

**ON-LINE LECTURE SERIES FOR
STUDENTS OF SECOND SEMESTER M.A. (ENGLISH)**

as per syllabus

Prescribed by Rashtrasant Tukadoji Maharaj Nagpur University, Nagpur

(June 14 – June 22, 2021)

Organized in Collaboration by Departments of English

of

Rajkumar Kewalramani Kanya Mahavidyalaya, Nagpur

Vasantrao Naik Govt. Institute of Arts & Social Sciences, Nagpur

Mahila Mahavidyalaya, Nagpur

J.M. Patel Arts, Commerce & Science College, Bhandara

REPORT

Tough Pandemic conditions around the world has affected the teaching-learning process. Accepting the limitations as a challenge, the English teaching fraternity of four colleges affiliated to Rashtrasant Tukadoji Maharaj Nagpur University (RTMNU), Nagpur joined hands and initiated On-line Lecture Series. After getting a good response to the earlier initiatives for UG and PG Students, the Colleges came together again to start Online Classes for SECOND SEMESTER M.A. English students (Academic Session 2020-21). The Lecture Series was conducted from June 14, 2021 to June 22, 2021. In this joint venture of four academic institutions, 16 teachers from various affiliated colleges, including the host colleges, of the University dealt with different background topics and Texts from the prescribed syllabus.

The Course was inaugurated by Dr. Sandhya Nair, Retired Principal, R.S. Mundle Dharampeth College of Arts and Commerce, Nagpur. In her inaugural address, Dr. Nair appreciated the initiative undertaken by the four colleges and the efforts of the Organizing Secretaries. She drove home the importance of appreciating the tradition of English literature, right from Chaucer to the present times. She encouraged the students to go beyond the prescribed texts and explore the treasure of literature with a critical bent of mind. In her address, Dr. Urmila Dabir, Chairperson, Board of Studies in English, RTMNU, commended the spirit of collaboration shown by English teaching fraternity and expressed the hope that the students will make the best possible use of this initiative. Speaking at the Valedictory Session, Dr. P.K.U. Pillai, Former Chairperson, Board of Studies in English, RTMNU praised the commitment with which these classes had been conducted. He praised

the co-ordinating skills of Dr.UrmilaDabir in bringing together teachers from different colleges of the University and undertaking the project with a missionary zeal.

Students from different colleges of the University region attended the sessions. The Lectures were conducted of ZOOM platform and *streamed live on You-tube* for the convenience of the students. This digital friendly initiative of the teachers of all the host colleges was noted and applauded by Honourable Vice Chancellor of Rashtrasant Tukadoji Maharaj Nagpur University, Dr.Subhash Chaudhary.

The following schedule was followed.

Sr. No.	Name of the Resource Person	Topic	Date/Shift
1.	Dr. Manjushree Sardeshpande	<i>Absolam and Achitophel</i>	14/6/2021 (M)
2.	Dr.Madhavi Moharil	<i>The Battle of the Books</i>	15/6/2021 (M)
3.	Dr.Bipasha Ghoshal	<i>The Apple Cart</i>	16/6/2021 (M)
4.	Dr.Supantho Bhattacharya	<i>The Family Reunion</i>	17/6/2021 (M)
5.	Dr.Somnath Barure	<i>Poems by Ezekeil, Kamila Das</i>	18/6/2021 (M)
6.	Dr.Karthik Panicker	<i>A Strange Case of Billy Biswas</i>	19/6/2021 (M)
7.	Dr.Smeeta Wanjari	<i>Wuthering Heights</i>	21/6/2021 (M)
8.	Dr.Renuka Roy	<i>The Portrait of a Lady</i>	22/6/2021 (M)
9.	Dr.Urmila Dabir	<i>The Rape of the Lock</i>	14/6/2021 (A)
10.	Dr.Pranjali Kane	<i>Elegy Written in a Country Churchyard</i>	15/6/2021 (A)
11.	Dr.Sujata Chakravarty	<i>Look Back in Anger</i>	16/6/2021 (A)
12.	Mr.Bhojraj Shrirame	<i>Waiting for Godot</i>	17/6/2021 (A)
13.	Dr.Vaishali Meshram	<i>Clear Light of the Day</i>	18/6/2021 (A)
14.	Dr.Sandhya Jain	<i>Bravely Fought the Queen</i>	19/6/2021 (A)
15.	Mr. Ajay Deokate	<i>Far From the Madding Crowd</i>	21/6/2021 (A)
16.	Dr.Ruta Dharmadhikari	<i>Lord of the Flies</i>	22/6/2021 (A)

The special feature of the activity was that the process of the live streaming of the sessions was done by the organizers and the resource persons did not accept any remuneration for their contribution.

Institutes join hands, conduct on-line classes for MA (English) students

■ The colleges have come together to conduct on-line classes for students of MA (English) to complete the syllabus. On-line course of 20 sessions is planned in two sessions - Morning and Afternoon

Principal Correspondent:

SOME institutes in Nagpur have come up with a novel idea where they joined hands, made collaborative efforts and conducted on-line classes for MA (English) First Semester students. Departments of English of Rajkumar Kewalramani Mahila Mahavidyalaya, Vasantnagar, Nagpur, Government Institute of Arts and Social Science (VNGLASS), Mahila Mahavidyalaya, Nandanvan and J. M. Patel Arts, Commerce and Science college, Bhandara, have come together with this novel idea. The inauguration of the on-line course was held at the hands of

Dr Pramukh Banerjee, Associate Professor, Bishop College, Dr Sumitra Mahajan, Director, VNGLASS, presided over the inaugural ceremony. Dr Urmila Dabir, Principal of Rajkumar Kewalramani Mahila Mahavidyalaya, delivered the introductory remarks and Dr Vikas Dhombre, Principal, J. M. Patel, Bhandara and Dr Vandana Bhagdikar, Principal, Mahila Mahavidyalaya, Nagpur were the guests of honour. The inaugural ceremony was conducted by Dr Kapil Singhal and Dr Karik Panicker proposed a vote of thanks.

The COVID-19 has affected the entire teaching-learning process wherein completing the syllabus prescribed by the university and continuing the teaching learning process had become a challenge before the teaching fraternity. Introducing on-line mode of teaching-learning was the only solution to cope with the current situation and continue the teaching learning process. As a result, four colleges came together with a novel idea of conducting on-line course for the stu-

dents of MA (English). With a view to achieve the target, the online course consisting of 20 sessions was planned in two sessions-Morning and Afternoon.

All these sessions were conducted on the Zoom Platform and streamed live on the YouTube as per the schedule prepared for the on-line course. Dr Rupa Dharmadhikari, Dr Sudesh Bhowte, Dr Pranjali Kane, Dr Supantha Bhattacharya, Govind Rathod, Dr Karthik Panicker, Dr Sujata Chakravorty, Dr Madhavi Moharil, Dr Navin Kumar, Dr Priya Wanjari, Dr Bipusha Ghoshal, Dr Somnath Barure, Dr Anil Dodewar, Ajay Deokate, Dr Neelam Sheikh, Bhojraj Shirurane, Dr Manjushree Sardeshpande, Dr Urmila Dabir, Dr Kapil Singhal and Dr Sandhya Jain were the resource persons.

The introductory program of the online course was held where Prof. Sanjay Pulwekar, Head, Department of English, R. T. M. Nagpur University, presided over. Dr Jyoti Paul, Principal of Renika Mahavidyalaya, was the chief guest. Dr Vandana Bhagdikar delivered the introduction

Dr Anil Vaidya's research paper selected for Asian conference

DR ANIL VAIDYA'S research paper has been selected for Asian conference. The International Conference on Agriculture in Sri Lanka



Dr. Anil Vaidya, a faculty member of the Department of Agriculture, Government College, Sri Lanka, has been selected to present a research paper on the topic 'The Role of Agriculture in the Development of Sri Lanka' at the Asian Conference on Agriculture in Sri Lanka, which is being held in Colombo, Sri Lanka, from August 19 and 20, 2021. Dr. Vaidya is a well-known expert in the field of agriculture and has been involved in various research projects in this field. He is currently working as a Principal Officer of the Provincial Insurance Corporation Ltd, Nagpur.

Dr Jyoti Paul presented the need for virtual teaching in the break atmosphere of COVID-19 pandemic. She appreciated and congratulated all four colleges for this novel idea conducting online teaching course for the students.

Prof. Dr Sanjay Pulwekar spoke about the threats coming in the process of the teaching learning process. He appreciated the move taken by these four colleges and wished to continue such academic ventures in the interest of the university students. The introductory program was conducted by Dr Kapil Singhal and Dr Anil Dodewar proposed a vote of thanks.

Dr Karthik Panicker provided the technical support throughout the online course and Dr Kapil Singhal took a lot of efforts to make this event successful. Dr Urmila Dabir, Dr Sumitra Mahajan, Dr Vandana Bhagdikar and Dr Vikas Dhombre had played a key role in materialising the dream of organising the on-line course for the students of MA (English).

Online Classes of M.A. Part 1 (English) Second Semester Programme Prescribed by R.T.M. Nagpur University, Nagpur (From 14 June 2021 To 22 June 2021)

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MORNING SESSIONS

Time : 11.00 AM TO 12.30 PM

Live on YouTube

Day and Date	Paper	Unit	Prescribed Text	Resource Person
Monday 14. 06. 2021	Restoration and Eighteen Century English Literature	I	Absalom and Achitophel- John Dryden (With Background Topics)	Dr. Manjushree Sardeshpande
Tuesday 15. 06. 2021	Restoration and Eighteen Century English Literature	III	The Battle of the Books- Jonathan Swift (With Background Topics)	Dr. Madhavi Moharil
Wednesday 16.06.2021	Modern English Drama	I	The Apple Cart- George Bernard Shaw (With Background Topics)	Dr. Bipasha Ghoshal
Thursday 17.06.2021	Modern English Drama	III	The Family Reunion- T. S. Eliot (With Background Topics)	Dr. Supantha Bhattacharya
Friday 18.06.2021	Indian Writing in English-II	I	Poems by Ezekiel, Kamla Das, Kolhalkar, Ramanujan (With Background Topics)	Dr. Somnath Barure
Saturday 19.06.2021	Indian Writing in English-II	III	A Strange Case of Billy Biswas- Arun Joshi (With Background Topics)	Dr. Karthik Panicker
Monday 21. 06. 2021	The English Novel- I	I	Wuthering Heights- Emily Bronte (With Background Topics)	Dr. Smeetaa Wanjam
Tuesday 22.06. 2021	The English Novel- I	III	The Portrait of a Lady- Henry James (With Background Topics)	Dr. Renuka Roy

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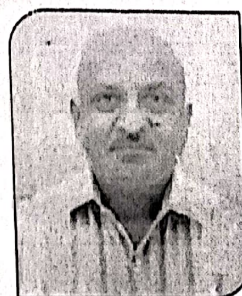


Mr. Ajay Deokate
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Dr. Ruta Dharmadhikari
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CONCLUDING REMARKS



Dr. P.K.U. Pillai
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Former Chairperson BoS (English)
RTM Nagpur University, Nagpur

EVENING SESSIONS

Time : 04.30 PM TO 06.00 PM

Live on YouTube

Day and Date	Paper	Unit	Prescribed Text	Resource Person
Monday 14. 06. 2021	Restoration and Eighteen Century English Literature	II	The Rape of the Lock- Alexander Pope (With Background Topics)	Dr. Urmila Dabir
Tuesday 15. 06. 2021	Restoration and Eighteen Century English Literature	IV	Elegy written in Churchyard and Poems by William Blake (With Background Topics)	Dr. Pranjali Kane
Wednesday 16.06.2021	Modern English Drama	II	Look Back in Anger- John Osborne (With Background Topics)	Dr. Sujata Chakravorty
Thursday 17. 06. 2021	Modern English Drama	IV	Waiting for Godot- Edward Elbee (With Background Topics)	Mr. Bhojraj Shrirame
Friday 18.06.2021	Indian Writing in English-II	II	Clear Light of the Day- Anita Desai (With Background Topics)	Dr. Vaishali Meshram
Saturday 19.06.2021	Indian Writing in English-II	IV	Bravely Fought the Queen- Mahesh Dattani (With Background Topics)	Dr. Sandhya Jain
Monday 21. 06. 2021	The English Novel- I	II	Far From the Madding Crowd- Thomas Hardy (With Background Topics)	Mr. Ajay Deokate
Tuesday 22. 06. 2021	The English Novel- I	IV	Lord of the Flies- William Golding (With Background Topics)	Dr. Ruta Dharmadhikari

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