National Level Workshop on Environmentalism in English Literature

Date: 15.01.2021

Venue: Seminar Hall, Egra. S. S. B. College

Organized by: Department of English, Egra S. S. B. College, and Department of English, Debra

Thana Sahid Kshudiram Samiti Mahaviddyalaya

Participants: 170

Schedule of the Lecture Series

Sessio n	Speaker	Date of the Lecture	Title of the Lecture	Participants	YouTube Lecture Link
Sessio n-1 Sessio n-2	Prof. (Dr.) Goutam Buddha Sural	15.01.2 021	The historical evolution of environmental themes in English literature Contemporary environmental issues as	170	Click here
	Dr. Shreya Bhattacharji		portrayed in modern English literature		
Sessio n - 3	Dr. Shruti Das		The concept of eco- criticism and its significance in analyzing literary texts through an environmental lens		

Overview

Introduction: The Departments of English at Egra S. S. B. College and Debra Thana Sahid Kshudiram Samiti Mahaviddyalaya jointly organized a National Level Webinar focusing on the theme of "Environmentalism in English Literature." The webinar aimed to explore the intersection of literature and environmental concerns, highlighting the role of English literature in promoting environmental awareness and activism.

Key Dignitaries: The webinar was graced by the esteemed presence of Azmal Hossain, Hon'ble Sub-Divisional Officer (SDO) of Kharagpur, who served as the Chief Patron of the event. Dr. Dipak Kumar Tamili, the Principal of Egra S. S. B. College, assumed the role of Chairperson for the program, providing guidance and support throughout the proceedings.

Webinar Attendance: A total of 170 students from various educational institutions participated in the webinar, demonstrating a keen interest in exploring the nexus between literature and environmentalism. The substantial turnout underscored the significance of the topic and the relevance of interdisciplinary discussions in academia.

The webinar featured distinguished speakers who shared their insights and expertise on the subject matter:

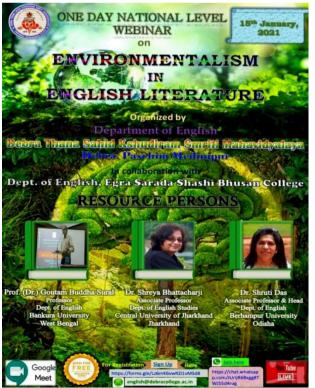
Prof. (**Dr.**) **Goutam Buddha Sural:** Renowned scholar and academician, Dr. Sural delivered a keynote address focusing on the historical evolution of environmental themes in English literature, tracing the depiction of nature and ecology in literary works across different time periods.

Dr. Shreya Bhattacharji: With a background in environmental studies and literature, Dr. Bhattacharji presented a nuanced analysis of contemporary environmental issues as portrayed in modern English literature. She explored the role of literature in raising awareness about pressing environmental challenges and advocating for sustainable practices.

Dr. Shruti Das: A specialist in eco-criticism and literary theory, Dr. Das elucidated on the concept of eco-criticism and its significance in analyzing literary texts through an environmental lens. She discussed the ways in which eco-critical perspectives enrich literary interpretation and contribute to environmental discourse.

Conclusion: The National Level Webinar on Environmentalism in English Literature served as a platform for meaningful dialogue and scholarly exchange on the intersection of literature and environmental concerns. The insights shared by the distinguished speakers shed light on the pivotal role of English literature in fostering environmental awareness and promoting eco-consciousness among readers. The collaborative effort between Egra S. S. B. College and Debra Thana Sahid Kshudiram Samiti Mahaviddyalaya, supported by the patronage of Azmal Hossain and leadership of Dr. Dipak Kumar Tamili, ensured the success of the webinar, leaving a lasting impact on all participants.

Graphical Presentation of the Program





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THEME OF THE WEBINAR

Environmentalism denotes an ideology or a social movement that seeks to protect natural resources and ecosystems in various ways. A concern for environmental protection has recurred in diverse forms throughout history. The earliest ideas of environment protectionism can be traced in Jainism. It offers a view that may seem readily compatible with the core values with environmental associated i.e., protection of life activism, by nonviolence. Lord Mahavira, the last Jain Tirthankar, is considered a great environmentalist. However, the of the environmental movement lay in the response to increasing air levels of Industrial pollution during the Revolution. The modern movement which environmental emerged in the late nineteenth century and, in its more recent incarnation, in the 1960s, gave rise to a rich array of fictional and nonfictional writings concerned with humans' changing relationship to the natural world. Only since the early 1990s, however, has the longstanding interest of literature studies in these matters generated the initiative most commonly known as "ecocriticism"- a cross-disciplinary initiative that aims to explore the environmental dimensions of literature and other creative media in a spirit of environmental concern.



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