



Activity report of a Special Lecture

1. Name of the Seminar: Gender Equality, Mental health & Gender related issues
2. Organized by: Department of Bengali
3. Aim of the Seminar: The basic objectives were to enable students to question certain perspectives of patriarchy like -

A. What factors are important in the promotion of gender equality in the education sector and relevance of women conquerors who fought for their country, history and significance.

B. What issues are raised and why? Student groups were involved to express their position in the family, the negative coinage of rules and regulations within the family that is only applicable for the girl child.

4. Date: 15th March 2019
5. Duration in hours (approximate): 3+
6. Number of Participants (approximate): 20+
7. Name of Speakers with title of their speech, designation and Affiliation:

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Dr Anuradha Kundu	Gender Equality, Mental health & Gender related issues	Associate Professor	Department of English, Malda College

- Film 'Duggaboti' was shown on relevance of the topic. The speaker gave a brief about the topic and formed groups of students to have an interactive discussion on Gender Equality.



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8. Sponsoring agency: Gokhale Memorial Girls' College

9. Sponsored amount: 500 Rs

10. Outcome of the Seminar: Work on gender sensitization and awareness building has acquired a certain complacency, given that it circles around issues of enrolment, the relative absence of female figures or removal of gendered stereotypes in textbooks. Such work has proved to be inadequate and as some have argued just skimming the surface of a problem rather than addressing these concerns with greater depth. In order to move forward serious inquiry into curricula, content, the gendered construction of knowledge, as well as a more critical and pro-active approach to issues of gender is necessary. As 'Gender' has to be recognized as a cross-cutting issue and a critical marker of transformation in the minds of the students, this interactive learning resource turned out to be an excellent tool for proper understanding.

