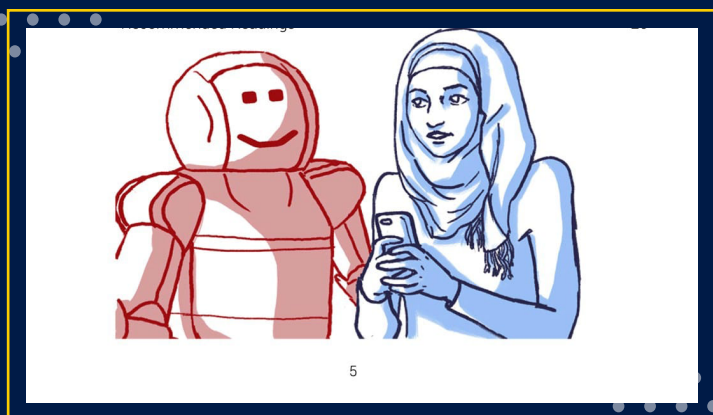




The Department of Philosophy
Of
Mrinalini Datta Mahavidyalaya
In Association With IQAC
Presents
A One-Day International Webinar
On



The Ethics of Technology: Issues & Initiatives



Katie Schumacher

Online Behaviour Expert
Author & Founder Of Don't Press Send Campaign
Rockville Centre
New York, USA



Dr. Smita Sirkar

Associate Professor
Centre Of Philosophy
School Of Social Sciences
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New Delhi

EVENT DATE

5th Of May '22,
Thursday

EVENT TIMING

11 AM – 3PM

LOCATION

Google Meet

REGISTRATION

Free

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ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Our world is rapidly changing thanks to emerging technologies. It is fundamentally changing the way we live, work and relate to one another.

The internet has been an invaluable tool during the times of the pandemic. Marooned in our little socially-distanced islands we have retained contact with the outside world through digital means. Today its use is ubiquitous. Children and adolescents often use the internet (including social media) in ways that risk their privacy which is the cause for concern among parents. Young people don't realise that all their informations and browsing activities can be tracked and that it is up to them to protect their privacy. Internet security is a global concern.

In addition to this, another interesting change is being witnessed : rapid developments in artificial intelligence (AI) and machine learning : the ability of technology to mimic human cognition. AI-based systems can be purely software-based acting in the virtual realm (e.g. voice assistant, image analysis software, search engines, speech and face recognition systems etc.) or AI can be embedded in hardware devices (e.g. advanced robots, autonomous cars, drones or internet of things applications etc). However, it is necessary to explore the full ethical and social aspects of AI systems if we are to avoid unintended negative consequences and risk arising from the implementation of AI in society.

In light of this we are organising a one day virtual event based on the theme of The Ethics of Technology. The program is centred on discussions and presentations by notable national and international speakers who have remarkable contributions in this field. Through this event we raise the curtain on what we can do to meaningfully interact with digital technologies to promote and bolster learning, creative expression and well being while also addressing key challenges and concerns. Our goal is not to produce precisely defined answers. Instead, we aim to explore the contours of debate and action related to technology ethics in the service of a more just society.

SPEAKERS OF THE PROGRAM:

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Name Of The Topic : Media Ethics & Language

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Name Of The Topic : The Rise Of

Ethical Issues Concerning AI

PROGRAM SCHEDULE:

Getting started:	11AM
Welcome address : Dr. Apurba Kumar Bandyopadhyay, Principal, Mrinalini Datta Mahavidyapith	11:10 AM - 11:25 AM
Introducing the theme : Dr. Shampa Bhattacharya Bagchi	11:30 AM - 11:40 AM
Objective of the webinar : Dr. Shampa Das Mondal	11:45 AM - 11:55 AM
Media Ethics & Language :Katie Schumacher, Online Behaviour Expert, Author & Founder Of Don't Press Send Campaign, Rockville Centre, New York, USA	12 PM - 1 PM
Reflecting on the webinar Smt. Mahua Maji,Coordinator, IQAC	1:05 PM - 1:15 PM
The rise of ethical issues concerning AI : Dr. Smita Sirkar , Associate Professor , Centre Of Philosophy , School Of Social Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi	1:20 PM - 2:20 PM
Vote of thanks: Dr. Piyali Ghosh Dastidar	2:25 PM - 2:35 PM
Wrap with pics:	2:40 PM - 3:00 PM

REGISTRATION for this program is FREE.

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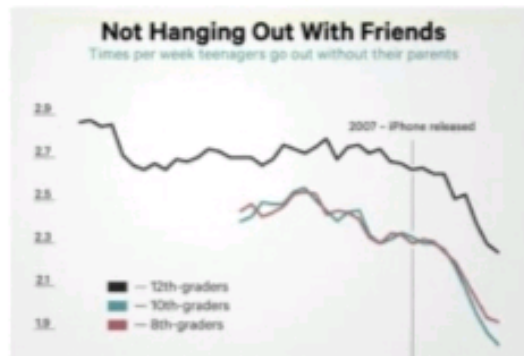
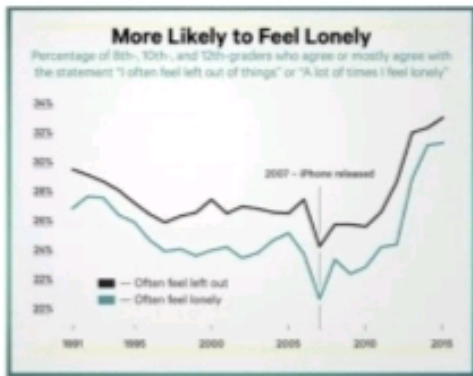
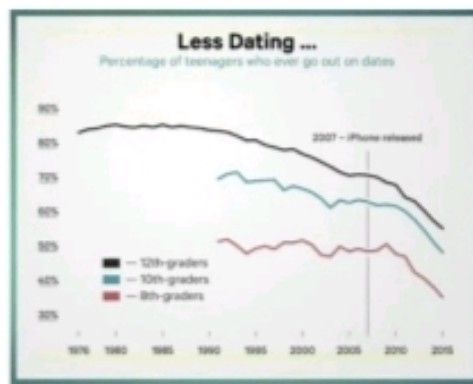
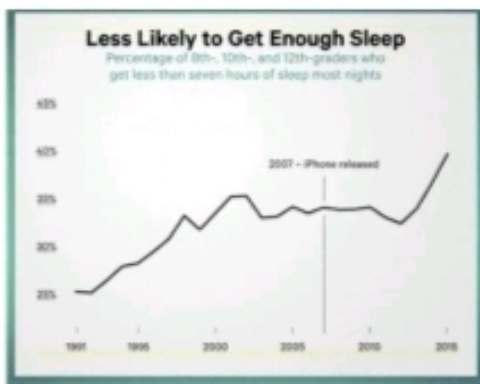
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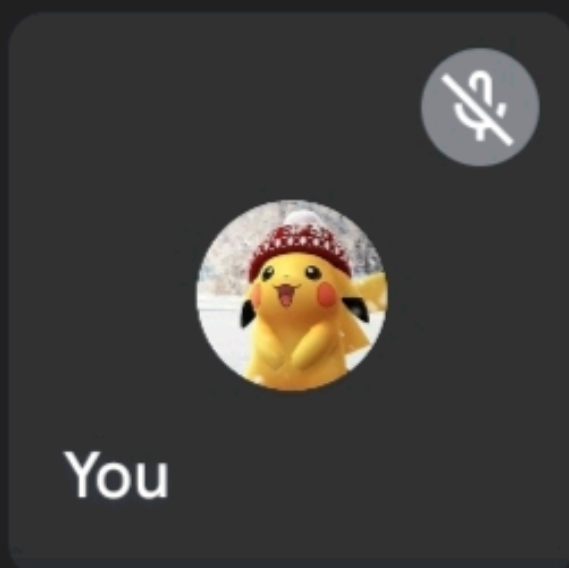
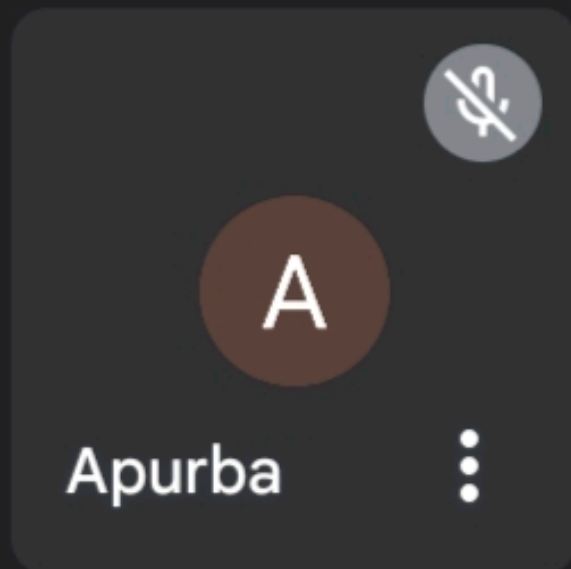
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We keenly looking forward to your participation .

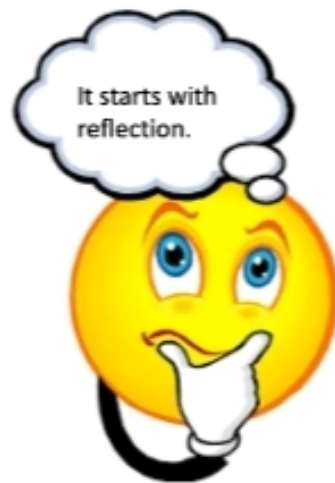




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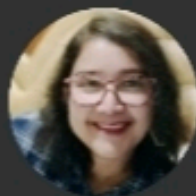


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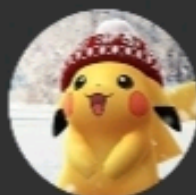
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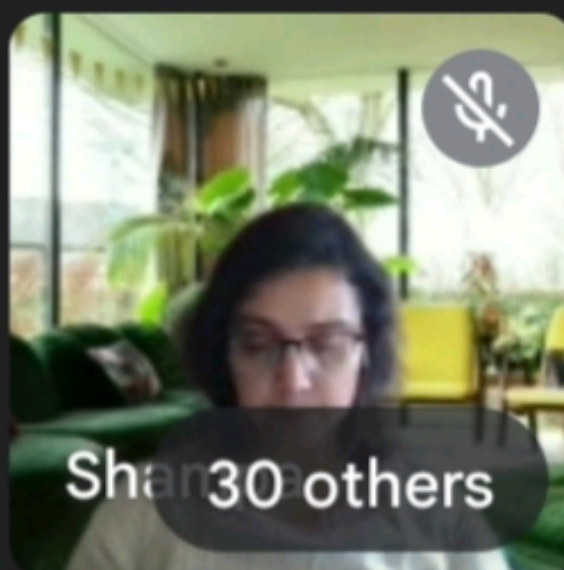
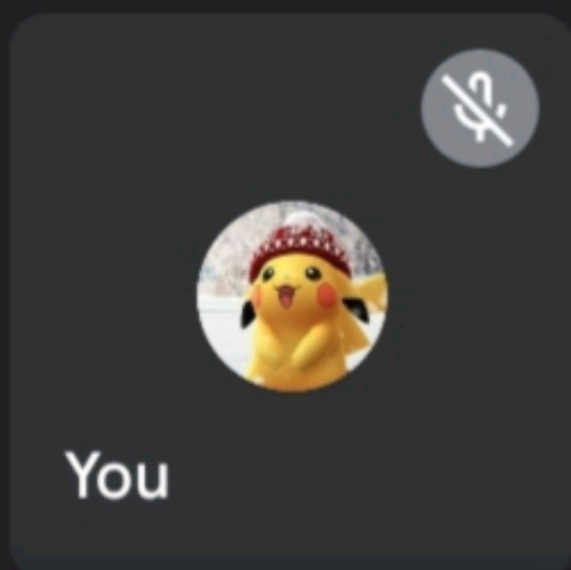
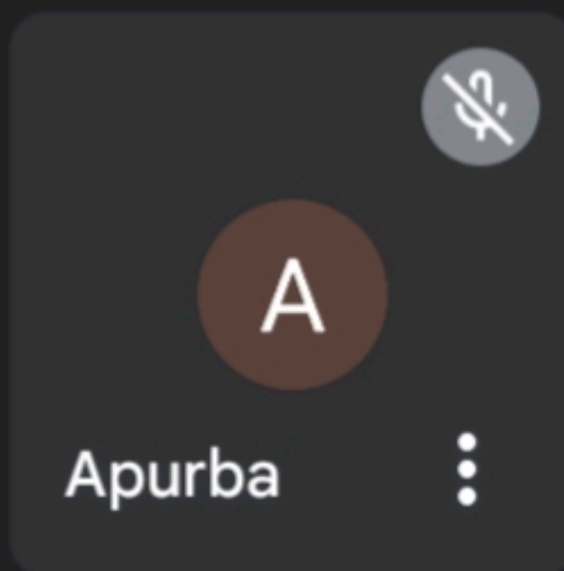
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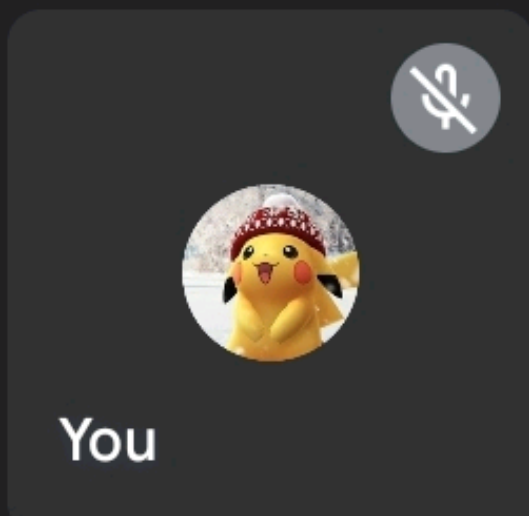
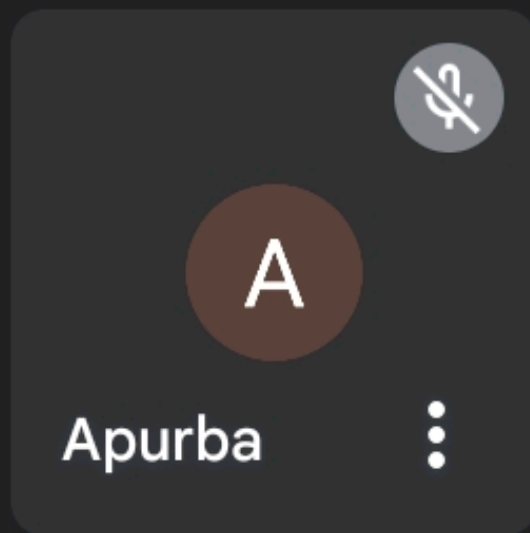
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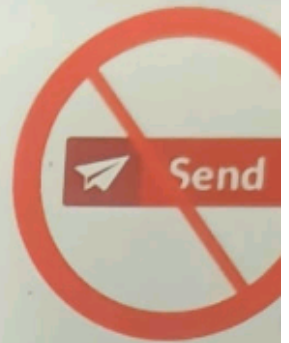
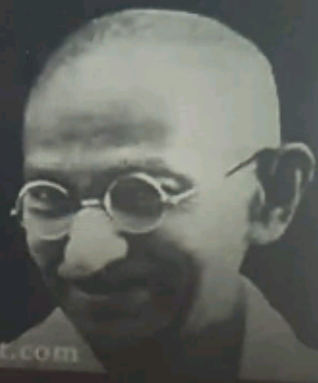
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Keep your thoughts positive
because your thoughts become your words.
Keep your words positive
because your words become your behavior.
Keep your behavior positive
because your behavior becomes your habits.
Keep your habits positive
because your habits become your values.
Keep your values positive
because your values become your destiny.

-Mahatma Gandhi

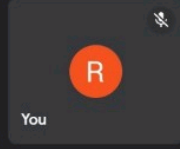
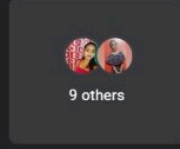
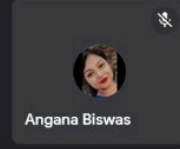
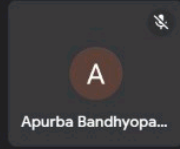
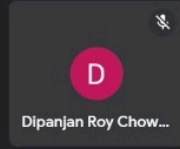
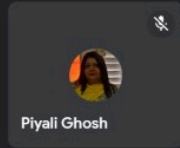
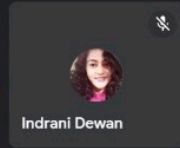
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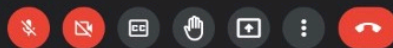
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Report on the Webinar on
Philosophical Aspects Reflected in Srimadbhagavad Gita and its Impact in
Today's Life

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Presents
Periodical Lecture
On
Philosophical Aspects Reflected in Shrimad Bhagavad Gita
And
Its Impact on Today's Life
Sponsored by
Indian Council of Philosophical Research (New Delhi)
Date: 6th February, 2022. Time: 3:00pm

INVITED SPEAKERS

 <p>Prof. (Dr) Mrinal Kanti Gangopadhyay Asutosh Professor (Retd.) Department of Sanskrit Calcutta University</p>	 <p>Prof. (Dr) Satyajit Layek Sr. Professor Department of Sanskrit Calcutta University</p>	 <p>Prof. (Dr) Subir Nag Principal Satyapriya Roy College of Education</p>
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PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

- 3:00pm - 3:10pm:** Mangalacharanam and Introduction by **Dr. Debasree Sadhu**
Assistant Professor & HOD, Department of Sanskrit, MDM
- 3:10pm - 3:20pm:** Welcome Address by **Prof. (Dr) Apurba Bandyopadhyay**, Principal, MDM
- 3:20pm - 3:30pm:** Speech by **Dr. Mitali Gangopadhyay**, Co-ordinator, IQAC, MDM
- 3:30pm - 4:15pm:** Deliberation by **Prof. (Dr) Mrinal Kanti Gangopadhyay**
Asutosh Professor (Retd.), Department of Sanskrit, Calcutta University.
- Topic: **The Control of the Mind as Propounded in the Shrimad Bhagavad Gita**
- 4:15pm - 5:00pm:** Deliberation by **Prof. (Dr) Satyajit Layek**
Sr. Professor, Department of Sanskrit, Calcutta University
- Topic: **Reflection of Samkhya Yoga System of Indian Philosophy in Shrimad Bhagavad Gita**
- 5:00pm - 5:45pm:** Deliberation by **Prof. (Dr) Subir Nag**
Principal, Satyapriya Roy College of Education
- Topic: **Philosophical Dimension of Modern Day Counselling with the Reference of Shrimad Bhagavad Gita**
- 5:45pm - 5:55pm:** Discussion
- 5:55pm - 6:00pm:** Vote of Thanks by **Dr. Monalisa Dutta**
Assistant Professor, Department of Sanskrit, MDM

Platforms: Google Meet and YouTube Live

For Free Registration, fill in the Google form: [Click here](#)

E-certificates will be issued to the registered participants only after they submit the feedback form that will be provided on the WhatsApp group at the end of the webinar. Please join the WhatsApp group after registration.

Department of Sanskrit of Mrinalini Datta Mahavidyapith In collaboration with IQAC of the college and in association with Indian council of Philosophical Research (ICPR), organized an webinar on Philosophical Aspects Reflected in Srimadbhagavad Gita and its Impact in Today,s Life on 6th February, 2022 at 3:00 pm on the virtual platform of Google Meet.

The Webinar Session – The proceedings of the webinar session started with the Mangalacharanam and welcome speech of Dr Debasree Sadhu, Convenor of the webinar. It was followed by the inaugural speech of the hon'ble Principal Sir, Dr Apurba Kumar Bandopadhyaya, who talked on the importance of Gita in our daily life. Thereafter, Dr Mitali Gangopadhaya, coordinator, IQAC, MDM, made a speech on how the Gita is relevant in today's education system and how it can motivate the students life.

After that our first speaker Prof. Dr Mrinal kanti Gangopadhaya, Asutosh Professor, CU, Department of Sanskrit, depicted his views on 'The control of The Mind as Propounded in the Srimadbhagavad Gita'. For any person desiring to attain permanent freedom from bondage, it is absolutely necessary that he should control the mind which tries to lead in as pray. The mind is very unsteady, turbulent, resistant and tough. Its restraint is quite difficult. However one should not lose hope because it can be restrained through practice and detachment. This doctrine has been propounded in the different verses of the Srimadbhagavad Gita.

After that our 2nd Speaker Prof. Dr Satyajit Layek, Professor Department of Sanskrit, CU, delivered his lecture on 'Reflection of Samkhya-Yoga System Of Indian Philosophy In Srimadbhagavad Gita'. The second chapter of Gita is entitled as –Samkhya Yoga. Samkhya means number of knowledge par excellence. Yoga means union. Samkhya-Yoga means the union of numbers which refer to plurality universe, unlike Advaitin Shankara. The nature and its bonding with the conscious agent created this entire universe. Sattva, rajas and tamas are the qualities of both. After having known the difference between primordial praliti and purusa lead to liberation. Indian philosophy regards Yoga as regulations for obtaining the highest goal of human life. All eight margas reflect those ideas in it. Gita has many parallels with the original philosophy. But it doesn't discriminate Samkhya from Yoga rather hold as one. We find that with the regard to the practices like detachment, concentration, dispassion, equality, cultivation of sattva for self-purification, meditation, stabilizing the mind and discovering the self etc. although the 2nd chapter is rather erroneously titled as the Yoga of the knowledge by the many critics. Some opine this an historical analysis of warfare. Moral advice of Lord Krishna as teacher reluctantly Arjuna accepted and fought for their might against relatives in order to establish wellness for the humanity and uphold the truth. Theistic version of the classical Samkhya-Yoga and its essential doctrines, practices and purpose in the modern days are envisioned in 18 chapters, originated from the Bhishmaparva of Mahabharata. In short, it is a unique contribution of Gita and found the place as Smritiprasthana among the 'Prasthanatrayi'.

Third and last speaker was Prof. Dr. Subir Nag, Principal, Satyapriya Roy College of Education. His topic was- 'Philosophical Dimension of Modern day Counselling with the reference of Srimadbhagavad Gita'. Srimad bhagabat Gita starts its journey from Arjuna-Bishad Yoga and ends at Moksha Yoga. Arjuna-Bishad yoga is full of doubts, confusions of human life. But Moksha yoga shows the way to get rid off these doubts and problems. Although this poem is written on the epic Mahabharata, it has immense significance on our modern life. Sri Gita may be characterised as following:-

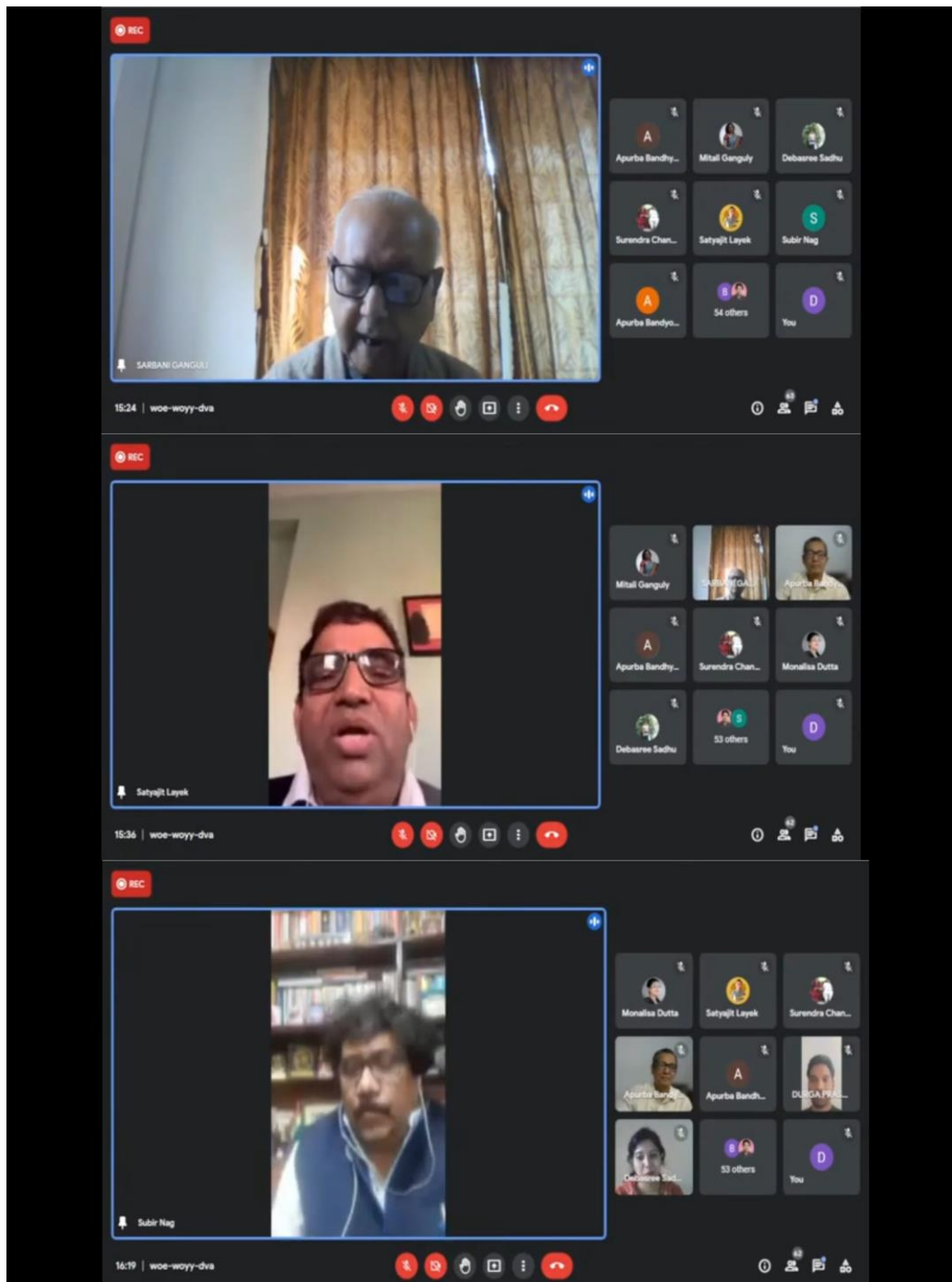
ARJUNA can be recognised as the representative of every human being with doubts, worries and hesitations.

LORD KRISHNA can be recognised as the Higher Soul, who can show the right path or correct direction.

CHARIOT can be symbolised as our physical body.

Main points of Gita can be stated as following:-

- 1) Wrong thinking is the only source of any problem. It may be due to lack of proper knowledge.
- 2) Right knowledge is the ultimate solution of all the problems.
- 3) Live what you learn.
- 4) Never give up on yourself.
- 5) Have enough faith upon yourself.
- 6) Detach from all the evil.
- 7) Live lifestyle that matches your personality.
- 8) Life is full of battle. Never sink into the ocean of fear. Fight to the last.



A Two-Day Online National Seminar on:
“Recent Trends in Anthropological Research”
jointly organized by
Department of Anthropology (Mrinalini Datta Mahavidyapith, Birati,
Kolkata) and
Dera Natung Govt. College, Itanagar.

The two-Day Online National Seminar on “Recent Trends in Anthropological Research” jointly organized by the Department of Anthropology of Mrinalini Datta Mahavidyapith, Birati, Kolkata and Dera Natung Govt. College, Itanagar concluded successfully.

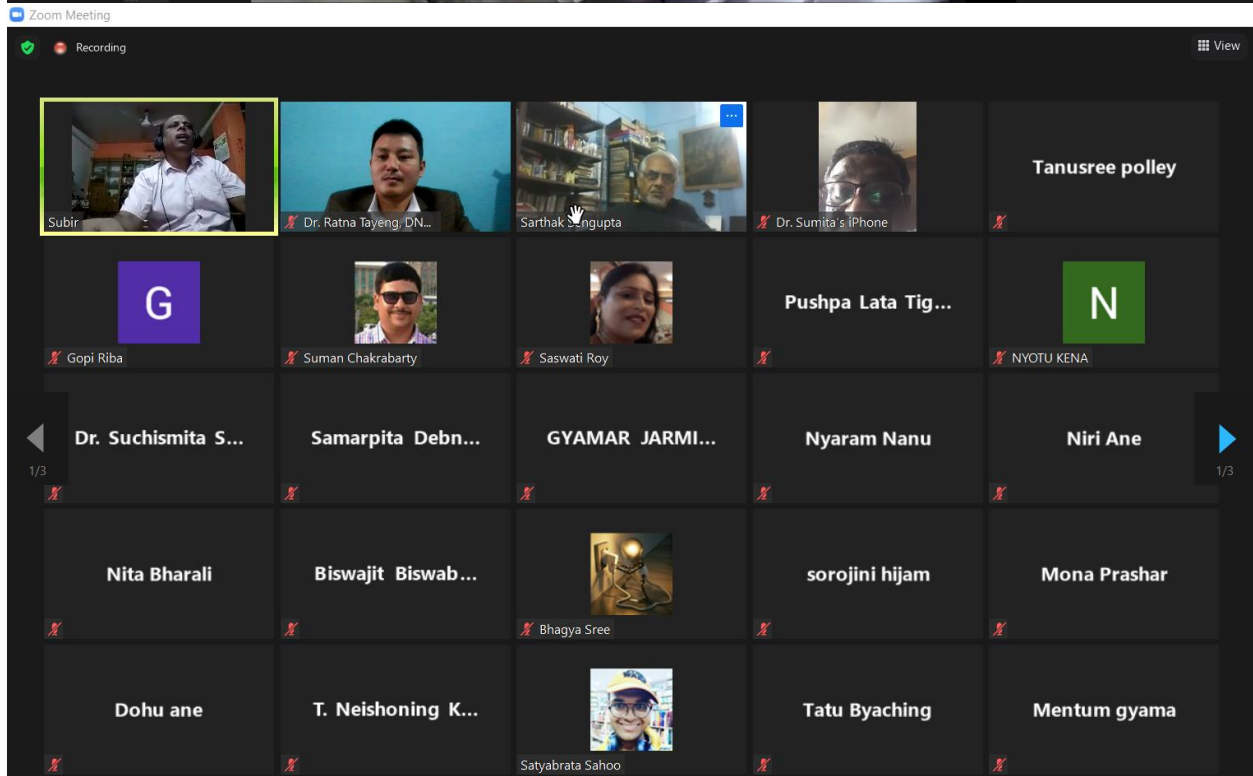
Chairing the valedictory session, Professor Sarthak Sengupta an eminent anthropologist of Northeast India and former Professor and Head Department of Anthropology, Dibrugarh University, Assam praised the department of Department of Anthropology of Mrinalini Datta Mahavidyapith, Kolkata and Dera Natung Govt. College, Itanagar for organizing such a relevant online national seminar in an excellent manner. He also expressed that such collaboration in academic and research activities between educational institutions will benefit both the institutions in the coming time.

In his valedictory address, Prof Subir Biswas, Professor and Head, Department of Anthropology West Bengal State University, Barasat expressed his concern about the failing status of anthropological research in India despite having a long tradition. He stressed on anthropologists to adapt to changing times and cater to the challenges of comprehending impact of global warming and bio-cultural interventions on humankind during COVID-19 Pandemic besides the adoption of new methods as digital ethnography. He also remarked there is a serious need to debate and discuss future prospect of anthropological research in the country.

The seminar had 52 research papers divided into 6 technical sessions spanning over two days and has 342 participants comprising of eminent anthropologists, faculty members, research scholars, and students from different parts of the country and abroad.

Finally, Mrs Tanushree Polley, member of the organizing committee extended vote of thanks and expressed deep gratitude to all the delegates, faculty members and students for participation. The programme was moderated by Dr Suchismita Sen Chowdhury, MDM and Ms. Gopi Riba, DNGC and the whole programme was technically supported by Dr Puspallata Tigga, Assistant Professor of Mrinalini Datta Mahavidyapith.

MDM, Birati ACTIVITY REPORT



On 3.7.2021, Department of Chemistry, organized a special online lecture on “Redox Principles in Certain Chemical/Biochemical Reactions”. The lecture was delivered by Prof. (Dr.) Sanjib Ganguly, Department of Chemistry, St. Xavier’s College, Kolkata. In his presentation, Prof. Ganguly delineated some of the major redox phenomenon taking place in biological chemistry. The lecture focused upon the role of metalloenzymes in catalyzing a diverse range of biochemical reactions. The role of CFSE as the underlying chemical principle was well established. The lecture was attended by a large number of students (UG and PG), Research Scholars and Faculty members from all over India and abroad. Each of the participants received participation certificate upon submission of the online feedback form. The video recording for the lecture may be accessed through the following link: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/11exwERzgQn9Z0fws2JF5nEw9NMVEHxgu/view?usp=sharing>

The screenshot shows a Google Meet window with a presentation slide. The slide title is "REDOX PRINCIPLES IN CERTAIN CHEMICAL & BIOCHEMICAL REACTIONS". Below the title is a logo of St. Xavier's College, Kolkata, and the presenter's name: Dr. Sanjib Ganguly, Associate Professor, Department of Chemistry, St. Xavier's College (Autonomous), Kolkata, India. The Meet interface includes a "People" list on the right with names like Arnab Giri, Arnab Sadhukhan, Arpan Ghorui, Arpita Debnath, Arunima Bose, ARUNIMA ROY, Avinandan Mandal, BHASKAR BISWAS, Bikram Das, and BONAMI DAS. The bottom status bar shows the time as 18:20 and the video title "REDOX PRINCIPLES IN CERTAIN CHEMICAL/BIOCH...".

The screenshot shows a Google Meet window with a presentation slide. The slide title is "Heme group present in Catalases and peroxidases". Below the title is a chemical structure of heme, which is a porphyrin ring with a central iron atom (Fe) coordinated by a nitrogen atom. The structure is labeled "Heme (iron-porphyrin) b". The Meet interface includes an "In-call messages" panel on the right with messages from participants like You, Sougat Das, souryadip ghosh, and Srijita Bhowmick. The bottom status bar shows the time as 19:15 and the video title "REDOX PRINCIPLES IN CERTAIN CHEMICAL/BIOCH...".

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Sanjib Ganguly is presenting

Mechanism of Catalase Activity

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putative intermediate $\text{Fe}^{\text{IV}}=\text{O}$

Compound I $\text{Fe}^{\text{IV}}=\text{O}$

Compound II $\text{Fe}^{\text{IV}}=\text{O}$

adventitious reductant (which can transfer an electron to the porphyrin ring)

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CATALASE

They are known to catalyze H_2O_2 into water and oxygen in an energy-efficient manner within the cells that are exposed to environmental stress (including extremes of temperature, exposure to toxins, and mechanical damage).

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Catalases are Fe containing metallozymes, located in all major sites of H_2O_2 production within the cellular environment (such as peroxisomes, mitochondria, cytosol and chloroplast) of higher plants. Mammalian CAT are exclusively located in the peroxisomes and they utilize H_2O_2 generated during fatty acid oxidation (FAO) in these organelles.

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Report on special lecture program Department of Journalism and Mass Communication

The Department of Journalism and Mass Communication organised a Special Lecture Programme on ***'Trends and Techniques of Journalistic Writing'*** on 30th June, 2022 at 12.30 p.m.

The Resource Person Mr. Saugata Ganguly, is a Sports Reporter of the Bengali newspaper Bartaman Patrika, Kolkata, West Bengal .

He discussed on the various trends and techniques of journalistic writing in current and emerging times. He said that, journalism consists of stories that attempt to identify, explain, and analyze emergent contemporary phenomena. He also described the guidelines of news writing.





Special Lecture on "Exploring Different Facets of Interpersonal Relationships"

Conducted by: **Department of Psychology, Mrinalini Datta Mahavidyapith**

Organized on **7th August 2021, 5 PM - 6.30 PM**

Resource Person: **Mrs. Aparajita Chakraborty, Assistant Professor, Amity University, Kolkata**

The special lecture was conducted according to the curriculum of Psychology GE course for semester 6. Though the topic is a part of the syllabus, it is vastly relevant for all human beings, thus the participation was not restricted.

Students and faculties from both institutions participated in this online lecture. The resource person systematically discussed different natures and aspects of interpersonal relationships, the problems faced and the probable solutions.