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# Founders' Day 2011

hey took admission to Presidency College with much trepidation in their hearts. They did not know how they would fit in the academic environment of this great institution. The institution gave them a place where they could freely pursue their ideas and goals. They discovered themselves in an altogether new role, the role that always enriched the ambience of this institution; the role nurtured by an over-powering desire for looking further. Like others they also clamoured for advancement that would take this seat of learning to new heights. Theirs was not a unique case. Since the days of Hindoo College they have always been there. They debated, related themselves to every issue that stirred the nation and all the time felt that this institution should be the centre of excellence disseminating knowledge that was free from the straitjacket of stereotypes. Their inspiration was their outstanding teachers. This is how the idea of a constant process of development was born here. The teachers, students and the non-teaching staff imbued with this idea shaped the dream of a university. The winds of all cultures were allowed to blow in this citadel of knowledge. It has been growing from one stage of achievement to another with everdeveloping research facilities, modernization of academic curricula and improvisation of new teaching methods. The journey from Hindoo College to Presidency College was a part of the continuum that has reached the stage of Presidency University to assert its hitherto unrivalled potentialities once again. On this auspicious Founders' Day let us celebrate this incessant quest for development. Let us revel in this process of advancement as they did in Hindoo College and Presidency College in the past.

## From the Desk of the Vice-Chancellor



Greetings and a very happy new year!

2010 has already yielded place to 2011. Before that, the year has been the witness of a momentous event in the history of our 193-year old alma mater, which has been upgraded to the Preidency University by an enactment of the West Bengal Legislative Assembley effective from 7 July 2010. With deep humility and trepidation, I assumed office of the first Vice-Chancellor of the Presidency Univerity on 1<sup>st</sup> November 2010. I want to thank all my colleagues, the Alumni Association of the Presidency College and the Government of West

Bengal for their support as I am settling into my new role. I have a lot to learn, but am fortunate to have unstinted help and guidance of our wonderful faculty, non-teaching and administrative staff, students and innumerable well-wishers of this institution from all walks of life. I shall always look forward to advice and suggestion from all quarters to develop this University into a Centre of Excellence for all disciplines of studies and research.

During the first ten months of 2010 Presidency College had maintained its star status under the able leadership of Professor Sanjib Ghosh and Professor Amitava Chatterjee. I am going to list some of the major achievements of the College during the last few months of its existence as a "College".

- i. Teaching in both undergraduate and post graduate departments was excellent which was reflected in the results declared by the University of Calcutta; our students as usual scored the highest marks in most of the subjects and quite a number of brilliant students joined in the last academic session. Ten percent of our students could not cope with the current syllabi and did not do well in the university examination. We propose to introduce some remedial measures for them.
- ii. Collaboration with Ecole Polytechnique, Paris is progressing successfully. Representatives of the London School of Economics, the University of Sussex and the University of Leeds have visited our institution and delivered lectures and some of our students have secured admission for higher studies to these universities.
- iii. The departments carried on research activities of note; a number of our teaching staff presented their research findings in international conferences in India and abroad and published these in peer-reviewed journals; were invited as Visiting Professors in universities of US, UK and Japan with prestigious fellowships and awards, while a few researchers from foreign universities have joined our institution for research; a pre-doctoral student of the Department of Physiology has been selected as the Principal Investigator of a DST funded research project, which is indeed rare.
- iv. A large number of seminars, symposia, conferences and special lectures have been organized by all departments; seminar proceedings edited by the teachers as well as volumes containing their individual works have been published. In this regard, the efforts of the Gandhi Centre deserve special mention.
- v. During the year a Patent was filed by Professor T.B. Jha and Ms. P. Mukherjee (Indian Patent 621 KOL 2009) for which provisional acceptance was granted by NBA, India.
- vi. Both continuing and new projects funded by UGC, CSIR, DST, DBT, Government of India are also

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progressing quite satisfactorily and some departments of our institute have been chosen as Nodal Centres by prestigious research associations.

- vii. The Government of West Bengal disbursed the first installment of Development Grant as also a special grant for completion of the Ladies Hostel at Salt Lake.
- viii. Students have performed very well in the inter-college debate competitions, have fetched trophies in sports and have successfully organised a number of cultural events, including the College Fest, Milieu on 21 24 December.

In spite of the aforesaid achievements, we cannot say that all went well. In fact, a very unfortunate incident occurred on 29 October 2010. A devastating fire broke out in the early hours of the morning in the Organic Chemistry section of the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry on the third floor of our Derozio Building. Thanks to the alertness of the security staff, the nearest fire-station could be contacted without delay. The officials and staff of the West Bengal Fire and Emergency Services Department promptly arrived on the spot and doused the fire with a lot of efforts, pressing into service a large number of fire engines and equipment. But the damage was severe and extensive, involving not only portions of the building, valuable apparatus, equipment and expensive chemicals, many of which are not readily available, but also invaluable research papers and documents, ruining the tireless efforts over years and the fate of more than ten researchers. While the synthetic organic and bioorganic laboratories were completely destroyed, the organic section of the Chemistry Department and a portion of the Statistics Department also suffered wreckage. The University set up a sixmember committee to investigate and recommend preventive and other actions for ensuring that such accidents do not recur. Meanwhile, the different statutory authorities have carried out detailed investigations and have submitted their reports to the concerned Government Departments, which we shall receive in due course. As advised by the Fire Department, the University has already submitted necessary documents for obtaining NOC and will take preventive measures in accordance with the instruction of the fire experts. The State Government promptly assured full help and financial support for restoration, reconstruction and repairs and is going to release Rs. 50,00,000/- shortly. The University has already relocated, as an interim measure, the undergraduate and postgraduate Chemistry laboratories and the computer laboratory of the Statistics Department for ensuring safety to life and property and continuance of academic activities and research to the maximum extent possible. All departments have come forward to help restoring normality and are prepared to share their space and equipment and also to tolerate inconveniences during the reconstruction of the fire-ravaged floors of the Derozio Building in the true spirit of fellowship and collegiality. Teachers and students of the Chemistry Department are facing all hardship with firm determination and resilience.

The first acclaimed academic activity of the Presidency University was the seminar and discourse given by Professor Martha Nussbaum, Ernst Freund Distinguished Professor of Law and Ethics at the University of Chicago on "Sexual Orientation and Constitutional Law" organised jointly by the Departments of English and Philosophy. The seminar was held on the 9<sup>th</sup> December at Acharya J.C. Bose Auditorium. Professor Jasodhara Bagchi presided over the session. Participants from different academic institutions of Kolkata and from the Presidency University discussed the issue at length.

This year's Udayan Mukherjee Memorial Debate between "past" versus "present" students were held on the 11th December. The topic of the debate was "The politicians are just as partisan as the media". The team comprising the "past" students spoke in favour of the motion while the "present" students spoke against it. The team of "present" students won the debate again like the past four years.

The First Presidency University Games were held on 15 & 16 December. A good number of students and nonteaching staff participated in different events with enthusiasm. Mr. Dibyendu Barua, Mr. Utpal Chatterjee and Dr. Kuntal Roy were present as special guests to inspire and encourage the students in the inaugural and the concluding sessions.

Quite a lot have been spoken / published about our erstwhile Presidency College, not only by the media but also by our past faculty members, our alumni and well-wishers, mostly nostalgic about our glorious past and

lamentations for our so-called "abyssmal deterioration' where bright students allegedly aspire to join other institutions rather than the Presidency College. They also said that the "neck of the bottle is at the top", that the "rot" of a fish starts from the head and that it takes scores of years to build an institution, but only a few years or weeks or days to demolish it. I do not want to comment on such views, but would dwell on the challenges before us for attaining international recognition as a "centre of excellence", now that we have the Statute Committee to frame the First Statutes, the First Ordinances and the First Regulations and also the Presidency University Council constituted by our Chanceller with most eminent scholars and members from different professions to guide us.

First, I say that I do not subscribe to the usual world-wide tendency to blame "Government" for our ills and shortcomings and sit back and relax. Lack of funds, bureaucratic inaction, "Government interference", etc., are always blamed, specially (but not exclusively) in our country. We all know that "Government Grants" for all academia, including the most renowned universities in the most "developed" and "economically strongest" countries have been drastically reduced. How are they managing, have they thrown up their hands in dismay and are "laid back"? India's problems are more severe, poverty and basic facilities for even health and hygiene are plaguing us. Shall we be the "Hollow Men" as I understand its meaning? No. We shall have to concentrate on cost-control, maximum utilisation of our available resources, using our in-born talents, be innovative and exert ourselves to the utmost to achieve our goal. In many "rich" countries Industry-Academy Collaborations in research, even in "Humanities" disciplines have been rewarding for all concerned. Some universities in India have been equally successful. Shall we take lessons from them?

Secondly, I would appeal to all to give up our ego, envy, the "one-upmanship" attitude and struggle against the odds unitedly for achieving our common objective. We have received our long-cherished autonomy, let's develop the right attitude to make the best of that. Let's not ask what our University can do for us but what we can do for our University.

Thirdly, every person has the inherent right to express and propagate her/his views which should be discussed with others, examined, debated to finally reach a consensus for implementation. But in a civilised group of persons, there cannot and must not be fisticuffs, battery and even murder in open daylight, as is happening more and more. I am confident that all our dear students, the brightest amongst all students, do and shall act accordingly and rise up for their own benefit and fulfill what our country expects from them.

Lastly, I would like to once again assure the students that **your** teachers, staff and my humble self are all at your disposal at all the time, provided that you are disciplined and reasonable enough to understand as to why you joined an academic institution and not a "club" with different aims. Please help us to help you.

Despite various onslaughts, our Institution not only survived, but also was recognised and regarded as one of the, if not, "the premier Institution in the-then colonies" and later "the devloping" world. That is possibly not so today. However, now we have the opportunity to prove ourselves; let's begin on the right note, not only on the fresh note. Let's embark into new experiments and not be afraid of making mistakes but learn from them. Let's open all inlets and outlets so that light and fresh air can pass in and out freely. Let's allow a thousand flowers to bloom, weeds can be uprooted later. Let this beginning be for the good of all *ayamārambha śubhāya bhavatu*.

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Amita Chatterjee Vice Chancellor Presidency University (Formerly Presidency College)

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#### PART III-Acts of the West Bengal Legislature.

#### **GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL**

#### LAW DEPARTMENT

#### Legislative

#### NOTIFICATION

No. 1047-L .-- 7th July, 2010 .-- The following Act of the West Bengal Legislature, having been assented to by the Governor, is hereby published for general information:---

## West Bengal Act XIII of 2010

#### THE PRESIDENCY UNIVERSITY ACT, 2010.

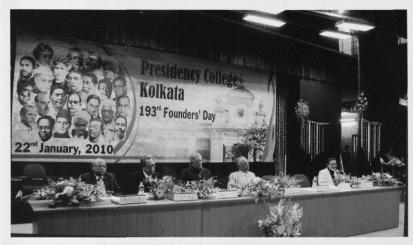
[Passed by the West Bengal Legislature.]

[Assent of the Governor was first published in the Kolkata Gazette, Extraordinary, of the 7th July, 2010.]

An Act to provide for constitution of the Presidency University and for certain matters connected therewith and incidental thereto.

WHEREAS it is expedient to confer on Presidency College, a Government College with rich heritage, the status of a University to enable it to function more efficiently as a teaching, training and research centre in various branches of learning and courses of study, especially in Humanities, Social and Basic Sciences, and promoting advancement and dissemination of knowledge and learning, and

# Photo Gallery



Dignitaries on dias during the 193rd Founders' Day Celebration on 22nd January 2010.

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The College Choir is performing on the occasion of 193rd Founders' Day Celebration on 22nd January 2010.



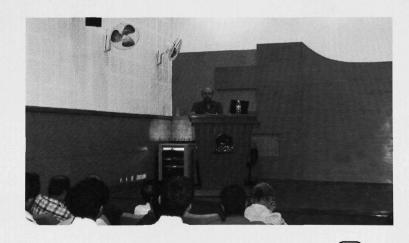
Representatives of the Chinese youth delegation with the teachers and students of Presidency University.



Udayan Mukherjee Memorial Debate.



The present students speaking against the motion in Udayan Mukherjee Memorial Debate.



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Prof. Jibamitra Ganguly, Professor of Geology Arizona University, USA is speaking on 'Some aspects in the dynamics of Earth's interior: plates and plumes' at Acharya J. C. Bose Auditorium.





Dr. Montek Singh Ahluwalia, Chairman, Planning Commission of India, delivering the key-note address in a seminar on Theory and Emperics of Economics in the Current Perspective.



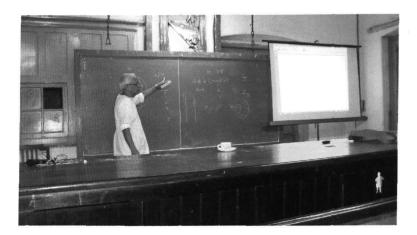
Sri Goutam Mohan Chakraborty, Commissioner, Kolkata Police and Vice-Chancellor Prof. Amita Chatterjee in a seminar on 'Application of forensic science and medicine in criminal investigation' held at Physiology Department.



Dr Martha Nussbaum of University of Chicago and Prof. Jashodhara Bagchi in a seminar organised by the Departments of English and Philosophy. PRASAOGIKI '11



UGC-sponsored seminar on Novelist Manik Bandyopadhyay organised by Department of Bengali on 7th and 8th April 2010.



Dr. Mridul Kanti Sen is delivering a talk on Cyclic group and Cryptography in the Mathematics Department.



Urvashi Butalia is delivering Sri Aurobindo Memorial Lecture organised by the Hindi Department on 31st August 2010.







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Professor Sanjib Ghosh is inaugurating the Gandhi Centre for North-Eastern Languages on 28th May 2010.



Dr. Sugata Marjit is performing in a cultural evening organised by the Presidency College Alumni Association, Kolkata.



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Professor Amitava Chatterjee speaking in the Annual General Meeting of the Presidency College Cooperative Society.

# Major Events of the College

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**193<sup>rd</sup> Founders' Day Celebration:** On 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2010 the College celebrated its 193<sup>rd</sup> Founders' Day with customary pride and solemnity. The celebration commenced with the garlanding of the Foundation plaque in the Arts Library Hall, and the ceremonial lighting of the lamp in memory of the Founders. This was followed by the Founders' Day meeting in the Derozio Hall. Prof. Bikash Sanyal, noted educationist, presided over the function. The noted Sarod maesto and alumnus Pandit Buddhadeb Dasgupta, graced the occasion as Chief Guest. Sri Ashok Mohan Chakraborty, Chief Secretary, Government of West Bengal and alumnus, was present as the special guest of honour. The Principal, Prof. Sanjib Ghosh, extended a warm welcome to assembled guests. The College Choir presented the opening song. Selected portions of *Prasangiki* were read out by Dr. Debalina Banerjee. It was followed by the Annual Prize Distribution ceremony, where prizes, medals and certificates were given to deserving students for academic excellence or co-curricular activities. On behalf of the students, the General Secretary of the Students' Union offered a vote of thanks. The entire programme was conducted by the Bursar of the college Dr. Devasish Sen and Dr. Anik Chatterjee. A cultural presentation, which forms an integral part of the celebration, was made by the College Choir. The meeting was followed by the Annual Reunion on the college lawn organized by the Alumni Association.

**National Youth Day** - On the occasion of Swamy Vivekananda's birthday, National Youth Day was celebrated by the College in collaboration with the Youth Hostel Association of India on January 9, 2010. Students of 30 colleges across the state participated in an essay-writing competition and an extempore speech competition. Sri Harish Saxena, President Youth Hostel Association of India acted as the President in the daylong programme, and Prof. Amal Kumar Mukhopadhyay acted as the Chief Guest. The Youth Hostel Association of India granted Life Membership to the students and staff of this college on the occasion. The programme evoked huge response among college students and youth from all parts of the state.

**Unveiling of the statue of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose** - A Statue of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose was unveiled on April 9, 2010 on the western side of the lawn. The West Bengal State Marketing Board extended their cooperation for the unveiling of the statue. Prof. Amiya Kumar Bagchi, President of the erstwhile Governing Body, Prof. Suranjan Das, Vice Chancellor, Calcutta University, and Sri Naren Chatterjee, Chairman, West Bengal State Marketing Board graced the occasion. Prof. Amal Kumar Mukhopadhyay presided over the unveiling function.

**Formal inauguration of First year undergraduate classes**: On 14<sup>th</sup> July 2010, First year undergraduate classes for the academic session 2010-11 were formally inaugurated at the Derozio Hall. The acting Principal, Prof. Amitava Chatterjee addressed the freshers and introduced all Heads of the Departments who were present on the dais. The College Choir rendered the opening and closing songs of this event. The newcomers were welcomed by the General Secretary of the Students' Union. Dr. Devasish Sen, Bursar, co-ordinated the entire programme.

At the end of the programme, students were escorted to them to their respective departments by the Heads to be introduced to the rest of the faculty. The efforts of the Admission Committee and the cooperation of the various sections of the college, office, departments and administration need to be commended for the timely and smooth completion of the admission procedure.

**Independence Day Celebration**: The 64<sup>th</sup> Independence Day was celebrated on 15<sup>th</sup> August 2010 with due dignity. The tricolour was hoisted by the Principal in the presence of teachers, students and office staff. The College Choir presented patriotic songs.

**First Vice-Chancellor of Presidency University**: On the  $1^{st}$  of November, 2110, the first Vice-Chancellor of Presidency University, Prof. Amita Chatterjee assumed her office, ushering in a new era. She was received with great warmth and enthusiasm.

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**Youth exchange Programme**: On 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2010, 80 delegates from China under the Indo-China Youth Exchange Programme visited Presidency University and were given a warm exchange of culture in the Derozio Hall. Yashi Surana of the Political Science presented a brief history of this premiere institution of the country before the delegation. Pingala Ghosh Dastidar of the English Department addressed them in Chinese. It was a ver profitable and pleasurable interexchange.

**Derozio Memorial Debate** : The Derozio Memorial Debate was held on a grand scale on October 4 and October 5, 2010. As many as 18 teams, including teams from the North-East and from Delhi participated. In the semi-final round there were 10 teams which were shortlisted to only 5 teams in the Final Round.

The final round was judged by a panel of six eminent judges and a most distinguished moderator. The judges were Mr. Hiranmoy Karlekar, Mr. Dhritiman Chatterjee, Mr. Utpal Chatterjee, Mr. Sugoto Marjit, Mr. P.P. Banerjee and Mr. Rajat Majumder. The moderator was Prof. Amal Kumar Mukhopadhyay.

The Presidency team of Adway De and Puja Kankrania were declared the best team of the debate and Adway was declared the best speaker of the evening.

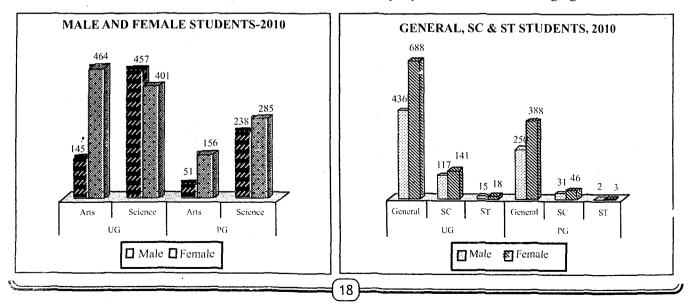
There were a large number of people who viewed the interesting event. The then Principal, Prof. Amitava Chatterjee distributed the prizes. The final was followed by a grand dinner served for all the participants and judges.

Udayan Mukherjee Memorial Debate: On 11<sup>th</sup> December 2010, Udayan Mukherjee Memorial Debate was held at the Bankim Sabhagriha. The topic of this year was "In the opinion of the house: Politicians are just as partisans as the media of India". Past students Somak Roy, Arunabha Ghosh, Tirthakamal Roy, and Dipanjan Roy Chowdhury spoke for the motion. Present students Puja Kankaria, Yashi Surana, Ujaan ghosh and Adway De spoke against the motion. Adway De of the Economics Department was adjudged the best speaker. Sri Subrata Talukdar moderated, Sri Chittotosh Mukherjee, Sri Dipak Rudra and Prof. Surya Kr. Banerjee were judges. Sri Nandalal Chakraborty and Debak Das from the audience commented on the speeches.

Acharya J.C. Bose Auditorium: A centrally air-conditioned auditorium with best quality sound system and projection facilities and having 130 seating capacity was constructed in the ground floor of the Main Building to hold advanced academic lectures and seminars. This state-of-the-art auditorium was dedicated in the memory of Acharya Jagadish Chandra Bose.

# **Student Strength of the University (Formerly College)**

The total student strength of the University (formerly, College) is 2,197. Of them 1,306 are females and 891 are males. The detailed break up according to stream and social identity is provided in the following figures.

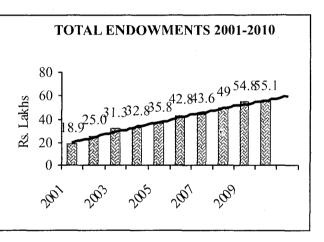


Name of the Scholarship	Total Amount in Rs.	Number of Students
Medals	9,190.00	17
Cash Prizes	61,200.00	31
Book Prizes	22,351.00	44
National Scholarship	75,000.00	10
T.S. Sterling Scholarship	25,00,814.00	14
T.S. Sterling One Time Grant	16,00,816.00	16
Hindi Scholarship	36,000.00	6
Graduate Scholarship	32,000.00	20
Merit-Cum Mean Scholarship	3,06,000.00	20
Hostel Stipend	25,00,811.00	11
Poor Student Fund	1,68,450.00	49

Prizes and Scholarship Awarded to the Students

# **Trust Fund and Endowments**

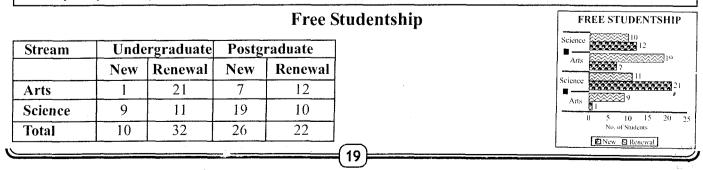
The University presently has 131 endowments amounting to a total of Rs. 55,06,850. This fund, been which has been raised by generous donations from former teachers, alumni and well wishers is used in awarding prizes, scholarships and in organizing college programmes as well as seminars. These endowments are important not only because of their monetary value but more important is the fact that these are associated with the cherished memory of the loved ones. Endowments that have been received in the past year include a donation of Rs. 25,000 donated by Prof. Jyotirmoy Pal Chaudhuri for awarding Khagendra Pal Chaudhuri Memorial cash prize to a student securing highest marks in History Honours graduation in memory of his father. Prof. Taraknath Sen Birth Centenary celebration committee has donated Rs.



2500/- for awarding a prize to a student obtaining highest marks in English Honours for this year only. A complete list of all endowments is given in appendix - 4.

# An Appeal

With the continued falling interest rates on fixed deposits and all appeals from the University (formerly, College) for income Tax exemption falling on deaf ears, many of the endowment for scholarship prizes and medals are almost on the verge of extinction. Moreover, a sizeable number of students are coming from extremely poor families who are in need of special financial assistance. With the existing funds it will not be possible to do justice to these students. Thus, the endowments need to be enhanced. The University sincerely hopes that the well wishers will respond positively to this challenge.



# The Administrative Office

The administrative office of the University consists of four sections : General Section, Cash Section, Students' Section, Accounts Section including PA & Type Section and Caretaking Section.

**General Section**: This section provides the pivot of the administrative functions of the University, involving daily routine correspondence, issue and despatch with outside agencies and headquarters and keeping track of the personal files of all teaching and non-teaching staff of the University.

**Students' Section** : This section keeps in touch with students (past & present) and teaching faculties in matter of academic and other administrative issues relating to student affairs. It also keeps contact with the Calcutta University, our affiliating university.

Accounts Section : This section, under the leadership of Accounts Officer, has the great responsibility for maintaining the records of grants allotted to the University by both the State Government and the Union Government (through UGC and other important agencies). This section takes utmost care in discharging the duties to pay all the pre-retirement and post-retirement benefits and salaries and other payments to outside agencies. This section is answerable to the Govt. Audit & Accounts departments. Besides, this section also allocates various scholarship' funds to the deserving meritorious students.

**Cash Section** : This section is entrusted with a vital role for disbursing all payments, and receiving tuition fees, etc. from students.

**PA Section**: This section is manned by one man who is solely responsible for keeping all confidential matters of the Vice Chancellor. Compilation and maintenance of Annual Confidential Reports and Special confidential Reports in respect of all teachers are among them. PA helps the Vice Chancellor in preparing correspondences. Bursar, Teachers' Council Secretary, Heads of Departments take assistance from him in emergencies. Preparing draft minutes and proceedings of meetings is an important part of his daily routine. In matter of confirmation of service and promotion to higher posts by teachers, all work is done by him. Keeping record of attendance and leave and making reports in this regard to DPI, W.B., Health Scheme of staff are also his job.

Type Section : This section performs all typing job

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**Caretaking Section**: This section has, at present, no regular caretaker. But the caretaking is done with utmost care by an employee of the University. The enormous historical building of the University and its men's hostel and other buildings and large campus and girls' hostel are under his care. The caretaker keeps contact with the PWD in matters of repair and maintenance. Keeping the whole premises neat and clean and a vigil are undertaken by him.

A very close co-ordination and a fine work-culture are the main keys to the success of the administrative functions of the University, though lack of sufficient number of non-teaching employee is a hindrance. Of late, the State Government, is generous to come to rescue in matter of shortage of personnel. Computerization is also the landmark of recent development; all salary bills are prepared through software 'COSA'.e.

# Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC)

In pursuance of the National Action Plan of the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC), Bangalore, assessment and accreditation and quality upgradation of institutions of higher education, the NAAC proposed that every accredited institution should establish an Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) as a postaccreditation quality sustenance measure. Since quality enhancement is a continuous process, the IQAC is a part of an institution's system quality enhancement and sustenance.

The prime task of the IQAC as suggested by the NAAC is to develop a system for conscious, consistent and catalytic improvement in the performance of institutions to make a significant and meaningful contribution in the post-accreditation phase of institutions.

The basic purposes of the IQAC as defined by NAAC are:

- a) To ensure continuous improvement in the entire operations of the institution, and
- b) To assure stakeholders connected with higher education namely, students, parents, teachers, staff, would-be employers, funding agencies and society in general of the accountability of the institution for its own quality and probity.

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The IQAC is primarily entrusted with developing mechanisms and procedures for ensuring the following:

a) Timely, efficient and progressive performance of academic, administrative and financial tasks.

b) The relevance and quality of academic and research programmes.

c) Equitable access to and affordability of academic programmes for various sections of society.

- d) Optimization and integration of modern methods of teaching and learning.
- *e) The credibility of evaluation procedures.*

f) The adequacy, maintenance and proper allocation of support structure and services.

g) Research sharing and networking with other institutions in India and abroad.

Composition of Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) for (2009 -10)

Sanjib Ghosh, Principal: Chairperson

Amitava Chatterjee, Department of Economics,

Coordinator,

Achintya Sarkar, Department of Chemistry: Joydip Mukhopadhyay, Department of Geology: Secretary

Binode. K. Berry, Department of Mathematics

Gandhi K. Kar, Department of Mamematic Gandhi K. Kar, Department of Chemistry Prabir Dasgupta, Department of Geology Debalina Banerjee, Department of English

Jayasree Mukherjee, Department of History Debapriya Bhattacharya, Department of Bengali

Aarobindo Nayak, Department of Physics

Gour Bhattacharya, Department of Physics

- Abhijit Dutta, Department of Botany
- Debabrata Lahiri, Department of Economics

Tridib Chattopadhyay, Secretary, Teachers' Council

Debasis Sen, Bursar

Debnarayan Chakraborty (Sr. Librarian) Accounts Officer

Head Assistant

Prof. Amal Kumar Mukhopadhyay, Member, Governing Body of the College Subhas Ranjan Chakraborty, Eminent Personality from Local Society During 2009-2010 academic session the IQAC of the college prepared the Annual Quality Assurance Report

(AQAR-09) of the college and submitted it to the NAAC, Bangalore.

## Office of the Controller of Examinations (Post-Graduate Courses)

#### Activities of the office of the Controller of Examinations during 2010

- I. Issued University postgraduate degree certificates of all M.Sc. (229 Nos.) and M.A. (53 Nos.) Par II Examinations, 2010 on 30.07.2010 (*issued first in 2010 among the post graduate courses in University and among autonomous courses running in different colleges under university of Calcutta*).
- I. Issued Marksheets on the date of publication of examination results of all M.Sc. and M.A. Part I and Part II examinations, 2010 (M.Sc. Part I 274, Part II 229 // M.A. Part I 80, Part II 53).
- II. Issued "Certificate of Merit", "Provisional Certificate", "Verification Certificate" and "Academic Transcript" on the date of application.

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#### **Staff Position :**

- 1. Controller of Examinations: Vacant
- 2. Deputy Controller of Examinations: Anjan Saha (Acting Controller of Examinations)
- 3. Office Assistant : Khwaja Moinul Haque

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# Programmes conducted by Presidency College Students' Union

*Rabindra Smarne*: Date 23<sup>rd</sup> September, 2010. This programme was organised to commemorate Rabindra Nath Tagore's 150<sup>th</sup> birth day anniversary. We paid homage to Tagore's immense contribution that reshaped literature and music of Bengal and stimulated the progression of renaissance of Bengali Society.

*Union Freshers' Welcome*: Date 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2010. The union fresher's was held to officially welcome the new batch of students at this very crucial point of transition of the College to a University. The programme comprised a number of events from t-shirt painting competition, debate, quiz, dance and singing competition for the freshers. The famous Bangla Folk Band 'BHOOMI' performed.

*Milieu*: Date 21<sup>st</sup> to 24th December, 2010. Presidency University witnessed its first MILIEU, the official annual cultural festival (extravaganza) arranged by Presidency College Students' Union. Milieu comprised inter- and intracollege events like debate, quiz, various competitions and guest performances. This year renowned band 'BLACK' from Bangladesh performed along with the performances of the bands 'CACTUS', 'FOSSILS', and 'Baul', 'CHHOU Nach' from Purulia, and Rabindra Sangeet performance by Prabudha Raha.

The cultural forum, 'ISPAT' also arranged cultural festival and film festival. 'ISPAT' also organised a Blood Donation Camp. Another forum 'ICON' also arranged a film festival and cultural programme.

# **NSS Unit of Presidency University**

The NSS (National Service Scheme) Unit I and Unit II are functioning under the Programme Officers, Dr. Rabindranath Mandal, Reader in Zoology and Dr. Tapas Kumar Misra, Reader in Zoology of Presidency University. A hundred male and a hundred female students have been registered as volunteers in Unit I and Unit II respectively. The volunteers include both undergraduate and postgraduate students. Our NSS Units organized seminar on Thalassemia. Dr. Sudipa Chakraborty, Principal, Institute of Genetic Engineering, & Secretary, Thalassemia Society, Kolkata and Dr. Nirmal Kumar Sarkar, Reader in Zoology, Presidency University, Kolkata delivered lectures in the seminar.

National Youth Day was celebrated in collaboration with the National Youth Hostel Association, Bengal Chapter.

International Mother Tongue Day was celebrated jointly with Bengali Department of Presidency University. Students and Programme Officers participated in the ceremonial functions of Calcutta University on NSS Day and World AIDS Day. NSS Unit organized 'Rabindra Smarak Lectures' in collaboration with the Bengali Department of Presidency University.

Seminar on Vector Borne Diseases Awareness and Control, was organized on 9<sup>th</sup> December 2010. Entomologist Dr. Atanu Banerjee from Kolkata Municipal Corporation delivered lecture. Volunteers from both the units attended the "WALK" organized by Kolkata Police in the memory of the martyrs of 26/11/2008. NSS units also contribute a financial assistance to "Help Age India" for aged homeless distressed peoples specially women.

# **Presidency Choir**

In the year 2010, the Choir remains the common cultural platform for all the students and staff of the Colleg The encouragement of the college authorities and the guidance of some staff members make the Choir grow year after year.

The Choir, at the last year Founder's Day Celebration Programme on 20<sup>th</sup> January, presented two Rabindra Sangeets namely "Biswabeena rabe" and "Age chal age chal" and one modern Bengali song "Ar door nei diganter beshi door nei" as the opening and closing songs. A dance drama, "Surya Sangame", based on a novel, named "Shambo" written by Kalkut and scripted by Prof. Jayita Dutta and Prof. Dipankar Bhattacharya (Bengali Department) was staged by 30 students and 10 staff members of the College. The music of the dance drama was directed by Shri Somjit Chattopadhyay (an ex-student of English Department) and Smt. Shruti Goswami (Bengali Department) and the dances were directed by Shri Saptarshi Roy, Smt. Pritha Das and Smt. Rituparna Mukherjee (Bengali Department). The programme would never have been possible if Prof. Devashish

Sen (Bursar), Dr. Snigdha Gangopadhyay (Chemistry), Prof. Dilip Naha, Prof. Debapriya Bhattacharya, Prof. Manjushree Mukherjee, Prof. Sravani Roy (Bengali) and Prof. Sanghita Sen (English) had not invested their time and effort to make necessary arrangements for the programme. A total of 25 successful outgoing student-participants of the U.G. and P.G. classes received certificates.

The Choir presented one Rabindra Sangeet "Megh bolechhe jabo jabo" and one modern Bengali song "Shaharer usnotamo dine" on the occasion of the Freshers' Welcome.

In the last few years, the members of the choir have grown immensely and now regular rehearsals of the choir are needed to perform in the different programmes throughout the year. But unfortunately till now it does not have any rehearsal room of its own. The Choir needs more and more active support from both the student and the staff of all departments of the University to make the cultural programmes more successful.

From 2005, the College has been distributing certificates to the successful participants of the Choir to encourage the co-curricular activities of the students. The following outgoing student members of the Presidency Choir are the recipients of the certificates this year.

Undergraduate			Postgraduate		
	Name	Department		Name	Department
1.	Budhaditya Chatterjee	Biochemistry	1.	Anitesh Chakraborty	Bengali
2.	Triparna Sengupta	Biochemistry	2.	Shraboni Mondal	Geography
3.	Abhranil Biswas	Chemistry	3.	Apurba Sarkar	Molecular Biology & Genetics
4.	Adwitiya Kar	Chemistry	4.	Sudarshana Banerjee	Molecular Biology & Genetics
5.	Anustup Poddar	Chemistry	5.	Trisha Das	Molecular Biology & Genetics
6.	Dipanwita Chatterjee	Chemistry			
7.	Sayoni Roy	Chemistry			
8.	Sumana Sinha	Economics			
9.	Tanima Bhattacharya	Economics			
10.	Teesta Mandal	Economics			
11.	Jhelum Roy	English			
12.	Manjima Biswas	English			
13.	Sunayan Mukherjee	English			
14.	Sneha Mondal	Philosophy			
15.	Soukhina Chakraborty	Philosophy			
16.	Bandana Mondal	Physiology			
17.	Chaitali Sarkar	Physiology			
18.	Shriya Palchaudhuri	Physiology			
19.	Sreetama Basu	Physiology			
20.	Sudeepa Nandi	Physiology			
21.	Ankita Das	Political Science			
22.	Madhurima Ghosh	Sociology			
23.	Prama Mukhopadhyay	Sociology			
24.	Utsaleena Das	Sociology			

# **Government Eden Hindu Hostel**

The Government Eden Hindu Hostel now 125 years old, was established in 1886 as an undergraduate Boys' hostel of Presidency College, Kolkata. In order to accommodate postgraduate students and research scholars of Presidency College the heritage building was extended in 1988. This hostel is one of the largest hostels of this

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country. Many renowned personalities including Dr. Rajendra Prasad, the first president of India were the boarders of this hostel. At present the hostel is divided into six wards. The hostel has 276 boarders that include 191 undergraduate students (51 from other three Government Colleges) and 69 postgraduate students. The students come from all religions and castes and share a common platform without any discrimination.

The performance of the students both in academic and extra-curricular fields was reasonably satisfactory. Students of this hotel participate actively in games and sports like football, Cricket, Volleyball, Table tennis etc. Tournaments are held seasonally and the Annual Athletic meet was also started from 2005. Besides sports, the boarders organize different cultural activities like Saraswati Puja, Reunion, Fresher's welcome, Farewell Ceremony. The hostel has two libraries, one for text books and other for fiction and valuable journals. The hostel mess system is running satisfactorily.

The authority tries its best to fulfill the expectations of the students and to maintain an ideal environment.

# 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary (Presidency College) Girls' Hostel

Presidency College girls' hostel is now twelve years old. It provides accommodation to the girl students coming from distant places. The authority tries its best to maintain its environment ideal, secure and safe.

The hostel comprises 86 boarders that include 74 students of undergraduate and 12 of postgraduate classes, there are four boarders from other colleges.

The boarders organized different cultural activities throughout the year. The Saraswati Puja and the Freshers' welcome were very much enjoyable event for them. There is a well equipped library. The authorities try to promote recreation activities like arrangement of different games provision for television viewing etc. bus service is available to and fro college and hostel. Vertical Extensions of the existing hostel building has already been started it will provide more accommodation in near future.

There are five government staff members, four non- government staff members and two casual workers engaged in routine daily duties and the Superintendent to oversee the maintenance and the facilities available. We aspire for filling up and creation of different posts so that the authority would be able to extend more essential services towards our boarders.

#### **Staff Members**

1. Srimati Mukerjee, Superitendent

- 2. Sikha Das Gupta, Matron
- 3. Hari Bandhu Hira, Driver
- 4. Ashok Kumar Barua, Cleaner
- 5. Sujit Das, Darwan
- 6. Naresh Mondal, Night Watchman

#### Staff members

Nikhil Rajan Pramanik, Superintendent Dipankar De, Office Assistant Akshay Thapa, Nightwatchman Rajesh Shaw, Darwan Sanjay K. Das, Peon Bhagaban Patra, Mess Staff Amulya Jana, Mess Staff Jiban Joy Dey, Mess Staff Ratnakar Mohanty, Mess Staff Trilochan Patra, Mess Staff Sankar Pramanik, Mess Staff Jugal Jana- Mess Staff, Mess Staff Anjali Bhowmik, Mess Staff 7. Rita Goswami
 8. Rekha Ghosh
 9. Chhaya Kanjilal
 10. Depali Banerjee
 11. Sadananda Guchhayat
 12. Bikram Show

Ramesh Mohanty, Mess Staff Shri Bhuteshwar Patra, Mess Staff Hari Ram Balmiki, Mess Staff Ankush Mandal, Mess Staff Gangadhar Patra, Mess Staff Promesh Mahapatra, Mess Staff.

# Presidency Karmi Sanskritik Sangstha

Employees of our college have been actively participating in different cultural activities every year. This 'sangstha' is a broad platform of all staff members of this institution. Due to some unavoidable circumstances no function could be arranged in the last year. However, there is a plan to stage a drama in the month of March/April, 2011.

A 'Co-operative Health Fund' has been set up to make funds available without charging any interest, to serve the families of the staff members, who are not in position to meet the staggering expenses incurred in difficult cases of ailment. Any kind of donation to this fund will be gratefully appreciated.

# The Presidency College Co-operative Society

The co-operative society is a voluntary organization of employees to look after their common interest through mutual cooperation. The society has completed 88 years of dedicated service to its members. At present the total number of operating members is 162 and number of shareholders is 343. The maximum limit of loan to be sanctioned to the individual member has been increased to Rs. 48,000.00 as long term loan. The maximum limit of the loan to be sanctioned on emergency basis within 24 hours is Rs. 24,000.00. As a token of appreciation of their success in Madhyamik or Higher Secondary Examination the children of the members were given prizes in order to encourage them in higher studies. The prizes were awarded at the Annual General Meeting of the Society held on 27<sup>th</sup> March 2010. The meeting was chaired by Dr. Arabinda Nayak, Chairman of the Society. Our former Principal Prof. Amitava Chatterjee addressed the members. Accounts Officer, our special guest, spoke on the merits and demerits of the Co-operative Society. Dr. Devasish Sen, Bursar addressed the gathering and gave away gifts to the retired members. Sri Biren Bandyopadhyay expressed his gratitude to all member of the Society. Our Treasurer, Sri Samar Nath Sur presented the audited accounts for the financial year 2008-09. Gifts were presented to all the members of the Co-operative Society on the day. The following members were elected to the Board of Directors:

1.	Satadip Sarkar	Chairman
2.	Tarun Kanti Roy	Secretary
3.	Bishu Adhikary	Treasurer
4.	Biren Bandyopadhaya	Member
5.	Samar Nath Sur	Member
6.	Kartick Chandra Sarkar	Member
7.	Mrinal Kanti Das	Member
8.	Babulal Das	• Member
9.	Nirmal Singh	Member
10.	Rintu Dey	Member
11.	Haribandhu Hira	Member

#### Assisting staff:

- 1. Tarak Nath Prasad
- 2. Santosh Singh
- 3. Ramnath Prasah
- 4. Sankar Hela II

# **Presidency College Alumni Association**

The new Executive Council took charge from May 2010, with ShriAnindyaMitra as President. The primary concern of the council this year was the transition of Presidency College to Presidency University. The first Vice-Chancellor Prof. AmitaChatterjee has been nominated as the Chief Patron of the council. The journey of creating Presidency University an epitome of learning and research has begun and alumni have mustered strong to ensure this noble work.

The year 2010 began with the Annual Cricket Match between the past and present students held at the College ground on 16 January, 2010. Like every year almost, the present students won the match. The Steamer Party wasorganised on specially chartered 'MayurpankhiNao' on 17 Januaryon the Hoogly where the alumni and their family members participated in large number. The Founders' day celebration and Reunion for the year 2010 was celebrated on 22 January instead of 20 January to accommodate SaraswatiPuja. In the main function, ShriBikashSanyal was the President and Pt. Buddhadeb Dasguptaacted as the Chief Guest. On the occasion of the Founders' Day celebration, the 38<sup>th</sup> volume of the *Autumn Annual* was published under the Chief-Editorship of Prof TapanRaychaudhuri and the Editorship of ShriNityapriyaGhosh. The Alumni Association organized a Re-union Tea on the college lawn where students, teachers, members of the staff and alumni gathered.

On 15May 2010, the Annual Cultural Programme was organized at Sisir Mancha. The programme entitled '*Robipradakshin*' a tribute to Rabindranath Tagore, to celebrate his 150th birth anniversary. The musical tribute '*NirbachitoGaan*' conceptualized by ShriSankhaGhosh and scripted by ShriNityapriyaGhosh, comprised narration by SmSwapnaKar and ShriParthasarathiRoychowdhury; songs were delivered by SmRajashri Bhattacharyya, ShriSugataMajumdar and the Presidency College Choir (coordinated by Sm Soma Basu). Music for the entire programme was arranged by ShriSomjitChatterjee. The original play, '*Char Adhyay*', was staged under the direction of ShriArunMukhopadhyay. The following alumni members participated in the play: SmDaminiMukhopadhyay, ShriMainakSengupta, ShriBitanbinduBandhyopadhyay and others. Sm. Rita Banerjee coordinated the programme.

The first cultural function organized by the newly elected Executive Council (2010-2012) was 'Mcgh-o-Mallar', held on 28 August 2010 at Derozio Hall. The audience was enthralled by the semi-classical vocalrendition of ShriSugatoMarjit and sarod recital by Pt. Buddhadeb Dasgupta. BijoyaSammilani was held on 14 November at Derozio Hall. The cultural function included a classical dance recital by SmArupaBiswas, recitation by ShriArnabKhasnobis, SmtSwapnaKar, SmBinotaRaychaudhuri, ShriAsishGhosh and SmRupaBiswas and a variety of songs were delivered by ShriSugataMajumdar, ShriSudipChatterjee, ShriPrabuddhaRaha and ShriSomjit Chatterjee. Music was organized by ShriSomjitChatterjee. The programme was followed by dinner on the college lawn.A cultural programme comprising of 'Rabindranathertappa-ongergaan' and adivasi folk dance was organized at Santiniketan on 4 December.

The Public Speaking Society of the college with the help of college authorities had revived Derozio National Debate. The association co-sponsored the event.

The following endowments have been continued. Sm. Dalia Datta has donated Rs. 1,00,000 in memory of her father SatyabrataGhosh, from which two prizes will be given to students who score the maximum marks in Physics (Part II) and Physics (Part III) examination, respectively. ShriGopendraNath Roy has donated Rs. 30,000 in memory of his father BalaiCharan Roy, from which one prize will go to the student who scores the maximum marks in M.Sc. Physics. The prizes were given away on the day of AGM of the association. Dr. Sisir Kumar Mazumder has created an endowment of Rs.1,00,000 for oration on Science and Humanities. ShriParthasarathiSengupta has donated Rs. 1,00,000 and ShriSaktinathMukherji has donated Rs. 20,000 to create an endowment in the honour of Atul Chandra Gupta, the first President of the Alumni Association, with a view to felicitating a distinguished alumnus every year.

# **Department of Bengali**

#### News from the Department

The Department of Bengali maintains its traditional standard of academic excellence. Both the teachers and the students have been offering their best to enrich the academic and cultural ambience of the Department as well as the Institution. The department with its full strength is now gearing up to take up the new challenge as well.

Performance of the students : The students performed brilliantly both in their last UG (1+1+1system) & PG Examinations (autonomous course under Presidency College).

- A) This year the first batch of postgraduate students appeared in their Part-I examination and 12 students out of 20 secured 1st Class. Anitesh Chakraborty and Arunava Chakraborty topped the merit list jointly securing 68% of marks.
- B) In UG-III Examinations (in CU Final Examination) 8 students out of 30 obtained 1st Class . We feel proud to note that our students bagged all the ranks of 1st, 2nd and 3rd positions in Calcutta University. The rank holders were Shruti Goswami, Suchismita Ghosh & Sudipta Ghosh respectively.
- C) In B.A. Part-I &II Examinations the performance of the students is quite satisfactory. The number of 1st Class in these two Examinations is 20. The number is bound to increase after review.
- D) We feel very glad to note, our ex-student Anwesha Khan (who passed UG final in 2007 from this department) was placed First in First Class in Calcutta University Postgraduate Examinations (Annual System). Our ex-student Amrita Ghosal (who passed UG final in 2009 from this department) topped the list of successful candidates in M.A. First Semester Examination of Calcutta University with a record marks of 82 %.

Cultural Programmes: A good number of cultural programmes were organized by the students in the department throughout the year such as Freshers' Welcome, Farewell, Teachers' Day Celebration, Baise Sravan, Aagamoni Utsob, etc. Students of this Department have kept a mark in the cultural competitions held during last year in the College.

#### Seminars organized in the Department

- A) UGC sponsored State Level Two- day Seminar on novelist Manik Bandyopadhyay was held on 6th and 7th April 2010 at Derozio Hall, Presidency University. Prof. Amiya Bagchi, Sri Sunil Gangopadhyay, Prof. Pabitra Sarkar, Prof. Amal Mukhopadhyay, Sri Sukanta Bandopadhyay, Sri Gautam Ghosh, Smt Bani Basu, Sri Rabisankar Bal, Sri Dibyendu Palit were some of the resource persons present in the seminar.
- B) A Memorial Lecture-series on Rabindranath Thakur is being organized by the Bengali Department and the first session was held on 24 September 2010 at Derozio Hall. Prof. Sanjoy Mukhopadhyay, eminent professor of Film Studies, Sri Gautam Halder (Director of Raktakarabi) and Sri Rudraprasad Sengupta were the speakers. The other sessions will be held between January and April in 2011.
- C) Dr. Shaktisadhan Mukhopadhya, an eminent scholar delivered a lecture in the Bengali Department on "Bengal Renaissance and Meghnadbodh Kabya" on December 13, 2010.

#### **Research Activities:**

The research projects of Dr. Jayita Dutta and Dr Dipankar Bhattacharyya were finished this year. The reports of the projects by Dr. Bhattacharyya titled 'Bodhhin Bodhan: Bangla Sammanik, Sahitya Na-japon' and Dr. Dutta, titled 'Uttar Adhunik Preksapate Marxbaad O Uponibeshbader Abosthan: Bangla Sahityer Darpane Bikalpo Itihasher Khonj' were submitted to UGC in March 2010.

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- Dilip Naha delivered a talk on Banglar samaj o sahitye Vidyasagarer Abadan, at Vidyasagar Foundation, Puruliaon 26th September, 2010.
- Manjusree Mukhpoadhyay presented her paper entitled Bangla Upanyase Akhnda Punjaber Khandikaran O Tar Parinotir Chitra, In Desh-Bhag: Barak Upatyakye Unisher Chetana in an international seminar organized by RBU & PU & Gandhi Centre for North Eastern Languages, Gandhi Smriti Darshan Samiti, New Delhi, 16 and 18 September 2010.
- Manjusree Mukhpoadhyay presented another paper entitled Ekusher Bhasha Andolanajo Biplaber Swapnoke Banchiye Rakhe in UGC sponsored State Level Seminar on Technologies of Revolution, Society, Economy and Polity, organized by Barasat Government College and Paschimbangya Itihas Samsad on 4th and 5th March 2010.

Debapriya Bhattacharyya acted as Chairperson of a session in the Fourth Annual Debrupa Bal Memorial Students' Seminar (National Level), Department of Comparative Literature, Jadavpur University, 15th December 2010. Moloy Rakshit presented a paper entitled Deshbhager Pravab :Bengla Natake O Rangomanchein the international semi-

nar held by the Gandhi Centre for North Eastern Languages, Presidency College & R.B.U. on Impact of Partition of India on the Literature of Indian Sub-continent; 16 and 18 September 2010.

Moloy Rakshit also delivered a lecture on Palli-Unnayane Rabindranath in a seminar on Rabindranath Tagore: 150th Birthday Celebration, organized by Kisholoy, Burdwan, on 12 Sept. 2010.

#### Workshop Participation:

Manjusree Mukhpoadhyay and Moloy Rakshit took part in a Work-Shop on Updating on U.G.C. Syllabus in Bengali, organized by the Department Of Bengali, University of Calcutta on 24th April 2010.

#### List of Teachers: (Full Time)

Dilip Naha Swapan Kumar De Sandip Kumar Patra Jayita Dutta Manjusree Mukhopadhyay Sravani Roy Dipankar Bhattacharyya Debapriya Bhattacharyya Moloy Rakshit Non-Teaching Staff (For Netaji Subhash Building) Mohanlal Rangwa Ashutosh Chowdhury Mongol Hazra

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## **Department of English**

#### News from the Department

The Department of English continues with the tradition of intellectual engagement and academic excellence in the year 2010. The results of the students remain consistently good. Among 25 students appeared, 16 secured First Class in PGII; in PG I, among 27 students appeared for examination, 9 secured First Class; in BA final examination 7 students secured First Class among 29 students appeared for examination; in Part II, 11 students secured First class among 26 students; in Part I, 6 students secured First Class marks. In B.A. Final Examination 2010 Pritha Kundu of this department secured the highest marks (65%) amongst all candidates of Calcutta University.

The Teachers of the Department are engaged in research, publication and teaching along with enhancement of their skills by participating in seminars and workshops. Dr. Debalina Banerjee acted as an expert in the Selection Committee for selection of Assistant Lecturer in Pathabhavan and Siksha Satra, Visva- Bharati. Dr Niranjan Goswami has been awarded Fulbright Senior Research Scholarship, to work in Harvard University, USA for eight months during the session 2010-2011. Dr Debashis Bandyopadhyay has been selected as the ESOL Examiner of the University of Cambridge, UK and an External Faculty of the English and Foreign Languages University, Hyderabad. Prof. Sanghita Sen coordinated a workshop on English language Teaching in Collaboration with the Regional English Language Office, Embassy of the United States of America,New Delhi.She also coordinated book grants on American Literature and Australian Literature from the American Centre and Australian Embassy, New Delhi respectively. Prof Sanghita Sen attended T.S. Eliot International Summer School held between 10th and 18th July 2010 at the Institute of English Studies, University of London, London. She also received an award of bursary from the T.S. Eliot Estate to attend the Summer School. For a period of three months (January through March 2010) the department hosted Fulbright Visiting Faculty Professor Edward O'Shea of SUNY, New York. Mr Jordan Mills Pleasant, a Fulbright Scholar from Ohio University, USA has joined the department as researcher under the academic supervision of Dr Sanjukta Das.

The Department witnessed the initiation of the American Corner by receiving a book donation of 201 titles from the American centre. The books were handed over by Ms. Beth Payne, Consul General, Kolkata. The Australian Corner was also initiated in the Department receiving a book donation of 151 titles from the Australian Embassy. Ms. Joelle Uzarsky, Regional English Language Officer, Embassy of the United States of America, New Delhi was a visitor to the Department on July 26, 2010 for a English Language Teaching Programme.

The students of the Department exhibited their enthusiasm and keen interest in academic and extra-curricular activities. The ex-students of the Department of both Postgraduate and undergraduate levels are successfully pursuing

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Postgraduate studies, M.Phil and Ph.D. programmes in renowned Universities of country and abroad. A seminar on Shakespeare was organized by the students of PGII in which five different groups read papers and made presentations on various topics related to Shakespeare's life and his works. Shayeri Sengupta and Arijit Mukherjee, students of PGII had presented papers in the International Conference cum Workshop on American Studies and the Popular Culture, hosted by the Department of English and Centre for Comparative Literature, (University of Hyderabad) and The U.S. Consulate General (Hyderabad) 6th - 8th of September, 2010. Arijit Mukherjee was selected to participate in a talk show series in Doordarshan, named 'Youth Adda'; his session was called Amader Boipotro. Amrita Dhar, a PGII student presented a paper in The Fourth Annual Debrupa Bal Memorial Students' Seminar, conducted by the Department of Comparative Literature, Jadavpur University. Sayani Chakraborty, from PGII was invited to perform Odissi dance recital during the Pallavotsav at Mysore Palace and Chennai Music Academy in 2010. Anuparna Chatterjee, Postgraduate from the department in 2010 presented papers in the Fifth International Conference on Australian Literature, conducted by the IASA held in Goa and in the National Seminar conducted by the University of Calcutta on Translation Studies.

Arunima Bhattacharyya, the Postgraduate topper of the Department in 2010 and Anuparna Chatterjee presented papers in the Seminar conducted by JUSAS on American Studies. The students of PGI, arranged a seminar on "Film Adaptation of Literature: "Troy", "Pride and Prejudice" and "Motorcycle Diaries". Anupa Basu of UGI acted in the French play La Grande Bouffe, organized by Alliance Francaise du Bengale and Night & Fog. She was also ranked third in the event Reuse at the annual fest of Loreto College, Samagam, with partner Shinjini Chowdhury. Krisnaroop Chakraborty of UGI was part of the team that won the Freshers' Quiz 2010. Medha Chakrabartty and Shrestha Saha of UGI were part of the winning team at Montage (a filmmaking event) at Samagam 2010. They were also the second runner-up of Pic-Story (a picture story writing event) at Samagam 2010. Shritama Bose of UGI was the winner of the Freshers' Debate 2010 organized by Presidency College Debate Society. She was also the winner of the Freshers' Quiz 2010. Shritama was also the winner of the inter-college national-level Economics Debate organized by the Department of Economics, Presidency University as part of UGC-sponsored national seminar. She was the Runner-up at the Creative Writing Competition organized by the Department of Hindi, Presidency University on the occasion of Gandhi Jayanti. Dyuti Chakraborty of UGIIIparticipated in UGC-Assisted DRS (SAP III), Phase-II International Conference presented by University of Calcutta titled "Connecting Cultures: Translation and Texts". She also presented a paper at UGC-Sponsored One-Day National Seminar on "Cross-Cultural Perspectives: Indian Writing in English" organized by the Postgraduate Department of English, Maulana Azad College and Indo-British Scholars'Association. Rony Patra of UG III also presented a paper at "Cross-Cultural Perspectives", a UGC-sponsored seminar on Indian Writing in English, organized by Maulana Azad College in association with Indo-British Scholars' Association, at Maulana Azad College on 25th September 2010. Our ex-students Arka Chatterjee and Jennifer Montiero have conducted seminar classes for the Postgraduate students on Samuel Backett and Lorraine Hansberry respectively.

Name of the speaker/visitor	Institutional address	Торіс
Dr Martha Nussbaum	University of Chicago	Politics of Disgust: Sexual Orientation and Constitutional Law
Melvin Burgess	The British Council	Literature for the young Adults
Louise McArthy	University of Leeds	Orientation of students towards Higher Education in foreign university
Joelle Uzarsky	Embassy of the US, New Delhi	Workshop on ELT

#### Seminars held in the Department and Visitors to the Department:

# **Research Activities of the Department:**

Title of the Project	Principal & Co-Investigators	<b>Funding Agency</b>	Amount	Status
The role of the ETCs in ongoing professional	Sanghita Sen	UGC	95,000/-	Completed in 2010
development of language teachers in India: an				
impact study				
impact study		1		l

Title of the Project	Principal & Co-Investigators	Funding Agency	Amount	Status
Preparation of Teaching Resources and training for low resource regional medium schools in India	Sanghita Sen	Regional English Language Office, US Embassy, New Delhi	USD 4500	Ongoing
Ruskin Bond: A Reader	Dr Debasish Bandopadhyay	Sahitya Akademi, New Delhi	Rs 50,000/ (till December 2010)	Completed in 2010
Nineteenth Century Media Debate on Empire	Dr Debasish Bandopadhyay	School of South Asian Studies, St Anthony's College, Oxford, UK	1000 Pounds	Inception 2010
The Theme of Liberty: Harm Principle and Victorian Novel	Dr. Debalina Banerjee & Sm Manu Auddy	NA	NA	Ongoing

# List of Publication by the Teachers of the Department: Research Paper:

- 1. Auddy, M. (in press) "Hemingway: The Old Man and the Sea". In Fictional Americas: Critical Essays on American Novel . New Delhi & Kolkata: Worldview.
- 2. **Bandopadhyay, D.** (2010) "Whispering in the Dark": A Fantastic Quest for Identity'. Journal of the Fantastic in the Arts, vol 21 p. 394-412.
- 3. Bandopadhyay, D. (2010) "Identity in Abject Space: Ruskin Bond and William Saroyan" Ariel. vol. 41.p221-240.
- 4. **Bandopadhyay, D.** (2010) "Quest for an Authentic Literary Mode" English and Foreign Languages University Journal, vol. 2, p 35-56
- 5. **Bandopadhay, D.** (2010) 'Ruskin Bond's "The Eyes are not Here"' In: Mukherjee, S. (Ed.) Many Contexts in Indian Writings in English, Avenel Press, Kolkata. P. 94-110
- 6. **Chattaraj (Mukhopadhyay), A.** (in press) "Intertextuality in Githa Hariharan's When Dreams Travel" in Uneven Terrains: Critical Perspectives and Postcolonialities, Booklore, Kolkata.
- 7. Chattaraj, (Mukhopadhyay), A. (in press) Childhood in Toni Morrison's Beloved. Atlantic Critical Review.
- 8. **Das, S.** (in press) 'Shakespeare's Sonnet Nos 87 and 130' in Pegasus: an English Critical Journal, Collection 5, Special No. Sonnet.
- 9. **Das, S.** (in press) Rewriting the Underdog Narrative: Aravind Adiga's The White Tiger. In: An anthology of critical essays on Booker Winners. The Department of English Language and State Council of Education Research and Training, Uttarakhand.
- 10. **Das, S.** (in press) The Collapse of Ethics in Ian McEwan's Amsterdam. In: An anthology of critical essays on Booker Winners. The Department of English Language and State Council of Education Research and Training, Uttarakhand.
- 11. **Goswami, N.** (in press) The Rustle of History: Nationalismand the Vernacularin the French Renaissance. In: Chaudhuri, S. (Ed.) Renaissance Reborn: In Search of a Historcal Paradigm, Orient Blackswan, New Delhi.
- 12. Sen, S. (in press) The Complete Man: towards a Popular Aesthetic of Quixotic Images in Contemporary Indian Advertisements. Papeles de la India.
- 13. Sen, S. (in press) (Mis)representing the Other, Sp(l)itting the difference: recycling colonial stereotypes in Indian films on terrorism." In: Chakrabarty, A. and Mondal, S. (Eds.) Uneven Terrains: Critical Perspectives in Postcolonialism. Kolkata, Booklore.
- 14. Sen, S. (2010) Critical Introduction to Gulliver's Travels, Kottayam: DC Books. (e book)
- 15. Sen, S. (2010) Critical Introduction to Huckleberry Finn, Kottayam: DC Books (e book)
- 16. Sen, S. (2010) Critical Introduction to Crime and Punishment. Kottayam: DC Books. (e book) Book:
  - Bandopadhyay, D. (2010) Locating the Anglo-Indian Self in Ruskin Bond: A Postcolonial Review. Anthem

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Press, London (UK) and New York (USA), 172 pp

- 2. Sen, S. (2010) Teacher's Manual 7: Oxford Learner's Grammar and Composition. New Delhi, Oxford University Press, 92 pp
- 3. Sen, S. (2010) Teacher's Manual 8: Oxford Learner's Grammar and Composition. New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 98 pp

#### Seminars/Lectures delivered/ Workshops attended by teachers:

- Sanjukta Das presented a paper entitled 'Bangla to English, Bengali to Ingreji: texts, translators and the implied reader' at the International Conference, Connecting Cultures: Translation and Texts, organized by the DRS (SAP-III) Phase-II programme, Department of English, University of Calcutta, from 24th to 26th February 2010.
- Sanghita Sen was the Core-Group member of the International conference on "American Studies in the 21st Century organized jointly by the American Embassy in New Delhi and American Consulate, Hyderabad held at OUCIP, Hyderabad, 28th to 31st March, 2010.
- Sanghita Sen acted as the Resource Person for a Teachers' training workshop organized by the Oxford University Press on "Teaching of Grammar and Composition at the Middle School Level" held at St. Joseph's School, Hyderabad.
- Sanghita Sen presented a paper entitled "Multiculturalism and the Discourse of Inclusion: Accommodating identities within the Nation" in the International Seminar on Re-Writing the Nation: History, Culture and Identity in the U.S. 1st and 2nd September, 2010.
- Arpita Chattaraj (Mukhopadhyay) presented a paper entitled " Literature of suffering and resistance: Black American Women Slave Narratives and Dalit women Testimonials- A Comaparative Study" in the International Conference, Chotro 3: Local Knowledge Global Translation organized by Developing Countries Research Centre, Delhi, Bhasha Research and Publication Centre and The Association for Commonwealth Literature and language Studies on 11th and 12th September, 2010, held in Delhi University.
- Sanjukta Das presented a paper entitled 'Prose as Social Vehicle: Margaret Fuller and Her Age' at the Autumn Seminar on 'Other Spaces: Non-fictional Prose-Writing in America' organized by the Jadavpur University Society for American Studies (JUSAS) on 27th October 2010.
- Niranjan Goswami presented a paper entitled "Bembo's 'Antique Sandal': The Idea of Imitation in Speroni and Du Bellay" at the International Conference 'Le Radici Umanistiche dell 'Europa, dall'Umanesimo italiano al Rinascimento europeo', University of Florence and Centro di Studi sul Classicismo, Prato, Italy. 3rd to 6th November, 2010.
- Sanjukta Das presented a paper entitled 'The Wide Sargasso Sea: journey of a text', at the XVII Refresher Course in English, on 'Twentieth Century: Literary and Cultural Contexts', organized by the Department of English & Academic Staff College, University of Calcutta, 19th November to 9th December, 2010.
- Sanghita Sen acted as a Resource Person for a teacher training workshop "Teaching English through Structural Method" for Secondary Teachers of English organized by the Oxford University Press in Loyola School, Jamshedpur on 20th November 2010.
- Sanghita Sen acted as a Resource Person at English Language Teacher Training Workshop held at Siliguri on "Teaching of Grammar" organized by the Oxford University Press for Secondary Teachers of English teaching in North Bengal schools on 27th November 2010.

#### Staff List:

Debalina Banerjee, Head Parthapratim Ray Sanjukta Das Manu Auddy Niranjan Goswami Debasish Bandopadhyay Sanghita Sen Arpita Chattaraj (Mukhopadhyay) **Non-Teaching Staff:** Sm Putul Chatterjee

#### **Part-time and Guest Faculty:**

Prof. Proloy Deb, Retd. Kalyani University
Sm Chaitali Moitra
Sri Abin Chakraborty, JRF, CU
Prof. Shanta Dutta,JU
Sm Arpita Guha ThakurataWB Womens' Commission Dr. Sukanya Dasgupta,Loreto College
Sri Dhrubajyoti Banerjee, Alipore College
Dr. Amrit Sen,VBU
Dr. Jayati Gupta, Barasat State University
Prof. Anindya Ghosh, JU
Dr. Gopalan Mallik, St. Xavier's College
Dr. Chandrayi Neogi, JU
Dr. Ranabir Lahiri, Bijoygarh College
Dr. Sudeshna Kar Barua, Gokhale Memorial College

#### **Vacancy Position:**

WBES Posts : 8(1 on lien) WBSES Posts : 3 (Vacant), 1 downgraded to WBES Dr. Ajanata Paul, Womens'ChristianCollege Prof. Malini Bhattacharya, JU Prof. Mihir Bhattacharya, JU Dr. Samantak Das, JU Sri Kaustav Bakshi, Haldia Govt. College Dr Sheila Lahiri Chaudhuri, JU Dr Sukanta Chaudhuri, JU Dr. Sona Roy, CU Dr. Sona Roy, CU Dr. Sumita Banerjee, Loreto College Sm Gargi Gangopadhyay, Sarada Mission College Dr. Anashua Ghosh Bhar, St. Paul's College Dr. Abhijit Chatterjee, JU Prof. Subhajit Chatterjee, JU Prof. Manash Ghosh, JU

#### **Department of Hindi**

#### News from the Department

The Hindi Department with only five full time teachers is conducting undergraduate and postgraduate courses. The postgraduate students did well in the examinations. Eight students secured first class in M.A. in Hindi. All students passed the B.A. Hons. Examination. Our students won prizes in different inter-college competitions. Puja Hela, Manohar Jha, Renu Singh, Alka Chaturvedi, Indrani Bhattacharya won prizes in All India Competition in Creative Writing in Hindi organized by Sahitya Pravah of Vadodra. The students of Hindi Department actively participated in Annual Sports. They won most of the prizes in different events and acquired the Champions Trophy of the Annual Sports. The students won the Champions Trophy for the third consecutive time. Students actively participated in the student seminar organized on 'Modern Hindi Stories' held on 9th December, 2010 at the department. Many students presented papers in the seminar. The Department also organized an excursion to Murshidabad in the month of March.

The new office of Gandhi Center for North-Eastern Languages under the aegis of the Hindi Department was inaugurated on 28th May, 2010 by Prof. Sanjib Ghosh. Two books entitled 'Bharatiya Sahitye Mahatma Gandhi' and 'Ashayog Andolan: Uttarpurvanchaliya, Purvanchaliya, Hindi Aur Urdu Sahitya' were published by the Center.

Another major event of the department was the organization of 'National Workshop of Neo Non-Hindi Writers' in association with Central Hindi Directorate, Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India, held from 3rd to 10th February 2010. Many neo writers from non-Hindi speaking states and from Kolkata participated in eight day long workshop. Teachers from Bengali, Zoology and Mathematics Departments of Presidency College also participated in the workshop. The department also organized GSDS sponsored National Seminar on 'Women Empowerment in Hindi Literature' held on 28th May, 2010 and GSDS sponsored International Seminar on 'Impact of Partition of India on the Literature of Indian Sub-Continent' held from 16th to 18th September, 2010. The department celebrated International Non-Violence Day of UNO on 2nd October 2010. The department organized inter-departmental competitions like creative writing, elocution, painting and sketch and debate competitions from 23rd to 30th September 2010 as a part of the celebration. Students in large numbers participated and won prizes. The Prize Giving Ceremony was held on 2nd October 2010. The chief guest was eminent Gandhian scholar Sri Bhagawan Singh. GSDS Sponsored National Seminar on

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'Relevance of Hind Swaraj' was also organized on this occasion. The Department published its research journal 'Dishabodh', volume 5.

## Seminars held in the Department and visitors to the Department:

National Workshop of Neo Non Hindi Writers held from 3 to 10 Feburary 2010, in association with Central Hindi Directorate, Ministry of Human Resource Department, Govt of India.

NAME OF THE SPEAKER / VISITOR	INSTITUTIONAL ADDRESS	ΤΟΡΙϹ
KK. Singh	Deputy Director, Central Hindi Directorate, Delhi.	Key Note address.
Mehrol	Assistant Director, Central Hindi Directorate, Delhi.	Hindi as Link language, National Language & Official Language.
Premshankar Tripathi	Eminent Hindi Writer & Head, Hindi Department, Bangabasi College, Kolkata	Modern Indian Languages & Hindi.
Ekant Srivastava	Eminent Hindi Poet, Kolkata	New Aspects of Hindi Poetry.
Bhiki Prasad Singh	Eminent Hindi Writer, Siliguri	Short Stories : Structure. & Formation.
Subrat Lahiri	Head, Hindi Department,Rabindra Bharati University.	Drama & Stage
Arun Hota	Head, Hindi Department, West Bengal State University.	Hindi Writing in Non Hindi States.
Chandrakala Pandey	Hindi Department, CalcuttaUniversity.	Contemporary Hindi Writings by neo writers
Dilip Naha	Head, Bengalii Department, Presidency college	Inter-relation between Hindi & Bangla.
Dipanker Dey	Bengali Department, Presidency college	Poetry : Structure. & Formation
Sandhya Kumari Singh	Hindi Department, Presidency college.	New Aspects of Hindi Criticism
Ranjana Sharma	Hindi Department, Presidency college.	Translation of Literature.
Abhijit Bhattacharya	Hindi Department, Presidency college	Role of Media & Mass Communication
Jayant Kumar Sahu	Hindi Department, Presidency college	Hindi Novels of 21st centuries.

GSDS sponsored National Seminar on 'Women Empowerment in Hindi Literature' held on 28 May, 2010.

NAME OF THE SPEAKER / VISITOR	INSTITUTIONAL ADDRESS	ТОРІС
Chitra Mudgal	Eminent Hindi Writer & Member of Prasar Bharati, New Delhi.	Women Empowerment in Hindi Literature.
Mahasweta Mukherjee	Lady Brabourne College, Kolkata.	Struggle of Women of 21st Century in Chitra Mudgal's Writings.
Namita Bhattacharya	Head, Bengali Department, Benaras Hindu Visvavidyalay.	Women Empowerment in Hindi & Bengali Literature.

GSDS sponsored International Seminar on 'Impact of Partition of India on the Literature of Indian Sub Continent' held from 16 to 18 September. 2010.

NAME OF THE SPEAKER / VISITOR	INSTITUTIONAL ADDRESS	TOPIC
Karunasindhu Das	Vice-Chancellor, Rabindra Bharati University.	Keynote address.
Sanat Kumar Ghosh	Dean of Arts Faculty, Rabindra Bharati University.	Anti Communal voices of Indian Sub Continent.
Ram Kumar Mukhopadhyay	Regional Secretary, Sahitya Academy	Literature on Partition of India in Indian Sub Continent.
Rita Chatterjee	Sanskrit Department, Jadavpur University	Impact of Partition of India on Modern Sanskrit Literature.
Subir Dhar,	English Department, Rabindra Bharati University.	Impact of Partition of India on English Literature.
Chaman Lal	Professor & Former Chairman, Center for Indian Languages, Jawaharlal Nehru University.	Impact of Partition of India on Panjabi Literature.
Kesser Shamim	Eminent Urdu poet, Kolkata	Keynote address on Impact of Partition of India on Urdu Literature.
Shamim Anwar	Urdu Department, Calcutta University.	Partition of India & Urdu Poetry.
Prof. Ipsita Chand	Comparative Literature Department Jadavpur University.	, Partition of India & Urdu novels.
Kavita Punjabi	Comparative Literature Department, Jadavpur University.	Impact of Partition of India on Pakistani Literature.
Geetesh Sharma	Writer & Journalist, Kolkata.	Anti Communal Voices of Contemporary Pakistani Literature
Sunil Gangopadhyay,	Eminent Bengali Writer.	Keynote address on Impact of Partition of India on Bangladeshi Literature.
Selina Hossain	Eminent Bangladeshi Writer, Dhaka.	Partition of India & Formation of New Cultural Identity in Bangladeshi Literature.
Shahriyayar Kabir	Eminent Bangladeshi Writer and General Secretary, South Asian People's Union Against Fundamentalism & Communalism, Dhaka.	Impact of Partition of Bengal 1947 on Literature of Bangladesh.
Maleka Begum	Center for Women Studies, Dhaka University.	Partition of India and Suffering of Women as reflected in Literature
Chitta Mondal	Director, Center for Bangladesh Studies, Rabindra Bharati University	Tragedy of Partition of India in Bangladeshi Novel 'Chitra Nadir Pare'.
Sisir Kumar Sinha	Former Head, Bengali Department, Tripura University.	Keynote Address on Impact of Partition of India in Literature of North-East.
Braja Gopal Roy	Eminent writer & Former Rehabilitation Minister, Tripura Government.	Divided Country, Undivided Literature : Tripura Literature.
Amalendu Chakraborty	HeadHead,Bengali Department, GuwahatiUniversity.	Partition of India & Assami Literature.

NAME OF THE SPEAKER / VISITOR	INSTITUTIONAL ADDRESS	ТОРІС
Basudeb Das	Writer, Kolkata	Partition of India & Communal Violence : Assami Literature.
Atin Bandyopadhayay	Eminent Bengali Writer	Keynote Address on Impact of Partition of India in Bengali Literature.
Ranjana Sharma	Hindi Department, Presidency University.	Sunanda Sikdar and 'Dayamir Katha'
Soma Mukhopadhayay	English Department & Other Modern European Languages, Visva Bharati	Tregedy of Partition in Urdu and Bangla novels : A Comparative Study.
Mou Das Gupta	Sanskrit Department, Calcutta University.	Communal Violence and Harmony in Modern Sanskrit & Bangla Literature
Sumita Bhattacharya	Bengali Department, Visva Bharati	. Samaresh Basu and his 'Khandita'
Manjushree Mukhopadhyay	Bengali Department, Presidency University.	Tragedy of Barak Valley in Bangl Literature, Panjab in Bangla Literature.
	Bengali Department, Presidency University	Tragedy of Minority in Mihir Sengupta's Writing.
	Zoology Department, Presidency University.	Partition of India in Byomkesh's' Short Stories
	Zoology Department, Presidency University.	Undivided Literature in Two Bengal
	Zoology Department, Presidency University.	Partition of India in Atin Bandyopadhayay's novels.
	Eminent Hindi Writer & Head, Hindi Department, Zamia Islamia University.	Keynote address on Impact of Partition of India on Hindi Literature.
		Tragedy of Partition of India in Hindi Literature.
Ekanta Srivastava I	Eminent Hindi Poet, Kolkata.	Tragedy of 1947 in Hindi Poetry.
		Search of new values in Rahi Masu Rja's Novel
		Partition of India & Nasira Sharma's Zinda Muhavare
5 5		Child Birth in Novels on Partition of India.
	Jniversity	Valedictory Lecture on Impact of Partition of India in the Literature of Indian Subcontinent.

GSDS Sponsored National Seminar on 'Relevance of Hind Svaraj' held on 2 October, 2010.

NAME OF THE SPEAKER / VISITOR	INSTITUTIONAL ADDRESS	TOPIC
Indrani Sanyal	Professor & Director, Sri Aurobindo Study Center, Philosophy Department, Jadavpur University.	Keynote Address.
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NAME OF THE SPEAKER / VISITOR	INSTITUTIONAL ADDRESS	TOPIC
Sujata Mukherjee	Head, History Department & Director of Gandhi Study Center, Rabindra Bharati University.	Importance of 'Hind Svaraj' in Gandhian Literature & Philosophy
Susnata Das	History Department Rabindra Bharati University.	Relevance of 'Hind Svaraj'
Chitta Mondal	Director of Center for Bangladesh Studies, Rabindra Bharati University.	'Hind Svaraj' in Bangladeshi Literature.
Bhagawan Singh	Eminent Hindi Writer & Gandhian Scholar , Bhagalpur.	Social, Political & Philosophical Aspects of 'Hind Svaraj'
Bharat Yayawar	Eminent Hindi Writer, Hajari Bagh	'Hind Svaraj '& Hindi Literature.
Subrat Lahiri	Head, Hindi Department,Rabindra Bharati University.	Communist Philosophy & 'Hind Svaraj'.
Birendra Singh	Hindi Department, Scottish Church College, Kolkata.	Challenges Before Youth & 'Hind Svaraj.'

Sri Aourobindo Memorial lecture of NCERT held on 31 August, 2010.

NAME OF THE SPEAKER / VISITOR	INSTITUTIONAL ADDRESS	ТОРІС
Sveta Uppal	Chief Editor, NCERT, New Delhi.	Prospects of Publication Science.
Hemant Kumar	Editor, NCERT, New Delhi.	Aspects of Publication Science.
Urvashi Butalia	Eminent English Writer & Professor, Publication Department, Delhi University.	Publication in India : New Dimensions.

Eight Mahatma Gandhi Memorial Lectures of GSDS held from January to December, 2010.

NAME OF THE SPEAKER / VISITOR	INSTITUTIONAL ADDRESS	ТОРІС
.Sisir Kumar Sinha	Bengali Department, Tripura University	History of Kokborak Literautre of Tripura.
Savita Singh	Director, Gandhi Smriti Evam Darshan Samiti, New Delhi	'Hind Swaraj' & it's relevance in 21st Century.
Dilip Barua	Former Head of English Department, Guahati University	Cotemporary Literature of Assam.
Bharat Yayavar	Hindi Department,Binobha Bhave University, Hazari Bagh.	Mahavir Prasad Diwedi And Ravindranath Thakur.
Harish Chandra Mishra	Hindi Deptt. Visva Bharati	New Dimensions of Nai Kavita.
Usha Ganguly	Eminent Dramatist	New Dimensions of Drama & Stage of North-Eastern States.
Surya Prasad Dixshit	Head of Hindi Department, Lukhnow University.	Rabindranath Thakur - Nirala -Mahatma Gandhi.
Subodh Hansda	Eminent Santhali Writer	Development of Santhali Language & Literature.

**Research Activities of the Department:** 

TITLE OF THE PROJECT	PRINCIPAL & CO- INVESTIGATORS	FUNDING AGENCY	AMOUNT
Major Research Project entitled'Hindi, Bangla Aur Bangladeshi Upanyason Mein Bharat Vibhajan Ki Trasadi Aur Sanskratik Asmita Ka Nirman.'	Dr. Tanuja Majumdar (P I) Dr. Ranjana Sharma (Co-P I)	UGC	Rs.4,85,000/-
Minor Research Project entitled' Hindi Aur Bangla Mahila Upanyaskaro Ke Upanyason Mein Uvarte Naye Mulya.	Dr. Ranjana Sharma (P I)	UGC	Rs.89,500/-
Research Project entitled 'Kazi Najrul Islam's Dhoomketu & Mahatma Gandhi '	Dr. Tanuja Majumdar (P I)	GSDS	Rs.1,15000/-

# a. List of Publications

# **Research Papers :**

- 1. **Majumdar, T** (2010) Chitrakar Ravindranath, Paschim Bangal Rajya Sarkar Mukhpatra, vol. May-June, p. 69-80.
- 2. Majumdar, T (2010) Nirala Aur Najrul Ke Ram, Dishabodh, vol. 5, p. 6-18
- 3. Singh, S.K. (2010) 'Astha Aur Vishvas Ka Nayak : Dr. Vakankar', Dishabodh, vol. 5, p 19-27.
- 4. Sharma, R. (2010) 'Ravindranath Ka Stree Vimarsh : Sandarbh Ghare Baire', Swadhintta Sharadiya Visheshank.
- 5. Sharma, R. (2010) Rabindranath Aur Lok Sahitya. Paschim Bangal Rajya Sarkar Mukhpatra, vol. May-June, p.69-80.
- 7. Sharma, R. (2010) Ravindranath Ka Stree Vimarsh. Svadhinta.
- 8. **Sahu, J.K.** (2010) Rabindranath Ki Khaniyon Ke Romance Mein Avastavikta Ka Manovigyan. Paschim Bangal Rajya Sarkar Mukhpatra,vol. May-June, p. 41-47.
- 9. Sahu, J.K. (2010) Godan Mein parivar Ke Vighatit Svarup, Dishabodh, vol. 5, p. 28-36.

# b. Edited Book, Articles in Book, etc.

- 1. **Majumdar, T.** (Editor), 'Bharatiya Sahitye Mahatma Gandhi', published by Gandhi Center for North-Eastern Languages, Presidency University.
- 2. **Majumdar, T.** (Translator) 'Munni Aur Saat Choukidar', Hindi translation of Bengali Drama by Manoj Mitra published by Anand Prakashan, Kolkata.
- 3. **Majumdar, T.** 'Ashayog Andolan: Najrul Islam'. In 'Ashayog Andolan : Uttarpurvanchaliya, Purvanchaliya, Hindi Aur Urdu Sahitya'. Gandhi Center for North-Eastern Languages, Presidency University, p. 145-177
- 4. **Majumdar, T.** 'Ashayog Andolan : Nirala'. In 'Ashayog Andolan : Uttarpurvanchaliya, Purvanchaliya, Hindi Aur Urdu Sahitya'. Gandhi Center for North-Eastern Languages, Presidency University, p. 277-293
- 5. Singh, S.K. 'Parasai Ka Vyangya Sahitya : Rajniti Ke Vividh Ayam', Anand Prakashan, Kolkata.
- 6. **Singh, S.K.** 'Ashayog Andolan : Hindi Kavita'. In 'Ashayog Andolan : Uttarpurvanchaliya, Purvanchaliya, Hindi Aur Urdu Sahitya'. Gandhi Center for North-Eastern Languages, Presidency University, p. 253-276.
- 7. Sharma, R. 'Ashayog Andolan : Premchand '. In 'Ashayog Andolan : Uttarpurvanchaliya, Purvanchaliya, Hindi Aur Urdu Sahitya'. Gandhi Center for North-Eastern Languages, Presidency University, p. 234-252
- 8. Sharma, R. 'Nagurjune Ke Varun Ke Bete'. In 'Hoti Bas Ankhe Hi Ankhe.

# Seminars Lectures Delivered / Workshop attended by Teachers

- 1. **Smt. Sandhya Kumari Singh** attended the National Workshop of Neo Non Hindi Writers as Resource Person, held from 3rd to 10th February 2010 in association with Central Hindi Directorate, Ministry of Human Resource Department, Government of India.
- 2. **Dr. Ranjana Sharma** attended the National Workshop of Neo Non Hindi Writers as Resource Person, held from 3rd to 10th February 2010 in association with Central Hindi Directorate, Ministry of Human Resource Department,

Government of India.

3. **Dr. Abhijit Bhattacharyya** attended the National Workshop of Neo Non Hindi Writers as Resource Person, held from 3rd to 10th February 2010 in association with Central Hindi Directorate, Ministry of Human Resource Department, Government of India.

- 4. **Dr. Jayanta Sahu** attended the National Workshop of Neo Non Hindi Writers as Resource Person, held from 3rd to 10th February 2010 in association with Central Hindi Directorate, Ministry of Human Resource Department, Government of India.
- 5. A lecture was delivered by **Dr. Tanuja Majumdar** at the UGC sponsored National Seminar on 'Bazarvad Ki Chunotiyan : Aaj Ka Bharatiya Sahitya 'organized by organized by Rabindra Bharatiya University on 19th March 2010.
- 6. A lecture was delivered by **Dr. Ranjana Sharma** at the UGC sponsored National Seminar on 'Bazarvad Ki Chunotiyan : Aaj Ka Bharatiya Sahitya 'organized by organized by Rabindra Bharatiya University on 19.03.10.
- 7. A lecture series was presented by Dr. Ranjana Sharma, at Central Translation Bureau, Kolkata, on 22nd March, 10th June and 2nd September 2010.
- 8. A lecture was delivered by **Dr. Jayanta Sahu** on 'Manik Bandyopadhayay & Contemporary Oriya and Hindi Literature' at the UGC sponsored State Level Seminar organized by Bengali Department, Presidency College held on 7th April, 2010.
- 10. A lecture was delivered by **Dr. Tanuja Majumdar** on 'Child Birth in Novels on Partition of India' at the International Seminar on 'Impact of Partition of India on the Literature of Indian Sub-Continent' held from 16th to 18th September, 2010.
- 11. A lecture was delivered by **Smt. Sandhya Kumari Singh** on 'Partition of India and Nasira Sharma's Zinda Muhavere' at the International Seminar on 'Impact of Partition of India on the Literature of Indian Sub-Continent' held from 16th to 18th September, 2010.
- 12. A lecture was delivered by **Dr. Jayanta Sahu** on 'Search of new values in Rahi Masu Rja's Novels' at the International Seminar on 'Impact of Partition of India on the Literature of Indian Sub-Continent' held from 16th to 18th September, 2010.
- 13. A lecture was delivered by **Dr. Ranjana Sharma**, on 'Sunanda Sikdar and 'Dayamir Katha' at the International Seminar on 'Impact of Partition of India on the Literature of Indian Sub-Continent' held from 16th to 18th September, 2010.
- 14. A lecture was delivered by **Dr. Ranjana Sharma** at the National Seminar on 'Role of Hindi In Asian Unity' organized by Maulana Abul Kalam Institute, Government of India, on 30th September 2010.

# Staff List :

A. Teaching

Tanuja Majumdar (Head) Sandhya Kumari Singh Ranjana Sharma Abhijit Bhattacharya Jayanta Kumar Sahu Mritunjay Upadhyay (Part-Time) Vasundhra Mishra (Part-Time)

# B. Non-Teaching - Nil

C. Vacant Position

Professor post-2, Lecturer post-1

# **Department of History**

#### News from the Department

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Since the foundation of the Hindu College, history had been taught as an important subject. But a separate History Department was shaped into being in the early 20th century. The History seminar was also organized by 1907-08 perhaps as one of the earliest seminars of the college. Presently it is an undergraduate department. The post graduate students attend their classes at the University of Calcutta (Alipore campus). Some teachers of the department are associated with the P.G. course at the Calcutta University as Guest Teachers. Since 1907-1908 the department has been maintaining a well-stacked seminar library enriched by the contributions of its teachers and students. Presently it has more than 1000 books some of which are of a rare value.

The department is now severely understaffed with four posts out of eight lying vacant. But it is fortunate to receive continuous help and support from two part-time teachers - Prof. Uttara Chakraborty and Sm. Nupur Chaudhuri, and four guest teachers - Prof. Rajat Kanta Ray, Vice-Chancellor, Viswa Bharati University, Prof. Subhas Ranjan Chakraborty, Addl. Director, West Bengal State Archives, Police Wing, Dr. Kaushik Roy, Reader, Jadavpur University, and Shri Pratyay Nath, a NET qualified ex-student of this department and currently a Scholar of Jawaharlal Nehru University.

The students continued to excel themselves both in curricular and extra-curricular activities. They gave commendable assistance to the department on all occasions particularly during admission, seminars, cultural programme etc. The results of the department were good in both the B.A. and M.A. Examinations, 2010. In the B.A. Part III Examination 4 students got first class and a few narrowly missed it. In the Part II Examination 13 students and in Part I Examination 5 students secured first class. In the M.A. Part I and also M.A. Part II (Final) Examinations 8 out of 14 students obtained first class. The rest fared well.

#### The names of the toppers are as follows :

- 1. Sohini Chatterjee (B.A. Part I Exam.)
- 2. Somak Biswas and Tanima Dey (B.A. Part II Exam.)
- 3. Rukmini Chakraborty (B.A.Part III Exam.)
- 4. Sukhalata Sen (M.A. Part I Exam.)
- 5. Sunanda Chatterjee (M.A. Part II Exam.)

It is a matter of pride that our students who joined for higher studies the University of Calcutta and other universities and research institutes of the country (like JNU, Delhi University, Deccan College, Pune, Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Kolkata, etc.) and abroad performed exceedingly well. Many of them completed their M. Phil. and Ph. D., while some are doing their research training courses. During this year some of our ex-students started their service career in educational institutes, publishing houses, electronic and print media houses.

In the extra-curricular activities the department was also actively involved in a number of ways. In the 'Rabindra Smarane' Ishani Ghorai, Sreemoyi Dutt, Samayita Banerjee, Sayantani Ghosh participated in music and Swaroop Banik in drama. Soumita Majumder and Deborshi Chakraborty also took part in the 'Rabindra Smarane' programme. Priya Das performed a dance programme and Mohona Maitra took part in music. In an Inter Departmental Badminton Competition Annrita Chowdhury actively participated. Writh Barua participated in the College Football Tournament. In the Annual Sports Rituparna Biswas, Monalisa Mukherjee, Abhigyan Majumder and others joined a number of events. Monalisa Mukherjee was a member of the Calcutta University team which got the Runners-Up Trophy in the Inter University Table Tennis Competition, 2010. In the Swami Vivekananda Centenary Debate Competition held at Ramakrishna Mission Residential College Narendrapur, Somak Biswas won accolade. In the Derozio Debate held in our institution Ujaan Ghosh also performed exceedingly well. He was a member of the present students team which won the Udayan Mukherjee Memorial Debate held in December between past and present students. In a seminar on 'Kashmir-The Paradise Lost?' held at Academy of Fine Arts in September Oindrilla Sarkar, Apurba Chatterjee and Gaurav Lama presented their papers. Shounak Ghosh acted as one of the organizers of that seminar. Many of our students actively participated in the interactive session with a big group of Chinese students in the month of November.

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The full-time faculty members throughout the year actively participated in different seminars and workshops, presented papers and contributed writings to various edited volumes and journals. They attended and joined the interactive sessions in the seminars like Sri Aurobindo Memorial Lecture 2010 delivered by Prof. Urvashi Butalia, organized by NCERT and Presidency College. They participated in the National Workshop on 'Calcutta, Delhi and Bombay in Colonial India' organized by the Dept. of History, Calcutta University in March, a seminar on 'Urban Development' (speakers being Dr. Montek Singh Ahluwalia, Prof. Isher Judge Ahluwalia and others) organized by the Centre for Advanced Studies, Dept. of Economics, Presidency College in September, a seminar on 'Impact of Partition of India on the Literature of Indian Sub-Continent' organized by the Dept. of Hindi, Presidency College and Rabindra Bharati University in September, Rabindra Sardha Shatabarsha Baktritamala organized by the Dept. of Bengali, Presidency College, in September, a workshop on 'Writing Economic History' (speakers being Prof. Benoy Bhushan Chaudhuri, Prof. David Washbrook, Prof. Amiya Bagchi and others) organized by the Institute of Development Studies Kolkata in December, a seminar on gender studies 'Beyond the Politics of Disgust : Sexual Orientation and Constitutional Law' (chief speaker being Prof. Martha Nussbaum) organized by the Departments of English and Philosophy, Presidency University etc. All faculty members actively took part in the functioning of different committees, e.g. Examination, Admission, Election, Prasangiki, Routine and the like. Uttara Chakraborty has undertaken a project on 'History of Girls' Schooling' sponsored by Institute of Development Studies Kolkata.

#### Seminars organized by the Department and Visitors to the Department:

As in the previous years, in this year also the department organized a number of seminars and lectures including students seminars. On 13 January a whole day students seminar was arranged by the department on four broad topics, i.e., 'Aspects of Indian Polity; Treachery and Nationalism', 'Aspects of Fine Arts: Music, Paintings and Cartoons', 'Aspects of Religion and Supernatural :Brahma, Allah and Ghosts' and 'Society and beyond'. Many students belonging to UG and PG classes presented their papers Divided into four sessions the seminar was moderated by Shounak Ghosh, Tanima Dey, Somak Biswas and Granthana Mukherjee. Chandreyee Das Gupta and Deborshi Chakraborty presented their paper on 'Proto Nationalism in Bengal during 19th and 20th Centuries', Apurba Chatterjee on 'The Crisis of the Empire and the Ascendancy of the Upstarts', Rukmini Chakraborty on 'Stray Thoughts on Partition: Literary Sources and Collective Memory', Archisman Chaudhuri on 'Akbar's Religious Policy in Relation to State Formation', Rituparna Das and Malini Basu on 'Sufism: Its Relevance in the Modern World', Kanad Sinha on ,The Children of Immortal Bliss and the Late 19th and Early 20th Century Bengal', Ujaan Ghosh on 'Ghost Watch', Aritri Chakraborty on 'Boul Cult and Tradition of Music in Bengal; A Historical Perspective', Sanmitra Ghosh and Siddartha Mukherjee on 'Cricket in Colonial Bengal', Sohini Chattopadhyay, Subhranil Roy Choudhury on 'Anti Nazi World War II Cartoons (1939-45): Their Implications', Pratichi Mahapatra on 'The Legend of Padmini: Interpretations and Impact on Contemporary Society', Mriganko Mukhopadhyay on 'Popularization of History among Kids and School Children' and Somak Biswas on 'Reinterpreting Leonardo da Vinci'. Dr. Benjamin Zachariah of the University of Sheffield, Sheffield, and Zentrum Moderner Orient, Berlin delivered a lecture on Jawaharlal Nehru on 15 January. On the occasion of the centenary of Mohunbagan's IFA League victory a seminar was organized - '1911 Phire Dekha : Jatiyatabadi Gaurab Na Krira Safalya?' jointly by our Department, Paschimbanga Itihas Samsad and Valerian Soccar Foundation (29 July). It was presided over by Prof. Subhas Ranjan Chakraborty, and papers were presented by Boria Majumdar, Adjunct Professor, University of South Australia, and Kaushik Bandyopadhyay, Reader, West Bengal State University. Prof. S. C. Sarkar Memorial Lecture, organized jointly in collaboration with the Paschimbanga Itihas Samsad, was delivered by Prof. Uma Das Gupta, an illustrious alumnus and retired Professor of Indian Statistical Institute, on 'Rabindranath O Tar Viswabharati Prayas' on 27 August. Shri Pratyuay Nath presented the Freshers' Welcome Lecture this year on 'The Role of Geography in the Mughal Military Strategy'. Two more seminars were organized on 'Periodization of History' (27 September) and 'Rethinking the Medieval in World History' (6 December) in which a large number of students and ex-students participated. They were both moderated by Pratyay Nath. The themes were introduced by Prof. Uttara Chakraborty and Prof. Shirin Maswood (Dept. of History, Calcutta University) respectively. Tanima Dey, Soumita Majumdar, Siddhartha Mukherjee, Chandreyee Das Gupta, Subhranil Roy Chowdhury, Oindrila Sen, Rituparna Das, Sohini Chattopadhyay, Dipanjan Majumdar, Torsa Chakraborty, Oindrila Sarkar, Payel Das, Srijita Basak, Samayita Banerjee, Shounak Ghosh, Aritri Chakraborty, Tishya Moitra and Ipsita Chakraborty presented their papers in these two seminars.

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#### **Research Activities of the Department :**

Title	Principal Investigator	Funding Agency	Amount
Post Doctoral Project on Vernacular press and Linguistic Subnationalism in Bengal	Dr. Chaitali Chaudhuri	Indian Council for Historical Research	30,000
Dictionaries on Personalities of Bengal (19th and early 20th Century)	Anasua Datta	Government of West Bengal and Jadavpur University	800 for each research paper on personalities

### **Other Academic Activities**

Dr. Jayasree Mukhopadhyay is pursuing a research work on an aspect of the Ramakrishna -Vivekananda Movement in the Post-Colonial Period.

Smt Saswati Datta is pursuing her Ph. D. at Calcutta University under the supervision of Dr. Jayasree Mukhopadhyay. Anasua Datta is pursuing research on 'Romancing with Small Firepower: Bengal, 1835-1935'.

Paramita Maharatna is also pursuing research on '18th Century Bihar Economy, Society and Polity'.

## List of Publications by the Teachers of the Department:

### **Research Papers**

- 1. **Chaudhuri, C.** (in press) Linguistic Subnationalism and Bengali Vernacular Press. Indian Historical Review, New Delhi
- 2. **Maharatna, P.** (2010) Biharer Zamindarder Opor Chait Singher Bidroher Provab, 1781: Ekti Paryalochana. Itihas Anusandhan, vol. 24, Paschimbanga Itihas Sansad, Kolkata, pp.301-308

# **Papers in Edited Volumes**

- 1. **Chaudhuri, C.**, (in press) Revolutionary thinker of Modern India: Ramananda Chattopadhyay. In: Mukhopadhyay, S. (Editor) Technologies in Revolution, Kolkata.
- 2. **Datta, A.** (2010) Mutiny, Rumour and 'Gun Runners' of Calcutta: A Journey Back to 1857. In: Roy, K. (Editor) The Uprising of 1857. Manohar, New Delhi, pp.139-162
- 3. **Maharatna, P.** (in press) Administration of Mughal Bihar (1707): The Legacy Continued ?. In: Roy, R. K. (Editor) Administration, Politics and Society In Medieval India, 1206-1707 A.D. Kolkata.
- 4. **Mukhopadhyay, J.** (2010) Disciples, Devotees and Admirers In the Company of Sri Ramakrishna : A Historical Analysis. In: Kundu, S. (Editor) Sri Ramakrishner 175 Tama Abirbhav Tithi Smarak Samkalan (Sri Ramakrishna's 175th Birth Anniversary Commemorative Volume. Chandernagore barasat Gate Cultural Association, Chandernagore, pp. 17-28.
- 5. **Mukhopadhyay, J.** (2010) Asahayog Andolan Aur Presidency College. In: Majumdar, T. (Editor) Asahayog Andolan : Uttapurvanchalia, Purvanchalia, Hindi Tatha Urdu Sahitya. Gandhi Centre for North-Eastern Languages, Bengali, Santhali and Hindi, Presidency College, Kolkata, pp. 376-387. (Original paper written in English was translated by the Hindi Dept. of Presidency College)

## Seminar Lectures Delivered by Teachers:

- 1. **Jayaşree Mukhopadhyay** acted as a Resource Person and Evaluator in the Seminar of Pre-Doctoral Research Scholars, organized by the Centre for Indological Studies and Research, Ramakrishna Mission Institute of Culture, Kolkata on 26 July 2010.
- 2. **Jayasree Mukhopadhyay** delivered a lecture as a Resource Person on 'The Ramakrishna-Vivekananda Movement : Genesis and Characteristics' at Ramakrishna Mission Institute of Culture, Kolkata in January 2010.
- 3. **Jayasree Mukhopadhyay** delivered a lecture as a Resource Person on 'The Ramakrishna-Vivekananda Movement: Tribal and Rural Welfare' at Ramakrishna Mission Institute of Culture, Kolkata, in February 2010.
- 4. **Jayasree Mukhopadhyay** delivered a lecture as a Resource Person on 'The Ramakrishna-Vivekananda Movement: Medical Facilities and Rehabilitation Programme' at Ramakrishna Mission Institute of Culture. Kolkata, in February 2010.
- 5. **Chaitali Chaudhuri** participated and interacted in a Workshop on 'Clustering for Women's Studies' organized by the School of Women's Studies, Jadavpur University in February 2010.
- 6. Chaitali Chaudhuri interacted in a Workshop on 'Technologies of Revolution: Society, Polity and Economy'

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organized by Barasat Government College in March.

- 7. **Jayasree Mukhopadhyay** acted as a Judge in an Inter-College Essay Competition on 'Women in Revolution' held at Bethune College, Kolkata, as a part of the Pritilata Waddeder Birth Centenary Celebration, organized jointly by the Department of History, Bethune College and West Bengal State Archives and sponsored by Higher Education Department, Govt. of West Bengal, on 26-27 August.
- 8. **Chaitali Chaudhuri**, Anasua Datta and Jayasree Mukhopadhyay participated actively in the Workshop on 'Writing Economic History' organized by Institute of Development Studies Kolkata, on 8 December 2010.

#### Staff List:

#### A: Teaching :

- 1. Jayasree Mukhopadhyay, Head
- 2. Paramita Maharatna,
- 3. Anasua Datta
- 4. Chaitali Chaudhuri
- 4. Nupur Chaudhuri, Part-time Teacher
- 5. Uttara Chakraborty, Part-time Teacher
- 6. Subhas Ranjan Chakraborty, Guest Faculty (Addl. Director, W. B. State Archives, Police Wing)
- 7. Rajat Kanta Ray, Guest Faculty (Vice Chancellor, Viswa Bharati University)
- 8. Kaushik Roy, Guest Faculty (Jadavpur University)
- 9. Pratyay Nath, Guest Faculty (Scholar, JNU)

#### **B: Non-Teaching Staff: Sunil Barua**

C: Posts lying vacant: WBSES: 3 and WBES: 1

# **Department of Philosophy**

#### News from the Department

Department of Philosophy holds its tradition of excellence in this year too. Different batches of students have shown their excellence in University Examinations. Four students have secured first class marks in honours papers in B.A. final examination. Four students have secured first class marks in B.A Part II examination. Three students have obtained first class marks in B.A Part I examination. In the M.A. final examination three students have scored first class marks. Our former students Alivia Banerjee and Prasasti Pandit cleared the SET examination this year. A number of students have also got appointment in different schools through West Bengal School Service Commission. Riddhi Chakraborty is presently working as a research fellow in IIT, Khargapur in the Department of Humanities and Social Sciences and Damini Basu is engaged in her research work in Centre for Studies in Social Science, Kolkata. Besides their purely academic involvement, the students of the department to a place near Tamluk in the month of February. The teaching learning environment of the department has been enriched by the research work done by the faculty members of the department.

Name of the speaker	Institutional Address	Торіс
Prof. Ramkrishna Bhattacharya	Ex faculty member Anadamohan College	Carvaka Darsana -Notun Chokhe
Dr. Amit Ranjan Basu	Independent Researcher and Social Psychiatrist	Bhnuiphorer Monovidya Charcha.
Students of third year Philosophy Honours	Presidency College	Ambiguity and Word-meaning
Prof. Martha Nussbaum	The University of Chicago	Beyond the Politics of Disgust: Sexual Orientation and Constitutional Law

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#### **Research Activities of the department:**

Title of the Project	Principal Investigator	Funding Agency	Amount
The Moral Behind The Practice of Vrata: A Feminist Analysis	Dr. Sebanti Bhattacharya	UGC	Rs.1,50,000
Revisiting Motherhood As A Forming Condition of Women Subjectivity: A Feminist Attempt	Smt. Angana Chatterjee	UGC	Rs. 1,23.000

#### List of publication by the teachers of the Department:

#### Papers in special publication:

Mukherjee, S. (in press) Samsaybader Patabhumikay Montaign O Descartes. In: Sarkar, P. (Ed.) Epistemic Problems -Some Reflections. Department of Philosophy, University of Calcutta.

Mukherjee, S. (in press) Derozior Bhabanay Humer Prasangikata. In: Nabajagaraner Agradut Derozio, published by Gandhi Centre of North Eastern Languages, New Delhi and Hindi Department, Presidency University,

Bhattacharya, S. (in press) Three Category Ontology. Jadavpur Journal of Philosophy. Department of Philosophy, Jadavpur University.

Bhattacharya, S. (in press) Realism: Reinstated. Rabindra Bharati Journal of Philosophy, Department of Philosophy, Rabindra Bharati University.

Chatterjee, A. (in press) Ekti Bikalpa Pathkaushal ebong Tar Grahanjogyota. Journal of the Academy of Philosophy.

# **Book:**

Mukherjee, S, (2010) Ucchamadhyamik Darsana (Revised Edition), Dey Book Concern, Kolkata.

#### Lectures delivered :

Dr. Dipa Mukherjee delivered a lecture on Samkhya Metaphysics in Sarada Mission College, on 5th March 2010.

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# Staff list :

Sutapa Dasgupta (Head of the department) Mandira Mukhopadhyay Dipa Mikhopadhyay Srimati Mukherjee Sebanti Bhattacharya Angana Chatterjee

The department does not have any exclusive non-teaching staff.

# **Department of Political Science**

#### News from the Department

In the Golden Jubilee Year (2010), students and teachers of the Department of Political Science endeavoured hard to maintain the high academic standards and the rich tradition of the Department. Due to their untiring efforts the Department was able to retain the best standards in the year 2010. The satisfactory performance of the students in academics and extra-curricular activities was the outcome of such efforts. In all University examinations, students of the Department came out with flying colours. In the B.A. Final examination (Part-III) four students secured First Class, and fourteen other students secured more than fifty five per cent marks. The 'First' rank holder in the university is from the Department. In the B.A. Part-II examination, three students secured First class, and one narrowly missed it. In the B.A. Part-I examination, ten students secured First Class, a record-breaking performance. The total number of First Class holders could go up further in all examinations after the publication of review results. Students of the Department also made their mark in other academic and extra-curricular activities within and outside the campus. Sucharita Sen was the General Editor of "The Presidency College Magazine", 2009-2010. Richa Chaube was selected by the United States Educational Foundation in India (USIEF) for a residential course on environment at the Massachusetts University in the U.S.A. after a rigorous screening process involving students from all parts of India. Yashi Surana represented the College in various debating competitions including the 'Derozio Memorial' and the 'Udayan Mukherjee Memorial' Debates. Students of the Department, as usual, went to prestigious institutions in India and abroad for further studies. Teachers of the Department were also engaged in their academic pursuits, and received recognition for their works. Dr. Anik Chatterjee was awarded with the prestigious Fulbright-Nehru Visiting Lecturer Fellowship (2010-11), and taught a course on South Asian Politics at the University of Virginia, U.S.A. He was also invited to deliver a series of lectures on 'India-U.S. Relations' at the University of Virginia during the Fall of 2010. He was also selected by the Council for International Exchange of Scholars (CIES), Washington D.C. to deliver lectures at American Universities and International Conferences. Prof. Nandalal Chakrabarti delivered a seminar lecture on the "Mystery behind the disappearance of Netaji" in the Department. The seminar was attended by students, teachers and people from different institutions and social life. The Department, in collaboration with the Council for Political Studies, also organized a day-long seminar to mark the Sixtieth Year of the Indian Republic. The Seminar evoked good response from students, teachers, and people from different walks of life. The Department wishes to continue and enhance its intellectual activities in future. Finally, the Department wishes everybody a happy and prosperous 2011.

Name of the Speaker	Institutional Address	Торіс	
Prof. Amal Kumar Mukhopadhyay	Former Principal, Presidency College and Former Head of the Department. General Secretary, Council for Political Studies, Kolkata	Keynote Address at the Daylong Seminar on "Sixty Years of the Indian Republic" on March 13, 2010 (in collaboration with the Council for Political Studies, Kolkata)	
Prof. Sobhanlal Duttagupta	S.N. Banerjee Professor of Political Science (Retd.), Calcutta University	Introductory Remarks about the objectives of the Seminar	
Prof. SugataMarjit	Director, Centre for Studies in Social Sciences, Kolkata	A Review of Indian Economy since Independence	
Prof. Ratneswar Bhattacharya	Kalyani University	Adult Education in India: A Critical Perspective	
Prof. Samir Kumar Das	Calcutta University	The State in Post-independence India	
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#### Seminars held in the Department

Name of the Speaker	Institutional Address	Торіс
Dr. Anik Chatterjee	Presidency College	Six Decades of Indian Foreign Policy: A Review
Prof. Nandalal Chakrabarti	Presidency College	Mystery Behind the Disappearance of Netaji

#### **List of Publications of the Teachers**

Chatterjee, A. (2010) International Relations Today: Concepts and Applications, Pearson Education, New Delhi, 317 pp.

- Chatterjee, A. (2009) India's Liberal Economy and Issues of Development and Democracy, Punjab Journal of Politics, vols. 32-33, pp. 147-162.
- Chatterjee, A. (2010) From Uncertainty to Solidarity? An Anatomy of Post Cold War India-U.S. Relations, Jadavpur Journal of International Relations, vol.14, pp. 37-53.
- Chatterjee, A. (2010) Does India Have a Foreign 'Policy'? A Review of Six Decades of Indian Foreign Policy, Socialist Perspective, vol. 37, pp. 165-181.

Gayen, A.S. (2010) Gouri Ayyub: Ek Alokajjol Manuswatter Thikana" (in Bengali), Jijnasa, vol. 18, pp. 103-109.

#### **Seminar Lectures Delivered by Teachers**

#### Prof. Nandalal Chakrabarti

• Delivered a Lecture titled "Mystery behind the Disapperance of Netaji", Department of Political Science, Presidency College, August, 2010.

#### Dr. Anik Chatterjee

- 1. Delivered a Lecture entitled "The Future of India-U.S. Relations", Room 345, Cabel Hall, University of Virginia, organized by the Center for South Asian Studies, University of Virginia, U.S.A. Dec. 02, 2010.
- 2. Delivered a Lecture on "Political Economy of Developing Countries with special reference to South Asia", Room 119, Science Complex, Xavier University of Louisiana, New Orleans, U.S.A. November 16, 2010.
- 3. Presented a paper entitled, "Return of the Shadow? President Obama's South Asia Policy and India" at the International Studies Association (ISA) Midwest Conference, Hotel Hiltón at the Ballpark, St. Louis, U.S.A., November 6, 2010.
- 4. Delivered a Lecture entitled "Civil Nuclear Agreement and Beyond: India-U.S. Relations under the Obama Administration", Room 211, Gibson Hall, University of Virginia, organized by the Center for South Asian Studies, University of Virginia, U.S.A. October 20, 2010.
- 5. Delivered a Lecture entitled "Post Cold War Expectations and Realities in India U.S. Relations", Room 211, Nau Hall, University of Virginia, organized by the Center for South Asian Studies, University of Virginia, U.S.A. September 29, 2010.
- 6. Participated as a discussant in an International Symposium on "Civil Society, Philanthropy and Corporate Social Responsibility: Promoting Development and Building the Common Good", organized by the Center for International Studies, University of Virginia, U.S.A., September 14-16, 2010.
- 7. Participated as a discussant and selected candidate in the "Fulbright-Nehru Pre-Departure Seminars and Orientation Programme", Chennai, India, The Pride Hotel, May 24-26, 2010.
- 8. Participated as a special invitee in an International Seminar on "From Land Locked to Land Linked: North East India in BIMSTEC", organized jointly by the *Ministry of External Affairs, Govt. of India, the Confederation of Indian Industries (CII) and the JAIR*, North Eastern Hill University (NEHU), Shillong, India, April 8-10, 2010.
- 9. Presented a paper entitled, "Does India have a Foreign 'Policy'? A Review of Six Decades of Indian Foreign Policy", in a National Seminar on Sixty Years of the Indian Republic organized jointly by the Council for Political Studies, Kolkata and the Department of Political Science, Presidency College, Kolkata, March 13, 2010.
- 10. Invited as a Panelist to a discussion on "IR Teaching: Problems and Prospects", organized jointly by the Department of International Relations, Jadavpur University, Kolkata, and Netaji Institute for Asian Studies, Kolkata, India on February 22, 2010.

**Professional Honour for Dr. Anik Chatterjee** - Selected by the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, Government of the U.S. in conjunction with the Government of India for the "Fulbright-Nehru Visiting Lecturer Fellowship" for 2010-11 to teach at the University of Virginia, Charlottesville, USA. He also continued as Member, Editorial Board, and Referee, *Journal of Management and Social Sciences (JMSS)*, Institute of Business and Technology (BIZTEK). Karachi, Pakistan.

#### Staff List:

#### Teaching

Nandalal Chakrabarti, Head Bikash Chandra Dutta Anik Chatterjee Abdus Samad Gayen Prasanta Ray, Emeritus Professor

#### Non-teaching

Currently, no non-teaching staff is attached to the Department

# **Department of Sociology**

#### News from the Department

The year 2010 has been an eventful year for the department of Sociology. In terms of academic achievement, students of this department have fared very well this year in the Calcutta University Part I, II and III examinations. In B.A. Final Examinations, 8 students have secured First Class marks. The Part II result this year has been an all time record. Out of 24 students, 19 secured First Class and 2 students missed First Class by one mark. The department is very happy with this performance by the students. Only, the Part I results have been a little disappointing. Out of 24 students, 4 have secured First Class marks. Quite a few students have narrowly missed it and the department hopes that in Part II Examination, they would successfully make up the difference. At the end of the day, it is not just about marks after all. It is equally important to assess as to how they get placed in MA programmes in prestigious institutes across the country. This year, 4 students got admission in JNU, 1 got admission in TISS, and 2 students are studying in Hyderabad Central University. The rest are studying in home ground at JU and CU and doing very well as usual. Regarding the placement information that the department has received in the year 2010, exstudent Anusha Chatterjee got placed in ONGC, Srirupa Sengupta is with National AIDS Control Department. Ex-student Antara Ray got lecturership at West Bengal State University and Angana Basu got lecturership at Jogesh Chandra College under CSC. After a long gap, this year the department has been successfully able to organize an excursion from 19th to 21st November 2010 to Mandarmani. Student-teacher interaction outside classroom was at its best, While Sociology is not only about classroom teaching, such a trip really helps to broaden their horizons, get a glance of reality and see things in proper perspective. The department takes this opportunity to thank the authorities for the financial as well as administrative support. This year, the first year students made the department proud in a very special way. The American Centre, Kolkata organized an Inter-College Skit competition on 24th November 2010 to commemorate International Day of Violence against Women. Our first year students participated in the skit and came second. They were awarded with a trophy by the US consulate.

# Seminars held in the Department and visitors to the Department:

Sri. Nrisingha Prasad BhaduriIndependent WriterDraupadi: Past, Present & FutureMs. Ruchira GoswamiNUJS, KolkataFolk Music and Intellectual Property
Right in India

# **Research Activities of the Department :**

Title of the Project	Principal& Co-Investigator	Funding Agency	Amount
The Emerging Practice of Agri- Business in India : A Sociological Study	Dr. Samit Kar	Department of Agricultural Marketing, Govt. of West Bengal	1.94 Lakhs
The social status of women as reflected in BengaliDr. Angshuman Sarkar and Dr. Urmi Roy Choudhury (Reader, Deptt. of Bengali, Calcutta University)		UGC	6.70 Lakhs

#### List of Publications by the Teachers of the Department: Research Paper

- 1. Kar, Samit (2010), Ex-raying Political Violence in India, Indian Police Journal (IPJ), vol. LVII, no. 1, pp. 99-102.
- 2. Kar, Samit (2010), Rethinking Sociology, Jadavpur University Journal of Sociology, vol. 3 (3 March 2010), pp.96-106.
- 3. Kar, Samit (2010), Prevalence in Informal Manner, Kurukshetra, vol. 58, pp. 27-31.
- 4. Kar, Samit (2010), Displace Persons in West Bengal: The Asset-Liability Question, pp. 164-82 (A Chapter published in a book titled Migration, Population and Change (ed.) Manisha Mukherjee, K.P. Bagchi & Co., Kolkata, 2010).

# Books

- 1. Kar, Samit (2010), Marx's Legacy in 21st Century (New Delhi: People's Publishing House), pp. 146.
- 2. Kar, Samit (2010), Marxer Par Marxbad (Kolkata: Ananda Publishers), pp. 138.
- 3. Kar, Samit (2010), Samasamayik Samajcharcha: Jate Bakhyay (Kolkata: Paschim Banga Bangla Academy), pp. 218.
- 4. Kar, Samit (2010), Viswayan, Adhunikata ebong Paschimbanga (Kolkata: Manisha Granthalaya), pp. 116.
- 5. Kar, Samit (2010), Samayantar (Kolkata: Universal Publications), pp. 116.

#### Seminars, Lectures Delivered\ Attended by Teachers of the Department:

#### **Dr. Prasanta Ray**

- [1] 'Graftscape: Political Economy of Greed in Post-Colonial India', National Seminar on 'India: country and the state' Raja Peary Mohan College, Uttarpara 5.2.2010
- [2] 'On Deafness and Silence: For a Political Sociology of Insensitivity', National Seminar on Alternative Politics, Belur Vidyamandir, Belur, 19.2.2010
- [3] 'Marginalised Voices: Dialogue with the Mainstream', Keynote address to Conference on Marginalised Voices, Department of Sociology, Rabindra Bharati University, 10.3.2010
- [4] 'Dancing in front of the Departing Durga: Religion and Popular Culture in the Metropolis', National Seminar on Religion and Popular Culture in the Indian Sub-Continent, Bethune College and Tasveer Ghar, Kolkata, 7,12,2010.
- [5] 'Social and Political Thought of the Z People', Valedictory lecture, Political Science Refresher Course, Calcutta University, 8.12.2010.

# Dr Samit Kar

Presented the Keynote Address at the National Symposium on 'Status on Agri-business in India' held in Darjeeling, West Bengal between 13 and 15 Sept. 2010.

Topic of Address-Status of Agri-business in India: Lessons from West Bengal.

# Staff List:

#### (A)Teaching

Angshuman Sarkar, Head Samit Kar, Santilata Biswas, Suhrita Saha, Prasanta Ray (B) Non-Teaching Staff Ashutosh Chaudhury Mohanlal Rangoa

(C)Vacant Position: None

# **Department of Biotechnology**

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#### **News from the Department**

The Post Graduate Department of Biotechnology, the youngest independent interdisciplinary department of Presidency University, started functioning from the twenty fourth day of August 2009. The department started its journey with ten students from five different disciplines; three full time teachers guest teachers from within and outside this institution. Being a part of this premiere institution, the department is determined to make a befitting place in the arena of higher education.

# Seminars held in the Department and visitors to the Department:

Department of Biotechnology, Presidency College, Kolkata organized a workshop from 24th to 28th May 2010 on "Techniques in Modern Biology" for the outgoing undergraduate students of Chemistry & Biochemistry, Botany, Zoology, Physiology, and Physics under the DBT-Star College scheme. Dr. Bhaskar Gupta and Dr. Arijit Bhattacharya, faculties of this department, acted as Joint-Convenors of the said programme.

#### **Research project(s)**

Title of the project & Year	Principal Investigator	Funding Agency	Amount
"In vitro micro propagation studies of Chlorophytum borvilianum sant et. fern and Glycyrriza glabra Linn."	Prof. T.B. Jha	DST (WB)	12,26,000/-
"Germplasm preservation and clonal propagation of medicinally important Swertia sp.	Prof. T. B. Jha	CSIR	12,50,000/-
"Some Molecular Biological Studies on Chronic Arsenic toxicity in a Murine model	Dr. Bhaskar Gupta	U.G.C	1,25,000/-

### 4.a List of Publication(s)

- i. Mukherjee, T.K., Banerjee, K.K., **Gupta, B.** and Mukherjee, S. (2010) New record of a phasmid, Sipyloidea fontanesina Giglio-Tos, 1910 (Necrosciinae: Diapheromeridae) from Barnwapara, Chhattisgarh, India. Journal of Threatened Taxal, vol. 2, p. 978-979.
- ii. **Gupta, B.**, and Sarkar, N.K, (in press) A study of adverse effect of arsenic on sperm structure and function in swiss mice. Indian Journal of Environment & Ecoplanning.
- iii. Biswas A, **Bhattacharya A**, Das P. K (2010) Possible mechanism of neutralizing macrophage oxidative damage by Leishmania parasites. Perspectives in Cytology and Genetics 14, p.55-60.

# Seminar Lectures Delivered / Attended by Teachers

- i. **Bhaskar Gupta,** Hemantika Dasgupta, Samhita Bose, Ananya Goswami, Kamal Kumar Banerjee and Souryadeep Mukherjee. Poster presentation, "Isolation and Characterization of Aliphatic Hydrocarbon Degrading Bacterial strains- An Insight into the Microbial Diversity of Nilgiri Biosphere Reserve, India" National symposium on Biodiversity, 30th October and 1st November, 2010, Hoogly Mohsin College, Chisurah, India.
- ii. **Bhaskar Gupta** and Kamala Gupta (2010) Characterization of microbes from sewage effluents. UGC-Sponsored National Symposium on Recent Trends in Microbiological Research, Rashtraguru Surendranath College Barrackpore, 7.9.10 to 9.9.10, pp 13-14.

#### Staff List

A. Teaching including part-time and guest lecturers

# Name of the faculties:

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- 1. Prof.Timir baran Jha, Prof & Head Department of Botany and Coordinator Department of Biotechnology
- 2. Dr. Jana Chakroborti, Assistant Professor
- 3. Dr. Bhaskar Gupta, Assistant Professor
- 4. Dr. Arijit Bhattacharya, Assistant Professor

#### **Guest faculties:**

- 1. Dr. Jukta Adhikara, Associate Prof., Dept. of Botany, Presidency College
- 2. Dr. Madhubrata Choudhury, Associate Prof., Dept. of Botany, Presidency College
- 3. Dr. Abhijit Datta, Associate Prof., Dept. of Botany., Presidency College
- 4. Dr. Nirmal Sarkar, Associate Prof., Dept. of Zoology, Presidency College
- 5. Dr. Subir Dasgupta, Associate Prof., Dept. of Zoology, Moulana Azad College
- 6. Dr. Biplab Giri, Assistant Prof., Dept. of Physiology, W.B.S.U., Barasat
- 7. Shri Tushar Ghara, Associate Prof., Dept. of Statistics, Bidhannagar Govt. College
- 8. Dr Seemanti Ghosh, Assistant Prof., Dept. of Botany, Bethune College
- 9. Dr. Shantanu Pal, Assistant Prof., Dept. of Botany, Gurudas College

#### B. Non-teaching:

1. Abdul Shovan Khan (Group-D)

#### C. Vacant Position(s)

2 vacant faculty positions

# **Department of Botany**

#### **News from the Department**

Acharya Subodh Chandra Mahalanobis with the co-operation of the then Lieutenant Governor of Bengal Sir John Woodburn established the Department of Botany at Presidency College in the year 1900. Since then the department is offering Botany Honours course. It is also a matter of great pride that the University of Calcutta started their Postgraduate course in this department in the year 1912 and continued up to 1918 and was reintroduced jointly from 1952. At the onset of the new millennium the department was permitted to start independent postgraduate course in Botany and within couple of years (2004-05) granted Postgraduate Academic Autonomy. With the beginning of the new era the department has completely revised and upgraded the syllabus of M.Sc. Botany and introduced the new syllabus from the 2005-06 academic session giving emphasis on the current trends and recent advancements in Plant Sciences. Continuous assessment system in practical papers, students' seminar and grand viva are some important features of the newly introduced PG syllabus. PG syllabus has been revised once again towards more modernization.

It is a matter of pride for all of us that the Department of Botany has been recognized as a DST-FIST sponsored department by the Department of Science and Technology, Government of India, since 2003 and received successive grants of Rs. 35 Lakhs for the first phase (2003-2008) and nearly 65 lakhs for the second phase (2009-2013). This grant has helped us immensely to strengthen our teaching and research both at the Undergraduate and Postgraduate levels.

**Students' performance:** The department has maintained its tradition in the performance of the students in the University examinations (CU). The results published in 2010 are stated below:

Examination	No. of students appeared	No. of students obtained First Class
M.Sc. Part- I	25	21
M.Sc. Part- II	25	23
B.Sc. Part- I	26	08
B.Sc. Part- II	25	16
B.Sc. Part- III	20	12

# Seminars held in the Department and visitors to the Department:

i. Dr. A. Gomes, Professor of Physiology, Calcutta University, Kolkata delivered a talk on "Sharing my experience on snake venom research" on the 26th February, 2010.

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- ii. Dr. Subhra Chakraborty of National Institute of Plant Genome Research, New Delhi delivered a talk on a topic entitled "Designer crop for better nutrition and higher productivity" on the 12th March, 2010 at 4.00 PM.
- iii. Dr. Bani Mukhopadhyay, Scientist of NIAAA, NIH, Bethesda, Maryland, USA delivered a seminar lecture on a topic entitled "Transcriptional Regulation of Cannabinoid Receptor-1 Expression in the Liver by Retinoic Acid Acting via Retinoic Acid Receptor-?" on the 10th July, 2010 at 1.00 PM.
- iv. Dr. Sandipa Dey, Department of Biochemistry, Duke University, North Carolina, USA has delivered a seminar lecture on a topic entitled "Olfaction: An infinite mind" on the 5th October, 2010 at 3.00 PM.

Title of thePrinciple & Co- InvestigatorResearch Projects		ator Funding A Agency		
"In vitro micro propagation studies of Chlorophytum borvilianum sant et. fern and Glycyrriza glabra Linn."	Prof. T.B. Jha (PI)	DST (WB)	12,26,000/-	
"Germplasm preservation and clonal propagation of medicinally important Swertia sp."	Prof. T. B. Jha	CSIR	12,50,000/-	
"Detection and chemical analysis of myo-inositol biosynthesis in some vascular cryptogams under in vivo and in vitro conditions".	Dr. J. Adhikari (PI)Prof. T. B. Jha (Co-PI)	UGC	6,71,000/-	
"Regulation of trehalose metabolism in Saccharomyces cerevisiae by protein.	tion of trehalose Dr. Sumita Ghosh lism in (PI)Dr. A.K. Ghosh (IICB) omyces cerevisiae		6,69,800/-	

# 2. Research Activities of the Department: Research projects

In addition to the above MRPs, another collaborative research in the field of Plant Biotechnology is going on with Dr. Seemanti Ghosh, Assistant Professor of Botany, Bethune College, Kolkata.

## Research students working in the department

- i. Dr. Debendra Kumar Pandey (Research Associate)
- ii. Priyanka Mukherjee (SRF)
  iii. Bipasha Bashistha (JRF)
  iv. Anusuya Basak (JRF)
  v. Anusree Das (JRF)
- v. Anusree Das (JF vi. Arpita Dafadar
- vi. Arpita Dafadar
- vii. Saswati Bhattacharya

## **Other Academic Activities:**

- Final year Post Graduate Students delivered seminar lectures based on the syllabus of NET examination during the period January to March 2010.
- The department is utilizing the fund provided by the Department of Biotechnology, Government of India, under

"Star-College Scheme" to strengthen the hands on training of the UG (Hons.) students

- Educational excursions: Like previous years, the Under-Graduate and Post-Graduate students dynamically participated in the educational excursions held at different places of North-Western Himalayas under the supervision of faculty members namely Dr. Madhubrata Chaudhury, Dr. Tarit Kumasr Sadhu, Dr. Abhijit Dutta and Mr. Abhijit Dey, and supporting stuff Md. Del Ambia and Sri. Dibyendu Majumder. The sole objective of such excursions was to understand and interact with the ecological biodiversities. The excursions held in the month of November, 2010.
- Patent filed: Jha, T.B. and Mukherjee, P. (2010) A method of extracting utility product(s). Indian patent.621KOL2009. (Provisional acceptance granted by NBA, India).

# List of Publications by the Teachers of the Department:

- i. Das, A., Mukherjee, P. and **Jha, T.B.** (2010) High frequency micropropagation of bitter cultivar of Aloe vera L. Burm.f., and study of economics as a low cost option towards commercialization. Journal of Bangladesh Association for Plant Tissue Cult. & Biotech, 20 (1): 29-35.
- ii. Jha, T.B., Dafadar, A. and Chaudhuri, R.K. (2010) Somatic Embryogenesis in Swertia chirata Buch. Ham. ex Wall.-A Multipotent Medicinal Herb. Asian Journal of Biotechnology, 3(2): 186-193.
- iii. Das, A., Mukherjee, P., Ghorai, A. and Jha, T.B. (in press) Comparative karyomorphological analyses of in vivo and in vitro grown plants of Aloe vera I. burm.f. Nucleus.
- iv. Basistha, B., Ghosh, A.K. and **Ghosh, S.** (2010) Regulation of Trehalose metabolism by protein methylation in a mutant strain of Saccharomyces cerevisiea. NBU Journal of Plant Sciences, 4: 39-45.
- v. Bose, T., **Ghosh, S.** and Ghosh, S.N. (In Press) First Report Fusarium palidoroseum causing wilt disease on Chlorophytum nepalense (Lindley) Baker. Journal of Mycopathological Research.
- vi. De, D., Mandal, S.M., Gauri, S.S., Bhattacharyya, R.N., Ram, S. and Roy, S.K. (2010) Antibacterial effect of lanthanum calcium manganate (La 0.67Ca 0.33MnO3) nanoparticles against Pseudomonas aeruginosa ATCC 27853. Journal of Biomedical Nanotechnology (USA), 6: 1-7.
- vii. Gupta, S., Saha, S., Roy, P., Basu, P., Ganguli, S. and **Datta, A.** (2010) Structural and functional analysis of glutathione peroxidase from ricinus communis l a computational approach. International Journal of Bioinformatics Research, 2 (1): 20 30.
- viii. Dhar, P., Ganguli, S., **Datta, A.** (2010) Molecular modeling of dicer and identification of phosphorylation sites. Bioinformation, 4 (9): 412 - 416.
- ix. Adhikari, J., Chhetri, D.R. and Chhetri, S. (2010) Management of an unequivocal socio-dermatological problem vitiligo involving medicinal plants: In: Trivedi, P.C. (Ed.) Herbal Drugs and Biotechnology. Pointer Publishers, Jaipur, India. pp 370-390.
- x. Basak, A., **Jha, T.B. and Adhikari, J.** (in press) Lycopodium clavatum L. is an excellent plant source for free myo-inositol: A bench-friendly method for its isolation, biosynthetic analysis in unadulterated form and its plausible relevance in medicinal applications. American Journal of Environmental Sciences.

# Seminar Lectures Delivered / Attended by Teachers and Research Scholars:

- i. Jha, T.B. and Mukherjee, P. (2010) Quality biofuels from in vitro grew genetically uniform plants of Jatropha curcas at the 12th International Association for Plant Biotechnology Congress, St. Louis, Missouri, USA. June 6-11, 2010 (Oral Presentation).
- ii. Das, A., Mukherjee, P. and **Jha, T.B.** (2010) Cost Effective Micropropagation in Aloe vera L. Burm.f. at the 31st National Symposium on Plant Cell Tissue and Organ Culture (PTCA): The Present Scenario, Kolkata, India. (Poster Presentation).
- iii. Roy, B., Mukherjee, P., and **Jha, T.B.** (2010) In vitro zygotic embryo culture in Jatropha curcas Linn. -an important biofuel plant- at the 31st National Symposium on Plant Cell Tissue and Organ Culture (PTCA): The Present Scenario, Kolkata, India. (Poster Presentation).
- iv. Basak, A., Mukherjee, S., Adhikari, J. and Jha, T.B. (2010) Rapid multiplication and germplasm preservation of Selaginella microphylla (Kunth) Spring., under in vitro conditions at the 31st National Symposium on Plant Cell Tissue and Organ Culture (PTCA): The Present Scenario, Kolkata, India. (Poster Presentation).
- v. Basu, S. and Jha, T.B. (2010) In vitro tuberization and a comparative phytochemical analysis of in vivo and in vitro grown roots of Chlorophytum borivilianum Sant et fern a rare medicinal herb at the 31st National Symposium on Plant Cell Tissue and Organ Culture (PTCA): The Present Scenario, Kolkata, India. (Poster Presentation).
- vi. Prof. Timir Baran Jha, Prof. & Head, Department of Botany was nominated by the Indian National Science

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Academy under the International Exchange Pogramme between India and Japan, for three weeks training programme on techniques of Molecular Cytogenetics namely; Fluorescent Banding and FISH in Plant Chromosomes. He visited Kagoshima University, Japan from 24th October to 16th November, 2010.

- vii. **Dr. Abhijit Datta** delivered the 'Platinum Jubilee Lecture' on a topic entitled "Understanding the Biology of Plant MicroRNAs" in the Department of Botany, Meerut College, Meerut, 24th October, 2010.
- viii. Basak, A., Jha, T.B. and Adhikari, J. (2010) Lycopodium clavatum L. is an excellent plant source for free myoinositol: A bench-friendly method for its isolation, biosynthetic analysis in unadulterated form and its plausible relevance in medicinal applications - A 'Special Invited Lecture' was delivered by Dr. Jukta Adhikari in the "First International Conference on Conservation, Marketing and Patenting of Medicinal Plants" (Herb-Fest) in Raipur, Chhattisgarh, 13th and 14th March, 2010.

# 7. Staff List:

- A. Present faculty members:
- (i) Timir baran Jha
- (ii) Tarit Kr. Sadhu
- (iii) Satadip Sarkar
- (iv) Madhubrata Choudhury
- (v) Jukta Adhikari
- (vi) Sukumar Sarkar
- (vii) Abhijit Datta
- (viii) Rabindranath Bhattacharya
- (ix) Sumita Ghosh
- (x) Abhijit Dey

#### **Guest faculties:**

- i) Prof. S.C. Santra (Kalyani University)
- ii) Prof. A. Mukherjee (Burdwan University)
- iii) Prof. S. Roy (Visva-Bharati University)
- iv) Dr. Samarendra Nath Ghosh (Retired Teacher)
- v) Dr. Sital Chattopadhyay (City College, Kolkata)
- vi) Dr. Animesh Ghorai (Retired Teacher)
- vii) Prof. Subhendu Chaudhury (Bidhan Chandra Krishi Visvavidyalaya, Kalyani)
- viii) Dr. Niranjan Bhattacharya (AMRI, Kolkata)

#### **B. Non-Teaching:**

- i) Sri. Tapan Kumar Datta
- iii) Sri. Tarun Kanti Roy
- v) Sri. Sukumar Barua
- vii) Sri. Raja Hela

#### C. Vacant Position

- ii) Sri Santosh Sasmal
- iv) Md. Delambia
- vi) Sri. Dibyendu Majumder
- viii) Smt. Bina Hela

# **Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry**

## News from the Department

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The news in respect of student performance and progression, faculty structure and new facility during the year 2010 are highlighted as under:

- The department has maintained its tradition in the performance of the students in the University examination. B Sc Honours Part I examination Chemistry: appeared: 43; 1st class marks: 32; above 80%: 10; highest 90.5%. Biochemistry: appeared: 7; 1st class marks: 6; highest 80.5%.
- Part II examination Chemistry: appeared: 38; 1st class marks: 23; highest 78.5%. Biochemistry: appeared: 9; 1st class marks: 3; highest 67%.
- Part III examination Chemistry: appeared: 25; 1st class: 21; 1st rank in the University: Srobona Sen (82.9%). Biochemistry: appeared: 8; 1st class: 6; 1st rank in the University: Parthiv Kant Choudhuri (78%).
- M Sc (Chemistry) Part-I: appeared: 34; 1st class marks: 16. Part-II: appeared: 27; 1st class: 23; highest: 81%.
- Soumen Saha, a student of UG & PG programmes, and Saona Seth who pursued UG course have been awarded the
  prestigious S.P. Mukherjee fellowship out of a total of three fellowships awarded in Chemical Sciences at the national
  level.
- Subhanip Biswas, a 2nd year UG student has been awarded KVPY fellowship. Besides, a large number of students have obtained INSPIRE (DST) fellowships.
- 12 postgraduate students have qualified in the NET CSIR/UGC examination.
- 18 undergraduate students have qualified in the JAM (IIT Entrance) examination. 5 students have been selected in the integrated Ph D programme of IISc Bangalore, 1 in TIFR, Mumbai and 3 in IACS, Kolkata.
- A grant of Rs. 15.74 lakhs (2nd installment) out of a total grant of Rs. 77 lakhs has been received from DST (Govt. of India) under FIST program for setting up a state-of-the-art Computation Lab with work-station and software facilities (structural analysis and molecular dynamics simulation).
- Prof. Sanjib Ghosh and Prof. Snigdha Gangopadhyay have retired from service on 31 May 2010 and 31 January 2010, respectively.
- Shyam Sundar Maity, a research scholar working under Prof. Sanjib Ghosh was awarded Ph D degree (Calcutta University) for his thesis entitled 'Photophysical studies of macromolecular systems with special emphasis on energy transfer (ET)' in August, 2010.

# 2. Seminars organized (under a programme of felicitation function and seminar lecture of Hundred Years of CUPG Teaching in Chemistry Celebration Committee on 12. 2. 2010)

Name of the Speaker	Institutional Address	Торіс
Prof. Brojesh C. Sen	Retired Professor, Presidency College	Statistics of photons and Bose's deduction of Planck's law

# 3. Research Activities of the department

Title of the project	Principal & Co investigators	Funding Agency	Amount in Rs.	Research Worker
Folding/unfolding of ß-sheet proteins: Equilibrium and time-resolved studies with oligomeric lectins	Dipak K. Mandal (PI)	CSIR  37(1269)/06/ EMR-II   1.4.07-30.11.10]	15,02,960	Debasish Sen (JRF)* Anisur Rahaman Molla* (SRF-NET/Part Time) Pritha Mandal* (JRF NET/Part-Time)
Arsenic removal by adsorption using synthetic hydrous mixed oxides of polyvalent metals from contaminated sub-surface water	Uday C. Ghosh (PI)	UGC [32-272-2006 (SR-)] [1.4.07-31.3.10]	5,78,600	Tina Basu (JRF)* Kaushik Gupta* (JRF-Net Part-time)Krishna Biswas* (JRF/Part-time)

Title of the project	Principal & Co investigators	Funding Agency	Amount in Rs.	Research Worker
Synthesis, characterization and evaluation of some polymer nano composites based on nanodimensional polyvalent transition metal mixed oxides.	Uday C. Ghosh (PI) Arup K. Ghosh (Co-PI) Amitava De (SINP) (Co-PI)	CSIR . [01/2393/10- EMR-II [1.8.10-31.7.13]	10,20,500	Debobrata Nandi (JRF) Susanta Debnath* (Part-time)
Characterization and Evaluation of some novel plant polymer gum as flame retardant and antioxidant additive for polymers	Arup K. Ghosh	UGC (ERO) F.PSW-073/09-10 (ERO) [1.11.09-30.4.10]	163,000	
Photoinduced energy transfer, photophysical aspects, and docking studies of biomolecules and their interaction with other molecules.	Sanjib Ghosh(PI)	DST, Govt. of India[SR/S1/PC- 57/2008] [1.4.09-31.3.12]	43,30,000	Pinki Saha Sardar (RA) Manini Mukherjee (JRF)
Photoinduced electron transfer, energy transfer and related photophysical aspects of some biomolecules and supramolecular systems, charge transfer complexes	Sanjib Ghosh(Pl)	CSIR [01(2142)/07/ EMR-II] [1.4.07-31.3.11]	14,68,000	Sugata Samanta (JRF)
Polymer inorganic hybrid nanocomposites-preparation, characterizations and their potential as nanodielectrics	Mukul Biswas (Pl)	CSIR[01(2342) /09- EMR-II] [1.11.09-30.11.12]	9,96,000	Arnab Kundu (JRF upto July 2010) Ipsita Halder (JRF)

# **Fellowship Projects**

Title of the project	Principal & Co investigators	Funding Agency	Amount	Research Worker
Folding studies on ß-sheet proteins	Dipak K.Mandal	CSIR [08/155(0037)/ 2009-EMR-I] [1.7.09-30.6.14]	1,89,200/year	Goutam Ghosh (JRF-NET)
Synthetic studies on hetrocycles	Gautam Chattopadhyay	CSIR [08/155(0033)/ 2007-EMR-I] [1.7.07-30.6.12]	2,16,800 /year (SRF-NET)	Parth Sinha Ray* Debnath Saha* (Part-time)
Studies towards the synthesis of biologically active furoterpenes and furomacrolides as well as their thiophene and pyrrole analogues.	Gandhi K. Kar	CSIR [08/155(0040) /2010-EMR-I] [1.1.10-31.12.15]	1,89,200 /year	Moumita Rakshit (JRF-NET) Prasanta Patra* (JRF-NET/ Part-time) Khokon Samanta* (SRF-NET/Part-time) Tuhin Maiti (Part-time)
Studies towards the synthesis of tanshinone related furoquinones and other biologically important furomacrolides as nuclear citreofuran analogue of	Gandhi K. Kar	CSIR [08/155(0027)/ 2006-EMR-I] [1.7.06-30.9.10]	1,40,330 / year	Faruk Hasan Shaik* (SRF-NET/Part-time) Rumpa Das* (JRF/Part-time)

Title of the project	Principal & Co investigators	Funding Agency	Amount	Research Worker
Structure and magnetic studies of complexes derived from N,O donor ligands	Gurucharan Mukhopadhyay	-	-	Debdulal Maity** (Part-time) Ananya Mondal (Part-time)
Photophysical aspects and docking studies of bio molecules with emphasis on photoinduced energy transfer	Sanjib Ghosh	CSIR 2009-EMR-I] [1.11.09-31.10.14]	1,89,200/ year [08/155(0038)/	Shymal K. Ghorai (JRF-NET)
Time resolved emission studies in proteins and peptides at different temperatures	Sanjib Ghosh	CSIR [08/155(0039)/ 2009-EMR-I] [1.11.09-31.10.14]	1,89,200/ year	Swarnakamal Samanta (JRF-NET)
Studies on noble metal- biomolecule complexes- Evalution of their action on bacteria and tumor cells.	Snigdha Gangopadhyay	Department of Higher Education, Govt of West Bengal. [GO.No.89-Edn (C.G.)/11R-1/96] [1.4.09-31.3.10]	22,000	Prodyut Basak** (Part time) Dolon Sengupta* (Part-time) Sudipta De (Part-time)

\* Registered for Ph D degree under Calcutta University \*\* Thesis submitted in Calcutta University

## 4. Other Academic Activities:

An in-House 3-day workshop under DBT Star College Scheme on 'Advanced Experimental Techniques in Chemistry and Biochemistry' was organized by the department from 5-7 May, 2010 for the B Sc 3rd year students.

## 5. List of Publications:

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- Biswas, K., Debnath, S. and Ghosh, U. C. (2010) Physicochemical aspects on fluoride adsorption for removal from water by synthetic hydrous iron(III)-chromium(III) mixed oxide. Sep. Sci. Technol., vol. 45 (4), p. 472-485 (Impact factor :1.028)
- Debnath, S., Biswas, K. and Ghosh, U. C. (2010) Removal of Ni(II) and Cr(VI) with titanium(IV) oxide nanoparticle agglomerates in fixed-bed columns. Ind. Eng. Chem. Res., vol. 49, p. 2031-2039. (Impact factor :1.758)
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- Patra, P., Ray, J. K.and Kar, G. K. (2010) Catalyst and steric controlled alkenylation via chemoselective C-H activation and C-Br activation in Heck reaction of methyl 1-(2-bromoaryl)-3-(2-furyl/thienyl)-5-oxopyro-lidine-2-carboxylates and diethyl 1-(2-bromoaryl)-3-(2-furyl/theinyl)-5-oxopyrrolidine-2,2-dicarboxylate derivatives, Tetrahedron Letters, vol. 51, p. 3580-83. (Impact Factor: 2.660)
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- 17. Maiti, D., Mukherjee, P., Ghosh, A., Drew, M. G. B. Diaz, C. and **Mukhopadhyay, G.** (2010) A very rare H-bridged hexanuclear Cu (II)complex containing triangular Cu3O core, capped by an unusually triply coordinated perchlorate anion. European Journal of Inorganic Chemistry p. 807-813 (Impact Factor: 2.694).
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## 6. Seminar, Lectures Delivered:

# Dipak K. Mandal

- 1. Acharya Prafullya Chandra Ray symposium on "Chemistry today" organized by Indian Chemical Society during 2-4 August 2010. Title: Structure, folding and dynamics of oligomeric proteins.
- 2. DST sponsored one day national level workshop on "The origin of modern chemistry" at Scottish Church College, Kolkata on 26 August, 2010. Title: Organic chemistry at the cross road of chemistry and biology.
- 3. Refresher Course in Chemistry at Calcutta University on 24 November 2010. Title: Static and dynamic stereochemistry: Search for a unified approach to assigning stereochemical configuration.

## Achintya K. Sarkar

- 1. Refresher Course in Chemistry at Jadavpur University in January 2010. Title: Research trends in organic synthesis.
- 2. JBNSTS workshop in March 2010. Title: Introduction to organic chemistry
- 3. National Seminar at Hoogly Mahasin College in September 2010. Title: Biomimetic chemistry: A weapon in the arsenal of organic synthesis.
- 4. Refresher Course in Chemistry at Calcutta University in December 2010. Title: Carbenes: A powerful weapon in the arsenal of organic synthesis.

## Sanjib Ghosh

- 1. Sixth Indo-US workshop on "Mathematical chemistry" at Heritage Institute of Technology, Kolkata in January 2010. Title: Structural aspects of biomolecules using low temperature emission spectroscopy and modeling. Structural aspects of biomolecules using low temperature emission spectroscopy and modelling
- 2. National symposium on "Emerging concerns and advances in chemistry" at Lady Brabourne College, Kolkata in collaboration with the Indian Chemical Society in February 2010. Title: Structural aspects of biomolecules using low temperature emission spectroscopy and modeling.
- 3. Seminar on "Frontiers in chemistry series I" at St. Xavier's College, Kolkata in February 2010. Title: An insight into protein structure and functionality: Emission spectroscopic studies
- 4. National Workshop on "Structural Bio-Informatics and Bio-Perl" at Bio-Informatics Facility Centre, Presidency College, Kolkata in March 2010. Title: Insight into structural aspect of protein and protein-ligand interaction through site directed mutagenesis, time resolved emission and modeling.
- 5. Workshop on "New arena in photosciences" at Saha Institute of Nuclear Physics, Kolkata in August 2010. Title: Time resolved emission spectroscopy and structural aspects of protein and protein-ligand complexes.

# Tina Basu (Research scholar)

1. 2-day seminar on "Effective development and management of ground water resources for sustainable future" organized by Dept. of Geological Sciences, Jadavpur University and Centre for Groundwater Studies, Kolkata on 19 November 2010. Title: Hydrous Fe(III) -Al(III) binary mixed oxide: synthesis, characterization and physicochemical aspects on arsenic sorption for removal from aqueous solutions in presence of some major ions occurring in ground water and prediction of column performances.

## Poster Presentation by Prasanta Patra (Research scholar)

 UGC sponsored National Seminar on "Current trends in chemistry-IV" at the University of Kalyani on 26 February 2010. Title: Steric controlled C-H activation over C-Br bond activation in Pd-catalyzed Heck reaction of diethyl 1-(2-bromoaryl)-3-(2-furyl/thienyl)-5-oxopyrrolidine-2,2-dicarboxylate derivatives and methyl 1-(2-bromoaryl)-3-(2-furyl/thienyl)-5-oxopyrrolidine-2-dicarboxylates.

# 7. Staff List:

A. Teaching Faculty: Prof. Dipak Kumar Mandal (HoD) Prof. Achintya Kumar Sarkar Dr. Gautam Chattopadhyay Dr. Uday Chand Ghosh Dr. Gandhi Kumar Kar Dr. Gurucharan Mukhopadhyay Dr. Subrata Saha Dr. Arup Bandyopadhyay Dr. Sk. Abdul Gani Dr. Jyoti Nath Paul Dr. Tista Dasgupta (Bhattacharyya) Dr. Amita Kar Dr. Samrajnee Dutta Dr. Arup Kumar Ghosh Dr. Dilip Maji Sri Pradipta Ghosh Dr. Adity Bose

**B. Non Teaching Members:** Sushanta Kumar Roy Rintu Dey Khagendra Nath Jana Ashok Kumar Nayak Shyam Sundar Prasad Goutam Dutta Kartick Chandra Das Sushama Barik Raj Kumar Ghosh Bijay Singh Biplab Sarkar Radha Hela Ram Narayan Hela PRASANGIKI 'III

### Guest Faculty (Research and PG Teaching):

Prof. Sanjib Ghosh, Ex- Professor, Presidency College Prof. Snigdha Gangopadhyay, Ex- Professor, Presidency College Prof. Mukul Biswas, Ex-Professor, IIT, Kharagpur

### **Guest Faculty (PG Teaching) :**

Prof. Priyalal Majumdar, Ex-Professor, Calcutta University
Prof. Brojesh Chandra Sen, Ex-Professor, Presidency College
Prof. Himangshu Ranjan Das, Ex-Professor, Presidency College
Prof. Pijush Kanti Gangopadhyay, Ex-DPI, Govt. of West Bengal
Dr. Prasanta Kumar Bhaumik , Ex-Reader, Presidency College
Dr. Bhibuti Bhusan Maji , Ex-Reader, Presidency College
Dr. Manju Chakraborty, Ex-Head, Department of Chemistry, Bethune College
Dr. Sanjib Ganguly, Reader, St.Xaviers College
Dr. Asoke Banerjee, Ex-Reader, Surendranath College
Dr. Tapas Roychowdhury, Reader , Charu Chandra College
Dr. Rathin Ghosh, Reader, RKMR College, Narendrapur
Dr. Sitangshu Bhattacharyya, Reader, City College
Dr. Arnab Haldar, Lecturer, Sibpur Dinabandhu College

#### **Guest Faculty (UG Biochemistry):**

Dr. Arijit Bhattacharyya, Biotechnology Department, Presidency University Dr. Bhaskar Gupta, Biotechnology Department, Presidency University Ms. Priyanka Mukherjee M Sc

# **C. Vacant Position:**

Chemistry	:	Professor: 3
		Associate Professor / Assistant Professor: 1
Biochemistry	:	
		Associate Professor / Assistant Professor: 4

# **Department of Economics**

#### News from the Department

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The Department of Political Economy and Political Philosophy was created in 1908. The title was changed to Department of Economics and Political Science following a similar change initiated for the M.A. course by the Calcutta University in 1932. In 1960 the University adopted a new syllabus for the three year degree course when Economics and Political Science became two separate subjects and the department at the college also split into two departments - Economics and Political Science.

The department deeply mourns the demise of Professor Tapas Majumdar. He joined Presidency College as an Assistant Professor of Economics at the age of 21 and had none other than Amartya Sen and Sukhamay Chakravarty as students in the early part of his career. Aftercompleting his Ph. D. from the London School of Economics in 1957, he joined Presidency College as a professor and taught there till he moved to the Jawaharlal Nehru University. A condolence programme on the death of Professor Tapas Majumdar was organized in the department on 18.12.2010, which was attended by his senior colleagues like Professor Amiya Bagchi and Professor Mihir Rakshit.

Amitava Chatterjee, the Head of the Department of Economics, became the Principal of Presidency College on June 1, 2010. He handed over his charge to the Vice-Chancellor, Presidency University on November 1, 2010 and continued charge as the head of the department of Economics. He became member of the Presidency University Council on December 15, 2010.

Undergraduate students from this department performed well in the university examinations maintaining its tradition. This year Priyanka Chakravarty and Aishani Roy secured successively the first and the second positions in the list of the successful candidates of the B.Sc. (Economics Honours) final examination of the Calcutta University. Aishani Roy was directly selected for admission to the M. Phil (Economics) programme at the University of Oxford. Four other students left for higher studies in U.K., including one at Warwick University and one at London School of Economics. Many of our students excelled at the postgraduate courses at different universities and institutes, like Delhi School of Economics, Jawaharlal Nehru University and got admission into foreign universities for research activities.

The Post Graduate Applied Economics course has been a success since its inception. For the last couple of years the cut-off marks for admission remained well over minimum first class marks. Swagata Sarkar published her post graduate project in Social Indicators Research, a refereed international journal published by Springer. With more application-oriented course design the postgraduate students are getting good placements in campus as well as off-campus recruitments. Four students of M.Sc. Applied Economics Part II were placed in Wipro Analytics, Kolkata, two students were placed at Mu-sigma, two students were placed at ICRA and one student was placed at Fairisaac. Three other students of the same class were placed off-campus in the Bangalore unit of Genpact.

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Students' Performance				
Examination	No. of Students appearing	No. of students getting first class		
B.Sc. Part I	40	32		
B.Sc.Part II	34	26		
B.Sc.PartIII	34	21		
M.Sc. in Applied Economics Part I	25	21		
M.Sc in Applied Economics Part II	26	25		

The students of the Department have also excelled in extra-curricular activities. The students of the Presidency College Economics Department got second position in the Confluence programme organized by the St.Xavier's College. In the paper presentation session of the same event, they ranked first and third and bagged the second prize in the mock class session. Puja Kankrania, 2ndyear Economics honours, won 1st Prize in Extempore and 2nd Prize in essay writing in a National Level Extempore and essay writing competition organized by the Presidency College & YouthHostel Association of India, West Bengal branch. She also won 3rd prize in debate in International Relations Scholastic Conclave 2010, organized by Department of international Relations, JadavpurUniversity and the second Best Speaker prize in a debate organized by an NGO, Aasra. Adway De and Puja Kankrania won Best Team Prize in Debate in ISI, Kolkata

organized cultural & Tech fest, Adway was also awarded best speaker prize. They were also part of the Presidency University team that won the best team prize in the Derozio Memorial Debate 2010, organized by Presidency University Public Speaking Society. Adway won the Best Speaker for the Motion prize. Shilpi Mukherjee of 2nd year also represented the University as the 2nd Presidency Team.

Some of the faculty members were invited by Tech Mahindra to give lectures to Senior Executives on 15th September, 24th and 25th November, 2010. This is the first Department-industry collaboration.

The department always encourages interaction with other academic institutions. While teachers from other reputed institutions such as IIMC, WBUT, JNU and LSE take classes and deliver lectures at the department, teachers from this department (Dr. MousumiDutta, Ms. Mahuya Chakrabarti and Dr. Gagari Chakrabarti) use to take honorary classes in University of Calcutta and WBUT.

Both the Economics Department and Centre for Economic Studies have organized several workshops and seminars in the department with eminent economists defivering lectures.

Smt. Suravi Bagchi, Librarian of the Centre for Economic Studies library, who was also in charge of the Economics and Political Science library, retired on 31st March, 2010.

#### Seminars/Workshops Organized by the Department

Professor Dipak Banerjee Annual Memorial Lecture, 2009 was held on 4th January 2010 in which Prof. Debraj Ray of New York University delivered a lecture on "Status, Intertemporal Choice and Risk-Taking". Prof. Anup Sinha of IIM Kolkata gave a class lecture on "Economics of Climate Change" and Prof. Arijit Sen of IIM Kolkata spoke on "Game Playing and Game Designing" in the same event.

To pay homage to the departed Professor Paul A. Samuelson, the students of the department organized a seminar on 15th January, 2010 entitled "Our tribute to Paul. A. Samuelson", where his papers were presented by the students. The seminar was a big success and attracted all kinds of people related to academics both in and out of the college.

Mousumi Dutta organized a Training Workshop on Software Applications in Applied Econometrics for the Post Graduate students in the department on 20th March 2010. The Workshop was funded by Indian Council of Social Science Research. Dr. Diganta Mukherjee, Professor at Usha Martin Academy, Kolkata covered the analysis on Time Varying Volatility and Multi-Variate Time series Analysis. Dr. Zakir Husain, Associate Professor, Institute of Economic Growth, New Delhi explained How to Measure Discrimination and discussed some issues related to Panel Data.

Debnarayan Sarker, Director, Centre for Economic Studies along with Prantakatha organized UGC sponsored National level Conference on Theory and Emperics of Economics in the Current Perspective on 28th and 30th August 2010. Dr. Montek Singh Ahluwalia, Chairman, Planning Commission of India, gave the key-note address. Prof. Isher Judge Ahluwalia, Chairperson, ICRIER lectured on Challenges of Urbanization in India, Prof. Partha Sen of Delhi School of Economics spoke on Capital flows and Monetary Policy in India, Prof. Abhirup Sarkar of ISI, Kolkata provided lecture on Recent Food Price Inflation in India and Prof. Sugata Marjit, Director and RBI Chair CSSSC gave lecture on Conflicting Measures of Poverty and Inadequate Savings by the Poor - The Role of a Status Driven Utility Function.

An Autumn Workshop on Qualitative, Response and Control Variables in Econometric Analysis, meant for College teachers and researchers (faculty upgradation programme), was also organized by Dr. Mousumi Dutta on an experimental basis on 5-6 October 2010. Seat was limited to fourteen. College teachers and researchers from Serampore College, Mahishadal Raj College, Asutosh College, Charuchandra College, Gurudas College, Surendranath College for Women, Dum Dum Motijheel Rabindra Mahavidyalaya, New Alipore College, Institute of Health Management Research and so on participated in the Workshop. The Workshop held on a self-funding basis. Resource persons included Prof. Sarmila Banerjee, Rajiv Gandhi Chair, Calcutta University and Dr. Mousumi Dutta herself.

On 9th of December, 2010 the honourable Vice-Chancellor, Presidency University inaugurated two workshops one on Advanced Topics in Cross Section and Time Series Econometrics Theories organized by Mousumi Dutta and an other on Advanced Financial Economic Theory and Financial Econometrics organized by Gagari Chakrabarti. Dr. Ranajoy Bhattacharya, Professor, Indian Institute of Foreign Trade, Kolkata and Visiting Professor of Roanoke College, Salem, Virginia, USA & University of Calcutta discussed on Unit Roots - Co integration and Error Correction Models. Dr. Arpita Dhar, Reader, Jadavpur University and Visiting Professor University of Calcutta delivered her lecture on Vector Auto regression Model. Dr. Kausik Chaudhuri, Professor, Leeds University Business School, Economics Division and Professor, Madras School of Economics analyzed Some Applications of Time Series Econometrics. On 21st December, Dr. Indranil Mukherjee, Reader, West Bengal University of Technology, spoke on Financial System as a Complex System and Dr. Byasdeb Dasgupta, Associate Professor, Kalyani University discussed on Options Market and Options Pricing.

# **Research Activities in the Department:** Projects

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Title of the Project	Principal and Co-Investigators	Funding Agency	Amount
Socio-economic implication of HIV/AIDS and Benefits of Action: A Study of Households with particular reference to Transport Sector in West Bengal (2009-10)	Debnarayan Sarker (Principal Investigator)	UGC	Rs. 1, 42000
Reproductive Health of Slum Dwellers of Kolkata - An Analysis	Mousumi Dutta (Principal Investigator)	ICSSR	Rs. 30,000
Financial Instability or Paradigm Shift? A Study of Indian Stock Market in Recent Years (2007-10)	Gagari Chakrabarti Co-Principal Investigator	UGC ·	Rs. 5,25,900

Sanjukta Chakrabarti, research fellow of Debnarayan Sarker, has been awarded Ph.D degree from University of Calcutta on 3rd August 2010. The other registered research fellows of Dr. Sarker are Bikash Kumar Ghosh, who is working on Milk Production in West Bengal: The Implications of Cooperatives, and Debraj Das working on Political Determinants of Economic Performance. The unregistered fellows working under supervision of Prof. Sarker are Indrani Basu [State-funded Junior Research Fellow (full-time)], Mala Bhattacharyya of Raja Peary Mohan College, Uttarpara, Hoogly and Dipanwita Gunguly.

Mouli Sanyal of New Alipore College is pursuing her Ph.D. dissertation on Demand for Health Care Services under the supervision of Mousumi Dutta from University of Calcutta. Priyanka Chakraborty of Jawaharlal Nehru University is pursuing her post graduate winter internship on Health, Productivity and Economic Growth under the supervision of Dr. Dutta.

Gagari Chakrabarti is supervising a Ph.D. dissertation on Indian Foreign Exchange Market: A Study into Volatility and Regime Switch by Chitrakalpa Sen who is registered in School of Management and advanced Research. West Bengal University of Technology, Kolkata. SoumyaSaha has completed his M.Phil on Volatility Spillover between foreign exchange and stock markets around the financial crisis of 2007-08: An Indian Evidence in 2010 under her supervision from the same institute.

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- Debnarayan Sarkar delivered lecture on 'The implications of Unemployment, Inequality and Poverty Issues in India', at the Centre for Economic Studies, Presidency University of Kolkata, on the 4th January, 2010 in Prof. D.B. Memorial Lecture.
- 2. Mousumi Dutta delivered a lecture on Do Slum Dwellers have lower contraceptive rates? A study of slumdwellers of Kolkata, in Conference on Education and Health: Issues in Exclusion, Economics Department, CalcuttaUniversity, 10-11 January 2010.
- 3. Gagari Chakrabarti delivered a lecture on Examination of non-linearity, determinism and chaos: An analysis of three foreign currencies vis-à-vis Indian rupee (Sen. C., Mukherji, I., Chakrabarti, G., and A. Sarkar) in UGC sponsored seminar on "Emerging Issues in the Indian Economy", Department of Economics, Rabindra Bharati University, 25 and 26 March, 2010.
- 4. Gagari Chakrabarti delivered a lecture on Propagator of global stock market volatility in recent years: Asian versus Non-Asian markets, (Chakrabarti. G.) Invited speaker in UGC sponsored state level seminar on "Globalization and changing structure of capital market in India: Efficiency versus vulnerability" organized by SurendranathCollege for Women in collaboration with Chittaranjan College, Kolkata, 30 March, 2010
- 5. Gagari Chakrabarti delivered a lecture on Long Memory in Foreign Exchange Market: Myth or Reality?- a study of selected currencies around the globe in terms of Indian Rupee (Sen. C., Chakrabarti, G., and A. Sarkar) Ioannina Meeting on Applied Economics and Finance (IMAEF 2010), June 10-11, 2010, Greece, 45110 Ioannina, university campus 1186

6. **Rajnarayan Gupta** acted as a judge in Students' Paper Presentation held at Chandan Nagar College, Hooghly, on 27th August, 2010.

- Debnarayan Sarkar delivered lecture on 'Theory and Empirics of Taxation, Income Distribution and Economic Growth in the Current Perspective: with particular reference to India', at the Centre for Economic Studies, Presidency University, Kolkata, on the 28th August, 2010.
- 8. Gagari Chakrabarti delivered a lecture on Long Memory in Some Asian Stock Markets (Sen. C., Mukherji, I., Chakrabarti, G., and A. Sarkar) 2nd European Asian Association Conference in Economics, & Finance, Beijing Conference, September 7-11, 2010
- 9. Amitava Chatterjee was invited and lectured to senior executives and managerial staff of Tech Mahindra at Saltlake, Kolkata on 15th September, 2010.
- Mahuya Chakrabarti delivered a lecture on "Indian Macroeconomy in the light of Sectoral Interdependence, Demographic Structure and Monetary Policy Issues" in Tech Mahindra in Salt Lake, Kolkata on 15th September, 2010.
- 11. Mousumi Dutta delivered a lecture on Issue in "Market Economics" in Tech Mahindra in Salt Lake, Kolkata on 15th September, 2010.
- 12. **Rajnarayan Gupta** delivered a lecture on "Inflation, Public Finance and International Economics" in Tech Mahindra in Salt Lake, Kolkata on 15th September, 2010.
- 13. **Rajnarayan Gupta** acted as a judge in the "Budding Economist" event of the Economic Summit, Confluence, held at St. Xaviers College, Kolkata, on 28th September, 2010.
- 14. **Mousumi Dutta** Lectured on Applications of STATA and Analysis of Quantal variables in Econometric Analysis in Autumn Workshop on 'Qualitative Response and control variables in Econometric Analysis' (faculty up gradation programme) organised by the Presidency University on 5th and 6th October, 2010.
- 15. **Indrani Nag Chaudhury** attended Autumn Workshop on "Qualitative, Response and Control Variables in Econometric Analysis"(faculty up gradation programme) organized by the Presidency University on 5th and 6th October 2010.
- 15. **Rajnarayan Gupta** delivered a lecture on "Macroeconomic Overview" in Mahindra Satyam in Hyderabad, India, on 25th November, 2010.
- 16. Amitava Chatterjee delivered lectured in Mahindra Satyam in Hyderabad, India.

# Staff List

Teaching (full time) Non-teaching Swapan Kumar Das Amitava Chatterjee, Head of the Department. Subrata Kumar Das Debnarayan Sarkar, Secretary, CES Rita Das Debabrata Lahiri Imam Rasul Rajnarayan Gupta Balmiki Prasad Mousumi Dutta Sankar Hela Gagari Chakrabarti Hanuman Pr. Dhuria Mahuya Chakrabarti Indrani Nag Chaudhury Teaching (part time) Ashis Dasgupta, (retired) Professor of Economics, Presidency College Pulak Majumder, (retired) Bhowanipur Education Society College Debabrata Mandal, (retired) Assistant Professor, Presidency College **Guest Teachers** Anindya Sen, Professor of Economics, IIM, Joka, Kolkata Soumendrs NathSikdar, Professor of Economics, IIM, Joka, Kolkata Amitava Sarkar, Professor, WBUT Ranjanendra Narayan Nag, Head of the Department of Economics, St. Xavier's College Library Librarian, CES and EPL: VACANT Vacant Position WBSES:5

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# **Department of Geography**

#### News from the Department :

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The Department of Geography, Presidency College started functioning in 1949 - 50 with Prof. Dr. N. R. Kar as Head, two Lecturers, Dr. A. B. Chatterjee and Dr. S. P. Dasgupta, one Demonstrator, Sri R. K. Basu, one Draftsman, Sri G. C. Roy and one Bearer, Md. Ramzan Ali. Initially, intermediate, pass and honours courses were introduced with partial postgraduate facility. Seminar Library was set up in the late 1950s. It contains about 1500 Titles and several national and international journals. The Geographical Institute, a society of the students and scholars, was formed in 1970. Each year, it organizes seminar lectures, classroom debates, PG students' seminar, and holds inter-college Geo-Quiz competition, Map Drawing contest, and exhibition of Field-Photographs. It also celebrates annual Reunion of its members, and arranges 1/2 - day excursion, and field study projects. It publishes TRAVERSE as an annual periodical, and brings out wall magazine, photo corner, and bulletins. It also gives away Prizes to the toppers in examinations. Fulfledged independent P. G. Teaching began in 2001 and subsequently in 2004, academic autonomy was awarded and new syllabus with new vision was introduced. The department is well-equipped with learning resources, which are enhanced and enriched every year. Finally, it has a brilliant galaxy of alumni comprising eminent Geographers in India and abroad.

Privank P Patel (UGC SRF) joined the Department of Geography, Aliah University, Kolkata, as Lecturer (Temporary). Kathakali Dutta and Manjira Adhikari joined this department respectively as CSIR and UGC JRF, and Suvalaxmi Chatterjee as Research Assistant in the UGC Major Project. Mun Mun Nandy, Debasmita Biswas and Abhijit Ghosh have been awarded SRF by the UGC/CSIR. Smt Lila Mahato completed UGC- sponsored Refresher Course in Earth Science by Academic Staff College, CU. Sri Tridib Chatterjee retired from service in July 2010. A condolence meeting was held on September 4, 2010 to pay tribute to the demise of Prof. Amiya Bhusan Chatterjee, Ex-Professor and Head, Dr. Shivaprasad Dasgupta, Ex-faculty, and Director NATMO, Kolkata, and Prof. Subhas Ranjan Basu, Ex-Faculty, and Head, NBU, CU and RBU. As part of the university curriculum, the PG final year students have done fieldworks inand-around Kausani in the Kumaun Himalayas of Uttarakhand (October, 2010) and the 2nd year UG students in-andaround Ooty - Kodaikanal, Tamilnadu (December 2010). The 40th Reunion of the Members of the Geographical Institute, Presidency College was held on 26th February, 2010 at the Derozio Hall with grand success. On this occasion, the following important events took place : an exhibition of Field Photographs taken by the budding field geographers, an exhibition of thematic Maps manually drawn by students / scholars of various colleges, release of the souvenir the Traverse with about 28 articles on various issues, the full list of our alumni (undergraduate and postgraduate) since 1949, and all relevant information about our department including the performance of our students, scholars and teachers during the last year, launching The eTraverse, an On-line Indian Journal of Spatial Science in www.etravers.net, and finally, prizes were given away to students who secured marks in M.Sc. examination 2008, 2009.

Srabani Patra joined the advanced courses of IIPS, Mumbai, and Pompiya Mondal and Soumi Nag the management courses in The CEPT, Ahmedabad. Sayantan Mondal joined the Ph.D. Programme in the University of Deusto, Bilbao, Spain, Swagata Goswami the Ph.D. Programme of the University of Oregon, USA, and Priyanka Banerjee joined the Ph.D. programme in the National Institute of Oceanography, Dona Paula, Goa. Sovan Chattopadhyay, Suvolaxmi Chatterjee, Deblina Biswas, and Siddhartha Nandy qualified in the UGC NET, 2010. Monirupa Nandi, Priyanka Banerjee, Arunita Mukherjee, and Smita Pal qualified in the UGC NET JRF, 2010. Shraboni Bogì, Saurav Saha, and Gautam Mandal recently joined the Indian Postal Service.

The following ex-students joined colleges as full time lecturer through CSC and PSC, WB : Gargi Sarkar (Sri Chaitanya College), Paramita Banerjee (Barasat College), Soumita Ghosh (Hooghly Women's College), Somsubhra Moulik (Tarakeswar College), Rajesh Karketta (Kashipur College), Binod Sardar (Palpara College), Manas Pal (Ananda Chandra College), Somashis Sengupta (Malda Women's College), Antara Kumar (Malda Women's College), Mousumi Naskar (Malda Women's College), Saptarshi Mitra (Malda College), Tanuka De (Krishnagar Govt. College), Debasmita Biswas (ABN Sil College), Munmun Banerjee (G.D.Mahavidyalaya), Tapas Mistri (K.D. College), and Debjit Dutta (Taki Govt. College). The following students joined schools through SSC, WB, 2010 - Smita Paul, Nandita Santra, Prosenjit Sarkar, Raj Kumar Sau, Sonia Sarkar, Malati Mondal, Deblina Biswas, Bipradas Mondal, Priyanka Kundu, Chandra Choudhury, Madhumita Chakraborty. Rajashi Das, Samiran Sarkar, Somnita Mondal, Suvramoy Dhole, Ranita Das, and Brojendranath Coondoo.

# Performance of Students in University Examinations, 2010

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Examination	Number of Students (appeared)	Number of Students securing First Class	CU Rank
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# Seminars held in the Department / Visitors to the Department:

Speaker / Visitor	Institutional Address	Торіс
Dr. Chris Elvidge	Physical Scientist at the U.S. Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Geophysical Data Center (NGDC) in Boulder, Colorado, USA	Satellite Observed Nighttime Lights of India: 1992 - 2010
Dr. Rebecca Powell	Assistant Professor: Department of Geography, University of Denver, Denver, USA	Characterizing Change in Urban Land Cover in Rondônia, Brazil: 1985 to 2000
Dr. Paul C. Sutton	Associate Professor, Department of Geography, University of Denver, Denver, USA	The Real Wealth of Nations: Mapping and Monetizing the Human Ecological Footprint
Dr. Sharolyn Anderson	Associate Professor, Department of Geography, University of Denver, Denver, USA	Mapping the Ecological Footprints using RS and GIS

# Research activities On-going Research Projects of the Department

Sl. No.	Project Title	Investigator(s)	Funding Agency	Total Sanction(Rs)
1	Environmental Impact Assessment of open Cast mines: a comparative Analysis of Stone quarries of the Rajmahal Trap Region and Surface Coal Mines of the Jharia Coal Field, Jharkhand and West Bengal	Dr. Nandini Chatterjee	UGC	61,000
2	Extraction, mapping and explanation of the fluviometric properties of the confluence angles using RS and GIS	Prof. Ashis Sarkar	UGC	83,500
3	Strategies of Economic Development of the Terai of Darjeeling district, West Bengal	Prof. M. M. Jana and Prof. Ashis Sarkar	UGC	9,92,400

# **Other Research Activities**

Mr. Samaresh De (Characteristics and Correlates of Rural Sanitation - a geographical analysis of Nandigram. East Medinipur, West Bengal), Mr. Priyank Pravin Patel (An Exploratory Geomorphological Analysis using Modern Techniques for Sustainable Development of the Dulung River Basin), Ms. Mun Mun Nandy (Problems and Development Prospects of the Cottage and Small Scale Industries in West Bengal - a case study of selected industries in Bishnupur and Bolpur), Ms. Debasmita Biswas (Dynamics of Urban Sprawl - a comparative analysis of Barasat and Baruipur), Mr. Abhijit Ghosh (Assessment of the Performance and Impacts of Small and Medium Irrigation Schemes in Purulia District, West Bengal ? an ecosystem approach), Mr. Gunadhar Manna (Habitat and Socio-economic Development of the ST Population of Darjeeling district, West Bengal ? a geoenvironmental analysis), and Ms Mahua Chatterjee (Urban

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Development, Industrial Diversification and Socio-Economic Impact on the Haldia Municipal Area of East Medinipur District, West Bengal) are all working as registered Ph.D. scholars under the supervision of Prof. Ashis Sarkar.

Ms.Soma Chatterjee (Environmental Issues Related to Mining in Jharia Coal Field Complex of Dhanbad District, Jharkhand), Ms Mahua Bardhan (Changing Urban Environment and Development Scenario of Planned Towns: A Comparative Study of Bidhan Nagar and Kalyani Municipal Areas) and Mr. Suvradip Halder (Problem and Management of Floods in the Middle and Lower Kamla-Balan River Basin, India) are all working as registered Ph.D. scholars under the supervision of Dr. Nandini Chatterjee.

Ms. Sanghamitra Sarkar (Changing profile of population and land use and its impact on environment - an appraisal, Southern Sikkim, India) and Ms Moumita Seth (Hydro-Geomorphic analysis, Restoration and sustainable management of Saraswati River Corridor in West Bengal) are working as registered Ph.D. scholars under the supervision of Dr. Sandipan Chakraborty.

#### List of Publications

- 1. Sarkar, A. (2010) 'Analysis of Human Settlement Patterns using RS and GIS in the Plains of West Bengal', eTraverse, Indian Journal of Spatial Science, vol. 1 (1), p 1 16, Paper 1, www.etravers.net.
- 2. Patel, P.P. and Sarkar, A (2010) 'Terrain Characterization using SRTM Data', Journal of the Indian Society of Remote Sensing, vol. 38 (1), p. 11 24.
- 3. Nandy, M. and Sarkar, A. (2010): 'Townsize Distribution in India an exploratory analysis', Indian Journal of Landscape Systems and Ecological Studies, vol. 33 (1), p. 53 64.
- 4. Banerjee, P. and Sarkar, A. (2010): 'Landscape Analysis using Multidated Data Layers from Topographical Map and Satellite Images', eTraverse, Indian Journal of Spatial Science, vol.1 (2), p 1 17, Paper 1, www.etravers.net.
- 5. Chakraborty, S and Mandal, A. (2010): 'Supervised Classification and Accuracy Assessment using ANN and NDVI for Wasteland Mapping of a Sub-watershed of Dwarakeswar Catchment Area', Indian Journal of Landscape Systems and Ecological Studies, vol. 33 (1), p 651-658.
- 6. Chatterjee, N. (2010): 'Wetlands of the Rahr Region of West Bengal', Indian Journal of Landscape Systems and Ecological Studies, vol. 32 (2), p 389- 396.

#### Seminar Lectures (Delivered)

#### **Prof. Ashis Sarkar**

- 1. Participated in a Workshop on 'Disaster Management in West Bengal and Sustainable Management Approaches', organized by the Netaji Institute of Asian Studies, Kolkata, February 26, 2010
- 2. Presented a Paper on 'An Assessment and Analysis of Town Size Distribution in India', in the National Seminar on 'Emerging Issues in Geography', organized by the Department of Geography, Visva-Bharati, and Indian Geographical Foundation, Kolkata, March 20 21, 2010, (co-presenter: Ms. Mun Mun Nandy).
- 3. Presented a Paper on 'Morphometric Comparison of the Left and Right Flank Sub-basins of the Dulung river valley, West Bengal', in the National Seminar on 'Emerging Issues in Geography', organized by the Department of Geography, Visva-Bharati, and Indian Geographical Foundation, Kolkata, March 20 21, 2010, (co-presenter: Mr. Priyank Pravin Patel).
- 4. Delivered lecture on 'The most Debated Issues about / in Geography'in the "CTE Orientation Programme for inservice teachers of Secondary and Higher Secondary Schools", organized by the Post-Graduate Autonomous College of Teacher Education, Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanmandira, Belur Math, Howrah, September 14, 2010.
- 5. Delivered lecture on 'Oceans the power of the planet earth'in the "CTE Orientation Programme for in-service teachers of Secondary and Higher Secondary Schools", organized by the Post-Graduate Autonomous College of Teacher Education, Ramakrishna Mission Sikshanmandira, Belur Math, Howrah, September 16, 2010.

#### Somdutta Das

Presented paper on 'Tarakeswar : problems and prospects of a promising town' at the Nationl Seminar on 'Ganga Delta : Planning Perspectives', organized by the Department of Geography, CU with NATMO, IILEE, and GSI on March 12 - 13, 2010.

# Priyank Pravin Patel

Delivered a lecture on 'GIS & Geo-informatics along with Demonstration & Hands-On Tutorial of ILWIS Image Processing Software' at the I.S.R.O. sponsored 14 Day 2nd National Workshop on Foundation of Space Science and Technology, organized by The Kalpana Chawla Centre for Space and Nano Sciences at Vivekananda Research Centre. Kolkata in May, 2010.

# Staff List

# A. Teaching Members

# **Full-time Teachers**

- 1. Ashis Sarkar
- 2. Alak Ganguly
- 3. Sandipan Chakraborty
- 4. Nandini Chatterjee
- 5. Somdutta Das
- 6. Lila Mahato
- 7. Aritra Chakraborty

# Part-time/ Guest Teachers

- 1. Prof. Bireswar Banerjee (retired: Calcutta University)
- 2. Sri Pradip Kumar Mukhopadhyay (retired: Presidency College))
- 3. Prof Himangshu Ranjan Betal (retired: Calcutta University)
- 4. Dr. Saswati Mukherjee (Lady Brabourne College)
- 5. Mr. Priyank Pravin Patel (Aliah University)

# B. Non-Teaching

- 1. Sri Biren Bandopadhyay
- 2. Sri Pradip Kumar Das
- 3. Sri Kamalesh Mandal
- 4. Mrs. Shila Rani Das (Ghosh)
- 5. Sri Tapan Kumar Bhanja

# C. Vacant Position (Teaching)

- 6. Vacant : Professor in WBSES
- 7. Vacant : Assistant / Associate Professor in WBES
- 8. Vacant : Assistant / Associate Professor in WBES

# **Department of Geology**

#### News from the department

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In 1823, Raja Rammohan Roy addressed a letter to Lord Amherst for imparting instructions in "mathematics, natural philosophy, chemistry, anatomy and other useful sciences" in Hindoo College. In response to that Mr. H.F. Blanford informally began teaching the basic elements of Physics, Chemistry, Geology, Meteorology and Physical geography in Presidency College as 'Professor of Natural Science'. In 1851, the establishment of Geological Survey of India in Calcutta signalled the dawn of geological exploration in this subcontinent. The need for trained Indians was then strongly felt by the colonial rulers. On 23rd September 1891, the Government of Bengal published a notification regarding opening of graduate classes in Geology and Mineralogy in Presidency College. On 17th July 1892, the Department of Geology, the first of its kind in India, was formally inaugurated for undergraduate and postgraduate teaching in Geology with Sir Thomas Holland of the Geological Survey of India as the first Professor of Geology.

The department remained a small one with only four full-time teachers until the middle of the twentieth century when its expansion started. Even in those early days the department established its tradition of dedicated teaching and the reputation as a pioneering research centre under the stewardship of Late Professor Hem Chandra Dasgupta, the first Indian Professor of Geology. Standing on that strong foundation the department has been moving forward along the path of excellence. The alumni of this department not only established their superiority in the academic field of earth science but they are also playing a leading role in the development of the natural resource industry of the country. The flare of academic achievement superceded geographic barriers to adorn the chairs of many leading institutions abroad. As a recognition of its academic excellence the department came under the UGC-COSIST Program in 1985, followed by the UGC Special Assistance Program in 1986. In the year 2004 the department came under the purview of the FIST Program of the Department of Science and Technology, Government of India. The department was declared as the Centre for Advanced Study in Precambrian Geology by the University Grants Commission in 2006. The department has successfully completed the first phase of DST-FIST programme in 2009. In appreciation of the successful completion of the first phase of FIST programme, the DST has again recommended second phase FIST and sanctioned Rs. 1.5 Crore for the next five years. With this funding the department will further strengthen research and PG-teaching infrastructure with a state-of-the-art WDS-XRF spectrometer and more than twenty research-model petrological microscopes.

The UGC-sponsored CAS-programme (Centre for Advanced Studies) is now in its fourth year. The programme so far has been very successful and a peer-review team recently reviewed and expressed satisfaction over the quality of research publications and research carried out in the thrust area of "Precambrian Crustal Evolution & Metallogeny". The peer team also recommended additional funding of over Rs. 1 Crore originally sanctioned for five years under this programme.

The department is now well equipped with research level advanced instruments such as SEM-EDS, WDS-XRF, Isodynamic Mineral Separator, AAS, NIKON and LEICA-DMPLP petrological microscopes with digital image analysis software, Remote sensing Laboratory with ERDAS and ARC-INFO RS-GIS softwares.

The department at present runs one undergraduate (Honours) programme and two autonomous postgraduate programmers-in Applied Geology and Environmental System Management. The final results of both under graduate and post graduate students of this department are quite satisfactory. In the B.Sc Part II and Part III Examinations of the University of Calcutta, this year, students have scored the highest marks-both securing 80%. Highest mark obtained by our students in the M.Sc Part I and Part II Examinations are 78% and 75% respectively. All students appearing for the M.Sc Part I and Part II Examinations in EVS have secured first class marks.

The teachers of the department have international collaboration with scientists from foreign universities. Prof. Harendra Nath Bhattacharya, Head of the Department, is collaborating with Prof. D.R. Nelson, Curtin University, Australia, and Prof. W. Alderman, Germany. Prof. Bhattacharya is also collaborating with Prof. R. Large, CODES, University of Tasmania, Australia, in the sedimentological evolution and Base metal metallogenesis in the Aravalli craton. Dr. Arijit Ray and Dr. D. K. Paul are collaborating with Prof. Gautam Sen, Florida International University, USA, in their joint research programme on the Late Mesozoic continental volcanism in the western parts of India. Dr. Joydip Mukhopadhyay is collaborating with Prof. N. J. Beukes, University of Johannesburg, South Africa, on a joint research programme on geochronology and metallogeny of the Archean cratonic nuclei of the Singhbum, Bastar and Western Dharwar cratons

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with special reference to geology and genesis of BIF-hosted high-grade iron ores in these areas. Dr. Mukhopadhyay is also collaborating with Dr. J. A. Tait, Grant Institute of Geology, University of Edinburgh, UK, and Dr. U. Zimmermann, University of Staravanger, Norway, in a joint programme on paleogeographic reconstruction of the Mesoproterozoic carbonate platforms of central India from paleomagnetic studies. Dr. Sankar Bose has recently completed the prestigious JSPS postdoctoral fellowship and he is continuing his collaboration on high-grade metamorphic rocks of the eastern Ghats Mobile Belt with his colleagues from Yokohama University, Japan. Prof. Tahar Aloui and Dr. Fredj Chaabani of Department of Geology, University el Manar, Tunis, Tunisia are collaborating with Sri Prabir Dasgupta of this department on reconstruction of Barremian paleogeography of Central North Africa. The Chinese Academy of Science has offered Sri Prabir Dasgupta the membership of the newly established Asian Network on Debris Flow.

Industry-Academia interaction is the emerging demand for future prospect of our country. Keeping this in mind department collaborates with a number of mining industries through joint field and workshop programmes. Prof. Harendra Nath Bhattacharya is also engaged in research project on metals and coal deposits of Cretaceous-Tertiary succession of Indonesia funded by a Kolkata-based Industrial house. Prof. Harendra Nath Bhattacharya and Dr. Saradindra Chakraborty, after the successful completion of a project on identification of the source and cause of fluoride pollution in groundwater of Purulia District, have been assigned to explore the cause of the same problem in Bankura District by the Government of West Bengal. Dr. Joydip Mukhopadhyay and Dr. Gautam Ghosh delivered keynote addresses in the workshop celebrating the Centenary of the Joda Iron Ore Mines, Tata Steel at Joda. Dr. Mukhopadhyay was invited to deliver a talk on "Indian Iron Ore Deposits" at the Prospectors and Developers Association of Canada (PDAC) in PDAC-2010 held in Toronto. Dr. Alokesh Chatterjee and Dr. Ashis Bhattacharya have completed a major project on Coal-Fire Mitigation in the Jharia Basin funded by Coal India Limited. Dr. Chatterjee has also initiated a new programme on groundwater quality of Malda area. Recently Dr. Chatterjee and Dr. Bhattacharya have been awarded another research project on coal fire of the entire Damodar Valley Coal Field by the Chairman, Coal India Ltd. The fund sanctioned for the said work is around Rs.1.6 crore.

This department has a heritage of research activity in all major core branches of geology. The members of the faculty are maintaining this tradition with significant contribution in the field of Earth Science. Dr. Sankar Bose is working on evolution of lower crust from petrological study of high-grade metamorphic rocks of the Eastern Ghats Belt of India with special emphasis on the characterization of ultrahigh temperature (UHT) metamorphic process to unravel the crustal evolution of the Eastern Ghats Belt and its role in the Proterozoic accretionary processes involving extinct supercontinents Columbia, Rodinia and Gondwana. Some of the results are just published in highly reputed journals. The area of interest of Dr. Gautam Ghosh is mainly the microstructural evolution and deformation processes in lowmedium grade metamorphic terrains (Proterozoic orogens and Archaean greenstone belts). He is presently working on the strain analysis and partitioning of strain data for understanding grain-scale deformation processes. Dr. Gautam Ghosh and Sri Prabir Dasgupta have also taken a joint venture to work out the tectonosedimentary history of the Sub-Himalayan Subathu Basin in relation to the Himalayan orogeny. Sri Prabir Dasgupta has established the mechanism of development of inverse grading in grain flow deposits through experimental studies carried out in his indigenous laboratory of experimental sedimentology. His new theory discarding the fifty five year old Bagnoldian Theory of dispersive pressure has recently been published in a frontline journal of Earth Science. Dr. Gautam Kumar Deb is presently working on the tectonic evolution of the deformed granitoid bodies along Khammam Schist belt on the basis of petrochemistry and geochronology. Sri Nilanjan Dasgupta is presently working on the deformed Meso-Proterozoic rocks of South Delhi Fold Belt and recently developed a numerical model of strain factorization. Besides his basic area of interest, the petrological evolution of the granulites of the Eastern Ghats, Dr. Supratim Pal has taken up a new venture to work out the probable genesis of albitites of Rajastan. He is also engaged in working out the accretion event of the Eastern Ghats with Dharwar Craton from the study of petrological evolution of the amphibolite facies rocks of Khammam Schist belt. Dr. Kalyan Halder, working on the study of taxonomy and evolutionary palaeobiology of fossil mollusks, has recently reported sexual dimorphism, a poorly known phenomenon in nautiloids, in five Jurassic species from Kutch. Arunava Basu is working on the fluoride contamination of ground water in the Purulia District. The department is proud to be associated with seven Emeritus scientists.

The teachers of the department also take active role as resource persons in digital course-wares produced by the EMRC, Kolkata under the UGC-CEC country-wide classroom programmes. During the last year Sri Ananda Kumar Chakrabarti and Sri Nilanjan Dasgupta prepared a program on Tectonics. Sri Prabir Dasgupta prepared modules on crystallography. Dr.Gautam Ghosh and Sri Nilanjan Dasgupta also prepared a program on Structural Geology.

The department has produced more than twenty doctoral students in last two decades. Currently, eleven full-time scholars (JRF/SRF) and nine part-time scholars are pursuing PhD programme under the supervision of different faculty

members of the department. At present the department has 25 research projects with a total sanctioned fund of Rs. 5 Crore. Dr. Piyali Sengupta and Dr. Aditi Das, two Post-Doctoral Fellows under DST Women Scientist Research Scheme, are working under the supervision of Dr. Arijit Ray for last 5 years. They have published research papers in peer reviewed National journals and also participated in National Seminars.

Name of the Speaker	Institutional address	Торіс
Prof. J.Ganguly 20th August'10	Professor of Geology Arizona University, USA	Some aspects in the dynamics of Earth's interior: plates and plumes
Prof. Dilip K Saha 8th Sept'10 -34th Prof.S.Ray Memorial lecture	Professor of Geology, Geological Studies Unit Indian Statistical Institue, Kolkata	Exhumed orogen, craton margin and intracratonic basin-Proterozoic tectonic evolution of SE margin of India

### Seminars held in the Department and visitors to the Department

#### **Research Projects (ongoing)**

Sl. No.	Title of the project	Name of the PI &Co-I	Funding Agency	Fund (Rs)
1.	Early Precambrian Crustal history of Singbhum and implication for the oldest rock	Prof. H.N.Bhattacharya & Prof. A. B. Roy	UGC Major	736400
2.	Identification of source and cause of fluoride pollution in groundwater of Purulia Dist, WB	Prof. H.N.Bhattacharya & Saradindra Chakrabarty	DST, WB	530000
3.	Palaeoproterozoic Flysch successions in the PG valley and the Central Indian Tectonic Zone: implications on crustal evolution of the Indian craton	Prof. H.N.Bhattacharya, Dr. Asru Chaudhuri & Dr. Joydip Mukhopadhyay,	DST Major	1560000
4.	Sedimentological Controls On Uranium Mineralization In The QPC-Deposits Of The Southern Part Of The Daitari-Tamka Basir	Dr. Joydip Mukhopadhyay, Dr. Gautam Ghosh 1.	BRNS, DAE & AMDER, DAE)	2342000
5.	Orogenic culmination and evolution of the Teesta dome in Sikkim-Darjeeling Himalaya	Dr.Sumit Roy and Dr.Alokesh Chatterjee	DST Major	1878000
6.	Tectonic implication of the pegmatitic granite exposed along the eastern margin of the Delhi Fold Belt, near Bayalan, Ajmer district, Rajasthan	Nilanjan Dasgupta	UGC-Minor	167500
7.	Petrological, geochemical and paleomagnetic studies of mafic dykes around Chaibasa, Jharkhand, India: Implication for Meso- to NeoProterozoic mantle processes in Eastern Indian Shield	Dr. Piyali Sengupta With Dr. Arijit Ray	DST	1524000
8.	Geology of platinum-nickel-chromium Phanerozoicon: resource evaluation and future potential.	Dr. S. K. Haldar	DST -USER	519800
9.	Mineralogical and geochemical attributes of the magmatic rocksDeccan Basalt	Dr.Dalim K Paul Dr.Arijit Ray	DST	2283000
10.	Ultramfic and mafic magmatism in India	Dr. D.K.Paul	INSA	150000
11.	Structural and tectonic control of Albitite related uranium mineralization and associated metallogeny in Northern Rajasthan	Dr. Sumit Roy & Dr. Supratim Pal	AMD- BRNS- DAE	1406650
12.	Structural geometry-Galudih-Ghatshila	Dr. G. Deb	UGC	142000

SI. No.	Title of the project	Name of the PI &Co-I	Funding Agency	Fund (Rs)
13.	Geological Investigation of Kachchh Mainland Fault and associated features, Western India: Implication for fault development and seismisity.	Dr. Alokesh Chatterjee Dr. Asit Baran Roy Dr. Sumit Kumar Roy	Ministry of Earth Science	1562000
14.	Grond water prospect mapping on 1: 50000 scale for Malda District in West Bengal	Dr. Alokesh Chatterjee Dr. Asis Bhattacharya	NESAC	75000
15.	National geomorphological and lineament mapping 1:50000 scale	Dr. Alokesh Chatterjee Dr. Asis Bhattacharya	ISRO	2786400
16.	Modern Mineralogy and its application in industry and environment	Dr. Swapna Mukherjee	DST	552000
17.	Mobilization of Archean craton during Proterozoic orogeny and its implication in crustal evolution: a case study across the Singhbhum Craton -Eastern Ghats Mobile Belt boundary around Jajpur- Kamakhyanagar, Orissa	Dr. Sankar Bose, G. Ghosh & Joydip Mukhopadhyay	CSIR	(Approved)
18.	Coal Fire	Dr. Alokesh Chatterjee and Dr. Asis Bhattacharya	Coal India Ltd. Gol	1,61,08,000
19.	Structural and stratigraphic analysis of the successions between the Singhbhum Granite and Singhbhum Shear Zone in CKP, Chaibasa, Jagannathpur: Implications for tectostratigraphic evolution of Precambrian craton-mobile belt boundary	Dr. G. Ghosh & Dr. Joydip Mukhopadhyay		19,56,000
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List of Publications (in Peer-reviewed Journals only):

- Bhattacharya, H. N. and Bull, S., (2010) Tectono-sedimentary setting of the Paleoproterozoic Zawar Pb-Zn deposits. Rajasthan, India, Precambrian Research, vol. 177, p. 323-338. (Impact Factor: 3.58)
- Bhattacharya, H. N. and Bhattacharya, B., (2010) Soft-sediment deformation structures from an ice-marginal stormtide interactive system, Permo-Carboniferous Talchir Formation, Talchir Coal basin, India, Sedimentary Geology, vol. 223, p. 380-389. (Impact Factor: 1.95).
- Bose, S., Dunkley, D.J., Dasgupta, S., Das, K. and Arima, M., (2011) India-Antarctica-Australia-Laurentia connection in the Paleo-Mesoproterozoic revisited: Evidence from new zircon U-Pb and monazite chemical age data from the Eastern Ghats Belt, India. Bulletin Geological Society of America (accepted). (Impact Factor: 3.101)
- Bose, S., Das, K., Chakraborty, S., Miura, H., (2011) Petrology and geochemistry of metamorphosed basic intrusives from Chilka Lake granulites, Eastern Ghats Belt, India: implications for Rodinia breakup. In: Srivastava, R. (Editor) Dyke swarms: keys for geodynamic interpretation, Springer-Verlag, Heidelberg (in press).
- Conrad, J.E., Hein, J. R., Chaudhuri, A. K., Patranabis-Deb, S., **Mukhopadhyay**, J., and Deb, G., (2011) Constraints on the development of central India Proterozoic basins from 40Ar/39Ar analysis of authigenic glauconitic minerals, Bulletin Geological Society of America. (in press) DOI: 10.1130/B30083.1. (Impact Factor: 3.101)
- Das, K., Bose, S., Karmakar, S., Dunkley, D.J. and Dasgupta, S. (2011) Multiple tectonometamorphic imprints in the lower crust: first evidence of c. 950 Ma compressional reworking of older UHT metamorphosed aluminous granulites from the Eastern Ghats Belt, India. Geological Journal, (in press). (Available online from 24 Jun 2010). DOI: 10.1002/gj.1246. (Impact Factor: 1.33)
- Dasgupta, P. and Manna, P. (2011) Geometrical mechanism of inverse grading in grain-flow deposits: an experimental revelation. Earth-Science Reviews, vol. 104, 186-198. DOI: 10.1016/j.earscirev.2010.10.002. (Published by Elsevier Science, Amsterdam, The Netherlands) (Impact Factor: 6.942).
- Ghosh, G., Kumari, S., S. K., Patil, S.K., Mukhopadhyay, J., and Ray, A. (2010) Superposed deformation fabrics in the Precambrian metabasic rocks of the Iron Ore Group, Singhbhum Craton, Eastern India: Evidences from anisotropy

of magnetic susceptibility studies. Journal of Structural Geology, Elsevier, vol.32, p. 249-261 (Impact Factor: 1.732).

- **Ghosh, G., Bose, S., Guha, S., Mukhopadhyay, J.** and Aich. S. (2010) Remobilization of an Archean cratonic margin during Mesoproterozoic Eastern Ghats orogeny: evidences from southern margin of the Singhbhum craton, eastern India. In: Saha, D. et al. eds., Precambrian Terrain and Tectonics- Indian Scenario and Global Context, Indian Journal of Geology (in press).
- Haldar, S. K., (2010) Geostatical Applications in Base Metal Deposits, Science and Economics of Rocks A Primer on Mineral Geostatistics, Department of Science and Technology, p. 95 -109.
- **Pal Chaudhury (Mukhopadhyay), S.**, (2011) Determination of arsenic (III) in nanogram level using Ag-bis (thiophene-2 aldehyde)-thiocarbohydrazone, as a new complexing agent. Journal of Indian Chemical Society (in press).
- Ray, A., Paul, D.K., Das, B., Biswas, S.K., and Patil, S.K. (2010) Petrology, geochemistry and petrogenesis of the magmatic rocks of Pachcham Island, Kutch, northwestern India.- In: .Karmalkar, N.R., Duraiswami, R.A., Pawar, N.J. and C.S. (Editors) 'Origin and Evolution of Deep Continental Crust. Narosa Publishing House Pvt. Ltd, New Delhi. India, p.217-236

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Tait, J., Zimmermann, U. Miyashaki, T., Presnyakov, S., Chang, Q. Mukhopadhyay, J., Sergeev, S., (2011) Possible juvenile Palaeoarchaean TTG Magmatism in Eastern India and its constraints for the evolution of the Singhbhum craton. Geological Magazine, Cambridge University Press, UK, (in press). (Impact Factor: 2.05).

	Conference/Seminar/Workshop	Speaker/Contributor	Торіс	Remarks
1.	Technical Session on Global developments in iron ore, Prospectors and Developers Association of Canada, PDAC-2010, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, 6-10 March, 2010	Dr. Joydip Mukhopadhyay : Invited speaker in Technical Session	High grade iron ore resources of India: Geology, genesis & future prospects,	Two Abstracts Published
2.	UGC-Sponsored Refresher Course University of Calcutta, Aug 2010 in Geology,	Resource Person Dr. Joydip Mukhopadhyay	Earth's Oldest Rocks	Lecture Delivered as Resource Person
3.	National Seminar at Dept. of Geological sciences, Jadavpur University, 28th-31st October, 2010, Kolkata Structural Geology	Dr. Gautam Ghosh	ERS-1 organized by Structural Geology and Tectonics Study Group of India	Oral presentation
4.	I ILSS, Kolkata on 30th March 2010.	Dr. Asis Bhattacharya	"Flood Management using Satellite Data"	Oral presentation
5.	West Bengal Geoinformatic Centre, Kolkata on3rd December 2010.	Dr. Asis Bhattacharya	"Natural Hazard Monitoring using "Mapping and Satellite Data	Oral presentation
6.	National Authority of Remote Sensing and Space Science, Cairo, Egypt, on 27th December, 2010.	Dr. Asis Bhattacharya	"Space Science Applications in India"	Oral presentation
7.	IMSU, Dhanbad, 08-12 March 2010.	Dr.Swapan Haldar	Special technical lecture to DST sponsored National Programme	Oral presentation
8.	ILSS, Kolkata on 30th March 2010.	Dr. Asis Bhattacharya	"Flood Management using Satellite Data"	Oral presentation

Participation in National/International Conferences/Resource Person:

#### **PhD Scholars:**

- Susmita Guha 1
- Snehalata Kumari 2.
- Priyanka Das 3.
- Kalyan Chakrabarti (Part-time) 1
- Brundaban Misra (Part-time) 5.
- Paramita Biswas (Part-time) 6.
- Bhaskar Ghosh (Part-time) 7.
- Anurupa Chaudhuri 8.

#### Staff List:

A. Teaching

#### **Full Time Faculty Members**

- Harendranath Bhattacharyya 1.
- Ananda Kumar Chakraborty 2.
- 3. Amit Ray
- Alokesh Chatterjee 4.
- 5. Arunavo Bose
- Prabir Dasgupta 6.
- Joydip Mukhopadhyay 7.
- Arijit Ray 8.
- Gautam Ghosh 9.
- 10. Kalyan Halder
- Saradindra Chakraborty 11.
- 12. Sankar Bose
- Nilanjan Dasgupta 13.
- 14. Supratim Pal
- 15. Gautam Deb

#### 5 Posts of Professor & 5 posts of Lecturer are lying vacant.

B. Research Associate: Dr Snigdha Pal Chowdhury

#### C. Non-Teaching:

- 1. Sri Haradhan Saha
- 2. Sri Rammurad Rangua
- 3. Sri Swapan Roy
- Sri Kartik Sarkar 4.
- 5. Sri Tarak Pradhan

- Sri Sukumar Samanta 6.
- Sri Pratul; Chakraborty 7.
- Sri Chitta Chatteriee 8.
- Sri Chendilal Paswan 9.
- 10. Sri Pranabrata Guhathakurata

### M. Sc. COURSE IN ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEM MANAGEMENT (DEPARTMENT OF GEOLOGY)

#### 1. Major Activities of this department :

The students of this department have conducted preliminary Environmental Impact Assessment of the Surface Water Based Water Supply Project (including Treatment Plant) that has been built and implemented by the Public Health Engineering Department (PHED), Government of West Bengal for the Arsenic affected areas of South 24-Pargans district. They made a detailed visit to the spots on 6th February, 2010.

The students have also made a visit to the Central Chemical Laboratory of the Geological Survey of India (Central Head Quarters) at the Kyd Street, Kolkata on 28th September, 2010 to see the operation and performance of the sophisticated instruments that are in use there.

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- 9. **Tanmoy Pramanik**
- 10. Amitava Mukherjee
- 11. Lopamudra Dasgupta

- 12. Jayashri Sinha
- 13. Madhurima Sen
- 14. Damepaia S.M.Pdah
- 15. Rajkumar Gandhi

#### **Emeritus Faculty**

- D.K.Paul, FNA 1.
- A. B. Roy, FNA 2.
- 3. Asru K. Chaudhuri
- Asis Bhattacharya
- S. K. Haldar
- Sumit K. Roy
- Swapna Mukherjee
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The outgoing students of this department have joined various research organizations in pursuit of higher research (such as Jadavpur University, Bengal Engineering & Science University at Sibpur, Forest Research Institute at Dehradun, Indian Council of Medical Research at Kolkata, Indian Institute of Science at Bengaluru, Indian School of Mines at Dhanbad, etc.) and also got inducted in the environmental divisions of industries (like Pfizer Company, India Foils Limited, etc.), or serving as analytical chemists in environmental quality control laboratories (like J. B. Envirotech etc.). Many past students have also joined government sector (like the Uranium Corporation of India, Coal India Ltd.), or have joined the West Bengal Civil Service, West Bengal Police Service, West Bengal School Service, and banking sector.

#### **Examination results:**

M.Sc. Part II 2010 (Session 2008-2010) Total Students Appeared - 15 in number; All Obtained First Class. Highest Marks obtained - 78% (780/1000) M.Sc. Part I 2010 (Session 2009-2011) Total Students Appeared - 19 in number; All Obtained First Class. Highest Marks obtained - 79.4% (397/500)

#### 2. Seminars held in the Department and Visitors to the Department

Name of the Speaker / Visitor	Institutional Address	Торіс
Dr. Antony Gomes	Professor, Department of Physiology,	Eco-toxicology and Environmental
Professor Tapan Saha	University of Calcutta Senior Scientist,Institute of	Pollutants Environmental Impact
	Environmental Studies & Wetland Management, Salt Lake, Kolkata	Assessment of East Kolkata Wetland

#### 3. Research Activities of the Department:

Title of the Project	Name of Principal & Co-Investigators	Funding Agency	Amount(Rs.)
Identification of Source and Cause for Fluoride Pollution in Groundwater of Purulia district, West Bengal	<ul> <li>Dr. H. N. Bhattacharya, Principal Investigator</li> <li>Dr. Arunabha Majumder, Co-Principal Investigator</li> <li>Dr. S. Chakrabarti, Project Investigator</li> </ul>	Fluoride Task Force and Public Health Engineering Directorate, Govt. of West Bengal	3,30,000/=
Assessing the Role of Geological Controls on Occurrence of Fluoride in Groundwater of Bankura district, West Bengal Project Investigator	<ul> <li>Dr. H. N. Bhattacharya, Principal Investigator</li> <li>Dr. Arunabha Majumder, Co-Principal Investigator</li> <li>Dr. S. Chakrabarti,</li> </ul>	Fluoride Task Force and Public Health Engineering Directorate, Govt. of West Bengal	5,80,000/=

### 4. List of Publications by the Teachers of the Department :

- Sen, R. and **Chakrabarti, S.** (in press) Environmental Systems Collapse: A Qualitative Critique with an Exemplar. Journal of Environmental Systems (in press).
- Sen, R. and Chakrabarti, S. (in press) Nanominerals Play a Dominant Role in Arsenic Contamination of Shallow Groundwater Aquifers in the Bengal Basin A Critical Review. Journal of Environmental Earth Sciences (in press).
- Sen, R. and Chakrabarti, S. (in press) Characteristics of the Mineral/Metal Nanoparticles in the Subarnarekha River, Eastern India. Journal of Environmental Earth Sciences.

# 5 (a) Seminars, Lectures Delivered by Teachers and Students of ESM course

Dr. S. Chakrabarti, Associate Professor, was invited as the Guest Speaker by the President of the Rotary Club of Kabitirtha. Calcutta to speak on the topic "The Story of our Imperiled Environment : The Deadly Menace of Fluoride Pollution in the Groundwater of Purulia, West Bengal" in the Annual Meeting of the Rotary Club held at the International Club, Kolkata on 19th July, 2010.

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# **Department of Mathematics**

#### News from the Department

Till the institution (formerly Presidency College) acquired a new status, the teaching-learning activities of the department had been primarily directed to maintaining and, when possible, improving the quality of undergraduate teaching. A major step in this direction was preparation of a three-year (compatible to six-semester) 16 module undergraduate course with provision for specialized optional courses in the last year/semester.

After the college was rechristened as and upgraded to Presidency University the department has an outline of a four semester postgraduate syllabus containing optional papers in the last two semesters in keeping with our previously held departmental meetings and interaction with experts.

A total of 81 candidates from the department (17 for B.Sc. Final, 33 for Part II and 31 for Part I) appeared for the -Calcutta University examination this year. Of these 20 (5 from B.Sc. Final, 6 from Part II and 9 from Part I) were placed in the First Class. The Calcutta University topper in Mathematics Honours and the college topper among all subjects for this year (also) was from this department, following the tradition of the previous year.

Three students from the last batch of outgoing students joined the various IITs' and ten of them joined universities of this state.

One of our faculty members Dr. Amar Chandra Patra, Reader, retired from service on 31.01.2010.

The lecture theatre of the department (MLT) was equipped with public address system and LCD projector with a view to encouraging innovative methods of teaching and learning.

Name of the Speaker	Date	Institutional Address	Торіс
Dr. Mahua Banerjee	09.12.2010	IIT, Kanpur	The stairway of Boolean Algebra: through the eyes of classical logic.
Dr. Mridul Kanti Sen	09.12.2010	University of Calcutta (retired)	Cyclic group and Cryptography

#### Seminar organised by the Department:

#### List of Publication:

- I. S. Pathak, A. Maiti, and G. P. Samanta, (2010) Rich dynamics of an SIR epidemic model, Nonlinear Analysis. Modelling and Control, vol. 15, p. 71-81.
- II. S. Pathak, and A. Maiti, (2010) Microbial pest control: a mathematical model. Journal of Biological Systems, vol. 18, p. 455-478.

# Seminar, Lectures Delivered / Workshop attended by Teachers:

- Alakesh Maity attended Workshop and Conference on Modeling Infectious Diseases held at IMSc., Chennai from 13th to 22nd September 2010. He also attended a Workshop and Symposium on Mathematical Ecology held at IISER, Kolkata from 7th to 14th December 2010).
- Jayanta Sen delivered Invited talk on Logic from philosophy to computer science through mathematics at the UGC sponsored national level conference at Vivekenada College for Women, Kolkata held on 11th December, 2010.
- Syamal Kumar Basak delivered a lecture in CTE programme on Methodology of Teaching Mathematics for in-service teachers on 24.09.2010 at Ramkrishna Mission Sikshamandir, Belur Math.

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#### Staff List:

#### A. Teaching

- 1. Debidas Chattoraj, Head
- 2. Binod Kumar Berry
- 3. Syamal Kumar Basak
- 4. Subhasundar Bandyopadhyay
- 5. Gour Gopal Ray
- 6. Jayanta Sen
- 7. Alakesh Maity

#### **B.** Non-Teaching

1. Netai Chandra Dey, Establishment Attendant.

#### C. Vacant Position

- 1. One post of Professor.
- 2. One post of Assistant Professor.
- 3. One post of skilled bearer.

# **Department of Physics**

#### News from the department

The Department of Physics, Presidency University formerly Presidency College has a rich tradition and history. Looking back, the teaching of Natural Science started in this College as early as 1856. Prasannachandra Ray was the First to pass Graduation in Natural and Physical Sciences in 1865 with a first class. Post graduate course in Natural and Physical Sciences commenced from 1883. The first batch appeared in the examination in 1885. Six of them obtained First Class. In fact, this Department had a rare distinction and was among the few centres of the country in the ninetcenth century where Physics was taught at both undergraduate and postgraduate levels. Although, after the establishment of the University College of Science of University of Calcutta in the early part of the twentieth century, the post graduate teaching in Physics was shifted from Presidency College to the University faculties of Presidency College were closely involved in postgraduate teaching of the University. In 1912, the first batch of students from Presidency College appeared in the M.Sc. Physics Examination of University of Calcutta. Sisirkumar Mitra topped the merit list. He, in the later part of his life, was made Fellow of the Royal Society in 1958. The Department of Physics is maintaining its tradition of excellence and trying its level best to include additional activities in spite of few awesome problems, which remained unsolved for quite some time.

The Department of Physics has 19teaching posts of which 5posts including 4 posts of Professor are lying vacant. In spite of this shortage of staff, the department has strived to maintain the quality of the teaching and research activities. The multifarious activities of the department are summarized in the following categories:

#### **Research Activities:**

Both theoretical and experimental researches are being carried out by the departmental faculty. In theoretical Physics research is conducted in High energy physics, Nuclear Physics, Statistical physics, Liquid crystal, Nonlinear dynamics, Astrophysics and Quantum mechanics. Experimental researches on Nanomaterials, Polymers, Electronics, Remote Sensing etc. Fifteen research papers have been published in peer reviewed journals in 2010.

#### National and International collaborations:

- a) Academic exchange programme with Ecole polytechnic, Paris, France.
- b) The astrophysics special course in 2nd year PG section is conducted in active collaboration with Inter University Center for Astronomy and Astrophysics, Pune, India.
- c) Dr. Prodyot Kumar Roy is collaborating as co-investigator with Dr. S K Dana, of Indian Institute of Chemical

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Biology (IICB), Kolkata who is the Principal Investigator of the research project entitled "Chaos synchronization: Exploring Technology Prospect" funded by Board of Research in Nuclear Sciences (BRNS) DAE. Govt. of India. Other members of the project are Prof. A. Sen (Principal Collaborator) of Institute of Plasma Research (IPR), Gandhinagar, Ahmedabad and E Padmanaban (co-investigator) of IICB, Kolkata.

#### Students' achievements:

This year 22 out of 28 students secured first class in the B. Sc. (Honours) final examination of the Calcutta University. In M. Sc. final examination 20 out of 34 students obtained first class.

In the national level, many of our undergraduate students qualified in the JAM 2010 (Joint Admission test for Masters Level in IITs) securing top 3 positions. Success rate in JEST (admission test for integrated Ph.D programme of different reputed national institutes) is also very high. Five students have joined different IITs in India. Two of our students Nairit Sur and Rickmoy Samanta joined the integrated Ph.D. programme of Tata Institute of Fundamental Research (TIFR), Mumbai.

In this academic year three of our undergraduate students, Debmalya Chakrabarty, Sumanta Chakrabarty, Soumyadeep Chaudhuri, were placed among the top 1% in the National Graduate Physics Examination 2010 conducted by the Indian Association of Physics Teachers (IAPT). In fact, Sumanta Chakrabarty secured 15th rank in the said examination.

We are proud to announce that first three candidates in the list of 17 students found eligible for admission to the Integrated Ph.D. programme in Physics 2010 of Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Bangalore are from our department. They are Somuya Sasmal, Udit Narayan Chowdhury, Arpan Bhattacharya and six more Aritra Gupta, Debamalya Chakraborty, Kollol Sen, Sayonee Ray, Rickmoy Samanta and Suman Choudhuri also made their place in the same merit list.

Udit Narayan Chowdhury, Aritra Gupta, Rickmoy Samanta and Kollol Sen from this department were among the eleven candidates selected for the Ph.D. Progamme in Physics for the academic year 2010-11 at Harish Chandra Research Institute, Allahabad. Two of our students were selected for admission to the Indian Institute of Astrophysics, Bangalore.

This year two 3rd year B.Sc. students Sumanta Chakraborty and Aritra Kundu were awarded KVPY Scholarship. The achievements of our postgraduate students are no less praiseworthy. One PG student (passed M.Sc. 2009) has gualified NET (JRF) 2010 and three students have cleared NET (lectureship).

Seven students of this department were successful in GATE and five in JEST programme. One of our students Bannni Chatterjee got admitted to the Ph.D. programme of the University of Cologne, Germany.

We are glad that the collaboration with Ecole Polytechnique, Paris, France is quite satisfactory. On 16th November 2010 Sylvain Ferrari, International Development Coordinator, Vice Presidency for External Relations, Ecole Polytechnique, visited our Department and met the honourable Vice-Chancellor of Presidency University. He also met the students of our department who are aspirant of getting admission to Ecole Polytechnique. The visit was in preparation of the admission test going to be held in February 2010. He also made a presentation to the students about Ecole Polytechnique. In last year the faculties of Ecole Polytechnique conducted admission test for the students of Presidency College in our premises. We are glad that two of our students of Physics Department were selected for admission in 2010 session. The names of the students selected from the Physics Department are: Soumyo Sasmal, Kollol Sen and Rickmoy Samanta. However, only Soumyo decided to join Ecole Polytechnique.

#### **Research Projects in the department:**

Title	Investigator	Funding agency	Amount
Hyperspectral remote sensing of natural and man made features based on UV-Vis-NIR spectral measurements	Dr. Barun RayChaudhuri	DST	Rs. 2432475
Studies in noncommutative gravity with applications to cosmology and black hole physics	Dr. Pradip Mukherjee	UGC	Rs. 60000
Polymer-Inorganic Hybrid Nanocomposites (Pihnc)-Preparation, Characterisation And Their Potential As Nanodielectrics	Dr. Arobindo Nayak	CSIR	Rs. 996000

# Seminars held in the department:

Name of the Speaker	Institution	Торіс
On 8.01.2010Dr. Hemanta Mukherjee,	President of iPoint LLCWestminster, CO 80031, USA	Evolution of Technology of Petroleum Exploration and Production over the last 150 years
On 8.01.2010Dr. Vijay Narayan (an alumnus of the Department)	Did Ph.D. from IISc At present in UK	Phase Behaviour and Dynamics of an Agitated Monolayer of Granular Rods
On 15.01.2010Dr. Arabindo Roy	Department of Astronomy and Astrophysics and CITA, University of Toronto, USA.	An Introduction to the Evolution of Universe
On 3.9. 10Prof. Palash Baran Pal,	Theory Group of Saha Institute of Nuclear Physics (SINP) Kolkata	Measurement of length
On 24.9.10Prof. Parthasarathi Majumdar	Theory Group of Saha Institute of Nuclear Physics (SINP) Kolkata	A New View of Electromagnetism
On 27.09.10Prof. Naresh Dadhich,	Emeritus Professor, IUCAA, Pune.	Gravity is not like any other force, it is different
On 3.12.10Prof. Siddhartha Sen,	Department of Pure and Applied Mathematics in Trinity College Dublin, UK	Different aspects of turbulence

#### **Other Academic activities:**

#### Ph. D. Supervision:

Subarnarekha Bhaumik, a college teacher has obtained Ph. D. Degree of Calcutta University in 2010 under the supervision of Dr. Barun RayChaudhuri.

#### Fourth Asian Science Camp 2010

We are delighted to inform that one of our student in 1st year Sri Abhiroop Lahiri was invited at the Fourth Asian Science Camp 2010, Mumbai, India organized by Tata Institute of fundamental research and Homi Bhabha Centre for Science and Education. Only 30 students from all over India have been invited to attend this prestigious meet. They have got an opportunity to interact with some Nobel Laureates and other world class scientists.

#### "Wizards of Math" contest

Time Institute and Globsyn Business School have organized a contest called "Wizards of Math" and the preliminary round was held on 23.11.10 in Presidency University campus among the undergraduate 2nd and 3rd year students in Statistics, Mathematics, Economics and Physics of this university. Soumangsu Bhusan Chakraborty and Prasenjit Sanyal won in this round and obtained cash award.

#### **Star College Programme:**

The Department organized two days' "Workshop on Advanced Experiments in Physics for the Undergraduate Students" on 15th and 16th January, 2010 for all 3rd Year Physics Honours students and on 15th and 16th February, 2010 for all 2nd Year Physics Honours students. Another programme "Workshop on Exploring Physics for the Undergraduate Students" on 28th September to 1st October, 2010 was organized mainly for all 1sr Year Physics Honours students of the Department. The department has plans for organizing more such workshops in future.

#### List of publications by the Teachers of this Department:

#### A. In peer reviewed Journals:

- 1. Acharyya, M. (2010) Nonequilibrium Magnetisation reversal by periodic Impulsive fields in Ising meanfield dynamics. Physica Scripta, vol. 82, p. 065703 (Impact factor: 1.088)
- 2. Acharyya, M. (2010) Noninteracting fermions in infinite dimensions. European Journal of Physics, vol. 31, p. L89 (Impact factor:0.741).
- 3. Acharyya, M. and Acharyya A. B, Critical Slowing down along the dynamic phase boundary in Ising meanfield dynamics, International Journal of Modern Physics, vol. C21, p. 481 (Impact factor:1.022).

4. Bhattacharjee, A. Roy, D. Roy, M. Chakraborty, S. De, A. Kusz, J. and Hofmeister, W. (2010) 'Rod - like ferrites obtained through thermal degradation of molecular ferrimagnet'. Journal of Alloys and Compounds, vol. 503, p. 449 - 453 (impact factor: 2.135).

- Chakraborty, K. R. Sahu, K. R. De, A. and De, U. (2010) Structural characterization of orthorhombic and rhombohedral lead meta-niobate samples' Integrated Ferroelectrics. An International Journal, vol. 120, issue 01, p. 102-113 (impact factor:0.329).
- 6. **Mukherjee, P. K.** (2010) Macroscopic description of the isotropic to antiferroelectric B2 phase transition in banana-shaped liquid crystals, J. Chem. Phys., vol. 132, p. 024903-1 (impact factor :3.093).
- 7. **Mukherjee, P. K.** (2010) Tricritical behavior on the rotator phases of normal alkanes. J. Phys. Chem., vol. B 114, p. 5700 (impact factor: 3.471).
- 8. **Mukherjee, P. K.** (2010) Density variation of the Landau theory on the cholesteric to smectic-A transition. Chem. Phys., vol. 374, p. 83 (impact factor: 2.277).
- 9. **Mukherjee, P. K.** (2010) Nematic-SmA-SmC polycritical point.: An alternative model. Eur. Phys. J., vol. E33, p. 175 (impact factor: 2.019).
- 10. **Mukherjee, P. K.** and Sasmal, S. (in press) Pressure dependence tricritical point of the nematic-smectic-A phase transition. Phase Transitions (impact factor: 0.935).
- 11. Banerjee, R. Gangopadhyay, S. Mukherjee P. and Roy, D. (2010) Symmetries of topological gravity with torsion in the hamiltonian and lagrangian formalisms, JHEP, vol.1002, p. 75 (impact factor: 5.375).
- 12. **Mukherjee, P.** (2010) Poincare gauge theory from higher derivative matter lagrangian, Class. Quant.Grav., vol. 27, p. 215008, (impact 15 factor:3.029).
- Halder, S. R. Nayak, A. Chini T. K. and Bhunia S, (2010) Strong temperature and substrate effect on ZnO nanorod flower structures in modified chemical vapor condensation growth". Current Applied Physics, vol. 10, p. 942 946 (Impact factor:1.586)
- 14. Halder, S. R. Nayak, A. Chini, T. K. Roy, S. K. Yamamoto, N and Bhunia, S (2009) Vapor condensation growth and evaluation mechanism of ZnO nanorod flower structures". Physica Status Solidi (a), vol. 207, p. 364 369 (Impact factor: 1.228)
- 15. **Ray Chaudhuri, B.** (2010) Prototype neural network hardware with analog electronic circuit. Indian Journal of Physics, vol. 84, p. 1435-1440 (Impact factor:0.226)

#### **b** Edited books, articles in Book etc.:

#### Prabir Banerjee

Physics with Radioactive Ion Beams in the Book containing the Proceedings of the National Seminar entitled "Nuclear Physics Research in India: Facilities and Perspectives (NUPRIFP-2010)" held during 26-27 February 2010 at Raniganj Girls' College by the Department of Physics of the College in collaboration with the Variable Energy Cyclotron Centre, Kolkata and sponsored by the University Grants Commission (to be published by a renowned publisher in Kolkata).

#### A) Seminars/Lectures delivered

**Pradip Mukherjee** delivered a talk on Symmetry of topologically massive gravity in the hamiltonian and lagrangean formalism at Inter University Centre for Astronomy and Astrophysics (IUCAA) on 31.12. 2009. He also spoke on Symmetry of topologically massive gravity in the hamiltonian and lagrangean formalism at Bose Fest 2010 on 27th January, 2010.

**Prabir Banerjee** presented a paper entitled Physics with Radioactive Ion Beams at the UGC sponsored National Seminar entitled on Nuclear Physics Research in India: Facilities and Perspectives at Raniganj Girls' College, Raniganj, West Bengal, held on 26th and 27th February 2010,

**Prabir Banerjee** participated at the Interaction Meeting on Theoretical Nuclear Physics at Indian Institute of Technology, Roorkee, Uttarakhand, from 3rd to 5th September, 2010. He also participated at the International School cum Workshop on Low Energy Nuclear Astrophysics and Outreach programme at Saha Institute of Nuclear Physics, Kolkata, during 15th to 20th November, 2010 and the Theme Meeting on Nucleus-Nucleus Collisions Around Fermi Energy at Variable Energy Cyclotron Centre, Kolkata, on 16th and 17th 2010.

**Muktish Acharyya** delivered the invited talk on Multiple dynamic phase transitions in uniaxially anisotropic . Heisenberg ferromagnet driven by polarised magnetic field at the Department of Physics, University of Calcutta, on 19th August, 2010.

# B) Conference/Workshop attended:

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**Prodyot Kumar Roy** Attended the 18th International IEEE Workshop on Nonlinear Dynamics of Electronic Systems (NDES), Dresden, Germany. He delivered a short talk in the13th International IEEE Workshop on Nonlinear Dynamics in Electronic Systems, Dresden, Germany. He also attended SYNCLINE 2010: Synchronization in Complex Networks, 458th WE-Heraeus-Seminar, Bad Honnef, Germany and participated in the 11th Experimental Chaos and Complexity Conference held in Lille, France 2010.

Dr. Roy was also invited for a short visit to Ecole Polytechnique, Paris, France to meet the students of our department who are perusing higher studies there and to strengthen the ongoing cooperation between the two institutes. There is a proposal to extend the activities of our department with them for further programmes.

**Gour Bhattacharya** attended the Workshop on Advanced Statistical Techniques for Astronomy, held at Inter-University Centre for Astronomy and Astrophysics, Pune from 4th to 8th October 2010. He also attended the Introductory Workshop on Astrophysics, held at West Bengal State University from 26th to 28th November 2010,

#### Staff List:

#### A. Teaching (including Part Time & Guest Teachers)

#### FACULTY MEMBERS

- 1. Prodyot Kumar Roy, Head
- 2. Tarasankar Nag
- 3. Biswanath Jha
- 4. Pradip Mukherjee
- 5. Narayan Bandyopadhyay
- 6. Abhijit De
- 7. Barun RayChaudhuri
- 8. Bikash De
- 9. Silbhadra Chatterjee
- 10. Arabinda Nayak
- 11. Muktish Acharyya
- 12. Prabir Kumar Mukherjee
- 13. Prabir Banerjee
- 14. Gour Bhattacharya

#### PART TIME TEACHERS

- 1. Sri Sanat Ghosh, M.Sc
- 2. Dr. Biren Das, M.Sc., Ph.D.
- 3. Sri Hitendranath Mukherjee, M.Sc., Ph.D.
- 4. Dr. Pradip Kumar Datta, M.Sc., Ph.D.
- 5. Dr. Arpita Bose, M.Sc., Ph.D.

#### **GUEST TEACHERS**

- 1 Prof. Bikash Chakrabarti, Head, Theoretical Condensed Matter Division, Saha Institute of Nuclear Physics, Kolkata
- 2 Prof. Jadunath De, Emeritus Scientist, Saha Institute of Nuclear Physics, Kolkata
- 3 Dr. Debiprasad Duari, Director, Research & Academics, M. P. Birla Institute of Fundamental Research. Kolkata
- 4 Dr. Buddhadeb Banerji, Retired Geologist, Geological Survey of India
- 5 Prof. S Mukherjee, Retired Professor of Physics, University of North Bengal
- 6 Dr Nabajit Chakroborty, Senior Observer, Positional Astronomy Centre, Kolkata
- 7 Dr. Shyamal Biswas, UGC-Dr. D.S.Kothari Postdoctoral Fellow, University of Calcutta.

#### HONORARY GUEST TEACHERS

- 1. Prof. Ajit Kembhavi, Director, IUCAA, Pune.
- 2. Prof. Amit Mohan Rakshit, Vidyasagar College for Women
- 3. Dr. Susil Sarkar, Vidyasagar College
- 4. Dr. Saibal Roy, College of Engineering & Ceramic Technology

- 8 Sm. Nandini Raha, M.Sc., Retd. WBES
- 5. Sri Kalipada Nahal, Retd. WBJES

#### **B. NON-TEACHING**

- 1. Sri Haren Baidya
- 2. Sri Amitabha Bhar
- 3. Sm. Protima Haldar
- 4. Sri Biswajit Das
- 5. Sri. Babulal Das
- 6. Sri Bijoy Barik
- 7. Sri Ananta Barik
- 8. Sri Dipak Kr. Roy
- 9. Sri Dilip Kr. Bir
- 10. Sri Dilip Hajra
- 11. Sri Pradip Kr. Das
- 12. Sri Kartick Hela.
- 13. Sm Sumati Hazra

#### **C. Vacant Positions**

Teaching posts vacant: 4 WBSES, 1 WBES and 4 posts of Demonstrators (supposed to be upgraded to WBES)

#### Non-teaching vacant

1. Master Mechanic, 1 Junior Mechanic, 1 Instrument Keeper, 1 Skilled Bearer, 2 Establishment Attendants.

# **Department of Physiology**

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#### News from the department

Inspite of being severely understaffed department, only eight teachers in a practical based post graduate department, the department maintained its standard in pursuit of academic excellence. Our students made us proud by their academic performances. At the under graduate level, out of 13 students 9 obtained 1<sup>st</sup> class securing top four positions in the University of Calcutta. Our students have topped in the entrance examination of various National Institutes like JNU, AlIMS, NBRC and also in multidisciplinary courses of the different Universities.

At the post graduate level all the 17 students secired 1<sup>st</sup> class. Most of them have joined various National Institutes for higher studies. Significantly 3 of our post graduate students have cleared CSIR/UGC NET. Our students were equally brilliant in other extra co-curricular activities like debates, quiz, games, and sports etc. and they brought laurels for the institute and the department. Two of our post graduate students did summer research project in CDRI Lucknow and at L.V Prasad Eye Institute, Hyderabad sponsored by INSA, IASc, NASI.

The renovation of the laboratory is going on. Although dealings with PWD remains a stumbling block. The internet facility in the department has been upgraded and we all thankfully acknowledge and appreciate the help and support of Prof. Prabir Das Gupta of Geology department. We are also thankful to all our guest faculties for their help and support. The departmental seminar library is running smoothly under the guidance of Dr. Mousumi Sikdar and Dr. Nirmal K. Pradhan.

The under graduate students completed their field work in different parts of Madhya Pradesh under the guidance of Dr. Prabir K. Mukhopadhay and Dr. Indrani Chakraborty. The post graduate students visited Industrial Design Center (IDC), IIT, Powai, Mumbai with Dr. Devashish Sen and Dr. Subrata Ghosh. It is very heartening to note that for the first time the department has started collaborative research work with IIT Mumbai, IIT Guahati, and Environmental Science Department of Jadavpur University.

Indian Association of Biomedical Scientists (IABMS), an all India research organization instituted at University of Madras selected the department as nodal centre for collaborative research in eastern part of the country.

The department along with all its members (staff, student, and alumni) is striving hard to realize a dream, a dream for which Presidency university stands, an urge to do something different and a tendency to set a genre of original thinking.

# Seminars organized by the Department and visitors to the Department

Name of the Speaker/ Visitor	Institutional Address	Торіс
1. Dr. Deb Kumar Chakraborty	Industrial Design Center, IIT Guwahati	Design Ergonomics
2. Dr. Supten Sarbadhikari	Director, Cal2Cal Institute, Coimbatore	Medical Bioinformatics
3. Sri Goutam Mohan Chakraborty	Commissioner of Police, Kolkata	Role of forensic science and medicine in criminal investigation
4. Dr. Niranjan Bhattacharya	Senior Consultant and Advisor AMRI Director, Developmental Immunology	Immunologic relevance of cord blood
5. Prof. Amita Chatterjee	Vice Chancellor, Presidency University	Mechanism of surprise and fear

#### **Research Activities of the Department :**

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Title of the Project	Principal and Co-investigator	Funding Agencies	Amount
An ergonomic study of occupational health problems of women construction workers in unorganized sectors of	Bijetri Bandyopadhyay Devashish Sen	Department of Science & Technology, Govt.of India	29,90,000/-
West-Bengal, determination of Safe Load Limit & some Suggestive remedial measures	Subrata Ghosh	Corner man	
Studies on Arsenic induced reproductive toxicity and its dietary management in male rats.	Dr Prabir K. Mukhopadhyay	University Grant Commission	1,63,000/-
Health risk assessment associated with Fluoride Contaminated water of Birbhum district.	Dr. Subrata Ghosh .	University Grant Commission	1,63,000/-

#### **Other Academic Activities**

The departmental teachers and students are continuously engaged in performing research activities particularly amongst mass to upgrade the general awareness of good health and socio-economic development.

# List of Publications by the Teachers of the Department

- 1. Ghosh, S, Bagchi, A, Roy, B, Bandyopadhyay, P and Chakraborty, S. (2010) The Silent Agony of Open Cast Mine: A Profile of Risk Assessment. *Biomedicine*, vol 30 (3), p. 272–277 (Impact Factor: 2.1)
- 2. Ghosh, S., Chakraborty, S., Roy, B., Banerjee, P. and Bagchi, A. (2010) Health risk assessment due to ground water contamination of fluoride in Birbhum, West Bengal. *Journal of Environment Protection Sciences*. vol. 4, p. 13-21. (Impact Factor 1.7).
- 3. Ghosh S, Sen D, Chatterjee A, Biswas. S and Bagchi, A. (in press). Ergonomic assessment of ocular stress profile amongst watch-makers/repairers of Kolkata and its possible preventive measures. *Biomedicine*. (Impact Factor: 2.1)
- 4. Dey, A., Bose, A. and **Mukhopadhyay, P.K.** (in press) Ameliorative effects of ascorbic acid and alpha tocopherol in arsenic induced testiculat toxicity in rats *Biomedicine*.(Impact Factor: 2.1)

# Seminar, lectures delivered/workshops attended by teachers.

#### Dr. Devashish Sen

Presented a paper entitled "2D:4D ratio in predicting aggression amongst school children in Kolkata" in the International Conference of South Asian Association of Physiologists & National Conference of Physiological Society of India held in Bangalore from 15<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> November, 2010, and chaired a session on Current Trends in Exercise Physiology.

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#### Dr. Prabir Kr. Mukhopadhyay

Presented a paper entitled "High protein supplementation may be an effective strategy in the amelioration of testicular alterations in mature albino rats caused by thyrotoxicosis" in the Annual Conference on emerging issues in Physiology and Allied Sciences held at Vidyasagar University in March 2010. He also judged a poster presentation session by the young scientists.

Presented a paper entitled "Protective role of ascorbic acid & alpha-tocopherol on arsenic induced testicular toxicity of albino rats" in the Annual Conference of Indian Association of Biomedical Scientists held at Salem, Tamilnadu in October 2010.

Presented a paper entitled "Amelioration of arsenic induced male reproductive malfunctions by strategic modulations of dietary proteins in rats" in the International Conference of South Asian Association of Physiologists & National Conference of Physiological Society of India held in Bangalore from 15<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> November, 2010 and chaired a session on Current Trends in Neurophysiology.

#### Dr. Subrata Ghosh

Attended Annual Conference of Indian Association of Biomedical Scientists in October 2010, held at Salem, Tamilnadu as an invited EC member of IABMS and chaired a symposium related with emerging trends in physiologic research. He also judged a poster presentation session by the young scientists.

Presented a paper entitled "Ergonomics of ocular stress and ocular surface imaging amongst watchmakers/ repairers of Kolkata and it's possible preventive measure" in the International Conference of South Asian Association of Physiologists & National Conference of Physiological Society of India held in Bangalore from 15<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> November, 2010, and chaired a session on Current Trends in Ergonomics.

#### Sri Alak K. Syamal

Presented a poster paper entitled "Anthropometric, hematological and nutritional status of female tea pluckers of a tea garden in Dooars, West Bengal" in the International Conference of South Asian Association of Physiologists & National Conference of Physiological Society of India held in Bangalore from 15<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> November, 2010.

#### Dr. Mousumi Sikdar

Presented a paper entitled "Carbon sequestration in nature: a novel concept in bioremediation within microbehuman interface" in the International Conference of South Asian Association of Physiologists & National Conference of Physiological Society of India held in Bangalore from 15<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> November, 2010.

#### Dr. Indrani Chakraborty

Presented a paper entitled "Jussiaea repens acts as an antifertility agent in male albino rats" in the Annual Conference of Indian Association of Biomedical Scientists held at Salem, Tamilnadu in October 2010.

#### Staff List :

#### A. Teaching Staff

Devashish Sen, Head of the Department Prabir K. Mukhopadhyay Subrata Ghosh Alok K. Shaymal Mausumi Sikder Indrani Chakraborty Nirmal K. Pradhan Sarmistha Chanda

#### Part Time & Guest Teachers:

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Debojyoti Das.	Retired Faculty, Department of Physiology, Presidency College.
Asoka Chakraborty	Retired Faculty, Department of Physiology, Presidency College.
Anjan Biswas.	Retired Faculty, Department of Physiology, Presidency College.
Shymal RoyChoudhuri	Retired Faculty, Department of Physiology, Tamralipta Mahavidyalaya.
Bithi Sarkar	Former Dean of Science and Retd. Faculty, Dept. Of Physiology, Vidyasagar University.
Amalendu Samanta.	Retired Faculty, All India Institute of Health and Hygine, Kolkata.
Subir Nag	Principal, S. Roy College of Education, Kolkata.
Subhashish Sahu	Faculty-Member, Department of Physiology, Kalyani University.
Debdut Ghosh Thakur	Chief Reporter, Anandabazar Patrika.
Bimal Mukhopadhyay	Former Regional-in-Charge, L.P.A.
Muktish Acharya	Assistant Professor, Department of Physics.

### Visiting Teachers:

Netai Pada Bhattacharya	Senior Scientist, Sana Instutute of Nuclear Physics.
Naibedya Chattopadhyay	Deputy Director, CDRI, Lucknow.
Utpal Choudhuri	Retired Professor, Department of Biophysics, Molecular & Genetics, C.U.
Abhoy Sankar Chakraborty	Professor, Department of Biophysics, Molecular & Genetics, C.U.
Gour Gopal Ray	Professor, IIT-Bombay, Mumbai.
Tushar Chakraborty	Senior Scientist, IICB, Kolkata.
Maitrayee Dasgupta	Senior Faculty & Scientist, Department of Biochemistry, C.U.
Anjan Dasgupta	Professor, Department of Biochemistry, C.U.
Prakash Dhara	Professor, Department of Physiology, Vidyasagar University.
S.N. Kabir.	Senior Scientist, IICB, Kolkata.
Rupak k. Bhadra	Senior Scientist, IICB, Kolkata

# B. Non Teaching :

Sri Tushar Chakraborty. Sri Shymal Kanti Singha . Sri Susanta Roy. Smt. Jharna Sarkar. Smt. Maya Hazra.

#### Vacant Positions:

Teaching : WBSES \_\_\_\_\_3 WBES \_\_\_\_\_3 Non Teaching : Store Keeper \_\_\_\_1

# **Department of Statistics**

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#### News from the Department

The Department of Statistics bears the distinction of first introducing the under-graduate course in Statistics in the whole of India in the year 1944. Incidentally, classes of the post-graduate department in Statistics under Calcutta University - the first of its kind in India used to be held in this college for the first few years since its inception in 1941. This department was created under the guidance of Prof. P. C. Mahalanobis, the great statistician and national planner, and later acted as the precursor to the prestigious Indian Statistical Institute. The department later concentrated on teaching undergraduate Statistics under the curriculum followed by Calcutta University. Many of our students are internationally acclaimed and are in prestigious positions in academia and government.

#### Students' performance

The department caters only to undergraduate teaching. The students, like all previous years have lived up to the expectations of the department. Out of 20 students appearing in Part I exam, 17 have secured first class and 2 secured second class with an average of 68.78% marks, 81.5% being the highest. Out of 21 students appearing for Part II exam, 14 have secured first class and 6 secured second class with an average of 65.98% marks, the highest being 82% marks. 18 students appeared for Part III with 14 qualifying with first class and 4 with second class with an average of 62.85%, the highest being 73.62%. Two of the former students are undergoing their master's degree in IIT, Kanpur, and the rest are pursuing their degrees in other prestigious institutes like Calcutta University, Kalyani University and the University of Poona.

Shri. Arindam Bhattacharya, a JBNSTS scholar, and Shri Soutik Ghosal, both second year students, attended the 'Vijyoshi Camp', an international conference organized by Kishore Vaigyanik Protsahan Yojana (KVPY) and INSPIRE at the Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore from 4 to 6 December, 2010. Four students, Puja Bhattacharyya, Tania Roy, Saptarshi Chakraborty and Swarnendu Chatterjee of the third-year class have got Innovation in Science Pursuit for Inspire Research (INSPIRE) scholarship from the Department of Science and Technology, Government of India.

#### **RESEARCH ACTIVITES**

Teachers of this department are involved in research in different fields of Statistics and Probability. Two of the teachers are undergoing their Ph D program from Calcutta University and Indian Statistical Institute.

#### **Publication of the teachers:**

- 1. **Das Roy,** A. and Panda, R. N. (in press) Bias Control in Sequential Second Order Rotatable Design. Journal of Applied Statistical Science.
- 2. **Bandyopadhyay, U.** and **De, S.** (in press) On Multi-Treatment Adaptive Allocation Design for Dichotomous Response. Communication in Statistics Methods and Applications.

#### Lectures delivered:

1. Dr. A. Biswas presented a paper entitled 'Process convergence of self-normalized sums of i.i.d. random variables coming from domain of attraction of stable distributions' at the Satellite Conference to the International Congress of Mathematics in Probability and Statistics, held in Indian Statistical Institute, Bangalore.

#### Workshops attended

1. Dr. A. Biswas presented a poster on 'Ergodicity of Adaptive Markov Chain Monte Carlo Techniques' The fifth lectures in Probability and Stochastic Processes held at the Indian Statistical Institute, Bangalore.

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#### STAFF LIST

#### Full time teachers:

- 1. Pipul Datta, Head
- 2. Biswajit Roy
- 3. Archana Das Roy
- 4. Saurav De
- 5. Arunangshu Biswas

#### **Guest Teachers**

- 1. Sudhanshu Bhusan Nandi, Retired Professor, Guwahati University.
- 2. Srijib Bhusan Bagchi, Retired Professor, Burdwan University.

#### Non Teaching Staff:

- 1. Arun Moitra
- 2. Santi Hela

### **Department of Zoology**

#### News from the Department

The Department of Zoology has shown sustained efforts in various fields of academic activity. At present, it is successfully imparting Postgraduate education in Zoology as well as Molecular Biology and Genetics. The Head of the Department, Prof. Trilochan Midya is taking all possible efforts to modernize different laboratories of the Department.

In the last B.Sc. (Zoology Honours) Final Examination of Calcutta University 20 out of 23 candidates secured First Class marks. Anindita Brahma bagged the third position among the successful candidates of the university in the said examination. At the M.Sc level, the Department is now offering as many as seven Special Papers in its Zoology course. In the last academic session, 28 out of 28 candidates of the M.Sc Final Examination secured First Class marks and Akankhita Saha topped the list of successful candidates.

The Department is now running with only nine full-time teachers having specialisation in different branches of the subject. However, some retired eminent teachers of different Universities are assisting in the academic exercise of the Department as Guest Teachers or Part-time Teachers. With deep sorrow, we add here that Dr. Simananda Adhikari, an eminent teacher and textbook writer, who retired from this Department in 1997, passed away in October of this year. The Department has decided to name one of the lecture theatres after Late Dr. Adhikari.

A remarkable activity of this year was the organisation of a four-day long 'Workshop on Advanced Techniques in Molecular Biology', sponsored by the Higher Education Department, Government of West Bengal. Teachers and Research Scholars from different colleges of the state actively participated in this Workshop while Prof. Jagat Ray and Dr. Amit Kumar Rai of Benaras Hindu University graced the occasion as Technical Experts and imparted practical training on techniques of Molecular Biology to the participants. Besides, a few training programs on modern Department, under the 'Star College Program, being run in this Institution with the sponsorship of the Department of Biology and Bioinformatics and Prof. Abhay Sankar Chakraborti of the Department of Biophysics, Molecular such programs as Technical Experts while Prof. Trilochan Midya, Dr. Nirmal Kumar Sarkar and Sri Souryadeep Mukherjee

played the role of organisers cum trainers.

Three students who passed out from this Department, viz. Smt. Shampa Chanda, Smt. Debjani Ghosh and Sri Biswatosh Ghosh have qualified the National Eligibility Test (NET); Smt. Chanda has already joined National Institute of Cholera and Enteric Diseases while Smt. Ghosh has joined West Bengal University of Technology as Research Fellows. Five of the pass-out Postgraduate students, viz. Sri Pintu Mondal, Sri Palash Santra, Smt. Riya Debnath, Smt. Debashri Kamakar and Sri Amar Das have secured placement in different schools upon qualifying the Selection Test conducted by the School Service Commission.

Teachers and Researchers are continuing their research pursuits in different fields of the subject. Four major projects are currently being run in the Department : one on study of chromosomal polymorphism (funded by Ministry of Environment and Forests, Government of India) is running under the supervision of Prof. Trilochan Midya ; two on production and application of certain fungal enzymes (funded by University Grants Commission and Defence Research and Development Organisation, Government of India, respectively) are being jointly supervised by Dr. Rina Rani Ray and Prof. Midya ; the fourth project on production and application of microbial cellulase is running under the supervision of Dr. Rina Rani Ray. Moreover, Sri Souryadeep Mukherjee is continuing his project (funded by University Grants Commission) on molecular characterisation of microbes involved in biodegradation of aromatic hydrocarbon. Teachers and Scholars of the Department have published their research papers in different reputed scientific journals. Special mention may be made of the fact that Dr. Tushar Kanti Mukhopadhyay has been invited by the Northeastern Illinois University of USA to make a deliberation on his investigation on Taxonomy of Indian Mantids in an International Symposium ; Dr. Mukhopadhyay left for USA in mid-December.

Teachers and Scholars of the Department participated in different Seminars/Symposia/ Workshops held inside or outside this Institution. Prof. Trilochan Midya delivered talks on different topics as a Resource Person and also, chaired certain scientific sessions in some Seminars/Conferences. Dr. Nirmal Kumar Sarkar delivered a talk on thalassaemia as a Resource Person in a Seminar organised by the National Service Scheme Unit of this Institution. Besides, Prof. Midya and Dr. Sarkar have individually completed writing two reference books being published by West Bengal State Book Board. Different teachers acted as paper-setters, examiners and moderators of both Undergraduate and Postgraduate Examinations of different Universities.

Postgraduate students carried out intensive field surveys on the biodiversity of Nagarahole Tiger Reserve (a part of Nilgiri Biosphere Reserve, Tamilnadu) under the guidance of Dr. Kamal Kumar Bandyopadhyay and Sri Souryadeep Mukherjee. Undergraduate students made bioecological surveys in Neora Valley National Park and Gorumara Wildlife Sanctuary under the supervision of Dr. Kamal Kumar Bandyopadhyay, Dr. Rabindranath Mandal and Sri Souryadeep Mukherjee. Dr. Tushar Kanti Mukhopadhyay imparted field training on insect collection to the Postgraduate students of Entomology Special Paper ; he also conducted a visit to a local Sericulture Unit by a section of the Undergraduate students. Moreover, a large section of Postgraduate as well as Undergraduate students participated in various workshops, seminars and social service programmes of the National Service Scheme, under the guidance of Dr. Rabindranath Mandal and Dr. Tapas Kumar Misra, who are shouldering the responsibility of Programme Officers of the NSS unit of this Institution, in addition to their teaching responsibility in our Department.

However, we are not free of constraints. To run Postgraduate courses in Zoology as well as Molecular Biology and Genetics along with an Undergraduate Course in Zoology, with a limited number of teaching and non-teaching staff appears to be a formidable task.

Name of the Speaker/Visitor	Institutional Address	Торіс	
Prof. Jagat Roy	Department of Zoology, Benaras Hindu University.	Western Blotting and Polymerase Chain Reaction.	
Dr. Amit Kumar Rai	Department of Zoology, Benaras Hindu University.	Gel Electrophoresis of DNA and Proteins.	
Prof. Antony Gomes	Department of Physiology, University of Calcutta.	Animal Venoms as Clues to Development of Drugs.	
Prof. Abhay Sankar Chakraborti	Department of Biophysics, Molecular Biology and Bioinformatics, University of Calcutta.	Comet Assay of DNA as a Tool for Molecular Diagnosis of Apoptotic Cells.	

#### Seminars held in the Department and Visitors to the Department :

# **Research Activities of the Department:**

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Title of theProject	Principal andCo-investigators	FundingAgency	Amount (Rs.
1. Study on the polytene chromosome polymorphism in Chironomids and their relation with pollution in aquatic bodies.	Prof. Trilochan Midya	Ministry of Environment and Forests, Govt. of India	23.4 lakh
<ol> <li>Production of microbial cellulase and their application in waste utilization.</li> </ol>	Dr. Rina Rani Ray	Department of Science and Technology, Govt. of West Bengal	
3. Studies on thermostable isoamylase from Rhizopus stolonifer and its application in sugar and alcohol production from starchy wastes.	Dr. Rina Rani Ray (Principal Investigator) ; Prof. Trilochan Midya (Co-investigator)	University Grants Commission	8.098 lakh
4. Production of fungal xylanase and its application in saccharification and xyhitol production from wastes. (Co-investigator)	Dr. Rina Rani Ray (Principal Investigator); Prof. Trilochan Midya Govt. of India	Defence Research and Development Organisation,	17.44 lakh
5. Isolation and molecular characterization of microbial strains capable of aromatic hydrocarbon biodegradation.	Sri Souryadeep Mukherjee	University Grants Commission	1.17 lakh

#### Publications by the Teachers of the Department : Research Papers :

- 1. Biswas, S. K., Misra, T. K. and Raut, S. K. (2010) Nesting environment of baya weaver bird Ploceus philippinus. Env. Ecol., vol. 28(1), p. 180-184.
- 2. Ghosh, B. and **Ray, R. R.** (2010) Characterization of raw starch digesting and adsorbing extra cellular isoamylase from Rhizopus oryzae. Rec. Res. Sci. Technol., vol. 2(3), p. 64-70.
- 3. Ghosh, B. and **Ray, R. R.** (2010) Saccharification of raw native starches by extracellular isoamylase of Rhyzopus oryzae. Biotechnol., vol. 9, p. 224-228.
- 4. Ghosh, B. and **Ray, R. R.** (2010) Production of isoamylase from Rhizopus oryzae in submerged fermentation. Int. J. Gen. Eng. Biotechnol., vol. 1(1), p. 1-10.
- 5. Gupta, B. and Sarkar, N. K. (in press) A study of adverse effect of arsenic on sperm structure and function in Swiss mice. Ind. J. Env. Ecoplan., vol. 17(03).
- 6. Karmakar, M., Ghosh, B. and **Ray, R. R.** (in press) Effect of extra cellular factors on growth and dimorphism of Rhizopus oryzee with multiple enzyme synthesizing ability. Ind. J. Microbiol.
- 7. Karmakar, M. and **Ray, R. R.** (2010) Extra cellular endoglucanase production by Rhizopus oryzae in solid and liquid state fermentation of agro wastes. Asian J. Biotechnol., Vol. 2(1), p. 27-36.
- 8. Karmakar, M. and **Ray, R. R.** (2010) Characterization of extra cellular thermostable endoglucanase from Rhizopus oryzae using response surface methodology. Res. Rev. Biosci., vol. 4(1), p. 50-55.
- 9. Mukherjee, S., Bardolui, N. K., Karim, S., Patnaik, V. V., Nandy, R. K. and Bag, P. K. (2010) Isolation and characterization of a monoaromatic hydrocarbon-degrading bacterium, Pseudomonas aeruginosa from crude oil. J. Env. Sci. Health (Part A), vol. 45(5), p. 1048-1053 (Impact Factor: 1.676).
- 10. **Mukherjee, S.** and Sarkar, N. K. (in press) Histopathological changes in benzene-treated Swiss mice. Ind. J. Env. Ecoplan., vol. 17(03).
- 11. **Mukherjee, S.** and Sarkar, N. K. (in press) Testicular structure and sperm profile of benzene-treated Swiss mice. Nat. J. Life Sci., vol. 7(2).
- 12. **Mukherjee, T. K.**, Banerjee, K. K., Gupta, B. and Mukherjee, S. (2010) New record of a phasmid, Siploidea fontanesina Giglio-Tos, 1910 (Necrosciinae: Diapheromeridae) from Barnwapara, Chhattisgarh, India. J. Threat. Taxa, vol. 2(6), p. 978-979.
- 13. **Mukherjee, T. K.** and Ghate, H. V. (2010) Redescription of Hierodula coarctata Saussure (Mantodea : Mantidae) from Maharashtra, India. J. Threat. Taxa, vol. 2(9), p. 1167-1171.
- 14. Mukherjee, T. K. and Stiewe, M. B. D. and Ghorai, N. (2010) A new species of praying mantis, Ephestiasula

woodmasoni n. sp. From Gujarat, India, with a not on the location of types of some Indian species (Mantodea : Hymenopodidae). Genus, vol. 21(2), p. 169-173.

# Papers in Special Publication:

- Chandra, D., Sarkar, P., Ghosh, C., Bhaduri, S. and Midya, T. (2010) Assessment of the polytene chromosome polymorphism in Chironomids and their importance. Proc. Nat. Symp. Dimensions of Animal Sci. Res. And Human Need, Presidency Col., Kolkata, p. 98-101.
- Ghosh, C., Sarkar, P., Chandra, D., Bhaduri, S. and Midya, T. (2010) A simple method for laboratory culture of Indian species of Chironomid midges (Diptera : Chironomidae). Proc. Nat. Symp. Dimensions of Animal Sci. Res. And Human Need, Presidency Col., Kolkata, p. 19-22.
- 3. Maitra, B., Bhaduri, S., Choudhuri, P. K. and Midya, T. (2010) Cytological characterization of Kiefferulus calligaster through study of their polytene chromosomes. Proc. Nat. Symp. Dimensions of Animal Sci. Res. And Human Need, Presidency Col., Kolkata, p. 23-26.
- 4. **Mandal, R.** and Pramanick, K. (2010) A new variety of Laevicaulis sp. a preliminary report on systematics. Proc. Nat. Symp. Dimensions of Animal Sci. Res. And Human Need, Presidency Col., Kolkata, p. 90-93.
- 5. Midya, T. and Ghosal, S. K. (2010) A study on the spermatogenic events in several vertebrate species to reveal the diversities and to assess the implication of the diversities. Proc. Nat. Symp. Dimensions of Animal Sci. Res. And Human Need, Presidency Col., Kolkata, p. 102-110.
- 6. **Paul, K. K.**, Midya, T. and Ray, D. (2010) A study of cellular groupings in the seminiferous epithelium of Euphlyctis hexadactyla. Proc. Nat. Symp. Dimensions of Animal Sci. Res. And Human Need, Presidency Col., Kolkata, p. 56-58.
- 7. Sarkar, P., Ghosh, C., Chandra, D., Bhaduri, S. and **Midya, T.** (2010) Polytene chromosome architecture as revealed through differential staining of polytene chromosomes from Chronomid larvae. Proc. Nat. Symp. Dimensions of Animal Sci. Res. And Human Need, Presidency Col., Kolkata, p. 45-47.

#### Books :

- 1. Midya, T. and Maiti, S. P. (2010) Pranividya (in Bengali), vols. 1, 2 and 3, New Central Book Agency, Kolkata.
- 2. Midya, T., Sen, K. and Santra, D. (2010) Uchchatara Jibavidya (in Bengali), vols. 1 and 2, Santra Publication, Kolkata.
- 3. Midya, T., Nandi, A. S. and Santra, D. (2010) Byabaharik Jivavidya (in Bengali), Santra Publication, Kolkata.
- 4. Midya, T. and Maiti, S. P. (2010) Samakalin Pranividya (in Bengali), New Central Book Agency, Kolkata.
- 5. Midya, T., Nandi, A. S. and Santra, D. (2010) A Textbook of Modern Biology, vols. 1 and 2, Santra Publication, Kolkata.
- 6. Midya, T. and Ghosal, S. K. (2010) Gene Tattwa (in Bengali), West Bengal State Book Board, in press.
- 7. Midya, T. and Das, K. K. (2010) Bhrun Tattwa O Kala Rasayana (in Bengali), West Bengal State Book Board, in press.
- 8. Sarkar, N. K. (2010) Vaccines Prastuti, Prayog O Pravab (in Bengali), West Bengal State Book Board, in press.

### Seminar Lectures delivered/attended by Departmental Teachers :

Prof. Trilochan Midya presented a paper entitled Polymorphism of chromosomes in Chironomids in the 'Golden Jubilee International Seminar on Researches in Zoology - Basic and Applied', March 17-19, 2010, Burdwan University.

Prof. Midya was the Resource Person and Chairman of two Sessions in the UGC-sponsored State-Level Seminar on Conservation of Biodiversity : Assessment and Awareness, October 29-30, 2010, held at Hooghly Mohsin College. He was also invited at the International Conference on Functional Genomics : Challenge and Prospects, held at Benaras Hindu University from 2nd to 4th October 2010,

Dr. Tushar Kanti Mukhopadhyay delivered a talk on Two new synonyms in the updated checklist of Indian mantids with notes on classification at the International Symposium on Praying Mantises (Mantodea) : Diversity of Form, Function and Biology, held at Northeastern Illinois University, USA from 12th to 15th December 2010.

Dr. Nirmal Kumar Sarkar spoke on Basic concept of thalassaemia at the 'Seminar on Thalassaemia', organized by the National Service Scheme, Presidency College Unit on 28th January 2010.

Dr. Rina Rani Ray delivered a lecture on Production and characterization of cellulase from Rhizopus oryzae at the 17th West Bengal State Science and Technology Congress held at West Bengal University of Animal and Fishery Science, Kolkata on 4th and 5th March 2010.

Dr. Ray spoke on Partition of Bengal, as it was reflected in detective stories of Byomkesh Bakshi at the International

Seminar on Impact of Partition of India on the Literature of Indian Subcontinent, organized jointly by Presidency University and Rabindra Bharati University from 16th to 18th September 2010.

Dr. Rina Rani Ray also attended 'Neo Writers Workshop' held at Presidency College from 3rd to 10th February 2010 and the National Workshop on Structural Bioinformatics and PERL', held at Presidency College on 8th and 9th March 2010.

Dr. Tapas Kumar Misra spoke on Dui Banga Ek Sahitya at the International Seminar on Impact of Partition of India on the Literature of Indian Subcontinent, organized jointly by Presidency University and Rabindra Bharati University from 16th to 18th September 2010.

He also attended the Neo Writers Workshop held at Presidency College from 3rd to 10th February 2010.

Sri Debasish Das presented a paper entitled Structure and possible function of pearl organs in two Cyprinids of Eastern Sub-Himalayan strams at the International Conference on Advances in Electron Microscopy and Related Techniques and XXXI Annual Meeting of EMSI', at Bhaba Atomic Research Centre, Mumbai held from 8th to 10th March 2010.

Sri Das presented another paper entitled Adhesive toe pad of Philautus annadali (Bonlenjer, 1906): An EM study at the National Symposium on Emerging Perspectives - Zoological Research held at Vidyasagar University on 27th May 2010.

#### **Staff list :**

#### A. Teaching Staff :

Trilochan Midya Kamal Kumar Bandyopadhyay Tushar Kanti Mukhopadhyay Nirmal Kumar Sarkar Rina Rani Ray Rabindranath Mandal Tapas Kumar Misra **Debasish Das** Souryadeep Mukherjee Sudhangsu Kumar Ghosal (Part-time/Guest teacher) Amal Bhattacharya (Part-time/Guest Teacher) Asish Kumar Hazra (Part-time/Guest Teacher) Dilip Kumar Nanda (Part-time/Guest Teacher) Ajit Kumar Aditya (Part-time/Guest Teacher) Madhusudan Ghosal (Part-time/Guest Teacher) Santigopal Pal (Part-time/Guest Teacher)

#### **B.** Non-teaching Staff :

Ramnath Prasad Gobinda Chandra Nath Sushil Kumar Barik Sibu Hansda Sankar Hela

# Vacancy Position (As recorded in erstwhile Presidency College):

#### A. Teaching :

W.B.S.E.S. : 3 posts (1 for Zoology and 2 for Molecular Biology and Genetics). W.B.E.S. : 8 posts (3 for Zoology and 5 for Molecular Biology and Genetics).

#### B. Non-teaching :

Skilled bearer : 1 post Specimen collector : 1 post Sweeper : 1 post

#### **Molecular Biology and Genetics:**

A Postgraduate course in Molecular Biology and Genetics being taught in the Department of Zoology has been going on since 2005. In addition to the teachers of the Zoology Department, some eminent, retired Professors like Prof. Sudhangsu Kumar Ghosal, Prof. Madhusudan Ghosal and Prof. Amal Bhattacharya from different Universities assisted the department in the academic exercise. Dr. Nirmal Kumar Sarkar has been given the responsibility of the Academic Coordinator.

The fourth batch of students passed the M.Sc Final Examination in this year. All the 17 candidates secured First Class marks; the topper among them was Smt. Aditi Ganguly. The performance of our students at both M.Sc and Post-M.Sc levels is quite satisfactory. In this year, as many as six Postgraduates, viz. Chaitali Chakraborty, Atasi Sarkar, Swarnali Mukherjee, Sayani Chanda, Biswabir Chatterjee and Mihir Bhatta have qualified GATE. Another three Postgraduates, Sanjay Kumar Dey, Pousali Sil and Aditi Ganguly have qualified NET. Among these students, Chaitali Chakraborty and Atasi Sarkar already joined Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur for pursuit of their Ph.D studies; Sanjay Kumar Dey and Aditi Ganguly were selected for carrying out Ph.D work in All India Institute of Medical Sciences, New Delhi and Indian Institute of Chemical Biology, Kolkata, respectively. Suravi Biswas qualified GRE for studying in USA. Moreover, Sanjay Kumar Dey, Aditi Ganguly and Souvik Ghosal, when they were in their final year of M.Sc course, received studentship from the DBT-sponsored Centre for Bioinformatics of our Institution. Pousali Sil was selected for placement in a school by the School Service Commission. Further, Sruti Banik, Debparna Roy and Atasi Sarkar enjoyed Indira Gandhi Memorial Scholarship from Government of India for completing their Postgraduate study.

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The present final-year students enthusiastically carried out different research-based projects and prepared themselves for delivering Seminar Lectures on different topics of Molecular Biology and Genetics. A few of them also participated in the Workshop on Advanced Techniques of Molecular Biology, organised by our Department.

### **DBT CENTRE FOR BIOINFORMATICS**

(BIF-BTBI under BTISnet, Department of Biotechnology, Govt. of India)

The **DBT Centre for Bioinformatics** (Formerly Bioinformatics Infrastructure Facility (BIF-BTB1) at Presidency College, Kolkata) has started taking shape in 2007 as one of the fifty five BIF Centers, under the Biotechnology Information System Network (BTISnet) of the **Department of Biotechnology**, **Government of India**. The status of BIF was elevated to **DBT Centre for Bioinformatics** during the X1th Five Year Plan and presently it serves as a repertoire of information related to Bioinformatics and promotion of Biology teaching through Bioinformatics (BTB1) in Eastern India. Bioinformatics Infrastructure Facility (BIF) was initially housed at the Central Library Building (Ground Floor) with the facilities, viz. High-end IBM Server with (24x7) Internet connectivity, ten high-end Terminals, HP Workstation FX meant for Undergraduate, Postgraduate Students and Research Scholars in the relevant field for Bioinformatics related academic and research activities. It was later shifted to the first floor of Derozio Building as an independent and full-fledged Centre with ten additional high end terminals, provided by DBT, Government of India during XI Five Year Plan. Three short term training programs on Structural Bioinformatics, Clinical Research and one International Seminar on Computational Chemistry, Drug Discovery and Design were organized during the preceding year to train the students, teachers and researchers. This year also, Four Studentships and Four Traineeships are being offered from this Centre.

Bioinformatics employs a wide range of computational techniques including sequence and structure alignment, database and software design, data mining, analysis of structure and fold of macromolecules, phylogenetic tree construction, prediction of protein structure and function, gene finding, analysis of expression data, etc. With the flood of data from genome sequences there is a need to develop novel algorithms to predict protein structure (including quaternary state) and function on genomic scale, assign proteins to know pathways and protein-protein interaction networks and to use the information for drug discovery and design as well as many other promising fields.

Structure of the BTISnet: The network consists of 10 Distributed Information Centres (DICs), 50 Sub-Distributed Information Centres (Sub-DICs), 55 Bioinformatics Infrastructure Facilities (BIF) and a Biotechnology Information Centre (BTIC), which is the apex center for the BTISnet. The Department has established six major Interactive Graphics Facilities to promote developmental activities in Bioinformatics. A supercomputing facility has also been set up at IIT Delhi specifically for the Genomics and Proteomics activities. Human resource development in Bioinformatics has been recognized as an important activity under this network. Towards meeting the needs of trained bioinformatics professionals, various long-term courses namely postgraduate advanced diploma, M. Tech., M.Sc. and Ph.D. courses are being offered at reputed institutions.

Seminars / Workshops organized by the Centre:

Seminars / Workshops	Date	Name of the Speakers/Instructors
National Workshop on Structural Bioinformatics and PERL	March 2010	Prof. Sanjib Ghosh Dr. Sanghamitra Bandyopadhyay Dr. Raja BanerjeeDr. Mahuya Ghosh
National Workshop on Medical Informatics	September 2010	Dr. Supten Sarbadhikari

#### **List of Publications:**

- 1. Ganguli, S. and **Datta**, A. (2010) Interactions and phylogenetic occurrence of Alpha synuclein an essential target of pyrroloquinoline quinone (PQQ) possible inhibitor of LEWY BODY formation. Journal of Pharmaceutical and Biomedical Sciences, vol. 1(12), p. 1-5.
- 2. Chakraborty, R., Ganguli, S., Chakraborty, H. J. and **Datta, A.** (2010) Structural Analysis and molecular modeling of Human Dopamine Receptor 5 (DRD5). International Journal of Bioinformatics Research, vol. 2(2), p. 96-102.
- 3. Basu, P., Chakraborty, H. J., Ganguli, S., Roy, P. and **Datta**, A. (2010) Phylogenetic Signatures of Functional Conservedness in Lantibiotics an in silico Regulomics study. International Journal of Microbiology Research, vol. 2(2), p. 5-11.
- 4. Ganguli, S., Dey, S. K., Dhar, P., Basu, P., Roy, P. and **Datta, A.** (2010) Catalytic RNA world relics in Dicer RNAs. International Journal of Genetics, Vol. 2(2), p. 8-17.
- 5. Dhar, P., Ganguli, S. and Datta, A. (2010) Molecular modeling of Dicer and identification of phosphorylation sites. Bioinformation, vol. 4(9), p. 412-416.
- 6. Dey, S. K., Ganguli, S., Basu, P., Chakraborty, H. J., Roy, P. and **Datta**, A. (2010) Pseudoknots in human snRNPs. International Journal of Bioinformatics Research, vol. 2(2) (IN PRESS).
- 7. Chakraborty, H. J., Ganguli, S., Basu, P., Roy, P. and **Datta, A.** (2010) Structural analysis of Leucocine An essential Bacteriocin. International Journal of Bioinformatics Research, vol. 2(2), p. 1-6.
- 8. Dey, S. K., Ganguli, S., Basu, P., Roy, P. and Datta, A. (2010) Lysine richness in human SNURPs Possible sites for electrophilic attacks. Bioinformation, vol. 4(9), p. 409-411.
- 9. Ganguli, S., Mazumder, M., Basu, P., Roy, P., Mitra, S., and **Datta**, A. (2010) In silico screening of herbal and nanoparticle lead compounds against H5N1, H1N1 neuraminidase and telomerase. BMC Bioinformatics, vol. 11(1), p. S13.
- Gupta, S., Saha, S., Roy, P., Basu, P., Ganguli, S. and Datta, A. (2010) Structural and functional analysis of glutathione peroxidase from Ricinus communis L. - A computational approach. International Journal of Bioinformatics Research, Vol. 2(1), p. 20-30.

#### **Lectures Delivered:**

- 1. Dr. Abhijit Datta Bioinformatics Exploring new Horizons. Refresher Course in Bioinformatics, Vidyasagar University, Medinipore, WB.
- 2. Sayak Ganguli Advances in Environmental Sciences A Bioinformatics Perspective. State Institute of Public Administration & Rural Development (SIPARD), Tripura.
- 3. Dr. Abhijit Datta Understanding the Biology of Plant microRNA. Platinum Jubilee Lecture, Meerut College, Meerut, UP.

#### Staff List:

- 1. Sayak Ganguli Research Assistant, DBT, Govt. of India;
- 2. Hirak Jyoti Chakraborty Laboratory Assistant, DBT, Govt. of India.

# The Presidency College Library

The Annual Report covers the period from the 1<sup>st</sup> January, 2010 to the 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2010. The following table shows the new additions during this period.

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# Number of Books purchased in the year 2009

Name of Library	No. of Books
Arts Library (including Hindi )	1791
Science Library	1182
Economics & Political Science Library	188
Centre for Economic Studies Library	X
Total	3161

## Books & CDs Received as Gift during Last Five Years

Year	2006 - 2007	2007 - 2008	2008 - 2009	2009-201	0 2005 - 2006	(March - Dec. )	Total
No. of Books	120	95	104	163		124	606
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#### Number of Total Users during Last Five Years

Year	2006 - 2007	2007 - 2008	2008 - 2009	2009-2010	2010 (March - Dec.)	Total
No. of Users	3267	2960	3128	3340	3219	15914

#### Number of Books Issued during Last Five Years

Year	2006 - 2007	2007 - 2008	2008 - 2009	2009-2010	2010 (March - Dec.)	Total
No. of Books	86692	89419	92410	93509	91285	453315

### **Total Number of Archival Materials restored :**

Arts Library

i) Lamination	8000 pages (approx.)
ii) Binding	42 vols.

# Preservation of Books & Rare Documents

**Binding:** No recurring grant for binding of books has been sanctioned by the Government. At present the Library has a huge number of books and journals which require immediate binding. The National Archives of India provides financial assistance only for binding of archival material.

**Pest Control:** Needless to say, ours is one of the oldest libraries in the country and its old and rare collections are housed in old buildings of the College. So, effective and regular pest control can only save our priceless national heritage. The Arts Library, which is infested with termites, needs special attention.

**Restoration of archival documents under the MPLAD Scheme:** Under the Scheme the total collection of the archival records has been de-acidified and restored for the purpose of lamination and binding.

The Restoration unit is working in the Central Library Building.

**Digitization of old books and journals under the MPLAD Scheme :** The first phase of the work under the scheme is complete.

**Conservation of Oil Paintings:** We have not achieved remarkable progress in this regard during the year. The Victoria Memorial Hall was requested to take charge of all the damaged paintings for the purpose of restoration. The Report on conservation status of six oil paintings in the Library with approximate cost amounting to Rs. 2,34,216/-prepared by Victoria Memorial Hall was forwarded to the Principal Secretary to the Government of West Bengal, Higher Education Department with a request for doing the needful.

#### **Cataloguing of Books and Journals**

The work of computerized cataloguing of current books in the Science Library and Economics & Political Science Library are satisfactory. With the introduction of LIBSYS 4 (Release 5.0) software supplied by M/S Libsys Corporation and installation of a powerful server, up-gradation of existing computers and LAN between all the Libraries, the Cataloguing and the Bibliographical control have been achieved. But all the Libraries suffer from additional manpower for the work of data-entries. A proposal for data entry of the backlogs has been submitted to the authority for consideration.

# Local area Network (LAN) introduced among Arts Library, Science Library and Economics and Political Science Library.

#### Accommodation of Books and Journals

The problem of growing congestion on the book-shelves of all the libraries remains unsolved. For want of Government recurring grant earmarked for library furniture we have not been able to procure steel racks for shelving new books purchased over the last few years. The old stock of Science periodicals would require substantial grant for furniture. The display of current periodicals needs necessary arrangement.

#### **Accommodation of Readers**

During the period under review the Presidency College Library has suffered badly in regard to accommodating students in the reading rooms. There are insufficient reading accommodation in the Arts Library. The reading accommodation in the Economics and Political Science Library is also insufficient. The Arts Library has limited seats for growing number of students. Purchase of new chairs and tables for readers is a crying need and the funding authority should give the matter top priority.

#### Library Staff

First, let us look into the present Librarians' strength in our College Library which should have similar staff strength (technical + administrative) that of a university library. Barring the Senior Librarian, who is to look after organization and administration of all Libraries, there are 10 (Ten) sanctioned posts of Librarian in the Presidency College Library.

## The following chart shows the existing strength of Librarians :

	Existing	Vacant	Total
Senior Librarian	1	Nil	1
Arts Library	1	3	4
Science Library	1	2	3
Economics & Political Science Library	Nil	1	1
Hindi Library	Nil	1	1
Centre for Economics Studies Library	Nil	1	
Total	3	8	11

Other than Librarians there are no Technical, Semi-technical or Group-D posts in the Library. The Establishment Attendants belonging to Group-D category are provided by the College Office and they are transferable to other departments. One Establishment Attendant of the Science Library was transferred to the Physiology Department in the last April without providing any substitute.

In view of the increase in the workload of the library consequent on the introduction of PG Courses and new disciplines, creation of posts of Library Assistants (Group C) has been urged number of times. Sufficient technical staff having Library and Information Science background and computer knowledge are immediately required to cope with the changed situation and requirements. Under the leadership of the Principal in collaboration with Librarians and Technical Sub-Committee a new Library Management Software has been installed and in operation. The need for the additional staff persists even after the retirement of four Librarians during the last five years. Moreover, the transfer of two Librarians without substitutes has created a void in the library service.

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Considering the ever-growing stock of the library and its related activities the College authority was also requested number of times for the creation of the posts of Library Attendants, Sorters, and Farashes. The posts of Farashes are imperatively needed for exclusive purpose of cleaning and dusting of books and equipment all the year round. A detailed proposal has been sent to the Government for consideration.

A scheme for expansion of Library staff for keeping the library open in the morning and in the evening and on Sundays was first submitted to the Director of Public Instruction, West Bengal in 1952. For the last 53 years the extension of library hours remains unfulfilled.

Also pending since 1952 is a proposal submitted by the Library for the appointment of two additional bearers who would be stationed near entrance points to the Reading Halls. Their function would be to prevent the entry of studentreaders who are unable to produce their Readers' Tickets, and to issue tokens for books, umbrellas, raincoats, bags and the like deposited with them by readers before entering the Halls. This would help to a certain extent to check the influx of idlers and unauthorized outsiders into the Reading Halls. For security of valuable books and journals the posts of Darwans for each library are badly needed.

#### Miscellaneous

The Science Library was shifted from the first floor of the Derozio Building to the Central Library Building and since July 2008 it has been working from there. The collection of rare and valuable books and journals has found their new home in the Central Library Building. But for lack of sufficient man power the proper arrangement of the collection has not been made possible.

A portion of the Hindi collection has been shifted from the Arts Library to the first floor of the Central Library Building. The students of the Hindi Department are now enjoying the facilities of circulation and reading room from there.

The Central Library Building is provided with Book Lift and General Lift (for the staff of the library) which have facilitated better service to the users of the Library.

The problem of sweeping and cleaning work in the Arts Library and the Central Library Building remains the same as in the previous years.

Our youngest and ever enthusiastic Librarian Smt. Soma Basu has been nourishing the activities of College Choir, an official group entrusted with the responsibility of performing cultural programme in the college. Smt. Basu is also a key member of the Editorial Board of the Prasangiki (Annual Report of the Presidency College).

After serving nearly 30 years in the college Sm. Suravi Bagchi, Librarian retired in the month of March this year. We are thankful for her devotion and untiring service in the Centre of Economic Studies and Economic & Political Science Library.

#### Staff List

#### Librarians

Shri Debnarayan Chakrabarti, Senior Librarian Shri Bijoy De Smt. Soma Basu **Other Staff** Smt. Rita das Shri Prasanta Kumar Mandal Shri Swapan Kumar Mukherjee Smt. Sabitri Barik Shri Timir Baran Samanta Shri Madan Mohan Datta Md. Shoukat Shri Somnath Chatterjee Smt. Chameli Das Smt. Sulata (Kundu) Khan Smt. Balmiki Prasad Janab Imam Rasul Shri Srikanta Patra Shri Gautam Ray

## Games and Sports Section

The games and sports section of the College has been tireless in its effort to instill awareness among the students, about the importance of Physical activities along with academics.

The Festival Cricket Match between the Past and Present students was held on 16th January 2010. Present students won the match.

In January 2010, Education Directorate, Govt. of West Bengal organized the Inter Govt. College Athletic Meet at Yuba BhartiKrirangan, Salt Lake and SAI Complex. Foodball, Badminton and Table-Tennis tourna-ments were also held. Presidency College team participated in the events and won several prizes.

In the Inter College Table-Tennis Championship our Girls Team was Champions and Boys team was Runners upand composition of the two teams was as follows:

GirlsTeam :	Moumita Mukherjee (PG II Botany)	Boys Team :	AvilashDey (UG III Statistics)
	Monalisa Mukherjee (UG I History)		ArjunGhosh (UG I Economics)
	•		RajarshiBhadra (UG I Economics)

In the Inter Govt. College Badminton Championship, both Boys and Girls team of our college were runners up and composition of the two teams was as follows:

GirlsTeam :	SonamChhorten Sherpa (UG II Pol. Sc.)	Boys Team :	ArijitSaha (UG II Chemistry)
	BasundharaBandyopadhyay (UG II Pol. Sc.)		SubhamSengupta (PG I Economics)
	SrijaBiswas (UG I Sociology)		RitabrataDube (UG I Geology)

The first Presideny University Games 2010 of our University was held on 15th and 16th December 2010. The inaugural and closing sessions of the Games were presided over by the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor **Professor Amita Chatterjee**. **Sri Dibyendu Barua**, Grand Master was the Chief Guest during Inaugural Session. Events were organized to ensure participa-tion of all sections of the college *viz*. Students, Teachers and other Staff members. ParomitaSamaddar (UG II Hindi) became the Indi-vidual Girls Champion. KoushikDhara(UG II Statistics)became the Individual Boys Champion.**Sri Utpal Chatterjee**, Ex-member of Indian National Cricket team & Chief Coach, Bengal Cricket Team and **Dr. Kunal Roy**, Chief Athletic Coach, SAI were the Guests of Honour during the Closing Session of the Games.

It is a great honour for the college that SoumyaThakurata of 1st Year Economic represented Calcutta University in the Asian Inter University Chess Meet in Malayasia and won the team championship. In the individual category he was 2nd Runner up.

Monalisa Mukherjee, 1st year History, gained berth to represent Calcutta University Table-Tennis Team for the Inter University East Zone as well as the All India Championship. She secured 2nd Position in both the tournaments.

This year Festival Cricket Match will be held on 15th January 2011.

#### Staff List:

Non-teaching Sri Sabitabrata Paul.

# APPENDICES



# Appendix - 1

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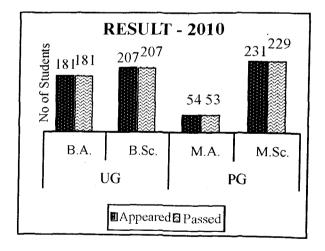
# Synopsis of Results in 2010

Subject		UG		PG		
	Appeared	Passed	Ist Class	Appeared	Passed	Ist Class
Bengali	24	24	9			
English	29	29	7	25	25	16
Hindi	34	34	、 1	29	28	8
History	34	34	4			
Philosophy	15	15	4			
Pol. Sc.	21	21	4			
Sanskrit	3	3	Nil			
Socilogy	21	21	10			
Botany	21	21	13	25	25	23
Chemistry	24	24	21	27	27	23
Economics	34	34	21	26	26	. 25
Environmental						
System					1	1.5
Management				15	15	15
Geography	12	12	8	24	24	19
Geology	21	20	14	18	18	18
Maths	12	12	6			
Molecular						
Biology &				17	17	17
Genetics				17	17	17
Physics	31	31	25	34	33	20
Physiology	13	13	10	17	17	17
Statistics	19	19	. 14			
Zoology	22	22	18	28	27	27

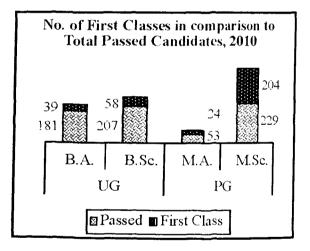
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Stream	Appeared	Passed	First Class
B.A.	181	181	39
B.Sc.	207	207	58
Under Graduate	388	388	97
M.A.	54	53	24
M.Sc.	231	229	204
Post Graduate	285	282	228

# **Results at a Glance**



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# LIST OF PRIZE WINNERS

# B. BASED ON THE RESULTS OF B.A./B.SC. PART - I, II & III COMBINED EXAMINATION, 2010 (1+1+1 System)

1.	Shruti Goswami	Nirode Baran Bakshi	Highest marks in Eng/Beng/Hist/Ph
	B.A. Roll - 4 (Bengali)	Memorial Prize	/Pol. Sc./Soc./Hindi Hons. Exam
	– Do –	Dr. Syamal Kumar Chattopadhyay	-Do-
		Memorial Scholarship (Donated by	
		Pradip Kumar Chattopadhyay)	
2.	Arpita Dhang	Kartick Chandra	Highest marks in
	Roll - 188	Mallick Memorial Medal	Philosophy Hons. Exam.
	– Do –	Prof. Prabhas Jiban Chaudhuri Prize	Do
		(Donated by Ashabori, Ritabari Ruchira	
		Chaudhuri and Durgadas Bandyopadhyay	
3.	Srobona Sen	Nirode Baran Bakshi	First from the College in
	B.Sc. Roll - 44 (Ch.)	Memorial Prize	B.Sc. Hons. Exam.
	– Do –	Manaranjan Mitra Memorial Prize	Highest marks in B.Sc.
		(Donated by Prof. Manindra Mitra)	Hons. Exam. Except Mathematic
	– Do –	Cunninghum Memorial	Highest marks in Chemistry
		Prize	Hons. Exam.
	– Do –	Acharyya Prafulla	Do
		Ch. Roy Centenary Prize	
	– Do –	Prof. Pratul Ch. Rakshit Prize	Do
	– Do –	Priyadaranjan Roy Memorial Prize	Highest marks in
		(Donated by Dilip Kumar Roy)	Chem/Physics Hons. Exam.
	Surojit Ghosh	Sushil Kumar Banerjee	Highest marks in
	Roll - 128	Memorial Medal	Mathematics Hons.
		(Donated by Ranu & Purabi Banerjee)	Exam.
	– Do –	Arabinda Mukhopadhyay	-Do-
		Memorial Medal (Donated by	
		Rabibrata Mukherjee & Purabi Mukherjee)	
	– Do –	Gyanendra Bhushan Mukherjee Prize	~ Do -
		(Donated by Anil Kumar Mukherjee)	
-	– Do –	Meghnad Saha Memorial Prize	- Do -
		(Donated by Shyamsundar Basak)	
·····	– Do –	Bibhuti Bhusan Sen	Do
		Prize (Donated by Prof. Manindra Mitra)	
	– Do –	Shobhana Devi & Upendra Narayan	
		Bhattacharya Memorial Prize	Do
		(Donated by Dip Bhattacharya)	
	Shalini Dyundi	Sushil Kumar Banerjee Memorial Medal	Highest marks in Statistics
	Roll - 220	(Donated by Ranu & Purabi Mukherjee)	Hons. Exam.
	– Do –	Prof. Prasanta Ch. Mahalanabis Prize	-Do-
		(Donated by Statistics Reunion Festival 1974)	
	- Do	Ahibhushan Chatterjee Memorial Prize	
		(Donated by Samprit Chatterjee	]

SI. No.	Name of the Student	Name of the Prize & medal	Particulars
<u>51. INO.</u> 6.	Anindita Singha Roy	J. C. Nag Memorial Medal	Highest marks in Botany
0.	B.Sc. Roll - 243		Hons. Exam.
	~ Do -	Dhirendra Nath Chatterjee Memorial Prize	Do
	- 50 -	(Donated by Prof. Tarapada Chatterjee)	
7.	Priyanka Chakraborty	J.C. Sinha Prize &	Highest marks in
1.	B.Sc. Roll - 171	U.N. Ghosal Prize	Economics Hons. Exam.
	- Do -	Debasish Ch. Memorial Prize	– Do –
		(Donated by D. Chandra)	
8.	Sandipan Dutta	Ahibhushan Chatterjee	Second Highest marks in
0.	Roll - 212	Memorial Prize	Statistics Hons. Exam.
		(Donated by Samprit Chatterjee)	
9.	Pratik Tarafdar	Charusila Devi Prize	Seond Highest marks in _
0.	B.Sc. Roll - 158	(Donated by Santosh Kumar Chatterjee)	Mathematics Hons. Exam.
10.	Hamidur Rahman	Ramanuj Pattu Ayanger	Third Highest marks in
10.	B.Sc. Roll - 146	Memorial Prize	Mathematics Hons. Exam.
 11.	Kallol Sen	Swapan Saha Memorial	Highest marks in Physics
	Roll - 10	Prize	Hons. Exam.
_	– Do –	Monindranath Saha Memorial Prize	– Do –
		(Donated by Binita Roychoudhury)	
	– Do –	Makhanlal Sarkar	– Do –
		Memorial Prize (Donated by Manjari Basu)	
12.	Chandan Pal	College Book Prize	Highest marks in Chemistry
	M.Sc. Roll - 236	Ŭ	Hons. among the students
			admitted in the 1st yr. M.Sc.Cla
13.	Sriparna Mukherjee	Prof. Subodh Ch.	Highest marks in
	B.Sc. Roll - 301	Mahalanabis Memorial Prize	Physiology Hons. Exam.
		(Donated by Prof. Sachchidananda Banerjee)	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
14.	Anindita Brahma	Aparajita Memorial	Highest marks in Zoology
•	Roll - 254	Medal (Donated by Prof. Dilip Chakraborty)	Hons. Exam.
	– Do –	Dr. Sivatosh Mookherjee Memorial Prize (Donated	- Do -
		by Re-Union Committee Deptt. of Zoology)	
15.	Sarmistha Chatterjee	Geographical Institute Prize	Highest marks in
	B.Sc. Roll - 112		Geography Hons. Exam.
		Geographical Institution Prize	Highest marks in Geography
	- Do -		Hons. Practical Exam.
			Hono. I Huotour Exam.
16.	Kumar Satyam Das	Nihar Ranjan Dutta Memorial Prize	Highest marks in Geology
	B.Sc. Roll - 85	(Donated by Suryadipta Dutta)	Hons. Exam.
17.	Rukmini Chakraborty	Kuruvilla Zacharia	Highest Marks in History
	Roll - 61	Memorial Prize	Hons. Exam.
	- Do-	Khagendra Pal Chaudhuri memorial Scholarship	Highest marks in Hist.
		(Donated by Prof. Joytirmoy Pal Chaudhuri	Hons. Exam.
	– Do –	Himani Devi Memorial	– Do –
		Prize (Donated by Kamal Kumar Ghatak)	- 00 -
	– Do –	Ajoy Banerjee Memorial Prize	
	– Do –	Punyalekha Banerjee Memorial Prize	- D0
		(Donated by Atish Ranjan Banerjee)	- D0 -
18.	Pritha Kundu	Prof. Amal Bhattacharyya Memorial Prize	Lighart made in Earlich
	B.A. Roll - 45	(Donated by Sukumari Bhattacharya)	Highest marks in English
		Prof. Tarak Nath Sen memorial Prize (Donated	Hons. Exam.
	– Do –	by Tarak Nath Sen birth centinary Celebration	
		Committee)	- Do -

SI. No.	Name of the Student	Name of the Prize & medal	Particulars
	-Do-	Prof. Tarapada Mukherjee memorial	- do -
_		Prize (Donated by Prof. Ashok Mukherjee)	
	- Do -	Taraprasad Mukherjee	- do -
		Silver Medal (Donated by	- <u>uo</u>
		Shyamaprasad Mukherjee)	
	– Do –	Bibhabati Sarkar Memorial Prize	do
	}	(Donated by Manjari Basu)	- uo -
	- Do	Satish Ranjan Banerjee	
		Memorial Prize (Donated	- do
		by Atish Ranjan Banerjee	
	– Do –	Prof. Amulyadhan	
			– do –
		Mukherjee Birth Centenary	
	– Do –	Plaque (Donated by Sri Amit Mukherjee)	
		Jyotish Chandra Roy Memorial Prize	– Do –
19.	Shruti Goswami	(Donated by Syamal Kr. Roy)	
13.	B.A. Roll - 4	Bibhuti Bhusan Bandyopadhyay	Highest marks in Bengali
	D.A. NUI - 4	Prize (Donated by	Hons, Exam.
		Prof. Haraprasad Mitra)	
	– Do –	Asutosh Mukherjee Memorial Prize	– do –
	``	(Donated Syamsundar Basak)	
		Prof. Amulyadhan Mukherjee	- do -
	– Do –	Birth Centenary Plaque	
		(Donated by Sri Amit Mukherjee)	
		Bani Basu Memorial	Highest marks in Bengali
	– Do –	Prize	Hons. Exam. among the
			Girls students
20.	Suchismita Ghosh	– Do –	Second highest marks in
	Roll - 1		Bengali Hons.Exam. Among
			the Girls students
21.	Anwesha Das Gupta	Rajendra Kishor memorial Prize	Highest marks in
	B.A. Roll - 106	(Donated by Dr. Nirmal Chandra Basu)	Pol. Sc. Exam.
	– Do –	Naresh Ch. Chakroborty Memorial Prize	- Do -
		(Donated by Musical Majumder)	
	-Do-	Nitish Chandra Chakraborti Memorial	······································
		Prize (Donated by Prof. Debanjan Chakraborty)	- Do -
	-Do-	Chandan Kumar Bhattacharyya Memorial	- Do -
		Prize (Donated by Mrs. Atasi Bhattacharyya)	
22.	Anisha Sen	Nirmal Ch. Basu	Highest marks in Sociology
	B.A. Roll - 137	Roy Chaudhuri Memorial	Hons. Exam.
	D.A. HOI - 137	Prize (Donated by Bela	Hono. Enam
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23.	Ashish O: I	Basu Roy Chaudhuri)	Highest marks in Hindi
. <b>J</b> .	Ashish Sinha	Akhil Bharatiya	Highest marks in find Hons, Exam.
	B.A. Roll - 146	Pragatisil Sultanpur Samaj Prize	Highest marks in B.A./B.Sc.
4.		Mahadev Maity Memorial	
ļ		Book Prize (Donated by	Hons. Exam. among the
		Shyamal Kumar Maity)	students of the reserved quot

# A. BASED ON THE RESULTS OF B.A./B.SC. PART - I & II (Combined) EXAMINATION, 2010 (1+1+1 System)

25.	Sumanta Chakroborty B.Sc. Roll -13 (Physics)	Kanakprava Devi & Jyotish Ch. Chakroborti Memorial Scholarship (Donated by B.K. Chakraborty)	Highest Marks in B.A./B.Sc. Hons. Exam
	- Do -	Scindia Silver Medal & Gwalior Book Prize	First from the College in B.Sc. (Hons.) Exam.
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	Name of the Student	Name of the Prize & medal	Particulars
SI. No.		Jayanta Bijoy De Memorial	Highest marks in
	– Do –	Scholership (Donated by Mrs. Sukla De)	Physics Hons. Exam.
	·······	Kartick Ch. Mukherjee Memorial Prize	- Do -
	– Do –	Parthasarathi Gupta Memorial	- Do
	– Do –	Prize (Donated by Prof. Parimal Sen)	
		Dr. Satinath Bagchi Memorial Prize	Highest marks in
26.	Md Moniruzzaman	Dr. Satifiain Bayeri Memoran nize	Mathematics Hons, Exam
	Roll - 149	(Donated by Pratul Kumar Bagchi)	Matternation (1616). Exam
27.	Utsaleena Das	Scindia Silver Medal & Gwalior Book	First from the college in
	B.A. Roll - 127 (Soc)	Prize	B.A. (Hons.) Exam.
	- Do -	Arun Kumar Roy Memorial Prize	– Do –
		(Donated by Rita Roy)	
	– Do –	Harish Chandra	– Do –
	50	Kaviranta Memorial Book Prize	
+	– Do –	Deptt. of Sociology Foundation Fund	Highest Marks in Sociolog
Į		Prize (Donated by Prof. Prasanta Roy)	Hons. Exam.
28.	Aditi Banerjee	Arun Sarkar Memorial Medal	Highest Marks in Bengal
20. ·	Roll - 31		Hons Exam.
	– Do –	Prof. Haraprasad Mitra Memorial	– Do –
	- 00 -	Prize (Donated by Dr. Namita Mitra)	
		Prof. Tarak Nath Sen Memorial Prize	Highest marks in Bengal
29.		(Donated by Prof. Haraprasad Mitra)	Pass Exam.
			Highest marks in History
30.	a) Somak Biswas, Roll - 69	Raibahadur Debendra	
	b) Tanima Dey, Roll - 72	Chandra Ghosh Memorial Prize	Hons. Exam.
	-Do-	Arijit Sengupta Memorial Scholarship	-Do-
31.	Amitava Pal	Charuchandra Ghosh	Highest Marks in English
	B.A. Roll - 17	Memorial Prize	Hons. Exam
32.	Rituja Guha	Netaji Subhas Ch. Basu Prize	Highest marks in Pol. Sc
	Roll-102	(Donated by Shyam Sundar Basak)	Hons. Exam.
33.	Raja Shaw	Akhil Bharat Sultanpur	Highest marks in Hindi
	B.A. Roll - 182	Pragatisil Samaj Prize	Hons. Exam.
34.	a) Indrita Saha, Roll - 126	College Book Prize	Highest marks in Geograp
}	b) Pabitra Mondal, Roll - 121		Hons. Exam.
	– Do –	Geographical Institute Book Prize	- do -
35.	Rituparna Chatterjee	Geographical Institute Prize	Highest Marks in
	Roll - 119		Geography Hons. Pract. Ex
	Narayan Bose	Chandra Nath Maitra	
36.	B.Sc. Roll - 113		Highest marks in Geology
<u></u>		Medal	in Exam.
37.	Saptarshi Chakraborty	Prasanta Chandra Mahalanabis Prize (Dona-	Highest marks in Statistic
	B.Sc. Roll - 222	ted by Statistics Reunion Festival 1974)	Hons. Exam.
38.	Isita Jhulki	Sudip Shome Memorial Prize	Highest marks in Chemist
	B.Sc. Roll - 65	(Donated by Sudhir Chandra Shome)	Hons. Exam.
39.	a) Dipanwita Chatterjee Roll - 46	Kunjabihari Basak	Highest marks in Chemist
ł	b) Isita Jhulki, Roll - 65	Medal	Hons. Pract. Exam .
40.	Soumil Dey	Prof. Sachchidananda Banerjee Prize	Highest marks in
	B.Sc. Roll - 290	(Donated by Physiology Deptt.,	Physiology Hons. Exam.
		Presidency College, Kolkata)	
	- Do -	Prof. Achintya Kr. Mukhopadhyay	
		Memorial Prize (Donated by Physiology	– Do –
		Deptt. Presidency College, Kolkata)	<b>D</b> 0 -
41.	Anubhab Laha	Aparajita Chattopadhyay Memorial Prize	Highest model: Det
	B.Sc. Roll - 240	(Donated by Arun Kumar Chattopadhyay	Highest marks in Botany
			Hons. in Exam.
		and Purabi Chattopadhyay)	

SI. No.	Name of the Student	Name of the Prize & medal	Particulars
	C. BASED ON	THE RESULT OF M.SC. PART - I EXAMINATION -	2010
42.	Sayantani Pramanik	Gangadas Sarda	Highest marks in
	M.Sc. Roll - 2	Scholarship (Donated by G. S. Sarda)	M.Sc. Geology Exam.
43.	Patrali Sinha	– do –	Second highest marks in
	M.Sc. Roll - 10		M.Sc. Geology Exam.
4.	Sirina Ghosh	Sandip Shome Memorial Prize	Highest marks in M.Sc.
	M.Sc. Roll - 80	(Donated by Dr. Subir Shome)	Chemistry Exam.
5.	Ananya Patra	Partha Sarathi Gupta Memorial	Highest marks in M.Sc.
	M.Sc. Roll - 230	Prize (Donated by Prof. Parimal Sen)	Physics Exam.
6.	a) Supti Bhattacharyya Roll - 195	Samir Kumar Ganguly Memorial Scholarship	Highest Marks in
1	b) Amrita Raj Ghosh Roll - 198	(Donated by Mrs. Shanta Ganguly)	M.Sc. Physiology Exam.

# D. BASED ON THE RESULT OF M.A. / M.SC. PART - II EXAMINATION - 2010

47.	Arumima Bhattacharya	Prof. Prafullya Ch. Ghosh	Highest marks in English
	Roll - 1	Memorial Prize	M.A. Exam.
18.	Sunanda Chatterjee	Chandra Narayan	Highest marks in History
	Roll - 74	Memorial Medal	M.A. Exam.
19.	Anay Chakraborty	Jibanananda Das Prize	Highest marks in
	M.A. Roll - 86	(Donated by Prof. Haraprasad Mitra)	Bengali M.A. Exam.
50.	Darothy Roy Chowdhury	Lilabati Roy Memorial Prize	Highest marks in
	M.A. Roll - 68	(Donated by Debanjan Chakraborty	Pol. Sc. M.A. Exam.
51.	Indrani Sen	Shyamapada Bhattacharyya Memorial	Highest marks in
	M.A. Roll -66	Prize (Donated by Prof. Ajit Bhattacharyya)	Philosophy M.A. Exam.
52.	Deena Nath Singh		
	M.A. Roll - 33	(Donated by Kumar Kislay)	Hindi Examination
3.	Soumen Saha	Parimal Krishna Sen Memorial Prize	Highest marks in
	M.Sc. Roll - 65	Donated by Mrs. Ranu Sen	Chemistry M.Sc. Exam.
	-Do-	Priyadaranjan Ray	-Do-
		Memorial Prize (Donated by Dilip Kr. Ray)	
	-Do-	Sir Upendra Nath	-Do-
		Brahmachari Memorial Prize	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
	-Do-	Cunninghum Memorial Prize	-Do-
4.	Arpita Guha Neogi	Prof. Narendra Mohan Basu Memorial Prize	Highest marks in
	M.Sc. Roll - 199	(Donated by The Physiological Institute)	Physiology M.Sc. Exam.
	-Do-	Dr. Chitralekha Mukherjee Memorial Book	-Do-
	-	Prize (Donated by Debatri Banerjee)	·
5.	Akankhita Saha	Sivatos Mookherjee Memorial Silver Medal	Higest Marks in
	M.Sc. Roll - 138	(Donated by Aparajita Memorial Charitable Trust)	Zoology M.Sc. Exam.
6.	Titir Mukerjee	Kamalmani Sarma Memorial Prize	Highest marks in M.Sc.
	M.Sc. Roll - 2	(Donated by Prof. Manimala Das)	Geology Examination.
7.	Aditi Gangopadhyay	Sivatos Mookerjee Memorial	Highest Marks in M.Sc.
	Roll - 162	Prize (Donated Zoology Deptt.)	Mol. Bio & Genetics
8.	Arka Banerjee	Phanindra Nath Memorial Scholarship	Highest marks in
	Roll - 298	(Donated by Mrs. Shanta Ganguly)	M.Sc. ESM Exam.
9.	Swagata Sarkar	Samir Kumar Ganguly Memorial Scholarship	Highest marks in M.Sc.
	Roll - 73	(Donated by Mrs. Shanta Ganguly)	Applied Economics Exam.

	F. BASED ON	THE RESULTS OF PART - I (1+1+1) EXAMINATION	DN - 2010
60.	Sohini Chattopadhyay Roll - 71 (History)	Bholanath Das Memorial Prize (Donated by Avijit, Narayan Ch., Shyamapada & Biswanath Das)	Highest marks in B.A. Hons. Exam.

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SI. No.	Name of the Student	Name of the Prize & medal	Particulars
<u> </u>	- Do -	Suryya Kumar Das Memorial Prize	Highest marks in
	20	(donated by Manjusree Das)	History Hons., Exam.
61.	Subhanip Biswas B.Sc. Roll - 42 (Ch)	-Do-	Highest marks in B.Sc. Hons. Exam.
	- Do -	Kanakprava Devi and Jyotish Ch. Chakraborti Scholarship)	Highest marks in B.A./B.Sc. Hons. Exam.
	- Do -	Bijoy Memorial Scholarship	Highest marks in Chem. Hons. Exam.
62.	Swagato Mukherjee B.Sc. Roll - 222	Surendranath Basu Memorial Prize (Donated by Sasadhar Bose)	Highest marks in B.Sc. Statistics Hons. Exam.
63,	Arka Mukherjee	Surendra Basu Memorial Prize	Second highest marks in B.S.
	B.Sc. Roll - 224	(Donated by Utpal Bose)	Statistics Hons. Exam.
64.	Priyasmita Ghosh	Nirmal Kanti Majumder Memorial	Highest marks in Economics
	B.Sc. Roll - 344	Prize (Donated by Mukul Majumder)	Hons. Exam.
65.	Sayani Malakar B.A. Roll - 116	-Do-	Highest marks in B.A. Pol.Sc. Exam.
66.	Tathagata Paul Roll - 15	Nistarini Dasi Book Prize	Best performance in the B.Sc. Physics Hons. Laboratory Note Book.
67.	Nian Paul B.Sc. Roll - 121	Geographical Institute Prize	Highest marks in B.Sc. Hons. Exam. in Geography
	- Do -	-Do-	Highest marks in B.Sc. Geography Hons. Exam. in Practical

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	·	F. OTHER PRIZES AND SCHOLARSHIPS ETC.	
68.	a) Somak Biswas .	Prof. Ashin Das Gupta Memorial Prize	Most curious student in
	Roll - 69	(Donated by Dr. Uma Dasgupta)	the History Dept.
	b) Tanima Dey Roll - 72		
69.	a) Abhijit Shaw	Bhupendra Das	Two best students of M.Sc.
	M.Sc. Roll - 69	Memorial Scholarship	Mathematics class
	b) Karna Ghosh		
	M.Sc. Roll - 290	-Do-	-Do-
70.	a) Anwesa Debnath	Acharyya Prafulla	Two students of Chemistry
	Roll - 413 (2nd Yr.)	Ch. Roy Memorial	Hons. on merit-cum-means
	b) Sanghamitra Sinha	Scholarship	basis
	Roll - 49 (3rd Year)		
71.		Sukhamoy Chakraborty Memorial Scholarship	Two students of EHH on
		(Donated by Lalita Chakraborty)	merit-cum-means basis
72.	- Do -	Rajsekhar Basu Memorial Scholarship	Two students on merit-
		(Donated by Dipankar Basu)	cum-means basis
73.	a) Priyanka Kole	Presidency College	Two 3rd yr. Students on
	B.A. Roll - 203 (Phil)	Alumni Association	merit-cum-means basis
1997 - 1997 -	b) Bibekananda Jana	Scholarship	
	B.Sc. Roll - 59 (Ch)		
74.	.a) Kumar Satyam Das	Eden Hindu Hostel	Highest marks in Part II. Exam.
	b) Saikat Kuamr Das	Centenary Scholarship	
75.	Arijita Mukherjee	Sukhamay Chakraborty	3rd Yr. Girls student on
	BA Roll - 163 (Bengali)	Memorial Scholarship	merit-cum-means basis in
		(Donated by Charusila Chakraborty)	Presidency University
			Girl's Hostel

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SI. No.	Name of the Student	Name of the Prize & medal	Particulars
76.	Bithika Das	Shovik Banerjee Memorial	Best Field
	B.Sc. Roll -101	Scholarship (Donated by	Geologist at the
		Geology Honours Students '96-99	Honours level.
7.	a) Shruti Goswani	Dr. Anil Kumar	Student securing
	B.A. Roll - 4 (Bengali)	Bhattacharyya	the highest percentage
	•	Memorial Prize	of marks in all exams.
	b) Srobona Sen	(Donated by Millennium	(one each in Arts & Science)
	B.Sc. Roll - 44 (Ch)	Re-union committee	
		of Statistics Deptt.	
78.	Pritha Kundu	Narayan Chandra Ghosh	Honours Graduate in English
	B.A. Roll - 45	Memorial Prize (Donated	securing highest marks in all
		by Smt. Bina Ghosh)	Examinations
79.	Shruti Goswami	Dipak Chandra Ghosh Memorial Prize	Honours Graduate in Bengali
	B.A. Roll - 4	(Donated Smt. Bina Ghosh)	securing highest marks in all
			Examinations
80.	Adway De (Best Debator)	Udayan Mukherjee memorial	
	Team : Puja Kankrania	Debate Prize (Donated by	Best Debator from the
	Yashi Surana	Sri Partha Sarathi Sengupta	College
	Ujjan Ghosh		······································
81.	Rituparna Saha	Arnab Biswas Memorial	Highest percentage of
	Roll - 280	Plaque (Donated by	attendance in the 1st Year
		Smt. Saraswati Misra)	Honours Class
82.	Śrobona Sen	Dr. Shyamaprasad Mookerjee	Hons. Graduate of the
	Roll - 44 (Chemistry)	Gold Medel (Donated by Arati	College who has the
		Bhattacharyya)	Highest Scholastic record.
83.	a) Amrita Ghosh Roll - 47	Late Shri Paramesh Ch. Bhattacharyya	Best student seminar in
	b) Pritha Agarwala, Roll - 64	Memorial Scholarship	Science at Post-Graduate Leve
84.	a) Bijetri Bandyopadhyay	Sudipto Ghosh Memorial	Research Scholar fellowship
	b) Souvik Biswas	Research Scholarship (Donated	in Physiology
		by Mrs. Shukla Ghosh)	
		Prof. Sachchidananda Banerjee Contingency	Research Contingency
	-do-	Fund. (Donated by Prof. S. Bannerji	Fund
		Felicitation Committee)	Death of the second
35.	Suman Chakroborty	Ila Mukhopadhyay Memorial Medal	Best human Qualities among
	3rd Year Roll - 234 (Statistics)	(Donated by Prof. Amal Kumar Mukhopadhyay)	the students of the college
36.	Aditi Gangopadhyay	Dr. Atul Ch. Biswas Memorial Prize	Best All Rounder among the
	Roll - 162, (M B & 6)	(Donted Dr. Anjan Biswas)	P.G. Students of the College Overall Champion in
37.	Hindi Department	Asha Pratip Challenge Trophy	College Sports and Games
20		(Donated by Sri Dipankar Basu)	College spons and Games
38.	a) Kaushik Dhara		Individual Champion
	Stal (2nd Yr.)		помала слатрот
	b) Paramita Samaddar	1	
	Hindi (2nd Yr.)		

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5. 6.		Sri N. C. Basu Roy Chowdhuri	2,000.00
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9.	Prof. Sachchidananda Banerjee Fund	Physiology Department	6,000.00
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35.	Bijoy Memorial Scholarship Fund		10,900.00
36.	Prof. P. C. Mahalanabish Fund	Re-union Committee 1974 Stat. Dept.	10,000.00
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38.	Donation from Sadlar Hall		1,100.00
39.	Kartick Chandra Mallick Memorial Fund		1,300.00
40.	B.C. Das Scholarship Fund		18,500.00
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14.	Sir Asutosh Memorial Fund		1,700.0
5.	Kuruvilla Jacharia Memorial Fund		1,29,600.0
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7.	Bani Basu Memorial Prize Fund		1,900.0
8.	Kunja Behari Basak Memorial Fund		200.0
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1.	Presidency College Graduate Scholarship Fund		4,700.0
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3.	Arun Sarkar Memorial Fund		1,000.0
4.	Astronomical Society of India Fund		1,000.0
5.	Chandranarayan Gold Medal		1,500.0
6.	B. C. Laha Free Studentship		8,000.0
7.	Girish Chandra Deb Prize Fund		800.0
8.	H. Sil Kabiratna Memorial Fund		400.0
9.	Roy Bahadur Debendrachandra Ghosh Fund		2,000.0
0.	Cunninghum Memorial Fund		2,700.0
1.	Acharya Prafulla Chandra Roy Scholarship Fund		10,300.0
2.	1) T. S. Sterling Stipend Fund	Prof. T.S. Sterling	3,30,000.0
3.	2) T. S. Sterling Stipend Fund	-do-	63,700.0
4.	Principal, Presidency College Fund		4,25,000.0
5.	Charuchandra Ghosh Memorial Fund		1,500.0
6.	Shyamapada Bhattacharyya Memorial Fund	Sri Ajit Kr. Bhattacharya	5,000.0
7.	Nitishchandra Chakraborty Memorial Fund	Sri Debanjan Chakraborty	2,500.0
8.	Nareshchandra Chakraborty Memorial Fund	Sri Debanjan Chakraborty	2,500.0
9.	Lilabati Roy Memorial Fund	Sri Debanjan Chakraborty	2,500.0
0.	Parthasarathi Gupta Memorial Fund	Dr. Parimal Krishna Sen	10,000.0
1.	lla Mukhopadhyay Memorial Fund	Dr. Amal Kr. Mukhopadhyay	6,000.0
2.	Rajsekhar Basu Memorial Fund	Sri Dipankar Basu	25,000.0
3.	Ajay Chandra Banerjee Memo. Fund	Smt. Manju Banerjee	15,000.0
4.	Chandan Bhattacharya Memo. Fund	Smt. Atashi Bhattacharya	6,000.0
5.	U. N. Ghoshal Memorial Fund		1,500.0
6.	Aparajita Chattopadhyay Memo. Fund	Sri Arun Kr. Chattopadhyay	5,000.0
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7.	Sushil Kr. Banerjee Memo. Fund	Smt. Ranu Banerjee	30,000.0
7. 8.	Arabindo Memorial Fund	Rabibrata Mukherjee	10,000.0
5. 9.	Ahibhushan Chatterjee Memorial Fund	Sri Samprit Chatterjee	20,000.0
9. D.	Bholanath Das Memorial Fund	Sri Abhijit Kr. Das, Sri Narayan Chandra,	5,000.0
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1.	Presidency College Magazing Endowment Fund		1,40,000.0
ı. 2.	Presidency College Magazine Endowment Fund Presidency College Fund for College Function and Seminars		35,000.0
2. 3.		Geography Department	7,500.0
3. 4.	Annual Prizes-in-Geography,	Smt. Sarju Ayengar	5,000.0
4. 5.	Ramanuj Pattu Ayengar Memo. Fund	Smt. Manjari Basu	5,000.0
5. 6 <i>.</i>	Late Makhun Lal Sarkar Prize Fund	-do-	5,000.0
5. 7.	Late Bibhabati Sarkar Prize Fund	Smt. Uma Dasgupta	15,000.0
	Ashin Dasgupta Book Prize		15,000.0
3. D	Centenary Scholarship Fund, Govt. College, Hindu Hostel	Tarapada Chatterjee	10,000.0
9. D	Dhirendranath Chatterjee Memo. Fund	Pradip K. Chattopadhyay	89,000.0
). 1	Prof. Shyamal Kr. Chattopadhyay Memo. Fund	Sri Suryadipta Datta	13,000.0
1.	Nihar Ranjan Dutta Memo Fund	Smt. Arati Bhattacharya	50,000.0
2.	Shyamaprasad Mukherjee Gold Medal	Sri Dilip Kr. Roy	32,000.0
3. 4.	Priyadaranjan Roy Book Prize Late Harendralal Basak Memorial Lecture	Dr. Bijoy Shankar Basak	5,00,000.0

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	ND TOTAL	·	55,06,850.0
131. * Inte	Late Khagendra Pal Chaudhuri Memorial Fund in History rest on Endowments	Prof. Jyotirmoy Pal Chaudhuri	25,000.0 3,00,000.0
	Applied Economics	Smt. Shanta Ganguly	66,000.0
129. 130.	Late Samir Kumar Ganguly Memorial Fund in Physiology	Smt. Shanta Ganguly	66,000.0
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28.	Late Phanindranath Mukherjee Memorial Fund.	Zoology Department Smt. Shanta Ganguly	25,000.0 66,000.0
27.	Prof. Sivatosh Mookherjee Memorial Trust Fund in Molecular Biology	Zoology Doportmont	25,000.0
26.	Late Paramesh Chandra Bhattacharjee Endowment	Sri Pushpak Bhattacharjee	40,000.0
25.	Prof. Sivatosh Mookerjee Memorial Trust Fund	Reunion Committee, Zoology Dept.	25,000.0
24.	Prof. Shyamal Kr. Chattopadhyay Memorial Fund	(2) Sri Prodip K. Chattopadhyay	45,000.0
23.	Dr. Atul Chandra Biswas Memorial Endowment Fund	Dr. Anjan Biswas	50,000.0
22.	Prof. Parimal Krishna Sen Memorial Endowment Fund	Mrs. Ranu Sen	25,000.
21.	Choir, Prasangiki and Misc. Endowment Fund		2,00,000.
20.	Gymnasium, Games and sports Endowment Fund		3,50,000.
19.	Poor Student's Endowment Fund	Presidency College	2,50,000.
18.	Chitralekha Mukherjee Memorial Fund	Smt. Debatri Banerjee	25,000.
17.	Jayanta Bijoy De Memorial Scholarship Fund	Smt. Shukla De	2,25,000.
		Sri Sumit Kumar Das	25,000.
16.	Suryya Kumar Das Memorial Trust	Smt. Manjusree Das, Sri Amit Kumar Das &	
15.	Kamalmani Sharma Memorial Endowment	Prof. Manimala Das	50,000.0
	Bhattacharya Memorial Endowment	Prof. Dip Bhattacharya	1,00,000.
14.	Shobhana Devi and Upendra Narayan		
13.	Chandra Narayan Das Memorial Trust	Sri Kumar Kislay	10,000.0
12.	Prof. Sivatosh Mookherjee Medal	Aparajita Memorial Charitable Trust	5,000.
11.	Kanak Prava Devi and Jyotish Chandra Chakroborty Memorial Fund	Dr. B. K. Chakraborty	1,00,000.
11.	Kanak Prava Davi and Ivatish Chandra	Foundation	46000.
10.	Bani Bakshi Foundation Endowment	Sri P.R. Rakshit, Chairman Bani Bakshi	46000
09.	Sir Upendranath Brahmachari Memorial Fund	Dr. U.N. Brahmachari Memorial Trust	10,000.0
08.	Udayan Mukherjee Memorial Debate Endowment	Sri Partha Sarathi Sengupta	1,00,000.
07.	Dipak Chandra Ghosh Memorial Endowment	- Do-	25,000.0
06.	Narayan Chandra Ghosh Memorial Endowment	Smt. Bina Ghosh	25,000.0
	Contingency Fund	Prof. S. Banerjee Felicitation Committee	1,20,000.0
05.	Prof. Sachchidananda Bannerji Research		
04.	Sudipto Ghosh Memorial Research Fund	Mrs. Shukla Ghosh	5,00,000.0
103.	Mahadev Maity Memorial Trust Fund	Sri Shyamal Kumar Maity	10,000.0
02.	Shovik Banerjee Memorial Scholarship	Geology Honours Students '96-99	11,000.0
01.	Late Arnab Biswas Memorial Medal	Smt. Saraswati Misra	10,000.0
00.	Prof. Amulyadhan Mukherjee Centenary Fund	Sri Amit Mukherjee	15,000.0
99.	FIOL ANIL RI. DHALLACHALYA METHOL FILZE	Statistics Department, Presidency College	
98.	Jyotish Chandra Roy Memorial Prize Prof. Anil Kr. Bhattacharya Memo. Prize	Millennium Re-Union Committee of	10,000.0
97.	Punyalekha Banerjee Memorial Prize	Sri Shyamal Kumar Roy	1,200.0
6.	Satish Ranjan Banerjee Memorial Prize	- Do-	20,000.0
5.	Monindra Nath Saha Memorial Prize	Dr. Binata Roy Choudhury Sri Atish Ranjan Banerjee	15,000.0 20,000.0

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## Appendix -5

SUBJECT		Number	of Seats		Number of
	GENERAL	SC	ST	TOTAL	Applicants
Bengali	21	7	2	30	638
English	21	7	2	30	2343
Hindi	29	9	2	40	219
History	25	8	2	35	429
Philosophy	21	7	2	30	138
Political Science	17	6	2	25	531
Sociology	18	5	1	24	510
Biochemistry	7	2	1	10	282
Botany	18	6	2	26	494
Chemistry	29	10	3	42	2445
Economics	29	9	2	40	908
Geography	15	4	1	20	619
Geology	17	6	2	25	712
Mathematics	29	9	2	40	1925
Physics	29	9	2.	40	1789
Physiology	18	5	1	24	699
Statistics	15	4	1	20	538
Zoology	17	6	2	25	1434

# B.A./B.Sc. Admission Information, 2010

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# Sanctioned, Filled and Vacant Teaching Posts

Departments	Sa	nctioned Pos	ition	Filled in position			Vaca	Vacant Position		
	Professor	Associate Professor/ Reader/ lecturer	TOTAL	Professor	Associate Professor / Reader	Assistant Professor/Lecturer	TOTAL	Professor	Associate Professor/Lecturer	TOTAL
1. Bengali	1	8	9	1	6	2	9	0	0	0
2. Botany	3	12	15	1	10	1,	12	2	1	3
<ol> <li>Chemistry &amp; Biochemistry</li> </ol>	6	21	27	2	12	3	17	4	6	10
4. English	<u> </u>	8 7	11	2	3	· 3	8	5	1	6
5. Economics		8	9	2	4	2	0 7	0	2	2
<ol> <li>Geography</li> <li>Geology &amp; Environmental</li> </ol>	1			1					· · ·	
System Management	6	18	24	1	10	4	15	5	4	9
8. Hindi	2	6	8	0	1	4	5	2	1	3
9. History	3	5	8	0	1	3	4	3	1	4
10. Mathematics	2	7	9	1	2	4	7	1	1	2
11. Philosophy*	1	5	6	0	5	1	6	1 .	-1	0
12. Physics	4	15	19	0	15	0	15	4	0	4
13. Physiology	3	11	14	0	6	2	8	3	. 3	6
14. Political Science*	3	3	6	0	4	0	4	3	-1	2
15. Sociology	1	4	5	0	3	1	4	1	0	1
16. Statistics	2	5	7	0	3	2	5	2	0	2
<ol> <li>Zoology &amp; Molecular Biology</li> </ol>	4	16	20	1	6	2	9	3	8	11
18. Biotechnology	0	5	5	0	0	3	3	0	2	2
Controller of Examinations	1	1	2	0	1	0	1	1	0	1
Librarian	0	11	11	0	2	1	3	0	8	8
Total	53	176	229	10	97	43	150	43	36	79

\*Post of Professor temporarily downgraded and Associate Professor posted in that position

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SI.No.	Name of the Post	<b>Sanctioning Position</b>	Filled in position	Vacancy Position
1	Accounts Officer	01	01	Nil
2	Head Assistant	01	Nil	01
3	Chief Accountant	01	Nil	01
4	Accountant	01	01	nil
5	Second Clerk	01	01	Nil
6	Caretaker	01	Nil	01
7	Steward	01	Nil	01
8	Upper Division Clerk	08	07	01
9	Lower Division Clerk	06	06	Nil
10	Stenographer	01	01	Nil
11	Steno-Typist (Supervisory Grade)	01	01	Nil
12	Typist	04	04	Nil
13	Typist-cum-Clerk	01	01	Nil
14	Cashier (UDC)	01	Nil	01
15	Cashier (LDC)	01	Nil	01
16	Assistant Cashier	01	01	Nil
17	Herbarium Keeper	01	01	Nil
18	Draftsman	03	02	01
19	Technical Assistant	01	01	Nil
20	Electrician	01	01	Nil
21	Master-in-Mechanics	01	Nil	01
22	Assistant Mechanics	01	Nil	01
23	Carpenter	01	01	Nil
24	Cataloguer	01	Nil	01
25	Assistant Electrician	01	Nil	01
26	Instrument Keeper	03	03	nil
27	Store-Keeper (UDC)	04	02	02
28	Store-Keeper (LDC)	03	01	02
29	Artist-cum-Keeper	01	01	nil
30	Electronic Technician	01	Nil	01
31	Research Associate	03 .	01	02
32	Matron	01	01	- Nil
33	Cash-sarkar	01	01	Nil .
34	Driver	02	02	Nil

## Sanctioned, Filled and Vacant Non-Teaching Posts Group A. B and C

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Sľ.No.	Name of the Post	Sanctioning Position	Filled in position	Vacancy Position
1	Establishment Attendant	54	48	06
2	Skilled Bearer	18	12	06
3	Peon	04	•01	03
4	Bursar Peon	01	Nil	01
5	Bearer	03	01	02
6	Library Bearer	01	01	Nil
7	Additional Bearer	01	Nil	01
8	Section Cutter	01	01	Nil
9	Darwan	08	06	02
10	Chaprasi	02	01	01
11	Mali	03	03	Nil
12	Bell-Man	01	01	Nil
13	Night-Watch-Man	08	06	02
14	Laboratory Attendant	01	Nil	01
15	Gas plant Attendant	01	Nil	01
16	Boiler Attendant	01	01	Nil
17	Specimen Collector	04	01	03
18	Sweeper	20	19	01
19	Cleaner	01	01	Nil

## Group D

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### OFFICE OF THE VICE CHANCELLOR PRESIDENCY UNIVERSITY 86/1, COLLEGE STREET, KOLKATA - 700 073.

Vice Chancellor Professor Amita Chatterjee

**Bursar** Dr. Devashish Sen

### **Controller of Examination (P.G.)** Vacant

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Accounts Officer Sri Chanchal Bhattacharyay **Dy. Controller of Examination (PG)** Sri Anjan Saha

### Existing Staff Position of the Administrative Office & Departments.

Sri Prasanta Kr. Banerjee Sri Uttam Samanta Sri Mrinal Kanti Das Sri Ardhendu Bepari Sri Samsul Haque Laskar Sri Ardhendu Ghosh Sri Mrinal Kanti Sengupta Sri Sanjib Dhar Sri Kalyan Chakraborty Sri Ganesh Thakur Sri Joydev Das Sri Tushar Chakraborty Smt. Rita Das Sri Pradip Das

> **Technical Assistant** Sri Sukumar Samanta

**Draftsman** Sri Biren Bandyopadhyay Sri Pratul Ranjan Chakraborty Smt. Minati De Sri Subal Ch. Guha Smt. Saraswati Ghosh Sri Taraknath Prasad Sri Tapas Kr. Banerjee Sri Sankar Banerjee Sri Aloke Kr. Dey Sri Subrata Das Sri Subrata Das Sri Samir Debnath Sri Sankar Sardar Sri Swapan Kr. Das Sri Susanta Roy Sri Biswajit Das Sri Taraknath Pradhan (Driver)

Herbarium Keeper Sri Tapan Dutta

### SIT Tapan Dulla

Instrument Keeper Sri Kwaja Moinul Haque Smt. Pratima Halder Sri Rintu Dey

Artist-Cum-Record keeper Sri Tarun Kanti Roy Electrician. Sri Amitabha Bhar. **Carpenter** Sri Haren Baidya.

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## Vacancy position of the Administrative office & Departments.

Master Mechanics - 1

- 1. Head Assistant 1
- 6. Caretaker 1
- 2. Chief Accountant 1
- 3. U.D. Clerk 1

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- 7. Draftsman 1
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- 4. Cashier (U.D.C.) 1
- 9. Cataloguer 1
- Store Keeper (U.D.C.) 2 10. Casher (L.D.C.) 1
- 11. Storekeeper (L.D.C.)-2
- 12. Asstt. Mechanics 1
- 13. Stewards 1
- 14. Electronics Technicians -1
- 15. Assistant Electrician 1

#### Existing Assisting Staff Position of the Administrative Office and Departments

Sri Rammurat Pr. Rangwa. Sri Mohanlal Rangwa. Sri Keshab Ch. Roy. Sri Swapan Kr. Mukherjee. Sri Shyamal Kanti Singha. Sri Sabtri Barik Sri Madan Mohan Dutta. Sri Puspa Rani Dey. Sri Shilarani Ghosh (Das). Sri Pradip Banerjee. Sri Dilip Kr. Bir. Sri Arun Moitra Sri Netai Ch. Dey Sri Balmiki Prasad Sri Sambhu Nath Das Sri Dilip Hazra

#### **Establishment Attendant**

Sri. Prasanta Kr. Mandal Sri Bijoy Kr. Barik. Sri Gobinda Ch. Nath. Sri Shyama Pr. Basu. Sri Md. Delambia. Sri Swapan Kr. Roy. Sri Timir Baran Samanta. Sri Md. Shaukat. Sri Sisir Singha. Sri Shyam Sundar Prasad. Sri Goutam Dutta Sri Somnath Chatterjee Sri Bijoy Singh Sri Kartick Ch. Sarkar Sri Hanuman Prasad Dhuria Smt. Susama Barik

Smt. Chameli Das Sri Sushil Kr. Barik Sri Pradip Kr. Das Sri Dipak Kr. Roy Sri Rajkumar Ghosh Sri Samar Nath Sur Sri Pranabbrata Guhathakurata Sri Sabitabrata Paul Smt. Sulata Kundu (Khan) Smt. Karabi Das Sri Susanta Roy Sri Biplab Sarkar Sri Shibu Hansda Sri Dibyendu Mazumdar Smt. Jharna Sarkar Sri Putul Sarkar

#### **Skilled Bearer**

Sri. Nirmal Kr. Singh Sri Babulal Das Sri Ramnath Prasad Sri Kashinath Mondal Sri Santosh Kr. Sasmal Sri Kartick Ch. Das

> Peon Sri Narayan Ghosh

**Library Bearere** Sri Immam Rasul

Section Cutter Sri Chittaranjan Chatterjee Sri Khangendra Nath Jana Sri Dulal Chandra Das Sri Haradhan Saha Sri Tapan Kr. Bhanja Sri Ananta Kr. Barik Sri Kamalesh Mondal

**Bearer** Sri Sunil Ch. Barua

Bell Man Sri Bishu Adhikary

Specimen Collector Sri Sukumar Barna

**Boiler Attendant** Sri Ashok Kr. Nayek Mali Sri Kalipada Jana / Sanat Nandi / Asish Maity

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Darwan

Smt. Maya Hazra

Sri Kartick Hela

Smt. Bina Hela

Sri Basudeb Hela

Sri Mongal Hazra

Sri Harabilash Balmiki

Sri Haripada Roy/Santosh Singh/Sanjoy Kr. Dey

Night-Watchman

Sri Sanat Sil / Santosh Hansda / Ajoy Sil Sri Ashutosh Choudhury / Shyamal Tapadar

Sri Ghanashyam Hela

Sri Ramnarayan Hela

SriLalit Mohan Hazra

Sri Abdul Sovan Khan

Smt. Radha Hela

Sri Srikanta Patra

Sri Sankar Hela (1) Sri Sankar Hela (2) Smt. Sumati Hazra Sri Raja Hela Smt Santi Hela Sri Goutam Roy Sri Bablu Hela

### Vacancy position of the assisting staff :

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Establishment Attendant	06	Bearer	02	Specimen Collector		03					
Skilled Bearer	06	Addl. Bearer	02	Chaprashi		01					
Peon	03	Lab. Attendant	- 02	Darwan		02					
Bursar Peon	01	Gas Plant Attendant	01	Night-watchman	•	02					
				Sweeper		10					

Sweeper

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