

### JATINDRA-RAJENDRA MAHAVIDYALAYA

# **SEMINAR REPORT**

# DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY

in collaboration with the IQAC, Jatindra Rajendra Mahavidyalaya



### ACADEMIC YEAR 2021 - 22

### A REPORT ON

# **ONE DAY STATE LEVEL SEMINAR**

### **On the Topic:**

### **"INDIAN LOGIC:**

### WITH SPECIAL REFERENCE TO NYAYA PHILOSOPHY"

Indian logic is considered par excellence as one of the three original traditions of logic together with the Greek and the Chinese logic. Indian logic has been developed in the Navya Nyaya School of logic. Indian logic attracted attention of many Western scholars and the rest of the world because of its method of inference, theories of adequate evidence, and system of nonmonotonic reasoning that is used in modern computer simulation of actual human reasoning processes. Knowing all these relevance of Nyaya logic, the department of philosophy had organized a one day state level seminar on **"Indian Logic: With Special Reference to Nyaya Philosophy"** on 9<sup>th</sup> March, 2022 at the Master Seminar Hall of Jatindra Rajendra Mahavidyalaya, Amtala, Murshidabad. The Chief of Guest and the Keynote presenter, Ms. Sampa Dey, Assistant Professor and Head of the Department of Philosophy,



Muzaffar Ahmed Mahavidyalaya, Salar, Murshidabad was invited to deliver her lecture for the students of the college.

The programme started with the welcoming of all the dignitaries to the dias, namely, the Patron of the College – Prof. Geetali Bera, the IQAC Coordinator – Prof. Subhadip Mukherjee, Convener of Philosophy Department – Prof. Pranab Ghosh, Faculty member of Philosophy Department – Prof. Tania Khatun, and the Head of the Department of Education – Prof. Sufal Kumar Sarkar and the keynote presenter, Ms Sampa Dey.

Inauguration of the seminar programme began with the felicitation of the dignitaries by the students of the department of philosophy. They were handed over a flower of bouquet each. Then the patron, the IQAC coordinator, and keynote addresser were ushered to enkindle the lamp to enlighten that day's discussion.

The of patron the seminar, Prof. Geetali Bera says in her speech that the origin of Nyaya logic has and it dates back to its roots in the interpretation of ancient Vedic texts from the first to second century. Nyaya logic's major contribution is its detailed analysis of the means of knowledge



known as inference. It advocates that valid knowledge is the true and right apprehension of an object that we encounter in our day to day life. She concluded her inaugural talk by wishing everyone to get influenced and enriched with the keynote address as well as other speeches by the dignitaries.

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Prof. Sufal Kumar Sarkar was elaborated the Nyaya logic in educational parameters. He outlined the importance and relevance of inference in gaining knowledge. He argued that Indian logic critically questions the validity of knowledge based on proof and allows people to objectively arrive at a conclusion, reflecting critical thinking abilities that are missing in the contemporary education scenario. Prof. Sufal shows that young people especially college students are carried away with false statements and invalid arguments during this social media age. Therefore he expressed his thankfulness to the department of philosophy by organizing such an insightful seminar in the college and urged the students, especially of his department, to gain knowledge from the keynote address.

The keynote address started by 1.30 p.m. by Prof. Sampa Dey. Her topic of discussion was **"Indian** *Logic: With Special Reference to Nyaya Philosophy"*. Her paper provided a broad overview of Indian logic pursued in the classical Indian philosophical systems as well as in contemporary India. She divided her talk into five parts. In her first part, she mainly dealt with the distinction between Western and Indian conception of logic. The second section covered the structure of inference in classical Indian philosophical systems. The third part of her note, she analyzed the concepts of negation available in the Nyaya and linked them to different concepts of negation to the metaphysical presuppositions of the other systems. The fourth part of her talk lays down the nature of contradiction as conceived in those systems. And finally she provided a brief account of the developments in Indian logic during the nineteenth and the twentieth centuries, especially during this digital era.

She addressed by saying that Indian logic is a grammar-based model of logical analysis, which differs from the geometrico-mathematical model used in the Western logic. Indian logicians, especially Nyaya logicians, use *pramanas* as a tool to establish the truth of a proposition and acquire valid knowledge. She said that these pramanas are very much systematic to be used as means to attain knowledge that can help people understand the reality and make their reasoned judgments.

At the end of the seminar talks, Prof. Tania Khatun, the faculty of the department of philosophy, thanked the keynote speaker and other speakers on behalf of the department. The program was winded up with the lunch for the dignitaries and tiffin packets for more than 26 students who were present for the seminar. This seminar received successful gestures from all.

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## Seminar Schedule



### **ONE DAY STATE LEVEL SEMINAR**

On

### "Indian Logic with Special Reference to Nyaya Philosophy"

Organized by

**Department of Philosophy** 

### JATINDRA RAJENDRA MAHAVIDYALAYA

(Govt. Aided College, NAAC reaccredited 'B' Grade)

Date: 09.03.2022

Venue: Seminar Hall (Annex Building)

### **PROGRAMME SCHEDULE**

- 11.45 a.m. Inauguration and Installation of the Guests on the Dias
- 12.00 p.m. Lighting of the Lamp
- 12.05 p.m. Welcome Address by Prof. Geetali Bera, TIC and Patron of the College
- 12.20 p.m. Speech by Prof. Sufal Kumar Sarkar, HOD, Department of Education, JRM
- 12.45 p.m. Keynote Address by Ms Sampa Dey, HOD, Department of Philosophy, Muzaffar Ahmed Mahavidyalaya, Salar, Murshidabad
- 01.45 p.m. Vote of Thanks by Prof. Tania Khatun, Department of Philosophy, JRM 2.00 p.m. - Lunch / Tiffin

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# Seminar Attendance

Name of the Programme Topic Organized by Date Place Department Seminar
Indian Logic with Special Reference to Nyaya Philosophy
Department of Philosophy
09.03.2022

: Seminar Hall

1	B.A/21/53	SIRUL SARDAR
2	B.A/21/116	LABONI CHOWDHURY
3	B.A/20/08	UMME SALMA
4	B.A/20/81	TARIK AJIJ
5	B.A/20/24	BILTU DAS
6	B.A/21/111	SONIA DAS
7	B.A/21/47	SOYEB KHAN
8	B.A/21/17	RADIAN AKTAR MONDAL
9	B.A/21/06	TAMMANNA AKTAR MONDAL
10	B.A/21/907	DURJOY GHOSH
11	B.A/21/1157	CHANCHAL SARKAR
12	B.A/21/1804	RUBEL MONDAL
13	B.A/21/1910	RAJONI KHATUN
14	B.A/19/03	HAMIM MONDAL
15	B.A/19/36	SUDIP BOWALI
16	B.A/19/124	BIPARNO HALDAR
17	B.A/21/27	OJIFA KHATUN
18	B.A/19/181	BEAUTY KHATUN
19	B.A/20/20	RINKU GHOSH
20	B.A/20/83	RENVI MONDAL
21	B.A/21/62	PRIYA KHATUN
22	B.A/19/126	RANA GHOSH
23	B.A/21/117	TANUSHREE MONDAL
24	B.A/21/123	PIJUS GHOSH
25	B.A/19/178	JAMAL BISWAS
26	B.A/19/183	NASIMA KHATUN
27	B.A/19/273	APARNA MONDAL
28	B.A/19/269	RINA KHATUN
29	B.A/20/13	SAKINA KHATUN
30	B.A/20/155	HASIBUL ISLAM
31	B.A/20/154	RAHUL MONDAL
32	B.A/21/241	MASUM MONDAL
33	B.A/21/1698	CHANCHAL KHAN

List of Teachers/ NTS		
1	Pranab Ghosh	
2	Subhadip Mukherjee	
3	Rina Majumdar	
4	Mudassar Sk	
5	Santosh Mondal	
6	Abdul Halim Shaikh	
7	Amal Sarkar	
8	Nandini Biswas	
9	Mithun Kumar Ghosh	
10	Sufal Sarkar	
11	Badrul Islam	
12	Sabir Mondal	
13	Sandip Kumar Das	
14	Nasir Sardar	
15	Sebabrata Roy	

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# Brochure



ONE DAYSTATE LEVEL SEMINAR on Indian Logic: With the Special Reference of Nyaya Philosophy



9th March, 2022. Organised by: Department of Philosophy Jatindra RajendraMahavidyalaya. Amtala, Murshidabad.

### About the College:

Jatindra Rajendra Mahavidyalaya was established in 6th December, 1986. The college is situated in a rural area in the district of Murshidabad where the most ot the people are economically backward belonging to minority community. Naturally most of the students of the collegeare first generation learner. Therefore, the college had the objective to expand the facility of higher education for the people living in the remote areas of the district and the adjoining area. It is a degree college affiliated to the University of Kalyani. The University Grants Commission has recognized this college under the section of 2(f) and 12 (B) of its act. The college has acquired a n auspicious reputation in the field of education in the district. This College has been accredited by the NAAC twice.

#### How to Reach the College:

Jatindra Rajendra Mahavidyalaya is 30 km away from Berhampore Railway Station and takes 1hour via Hariharpara and 24kms distancefrom Beldanga. As the collegesituated besides the main road, various regular transport services (like local bus, trekker, taxi etc.) are available. Organizing Committee: Cheief Patron: Sri Debabrata Sarkar, GB President, JRM

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Jt. Convenor:

Tania Khatun, SACT, Dept. of Philosophy

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#### Theme:

Indian logic, also known as Nyaya, is a rich philosophical tradition that explores the nature of knowledge and reasoning. Rooted in ancient texts such as the Nyaya Sutras and Nyaya Bhāşya, Indian logic offers a systematic framework for understanding how we acquire knowledge and make valid inferences.

Nyāya (ni-āyá, literally "recursion", used in the sense of *"syllogism,* inference") is the name given to one of the six orthodox or *astika* schools of Hindu philosophy – specifically the school of logic.

The Nyaya school of philosophical speculation is based on texts known as the Nyaya Sutras, which were written by Gotama. This methodology is based on a system of logic that has subsequently been adopted by most of the other Indian schools (orthodox or not), much in the same way that Western philosophy can be said to be largely based on Aristotelian logic.

Followers of Nyaya believed that obtaining valid knowledge was the only way to obtain release from suffering. They therefore took great pains to identify valid sources of knowledge and to distinguish these from mere false opinions. According to the Nyaya school, there are exactly four sources of knowledge (pramanas): perception, inference, comparison and testimony. Knowledge obtained through each of these can, of course, still be either valid or invalid. As a result, Nyaya Scholars again went to great pains to identify, in each case, what it took to make knowledge valid, in the process creating a number

of explanatory schemes. Sub-Theme:

The seminar shall endeavoir to locate the various issues on logic and induction that emanating from all levels of philosophical aspect under these sub themes:

1. Nyaya darshan and Logic;

2. Anumana and Induction;

3. Vyapti

4. Swarthanumanaand Categoirical Proposition Comparative Study with western Logic

### **Registration:**

Registration is compulsory for all the participants except Resource Persons. **Registration Fees:** 

1.Delegates Fees - Faculties, Academicians and Paper Presenter (jointpresenter will register separately) – 300/ Rs. Only.

2.Students Fees - No Fees

(For Research Scholars/ Students a Certificate from Head/ Supervisor from concern Institution is required for availing subsidized registration fee.)

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3) Tania Khatun, Jt. Convenor, Department

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### **Resource Person:**

### **SMT. SAMPA DEY**

Assistant Professor & HoD of Department of Philosophy Mozaffar Ahamed Mahavidyalaya, Salar, Murshidabad.



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