



To commemorate the Diamond Jubilee of

Centre of Russian Studies

School of Language Literature and Culture Studies

Jawaharlal Nehru University

organises an

International Conference

on

**India and Russia: Building Bridges between Societies
through Language, Literature, Translation and Culture**

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The Indo-Russia relationship has been observed exceptionally not only in modern times but also in ancient times. The cultural trade relations between both countries commenced even before Afanasy Nikitin's voyaged to India. Excavations took place in various places in Russia suggest that the relations between the two nations have been founded in ancient times.

From deep-rooted archaic relations to strong and time-tested support, broad strategic cooperation in the contemporary period witnesses the exceptional friendship between India and Russia. The present Prime Minister of India Sh. Narendra Modi said "Our friendship has stood the test of time. Russia is a pillar of strength in India's development journey." There are various similar components, such as common cultural routes, similarities in some Indian and Russian languages, traditions and culture. Both the countries admire each other at various national and international forums. In 1930, Mahatma Gandhi said, "I have always had the greatest respect and admiration for the Russian people, and particularly for their striving for spiritual and social truth." The exchange of letters between Mahatma Gandhi and Leo Tolstoy depicts the respect and affection for learning from each other. The learnings of non-violence, love and spirituality for humanity have been some of the key points in the correspondence between the two philosophers.

The geopolitical and economic scenario today portrays that various states are trying to establish a trusted friendship with other nations for development and trade. In contrast, Indo-Russia has been unpretending partners for a long. The friendship between both nations is flourishing today at a very high pace in various fields such as culture, education, trade, security, safety, etc.; therefore, it is pertinent to study and discuss the same in today's scenario. Studying past and present will lay down the path for a bright future.

Taking down to the past 60 years the Centre of Russian Studies, School of Language, Literature and Culture Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University is continuing to be one of torch bearer in the field of Russian Studies in India. To commemorate the 60th anniversary of the establishment (in 1965 as the Institute of Russian Language), is organising the International Conference "India and Russia: Building Bridges between Societies through Language, Literature, Translation and Culture" on 12th-14th November 2025. Since the present year is





also being celebrated as 165th birth anniversary of the renowned author Anton Chekhov and 130th birth anniversary of renowned linguist Viktor Vinogradov, the papers are invited dedicated to Chekhov and Vinogradov.

The Teachers, Scholars and Researchers are invited to participate in the Conference as per the following themes in Indian & Russian Studies:

Themes and Subthemes:

Linguistic Studies

1. Viktor Vinogradov and his Contribution in Linguistics
2. Linguistic Practices in Contemporary World
3. Dynamics of Urban and Rural Languages
4. AI & Social Media in Linguistics
5. Indian & Russian Linguistics: Comparative and Contrastive Studies
6. Typological Study of Russian and other Languages

Literature Studies

1. Confluence of Russian and Indian Literature
2. Comparative Study of Indian and Russian Literature
3. Chekhov and World Literature
4. Emerging Trends, Themes in Russian Literature
5. Literature and Technology
6. Emerging Formats of Literature
7. Reading habits of Literary Texts

Folklore Studies

1. Folklore of India and Russia: Comparative Studies
2. Folklore and its various forms
3. Narrations, Storytelling, Folk Theatre as form of Arts in India and Russia
4. Reception of Folklore in Literature and Cinema
5. Documentation of Folk Literature into Local Languages
6. Urban Folklore
7. Disabled Folklore





Translation Studies

1. Tradition of translation from Russian into Indian Languages and vice-versa
2. Cultural Mediation through Translation
3. Challenges, Opportunities and Expectations in Translation Today
4. The use of Technology in Translation: AI & Machine Translation

Culture Studies

1. Shared Cultural Roots between India and Russia
2. Indian Knowledge Traditions in Russia
3. Russian Knowledge Traditions in India
4. Oral Traditions in India and Russia: Comparative Study
5. Indic Studies in Russia and CIS Countries

Research & Teaching Methodology

1. Emerging Teaching Methods in Teaching Russian in Indian Classrooms
2. Emerging Teaching Methods in Teaching Indian Languages in Russian Classrooms
3. Use of Technology & AI in Teaching Russian and Indian Languages: Opportunities and Challenges
4. Innovative Teaching Methods in Foreign Language, Literature and Culture

Registration and Conditions of Participation

- Registration through: <https://forms.gle/DU1M4tpgY4WDTuo19>
- Last date for Registration and Sending the Abstract (150-250 words): 10th July, 2025
- Notification of Acceptance of Abstracts: 31st August, 2025
- No registration fees
- Duration of each Presentation: 12 minutes + 3 minutes for Questions and Answers
- Conference Languages: Russian/Hindi/English
- The Conference will be organised in Hybrid Mode
- Selected Articles may be Published in the Edited Book after the Conference
- Travel, Boarding & Lodging by Participants or Sending Parties





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