

3-Days International Seminar - 3rd-5th February, 2011

KUMARAJIVA : PHILOSOPHER AND SEER

SESSION SCHEDULE

3rd February, 2011

Inaugural Programme

10.00am - 11.00am	:	Registration
11.00am - 11.05am	:	Mangalacharana & lighting of the lamp
11.05am - 11.15am	:	Welcome Address - Member Secretary, IGNCA
11.15am - 11.35am	:	Keynote Address - Prof. Charles Willemen Royal Academy of Sciences, Belgium
11.35am - 11.45am	:	Presidential Address - President, IGNCA
11.45am - 11.55am	:	Inaugural Address - Chief Guest
Coordination	:	Prof. Shashibala
11.55am - 12.00pm	:	Vote of thanks - Dr. Ajay K. Mishra
12.00pm - 12.30pm	:	Visit to the exhibition
12.30pm - 1.30pm	:	Lunch break

Day 1

3rd February 2011

First Session : 1.30pm - 4.00pm

- Chairperson** : Yoichi Kawada, Director,
Institute of Oriental Philosophy, Japan
- Speakers :
1. Sylvie Hureau : Kumārajīva's date of birth
 2. Katsuhisa Yamada : A report on the life of Kumarajiva and the towns associated with him -Kashgar, Tumushuk, Kupa, Loulan, Dunhuang, Liangzchou and Chang'an
 3. Alastair Morrison : Kumarajiva in Dunhuang Manuscripts at the British Library : a Few Examples
 4. Guilaine Mala : Kumarajiva in Eighteen-century Tibetan Sources
- Tea break** : **4.00pm – 4.30pm**

Second Session : 4.30pm - 6.00pm

- Chairperson** : Prof. Charles Willemen,
Royal Academy of Sciences, Belgium
- Speakers :
1. Liu Yingsheng : Kumara Jiva and Buddhism in Kucha area
 2. Xuan Fang : Rethinking the Debates between Kumarajiva and Buddhahadra: Themes, Background and Influences
 3. Haraprasad Ray : Kumarajiva and his contemporaries

Day 2

4th February, 2011

Third Session : 9.30am - 11.30am

- Chairperson** : Pokan Chou
- Speakers :
1. Dehua Wang : Kumarajiva: Sino-India Friendship Forerunner : A Chinese Perspective
 2. Advaitavadini Kaul : Kumarajiva: His connections with Kashmir and Propagation of Buddhism
 3. Paula Tizzano Fernandez : Kumarajiva: Mission and Visibility
 4. Supriya Rai : Kumarajiva: Historical Context and Biography

Parallel Session - In-house scholars

Tea break : **11.30am - 12.00pm**

Fourth Session : 12.00pm - 1.30pm

- Chairperson** : Susan Witfield, Director, The International Dunhuang Project, The British Library, UK
- Speakers :
1. Po-kan Chou : Defining a New Road for Mahayana Buddhism in China
 2. Subhash Chandra Dash : Principles and Philosophy of Tantric Buddhism reflected in the Works of Kumarajiva
 3. Elsa Legittimo : Early Mahayana According to Kumarajiva's Upadesa
- Lunch break** : **1.30pm - 2.30pm**

Fifth Session : 2.30pm - 4.30pm

- Chairperson** : Prof. Lokesh Chandra, Director,
International Academy of Indian Culture, New Delhi
- Speakers :
1. Yao-ming Tsai : Soteriological Unfolding of the Mind, Body and Abiding Places in the "Samantamukhaparivarta" of the Lotus Sutra
 2. Yoichi Kawada : From Kumarajiva to Nichiren - Connected Through Myoho-Renge-Kyo
 3. Barbara Meisterernst : Some remarks on the language of Kumarajiva's translation of the Lotus Sutra

Tea break : 4.30pm - 5.00pm

Sixth Session : 5.00pm – 6.30pm

- Chairperson** : Dehua Wang, Director, Institute for South and Central Asia Studies
- Speakers :
1. Kimiaki Tanaka : Kumarajiva and the Sandalwood statue (Tib.:Tsan dan jo bo)
 2. Chongfeng Li : Kumarajiva and Early Cave-temples of China
 3. Maqsooda Shiotani : Translation of Yuimakyo-gyo by Kumarajiva and its importance in the Zen sect

Screening of the film 7.00pm - 8.00pm

Silk Route Dance Performance

Dinner : 8.00pm

Day 3

5th February 2011

Seventh Session : 10.00am - 11.30am

Chairperson : Zhu Qingzhi, Head of Department of Chinese
Chair Professor of Chinese Language, Hong Kong
Institute of Education

Speakers :

1. Charles Willemen : Kumarajiva and Abhidharma
2. Liu Chengyou : Kumarajiva' thought on Dharmadhatu
3. Bill M. Mak : Kumarajiva and Prajnaparamita in China

Tea break : **11.30am - 12.00pm**

Eighth Session : 12.00pm - 1.30pm

Chairperson : Kalpakam Shankarnarayan, Director,
KJ Somaiya Center for Buddhist Studies, Mumbai

Speakers :

1. Zhu Qingzhi : Kumarajiva, a Great Contributor to the Creation of
Chinese Buddhism and Chinese Culture
2. B.R. Deepak : Kumarajiva in China: From war booty to Rajguru
3. Fan Jingjing : Kumarajiva's contribution to Chinese Literature:
focusing on his translation of Vimalakirti-nirdesa-sutra

Lunch break : **1.30pm - 2.30pm**

Ninth Session : 2.30pm - 3.30pm

1. Kin-Tung YIT : Two Traditions of Sravaka Meditation : Kumarajiva's Zuo chan san meijing and Buddhaghosa's Visuddhimagga
2. Jiang Nan : The added topic-shift Markers in the Chinese translations of Buddhist scriptures: A Sanskrit-Chinese Comparative Analysis of the Lotus sutra"

Valedictory Function : 4.00pm - 5.00pm

High Tea : 5.00pm - 6.00pm