

## ACTIVITIES REPORT 2019-2022 (Year-wise)

### Formal inception<sup>1</sup>: 28 November 2019

#### Activities in the first year (1 December 2019 to 31 December 2020)

- 1) Digitisation of old palm leaf manuscripts in the custody of the Department of Odia, Ravenshaw University<sup>2</sup>
- 2) Collection of palm leaf manuscripts from private holdings
- 3) Provision for support staff for digitization activities<sup>3</sup>
- 4) Inaugural webinar: “The Enterprise of Translation”, 16-21 July 2020
- 5) Proposal for One-year PG Certificate Course in Computational Humanities to be offered by the Centre approved<sup>4</sup>
- 6) Endowment offer for the Centre approved: Rs. 5,00,000.00<sup>5</sup>

#### Activities in the second year (1 January 2021-31 December 2021)

- 1) Digitisation of manuscripts, books and records continues
- 2) Computers and furniture acquired to run the Course
- 3) Online conference “The Polite World of Bhakti in Odisha: From Early Modern to Modern” organised, 5-7 February 2021
- 3) Project titled “Rare Odia Serials at the Utkal Sahitya Samaj” approved for funding by the South Asia Materials Project, Centre for Research Libraries, Illinois, Chicago, June 2021
- 4) Academic Advisory Committee approves admission fees for the PG Certificate Course in Computational Humanities
- 5) Public advertisement for the Course and Admission of the first batch of students, December 2021
- 6) First Endowment lecture (Dr. Basudev Kar Memorial Oration in the Humanities) organised, 20 December 2021

#### Activities in the third year (1 January 2022 to December 2022)

- 1) Digitisation of manuscripts, books and records continues
- 2) CRL-SAMP Project starts, 1 February 2022, with the hiring of project staff and purchase of equipment
- 3) Certificate Course continues
- 4) First Board of Studies (BoS) meeting for the year 2021-22, 8 April 2022: Discussion of Course syllabus, Preparation of the list of question paper setters, examiners, conducting

<sup>1</sup> Office order no. 43/2 Dt. 28/11/2019

<sup>2</sup> Office order no. 3696 Dt. 25/9/19

<sup>3</sup> Official approval 3 July 2020

<sup>4</sup> Syndicate meeting, Agenda 15, 24 December 2020

<sup>5</sup> By law approved in Syndicate meeting, Agenda 30, 24 December 2020

board members and moderators; Finalisation and BoS approval of Course Exam regulations

5) Workshop on Corpus Linguistics organised, 19-20 July 2022

6) Second BoS meeting for the year 2022-23, 26 September 2022

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A) DHTraC receives central support

B) Names of University faculty involved in the Centre's research or its activities

- I. Dr. Urmishree Bedamatta, Associate Professor in English, Coordinator (Teaching & Research)
- II. Dr. Bijayalaxmi Dash, Assistant Professor in Odia, Deputy Coordinator
- III. Dr. Judhithir Das, Associate Professor in Sanskrit (Teaching)
- IV. Dr. Dipti Ranjan Maharana, Associate Professor in English (Teaching)

C) Plans for the Centre in the next year

- a) Student placement
- b) Provisions for research internship for the Course students at Linguistic Research Unit, Indian Statistical Institute (ISI), Kolkata
- c) Collaborative projects on Machine translation in Odia, preferably with C-DAC

D) Extent of student and faculty participation from other universities or organisations

- a) Course open to all graduates
- b) BoS includes retired faculty and in-service faculty members of other universities and colleges; Guest faculty and Visiting faculty from other universities