

DAY 02

 19th FEBRUARY, 2026

Focus : Writings from the Middle East and North Africa

TIME	VENUE	SESSION
09:45 AM – 11:15 AM	RANGGHAR AUDITORIUM	TEA, LOVE AND WAR: SEARCHING FOR ENGLISH ROOTS IN ASSAM Michael E. Ward in conversation with David Mitchell and Ann Poyer
10:15 AM – 11:15 AM	CMS 1	THE PROMISE OF INDIA AND ITS PRIME MINISTERS Rahul Jain in discussion with Jaimini Bhagwati
10:15 AM – 11:15 AM	CMS 2	THE GENERAL AND HIS CANTONMENT DAYS K Sree Nair in dialogue with General (Dr) Manoj Mukund Narvane on his life and books
11:00 AM – 12:15 PM	INDIRA MIRI HALL	THE CHICKEN NECK'S QUAGMIRE Jayanto Narayan Choudhury in conversation with John S. Shilsi, Tashi Chophel and AVM Arjun Subramaniam on issues around the North East of India
09:30 AM – 11:00 AM	LIBRARY LAWN	MAKING SENSE OF JAL, THAL AND MAL Sopan Joshi engages with students on the environment that we live in
 TEA BREAK 		

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11:30 AM - 01:00 PM	RANGGHAR AUDITORIUM	LITERATURE AS AN OASIS IN MENA Ann Morgan takes a deep dive into literature from the region with Shahla Ujayli Mai Khaled, Lana Abdel Rahman Said Khatibi and Abdelaziz Errachidi
11:45 AM - 12:45 PM	CMS 1	THE SIX YARDS YARN, & MORE Paramita Satpathy in discussion with Lakshmi Puri
11:45 AM - 12:45 PM	CMS 2	IN-DEPTH Nipam Kumar Saikia engages with Yeshe Dorjee Thongchi on his life and his writings
11:45 AM - 12:45 PM	SRI SRI ANIRUDDHADEVA BHAVAN	FACT-ION: HISTORY IN STORIES Khandakar Shahin Ahmed delves into the works of Shehnab Sahin, Chitra Viraraghavan Sung-Il Kim on weaving tales around historical events
11:45 AM - 01:00 PM	LIBRARY LAWN	HOW GREEN WAS MY... KSPV Pavan Kumar engages with Mahesh Rangarajan and Arupjyoti Saikia on environmental issues
 LUNCH BREAK 		

TIME	VENUE	SESSION
02:00 PM - 03:30 PM	CMS 1	ROMANCING SPANISH LITERATURE Minu Bakshi connects with María Reimóndez Lucía Asué Mbomio Rubio, Susana Sanches Arins and Uxue Alberdi
02:00 PM - 03:30 PM	CMS 2	MURDER THEY WROTE Dhruba Hazarika investigates the detective writings of Krishnan Srinivasan, Vasundhara Jeong You-Jeong and Said Khatibi
02:00 PM - 03:15 PM	SRI SRI ANIRUDDHADEVA BHAVAN	BATTLE CRY: ECHOES FROM THE VALLEY Vizovono Elizabeth recalls WW II through the lenses of Gautam Hazarika and Yaiphaba Kangjam
02:00 PM - 03:15 PM	INDIRA MIRI HALL	THE ENERGY CONUNDRUM & INDIA Narendra Taneja (chair), Talmiz Ahmad Waiel Awwad, Krishnan Srinivasan and Kingshuk Chatterjee
02:00 PM - 03:00 PM	LIBRARY LAWN	FROM GRASSROOTS TO THE SKIES Koral Dasgupta in conversation with Neelu Khatri, founder Akasa Air & Madhu Sutodiya, Entrepreneur, Barpathar Tea Estate
 TEA BREAK 		

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03:20 PM - 04:50 PM	RANGGHAR AUDITORIUM	JOURNALISM OF COURAGE Kallol Bhattacherjee investigates challenges in reporting with Sumana Ramanan Waeil Awwad and Lucia Asu� Mbomio Rubio
03:20 PM - 04:50 PM	SRI SRI ANIRUDDHADEVA BHAVAN	UNQUIET FLOW THE RIVERS Kaustubh Deka in conversation with Arupjyoti Saikia, Uttam Kumar Sinha and Justice (Retd) Subhasis Talapatra on the Brahmaputra and issues around rivers
03:20 PM - 04:35 PM	CMS 1	INSIGHTS: THE TATAS, THE MISTRYS AND THE ROYALS OF JODHPUR Arjun Singh Kadian in conversation with Aman Nath and Yogi Vaid on their experience of navigating the influential
03:20 PM - 04:20 PM	CMS 2	IN-DEPTH David Cl�menceau in conversation with Ann Morgan on her literary views of the world
03:30 PM - 04:30 PM	INDIRA MIRI HALL	IN-DEPTH Rakhee Kalita Moral in discussion with Kyung-Sook Shin on her literary genres