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ACADEMIC REPORT: INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON PALI & BUDDHIST STUDIES

DATES: FEBRUARY 19–23, 2025 LOCATION: THAILAND

THEME: CHALLENGES AND POSSIBILITIES OF PALI AND BUDDHIST STUDIES



Central Sanskrit University (CSU) successfully organized an international academic conference in Thailand to foster cross-cultural dialogue on Buddhist philosophy and Pali literature. The five-day event served as a convergence point for scholars to examine the ethical, logical, and linguistic dimensions of Buddhist studies while exploring their intersection with Sanskrit traditions.



Institutional Leadership & Delegation

CSU demonstrated robust academic leadership through a sizable delegation, ensuring diverse representation from across its network.

- CSU Representation: The delegation comprised 21 members, including 05 Senior Officials and 16 Faculty Members selected from 8 different campuses.
- Collaborative Partners: The event was executed in strategic collaboration with the Sri Aurobindo Yoga & Knowledge Foundation, Raipur.
- Local academic support was provided by Dhonburi University, Bangkok, and the Sustainable India initiative.



Academic & Cultural Proceedings

The conference structure balanced rigorous academic discourse with experiential learning:

- Scholarly Presentations: Faculty members presented research papers addressing contemporary and historical challenges in Pali and Buddhist studies, covering topics such as Buddhist ethics, logic, and philosophy.
- Cultural Immersion: The itinerary included immersive sessions at significant Buddhist sites and meditation centres, providing participants with a practical understanding of the living traditions of Theravada Buddhism in Thailand.



Strategic Outcomes & Future Road Map



The primary accomplishment of this visit was the strengthening of institutional ties between Indian and Thai higher education sectors.

- Silpakorn University Collaboration: The delegation successfully explored avenues for future collaboration with the Sanskrit Studies Centre at Silpakorn University, Bangkok.
- Network Expansion: Discussions were initiated with various other Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) in Thailand to facilitate future faculty exchanges, joint research, and the promotion of Sanskrit-Pali comparative studies.

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