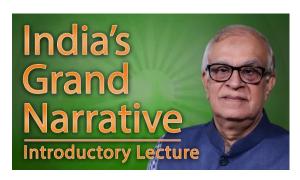
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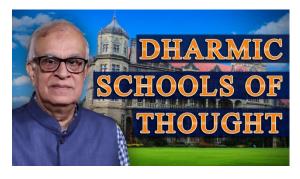
#### Lecture on India's Grand Narrative



Rajiv Malhotra was selected to deliver this prestigious lecture at India International Center, Delhi (Video). His topic was to discuss his next book, which deals with:

- Why Grand Narratives are important.
- Did India have a Grand Narrative in the past, and if so, what was it?
- How did this Indian Grand Narrative get disrupted: by Islamic, European and post-Independence Indian forces?
- What attempts were made by nationalists in the past 200 years to restore or reconstruct our Grand Narrative?
- What is the way forward?

#### **Dharmic School of Thought**



Rajiv Malhotra examines the Leftist schools of thought that emerged after independence as reincarnations of Marxism. He takes dharmic scholars to task for not doing adequate purvapaksha of these opponents, and proposes how we must proceed to develop our own new schools of thought. He says that while we like to honor our great thinkers by parroting their words, we are not continuing their method of thinking for relevance today. We need to adapt and develop new ideas based on old systems. Video.

#### Interview with Mohandas Pai

Rajiv Malhotra interviewed Mohanda Pai, a prominent industrialist, philanthropist and thought leader. Mohandas Pai analyzes the problems & solutions concerning India's education system, population growth and employment opportunities.



He says that economic growth of India should result in greater confidence in our cultural identity, including greater respect for our narratives such Ramayana and Mahabharata. He also insists that we should assert the importance of our sacred sites such as Ayodhya.

While discussing the performnace of Narendra Modi as Prime Minister, they both agreed that the new policies of Modi are on the right track for India's future.

Videos – Part 1, Part 2, Part 3, Part 4, Part 5





# Rakesh Kaul on Kashmir's pre-Islamic glory



Kashmir's rich history is filled with major developments in our Vedic heritage and the rise of our learned traditions. It started to crumble during and after Kota Rani, the Hindu last queen of Kashmir, as Muslim rulers gained control of Kashmir. The plight of Kashmiri Pandits becomes vivid in this context. Rakesh Kaul in his book "The Last Queen of Kashmir" has compiled a courageous history which every serious individual must learn. Video.

#### 5 million Followers on Facebook



In June 2018, Facebook page of Rajiv Malhotra crossed 5 million Likes. This is another exciting milestone as the page continues to grow at a rapid pace. Video.

#### Other Episodes on our Social Media Channel

- Dr. Nagaswamy Compares Thirukkural & Dharma Shastra
- Dr. Nagaswamy Explains How & Why Tamil
   Culture got Positioned as Anti-Sanskrit

Internationally Renowned Neuroscientist,
 Dr. V.S. Ramachandran's Keynote Lecture

# Rajiv Malhotra's forthcoming trip to India for 60 days

- Public/media events in Mumbai, Delhi, Bangalore
- Studio recordings of 20+ future episodes with a variety of thought leaders.

#### **Regional Language Subtitling of Episodes**

Hindi subtitles are now available for all current and upcoming videos. Subtitles of archive footages are also being made available in Hindi, Kannada, Tamil, Malayalam, Marathi and Gujarati. We are looking for volunteers who can help us. We would also like to expand to Telugu, Bengali, Odia and Assamese.

For this quarter we would like to acknowledge the contribution of the following Intellectual Kshatriyas (listed alphabetically):

Balasubramanian L, Dhanush Acharya, Ishwar Singh Latwal, Jayanthi Badrinath, Priya Jayagopi, Seema Mishra, Shivani Rajwade, Sumathi Jagganathan, Vandana Mishra, Veerender Singh

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#### Swadeshi Indology 3 Videos Available on YouTube



The third edition of the SI conference series was held at the Indian Institute of Technology, Madras from 22nd – 24th of December 2017. Under its theme "Tamil Nadu – The Land of Dharma", the conference addressed various issues feeding the divisive, separatist, and racist discourse currently prevailing in Tamil Nadu, including the exploitation of caste and untouchability, Aryan invasion theory, Dravidian movement, Hinduphobia, etc.

The conference had paper presentations in three parallel sessions from scholars, artists and researchers from various fields. Papers were presented on various themes of the conference as laid out in the concept paper.

Swadeshi Indology 3 videos are now available on YouTube.



#### **Inaugural Session**

- Inaugural function
- Current state of Aryan theories

#### **Plenary Talks**

- <u>Dr. Nagaswamy on Tamil Nadu The Land</u> of Dharma
- Nilesh Oak on Aryan Invasion Theory
- <u>Prof. Kanagasabapathi on Jati, Kinship and</u> Entrepreneurial development in TN

#### **Panel Discussions**

- Harvard Tamil Chair
- Dravidian Hinduphobia
- Legal Hinduphobia
- Pan Indic Traditions
- Spiritual traditions of Tamil Nadu

#### **Paper Presentations**

Track 1, Session 1: <u>Spiritual Stream of Tamil</u>
<u>Nadu</u> - Chaired by P. Ramanujan

- Partha Desikan 0:12
- Prerna Thiruvaipati & Sreejit Datta 21:24
- Sundari Siddhartha 50:31
- Sujatha Bala 1:16:15
- Shanti Narayanan 1:40:50
- Saraswathi Sainath 2:14:50
- Chair's remarks 2:41:58





# Track 1, Session 2: Spiritual Stream of Tamil Nadu - Chaired by V. V. Subramanian

- Shrinivas Tilak 0:12
- K. Vrinda Acharya 29:46
- K. Vidyuta 56:06
- Chair's remarks 1:19:44

## Track 2, Session 1: Roadmap for the future - Chaired by Kanagaraj Eashwaran

- Padmaja Suresh 0:12
- Ishani Dutta 28:56
- A.V. Gopala Krishnan 51:30
- V. Yamuna Devi 1:10:55
- Chair's remarks 1:32:13

#### Track 1, Session 3: Embedded Sacredness

- Vedveer Arya 00:13
- C. Hariharan 46:21
- K. Chitra Rao (Presented by K.V. Ramakrishna Rao) - 1:26:01
- S. Annapurna 1:39:19
- Sankareswari 2:04:21

# Track 2, Session 2: Modern Hinduphobia and the Dravidian Movement – Chaired by Prof. Sudarsan Padmanabhan

- T.N. Sudarshan 0:12
- K. Pradeep 23:59
- Ravi Joshi 42:15
- Yamuna Harshavardhana 51:24
- Chair's remarks 1:09:31

# Track 2, Session 3: Roadmap for the future: Tamil Identity Reasserting its pan-Indic Nature – Chaired by Prof. L S Ganesh

- K V Ramakrishna Rao 0:12
- Goda Devi 21:57
- Rupa Bhaty 38:58
- Jayaraman 57:56
- Chair's remarks 1:30:47

# Track 2, Session 4: Modern Hinduphobia and the Dravidian Movement – Chaired by Prof K.S. Kannan

- V. Ramanathan & G. Sudheer 0:12
- Shobha Shashi Kumar 25:16

- Shatavadani R. Ganesh and Arjun Bharadwaj - 54:32
- Prakruti Prativadi 1:21:00
- Manorama B.N 1:41:13
- Chair's remarks 2:18:07

# Track 3, Session 1: The Dravidian Movement and Evidence — Chaired by Shrikant Talageri

- Subhodeep Mukhopadyay 0:12
- Shivshankar Sastry 27:30
- Manogna Sastry and Megh Kalyanasundaram - 53:13
- Nilesh Oak 1:29:15

## Track 3, Session 2: <u>The Dravidian Movement</u> and the Evidence - video 2

- Jayasree Saranathan 0:12
- Prerna T and Sreejit Datta 57:16

## Track 3, Session 3: <u>The Dravidian Movement</u> and Evidence - video 3

- Premendra Priyadarshi & K.V. Murali 0:12
- Madhu, Sudarshan & Haricharan 39:03

### Track 3, Session 4: <u>Caste, Untouchability and Hinduism</u>

- Sreejit Datta 0:12
- Bimal Trivedi 48:24

# Mini Presentations: Track 1: Spiritual Streams of Tamil Nadu

- S. Renganayaki 0:12
- Ms. Lavanya Pravin 16:56

# Mini Presentations: Track 2: <u>Track 2:</u> <u>Embedded sacredness</u>

- Ponni Selvanathan 0:12
- R. S. Vaidyanthan 15:48

#### Mini Presentations: Track 3: <u>Tamil Identity</u> <u>Reasserting its Pan Indic Nature</u>

- Srinivas Bharadwaj 0:12
- Shivani Rajwade 12:21
- P. Sankareswari 26:07
- Rajath Vasudevamurthy 43:18
- Ms. Sharda Narayanan 1:03:15



