





"POSTCOLONIAL DIALOGUE AND DIVERGENCE: ACHEBE'S RESPONSE TO WESTERN LITERATURE IN THINGS FALL APART"

18TH FEBRUARY, 2022

ORGANIZED BY: DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH

IN COLLABORATION WITH IQAC

JATINDRA RAJENDRA MAHAVIDYALAYA AMTALA, MURSHIDABAD

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About the College

Established in 1986, Jatindra Rajendra Mahavidyalaya is a general degree college in Murshidabad district, offering undergraduate courses in Humanities and Social Science subjects. Formerly affiliated with the University of Calcutta, it is now affiliated with the University of Kalyani and recognized by the UGC. Situated in the village of Amtala, it occupies a 1.87-acre campus. The college employs various teaching methods and received a "B" grade from NAAC in 2016.

About the Seminar

Delve into the rich tapestry of postcolonial discourse as we examine Chinua Achebe's seminal work, "Things Fall Apart," and its profound response to Western literary traditions. Through the lens of Achebe's masterpiece, we will unravel the complexities of colonialism, cultural clash, and identity reconstruction in the aftermath of colonial rule. Join us for an enlightening dialogue as we analyze Achebe's subversion of Western narratives, his portrayal of Igbo culture, and his interrogation of power dynamics in the colonial encounter. This seminar offers a unique opportunity to explore the divergent perspectives and voices that emerge in the wake of colonialism, shedding light on the complexities of postcolonial identity and representation.

FREE REGISTRATION

ALL TEACHERS & THE STUDENTS OF ENGLISH DEPARTMENT ARE INVITED TO REGISTER FOR FREE

Program Schedule

18TH FEBRUARY, 2022
10 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.
REGISTRATION
10:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.
INAUGURATION CEREMONY
11:00 a.m. to 01:00 p.m.
LECTURE SESSION
01:00 p.m. to 01:30 p.m.
TIFFIN BREAK
01:30 p.m. to 02:30 p.m.
Q&A SESSION
02:30 p.m. to 03:00 p.m.
VALEDICTORY SESSION &
CERTIFICATE DISTRIBUTION



Art is man's constant effort to create for himself a different order of reality from that which is given to him.

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A Report on

One Day State Level Seminar

On the Topic:

"Postcolonial Dialogue and Divergence: Achebe's Response to Western Literature in Things Fall Apart"

The Department of English in collaboration with the IQAC of JRM College meticulously curated a one-day state-level seminar on February 18th, 2022, carefully and studiously examining the topic "Postcolonial Dialogue and Divergence: Achebe's Response to Western Literature in Things Fall Apart." This scholarly pursuit aimed to dissect Chinua Achebe's seminal work within the context of postcolonial discourse and its probable contextualization.

The students of the college, especially the students of English Honours and literary enthusiasts. promptly registered for the seminar and crowded the Seminar Hall at the earliest. Then Smt. Geetali Bera, the esteemed TIC of the college, through a short speech welcomed the attendees and through her presence illuminated the significance and importance of the program. The attending students were in festive mode. Their cultural



dressing apparition resonated and boosted the literary aura within the Hall.

Prof. Shameek Ghosh, a distinguished scholar in the field of literary studies, captivated the audience as the seminar's esteemed speaker. Prof. Ghosh delved into Achebe's response to Western literature, particularly in the context of colonialism and its aftermath, as depicted in Things Fall Apart. He went on to connect and breakdown all the historical and literary significance of Achebe's discourse on colonialism and as a part of South African Literature. Prof. Ghosh's speech and the enthusiasm of the topic energized the Seminar Hall with active engagements and appreciation.

The program concluded with a brief question and answer session, allowing participants to delve deeper into the themes explored. Especially the students, whose curiosity and confusions and hunger for knowledge marked the end with a hope that, perhaps, never faded. And with a vote of thanks extended to Prof. Barui by Prof. Abdul Halim Shaikh, the HOD of English Department, for his enlightening presentation to

the Department of English and literary enthusiasts. IQAC coordinator Mr. Subhadip Mukherjee expressed his satisfaction over the efficient and smooth conduct of the seminar. At the end of the program the participants left the Seminar Hall with a revered sense for South African literature, especially for Chinua Achebe's Things Fall Apart as one of its cornerstones.



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Speaker: Shameek Ghosh, Asst. Professor

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