

**Department of English Studies, CENTRAL UNIVERSITY OF JHARKHAND**

**Proposal for Webinar**

**On**

**‘Learning to Love and Live The Author’s Way’**

**Proposed Dates: 5<sup>th</sup> April 2021 and 6<sup>th</sup> April 2021**

**Time:10:00 am--1:30 pm**

**Place: Central University of Jharkhand (online mode)**

**About the Webinar**

Reading of a text begins with the author’s bio-note. The biggest problem we often face is the overload of information available about authors, both in print and online. When researching authors, it can be especially interesting to see how they have integrated their own life and experiences into their books. Scholars of literature especially lookout for these connections and integrate them into their research papers and answer scripts.

The Department of English Studies has taken up the initiative of bringing scholars and authors of texts included in the curriculum on the same platform. This coming together will benefit the scholars immensely. They will not only gain new insights but also feel motivated to walk, live and love the author’s way.

The Honorable Vice-Chancellor has given his consent to act as the Chief Patron of the Lecture Series. The Convenor of the Programme is the Department of English Studies, Central University of Jharkhand .

**Objectives of the Webinar:**

1. To bring the scholars and the authors of prescribed texts on the same platform
2. To help students gain a better understanding of the authors, their journey and their philosophy of life.
3. Establish linkages with the world beyond books.
4. To disseminate knowledge by providing practical instructions and interactions.
5. To promote innovations in teaching learning process and research.

## **Details of Invited Speakers who have given their consent:**

### **1. Jaiwanti Dimri**

Dr. Jaiwanti Dimri retired recently as a Professor of English from Himachal University, Shimla. She also taught in Nigeria (1982-83) and Bhutan (1997-99) under the Colombo Plan. A bilingual writer, translator and critic, she has numerous research papers in journals and major anthologies, short stories and eight books in Hindi and English to her credit.

### **2. Jacinta Kerketta**

Jacinta Kerketta is a young poet, writer and freelance journalist, belonging to an Oraon Adivasi community of West Singhbhum district. She writes in Hindi. In her poems, Jacinta highlights the injustices committed on the Adivasi communities, along with their struggles. Her poems are also important cultural and artistic documents of Adivasi worldviews.

### **3. Janice Pariat**

Janice Pariat is an Assistant Professor in the Department of English Studies in Ashoka University, New Delhi. She is the author of *Boats on Land: A Collection of Short Stories* and *Seahorse: A Novel*. She was awarded the Young Writer Award from the Sahitya Akademi and the Crossword Book award for Fiction in 2013.

### **4. Pankaj Dubey**

Pankaj Dubey is a bi-lingual author and writes all his titles in English and Hindi. His other novels are *Ishqiyapa - To Hell With Love*, *Love Curry* and *Trending In Love* (Published by Penguin Books India). Pankaj Dubey has been selected amongst three Asian authors for the Writer's Residency in Seoul Art Space Yeonhui, Seoul, South Korea in 2016.

## **Webinar Organizing Committee**

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5	Speakers	Prof Jaiwanti Dimri, writer, academician Jacinta Kerketta, poet, writer Janice Pariat, writer, academician Pankaj Dubey, writer, film maker
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