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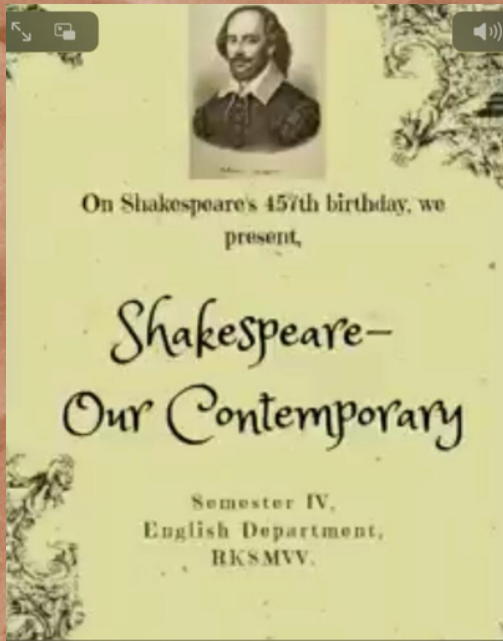
January to June are usually the busiest months of the year at RKSMVV. However the surges of the covid pandemic have brought life as we know it to a halt and have engendered a new normal which now encompasses almost every aspect of our existence - personal as well as public.

RKSMVV, with its small and well-knit community of students and teachers, has endeavoured to keep up to the challenges of the new normal, and carry on with the teaching-learning process and the extra-curricular activities that are central to its vision via the online medium.

During the period the College has also attempted to reach out beyond the students and serve the larger community in the face of the disasters that unfolded in the summer of 2021.

Reclaiming the Bards

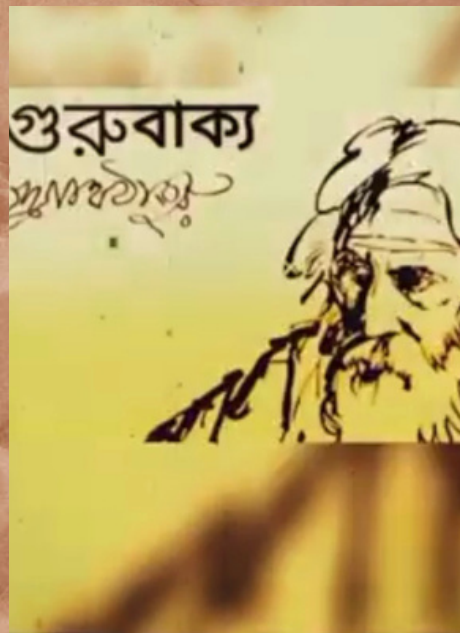
SHAKESPEARE & TAGORE



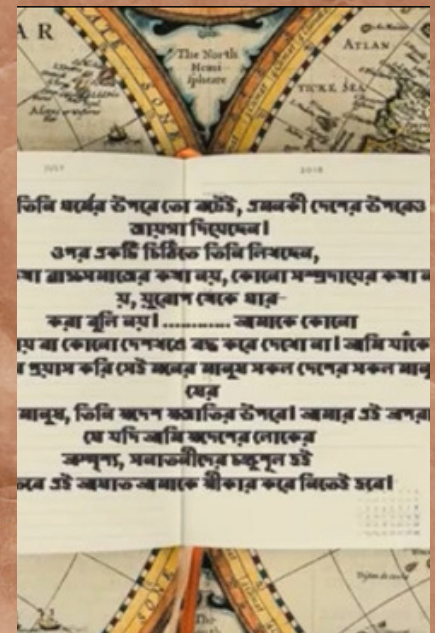
April was indeed cruel this year, a strange combination of the killer virus and toxic political bickering. Taking the cue, the students of the Department of English presented an online skit celebrating the birth anniversary of Shakespeare by using lines from different works of the Bard of Avon to highlight the contemporary predicament.



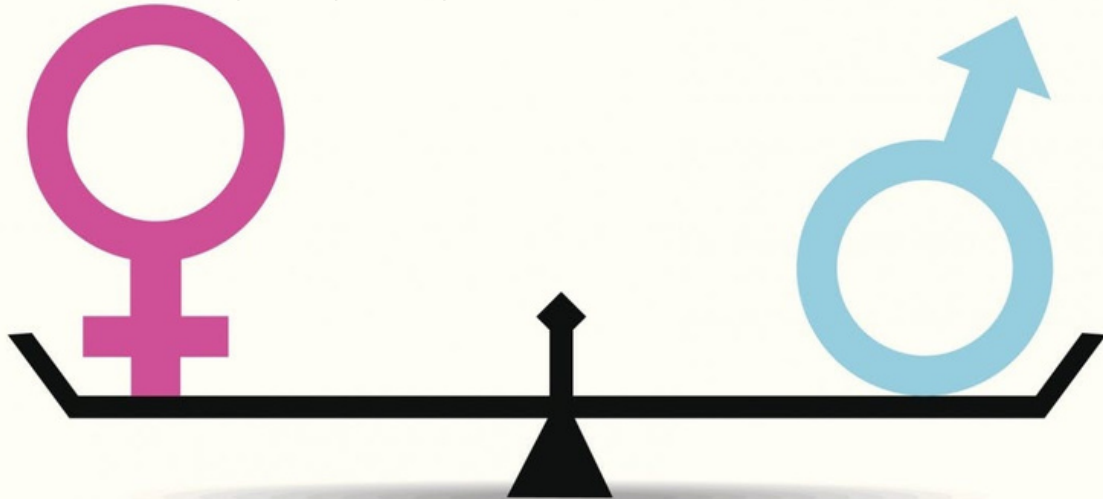
The cultural subcommittee observed Rabindra Jayanti through - 'Shwarane Robi, Smarane Robi' - an animated collage of scenes from Tagore's various plays.



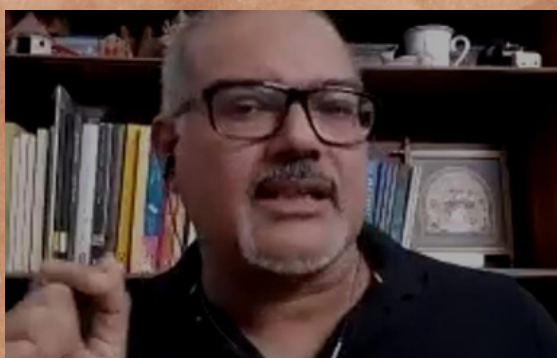
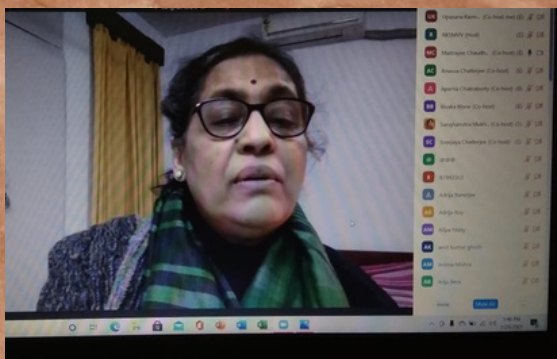
The students of the Department of Bengali and History put up an online cultural programme featuring songs, dance and readings from Tagore.




Engaging with Gender





Gender Resource Centre organised a month-long lecture series in January 2021 in collaboration with all the departments of the college on the Zoom platform. Speakers included experts in the field, such as Dr. Niladri Chatterjee, Dr. Maitrayee Chaudhuri, Dr. Aditi Chattopadhyay, Dr. Ratna Basu, Dr. Srimoyee Tarafdar among others. In total there were 13 talks on gender in this lecture series.



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MULTIDISCIPLINARY ONLINE LECTURE SERIES
ON
GENDER STUDIES


GENDER RESOURCE CENTRE
IN COLLABORATION WITH
DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

SPEAKERS:
 DR. BRATATI HORE
 DR. MALLARIKA SINHA ROY

DATE: 09/01/2021
TIME: 6 PM-8 PM
PLATFORM: ZOOM
LINK-
<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1DM2t18nk1FXk1NfuxDjPEXx1ns1oAD0X/view?usp=drivefsdk>
Meeting ID: 933 7167 2724 | Passcode: 539564



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IN COLLABORATION WITH
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

যমুনাগারীয়া বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়

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TIME: ১১:০০০-১:০০০
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DEPARTMENT OF BENGALI

SPEAKER: DR. ADITI CHATTOPADHYAY

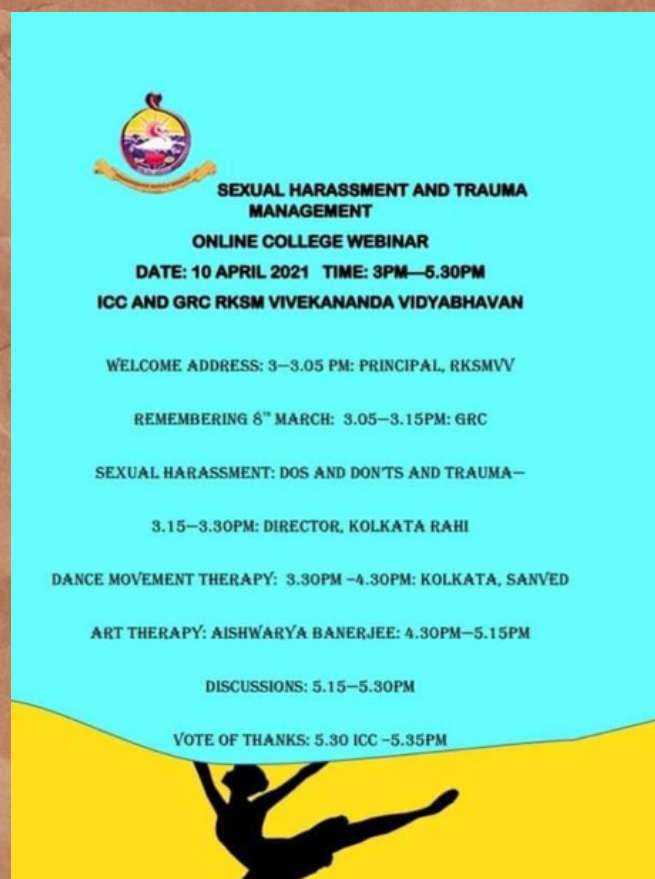
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SELF-HELP & SUPPORT

The Internal Complaints Committee (ICC) and the Gender Resource Cell (GRC) both play active roles in the campus life of the college, by extending support to students and faculty on all types of sexual violence faced within or on transit to the college premises. They also create awareness on mental health and trauma, and dissipate information on rights and legal support available.

In keeping with its mission, the ICC and the GRC organised a webinar on Sexual Harassment and Trauma Management on 10th April, 2021.



The poster is for an online college webinar titled "SEXUAL HARASSMENT AND TRAUMA MANAGEMENT". It features the college logo at the top. The text provides details about the date (10 April 2021), time (3PM-5.30PM), and location (ICC and GRC RKSM Vivekananda Vidyabhavan). It lists the agenda: Welcome Address (3-3.05 PM), Remembering 6th March (3.05-3.15 PM), Sexual Harassment: Do's and Don'ts and Trauma (3.15-3.30 PM), Dance Movement Therapy (3.30 PM-4.30 PM), Art Therapy (4.30 PM-5.15 PM), Discussions (5.15-5.30 PM), and Vote of Thanks (5.30 ICC-5.35 PM). The bottom of the poster has a yellow background with a black silhouette of a person in a dynamic pose.

SEXUAL HARASSMENT AND TRAUMA MANAGEMENT
ONLINE COLLEGE WEBINAR
DATE: 10 APRIL 2021 TIME: 3PM-5.30PM
ICC AND GRC RKSM VIVEKANANDA VIDYABHAVAN

WELCOME ADDRESS: 3-3.05 PM: PRINCIPAL, RKSMVV

REMEMBERING 6TH MARCH: 3.05-3.15PM: GRC

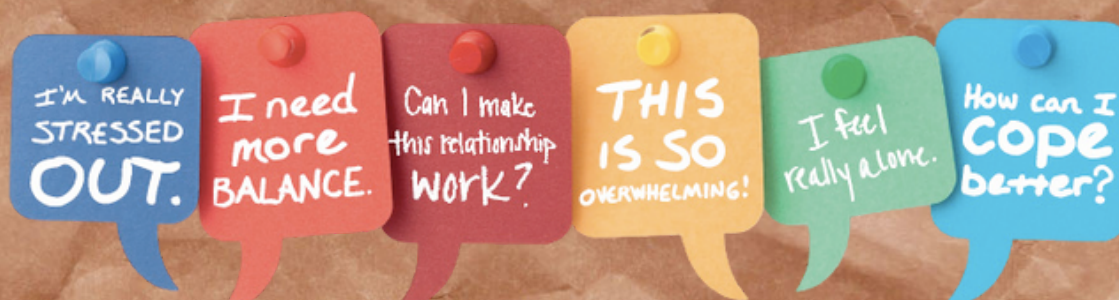
SEXUAL HARASSMENT: DOS AND DON'TS AND TRAUMA-
3.15-3.30PM: DIRECTOR, KOLKATA RAHI

DANCE MOVEMENT THERAPY: 3.30PM-4.30PM: KOLKATA, SANVED

ART THERAPY: AISHWARYA BANERJEE: 4.30PM-5.15PM

DISCUSSIONS: 5.15-5.30PM

VOTE OF THANKS: 5.30 ICC-5.35PM



With a view to extend support to students and help nurture their mental health, the College has also set up a dedicated psychological counselling cell using the expertise and experience of the skilled teachers of the Department of Psychology.





SELF-HELP & SUPPORT



In August 2019, our college instituted the NSS with a view to promote social service and also instill ideas of social welfare, humanity, and philanthropy amongst our students. “Not Me But You” is the objective of the NSS, aimed at developing students’ personality through voluntary community service. This is allied to the mission of the College that also works selflessly toward the empowerment of the downtrodden and enables them to lead a life of dignity.



COVID-19
RELIEF FUND

The National Service Scheme (NSS) and the college and faculty members came together to extend support for the students and the immediate local community in the trying times unleashed by Covid-19.

The NSS also contributed Rs. 1,592/- to the Covid Relief Fund.

On 26th January the NSS unit organised a gift distribution programme for the Basic Sunday School of RKSMVV. Around 15 student volunteers participated.

SELF-HELP & SUPPORT

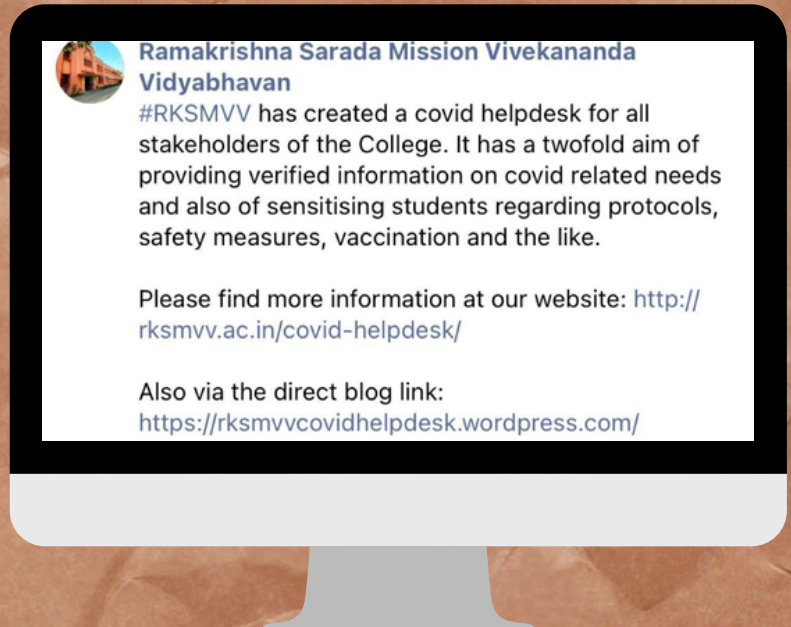
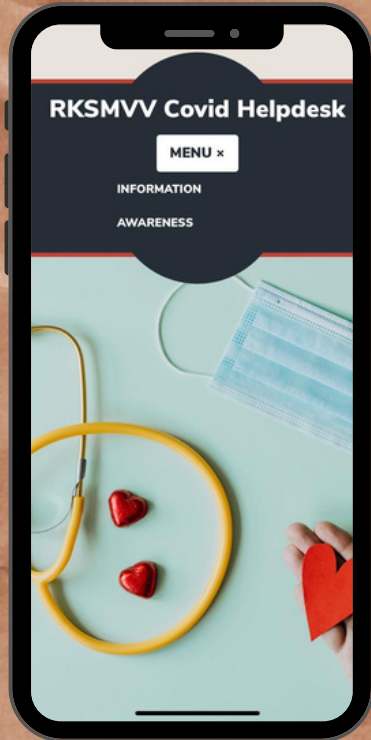


Keeping true to its mission and motto - Be and Make - the faculty of RKSMVV led by the monastic members went out of its way to provide relief and support to those whose lives were severely affected by the onslaughts of Covid and Yaas in the summer of 2021.

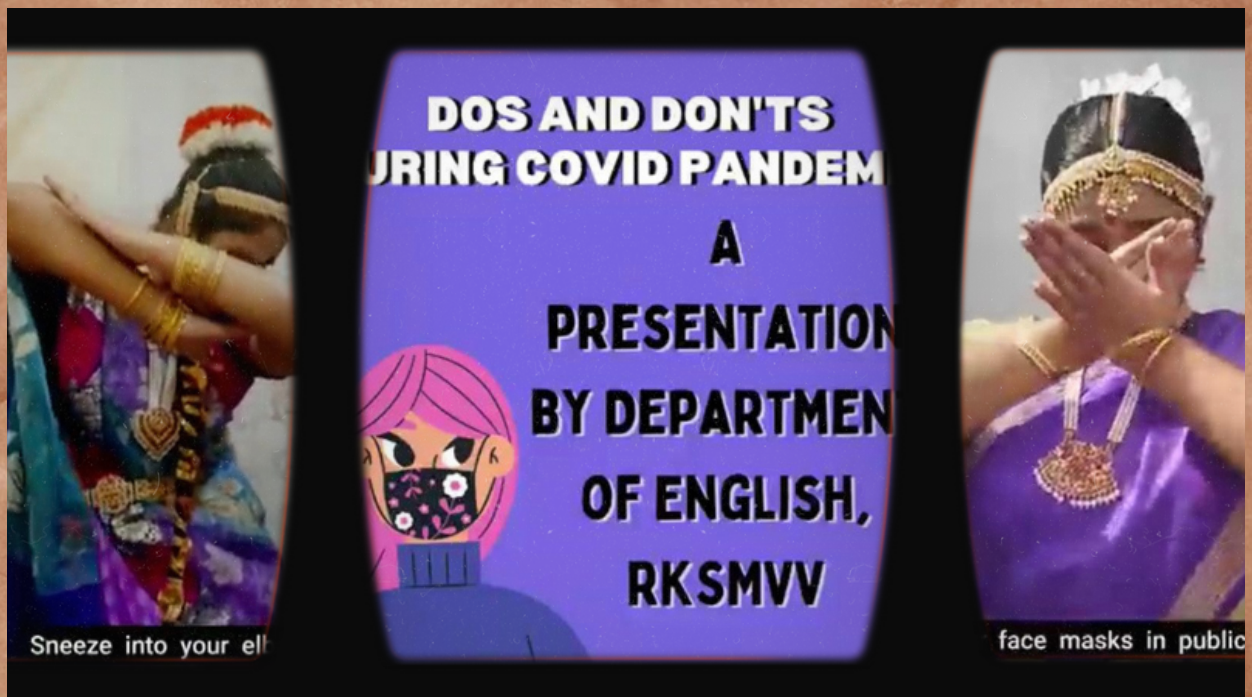
The College Faculty donated Rs. 40,000/- towards the PM Corona Relief Fund, Rs. 75,000/- to the CM Relief Fund.



SELF-HELP & SUPPORT



The college created an online Covid Helpdesk to provide updated information on Covid related issues.



The students of the Department of English presented a dance composition of Covid Dos and Dents

Beyond Campus: Forging Connections

Professional Courses



The RKSMVV School of Professional Studies has introduced a bouquet of career-oriented courses as a significant step towards women empowerment across sections of society.

On 16th April 2021 RKSMVV signed an MoU with Sister Nivedita University, Kolkata for two post-graduation diploma courses -
1. Hospital Management
2. Public Relations and Advertising.

**RAMAKRISHNA SARADA MISSION
VIVEKANANDA VIDYABHAVAN
SCHOOL OF PROFESSIONAL STUDIES**

Public Relations and Advertising

- Public Relations
- Crisis Management
- Marketing
- Advertising
- Photography

Duration
1 year

Qualification
Graduation in any subject with 45%

Course Fee
Admission Fee: 5,000
Course Fee: 20,000

Diploma/Certificate
Post Graduate Diploma

Offered By
Ramakrishna Sarada Mission Vivekananda Vidyabhavan & Sister Nivedita University (Techno India Group)

**RAMAKRISHNA SARADA MISSION
VIVEKANANDA VIDYABHAVAN
SCHOOL OF PROFESSIONAL STUDIES**

Hospital Management

- Principles of Management
- Organizational Behaviour
- Healthcare Economics
- Health Management
- Hospital Planning
- Hospital Administration

Duration
1 year

Qualification
Graduation in any subject with 50%

Course Fee
Admission Fee: 5,000
Course Fee: 40,000

Diploma/Certificate
Post Graduate Diploma

Offered By
Ramakrishna Sarada Mission Vivekananda Vidyabhavan & Sister Nivedita University (Techno India Group)

RKSMVV has also started a WBSU-approved psychological counselling course for students.

These courses focus on employability and are designed to cater to students of varying means and merit and are open to RKSMVV students as well as women graduates from other institutions.



**RAMAKRISHNA SARADA MISSION
VIVEKANANDA VIDYABHAVAN
SCHOOL OF PROFESSIONAL STUDIES**

Psychiatric Counselling

Duration
6 months

Qualification
Graduation in any subject with 50%

Course Fee
Admission Fee: 1,000
Course Fee: 5,000

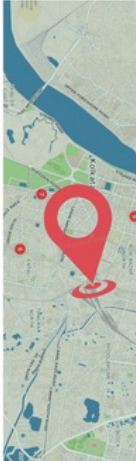
Diploma/Certificate
Certificate Course

Offered By
Ramakrishna Sarada Mission Vivekananda Vidyabhavan & West Bengal State University (Waiting for approval)

Beyond Campus: Forging Connections

Professional Courses

**RAMAKRISHNA SARADA MISSION
VIVEKANANDA VIDYABHAVAN
SCHOOL OF PROFESSIONAL STUDIES**



GIS - Remote Sensing & Application

Duration
6 months

Qualification
10+2
Students of Geography Hons or from any Science Background

Course Fee
Admission Fee: 1,000
Course Fee: 4,000

Diploma/Certificate
Certificate Course

Offered By
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**RAMAKRISHNA SARADA MISSION
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SCHOOL OF PROFESSIONAL STUDIES**



English for Academic Purpose
This interactive course is designed to develop academic writing proficiency in English for students, academics and professionals.

- Effectively planning, organizing and structuring an essay/ written matter
- Using academic language and styles appropriately
- Basics of research and referencing
- Producing original texts with clear, focused and logical ideas
- Building smart presentation skills
- Developing original and unique content for a variety of academic and professional requirements

Duration
1 year

Qualification
10+ (Proficiency in English is required)

Course Fee
Admission Fee: 500
Course Fee: 6,000

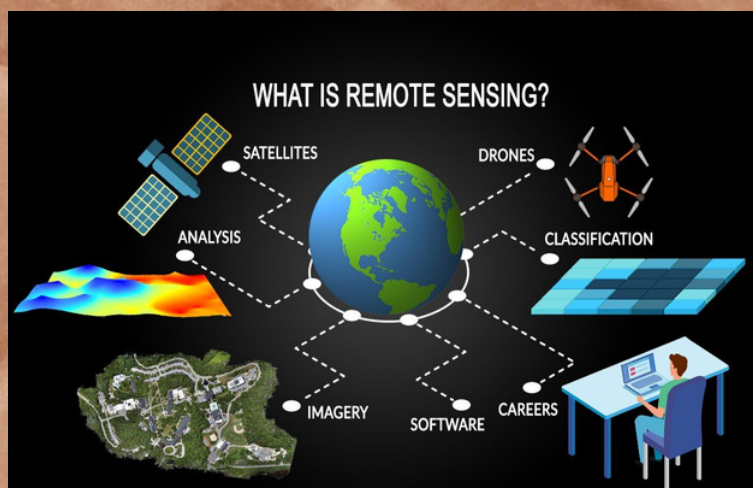
Diploma/Certificate
Certificate Course

Authority
Ramakrishna Sarada Mission Vivekananda Vidyabhavan & Elta Global

A unique course had been designed jointly by the Department of English, RKSMVV and Elta Global, combining the long-term departmental expertise in teaching literature and helping students with academic writing and Elta Global's wide experience in language training and innovative, interactive teaching.

RKSMVV is offering various computer courses in collaboration with Sri Sarada Math, Rasik Bhita.

Also, the Department of Geography has taken the initiative to start a year long diploma course on GIS and Remote Sensing.



Fun, Fest and Frolic

Mamani Saha, a second year Journalism and Mass Communication (JMC) Honours student secured first position in a poster redesigning competition organised by Vijaygarh Jyotish Ray College. She re-designed the poster of the cinematic masterpiece Charulata by Satyajit Ray.



Shreya and Shweta, students of the department of History also paid a stylistic tribute by choreographing a shadow dance to the musical compositions of Ray, on the maestro's birth centenary.

A two-day talent hunt was organised for the first year students on the 12th and 13th of April. Events included different genres of music and dance.

The departments of Bengali, English, and Sanskrit hosted recitation competitions. The Sports Committee also came up with an innovative online Sports Quiz for the students.



Fun, Fest and Frolic

English Department completes 25 years !



The Department of English observed its 25th year with its two-day annual fest, Revelio, and alumni meet.

The fest held various competitions like doodling, photography, and slam poetry and an interactive session with the invited guest author Mr Nazes Afroz, who talked about the Kabuliwalas of Kolkata.

The alumni meet was a trip down 25 years of nostalgia along with a career-counselling session by the ex-students.

THE ANNUAL CULTURE FEST OF THE
Department of English, RKSMMV

Welcome to the online chapter of
Revelio '21
20th and 21st February 2021

Interactive session
with invited
author/photographer


Competitions:
Doodling
Photography
Spoken Word

● Free registration
● Prizes and certificates in all categories

'Author Meet'

20th February, Morning Session (12 noon – 1.30 pm)

"From Kabul to Kolkata: Of Memories, Belonging and Identity", a talk by Nazes Afroz, author, translator, photographer and freelance journalist.



"Rabindranath Tagore narrated the story, of a man from a distant land – Afghanistan – but living in Kolkata to earn his living, to his Bengali readers in 1892. Since then, the Kabuliwala has taken a life of its own with translations in many Indian and foreign languages as well as cinematographic adaptations and theatrical performances. These interpretations have helped shape a romantic image of Afghans in more than just Bengal. Inspired by this story, Moska Najib and Nazes Afroz, two journalist-photographers, embarked on a project on the 'Kabuliwalas of Kolkata' that touches upon social transformations over the past 100 years. This photographic journey undertaken by Najib and Afroz is possibly the first attempt to document the Kolkata Afghan community." Mr. Afroz's photo-essay and talk "From Kabul to Kolkata: Of Memories, Belonging and Identity" focuses on the fascinating history and culture of Kabuliwalas.

Revelio '21

The Spoken Word
(Slam Poetry Competition)

Theme:
Protest.

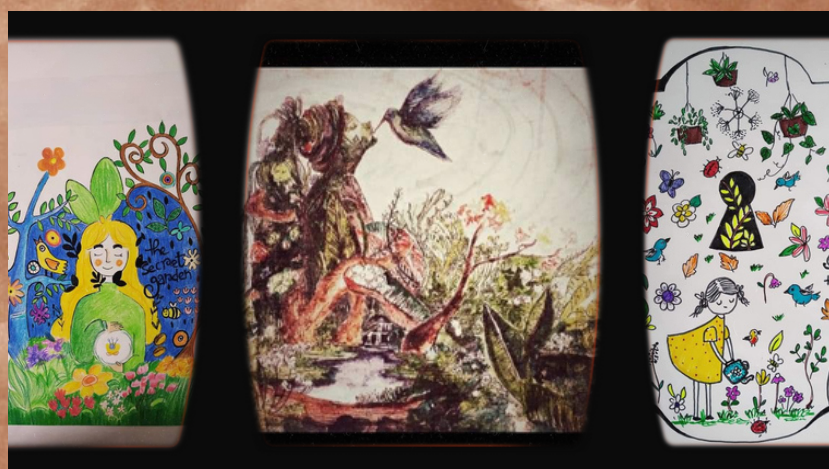
Protest has been one of the most significant human expressions in the continuous evolution of the modern civil society. At any given point of time innumerable protests are happening in public and private spheres of life: protests for equality among men and women, among rich and poor, among humans and animals, protests against violence, cruelty, injustices and exploitations, protests for freedom of nations and individuals, protests against regiments, protests for accepting differences and for loving the other.

Write your own thoughts on this theme in a poem/prose piece/short story and perform it live on 20th February 2021 for The Spoken Word Competition at Revelio '21 (online, 2 pm to 4 pm)

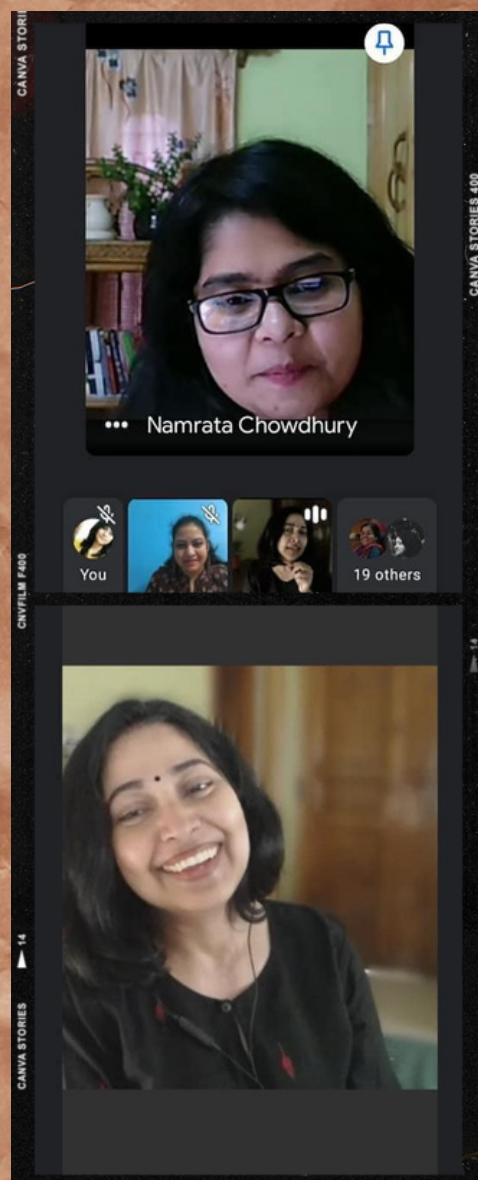
Rules

1. Time given for performance to each competitor 3-5 minutes.
2. No plagiarism.
3. No vulgar or abusive language, no persecution of any community, religion or gender.
4. You can read it out, but the more engaging the performance, the better it is.
5. You can use English/Bengali/Hindi.
6. Willing participants please contact Akanksha Krishnatre (9576344394) or Archi Chakraborty (8336016171) to enroll your names. Registration is free!

Revelio '21



On Women's Day, stunning art-works on the theme of 'The Secret Garden' was submitted by students across departments and from other colleges for the doodling competition of Revelio, , which were indeed beautiful odes to women and womanhood.



Classroom Matters

The Department of English, RKSMVV, along with the Department of English, Sanskrit College and University jointly organised a webinar series on PARTITION NARRATIVES.

Dr. Rituparna Roy, author, academic, and Partition Studies expert, on 28th June, traced the development of Partition fiction from Khushwant Singh to Amitav Ghosh. Focusing on 'Train to Pakistan' she explored in depth the major tropes of the Partition novel.

On 29th June, Mr NazesAfroz, journalist, author, photographer, presented a thoroughly documented photo-essay 'Uncertain Landscape: Refugee Memories of Kolkata', through which he investigated how the physical and mental landscape of the erstwhile refugee colonies of South Kolkata have been transformed in the past two decades.

Dates
28th June 2021
29th June 2021
1st July 2021
2nd July 2021

Time
6.30 p.m. to 8 p.m. (for all four days)

Platform
Google meet


Email
english@rksmvv.ac.in

A four-day online lecture series

Jointly organized by
the Department of English,
The Sanskrit College and
University

&

the Department of English,
Ramakrishna Sarada Mission
Vivekananda Vidyabhavan



**Partition Narratives:
An Interdisciplinary
Lecture Series**

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Film Screening Series (online)
Organized by the Department of Sociology
Ramakrishna Sarada Mission Vivekananda Vidyabhavan.

First screening on **12.02.2021**
Name of film : **Samantaral** (2017)
Time : 11 A.M onwards




Film Screening Series (Online)
Organized by the Department of Sociology
Ramakrishna Sarada Mission Vivekananda Vidyabhavan.

Second screening on **23.02.2021**
Name of film : **Article 15** (2019)
Time : 2.15 P.M onwards



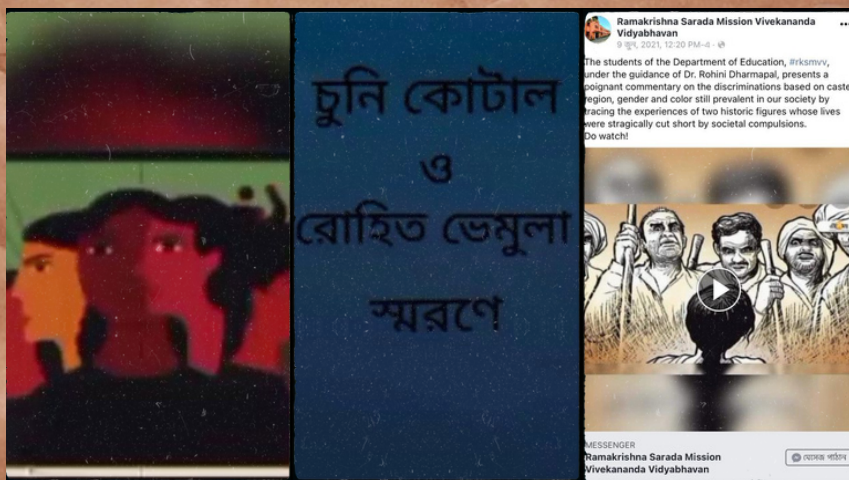
Organized by the Department of Sociology
Ramakrishna Sarada Mission Vivekananda Vidyabhavan.

Third screening on **05.03.2021**
Name of film : **Brahma Janen Gopon Kommoti** (2020)
Time : 10.30 A.M onwards



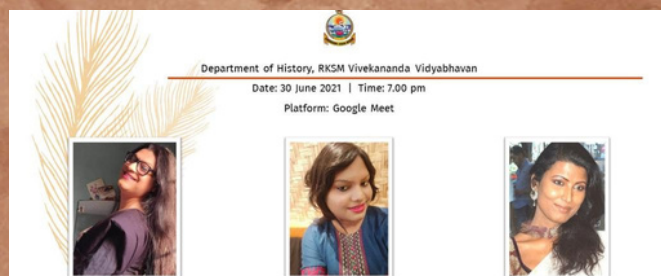
The Department of Sociology hosted a film screening series where three films focusing on a range of social issues such as caste, gender, village life, power and domestic roles were screened. This was followed by a round-table discussion where students from all the three semesters presented their sociological reviews of the films.

Classroom Matters



- **The students of the Department of Education, presented a poignant commentary on the discrimination based on caste, region, gender, and color still prevalent in our society by tracing the experiences of two historic figures whose lives were strategically cut short by societal compulsions.**

- **On 30th June, the Department of History hosted a webinar 'Pride Pandemic and Us'. The speakers included Anurag Maitrayee, Sumi Das, and Tista Das.**



- **On 26th June, the Department of Sanskrit hosted its fourth lecture of 'Charaiveti - A series of Online Lectures' with Dr Rimi Ghosh Dastidar, who spoke on 'Computational Linguistics'.**

- **On 11th February the Department of Psychology organised a talk on 'Affective Process' with Smt. Mitali Mallick as the speaker.**
- **The Department of Bengali observed International Mother Language Day by organising a talk titled 'Bhashar Darshan O Sahityer Bhasha: Ekti Uttoradhunik Prostab' by Dr. Debarati Chakraborty.**
- **On 4th March the Department of English organised a talk on 'Classical European Literature' by Dr. Arpa Ghosh.**
- **An orientation programme- 'Geoinformatics and Higher Education Problems and Prospects' - was organised for undergraduate and postgraduate students by the Department of Geography on 17th April.**
- **The Department of Political Science hosted a two-day online lecture series titled 'Human Rights in a Comparative Perspective: USA and India' by Professor Kinshuk Nandy.**

Students' Activities



There can be no better therapy than performing the Surya Namaskar, breathing in the fresh air and freeing the mind of all negativity. Students of RKSMVV observed International Day of Yoga on 21st June, 2021, by bowing before the source of all energy, the Sun.



The students of the Department of Sociology observed World Environment Day by presenting posters reflecting their understanding of the environment and the challenges it faces in the contemporary times.

The students of the college revisited Steve Cutts' MAN and MAN 2021, both poignant yet chilling commentaries on humankind's relationship with nature, while being grateful for the sprawling greens of the campus.

The students of the Department of Sociology made online presentations on the occasions of International Women's Day and International Mother Language Day.



Reliving Traditions



Even though it was a challenge keeping the traditions of the college community alive in the times of the pandemic, the students, the monastic and the regular faculty of the college adapted to the virtual medium to celebrate and commemorate the annual observances.

The Annual Puja, the Saraswati Puja, Basanta Utsav and the Bengali New Year were held in due course. Below are some glimpses of the festivities that were shared online for the students and staff to savour

