MERCY COLLEGE PALAKKAD

DEPARTMENT OF LANGUAGES



CONDUCTED

A ONE DAY SEMINAR

ON

" Representation of Women in Indian Cinema"
IN CONNECTION WITH
INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

DATE: 13/03/2025

VENUE: E.V SEMINAR HALL

TIME:10.30 AM



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REPORT

ONE DAY SEMINAR ON: INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY: DATED 13 MARCH 2025

As part of International Women's Day celebrations, the Department of Languages (Hindi), Mercy College, Palakkad, organized a one-day seminar on "Representation of Women in Indian Cinema" on 13 March 2025. The seminar aimed to analyze the portrayal of women in Indian films, highlighting gender stereotypes, changing narratives, and the role of cinema in shaping societal perceptions. The keynote address was delivered by Sri. S Harinarayanan, Assistant Professor, Department of English, NSS College, Nemmara. He provided a thought-provoking analysis of how Indian cinema has represented women over the decades, highlighting the transition from passive, traditional roles to strong, independent characters. He also examined gender stereotypes, objectification, and the male gaze in cinema, referencing Laura Mulvey's feminist film theory to explain how women are often depicted as objects of visual pleasure rather than as active subjects. His insights encouraged students to critically engage with films and reflect on how cinema shapes real-world gender perceptions.

Objectives

- 1. To analyze the portrayal of women in Indian cinema using feminist theories, including Laura Mulvey's concept of the male gaze.
- 2. To examine gender stereotypes and objectification in films and their impact on societal perceptions of women.
- 3. To encourage critical thinking among students about the role of cinema in shaping gender roles and cultural narratives.
- 4. To promote awareness about the need for progressive and empowering representations of women in Indian film.



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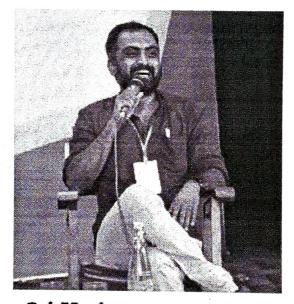
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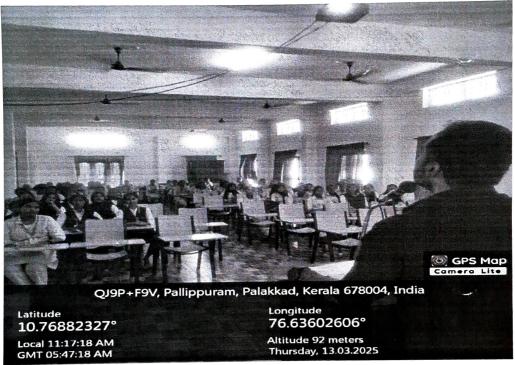
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