

Newsletter

Activity report of an International Women's Day seminar.

Name of the Seminar: Bangla Chalachchitre Nari-charitra

Organized by: Department of Bengali

Aim of the Seminars: The primary objective was to inspire students and motivate them towards building up their own perspectives as a woman. The speaker Basabdatta Chattopadhyay being an alumnus of the department, pointed out different shades of women characters portrayed in Bengali cinema and her own angle of critical analysis.

Date: 8th March 2022

Name of Speakers with title of their speech, designation and Affiliation:

Name of Speaker	Title of the speech	Designation	Affiliation
Basabdatta Chattopadhyay	Bangla Chalachchitre Nari-charitra	Eminent Actress in Bengali Film Industry	

Outcome of the Seminar: The evocative zeal chronicled new spheres of co-curricular activities along with academic participation of the students. The engaging talk flickered inter-disciplinary approach and comparative methodology.

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Activity report of an Celebration the Antarjatic Matribhasha Dibas

Organized by: Department of Bengali

Date: 21st February 2022

Activity: Students published a Wall Magazine of Bengali Department and the students celebrate the day with their performances.

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Activity report of an International Webinar on Antarjatic Matribhasha Dibas

Name of the Seminar: International Webinar on Antarjatic MatribhashaDibas

Organized by: Department of Bengali

Aim of the Seminar: Knowledge of the actual significance of observance of the day would help them decipher the sacrifice and hardships involved with this occasion. As a student of an English medium college, they should understand the relevance of their mother language and being a part of the department, they should shoulder responsibilities of respecting their mother language.

Date: 21st February 2022

Name of Speakers with title of their speech, designation and Affiliation:

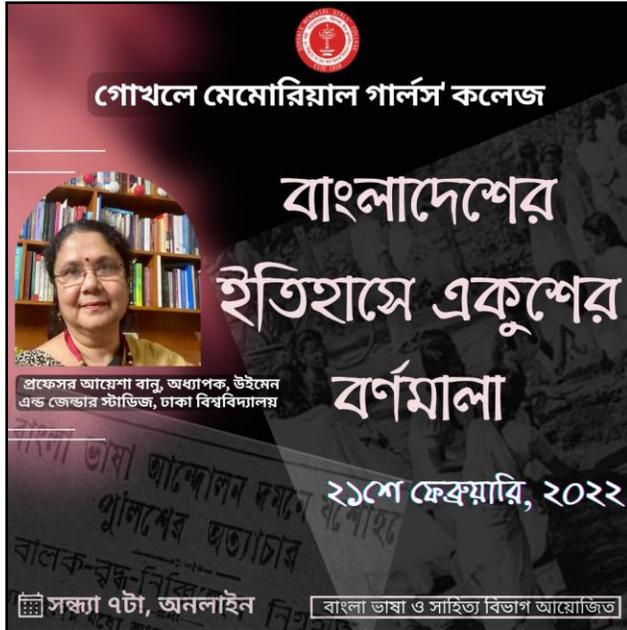
Name of Speakers	Title of the speech	Designation	Affiliation
Prof Ayesha Banu	BangladesherItihaseEkusherBar nomala	Professor	Women and Gender Studies, Dhaka University, Bangladesh

Outcome of the Seminar: Speaker's eloquence and spirit enriched the audience.

Video link of the seminar (For webinar only, if available):

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q8-Sx_vLaVs

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Activity report of a State Level Webinar on Feminism

Name of the Seminar: Feminism: Issues and Concerns through the glasses of Philosophy and Literature

Organized by: Department of Philosophy and Department of Bengali

Aim of the Seminar: To better understand what feminism truly stands for, it is necessary to look at where it all started. First-wave feminism started during the nineteenth century in US and UK. The feminists of that time were focused on gaining voting rights and property rights for women. However, with the onset of World War I, feminism escalated into other spheres. With men being sent to war, women who were previously limited to their homes began to join the workforce to earn money and keep the economy afloat. When the war came to an end, women were accustomed to their newfound freedom and refused to be sent back to the confines of being home-makers. As the times changed so did the form of feminism. New ideologies were incorporated and feminism began to evolve. During this transition some misinterpretations gave it a whole new concept and understanding.

Date: 30th June 2020

Name of Speakers with title of their speech, designation and Affiliation:

Name of Speakers	Title of the speech	Designation	Affiliation
Dr Aditi Dasgupta	Feminism: Issues and Concerns through the glasses of Philosophy	Professor	Department of Philosophy, West Bengal State University

Dr Sanat Kumar Naskar	Feminism: Issues and Concerns through the glasses of Literature	Professor	Department of Bengali, University of Calcutta
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Outcome of the Seminar: The two consecutive lectures during the first phase of Corona pandemic were a whiff of fresh air for the home-bound undergraduate students. The main objective was to provide a sound basis of the primary waves of Feminism on the whole and methods of exploring new fields of feminist views.

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Feminism

Issues and Concerns
through the Glasses of
Philosophy and Literature

Speakers

Dr. Aditi Dasgupta Dr. Sanat Kumar Naskar
Department of Philosophy Department of Bengali
West Bengal State University University of Calcutta

30 June 2020, 4:00 P.M- 6:00 P.M

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Activity report of a Conference organized by Pashchimbanga Bangla Akademi participated by Department of Bengali

Name of the Conference: Ishwarchandra Vidyasagar: Jyotirmandali

Organized by: Pashchimbanga Bangla Akademi, Information and Cultural Dept, West Bengal Government.

Aim of the conference: The main objective of the seminar was to celebrate the bi-centenary years of Ishwar Chandra Vidyasagar and to explore the impact and legacy of Vidyasagar, not just in Bengal but across India during the late 19th century.

Date: 25th September 2019

Sponsoring agency: Pashchimbanga Bangla Akademi

Outcome of the Seminar: Participating students and faculties were enriched.

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পশ্চিমবঙ্গ বাংলা আকাদেমি

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সবিনয় নিবেদন,

পশ্চিমবঙ্গ সরকারের তথ্য ও সংস্কৃতি বিভাগের সরবরত প্রতিষ্ঠান পশ্চিমবঙ্গ বাংলা আকাদেমির উদ্যোগে আগামী ২৫ সেপ্টেম্বর ২০১৯ মুম্বাইর বিকেল ৪টায় ঈশ্বরচন্দ্র বিদ্যালয়গেরে বিশতজনবর্ষ উদ্দাপনের অম হিসেবে ংকটি আয়োজনাপসকার আয়োজন করা হযেবে। ঈশ্বরচন্দ্র বিদ্যালয়গেরে : জ্যোতির্মণ্ডলী শীর্ষক ংই আয়োজনাপসকার উদ্দোধান করবেন হবীজ্ঞকগেভী বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়গেরে মাননীয় উপাচার্য অধ্যাপক সযনাতী বসু রায়চৌধুরী। বিদ্যালয়গেরে ও বাংলা সাহিত্য সমাজ ও শিক্ষাপ্রগতির বিভিন্ন দিক নিয়ে আয়োজন উপস্থাপন করবেন বিশিষ্ট লেখক, বিশেষজ্ঞ ও গবেষকবৃন্দ।

আপনায়গেরে অসীমী শিক্ষাপ্রতিষ্ঠানের বাংলা ভাষা ও সাহিত্য বিভাগের অধ্যাপক, গবেষক ও বিদ্যার্থীগেরে ংই আয়োজনাপসকার সায়ের আমন্ত্রণ জানাই।

অশা করি আপনায়গেরে সানুগ্রহে আনায়গেরে আয়োজন যযোপযুক্ত ও সফল হযে উঠবে।

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Activity report of a Special Lecture

Name of the Seminar: Gender Equality, Mental health & Gender related issues

Organized by: Department of Bengali

Aim of the Seminar: The basic objectives were to enable students to question certain perspectives of patriarchy like -

A. What factors are important in the promotion of gender equality in the education sector and relevance of women conquerors who fought for their country, history and significance.

B. What issues are raised and why? Student groups were involved to express their position in the family, the negative coinage of rules and regulations within the family that is only applicable for the girl child.

Date: 15th March 2019

Name of Speakers with title of their speech, designation and Affiliation:

Name of Speakers	Title of the speech	Designation	Affiliation
Dr Anuradha Kunda	Gender Equality, Mental health & Gender related issues	Associate Professor	Department of English, Malda College

Film 'Duggaboti' was shown on relevance of the topic. The speaker gave a brief about the topic and formed groups of students to have an interactive discussion on Gender Equality.

Outcome of the Seminar: Work on gender sensitization and awareness building has acquired a certain complacency, given that it circles around issues of enrolment, the relative absence of female figures or removal of gendered stereotypes in textbooks. Such work has proved to be inadequate and as some have argued just skimming the surface of a problem rather than addressing these concerns with greater depth. In order to move forward serious inquiry into curricula, content, the gendered construction of knowledge, as well as a more critical and proactive approach to issues of gender is necessary. As 'Gender' has to be recognized as a cross-cutting issue and a critical marker of transformation in the minds of the students, this interactive learning resource turned out to be an excellent tool for proper understanding.

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Activity report of a Special Lecture

Name of the Seminar: Gauri Dharmapal: Jiban O Sahitya

Organized by: Department of Bengali

Aim of the Seminar: The Linguistic approach and critical thinking of Gauri Dharmapal-the poet, scholar, and the former head of the department of Sanskrit, Lady Brabourne College would help students of Bengali language and literature to ascertain an overall understanding of ‘sahitya’ or the ‘fine excesses’ that built the creative imagination.

Date: 11th March 2019

Name of Speakers with title of their speech, designation and Affiliation:

Name of Speakers	Title of the speech	Designation	Affiliation
Dr Rohini Dharmapal	Gauri Dharmapal: Jiban O Sahitya	Assistant Professor	Department of Education Ramakrishna Sarada Mission Vivekananda Vidyabhavan College

Outcome of seminar: To enable students to understand their syllabus through a prolific and detailed knowledge of the linguistic aspects that Gauri Dharmapal tried to explain throughout her life and writings on RigVedas and Upanishads.

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Activity report of a Special Lecture

Name of the Seminar: Bangla Kabitar Bibartan O Shilparuper Abhinabatwa

Organized by: Department of Bengali

Aim of the Seminar: To provide an organized historical approach of the history of Bengali poetry and evolution of specific literary terms.

Date: 14th January 2019

Name of Speakers with title of their speech, designation and Affiliation:

Name of Speakers	Title of the speech	Designation	Affiliation
Prof. Jahar Sen Majumdar	Bangla Kabitar Bibartan O Shilparuper Abhinabatwa	Associate Professor	Department of Bengali, Surendranath Evening College

Outcome of the Seminar: Learning of literary terms, concepts with a rich trajectory of poetry from Rabindranath to Jibanananda Das.

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Activity report of an Inter-Institutional Exchange Programme

Name of the Exchange Programme: Negotiating Interactions: Voices, Spaces and Protests

Organized by: Department of Bengali Gokhale Memorial Girls' College and Department of Bengali, Sanskrit University

Aim of the Seminar: To usher the students towards a Detailed overview of the 19th century: controversies and various perspectives where the collaborative framework would provide new thoughts and views for research and elaborate study.

Date: 8th May 2017

Name of Speakers with title of their speech, designation and Affiliation:

Name of Speakers	Title of the speech	Designation	Affiliation
Students from both institutions	Negotiating Interactions: Voices, Spaces & Protests		Department of Bengali Gokhale Memorial Girls' College and Department of Bengali, Sanskrit University

Outcome of the Exchange Programme: The students probed into a deep reading of renaissance histories and formulated original concepts through examining various resources of study. The slide show along with discussion guided them through multiple modes of analytical skills.

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Activity report of a Special Lecture

Name of the Seminar: On Tarashankar Bandyopadhyay

Organized by: Department of Bengali

Aim of the Seminar: The critical issue of representing marginality often tends to locate ‘authenticity’ as one of its major concerns. However, to insist that without being an ‘insider’ to marginal experience, one has no right to represent it, is to fall into the same binary politics of exclusion. In reality, the power-relations among individual identity, gender, religion and creeds are so complex and diverse even within a ‘marginal’ community that they can challenge any established notion of the binary. Several works by Tarashankar Bandyopadhyay are remarkable for his representation of marginality.

Date: 29th March 2017

Name of Speakers with title of their speech, designation and Affiliation:

Name of Speakers	Title of the speech	Designation	Affiliation
Dr Ruma Bandyopadhyay	On Tarashankar Bandyopadhyay	Associate Professor	Department of Sanskrit, Basantidevi College

Outcome of the Seminar: Knowledge of various peripheral governance helped the students to decipher the foundation stone of Tarashankar’s fiction and novels as projected against the bureaucracy of Zamindars in specific districts in West Bengal.

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Activity report of a Special Lecture o World Poetry Day

Name of the Seminar: Talk with the Poets: Binayak and Bubun

Organized by: Department of Bengali

Aim of the Seminar: To inspire students towards a creative identity and understanding the untold story behind their poetry.

Date: 21st March 2017.

Name of Speakers with title of their speech, designation and Affiliation:

Name of Speakers	Title of the speech	Designation	Affiliation
Binayak Bandyopadhyay and Bubun Chattopadhyay	Interactive Session on Poet and Poetry	Notable Bengali Poets	

Students of the Department of Bengali participate in a talk by the notable Poet and author Binayak Bandyopadhyay and Poet Bubun Chattopadhyay on the occasion of World Poetry Day. The interactive session claimed spontaneous response from the class.

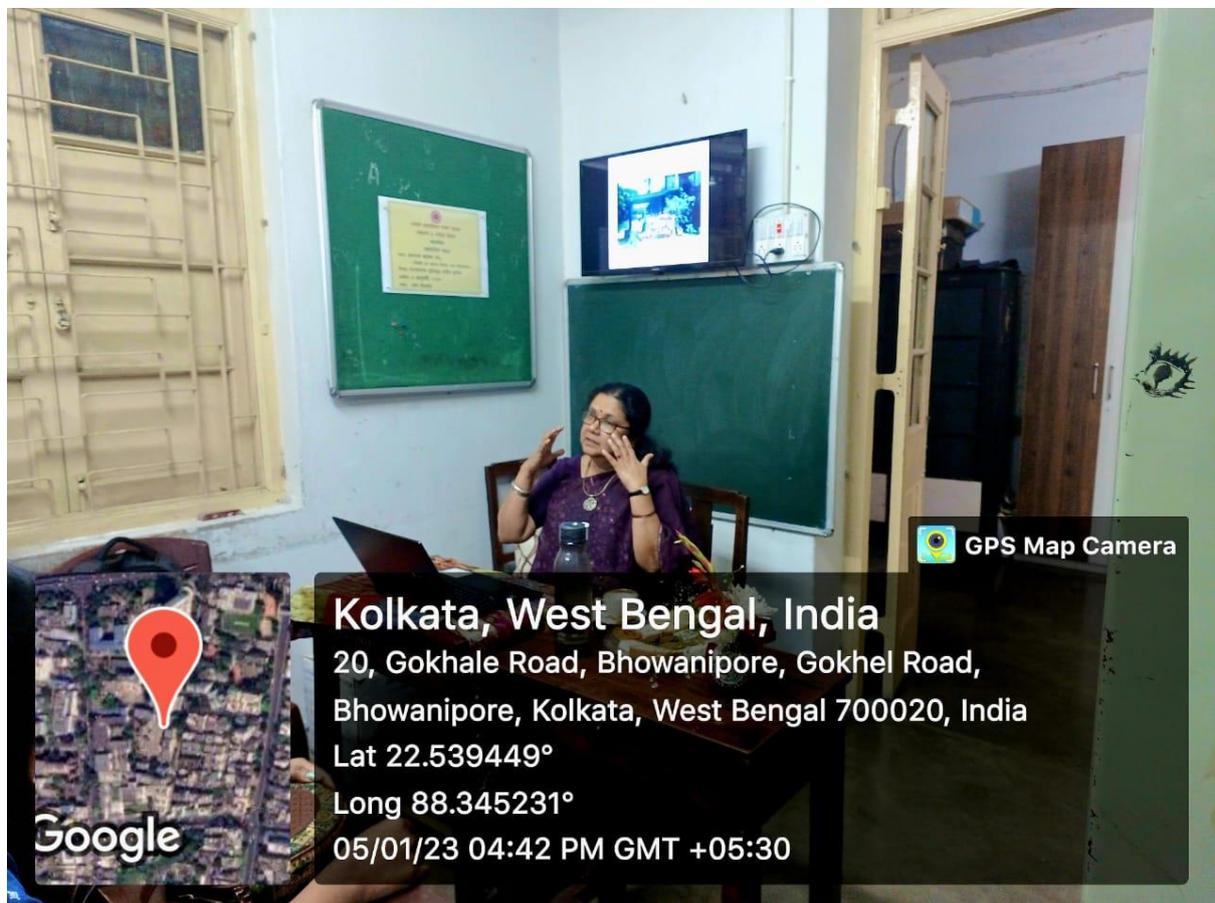
Outcome of the Seminar: Wide response was achieved and students got to learn several socio-political issues that were responsible for the meticulous articulation of the poetry by Binayak and Bubun Chattopadhyay. Original life stories were connected to their personal identities that constantly changed and transformed into a written form— this core pattern motivated them to opine frankly their views on reading of a literary genre.

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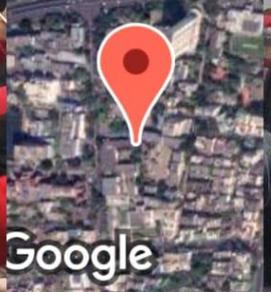
Activity Report of Special Lecture by Prof Ayesha Banu

A Special Lecture was organized by the Department of Bengali, Gokhale Memorial Girls College on 5th January 2023 at the college premises (R4). The number of participants for the Lecture is around 21. The talk was delivered by Dr Ayesha Banu on 'Women's Contribution in the Liberation War of Bangladesh'. Dr Banu is an eminent professor in the Department of Women & Gender Studies, University of Dhaka. The talk was enriching and it was really wonderful listening to her as her research spanned through various avenues of crisis of women martyrs, fighters and victims which are much debated.





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