

## **SUMMARY**

This session learnt about the Agraharams which were settlements of the Brahmins in South India especially that of Kerala. The origin of these settlements, the religious and cultural aspects is also discussed. The dwelling unit and components of dwelling unit have also been listed and discussed in detail. The street which was an extension of not only the dwelling unit but also the activities of the community was a unique aspect and it's also been discussed. The design features and the building materials and construction too are listed and discussed in detail to understand their vernacular language and the factors that affected it