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## **Professor Hari Shankar Vasudevan: Resolution of Respect**

'There are so many questions

That I need answers to,

But now that you are gone

There's no way to ask you'

Kelly Roper, 'Not

Enough Time'

We on behalf of all the former & present faculty members, students, non-teaching staff of the Department of History, University of Calcutta wish to pay our heartfelt gratitude and respect for Prof. Hari Shankar Vasudevan who left us all of a sudden on 10 May, 2020.

Prof. Vasudevan had joined the Department in the year 1978 and remained a source of inspiration and sustenance literally till his last breath. His untimely death and passing away has created a deep void in the department in particular and academia in general.

Prof. Vasudevan's erudition, his commitment to the cause of learning and humane qualities – compassion for all – near and dear, high & low are irreplaceable but we shall endeavour to emulate his high standards in our daily life to make the world a better place to live & love.

We can only gauge the deep sorrow and pain that Prof. Vasudevan's immediate family – Prof. Tapati Guha Thakurata and Mrinalini are presently experiencing. Moreso because we could not bid him adieu in proper manner. All we want to say to them is we want to share your sorrows.

Therefore it is resolved that we embrace & mourn Professor Hari Shankar Vasudevan's sad demise with his family with the words:

**'ДО СВИДАНИЯ, ДО ЗАВТРА'**

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