

Report on the Resource Lecture on  
**LANGUAGES ON THE WAY TO EXTINCTION: A MATTER OF CONCERN**

Organised by Dept. of English, KLU, Guntur on 22-09-2017

A resource lecture was organized by the Department of English, K.L.University, Vaddeswaram, Guntur on 22-09-2017 on **LANGUAGES ON THE WAY TO EXTINCTION: A MATTER OF CONCERN** by Prof. N. Sudhakara Rao, Head, PG Department of English, T J P S College, Affiliated to ANU, Guntur. He paved the way for the faculty to do research in this domain. While talking about Linguicide, he enlightened on the some of the extinct languages such as **Boa & Magati Ke**. He stated that according to US organisation SIL International "USOSI", 473 languages are currently classified as endangered languages. He opined As globalisation sweeps around the world, it is perhaps natural that small communities come out of their isolation and seek interaction with the wider world. During the session, Prof. Sudhakar brought out the reference of David Crystal, a linguist, who has estimated that "one language [is] dying out somewhere in the world, on average, every two weeks" due to this reason. However, the distinctive elements of texting language—pictograms; initialisms, or acronyms; contractions, and others are transforming the language. As a response to English linguistic dominance, de-anglicisation became a matter of national pride in some places and especially in regions that were once under colonial rule, where vestiges of colonial domination are a sensitive subject.

The session ended up with apprehensions and comprehensions of the faculty interactions with Prof. N. Sudhakara Rao. Further Prof. Rao was felicitated admirably by Dr. A. Anand Kumar, Principal, College of S&H and Dr. B.Siva Nagaiah, Head, Department of English, K L University, Guntur.

