

EVENT REPORT
DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

Name of the Event: Revisiting the Mahakavyas

Category: Seminar

Date Held: April 21, 2025

Time: 1.15 pm

Venue: Seminar Room

Name and Designation of the Resource Person(s):

1. Dr. Kanad Sinha, Assistant Professor, Department of Ancient Indian and World History, The Sanskrit College and University.
2. Dr. Swati Biswas, Associate Professor, Department of Islamic History and Culture, University of Calcutta, Kolkata

Number of Participants: 41

Brief Description of the Event: This Seminar aimed at imparting knowledge on two important ancient Epics of India.

Dr. Kanad Sinha's topic was '*Reading the Mahabharata : A Text of Multiple Nature*'. Dr. Biswas spoke on '*Reading the Mughal Mind through Ramayana of Hamida Bano*'. The topic evoked interest among the faculty and students from the departments of English, Sanskrit and Education as well as those from History.

Outcome of the Event: This session generated great interest on the debates related to the two epics—their historicity, discourse on war, perception of Ramayana in the Mughal Period. Both the speakers handled intricate issues in a language understandable to students. Dr Sinha explained how shruti/orality transformed into written texts. Dr Biswas used PPT to show how the calligraphic and paintings representations reflect the reception of Ramayana in the Mughal period by Hamida Banu.

Flyer:



**RAMAKRISHNA SARADA MISSION
VIVEKANANDA VIDYABHAVAN**

**DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY
with the IQAC**

organises

**State Level Seminar
on**

Revisiting the Mahakavyas.

Our Speakers:



DR. SWATI BISWAS
Associate Professor
Department of Islamic History and
Culture,
University of Calcutta, Kolkata



DR. KANAD SINHA
Assistant Professor
Department of Ancient Indian and World
History,
The Sanskrit College and University, Kolkata

**Date: April 21st, 2025.
Time 1:15 PM. Venue : Seminar Room**

Photos:







