



International Conference
on
“Revisiting the Indian History
in the light of Archaeological
and Textual Evidence”

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Organised by
Maharshi Valmiki Sanskrit University,
Mundri (Kaithal)
in collaboration with the
Indian Council of Historical Research, New Delhi

About the University

The Maharshi Valmiki Sanskrit University, Mundri (Moundhara), Kapisthalm (MVSU) is a state university established in 2018 by the Government of Haryana at Mundri village district Kaithal, Haryana. It is situated 12 km East of Kaithal, 111 km from the state capital Chandigarh, and 164 km from the national capital, New Delhi. The university currently is operating from its temporary campus at Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Govt. College, Kaithal while its campus is being constructed at Mundri village (Kaithal). It is named after the Hindu sage "*Maharshi Valmiki*" who was the composer of the "*Ramayana*". He is also known as the "*Adi-Kavi*" of the "*Sanskrit*" language. It is believed that *Maharshi Valmiki Ashram* was situated in Mundri village. The chief vision of the university is to revive "*Sanskrit*" and its wealthy wisdom through "*Sanskrit*" teaching and research, in addition, to bring back the glory of *Vedas*, Indic languages, Indian culture, history, and Indian philosophy on the platform of the modern world.

About the Conference

History is not only a discipline but also the mother of all knowledge traditions. In the absence of constant and unbiased deliberation, it becomes lifeless like still water. The history of 'Bharatvarsha' demands for a re-narration, reinterpretation, and rediscovery. Indian History is written down on the basis of archaeological and literary sources which are found in abundance within and outside of the Indian subcontinent. However, Knowledge is perception, and Perception changes with changing times and with new facts. This is what makes revisiting Indian history in the light of archaeological and textual facts which are relevant today. Indian archaeology is fully furnished with concrete evidence in respect of ancient Indian history. In the recent past, several new discoveries have come into light through excavations mainly from Rakhigarhi, Kunal, Bhirrana, Farmana, etc. in Haryana under the catchment area of Vedic Sarasvati River which are able to shift the established paradigm/notion regarding Indian History. In addition to this, textual evidence are also equally important to reconstructing the Indian past. However, after a reappraisal of facts and examinations of new archaeological data, it seems that there has been a lack of objectivity in Indian historiography. Hence, it is the challenge and responsibility of academicians and intellectuals of present times to revisit the history of '*Bharatvarsa*' on the basis of new archaeological evidence and reinterpretation of facts as well as we need to correlate the archaeological and textual testimony with objectivity. It is our moral responsibility to pass on the glorious history of 'Bharat' to our coming generations. The bellows of abundant Indian archaeological and textual records echoing in our ears are imploring us to dedicate a real history to the people of 'Bharat'. This will not be an innovation instead will be a realization and confrontation with the complete truth and the proposed academic event is a step toward this. The aim of the Conference is to provide a platform for leading academicians, students, and researchers to achieve the above-said goals through the exchange of experiences, views, and research results on various aspects of the History of '*Bharatvarsa*' on the basis of Archeological and Literary sources.

Sub Themes

- Archaeology
- Ancient Indian Epigraphy & Palaeography
- Archaeobotany
- Ancient Indian Art
- Ancient Indian Architecture
- *Vastushastra*
- Ancient Indian Numismatics
- Ancient Indian Culture
- Ancient Indian Astronomy
- Ancient Indian Literature (*Vedic, Pauranic and Non-Religious*)

Call for Abstracts: Original articles, research papers and case studies that highlight the issues related to above mentioned theme are invited from academicians, research scholars, and students. The paper submitted for the Conference should be unpublished and original work of the contributor(s). The soft copy of the abstract with maximum of 500 words, double spaced (in Times New Roman, font size 12) written in English and Hindi (in kruti Dev font size 14) should be sent for acceptance at confhist@mvsu.ac.in on or before **25th September, 2022**. After scrutiny of the abstracts, the authors will be informed regarding the acceptance of abstracts by **30th September 2022**.

Registration: To attend the conference, the registration is compulsory. All participants are required to register latest by 05th October 2022.

Registration: The registration fees for Indian Scholars is Rs 1000/-, for scholars of other countries is 100 USD. The registration fees for Indian research students are Rs 500/-, for research student of other countries is 50 USD. (**Registration Link:** <https://forms.gle/oSX2397jNHZ4FgecA>)

Mode of Payment: On spot fee counter.

Accommodation: Accommodation will be provided by the organizers for paper presenters only.

Publication: The proceedings of the conference will be duly published with ISBN No. by Research and Publication Department of MVSU University, Mundri (Kaithal).

Other Information: Further details about the programme will be updated on the university website: <https://mvsu.ac.in/>

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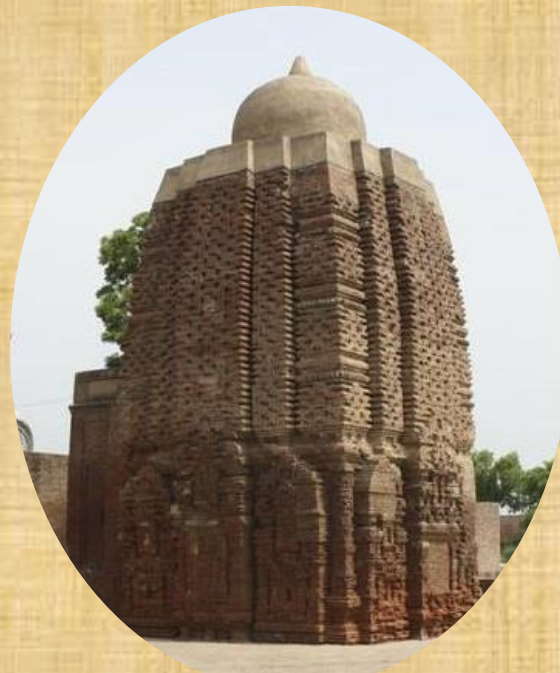
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