

**THE PROEM**

It is a matter of pride as well as pleasure to present before our readers the current issue of College Newsletter. This time the responsibility and faith are reposed in a new team for performing the role of editors and I believe all have put whole-hearted endeavours to give a complete and kaleidoscopic view of laudable achievements of different activities of our college. Collegium reflects upon the persistent and committed efforts made by faculties, departments, staff, students and management for taking the institution one step ahead and also mirrors the success story of our institution. This year we feel happy to announce the 'Best Achiever of the Year' award on the occasion of International Women's day. This is only a humble effort to groom and encourage our students. Successful uploading of SSR on 21st February and the date of NAAC Peer Team Visit fixed for 1st and 2nd July thereafter is now making us keep our fingers crossed. The prospective proposal for the second campus of the college is a cheering news for us. Actions speak louder and clearer than words and this Newsletter will showcase our actions. It's not about starting over with nothing; it's about starting over with everything that can help us to get to where we want to.

Dr. Pranab Kumar Mishra
Editor-in-chief & Principal

RENOVATED COLLEGE CANTEEN IN ITS NEW LOOK

The renovated canteen of the college was inaugurated by the President, G.B. Mr. Krishna Chandra Paul, Principal Dr. Pranab Kr. Mishra in presence of other G.B. members, teachers, office staff and students.

**COMMEMORATING
MASTERDA SURYA SEN
12th January 2019**

Special tribute of respect and honour was attributed to Masterda Surya Sen on his 85th death anniversary. The college is proud to have his name attached with this institution and celebrates Humanism as a special virtue on this auspicious day.



INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE



An international interdisciplinary conference on “Environment, Peace and Morality: East and West” organised by our college on 11th to 13th January, 2019 in collaboration with the Institute of Cross Cultural Studies and Academic Exchange Society for Indian Philosophy and Religion, Elon, NC, USA. The focal theme of the conference is “Environment, Peace and Morality: East and West”. The thematic focus of the conference emerges from a belief that a better understanding of the link between environmental change and human well-being is vital for an effective conflict prevention ensuring peace and security. Unlike conventional environmentalism which begins with a dichotomy between human beings and their natural

environment, we need to uphold an alternative philosophy of nature, highlighting the fact that humankind cannot flourish unless and until nature flourishes as a whole. Delegates from Portugal, Belgium, and USA had participated in this seminar as resource persons.



CONFERENCE ON ENVIRONMENT PEACE & MORALITY: A REPORT

Meet on peace,
environment,
morality begins



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*The indescribable innocence and beneficence of Nature—of sun
and wind and rain, of summer and winter—such health, such
cheer, they afford forever. . . . Shall I not have intelligence with the
earth? Am I not partly leaves and vegetable mold myself?*

—Henry David Thoreau, *Walden*



Dr. Arnab Baul
(Department of English)
Joint Convener,
International conference

To perceive reality as relational and not cumulative in its structure is to open up a new trajectory of philosophical introspection regarding Man-Environment dichotomy. This calls for a refashioning of the nature of our self where the identity of each individual, at whatever ontological level, is not logically independent of rest of the reality but is a function of the relations of the individual in question with another individual. To this metaphysic of interconnectedness is then added an ethic of interdependency, according to which all forms of life are equally entitled to live and blossom.

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However, the task of changing people's thinking concerning environmental crisis appears to be more complex than our common wisdom envisages and demands a total refurbishing of people's ideological orientation in relation to existing power structures of our society. In fact, scholars have equated the process of domination of nature by humankind as prototypal domination, on which social, economic and political forms of domination rests. In this regard Prof. Zsuzsa Anna Ferenczy of European Parliament (Subcommittee on Human Rights), Brussels, in her paper “Environmental Policy: East/West and beyond”, argued that it is the self-interest of the nations, based on a neo-capitalist colonizing principal, which forbear them from sharing a common platform of understanding regarding the issue of protection of environment. Prof. Lynn Sebastian Purcell of the State University of New York, in his paper, “Liberation Philosophy and Climate Justice”, uncovered the workings of multinational companies as structures of entrapment to manoeuvre the functioning of the world economy, leading to deteriorating man-environment relations.

Social ecologists will argue that the political operation of the state only brings into the surface the already existing modes of domination that defines people's psycho-social orientation and are dependent on variables like sex, gender or race. One of the possible way outs from the cycles of subordination is to rely upon the power of individual's role in creating a consensual third space through one-to-one interaction, fueled by a desire for the assertion of individuality against the structures of repression. Most of the speakers felt that the issue of environment and its protection should be discussed not in isolation but with respect to problematic terrains of political ecology. Prof. Mark D. Wood of Virginia Commonwealth University, in his paper “The Indigenous Radicalization of Human Rights” stressed on the necessity of building indigenous sociology of kinship as a means of countering a post-global political power regime, which goes against the protective ethos of the environment.

Such a change in strategy demands a shift of our focus from reformist environmental policies to a deep eco-activism. It calls for a re-appropriation of what Arne Naess argued in his 'deep ecology' thesis. It demands a new way of exploring the intrinsic value of life. Prof. Kisor Chakrabarti, President, 'Institute for Cross-Cultural Studies and Academic Exchange' in his keynote address, titled, “A Hindu Perspective on Environment, Peace and Morality” has shown us that long before the modern thinkers talked about human beings' relatedness and relationality with nature, our ancient thinkers stress this issue in their texts. Similarly, Dr Hussain Qutbuddin of 'Academy of Advanced Studies in South-Asian Islam and Arabic', Mumbai, apprised us regarding Islamic perspective on Environmental awareness and preservation. This process of re-interpretation of ancient scriptures from the contemporary perspective, to script a Nature-first thesis, can be viewed as a cultural practice to promote a non-anthropocentric view of nature.

The severity of our situation calls for an increasingly subtle and comprehensive understanding of our part in order to formulate a pro-nature vision and political activism that embody a reverence for the sacred and vulnerable earth. The seminar was a step towards this direction.

GLIMPSES OF INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE



VIVEKANANDA'S BIRTHDAY
ON 12TH JAN



SUBHASH CHANDRA BOSE'S
BIRTHDAY ON 23RD JAN



NATIONAL EVENTS



COLLEGE OBSERVED 70TH REPUBLIC
DAY ON 26TH JAN 2019

33rd NATIONAL SCIENCE DAY OBSERVATION "Science for the people and people for science"

33rd NATIONAL SCIENCE DAY was jointly organized by the Dept. of Physics and Dept. of Mathematics of Surya Sen Mahavidyalaya on 28th February, 2019. Like every year, this year the theme of the National Science day was

"Science for the people and people for science". The day is observed to

mark the discovery of 'Raman effect' by Indian physicist sir C.V. Raman and we are extremely delighted to have two notable professors, namely Prof. Kamal Kanti Nandi from Dept. of Astrophysics, Bashkir State Pedagogical University, Russia and Prof. Pradip Kumar Mandal from Dept. of Physics, University of North Bengal.



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নতুন কাম্পাস



PARTICIPATION OF STUDENTS IN SPORTS

On 29th January, 2019 our College participated Inter District Athletics Meet. On 30th January College Athletics team participated Inter College Foot Ball Meet. College also participated in NBU Inter-College Volley Ball Tournament on 14th February 2019.



College Annual Social 'Sampriti' was organized by the Students' Union on 29th and 30th January, 2019. The programme started with students singing the college anthem.



Distribution of Clothings: SSM in Collaboration with Ramakrishna Mission



The screenshot shows a YouTube video player interface. At the top, there's a status bar with the time 12:13 PM and battery level 59%. Below that, the YouTube navigation bar includes icons for home, search, uploads, notifications, and a profile icon. The video title is "Kunbar Samay was here" and the channel name is "SuryaSou College, Siliguri". The video thumbnail shows a group of women in traditional Indian attire performing a dance. A play button icon is overlaid on the center of the video. Below the video, there's a description that says "Kunbar Samay was here" and a link to the video. The video has 1.1K views and 15 comments. The channel has 3.5K subscribers. At the bottom, there are icons for like, comment, and share.

First time in this year Surya Sen Mahavidyalaya celebrated 'Basanta Utsav' (Holi Festival) in college premises. Sociology department conducted the programme. Students, teachers, office staffs, Principal and the President of Governing Body participated in that festival of colours. A cultural programme was held on that occasion.



**International Mother Language Day
Observed on 21st February 2019**



STUDENTS' ACHIVEMENTS



Best Achiver of the Year Award (2019)
Rimpa Paul (Part : II Hons., Commerce)



National level Badminton Champion
Tanistha Saha (Part : II Gen., Commerce)



Pradeep Prasad
3rd International Karate Championship, Gold Medalist



Priti Jha, 2nd Sem., Prog. Com.
Receiving Award from Rabin Dranath Ghosh Minister In Charge
NBDD, Govt. West Bengal



Rinchen Sherpa, 2nd Sem., Soc. Hons.
3rd Position, 7th International Karate Championship, 2019 (Nepal)



Priti Jha, 2nd Sem., Prog. Com.
Jalpaiguri District Yoga Champion



Rupam Roy, 2nd Sem., Prog. Com.
Bronze Medelist Internationa Karate Championship, 2019



Priti Jha, 2nd Sem., Prog. Com.
State Level Wu Shu Champion 2019



Help of Rs. 10,000
extended from
Student-aid-fund of
College for
treatment of Bobby
Roy, B.A. Part I
Student.

Help of Rs. 25,000
extended from
Student-aid-fund of
College to Rinku
Sarkar, B. A. part I
Student Suffering
from kidney
disorder.



PROGRAMME OF WOMENS' CELL



On 8th March, 2019, Women Cell of Surya Sen Mahavidyalaya observed International Women's Day. Professor Anita Bagchi, Retd Prof., Department of History, University of North Bengal was the chief speaker. The theme of this year was 'Balance for Better'. Writtik Natya Sanstha performed a very touchy skit on the issue of gender discrimination in our society. On this auspicious occasion, for the first time Surya Sen Mahavidyalay introduced the 'Best Achiever of the Year' Award . This year the honour was bestowed on Rimpa Paul (B.COM part II Honours) for her outstanding performance as a NSS unit volunteer.



College marks Women's Day



STATESMAN NEWS SERVICE
KOLKATA, 08 MARCH 2019

The Women's Cell at the Surya Sen Mahavidyalaya today observed International Women's Day. The event started with lighting of the inaugural lamp, while Principal Dr Pramod Kumar Mishra delivered his welcome speech.

The chief speaker on the occasion was Dr Anita Bagchi, Retd Professor of the Dept of History, North Bengal University, while Prof Suman Saha, the convener of the Women's Cell, elaborated on this year's global campaign theme 'Balance for Better'. Prof Ranjit Kumar Barman and Dr Suphal Bhowmik were also present on the day, and Dr Romyani Goswami read out a short story on women's association by her, even as Prof Madhumita Roy recited a poem

written by Malika Sen Gupta.

Dr Mishra said that from this year onwards, the Women's Cell has decided to felicitate some women with the 'Best Achiever of the Year' award. "This award will be given away to those women who have excelled in their respective fields," he said. Suman Saha, who is the Associate Professor, Dept of English, said this year's recipient was Rimpa Paul, a student of the National Service Scheme (NSS) Unit of the College for her outstanding contribution in the field of social work.

The vote of thanks was given by Dr Tamali Mustafi, Programme Coordinator, Women's Cell. The Writtik Natya Sanstha performed a short skit on women's issues during the event anchored by Prof Sarbajit Mukherjee.



Drama Performed on Women's Day on Gender Discrimination



Food Distribution among Women Construction Workers



Consultancy Meet of NIPCCD



On 11th February, 2019, Dr. Tamali Mustafi, member, Womens' Cell participated in the Consultancy meet on Safety and Security of Women in Public Places, organized by National Institute of Public Cooperation and Child Development, Guwahati.



STUDENTS' SEMINAR



PHYSICS



CHEMISTRY



GEOGRAPHY



SOCIOLOGY



ENGLISH

SPECIAL LECTURE AND INVITED TALK



GEOGRAPHY



EDUCATION



ENGLISH



POLITICAL SCIENCE

Museum Visit, Industrial Visit And Participation in Field Work



Museum Visit (History)



Field visit of Sociology



Industrial Visit (Commerce)



Field Visit of Geography



Field visit of Political Science

WALL MAGAZINE (ENGLISH, HISTORY, POLITICAL SCIENCE, COMMERCE)



English



History



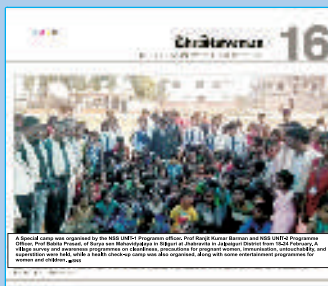
Political Science



Commerce

To motivate and encourage the students and their skill of creativity, faculties of History (Shakabda 2), English (The Oracle), Political Science (Gyananweshan) and Commerce (Commerce Chronicles), published their wall magazines on 05/01/19, 06/01/19, 12/03/19 and 12/04/19 respectively.

EFFORTS OF NSS



Throughout the year NSS Units of Surya Sen Mahavidyalaya organize several activities and programmes. On 2nd February, 2019 a blood donation camp was organized by NSS Unit in college premises. A huge number of students and staff of college sportingly participated and donated blood in that camp. From 22nd to 24th February, NSS Units organized a special camp in a very remote area namely Jabravita in Jalpaiguri district. A free health check camp was there, which mainly emphasized on the health of the pregnant mother. An art competition of the children was also organized. Even the volunteers of NSS Units entertained the local people through the cultural programme.



A Few Words From The Editorial Team

Just like the Gods and the Asuras churned the ocean of milk to extract the nectar, this new edition of quarterly supplement of collegium has tried to churn out creativity and ability from the mess of activities of the college. The best thing about this issue is several achievements of the students to a fair degree. Amidst the busy schedule of new CBCS semester system, exam, admission, projects, unit tests, assignments and other activities, sometimes we tend to lose track of all the other simpler things that we are capable of, things that we could have been proud of, that can bring to our satisfaction. So this time we have made an attempt to bring out the talent concealed within our student community. The purpose is to disseminate in a convenient form news about the activities and developments of the college, achievements of the staff and students. The potential can be transformed into other larger activities by waking up their minds,

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