

**Department of History**  
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**DR. G. J. SUDHAKAR ENDOWMENT LECTURE**

The Department of History, Loyola College, Chennai conducted the **DR. G. J. SUDHAKAR ENDOWMENT LECTURE** on *Dommaris, Viramushtis and Vipravinods: The Socio - religious context of subaltern elevation in medieval south India*, on 2nd February, 2023 at Y.D Hall. Dr. N. Chandramouli, Professor, Department of History, Pondicherry University, and an expert on Prehistoric Archaeology and Rock Art was the chief guest on this occasion.

The programme began with a prayer song by the department choir followed by a welcome speech by Dr. A. Arputha Selvi. Dr. D. Anuradha, Head, Department of History, welcomed the gathering and thanked the staff members for their support in the smooth conduct of the endowment lecture. Mr J. Ranganathan, Coordinator, addressed the gathering and introduced the chief guest. His extract states, "Working today is the history of tomorrow. And, reading history is easy but making it is hard." The Chief Guest was honored by Dr. Xavier with a shawl and Ms. A. Karoliya Jansirani, a faculty presented a memento. Dr. I Princess introduced the Chief Guest.

The Chief Guest started his lecture with the detailed history of Dommaris, Viramushtis, Vipravinodi and their gradual evolution over numerous invasions over the years, he even highlighted honorific suffixes such as Raju, Reddy and Naidu and took royal titles as well by the dommaris. Later, he explained the inscriptions found on the Dommaris, Viramushtis, and Vipravindoi. His primary source remained inscriptions of pictures which he shared with the audience.

After an interactive and informative Q&A session, the lecture came to a close with a vote of thanks proposed by Mr Jeevith Anguram.