Report on the Guest Lecture

The guest lecture was the first event organised by the English Literary Forum, **Parnassus**, for the academic year 2018-19. It was held on 8 October, 2018 in the auditorium and the chief guest and speaker for the event was Dr. R. Azhagarasan, Associate Professor, Department of English, University of Madras. The President of the college Dr. A. M. Swaminathan was in attendance as well. Ms. Iswarya, Head of the Department of English, delivered the Welcome Address. Jannani Mohan was the MC for the event and Krishna Venkataraman presented the Speaker's Profile.

Dr. Azhagarasan delivered an enlightening lecture on the topic "The Impact of Art on the Individual and the Society". He focussed on the transformation of art and its themes throughout history. He mentioned famous paintings and spoke about how they were influenced by the period in which they were created. He also laid emphasis on the value of art in the society. After concluding, Dr. Azhagarasan took questions from the audience.

After the lecture, Dr. Azhagarasan and Dr. Swaminathan declared the Theatre Society, **Proscenium**, open and unveiled the poster for the first event of the club, an interdepartmental monologue competition which is to be held on 13 October, 2018. The event was concluded with the Vote of Thanks.