

Webinar Report:

International Webinar on Humanism of Kabir and Rabindranath: The Present Context

Date: 18th July 2021

Time: 11:00 am to 02:00 pm

Online Platform: Google Meet, Video call link: <https://meet.google.com/dku-njmg-hhg>

Organised by: Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), Birsa Munda College

Introduction:

The Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of Birsa Munda College hosted an International Webinar on “Humanism of Kabir and Rabindranath: The Present Context” on the 18th of July 2021. This webinar aimed to explore the enduring relevance and significance of the humanistic philosophies of Kabir and Rabindranath Tagore in the contemporary world.

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on
**Humanism of Kabir and Rabindranath:
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organized by the
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Keynote Speaker:

Dr. Ved Prakash Singh
Hindi Department
Osaka University, Japan

Chief Guest:

Dr. Subires Bhattacharyya
Vice-Chancellor
University of North Bengal

Honourable Speakers:


Dr. S.K. Singh
Assoc. Prof.
Hindi Dept.
SSBPG College
Ballia, UP


Dr. Arjit Chakraborty
HOD, English
Dept., NBSM
Alipurdur, WB


Dr. Prabir Ghosh Roy
Joint DPI
Dept. of Higher Education
Govt. of West Bengal


Dr. S.P. Tripathi
Assoc. Prof.
Hindi Dept.
SDBI College
Howrah, WB


Ms. Seemayee Roy
Asst. Prof., English
Dept., YSPM
East Medinipur,
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Dr. Debasis Dutta
Controller of Examination
University of North Bengal

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Organizing Committee:

Dr. Birendra Mridha
Principal
Birsa Munda College (BMC)

Interested Participants are requested to Register themselves through the following Google Form link on or before 18th July, 2021:
<http://bmc.basicmonster.com/>
Meeting ID will be shared with Registered Participants only.
E-Certificates will be provided to all Registered Participants.

Dr. Ratna Paul, Webinar Convener, HOD, Hist Dept., BMC
Dr. Anurima Chanda, Coordinator, IQAC Cell, Eng Dept., BMC
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Speakers and Talks Delivered:

1. Welcome Address: **Sri Sujit Das, President of the Governing Body**, delivered the welcome address, setting the stage for the webinar proceedings.
2. Introductory Note: Following the welcome address, an introductory note was provided by the President of the Governing Body, laying out the objectives and themes of the webinar.
3. Inaugural Speech: **Dr. Birendra Mridha, Principal of Birsa Munda College**, delivered the inaugural speech, highlighting the importance of the webinar's topic and its relevance in today's context.
4. Address by Chief Guest: **Dr. Subires Bhattacharyya, Vice-Chancellor of the University of North Bengal**, was scheduled to deliver an address as the Chief Guest. However, due to unavoidable reasons, he was unable to join the event.
5. Address by Special Guest 1: **Dr. Prabir Ghosh Roy, Joint DPI at the Department of Higher Education, Government of West Bengal**, shared insights on the humanistic principles advocated by Kabir and Rabindranath Tagore, emphasising their significance in contemporary times.
6. Address by Special Guest 2: **Dr. Debasis Dutta, Controller of Examination at the University of North Bengal**, spoke on the practical applications of humanistic values in academic and administrative domains.
7. Keynote Address: **Dr. Ved Prakash Singh, from the Hindi Department at Osaka University, Japan**, delivered the keynote address, providing an in-depth analysis of Kabir and Rabindranath Tagore's humanistic ideologies and their relevance in the present global scenario.
8. Speaker 1: **Dr. S.K. Singh, Associate Professor in the Hindi Department at SSBPG College, Ballia, UP**, discussed the philosophical underpinnings of Kabir's humanism and its implications for contemporary society.
9. Speaker 2: **Dr. S.P. Tiwari, Associate Professor in the Hindi Department at SDBI College, Howrah, WB**, explored Rabindranath Tagore's humanistic vision and its manifestation in his literary works.

10. Speaker 3: **Dr. Avijit Chakraborty, Head of the English Department at NBSM College, Alipurduar, WB**, examined the intersection of humanism and literature, focusing on the contributions of Kabir and Rabindranath Tagore.
11. Speaker 4: **Ms Srimoyee Roy, Assistant Professor in the English Department at YSPM College, East Medinipur, WB**, presented a comparative analysis of humanistic themes in the works of Kabir and Rabindranath Tagore.

Conclusion:

The International Webinar provided a platform for an insightful exploration of the humanistic philosophies espoused by Kabir and Rabindranath Tagore. The talks delivered by esteemed speakers from diverse academic backgrounds enriched the discourse on the enduring relevance of humanism in addressing contemporary challenges and fostering societal harmony.

Attendance: The webinar witnessed active participation from scholars, academicians, and enthusiasts, with a large number of attendees engaging in the sessions throughout the day.

