SESSION XIV
11.30-01.00

11.30-12.10

Poetry Readings (6 minutes each)

Chairperson: Lutfa Hannum Salima Begum (India)

1. Dilini Chaturika (Sri Lanka)
2. Sanam Anbareen (Afghanistan)
3. Faridur Rahman (Bangladesh)
4. Ardhendu Sarkar (India)
5. Abul Momen (Bangladesh)
6. Lutfa Hannum Salima Begam (India)

12.10-01.00

Poetry Readings (6 minutes each)

Chairperson: Mithilesh Shrivastava (India)

1. Salma Beg (Bangladesh)
2. Biplab Chakraborty (India)
3. Nasreen Naim (Bangladesh)
4. Shaista Mahzabeen (India)
5. Jernail Singh Anand (India)
6. Balbir Madhopuri (India)
7. Bulbul Mahalanobish (Bangladesh)
8. Subhash Neerav (India)
9. Mithilesh Shrivastava (India)

SESSION XV
01.00-1.20

Valedictory Function

Vote of Thanks by Prof. Anand Kumar **01.00-01.10**

Resolution of the South Asian Literature Festival **01.10-01.20**
Prof. Anand Kumar

LUNCH: 01.20-2.30

AFTER 2.30, SIGHT SEEING