

EVENT REPORT  
DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

**Name of the Event:** Exploring a few Hoysala Architectural Styles

**Category:** Special lecture on the occasion of World Heritage Day

**Organising Unit:** Dept of History

**Date Held:** May 2, 2025

**Time:** 1.30pm

**Venue:** Class Room -15

**Name and Designation of the Resource Person:** Dr. Soma Marik, Associate Professor and Head of the Department of History.

**Number of Participants:** 23

**Brief Description of the Event:**


It was a one hour lecture on Hoysala architectural styles commemorating the World Heritage Day, which falls on April 18, 2025. Hoysala temples of Belur, Halebidu, and Somanathapura are remarkable for their fine stone carvings. These styles reached a climax in the 13<sup>th</sup> century in the southern plateau region. The above-mentioned temples are marked as UNESCO World Heritage Site since 2023. This recognition highlights the temples' unique style, craftsmanship, and cultural importance.

Two of the temples were discussed at length: Chennakeshava Temple at Belur and Hoysaleswara Temple at Halebidu. The motifs and panels of the temples show vivid descriptions of secular issues: eros, conjugality, single woman, war and many others. While other panels depict the stories of Ramayana, the Mahabharata and the Puranas.

**Outcome of the Event:**

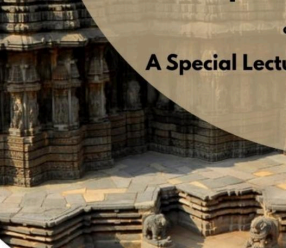

The students were excited to explore the fusion of the Nagara, Dravidian, and Bhumija architectural styles. The students came to know how art history could be studied through iconography and inscriptions. It was a presentation on an intensive study of a branch of art history which might help the students to have a career option of travel guide or preparing travel vlog.

**Flyer:**




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**The Department of History**  
organises  
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**World Heritage Day**

**EXPLORING A FEW HOYSALA TEMPLE ARCHITECTURAL STYLES**



**Speaker : Dr. Soma Marik**  
Associate Professor,  
Department of History

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**Photos:**

