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Public Lecture's

Prof. Anvita Abbi (Padma Shri), formerly at the Centre for Linguistics, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, is currently Adjunct Professor at Simon Fraser University, British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada. Professor Abbi's work on tribal languages and other minority languages of South Asia has been exemplary and is widely recognized in the world. Her pioneering work on the highly endangered languages of the Andaman Islands has been received with great acclaim in India and abroad. She identified a new language family of India, namely Great Andamanese, which is genealogically different from the rest of the languages of the Andamanese tribes. This was subsequently verified by the population genetic studies. This discovery has helped in understanding the peopling of Asia and Oceania.



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Date & Time	Venue	Topic
29th November, 4.00 PM	ICG, Dona Paul	What does Indian linguistic diversity tell us?
04th December, 3.00 PM	Goa University	The world-view of the Pre-Neolithic Tribe of India: The Great Andamanese
11th December, 11.00 AM	Rosary College, Navelim	Language Extinction is an intellectual catastrophe.

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