



**DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY**  
**HOLY CROSS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS),**  
**NAGERCOIL – 629 004.**  
**TAMILNADU HISTORY CONGRESS**  
**30<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL SESSION**  
**22<sup>nd</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> September 2023**



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**Dear Delegates,**

Warm greetings from the Department of History, Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Nagercoil. We have a great pleasure in inviting you to the 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Session of the Tamil Nadu History Congress from 22<sup>nd</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> September 2023 to be held under the aegis of the Department of History, Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Nagercoil – 629 004.

**KANYAKUMARI DISTRICT**

Kanyakumari District is the southernmost district of India. It is located in the State of Tamil Nadu on the confluence of the Arabian Sea and Bay of Bengal of Indian Ocean. Hence, Kanyakumari has been a great centre for art and religion for centuries. Kanyakumari District has a rich historical and cultural heritage from time immemorial. During the ancient time it was great centre of trade and commerce. Sangam literatures visualize a vivid picture of its trade centres. This district was once the land of the Aye kings of the Sangam age. Later it was under the control of the Cheras, the Pandyas, the Cholas, the Nayaks, the Venad kings and the Travancore rulers. Under the Travancore rule this part of land was called as South Travancore.

The period between 1945 and 1956 bears much significance as far as the history of South Travancore is concerned. The Tamil speaking people of South Travancore who felt alienated from the mainstream life of Malayalee dominated Travancore, preferred to join the Madras State. Tamil language and the culture was the main force behind this merger movement. Travancore Tamil Nadu Congress fought for the transfer of the Tamil speaking taluks of Thovalai, Agastheeswaram, Kalkulam, Vilavancode, Shenkottai, Neyyattinkara, Devikulam, Peermedu and Chittoor with the then Madras State. According to the recommendations of the States Re-organisation Commission the Tamil-speaking areas, especially, the four southern most taluks namely Kalkulam, Vilavancode, Thovalai and Agastheeswaram were merged with Tamil Nadu on November 1, 1956. Thus formed the Kanyakumari District with its headquarters at Nagercoil.

Kanyakumari District is primarily a land of temples. Its religious institutions have had a very long history. Padmanabhapuram palace is another masterpiece which is known for its rich heritage. Moreover it has a number of forts and memorials. These monuments attract a large number of tourists from all over the world. The style and architecture of these monuments, palaces, temples and memorials differ from the other Indian monuments. These monuments also boost the tourism industry and attract a lot of foreigners to Kanyakumari. This monument also stands as the best example of our antiquities which speaks of our glorious culture and above all stimulates the scholars of history to explore the past history of India.

**HISTORY OF HOLY CROSS COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), NAGERCOIL**

Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Nagercoil, the first women's college in Kanyakumari District, is a Catholic college established and administered by the Congregation of the Sisters of the Cross of Chavanod since 2<sup>nd</sup> August, 1965. The college was conferred Autonomous status in 2007. It is accredited with A<sup>+</sup> grade (CGPA of 3.35) in the fourth cycle by NAAC. The college is affiliated with Manonmaniam Sundaranar University. This college offers different programmes in arts, commerce and science.

**DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY**

After the establishment of the College in 1965, Department of History started functioning in 1966 with two faculty members. Now the department has emerged as a Research Department and there are eight well qualified faculty members in the department. Faculty take much effort to upgrade the quality of the students. The department encourages and motivates the students to achieve a holistic development. Special care is taken to mould the young minds as useful citizens of India.

The Alumni of the department are occupying responsible posts in government and private sectors. Our students have been serving to the locality, region and nation through various organizations and professions such as teaching, aiding legal services to the various wings of central and state government machineries, banking and insurance services.

**VENUE**

The venue of the 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Session of the Tamil Nadu History Congress is in the 22 acres sprawling campus of Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Nagercoil. The city of Nagercoil is well connected by air, road, and rail from all parts of the country. Thiruvananthapuram International Airport has direct flights from all the major cities of India. The total journey between Thiruvananthapuram and Nagercoil takes around

2 hours via road. The nearest domestic airport is Tuticorin Airport. It also will take 2 hours to reach the conference venue from the airport. The nearest railway station and mofussil bus stand to the TNHC venue are Nagercoil Junction (NCJ) (about 450 metres) and Christopher Bus Stand, Vadasery (about 650 metres) respectively.

## RESEARCH PAPERS

Research papers are invited from the members of the Tamil Nadu History Congress. The research papers should be based on original research providing new data and interpretation on any aspect of the History of Tamil Nadu. The papers could be presented either in Tamil or in English. The research papers not exceeding 10 pages should be neatly typed with double space on one side of A-4 size paper with End-notes (notes to be attached at the end of the article). The research papers along with the abstract of 150 words in duplicate processed in MS WORD should reach the **Organising Secretary, Dr. S. Regi, Department of History, Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Nagercoil – 4** on or **before 15<sup>th</sup> September 2023**. Send your soft copies through the email: **hcchistory.tnhc@gmail.com**. *For research papers in Tamil, kindly copy the font and send it along with the article by email*

## DELEGATE FEE

All members of the Tamil Nadu History Congress, those who intend to become members and interested in the Proceedings are welcomed to attend the 30<sup>th</sup> session. The details of Delegate fee payable for different categories of participants are given below:

Outstation Participant: Rs.1500

Local participant: Rs.1000

Research Scholars: Rs.750

Delegate fee may be remitted by a demand draft favouring **30<sup>th</sup> Annual Session of Tamil Nadu History Congress** payable at Nagercoil or RTGS 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Session of Tamil Nadu History Congress, Central Bank of India, Roch Nagar Branch, Nagercoil, **A/c No. 5403647794 IFSC Code. CBIN0283659**

All delegates who paid the delegate fee will be provided hospitality and concomitant assistance on the days of the Conference at Nagercoil. Demand Draft may be taken in favouring 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Session of Tamil Nadu History Congress or the photo copy of the RTGS challan along with the duly filled in proforma should reach the Organising Secretary on or before 15<sup>th</sup> September 2023. Drafts with proforma received after the due date will not be entertained. This will help us to plan your comfortable stay and for our hospitality well in advance. Facilities requested for after the said dead line will not be guaranteed and the organizers will not be liable for any difficulties. Kindly co-operate to make your stay fruitful and comfortable.

***For research scholars, dormitory type of accommodation will be provided.***

***Accommodation cannot be assured to delegates who have not paid their delegate fee and submitted the duly filled in proforma on or before the last date.***

***Delegates travelling with their families are requested to arrange for their own accommodation. Non-TNHC members cannot avail of accommodation provided by us.***

## REGISTRATION

Registration will be done at Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Nagercoil from 07.00 am on 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2023. After the completion of registration formalities, the delegates will be taken to the allotted places of accommodation.

## MEMBERSHIP

The **Annual membership** fee is Rs.300/- and **Life Membership** fee is Rs.3000/- The Membership fee by Demand Draft drawn in favour of the Treasurer, Tamil Nadu History Congress, 30<sup>th</sup> Session may be sent to **Dr. T. Abdul Khadar**, Associate Professor of History, The New College, Chennai – 600 014. (9841231628)

ENQUIRIES: For assistance with regard to the under mentioned facilities you are requested to contact the following officials.

Registration	:	Dr. C. R. Siva Kala	Mobile No. 8903939526
		Dr. K. S. Soumya	Mobile No. 9965255724
Accommodation	:	Dr. V. Pradeepa	Mobile No. 9952690083
Transportation	:	Dr. K. Baby	Mobile No. 9486011336

**Enquiries** can also be made via email: **hcchistory.tnhc@gmail.com**

Looking forward to the pleasure of meeting you at the Conference Venue.

Wishing you to take part in the fruitful deliberations.

With Warm regards,



**(Dr. S. REGI)**

Organising Secretary

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**PROFORMA**

1. Name: .....

2. Designation with Address: .....

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3. Mobile No: .....

4. E-mail: .....

5. Title of the Paper: .....

6. Full Paper & Summary: Enclosed/ will be send

7. Patron/ Life Member/ Ordinary Member: .....

8. Delegate Fee: .....

Bank Demand Draft: Rs.....

D.D. No. : ..... Date: .....

9. Nature of Delegate: \*Outstation/ Local

If Outstation, details of arrival departure: .....

\*Outstation delegates are requested to tick the appropriate so as to enable us to make arrangements for accommodation.

Completed Proforma should reach Dr. S. Regi, Organising Secretary, T.N.H.C., Department of History, Holy Cross College (Autonomous), Nagercoil – 629004 **on or before 15<sup>th</sup> September 2023.**

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