

# TRACK OF EVENTS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION DAY I

## 12 November 2025 – Wednesday

Venue: Main Auditorium, CHRIST (Deemed to be University), Bengaluru

**08:30 -09:30 am Registration & Reporting**

**10:00 -11:30 am Inauguration**

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| Welcome                | – Prof. Dr T. Kumari Kharbamon<br>(National President, ELTAI)<br>Vice Chancellor, Martin Luther Christian<br>University, Shillong, Meghalaya                                  |
| Presidential Address   | – Dr Fr. Joseph C C<br>Vice Chancellor, Christ University   |
| Annual Report of ELTAI | – Dr M. S. Xavier Pradheep Singh<br>(National Secretary, ELTAI)<br>Assistant Professor of English,<br>St Joseph's College,<br>Tiruchirappalli, Tamil Nadu                     |
| About the conference   | – Prof. Vaibhav Sabnis<br>(Convenor, National Vice President, ELTAI)<br>Professor of English, Dr B.A.M.College of Law,<br>Dhule, Maharashtra                                  |
| Felicitations          | – Dr P.N. Ramani<br>Patron, ELTAI   |
| Guest of Honour        | – Mr Anbil Mahesh Poyyamozhi<br>Minister for School Education<br>State Government of Tamil Nadu   |
| Releases               | – Proceedings of the Annual Conference 2025<br>– Journal of English Language Teaching<br>– Select Papers of ELTAI Conference 2023<br>– Select Papers of ELTAI Conference 2024 |
| Vote of Thanks         | – Dr Kishore S Babu<br>(Convenor, ELTAI Annual Conference 2025)<br>Associate Professor& Head,<br>Department of English and Cultural Studies,<br>Christ University, Bengaluru  |

**11:30 -11:50 am Welcoming High Tea**

**11:50 – 12:50 pm Plenary:**

***AI in language teaching, learning, and assessment:  
Snake oil or panacea?***

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| Speaker | – Dr Antony Kunnan<br>Founding editor of Language Assessment Quarterly;<br>the founding President of the Asian Association for<br>Language Assessment; the editor of The Companion<br>to Language Assessment; a former ILTA President,<br>Vice President and Treasurer |
| Chair   | – Rev. Dr Francis M. Peter<br>Chairperson, Centre of Excellence for Research and<br>Training in Educational Leadership,<br>St. Joseph's College, Trichy, Tamil Nadu  |

**12:50 – 01:00 pm Spotlighting: ELTAI**

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| Presenter | – Dr Shravan Kumar<br>(National Vice President, ELTAI), Professor and Dean<br>K. R. Mangalam University, Delhi NCR |
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**01:00 – 02:00 pm Lunch**

**02:00 – 03:00 pm Lightning Talks**

Moderator

- Dr Thiruvankataswamy  
Professor of English (Retd)  
NIT, Warangal and SSN, Chennai

Speakers

- Dr Nizara Hazarika  
Associate Professor of English,  
Sonapur College, Sonapur, Assam
- Dr Rajesh N. Joshi  
Associate Professor of English,  
Marwadi University, Rajkot, Gujarat
- Dr Navodita Bhatt  
Assistant Professor, Institute of Language Studies &  
Applied Social Sciences, CVM University, Gujarat
- Dr Arun DM  
Associate Professor and Head,  
Yeswanthpur Campus, Christ University
- Mr Arindam Sengupta  
Assistant Master, Hare School, Kolkata.
- Dr Girish Prasad Rath  
Associate Professor of English,  
Centurian University, Paralakhemundi, Odisha
- Dr Deepa Prasad L.  
Associate Professor, University College,  
Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala
- Ms Rejina K.C.  
PhD scholar, Kusoed & Lecturer,  
Department of English, Tribhuvan University,  
Institute of Engineering, Nepal
- Mr Siddharth Mahajan  
II MA Student, CHRIST University, Bengaluru
- Ms Jenifer Deivanayagam  
PhD scholar, CHRIST (Deemed to be University), Bengaluru

**03:00 – 03:15 pm Spotighting: India Reads**

Presenters

- Dr Shravan Kumar & Mr Varun Bhagath

**03:15 – 03:30 pm Networking Tea****03:30 – 05:30 pm Concurrent Paper Presentation Sessions****05:30 – 06:30 pm Cultural Events**

# DAY 2

## 13 November 2025 – Thursday

**08:30 – 09:00 am Registration & Reporting**

**09:00 – 10:15 am Poster Presentations** (Venue: Island, Block-1)

**Book Releases** (Venue: Skyview, Central Block)

### Concurrent Workshops:

No	Room	Title of the Workshop	Facilitator
1	Block 1 Room 329	<b>On-Demand<sup>1</sup> Workshop</b> <b><i>What do Teachers think about Assessment? Does it influence their classroom-based assessment?</i></b>	Prof Rama Mathew ELT consultant & Formerly Professor of Education, University of Delhi
2	Block 1 Room 218	<b>On-Demand<sup>2</sup> Workshop</b> <b><i>Thinking with and against AI: From Critical to Creative Taxonomies in ELT</i></b>	Dr Anusha Ramanathan Assistant Professor, Centre of Excellence in Teacher Education (CETE), School of Education (SoE) Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS)

**10:15 – 10:30 am Networking Tea**

**Venue: Main Auditorium, CHRIST (Deemed to be University), Bengaluru**

**10:30 – 11:30 am Symposium:**

### ***Language, Learning, and Legalisation:***

### ***Navigating the Shifts in India's Educational Landscape***

Moderator

- Dr John Joseph Kennedy  
Formerly Professor and Dean  
CHRIST (Deemed-to-be-University), Bengaluru

Presenters

- Dr Srinivas SV  
Professor, Azim Premji University
- Dr Greta D Souza  
HoD, Department of Education,  
CHRIST (Deemed-to-be-University), Bengaluru
- Dr Anil Joseph Pinto  
Registrar, CHRIST (Deemed-to-be-University)
- Ms Sheela Chacko  
Head of School-Cochin International School
- Ms Nalini Ponnappa  
Academic Head, Vidyashilp School

**11:30 – 12:00 pm Sponsors' Presentation – Burlington Press**

**12:10 – 01:00 pm Plenary:**

### ***The State of Online Teaching and Learning Through the Lens of a Teacher/Student***

Speaker

- Mr Royce Horak  
English Language Fellow, RELO, U.S. State Department & Cochin University of Science and Technology
- Brindha Balachandran  
Education and English Language Outreach Coordinator  
Regional English Language Office (RELO)

<sup>1</sup> Contact the Registration Desk to **enrol in this On-Demand event** with a separate payment of **Rs. 300**. The fee includes handouts, expert guidance, and a separate certificate. **Only 30 seats** are available.

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- Chair
- U.S. Consulate General Chennai
  - Dr Nalina Singh  
Amity University, Lucknow

**01:10 – 02:00 pm Lunch**

**02:00 – 03:15 pm Symposium:**

***Emerging Trends in Language Learning:  
Learner Identity and who owns the language***

- Chairperson
- Dr Arya KS  
Assistant professor,  
Department of English and Cultural Studies  
Yeswanthpur Campus
- Speakers
- Prof Gridhar Rao  
Professor, Azim Premji University
  - Prof Ammel Sharon  
Assistant Professor  
NLS Archives In-Charge  
Co-Director, Academic Support Centre  
National Law School of India University, Bengaluru
  - Mr Vijay George Kuruvilla  
Principal Consultant and Founder – Key Learning  
Performance Consultants, Bengaluru
  - Ms. Vidya Iyengar  
Editor, City Express, The New Indian Express

**03:15 – 04:30 pm Roundtable:**

***Reading Culture: A Pathway to Learning***

- Moderator
- Mr Abhinandan Bhattacharya  
Assistant IBCP Coordinator, TOK & PPS Coordinator  
Finland International School, Mumbai
- Speakers
- Dr Ravinarayan Chakrakodi  
Professor & Academic Head,  
Regional Institute of English South India, Bengaluru
  - Dr Anupama Nayar C. V.  
Associate Professor, CHRIST (Deemed-to-be-University)
  - Dr Sharoon Sunny  
Azim Premji University, Bengaluru
  - Dr Etinne Raseendran  
Professor, St. Joseph's University, Bengaluru
  - Dr Renu Dhotre  
HOD, English Department,  
M.P. Shah English High School, Mumbai.

**04:30 -04:45 pm Networking Tea**

**04:45 -06:00 pm Concurrent Paper Presentation Sessions**

**06:00 – 07:00 pm ELTAI Chapter Heads' Meeting (Venue: KE Auditorium)**

# DAY 3

## 14 November 2025 – Friday

**09:00 – 10.15 am Concurrent Paper Presentation Sessions**

**10:15 – 10:30 am Networking Tea**

**Venue: KE Auditorium, CHRIST (Deemed to be University), Bengaluru**

**10:30 – 11:30 am Panel Discussion**

### ***Teaching without Technology -Going Back to Basics***

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| Moderator   | – Rev. Dr Francis M. Peter<br>Chairperson, Centre of Excellence for Research and Training in Educational Leadership,<br>St. Joseph's College, Trichy, Tamil Nadu |
| Discussants | – Dr K Venu Madhavi<br>Associate Professor, Materials Development, Testing and Evaluation,<br>English and Foreign Languages University                           |
|             | – Dr Divya John<br>Associate Professor,<br>Sri Sivasubramaniya Nadar (SSN) College of Engineering,<br>Chennai, Tamil Nadu  |
|             | – Dr Kh Atikur Rahman<br>(Joint Secretary, BELTA)<br>Associate Professor of English and Communication<br>BSMR Maritime University, Bangladesh                    |
|             | – Dr Anup Nair<br>Associate Professor, Bishop Moore College,<br>Mavelikkara, Alappuzha, Kerala   |
|             | – Prof Bal Chandra Luitel<br>Professor & Dean, Kathmandu University School of Education, Kathmandu University, Nepal.  |
|             | – Dr Man Bahadur Jora<br>Assist Professor, Kailali Multiple Campus,<br>Far Western University, Nepal   |

**11:30 – 1:00 pm Concurrent Workshops**

No	Room	Title of the Workshop	Facilitator
7	Block IV, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor, Room No. 201	<b>Stories of Strength: Exploring Language Teacher Wellbeing and Resilience</b>	Prof K. Padmini Shankar Professor, The English and Foreign Languages University, Hyderabad
8	Block IV, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor, Room No. 202	<b>Reconceptualising Mentoring in Postgraduate Programs at Kathmandu University: Teacher Stories and Proposal of an Integralist Model</b>	Prof Bal Chandra Luitel Professor and Dean Kathmandu University School of Education, Kathmandu University, Nepal.
9	Block IV, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor, Room No. 203	<b>The Art of Teaching Wisdom: Beyond Knowledge and Knowing</b>	Dr Sumana Bandyopadhyay Assistant Professor, Department of ELT, Netaji Subhas Open University, West Bengal.
10	Block IV, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor, Room No. 204	<b>Designing Language Assessments in the Age of AI</b>	Dr Santosh Mahapatra Associate Professor, BITS Pilani, Hyderabad Campus, Hyderabad.
11	Block IV, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor, Room No. 206	<b>New Directions in School ELT Publishing: Synergies with Academia for Research and Authorship</b>	Mr Sreetilak Sambhanda Director -Publishing, Viva Group, New Delhi

No	Room	Title of the Workshop	Facilitator
12	Block IV, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor, Room No. 207	<b>From Thought to Text: Building Creative and Critical Voices in English</b>	Dr Dhanya Bhaskaran Sr. Academic Manager, Macmillan Education India Pvt. Ltd.
13	Block IV, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor, Room No. 208	<b>Empowering English Teachers with AI: Innovative Pedagogical Support for Personalised Learning</b>	Dr Anitha Devi V Professor, Department of English, SSL, VIT, Vellore
14	Block IV, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor, Room No. 209	<b>Recalibrating English Majors' Skills for New Age Careers</b>	Dr Anej Somaraj Associate Professor, Department of English, Christian College Chengannur, Kerala
15	Block IV, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor, Room No. 210	<b>English &amp; Soft Skills for Teachers</b>	Ms Sayali Saptarshi Image Consultant, Soft Skills & Corporate Coach Founder – Sayali Saptarshi Consultancy

**01:00 – 01:45 pm Lunch**

**01:45 -08:00 pm On-Demand<sup>3</sup> Storytelling Walk** (Local Cultural Sightseeing)

– Mr Vikram Rajini Sridhar

**On-Demand<sup>4</sup> Heritage Walk** (Local Cultural Sightseeing) – Dr Shobana Maathew

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<sup>4</sup> Contact the Registration Desk to enrol in this On-Demand event with a separate payment of **Rs. 600**. This fee includes transportation, refreshments, and entry fees to local attractions. **Only 80 seats** are available.

# DAY 4

## 15 November 2025 – Saturday

Venue: Main Auditorium, CHRIST (Deemed to be University), Bengaluru

**9:00 – 10:15 am Concurrent Paper Presentation Sessions**

**10:15 – 10:30 am Refreshments**

**10:30 – 11:30 pm Panel Discussion**

### *Teachers in Wonderland: Co-teaching with AI*

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| Moderator   | – Dr Anindya Shyam Chaudhary<br>Professor of English, Assam University, Silchar  |
| Discussants | – Dr Chumki Biswas<br>Associate Professor<br>Thadomal Shahani Engineering College, Mumbai  |
|             | – Dr Cherry Matthew Philipose<br>Associate Professor · Shiv Nadar University Chennai   |
|             | – Mr Binod Neupane<br>Secretary and Editor-in-Chief, NELTA Gandaki<br>Head, Faculty of Education and Department of English<br>Marsyangdi Multiple Campus, Lamjung, Nepal |
|             | – Dr Rommel Valencia Tabula<br>Faculty of Education, Kasetsart University, Thailand  |
|             | – Dr Akkarapon Nuemaihom<br>Associate Professor, Faculty of Humanities and Social<br>Sciences, Buriram Rajabhat University, Thailand                                     |
|             | – Dr Santhosh Mahapatra<br>Associate Professor, BITS Pilani, Hyderabad Campus  |
|             | – Dr K J Varghese<br>Associate Professor, Christ College, Thrissur, Kerala   |

**11:30 – 12:30 pm Interface with Creative Writers**

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| Moderator | – Dr Bidyut Bhusan Jena<br>Poet & Assistant Professor,<br>Department of English, CHRIST University  |
| Speakers  | – Mr Ameen Merchant<br>Novelist, Canada   |
|           | – Mr Madhu Raghavendra<br>Poet & Charles Wallace Fellow, Assam                                      |
|           | – Dr T.P. Vinod<br>Renowned Poet & Associate Professor of Chemistry<br>Christ University, Bangalore |
|           | – Ms Mary Zareah<br>Renowned Poet   |
|           | – Mr T. D. Ramakrishnan<br>Renowned novelist and translator   |

**12:30 – 01:30 pm Lunch**

**01:30 – 02:30 pm Roundtable Discussion**

### *Future of the Classrooms*

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| Moderator   | – Dr Mithilesh Kumar<br>Assistant Professor of English,<br>Christ (Deemed-to-be University), Bengaluru |
| Discussants | – Ms Akriithi Singh<br>Head – English Product,<br>Oxford University Press, New Delhi                   |
|             | – Dr Sweta Mukherjee<br>Associate Professor of English, Gitam University                               |

- Dr Padma Shree R. P  
Sr Assistant Director, Teacher Education and Research,  
Govt. of Karnataka
- Mr Dipankar Mukherjee  
Co-Founder and CEO, Studio Blo

**02:30 – 03:30 pm Valedictory**

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| Welcome               | – Dr Shravan Kumar<br>(National Vice President, ELTAI)<br>Professor and Dean, K. R. Mangalam University   |
| Conference Report     | – Dr S. Daniel Gnanraj<br>(Organising Secretary, ELTAI 2025 Annual Conference)<br>Assistant Professor, Department of English and<br>Cultural Studies, Christ University |
| Felicitation Address  | – Dr P. Jeyappriya<br>Registrar i/c,<br>Mother Theresa Women's University, Kodaikanal   |
| Valedictory Address   | – Dr John Varghese<br>Principal, St. Stephen's College, Delhi   |
| Guest of Honour       | – Dr Ezhilan Naganathan<br>MLA – Thousand Lights, Chennai   |
| Announcing ELTAI 2026 | – Dr Nandkumar Shinde<br>Head, Department of English, School of Humanities,<br>MIT ADT University, Pune   |
| Vote of Thanks        | – Mr Prakash R. H.<br>(National Joint Secretary, ELTAI) Secondary Teacher,<br>Government High School, Herakal, Bagalkot   |
|                       | – Dr Sharon J<br>(Convenor, ELTAI 2025 Annual Conference)<br>Assistant Professor of English, Christ University  |

**03:45 -04:30 pm Certificate Distribution & Refreshments**