

**Early Historic Port Cities: Architectural Features, Construction Techniques
and Conservation with Special Reference to Pattanam**

23-27 November 2015

**Third Workshop on
Indian Ocean Trade and the Archaeology of Technology**

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Workshop Venue: Rajadhani Conference Hall, Cherai Beach Resort

23rd November 2015

Morning Session

Inauguration 10.15- 10.45 am

Inaugural address – Y Subbarayalu

Welcome – PJ Cherian and Roberta Tomber

Lighting of the Lamp

Tea break

Introduction to Pattanam and its architectural context 11 am- 1 pm

11 Documentary on Pattanam excavation methodology (film)

11.15 Introduction to the site and its architectural features — P J Cherian

12.15 Life in Pattanam as evidenced by the unearthed artifacts and ecofacts — Preeta Nayar

Lunch Break

Afternoon Session 2- 4 pm

2 Holocene paleogeographic reconstruction of central Kerala, South India – evidences from coastal wetlands and palaeo-beach ridges — Linto Alappatt, P.G. Gopakumar, S. Sree Kumar, Manfred Frechen

2.45 Important architectural features of 9th season excavation of Pattanam — Deepak Nair

3.30 Understanding the pits and dumps in Pattanam Archaeological site — Dineesh Krishnan

Evening session 4.15 onwards

Pattanam site visit: site tour; visit to Children's Museum (in the making), handling session of building materials

24th November 2015**Morning session 10 am - 1.15 pm****Contemporary ports beyond India**

10 Building techniques and materials at the Ptolemaic-Roman Red Sea port of Berenike, Egypt — Steven E. Sidebotham

10. 45 The architectural features of ancient Myos Hormos (Quseir al-Qadim), Egypt — Roberta Tomber

11.30 Tea

11.45 Ancient harbours in the Mediterranean: the world-wide context – David Blackman

12.30 The use and design of concrete in Roman harbour and other maritime infrastructure — Christopher J. Brandon

Lunch Break

Afternoon Session 2.15- 5.15 pm

Contemporary ports beyond and within India

2.15 Architecture of a city on the coast of Arabia: the port of Sumhuram – Alessandra Avanzini

3 Kadal mallai- an early historic port city of Tamil Nadu coast - revisited — S Rajavelu

3.45 Tea

4 Coastal structures on Tamil Nadu coast and their relevance to maritime archaeology — Sundaresh

4.45 Pottery traditions of the Pattanam region; Goldsmithing traditions of the Pattanam region (films)

25th November 2015

Contemporary ports in India

Morning session 10 am-1.15 pm

10 Architectural remains from Arikamedu and the Sangam Tamil texts — V Selvakumar

10.45 Urban geography of Early Historic Poompuhar as gleaned from the literature — Athiyaman

11.30 Tea

11.45 Structural remains of the Early Historic period ports of the east coast of India — SilaTripathi and Rudra Prasad Behera

12.30 Consumerism, economy and ports — Pratapachandran S

Lunch Break

Afternoon session 2.15-4.45 pm

2.15 Field observations on ancient harbours on the western coast of India with special focus on the *'Periplus'* port of Kamrej on Tapi — Sunil Gupta

3.00 Burnt bricks and roof tiles in Tamil literature and archaeological sources —V Selvakumar

3.45 Tea

4 Connecting Indian Ocean port sites: the ceramic evidence – Roberta Tomber

26th November 2015**Traditional architecture, conservation and public display****Morning session 10 am -1.30 pm**

10 Building type-sites. Architecture as museography — Luis Feduchi

10.45 The Mary Rose museum; the inside story — Christopher J Brandon

11.30 Tea

11.45 Traditional timber conservation theory and practices of the East — Binumol Tom

12.30 The development of the Pattanam site — discussion led by P J Cherian

1.00 Boat-making traditions of the Pattanam region (film)

Lunch Break**Afternoon Session 2.30 pm onwards****Tour of local monuments****27th November 2015****Tour of the monuments of Kochi and Kodungallur areas**

Departure time to be arranged.