Important Dates
- Submission of abstracts (200 words): 15 January 2017
- Notification on selection of abstracts: 18 January 2017
- Payment of registration & accommodation fee: 28 January 2017
- Submission of full papers (1000 words): 30 January 2017
- Abstracts and queries may be sent to: docunatisympos@gmail.com

Registration fee and accommodation charges can be paid through fund transfer to:
- Account Name: Documentary Symposium
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- Name of Bank: Canara Bank
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International Symposium
- Mapping 21st Century Indian Political Documentary Films: Discourses and Formal Trajectories

Call for Papers

Theme Note
Unlike its popular fictional counterparts, non-fictional films often end up as esoteric cinematic narratives in academic and intellectual platforms. However, as and when the accomplishments of research are captured, the apogee of documentary film is not merely a fleeting event, but a rich and inseparable part of the world. The workshop will expose the global and contextual dimensions of Indian documentary films released in 9 of the year 2013. This event is an attempt to academically audit the 21st century Indian political documentary films, juxtapose Indian political documentary films with their international counterparts, understand the contemporary trends and trajectories of the documentary genre in the Indian context, and to document academic responses to the official visual documentation of the new millennium. Abstracts of research papers covering, but not limited to, the following sub-themes are invited.

Sub-Themes
- Representation of the Nation
- Representing and Documenting Gender and Sexuality
- Colonialism & Communication Interface
- Challenges and Opportunities on Violence and Resistance
- Non-Fictional Films on Citizenship and Soil Rights
- Interactions of Nationalism and Social Justice
- Documentary Films in Indian Languages
- Documentaries in Digital Age
- Archiving through Documentary Tradition
- Identity Subtexts and Minor Traditions
- Documentary Film as Historical Narrative
- Documentaries on Campus Culture and Conflicts
- Global Politics/Military Documentaries
- Idioms of Indian Political Documentary Films
- Interrogating the Fiction-Non-fiction Binary

The top left corner of the abstract/full paper should carry the Name(s), Designation, Institutional Affiliation, Official Postal Address, Email ID and Contact Number of the author. AC Two/Three Tier Travel fare and local expenses will be reimbursed on production of tickets for invited paper presenters from India who have been offered the reimbursement of TA. Travel fare will be reimbursed only on receipt of the full paper. Request for refund of Registration Fee and Accommodation Charge will not be entertained under any circumstances. Central University of Kerala has a plan to publish selected papers of the conference in the form of a book with ISBN specification in collaboration with a leading publisher. Therefore, only presenters with full paper will be considered for the symposium.

Registration Fee
- For Faculty: ₹ 1500
- For students & Research Scholars: ₹ 1000
- For foreign participants: ₹ 50

Accommodation charge for four nights
- ₹ 1500 for AC Room sharing (two beds)
- ₹ 2500 for Non-AC sharing (two beds)
- ₹ 4000 for AC Room sharing (two beds)
- ₹ 1000 for foreign participants

Venue of Symposium
The symposium will be held at the University Auditorium in the Vidyagiri Campus of Central University of Kerala, Kasaragod. As our permanent building in the main campus is still under construction, the Department of English and Comparative Literature is currently housed in the BMK Towers, Nimmannangadi, Vidyagiri, on the Payyoli-Kochi National Highway No. 66, about 55 kilometers to the south of Kasaragod Railway Station (KZRS). The nearest airport, Mangalore (Bajpe IEL), is about 80 kilometers away from Kasaragod. Kasaragod is well-connected to other cities through road and rail. All trains except Rajdhanis Express and Garib Rath Express stop at Kasaragod. Those who wish to come by these trains should buy their tickets from Mangalore Junction (MAM) from where they can take other trains to Kasaragod. There are regular bus services from Kasaragod to Mangalore, Bangalore and to all other major cities in Kerala. The expected weather in Kasaragod in February, 2017 is between 25-35 degrees Celsius.