Academic Interactions with Foreign Institutions in 2017
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Abstract

This presentation is a summary of my research papers presented in foreign universities in 2017. I have presented four research papers in India and one in China during this period. I have been invited to the Department of Archaeology, University of Kerala, Thiruvenathapuram, India in January for the Presidential address of the International Conference on Field Archaeology organized by that University. My presentation was on the Importance of Anthrofacts in Field Archaeology which contains an extension to hitherto considered Ecofacts and Artifacts in Archaeology. I presented two papers based on Sigiriya paintings, one at the Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi, India in February and the other one is at the Archaeological Directorate at Gauhati, Assam in November. In September I have been invited to Gautam Buddha University, Greater Noida in India where I presented a paper on Padhanaghara monasteries. I have been appointed as the consultant of the Shanghai Archaeological Forum and invited for the International Conference on Water and Civilizations in December where I presented a paper on the Significance of Waterbodies in Cityscape in ancient Sri Lanka.

In this presentation I summarize all these presentations with my academic contribution, experience obtain and future prospects of my foreign interactions in 2017.

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