

INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR

Remembering CHINGIZ AITMATOV



Chingiz Torekulovich Aitmatov: 12 Dec 1928 – 10 June 2008

Theme Socialist Realism to Global Humanism

25 – 27 March 2009

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Invitation

Dear Friend,

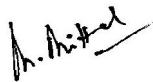
It is with immense pleasure that on behalf of the Centre of Russian Studies, School of Language, Literature and Culture Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, I invite you to participate in the *International Seminar: Remembering Chingiz Aitmatov* on the theme *Socialist Realism to Global Humanism* to be held from 25 – 27 March 2009 at the Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi.

Just as Chingiz Aitmatov's works reflect a kaleidoscope of themes concerning the human condition in a changing world weaving in prose the metaphor of myth and folklore creating magical realism on a canvas as wide as from socialist realism to global humanism; this International Seminar, while remembering and celebrating the life and works of this literary giant, promises to take the deliberations beyond Soviet and Russian literatures and art forms to address trends and issues in other literatures and arts as well.

This important academic and literary event will bring together international scholars, experts and writers for three days of intense interaction, exchange of ideas and experiences, and fellowship. The International Seminar shall have invited lectures and symposia, panel discussions, free papers, film screenings as well as other oral and audio-visual presentations. Papers, symposia, panels and other presentations are invited on various aspects of the Seminar theme and subthemes. Guidelines for submission of abstracts and papers are enclosed.

We shall provide local hospitality. However, since complimentary accommodation at the JNU Guest House is limited, you are requested to register early.

Looking forward to seeing you at the Seminar.



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Symposia and Papers

Theme

The theme of the International Seminar *Remembering Chingiz Aitmatov* is: *Socialist Realism to Global Humanism*.

Some of the sub-themes on which symposia, papers and panels are invited are:

- Life and works of Chingiz Aitmatov.
 - ◊ Formation of the creative personality of Chingiz Aitmatov
 - ◊ Evolution of ideology and art in the works of Chingiz Aitmatov
 - ◊ The Russian and the Kyrgyz in Aitmatov's works
 - ◊ War theme in Aitmatov's works
 - ◊ Myth and folklore in Aitmatov's works
 - ◊ Aitmatov's hero: human striving for love and goodness
 - ◊ Aitmatov and his concerns with moral values
 - ◊ Women in Aitmatov's works
 - ◊ Environment, technology and life in Aitmatov's works
 - ◊ Aitmatov in translation
 - ◊ Aitmatov and cinema
- Various aspects of the theme 'Socialist Realism to Global Humanism' as reflected in the works of other Soviet or Russian writers, poets and artists as well as those from other parts of the world.
- The writer as the echo of the soul of society.
- The politics of existence: Ideology and politics in literature for social transformation
- Dialectics of nation and the native in cultural and literary forms
 - ◊ National culture and the native
 - ◊ Interaction of Soviet and Russian cultures with indigenous cultures of Central Asia and other countries.
- Myth, legends, folklore, cultural traditions, historical accounts and allegory in contemporary literatures.
- Fantasy and Magical Realism in Soviet, Russian and contemporary world literatures.
- Quest for humanism in the twentieth and twenty-first centuries
- Humanism in literature and art for peace and international understanding.

Abstract Submission

- Please submit the abstract of your paper/ symposium/ panel latest by 28 February 2009.
- Abstracts must be submitted in English or in Russian.
- An abstract should not exceed 350 words.
- Abstracts should be typed in single line spacing using 12 point Arial font.
- Abstracts must be sent preferably by e-mail or may also be sent by postal mail.
- Use capitals for the abstract title to be placed at the top. Then provide authors surnames preceded by initials, followed by the name and address of the institution to which the author is attached.
- In case of more than one author, underline name of the author who will present the paper.

Information

Registration Procedure

Please fill in the enclosed Registration Form and send it to the Seminar Secretariat. All payments must be made by DD/ Cheque in the name of "Finance Officer, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi". (For outstation cheques please add Rs. 25.00 towards bank charges).

Registration Fee

	Payments received by 28 February 2009	Payments received after 28 February 2009
Indian Delegates	Rs. 250.00	Rs. 350.00
Foreign Delegates	US\$ 50.00	US\$ 60.00

General Information

Accommodation / Hotels

Delhi has a range of Five Star Deluxe to Budget Hotels and Guest Houses. The daily tariff for executive double / single rooms in these varies from Rs 25,000.00 at the high end to Rs 3000.00 at the lower end. Foreign nationals are required to pay in US \$ / Euros or other internationally accepted foreign currency. As March is high tourist season in India, it is advisable to make reservations well in advance.

The Seminar Secretariat will assist in making hotel reservations on receipt of advance request and payment. Limited complimentary accommodation is available in the University Guest House on first-come first-served basis.

Projection Facilities at the Venue

Multimedia LCD projectors will be available at the venue. Any other projection systems will be provided only on advance request.

Official Language

English is the official language of the Seminar. Session(s) will be held for presentations in Russian and Hindi.

Delhi Weather

March is the end of springtime in Delhi and the weather is pleasant.

Time Zone

Indian Standard Time (IST) is 5.5 hours ahead of Greenwich Mean Time (GMT).

Passport / Visa

All foreign delegates should obtain a visa from the Indian Mission in their country and they should possess a valid National Passport.

Immunisation / Health Insurance

Valid yellow fever inoculation is necessary for all delegates coming from, or transiting through endemic yellow fever countries. Delegates are requested to arrange their own personal health / accident insurance.

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