

DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY CERTIFICATE COURSE ON LOCAL HISTORY

Course Code: CERSKCHIS24

Course Duration: 30 Hours

Course Objectives

The Certificate Course in Local History is a comprehensive program designed to explore and document the rich heritage of local communities. It bridges the gap between personal narratives and broader historical frameworks, enabling learners to uncover the stories, traditions, and landmarks that define their region's identity. This course is ideal for students, who are interested in understanding the past through a local lens.

Course Outcomes:

- Understand the methods and tools for studying local history.
- Develop the ability to critically analyze historical sources and narratives.
- Gain practical experience in documenting and preserving historical and cultural heritage.

Module 1: Introduction to Local History

- Definition and Scope of Local History
- Sources of Local History
 - Oral traditions
 - Archaeological findings
 - Cultural practices

Module 2: Methods and Techniques of Local History

- Techniques in Collecting Oral Histories
- Fieldwork

• Digital Tools for Historical Research

Module 3: Local History of Kandanassery

- Megalithic remains of Ariyannur
- Cultural Heritage of Kandanassery

Activity

1. Field Visit

References

- 1. Carol Kammen –On Doing Local History
- 2 .Donald Dean Parker -Local History: How to Gather it Write It and Publish It
- 3 A. Sreedhara Menon Cultural Heritage of Kerala
- 4. B Sheik Ali –History its Theory and Method
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