

DR. AMBEDKAR COLLEGE

DEEKSHABHOOMI, NAGPUR-10

DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH

NAME OF THE PROGRAMME : STUDY CELL LECTURE

RESOURCE PERSON : MR. DILIP RATHOD

TOPIC : THINGS FALL APART-CHINUA ACHEBE

DATE OF PROGRAMME : 29-30 DEC 2021

NUMBER OF STUDENTS : 42 (POST GRADUATE COURSE)

A STUDY CELL LECTURE SERIES was organized under Better English Association by the department during 21 to 30 December 2021. A proper schedule was prepared beforehand in order to streamline the entire lecture series. Each resource person delivered 02 lectures via online mode on zoom /google meet platform. All the students in Post Graduate course attended the programme.

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NOTICE

DATE: 18/12/2021

All the students of POST GRADUATE COURSE IN ENGLISH (M.A. SEM I & SEM III) are hereby informed that a LECTURE SERIES on the content of the prescribed syllabus has been organized as per the following schedule.

As the topics are framed according to the current syllabus of the Rashtrasant Tukadoji Maharaj Nagpur University, Nagpur, all the lectures will be of immense benefit to the learning community. Lectures will be held online via ZOOM platform and links will be shared as per the scheduled dates.

It is compulsory to attend all the lectures and submit feedback at the end of the series. Participating students will be given 'Certificate of Appreciation' by the college.

RESOURCE PERSON	TOPIC OF PRESENTATION	DAY	DATE	TIME
Mr. Shreeyash Kokate	W.H. Pater's 'Renaissance'	TUE & WED	21-22 Dec. 2021	12.00 PM
Ms. Devyani Sharma	Paradise Lost - Book -II	THU & FRI	23-24 Dec. 2021	12.00 PM
Dr. Ms. Rupali Bhave	S.T. Coleridge Christabel-Part 1	MON & TUE	27-28 Dec. 2021	12.00 PM
Mr. Dilip Rathod	Chinua Achebe - Things Fall Apart	WED & THU	29-30 Dec. 2021	12.00PM



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Topic – Things Fall Apart
– Chinua Achebe

Short stories



Chinua Achebe

Critical essays

Novels

Poetry



Chinua Achebe

Evil Forest

- When white men ask for the land Umuofians showed them to live in Evil forest.
- Umuofians believed that having twins is not a good sign and threw them in evil forest also the mysterious deceased people.
- Umuofians major God 'Chukwu' an angry god if they disobey it punishes
- White men's 'God' Christ who cares
- Enoch the first converts provokes Umuofian by killing the sacred python and removing the masks and eventually killing a person in Egwugwu ceremony.

Climax

- Enoch unmasks the man and tells the villager that he is fooling you and kills him.
- This act creates tension and Mr. Smith tells villager that he will be imprisoned and punished for the act.
- Later village leaders are caught due to demolition of the church.
- When messenger of the white men interrupts the meeting, in rage Okonkwo kills him.
- Okonkwo knows the consequence of his act and commits suicide.

Okonkwo achieves the position as an undisputed leader of the clan of Umuofia.

- **Okonkwo's household –**
- **He is wealthy and his status within the tribe grows, and he becomes one of the greatest men in the land,**
- **He has three wives and many children and a large stock of yams.**
- **Okonkwo and his family lives harmoniously in the compound with all three wives and children.**

Themes

- **Masculinity x Femininity, Male x Female principle, Father x Mother**
- **Success x Failure**
(failure & womanliness - twin fears dominating Oko's life)
- **Father x Son**
(Unoka-Okonkwo-Nwoye, also Ike and Ezinma)
- **Tradition x Change**
(Evolution x Imposition, Organic x Alien), Colonial modernity
- **"Colonial encounter"**