

***Centre for European and Latin American Studies***  
**Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi**

**NATIONAL SEMINAR**  
**CUBA TODAY: AFTER FIFTY YEARS OF REVOLUTION**  
March 4, 2009, Tagore Hall, Dayar-i-Mir Taqi Mir



**Programme**

09.30 – 10.00 am: **Tea and Registration**

10:00 -10.45 am: **Inaugural Session**

**Opening remarks:** Sonya S. Gupta (Jamia Millia Islamia)

**Key-note address:** H.E. Mr. Miguel Angel Ramírez, Ambassador of Cuba

**Inaugural remarks:** John Cherian, Senior Journalist

**Chair:** Vibha Maurya (University of Delhi)

11:00- 1.00 pm: **Session 2: Cuban Model of Socio-economic Development**

- Gonçal López Nadal (Universitat de les Illes Balears, Spain)  
***Continuity and Change in Cuba: 1959-2009***
- Martin Hachthoun (Correspondent, Prensa latina)  
***Post 1990s Cuba***
- Dinesh Abrol (NISTADS)  
***Science and Technology under Socialism: The Cuban Way***
- Suneet Chopra (Writer and Critic)  
***People's Resistance to US Blockade***

**Chair: Shakti Kak** (Jamia Millia Islamia)

1.00 -1.45 pm **LUNCH**

2.00 – 3.00 pm **Session 3 : The Cuban Legacy Today**

- R. Tathagatan (Dept of Sociology, University of Delhi)  
***The Cuban Legacy: Trajectories of the Latin American Revolutionary Traditions after 1959***
- Anuradha Ghosh (Department of English, Jamia Millia Islamia)  
***Revisiting the Cuban Road to Freedom in the Context of Globalization and its Politics of Terror***

**Chair: R. Gopinath** (Jamia Millia Islamia)

3.00-4.00: **Session 4 : Cuban Cinema**

- Rashmi Doraiswamy (Academy of Third World Studies, JMI)  
***Fifty Years of Cuban Cinema***
- Vidyarthi Chatterjee (Writer and Social Activist)  
***Alea and Solas : Two Central Figures in Post 1959 Cuban Cinema***

**Chair: Archana Prasad** (Jamia Millia Islamia)

4.00- 5:30 pm **Session 5 : Cuban Literature**

- Brian Mendonça  
***A Sense of 'Lejanía': Artistic Themes in Contemporary Cuban Poetry***
- Ashley Tellis (Assistant Editor, Contemporary Education Dialogue)  
***Virgilio Piñera and the Cuban Nation***
- Sonya S. Gupta (Jamia Millia Islamia)  
***The Urban Chronicles of Leonardo Padura Fuentes***

**Chair: Vijaya Venkataraman** (University of Delhi)