



## Greetings from the Vice-Chancellor



### Prof. Dr. M. Krishnan M.Sc., Ph.D.

I'm very glad to note that many research articles were presented and discussed in detail in the International Conference on **Paradigms of Marginality in Literature - Exploring the Nuances** conducted by our Department of English and Comparative Literature. I'm also glad to note that selected papers presented in the International Conference are compiled in several volumes and that several selected articles are now being published for the benefit of scholars around the world. Marginality is a very important topic for discussion and is also a matter of great concern. Creative writers have focused on the marginality around the world including India in their creative works. Such discussions create in us great concern for those who are marginalized for various reasons, and such discussions will help us to improve the social, economic and psychological condition of people and communities around us.

Our Department of English and Comparative Literature is well-known for their continued significant involvement in the study of literature from around the world and compare these literatures with our own great traditional and modern literary works. I wish continued great success for the activities of Department of English and Comparative Literature under the leadership of Prof. Dr. S. Chelliah, M.A., M.Phil., Ph.D., D.Litt. My greetings and thanks are due to all the participants of the International Conference as well as the academic and administrative staff of the Department of English and Comparative Literature.



## Greetings from the Registrar



### **Dr. R. Sudha, M.A., M.Phil., Ph.D.**

I am greatly impressed by the success of the International Conference on **Paradigms of Marginality in Literature - Exploring the Nuances** conducted by our Department of English and Comparative Literature. Both the academic and administrative staff of the Department worked hard to make the conference a notable success.

I am glad to note that the papers presented in the conference are now compiled and published in several volumes. Select papers presented in the conference are now published for the benefit of scholars both in India and abroad. We always need to be concerned about the marginality that prevails in our societies in several forms. Creative writers have described such marginality in so many heart-rending stories. Such creative works instigate in us a keen desire to seek suitable changes, and research on such creative works enable our young scholars to look forward to a future wherein such social, economic and psychological concerns are positively minimized.

My greetings and thanks to all who participated in the conference organized under the dynamic leadership of Prof. Dr. S. Chelliah, M.A., M.Phil., Ph.D., D.Litt. I am sure that the Department of English and Comparative Literature will continue to have such significant conferences in the future also.



## Editor's Note



**Dr. S. Chelliah, M.A., Ph.D., D.Litt.**  
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The International Conference on **Paradigms of Marginality in Literature - Exploring the Nuances** conducted by the Department of English and Comparative Literature received an excellent response from faculty members and research scholars from around the country. Very insightful research papers on many creative writers from around the world were presented. We already published one large volume of papers as part of the conference activities. In the present volume, selected papers presented in the conference are compiled together and published. There are more than fifty articles in this compilation, dealing with a range of themes such as Discourse and Context of Marginalism, Marginalisation of Children, Suffering of Women, Marginalization and Social Media and Marginalization depicted in the works of several leading creative authors from around the world, including creative works written by Indian writers.

My grateful thanks are due to the Vice-Chancellor **Prof. Dr. M. Krishnan, M.Sc., Ph.D.** and the Registrar **Dr. R. Sudha M.A., M.Phil., Ph.D.** for their encouragement and support in all the activities of the Department of English and Comparative Literature. I am grateful for the excellent cooperation I received from the academic and administrative staff of the Department of English and Comparative Literature. Research Scholars and students of the Department actively participated in all the deliberations of the Conference. The participants came from many

Colleges and Universities and they were very glad to exchange their ideas with one another. It has been a great encouraging experience for all.

We hope that this volume of Selected Papers from the International Conference **Paradigms of Marginality in Literature - Exploring the Nuances** will help further research on various dimensions of Marginality and how marginalization may be avoided by all individuals, societies and economic and psychological and health care institutions, etc. in the days to come.