

texts, 29 September 2015. Dr Sinjini Bandopadhyay presented a paper on “The Story of Satyavati” in the international conference on *Characterisation of Women in Sanskrit Works*, Department of Sanskrit, University of Calcutta, February 2015.

- Prof Tanmoy Ghosh presented the following papers: “Language Acquisition vs. Learning: A Bilingual Perspective”, Refresher Course lecture, School of Linguistics and Languages, Jadavpur University, 14-16 September 2015. “The Linguistic Idiosyncrasies of Shakespeare: A Stylometric Perspective”, national seminar on *Multiple Shakespeare*, Serampore College, Serampore, 6 October 2015.
- Dr Rangana Banerjee presented a paper on “A whole theatre of others”: *Haider/Hamlet* for Indians, National level UGC Seminar, Victoria Institution (College), 4 December, 2015.
- 8th Memorial lecture on ‘Pandit Dharmadhar Mahastavir’ at Pandit Dharmadhar Welfare Society, Pottery Road, was delivered by Prof. Bela Bhattacharya on 27th July, 2015, invited Lecture was delivered by Dr. Saswati Mutsuddy on “Impact of Pali on Buddhism: A Study”, National Seminar on ‘Bharatiya Gyan parampara me Pali aur Prakrit ka yogdan’, organised by ‘Pali-Prakrit Scheme of Rastriya Sanskrit Sansthan’, New Delhi 04-06 December, 2015 and Department of Pali.
- ‘India-Myanmar Relations.’ Invited lecture was delivered by Prof Swapna Bhattacharya Chakraborty at the “Kolkata Dialogue” on “Look East to act East : New Frontiers in Trade, Investment & Business Cooperation,” organized by the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA), Govt. of India and Indian Chamber of Commerce (ICC), at the Hotel Oberoi Grand, Kolkata, 9th January, 2015.

DEPARTMENTAL SUPPORT FROM EXTERNAL FUNDING AGENCIES

- Indian National Science Academy funded the project on Environmental and Ecological Change as Inferred from Copperplate Inscriptions of Bengal (Rajat Sanyal)
- The Premchand Tarkabagish foundation arranged a book release function and a seminar lecture on 12th April 2015 and they have promised the Dept of Sanskrit to hold an endowment lecture every year in the memory of late Pandit Premchand Tarkabadish. Prof. Sitanath Acharya has completed his tenure as *SHASTRA CHUDAMANI* sponsored by RASTRIYA SANSKRIT SAMSTHAN, New Delhi.
- UGC, ICSSR, National commission of Social Science Research have granted funds to the Women’s Studies Research Centre.
- DRS Phase 111 UGC Grant to the Department of English

PUBLICATIONS BY THE FACULTY MEMBERS AND BY THE DEPARTMENT

- The Department of Urdu faulty members have published many papers in high impact – journals. Research undertaken by the Urdu faculty and Ph.D students has been featured



online, in print, and on television and radio.

- *The Departmental Journal (Vol.16) named – BANGLA SAHITYA PATRIKA was published in May 2015, Edited by Prof. Biswanath Roy and this is a Special Issue on Rabindranath Tagore on the occasion of his 150th Birth Anniversary by department of Bengali.*
- Medicine in Pali Literature in a Felicitation Vol. of the University of Ceylon, Sri Lanka by Prof. Manikuntala Haldar (De). Mastiska-mon-o-vipassana in Jaggajoti, Journal of the Bauddha Dharmankur Vihara, Kolkata published by Department of Buddhist Studies, Prof. Manikuntala Haldar (De). Dr Jayanti Chatterjee has published a book titled “Theravada O Mahayana Bauddhadharma”.
- Department of Sanskrit is going to publish a centenary volume in order to celebrate the completion of hundred years of the university of Calcutta, titled –*śaradah śatam*.

OUTREACH PROGRAMME

- Department of Arabic rendered translation services to various Agencies in India such as the Central Bureau of Investigation and Calcutta Police.
- Dr. Susmita Chakraborty of Library and Information Science department, was guest of Honour in a program celebrating one decade of Usha Cooperative, a banking system formed by the sex-workers to fund the education and hostels for their children.
- Linguistics Department organized a scheme for Protection & Prevention of Endangered Languages project of the Central Institute of Indian Languages under MHRD and consolidated report writing of the Mother Tongue Survey of India Project.
- International Round Table Seminar-cum-Workshop on ‘ICOM Diversity Charter’ conducted by Professor Amareswar Galla, Executive Director, International Institute for Inclusive Museum, Copenhagen, on 17 February 2015 and International Seminar on ‘Community Participation in Museological Practices’ on 2 December 2015.
- The Department of Pali organized a seven days’ workshop on ‘ Researches and Research Methodology: Pali & Buddhism’,15th to 22nd January,2015,Coordinator-Prof.Bela Bhattacharya.
- Department of Sociology participated in the Police training of Government of India, West Bengal Police and Kolkata Police; Resource person in Human Rights and Gender Sensitization training, Family Counselling in Legal Aid Services West Bengal (LASWEB), State Legal Services Authority, Government of West Bengal, and also Govt. of Assam for training of counsellors in relation to Juvenile Justice. Associated with NGOs who are engaged in upliftment of women, children, aged and marginalized/excluded sections of the people (e.g. CINI, Save the Children, Care India, Sanlap, Sanhita, Saroj Nalini, Central Women’s Association of India, Women’s Coordinating Council, Indian Association of Women’s Studies, Ganna Unnayan Parshad, Jai Prakash Institute of Social Change.



MAJOR INFRASTRUCTURE ADDED

- Newly furnished M.Phil Room with new furniture and computers on donation by Sri Debashish Biswas, Inspector of Colleges, University of Calcutta, New computers
Forthcoming events : Centenary Celebration of Department of Economics.
- The entire class room of the Department of Pali has been renovated under the headship of Dr. Saswati Mutsuddy which was inaugurated by Honb'le Vice Chancellor Prof. Suranjan Das on 1st April,2015.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

- The Department of Ancient hHistory is planning to celebrate its centenary in 2017.
- Department of Sanskrit is planning to introduce certificate & diploma course for teaching Sanskrit language to non-Sanskrit students. A MOU with the Lyon Univ. Lyon, France is in progress and expected to be completed very soon which consists of student-exchange programme, collaborative research programme and joint organization of seminars, conferences, lectures etc.
- Prabir Roychaudhury and Amita Roychaudhury Endowment Lecture to be organized by Department of Library and Information Science.
- The Women's studies research Centre is planning to organize- one Day Seminar on Combating Violence against Women, International Seminar on Eco-friendly Women Entrepreneurship and State Level Consultation on Women in Agriculture.
- Department of Comparative Indian Language is going to organize an International Seminar on "Studying Indian Literature in China", Speaker- Professor Jiang Jingkui on January 4th, 2016

MISCELLANEOUS

- Ancient History department regularly organises seminars, National / International, Student Seminars, Special Lectures and Talks and encourages students to take part in Seminars organized by other academic institutions.
- Arabic Department arranged to start M. Phil. courses in Arabic & Persian. It plans to install smart classrooms & language laboratories.



- Archaeology department thoroughly revised the syllabus for M.A./M.Sc. 2015-2016 Courses,
- Urban Economic Studies produced a regular series of Discussion papers. Two papers are published every year. Following papers were published in 2015-
 - Perspectives of Planned New Towns, Its Transformation, Evaluation, Challenges and Problems: Case of West Bengal (1/2015) – Joy Karmakar
- Growth of Ports and Port Towns in India in the Post Independence Period: in the context of Trade and Urbanisation (2/2015) - Aparna Banerjee, Dr. Sudakshina Gupta, Dr. Uttam Kumar Bhattacharya.
- Dr. Susmita Chakraborty of Department of Library and Information Science was nominated as secretary (2015- 2017), Standing Committee, Education & Training Division, IFLA (International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions). She also attended Librarianship Summer School May 2015, University College London, UK in association with UNC Chapel Hill School of Information and Library Studies, USA. Pratt Institute and the University of Tennessee in Association with the Digital Humanities Department of King's College London, 22nd June to 3rd July 2015.
- Dr. Ram Prahalad Chaudhuri Department of Commerce Chaired one Technical Session at the 3rd Global Summit on Education (GSE 2015) organized by Koperasi Kolej Universiti Islam Antarabangsa, Selangor held in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia during March 09-10, 2015.
- Department of Economics organized, the 2nd International Research Scholars' Workshop on 28-29 July, 2015. Invited lectures by Sugata Marjit, the then VC, CU, Dilip Mukherjee, Boston University and Kajal Lahiri, SUNY, Albany. Presentations by 34 research scholars from Universities in India including JNU, ISI Delhi, Kolkata, IGIDR, IIT Bombay, IIT Ropar, etc.
- The Department of Islamic History and Culture for the first time formed the Student Teachers Committee with the elected members from the student and the committee contributed greatly to the department in organising all the activities including the newly formed Medieval Reading Circle, monthly lectures, International workshop and seminar.
- The 'Journal of the Department of Pali' is being published since 1907. It has two special issues on its Centenary Volume and 125th Commemoration Volume of Prof. Benimadhab Barua. Also it has published numerous Volumes of Encyclopaedia of Buddhism under the editorship of Prof. Bela Bhattacharya.

- Department of Sociology annually held Prof. Bela Dutt Gupta Memorial Lecture the 1st was “Selective Appropriation of Gender Ideology: The Mahila Aghadi of the Farmers’ Movement in Maharashtra, 1996-2004” - by Prof. D.N. Dhanagare, Indian Institute of Advanced Studies, Shimla; 2014
- 11th 21 Day Certificate Course on “Legal and Psychological Counselling for Women in Distress” was organized by the Women’s Studies Research Centre. Ongoing publications in vernacular languages: issues concerning HIV Aids, trafficking, women and disabilities and Domestic Violence.
- Department of South And Southeast Asian Studies arranged, *India-Myanmar Relations: Context of Contemporary Geographical Routes and Linkages*, ISAS Insights, No. 327 – 20 April 2016, Institute of South Asian Studies, National University of Singapore, Heng Mui Keng Terrace, Singapore.