

# *Cognition*

Durgapur Government College  
Department of English

Volume 2, Issue 1

The Department of English believes in collaborative work in the teaching-learning process as in all other activities of the department. The family encourages and accommodates heterogeneity and diversity by making rich contributions towards students' mental expansion.

The Department started functioning in the academic session 1970-71, which was also, the 'FIRST ACADEMIC SESSION' of Durgapur Government College, established in 1969



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We are proud of the Department of English. It is one of the vibrant departments of our college.

I wish all the very best to the wonderful students of the department. May you all aim for the brightest star and bring flying colors in your exam.

Do take care of your health.

Warmly,

Dr Debnath Palit  
Principal  
Durgapur Government College  
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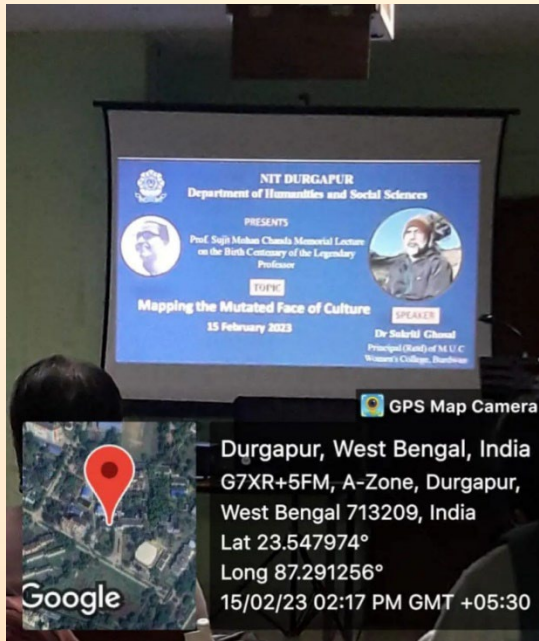
## Message from the Head of Department

The Department of English, DGC has a long-standing tradition of excellence and is committed to providing a stimulating and vibrant intellectual environment for students. To fortify teaching and research, the department makes use of innovative teaching techniques, advanced learning processes apart from conventional teaching methodologies. The department encourages evaluation practices at regular intervals and conducts continuous assessments to bring out the best in the students. The department boasts of a faculty with a distinguished research and teaching record who place the student at the epicenter of their academic ventures. The most rewarding result of our endeavors is the successful academic performance of our students year after year. The department of English continues to maintain its distinct standard of excellence, borne out by the fact that a number of our students secure admission to Masters programmes in prestigious universities after completing their graduation from Durgapur Government College and many qualify the NET/JRF and TET/CTET exams as well. Series of seminars are regularly held in the department, enabling students and faculty to engage in constructive academic exchange and interaction. The department is aware of the need to constantly update and upgrade itself in the field of digital technology. We are constantly trying to prepare ourselves and develop our skills and pedagogies to encounter the new challenges thrown up from time to time.



# Education Trip: Professor S.M. Chandra Memorial Lecture at NIT, Durgapur on 15<sup>th</sup> February 2023

On 15<sup>th</sup> February 2023 the Department of English, Durgapur Government College organised for our students a campus visit to the Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, National Institute of Technology, Durgapur on the occasion of **The Prof. Sujit Mohan Chanda Memorial Lecture**. Dr Sukriti Ghosal (Retd. Principal of MUC Women's College, Burdwan) delivered the inaugural lecture titled " Mapping the Mutated Face of Culture" which was not only topically relevant for students of semester IV studying Popular Literature as a Core Honours paper, but also provided critical contextual insight on post/modernity and the evolution of the literary canon.





# The Utkarsha Shamman to the Toppers of the Year 2019 (Pritha), 2020 (Nabanita) and 2021 (Urooz) on 22nd February 2023





# A Moment to Cherish





# Alpona Competition on 28<sup>th</sup> February 2023







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*Basanta Utsav and Prize Distribution Ceremony on 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2023:  
Our beloved outgoing students visited the college and received prize for  
participating in the Alpona Competition held in March 2022*



We'll tak a cup o' kindness yet  
For days of auld lang syne...with 2022 outgoing batch





Celebrating Dr Somrita Dey Mondal's academic achievement on 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2023: *At its XXXVIIIth Convocation on 24.02.2023, The University of Burdwan Conferred PhD Degree on Dr Somrita*









# International Women's Day Celebration in March 2023

You are invited for:

Prof. Jayanti Saha's  
Strolling through the  
Unsung Lives

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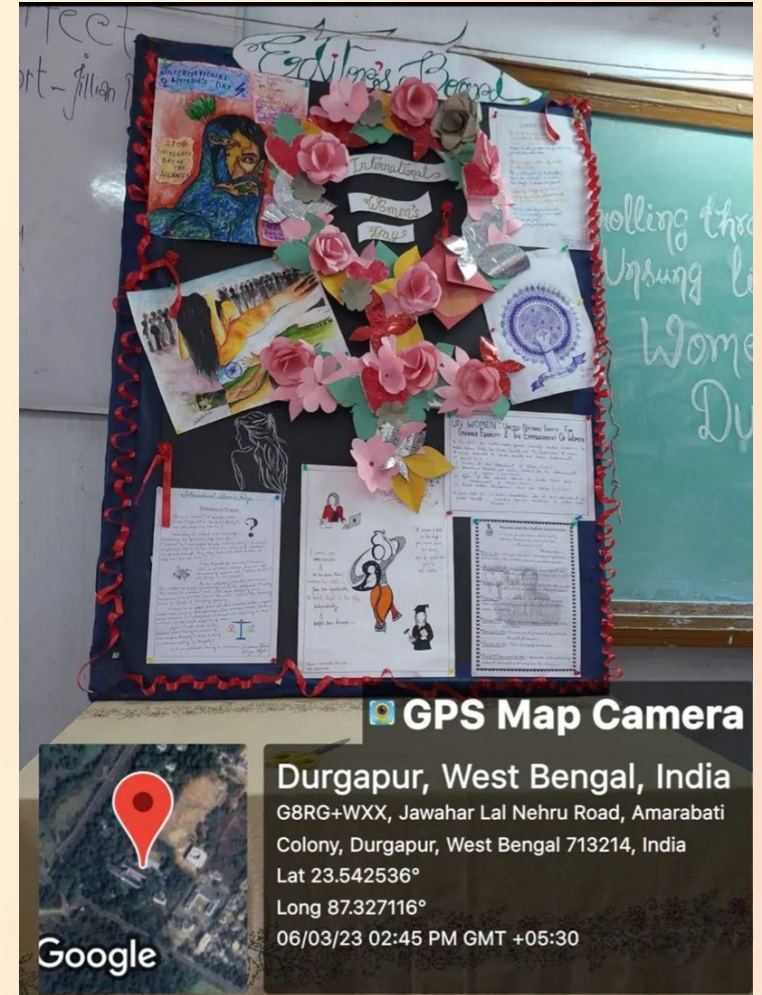
the Unveiling of the  
International Women's  
Day themed  
Departmental Wall  
Magazine by **Dr  
Debnath Palit** (the  
Principal), **Dr Avijit  
Mandal** (the IQAC  
Coordinator) and **Dr  
Swapan Kumar  
Ghosh** (the Teachers'  
Council Secretary)



## Women's Durgapur: Durgapur's Women

Organized by the  
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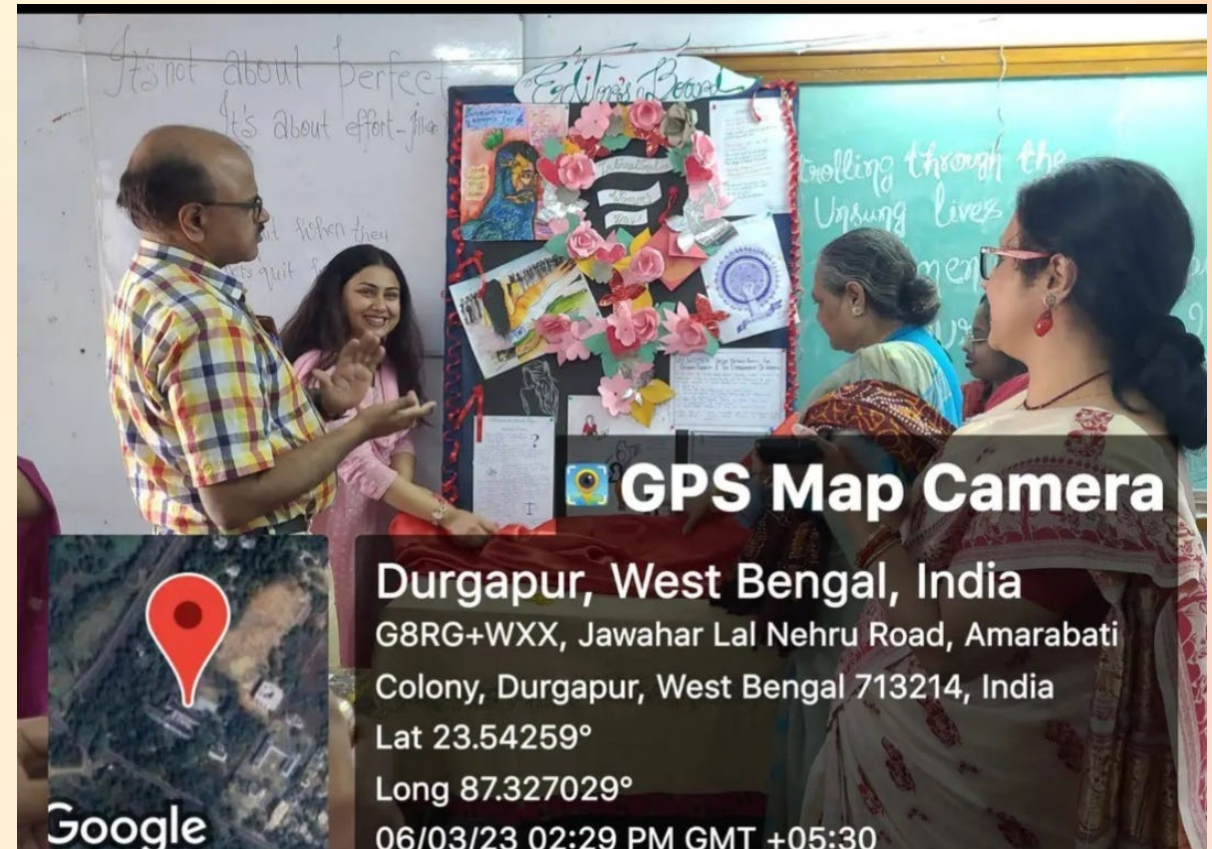
- 1:00 PM-2:00 PM
- 06. 03. 2023
- At Room No. 214 (the  
English Department,  
Durgapur Govt. College)







The students of the department created wall magazine wherein they raised awareness about gender inequities and increasing support for women worldwide. The Principal Dr Debnath Palit and senior teacher at the college Prof. Jayanti Saha graced the event.







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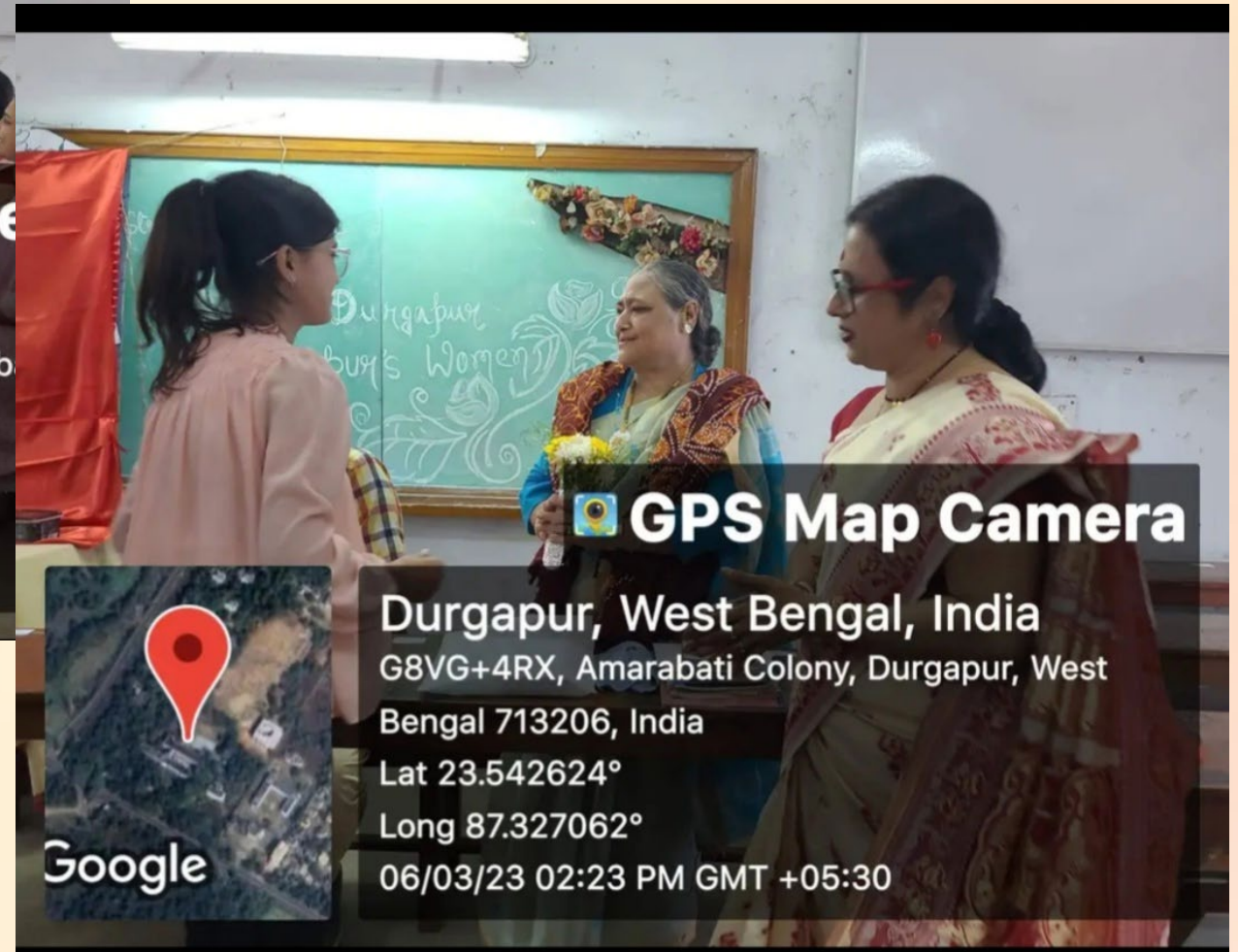
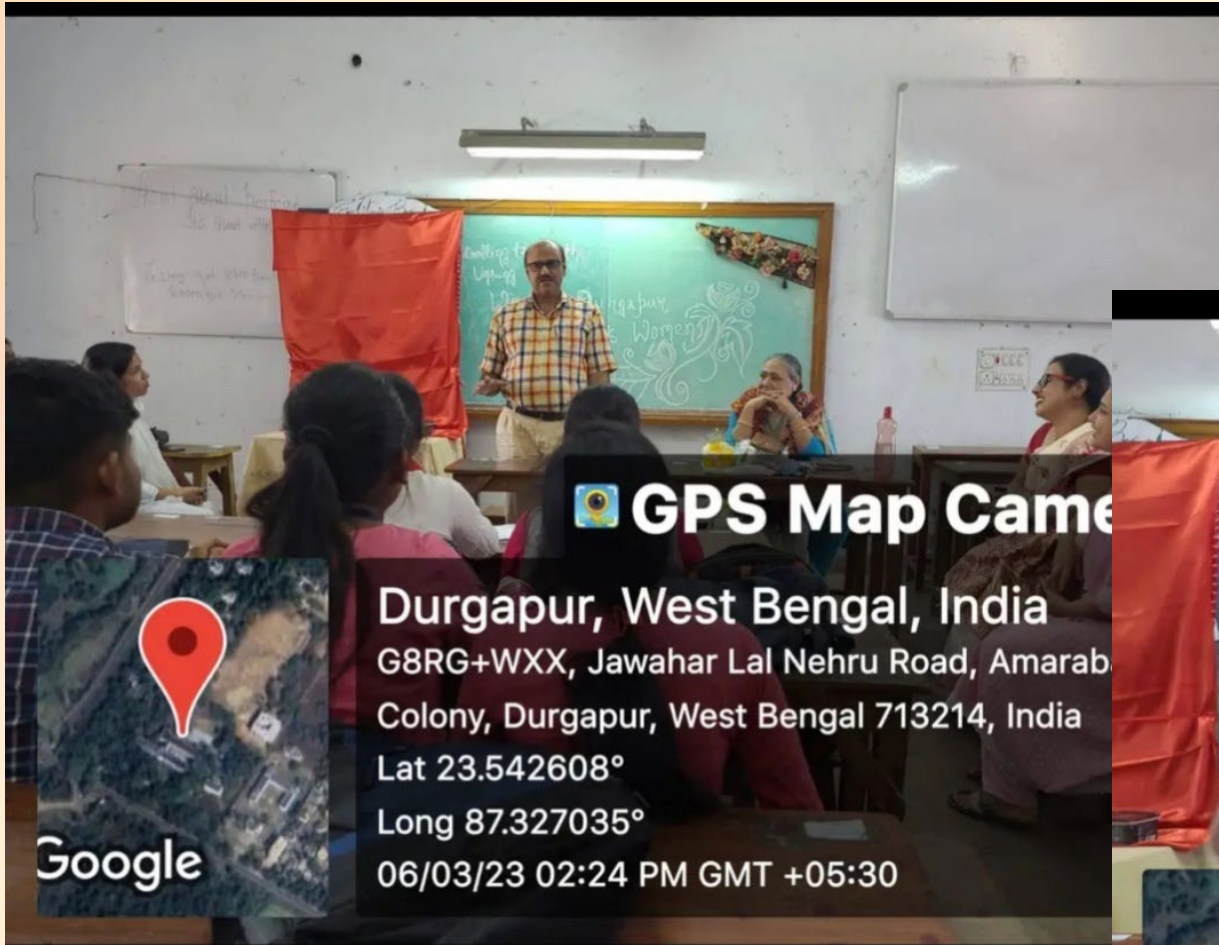
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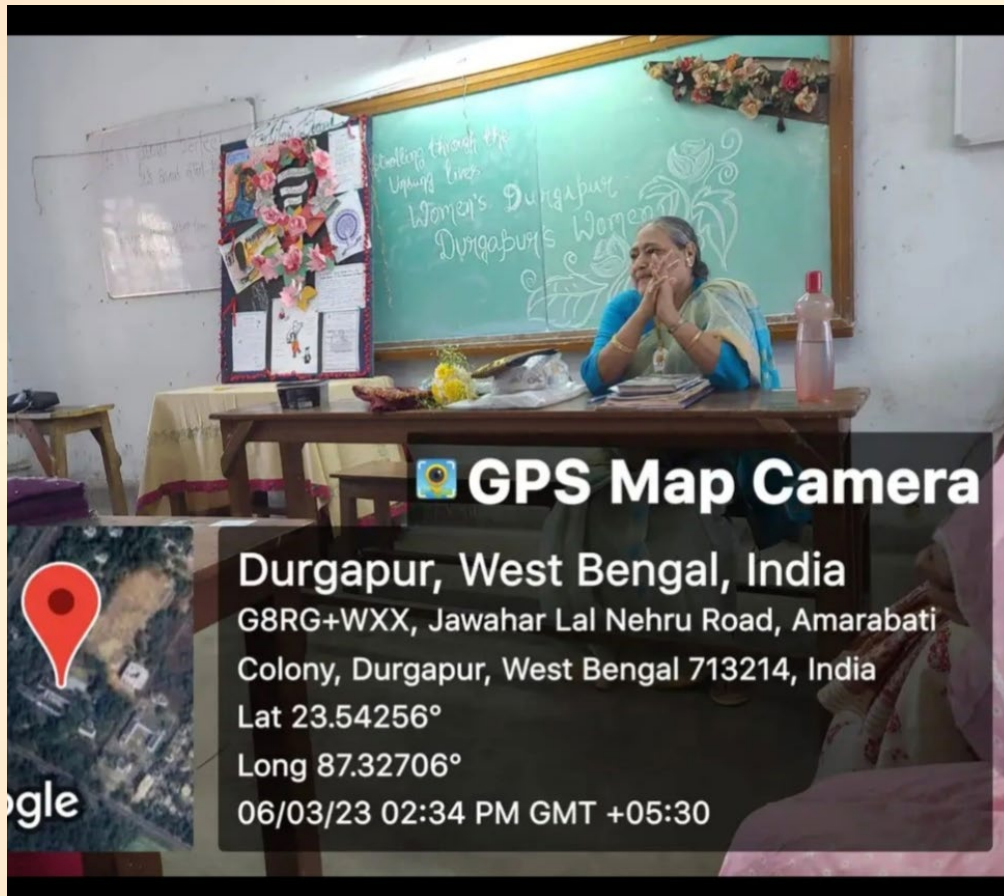


Prof Anindita Chatterjee's welcome speech was followed by the Principal's encouraging words. Our students felicitated our resource person, Prof. Jayanti Saha.





# Professor Jayanti Saha Addresses the Department



She revisits the 'everyday' and local-global relationship of Durgapur and its women. There have been many extraordinary women of Durgapur who have played an important role in shaping society, literature and the cityscape. In this context, Prof. Saha identified and theorized significant literary contributions and intellectual movements ushered in by Durgapur's women. In so doing, she explicated how Durgapur has shaped women and vice versa. The department has greatly benefited from her meaningful talk.





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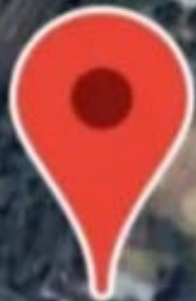
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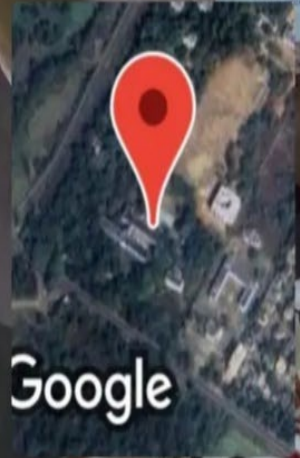


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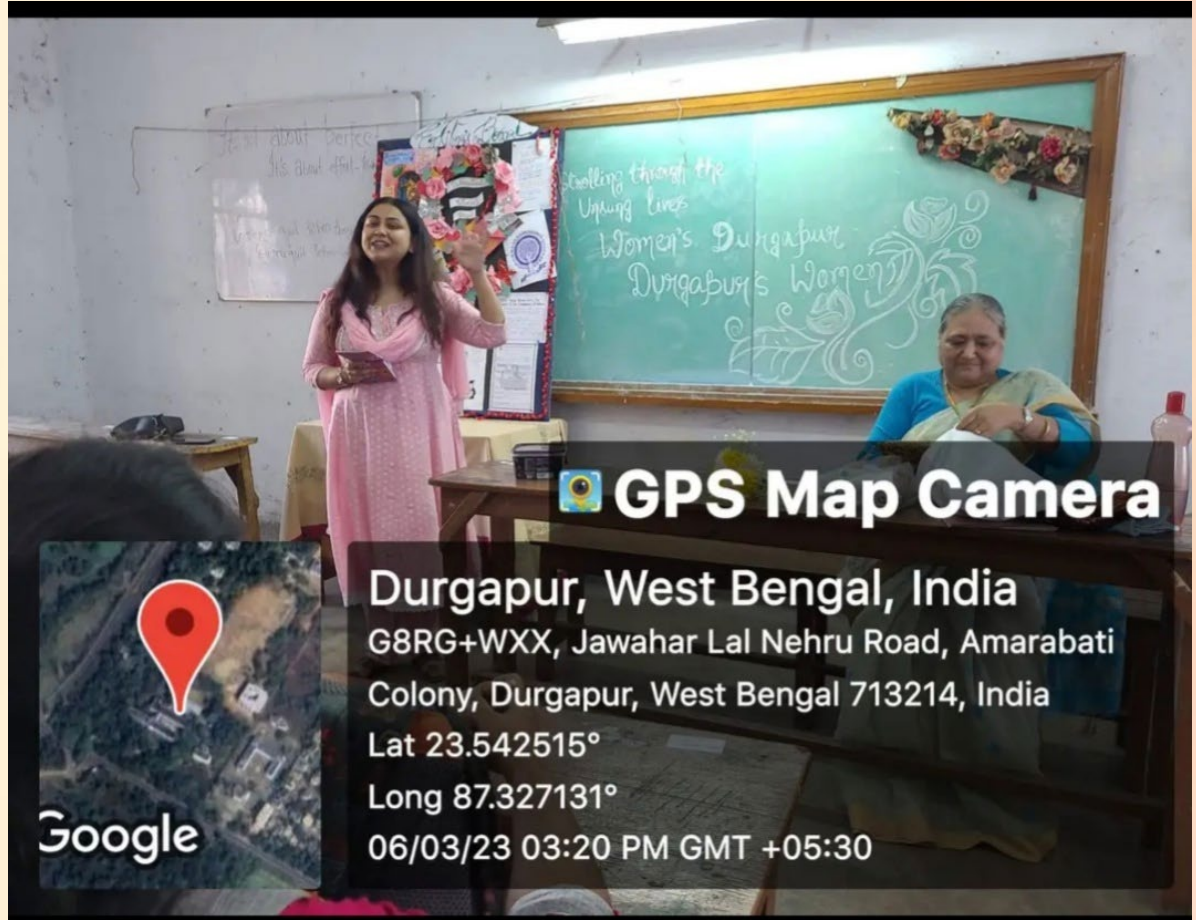



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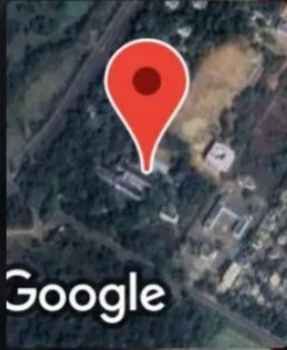


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"Friends, Romans, countrymen, lend me your ears."  
The Department of English, Durgapur Government College  
presents *Shakespearenama*, to commemorate  
the 459th birth anniversary of the Bard of Avon.



Chief Guest  
Dr Sharbani Mukherjee

April 26, 2023,



Room No: 214

Events:  
Cultural Programme  
(12:30 PM-1:30 PM)  
&  
Exhibition by the students of the Department of English  
celebrating Shakespeare's life, times and works.  
(1:30 PM onwards)

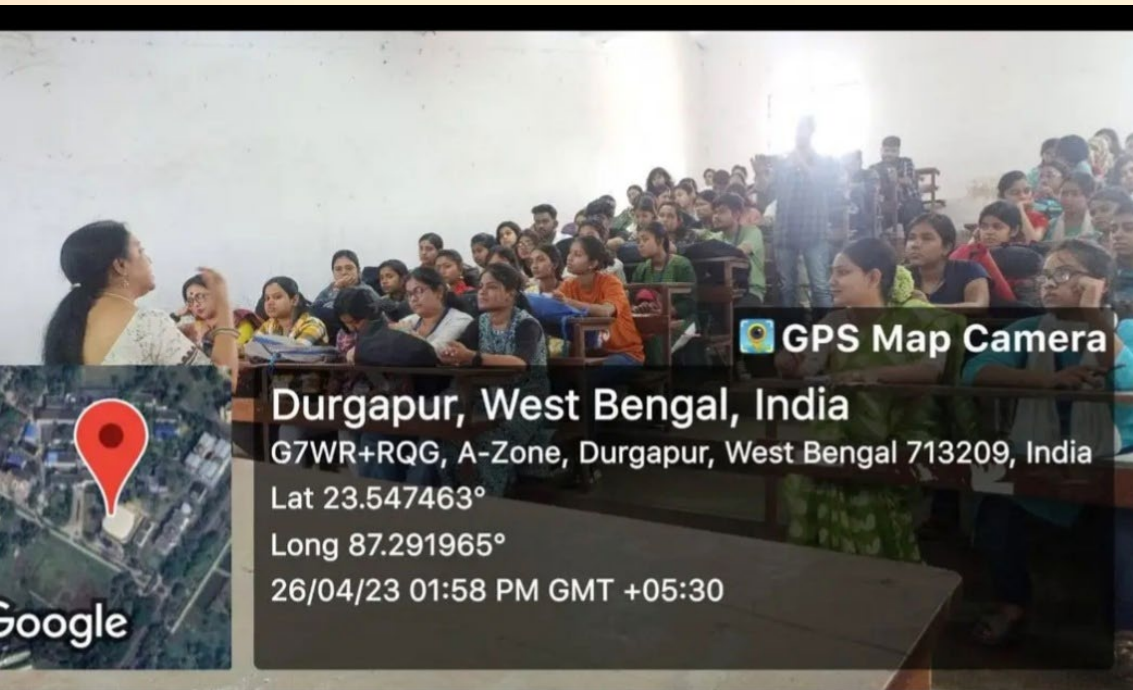
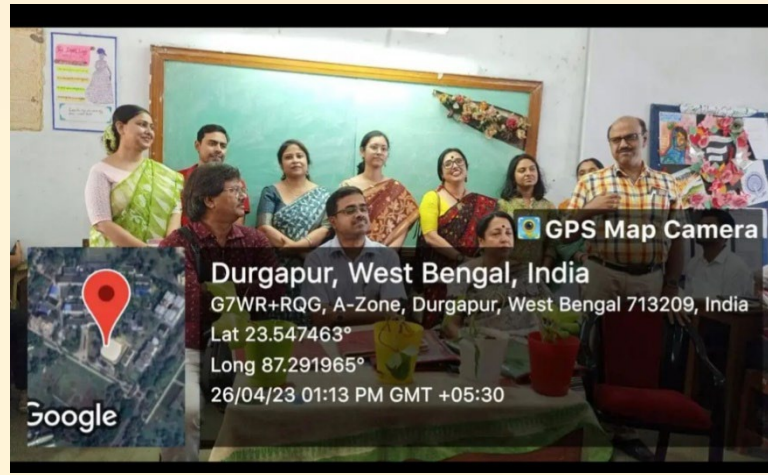
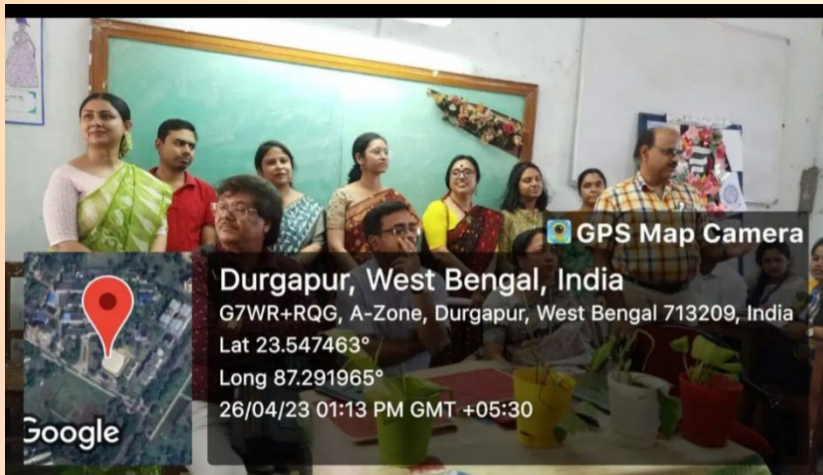
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Smt. Sunrita Chakravarti  
(Committee Member)

Celebrating *Shakespearenama* on 26<sup>th</sup>  
April 2023: An Invited Lecture cum Non-  
competitive Mentor-Mentee Exhibition  
<https://youtu.be/nrjrnE7OKXs>







# Dr Sharbani Banerji Mukherjee delivering talk on Shakespeare in Today's Classroom





# Created by SC Mentor-Mentee Group: Shakespeare's Tragicomedy







Created by AC Mentor-  
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Shakespeare's Tragedies



# SAMPRIKTA PAL (QUESTERS)



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Shakespeare's Sonnets





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Shakespeare's Dwelling Places









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Shakespeare's Comedies



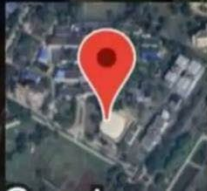
Student's Performance: "Come, thick night,/ And pall thee in the dunnest smoke of hell"







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Vote of thanks...





PTM on 4<sup>th</sup> May 2023: An ideal Parent-teacher meeting encourages students. They get a sense that their teachers and parents care for them in relation to their academic and non-academic performances.





Champions of 'Mogojastro 2023' on  
8<sup>th</sup> May 2023: Knowing Tagore









A moment of Pride



# Students' Seminar on *Harry Potter*







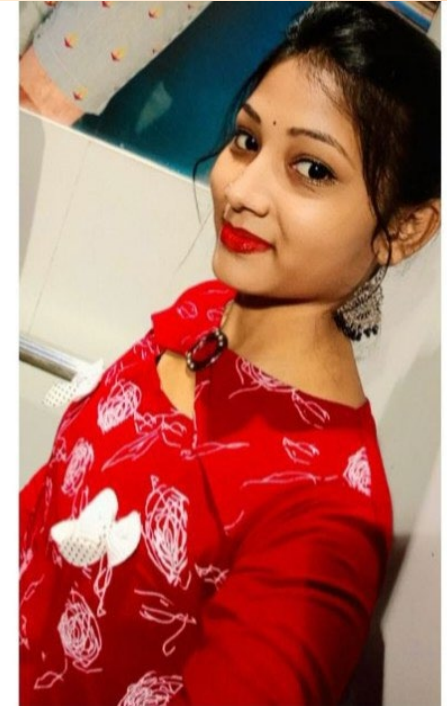
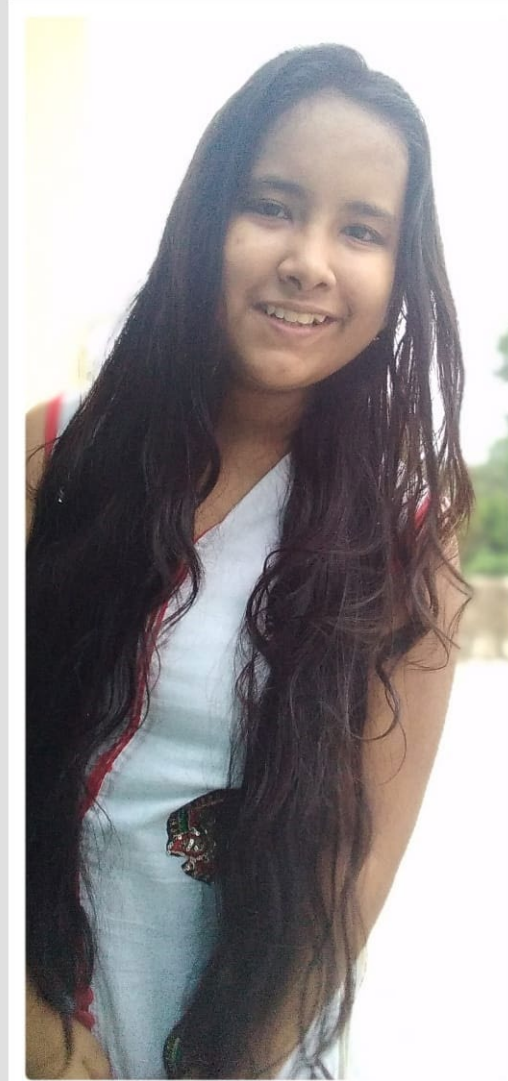
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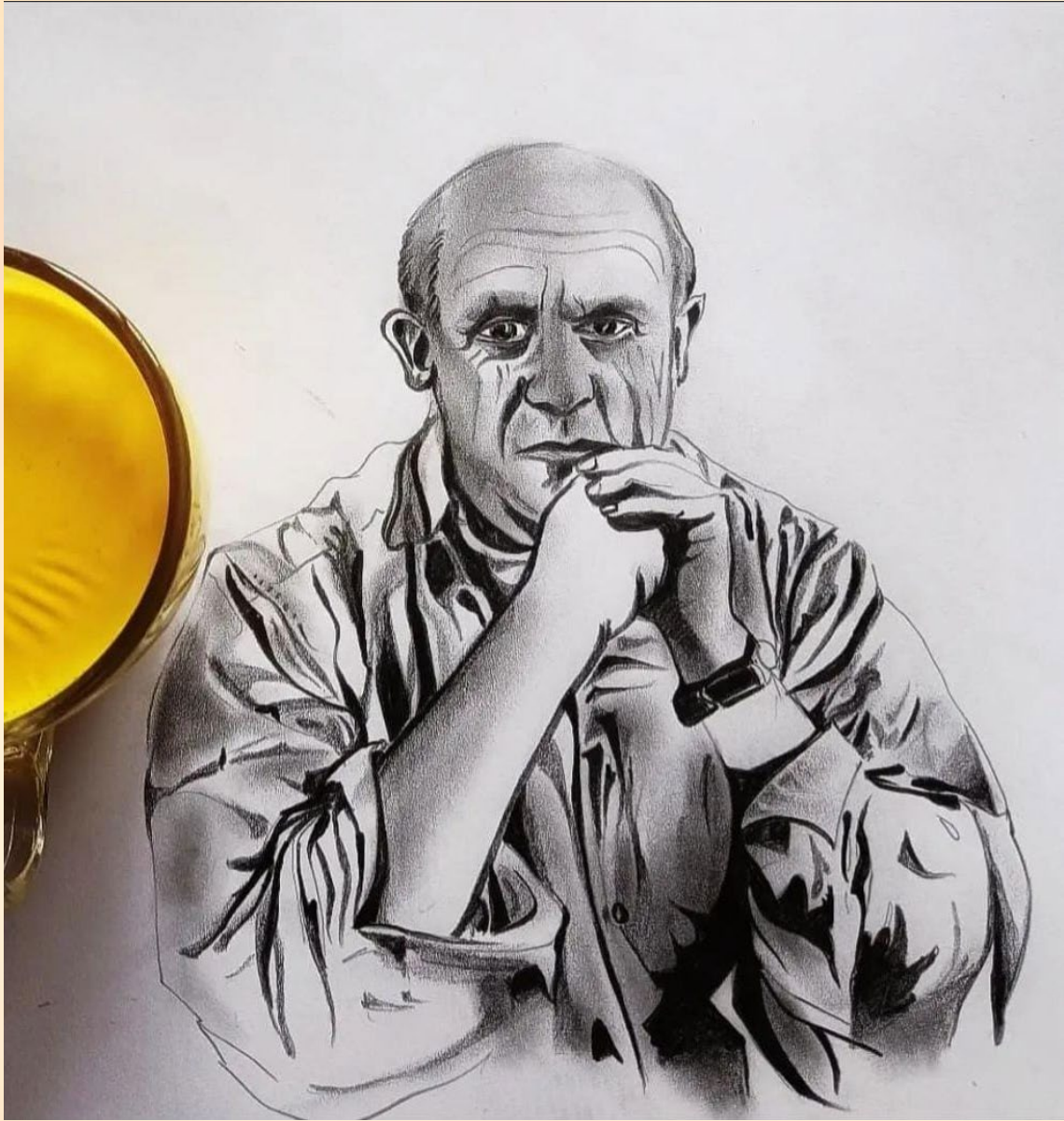




Students' Corner:  
Rachana, Rikita, Moumita  
And Suparna







By Rachana

Picasso





The Old Man





Meow





## Shiva and Parvati



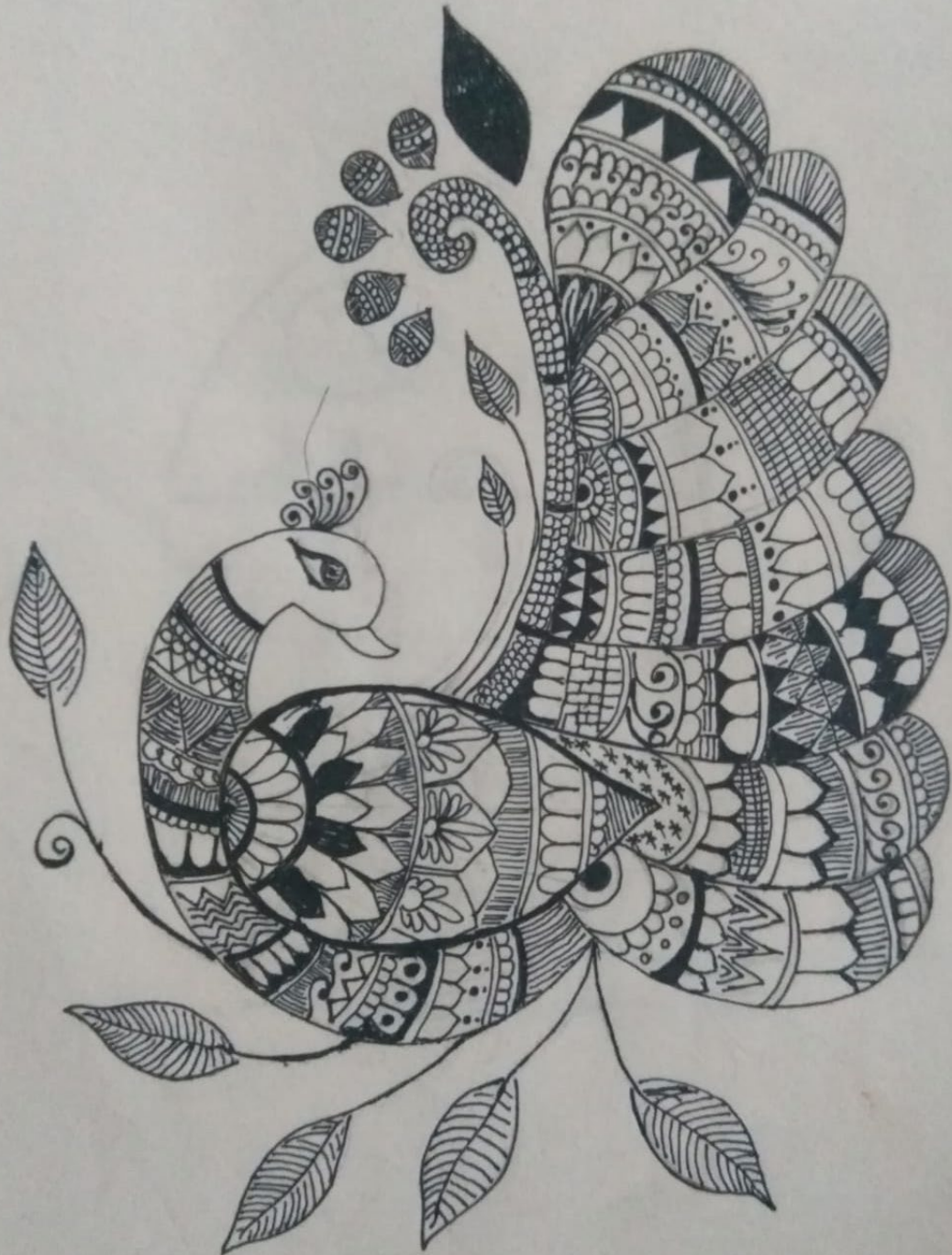






## Agamoni





By Rikita

Peacock





By Suparna

Mudra





Mudra



Moumita:  
All Lives Matter





Me Rabbit!

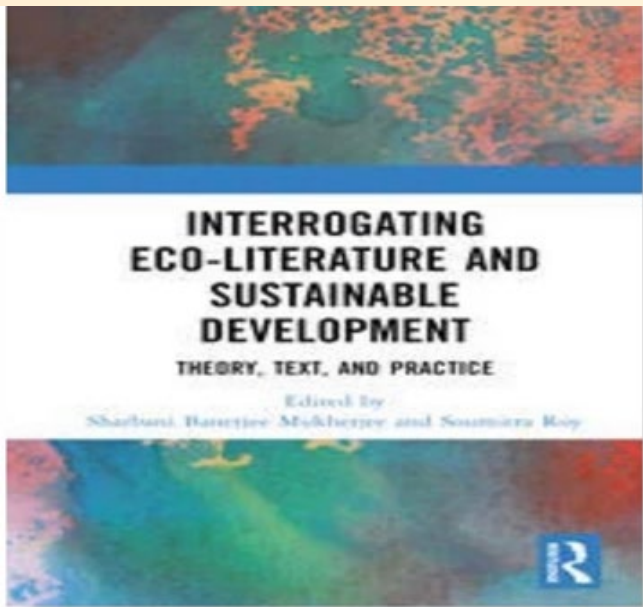
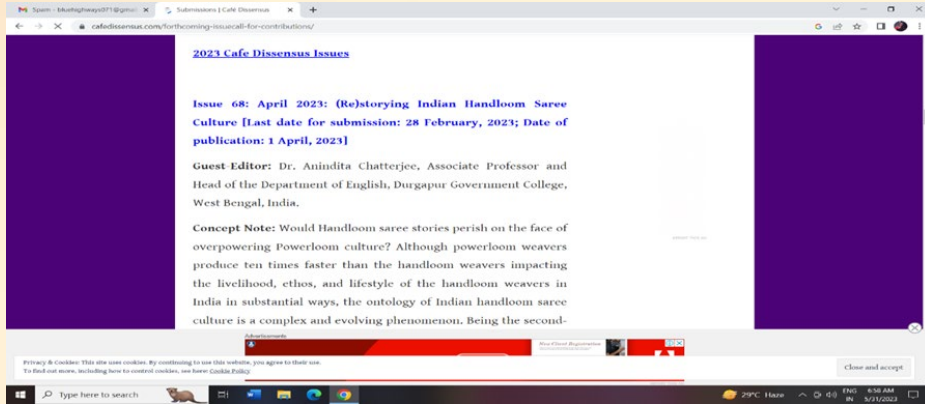


Teachers' Corner



# Anindita Chatterjee

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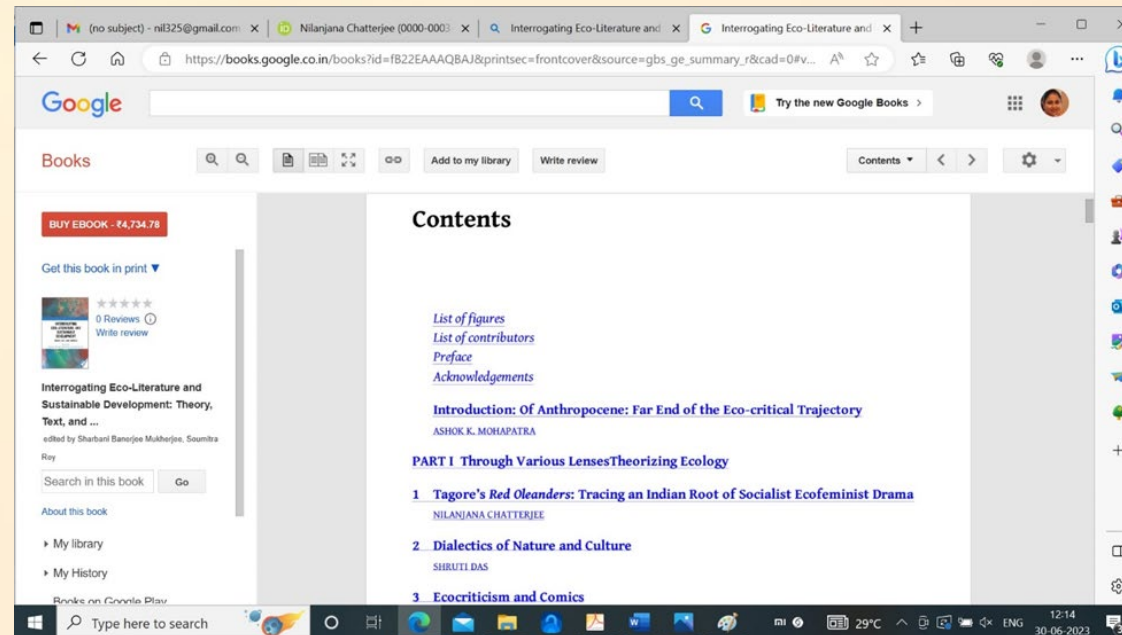


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# Nilanjana Chatterjee

- The British Empire and Colonial Famines: History, Culture, Critique Second Conference Indian Institute of Information Technology Guwahati January 7- 8, 2023: **Paper Title: “Naga Famine 'People Stories': Of Colonial Hunger Projects and Indigenous Food Sovereignty”** [https://blogs.ed.ac.uk/rseaward\\_indianfamines/events/](https://blogs.ed.ac.uk/rseaward_indianfamines/events/)
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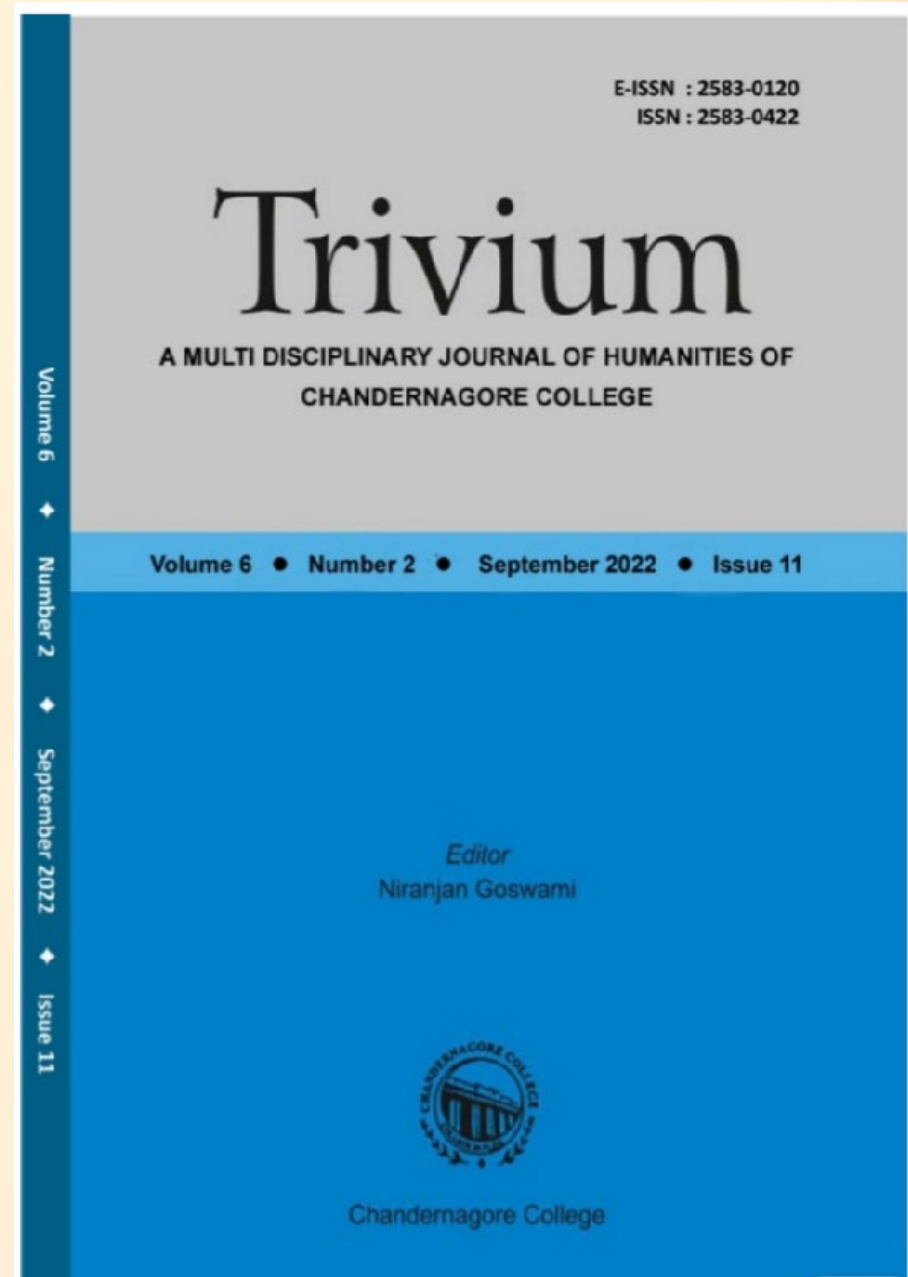
# Somrita Dey (Mondal)

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University of  
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Conferred  
PhD Degree  
on Dr  
Somrita*



# Sunrita Chakravarti

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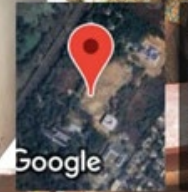


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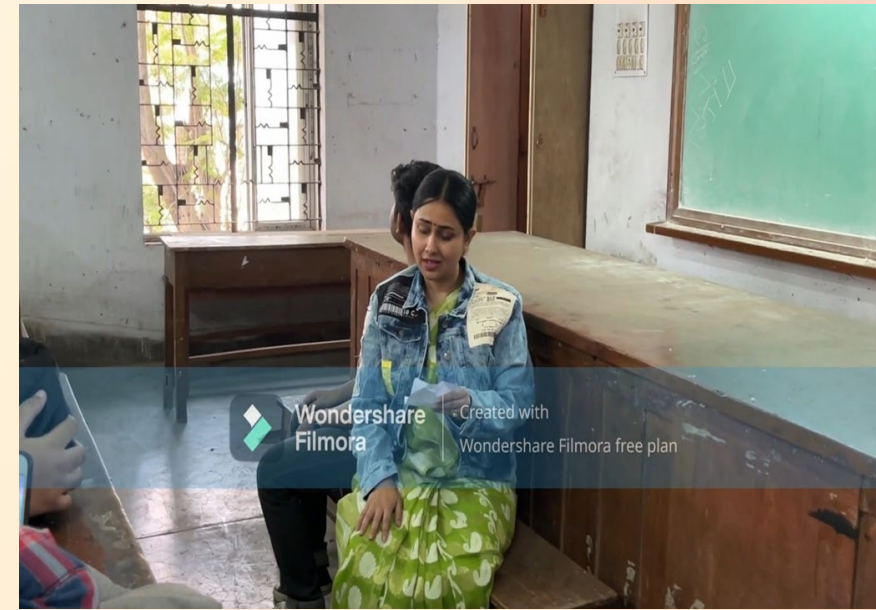
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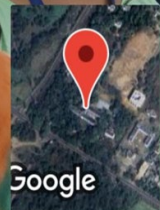
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## Mentor-Mentee Mingling Moments



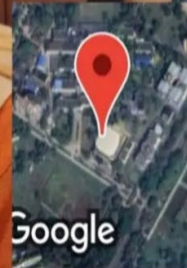
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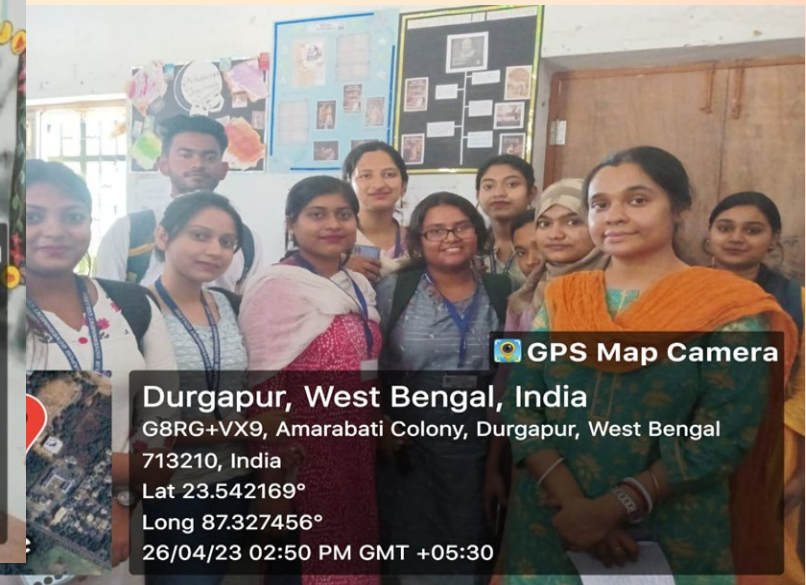
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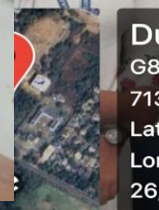
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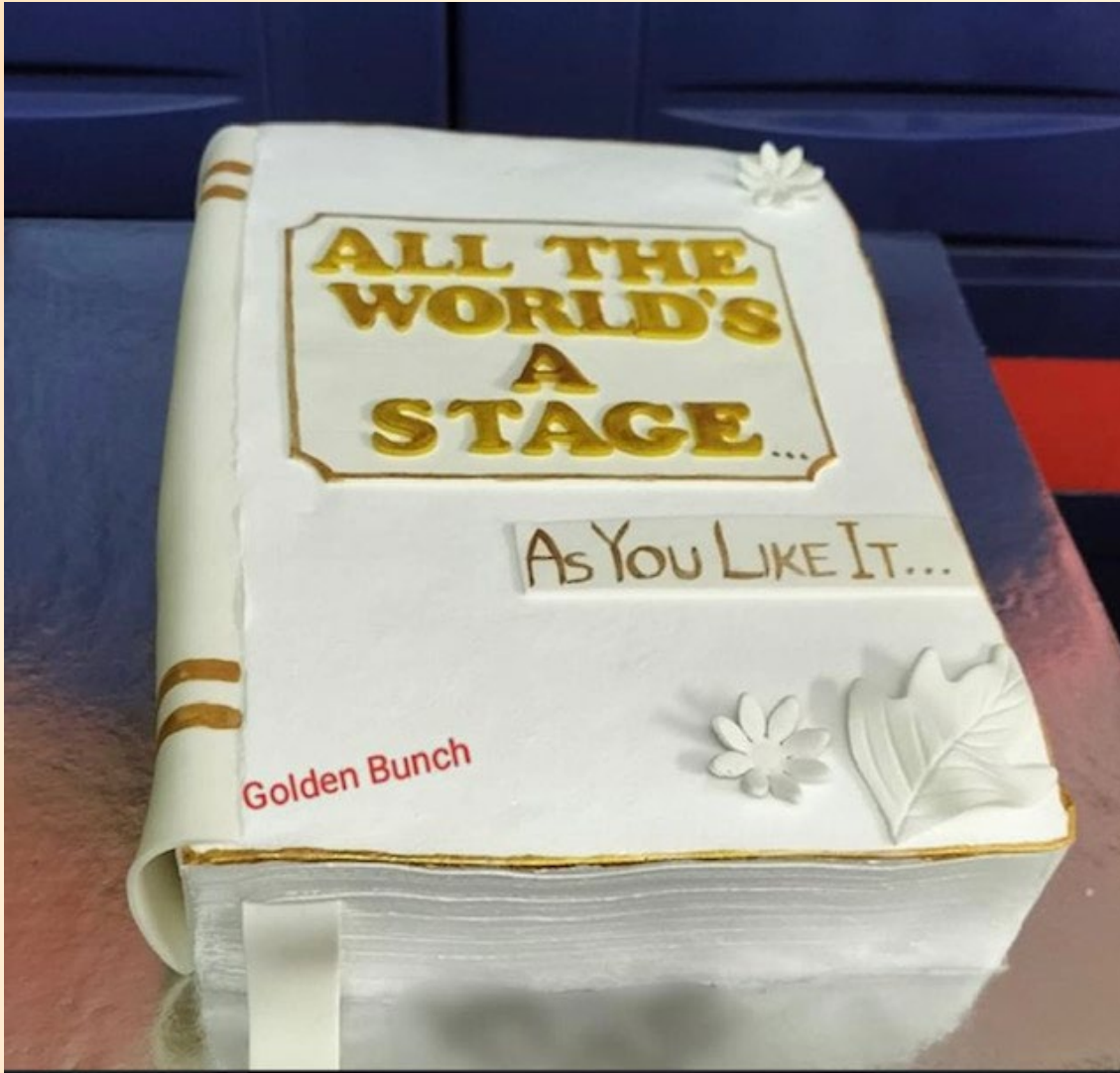
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And miles to go  
before we sleep...



A Newsletter without CAKE is just a report!

*On the eve of Shakespearenama, 26<sup>th</sup> April 2023*