

**DEPARTMENT OF TAMIL STUDIES**  
**MANONMANIAM SUNDARANAR UNIVERSITY**  
TIRUNELVELI – 12

**Year of Establishment : 1996**

**Courses Offered**

Ph.D. : From 1997  
M.Phil. : From 1997  
M.A. : From 1998  
PG Diploma : From 2009

**Faculties**

| NAME                 | QUALIFICATION  | DESIGNATION           | SPECIALIZATION   |
|----------------------|--|-----------------------|--|
| Dr. A. Ramasamy      | M.A., Ph.D.,   | Professor & Head      | Literary Criticism,<br>Modern Tamil<br>Literature                    |
| Dr. S. Alagesan      | M.A., Ph.D.,   | Professor             | Grammar &<br>Linguistics   |
| Dr. G. Stephen       | M.A., M.Phil., Ph.D.,  | Reader                | Folklore, Culture<br>Studies, Archiving                              |
| Dr. P. Natarajan,    | M.A., M.Phil., Ph.D.,  | Lecturer (SS)         | Temple Studies,<br>Fiction   |
| Dr. S. ARANGANATHAN  | M.A., M.Phil., Ph.D.,  | Temporary<br>Lecturer | Grammar, Classical<br>Literature                                     |
| Dr. S. NAGANATHAN    | M.A., M.A.(Ling.),<br>M.PHIL., PGDJMC.,<br>Dip. in Saiva<br>Siddhantham,<br>Ph.D., | Temporary<br>Lecturer | Grammar,<br>Linguistics, Saiva<br>Siddhantham, Mass<br>Communication |
| Dr. P. ARUL MANOKARI | M.A., M.Phil., Ph.D.,  | Temporary<br>Lecturer | Historical Grammar,<br>Place Name Study                              |

**Research Projects**

| S.No. | Name of the Teacher | Title of the Project  | Duration    | Funding Agency |
|-------|---------------------|---|-------------|----------------|
| 1.    | Dr. A. Ramasamy     | Cultural Geography of India<br>(Tirunelveli Dist)             | 2000- 2002  | U.G.C.         |
| 2.    | Dr.G.Stephen        | Tale Type Index for Tamil<br>Folktales                        | 2005 - 2007 | U.G.C.         |
| 3.    | Dr.P.Natarajan,     | Functional Changes of Folk<br>Deities in Tirunelveli District | 2006 - 2008 | U.G.C.         |

## Endowments

| S.No. | Name           | Founder                                | Year of Establishment |
|-------|----------------|--|-----------------------|
| 1.    | Bharathiyar    | Common Fund                            | 1996                  |
| 2.    | Bharathidasasn | Govt. of Tamilnadu                     | 1996                  |
| 3.    | Anna           | Thiru . A.O. Balasundaram<br>Melagaram | 1998                  |
| 4.    | Thirukkural    | Tamilnad Mercantile Bank               | 2007                  |

## Publications By The Department

1. பின்னை நவீனத்துவம் கோட்பாடுகளும் தமிழ்ச்சூழலும்  
(Post modernism in Tamil context) – Ed. T.S.Natarajan & A. Ramasamy, 1998
2. பாரதி தாசன் - அவரும் அவர்தம் படைப்புக்களும்  
(Bharathidasan : Himself and his writings) ( Endowment Fund) –Ed. T.Paramasivan,
3. ரேணியஸ் ஐயர்  
(Rev. Rhenious) –Ed. T. Paramasivan
4. TAMIL MODERN POETRY: BHARATHI DASAN AND AFTER  
(Endowment Fund) –Ed. S. Ravindranathan, T.Paramasivan, R.Balachandran
5. காலமும் களனும்  
(Time and Space) (UGC –Unassigned grant) –Ed. T.Paramasivan, G. Stephen

## Extension Center

BHARATHI ARCHIVES,  
ETTAYA PURAM, (From 2001)

## Foreign Experts who Visited the Department

| SI.No. | Year | Name of the Expert                          |
|--------|------|---|
| 1      | 2000 | John Bernard Paani, Chikako University, USA |
| 2      | 2000 | KAVI Vilva Rathinam, Sri Lanka              |
| 3      | 2002 | Eric Miller, Pensilvenia University, USA    |
| 4      | 2006 | Mouna Guru                                  |
| 5      | 2008 | Cheran, Winsor University, Canada           |