

Andhra Christian College::Guntur

Department of History

Seminar Report on "Mouryan's Administration - Principles of Ashoka Dhamma"

Conducted by: Department of History, Andhra Christian College, Guntur

Date: 21st September 2022

Time: 11:00 AM

Venue: Room No. 3

Introduction:

The Department of History, Andhra Christian College, Guntur, organized a seminar on "Mouryan's Administration - Principles of Ashoka Dhamma" for the II B. A. students. The seminar aimed to delve into the administrative strategies of the Mouryan Empire, particularly under Emperor Ashoka, and to understand the principles of Ashoka Dhamma.

Participants:

- **Head of the Department:** Mr. M. Siril Kumar
- **Faculty Members:**

Mr. M. John Newton, Lecturer, U. G. Department of History

Mr. P. Rajesh, Lecturer, U. G. Department of History

Mr. N. Mukkanti, P. G. Department of History

Mr. G. Prakasa Rao, P. G. Department of History

- **Resource Person:** Mr. B. Chennaiah, Head, Department of History, Hindu College, Guntur

Seminar Proceedings:

The seminar began with an introduction by Mr. M. Siril Kumar, Head of the Department of History. He welcomed the students and faculty and highlighted the importance of understanding ancient Indian administration and the ethical governance principles promoted by Ashoka.

Session by Mr. B. Chennaiah:

Mr. B. Chennaiah, the resource person for the seminar, delivered an insightful lecture on the Mouryan administration and the principles of Ashoka Dhamma. His key points included:

1. Centralized Administration:

The Mouryan Empire under Chandragupta Maurya and his advisor Chanakya established a highly centralized form of government.

The role of provinces (Janapadas) and the appointment of provincial governors (Kumara) was discussed.

2. Revenue System:

The systematic revenue collection process, including land tax (Bhaga) and trade duties, was explained.

The importance of a well-organized bureaucracy in the administration of vast territories was emphasized.

3. Military Organization:

The structure of the Mouryan military, including infantry, cavalry, elephants, and chariots, was detailed.

The strategic importance of maintaining a strong and disciplined army was highlighted.

4. Ashoka's Dhamma:

Mr. Chennaiah elaborated on Ashoka's transformation after the Kalinga War and his subsequent adoption of Buddhism.

The principles of Ashoka Dhamma, including non-violence (Ahimsa), tolerance, and welfare measures for the people, were discussed.

The significance of Ashoka's edicts as tools for communicating his policies and moral teachings to his subjects was analyzed.

5. Public Welfare:

Initiatives such as the establishment of hospitals, rest houses, and the planting of shade trees along roadsides were mentioned as examples of Ashoka's concern for public welfare.

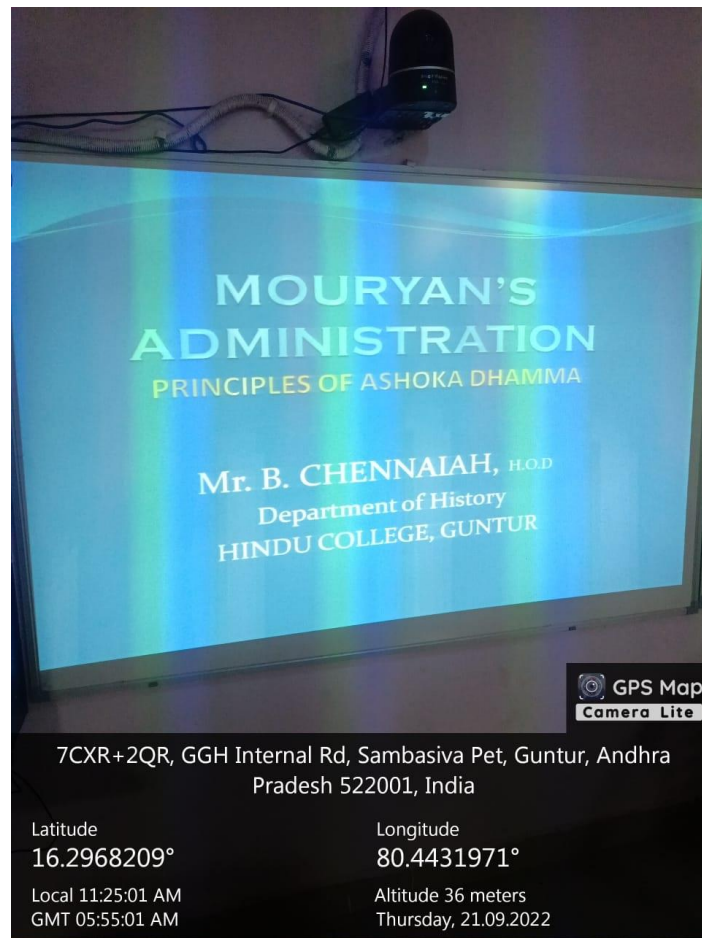
The role of Dhamma Mahamatras (officers of Dhamma) in promoting ethical behaviour and social harmony was explored.

Interactive Session:

Following the lecture, an interactive session was held where students posed questions to Mr. B. Chennaiah. Topics such as the influence of Ashoka's policies on subsequent Indian rulers and the relevance of Ashoka Dhamma in contemporary times were discussed. The resource person provided detailed and thoughtful responses, enriching the students' understanding of the subject.

Conclusion:

The seminar concluded with a vote of thanks by Mr. M. John Newton. He expressed gratitude to Mr. B. Chennaiah for his enlightening lecture and to all the faculty members and students for their active participation. The seminar was highly informative and provided valuable insights into the administrative prowess of the Mouryan Empire and the ethical governance principles of Ashoka Dhamma.





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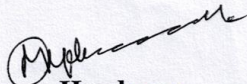
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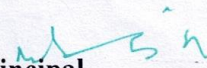
STUDENT ATTENDANCE

S. No.	Name of the Student	Roll No.	Signature
1.	G. Subhash chandra Nath	08.	G. Subhash
2.	Ch. Vinay Kumar	06	Ch. Vinay Kumar
3.	P. Chaitanya	02	P. Chaitanya
4.	G. Karthik	05	G. Karthik
5.	J. Prathu Dey	04	J. Prathu Dey
6.	B. Keerthi	105	B. Keerthi
7.	M. Durga pavani	104	M. Durga pavani
8.	B. Smily	129	B. Smily
9.	G. Abhilekh	107	G. Abhilekh
10.	P. Sri Nehima	122	P. Sri Nehima
11.	S. Sathish Kumar	125	S. Sathish Kumar
12.	O. Phanindra Kumar	114	O. Phanindra Kumar
13.	M. Naga Srinu	115	M. Naga Srinu
14.	K. Mahendra Naga Sai	106	K. Mahendra Naga Sai
15.	R. Ashok Naik	108.	R. Ashok Naik
16.	M. Dinesh	110	M. Dinesh
17.	B. Mahesh Babu	130	B. Mahesh Babu
18.	B. Siva Naga reddy	145	B. Siva Naga Reddy
19.	P. Teja	142	P. Teja
20.	M. Brahman	119	M. Brahman
21.	B. VIJAY KUMAR	136	B. Vijay Kumar
22.	M. Pallavi	141	M. Pallavi

S. No.	Name of the Student	Roll No.	Signature
23	G. Nithya Santhosh	127	G. Nithya Santhosh
24	H. Viswanath	140	H. Viswanath
25	K. Ramyha mythili	138	K. Ramyha mythili
26	R. Divya Sree	111	R. Divya Sree
27	B. Sagar	112	B. Sagar
28	K. Bunt Y	07	K. Bunt Y
29	P. waga anjaneyu	103	P. waga anjaneyu
30	G. Rohith	137	G. Rohith


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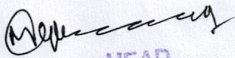
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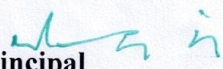
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All the II B. A. students are hereby informed to attend a seminar on "Mouryan's Administration – Principles of Ashoka Dhamma" to be conducted on 21-09-2023. Mr. B. Chennaiah, Head, Department of History, Hindu College, Guntur will be the Resource Person for this seminar.

Venue: RUSA Virtual Lab (R. No.03)

Time : 11.00 a.m.


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