



## National Book Development Council of Singapore

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### TAMIL EDITING WORKSHOP

The National Book Development Council of Singapore (NBDCS), with the support of National Library Board (NLB), Singapore Tamil Teachers' Union (STTU) and Association of Singapore Tamil Writers, is pleased to invite you to the Tamil Editing Workshop to be held on 15 & 16 May, 2010 at the STTU premises at Race Course Road, Singapore.

Editing of Tamil texts, be they short stories, novels or poems, is a rare phenomenon in the Tamil publishing world. When we look at the publishing standards in other languages, especially in English, we can see how much Tamil publishing needs to catch up. Even Nobel Prize winning authors in English need and have editors to fine-tune their books before they are published.

To address this very important need in Tamil publishing in Singapore, NBDC, NLB, STTU and Association of Singapore Tamil Writers have taken the pioneering steps to organise a Tamil editing workshop, which is probably the first such attempt in Singapore.

The workshop will be conducted over a two-day period on 15 & 16 May 2010, each day from 9 am to 6 pm. There will be lectures, demonstrations and personal exercises. The workshop will deal with fiction, non-fiction, and translation.

The highly experienced workshop leaders will include the following:

**Mr Pa. Raghavan:** Currently the Chief Editor of New Horizon Media's various Tamil imprints. He has worked in Tamil weeklies Kalki and Kumudham as editor. He has written over 25 books in Tamil. Several of his popular books have been serialized in Kumudham Reporter, a Tamil magazine. Mr Raghavan has also written dialogue and screenplay for Tamil movies.

**Dr Badri Seshadri:** Co-founder and Managing Director of New Horizon Media. Dr Seshadri has written science books for children and focuses on editing translation books and is himself a translator from English to Tamil. Dr Seshadri obtained his B. Tech in Mechanical Engineering from IIT Madras and a Ph.D in Mechanical Engineering from Cornell University, USA.

**Mr Arun Senkuttuvan:** One of the top English newspaper editors and journalists in Singapore with more than 40 years of experience in editing and managing newspapers, magazines and books. He has served in the Straits Times, Singapore Herald, The Nation in Bangkok as well as world class publications such as the Economist, Financial Times and the Far Eastern Economic Review.

You are welcome to bring some of your own writings to the workshop which can be analysed by the workshop leaders.

As the workshop is heavily subsidised by NBDCS, NLB, STTU and Association of Singapore Tamil Writers, the workshop fee is only \$50 per person, which is mainly for covering the food costs. Lunch and tea on both days will be served at the workshop.

We hope you will join this pioneering Tamil editing workshop in Singapore and benefit from the excellent editors' personal instruction and experience.

Looking forward to seeing you on 15 & 16 May at STTU!

Mr R Ramachandran  
Executive Director, NBDCS

# Tamil Editing Workshop

15 & 16 May 2010 | 9am-6pm | Tamil Teachers' Union HQ

## Course Administration

### Registration Fees

S\$50 per person

Fee is nett and is in Singapore dollars. Includes lunch/tea breaks and workshop materials.

**Due to limited space, registration will be on first come first served basis.**

### Ways to register

1. Register online by visiting [www.bookcouncil.sg](http://www.bookcouncil.sg), or
2. Complete the form below and fax it to **(65) 6742 9466**.

### Cancellation & Substitution

An invoice will be issued upon receipt of your registration form. Fees paid are non-refundable but transferable. Requests for cancellation must be made on/before 28 April 2010, after which a cancellation charge of 50% of the full course fee is applicable.

### Payment

Payment is required before the workshop commences or within 30 days of receipt of invoice, whichever is earlier. Payment to be made in Singapore Dollars, by cash, cheque or bank draft, payable to "NBDCS" and mail the payment together with your form to us. Alternatively you may deliver your payment, with your name and contact details attached, immediately after you have faxed/emailed/submitted your online registration.

Upon submission of your registration, you are deemed to have read and understood the registration procedures and accepted the terms contained therein.

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## Registration

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