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Remembering Murthy Sir...

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The famous American poet Wallace Stevens once said that 'A poem comes to paper like a tree comes to twigs'. So is the case when we try to remember through words someone dear who is no more with us physically. Heart is full of words, words that refuse to be born onto the paper.

For most of the academicians and students of English literature in Chhattisgarh region, Late Dr. S.B.K. Murthy, needs no introduction. But for those who have not had the opportunity to know him, a short introduction may be necessary. Dr. Murthy was a Professor of English with the Department of Higher Education, erstwhile Madhya Pradesh. He taught in various government colleges of Chhattisgarh region. However, he spent most of his teaching career in Government Arts and Science College, Durg. He retired as Principal, Govt. P. G. College, Kanker. He successfully guided more than 30 Ph.D. scholars.

These are only statistics. But is it what distinguishes him from other teachers, other human beings? For quite many years in the eighties and nineties, Murthy sir held the fort of academic research in English literature in the Chhattisgarh region. He was the doyen of his profession as a professor, and for the students of English literature he was the last word

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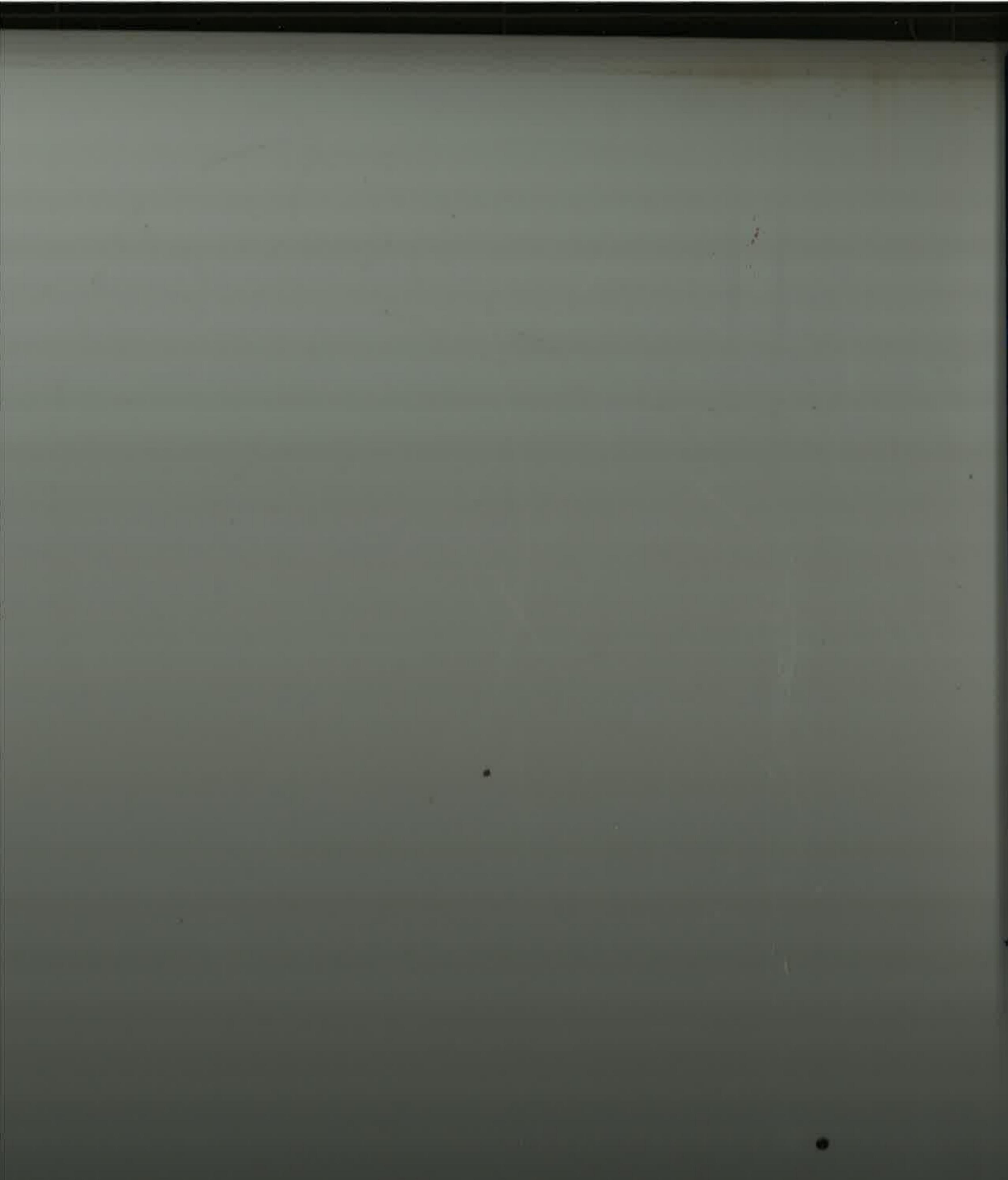


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