

REPORT ON THE SOCIAL AWARENESS ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED BY THE WOMEN'S STUDIES CENTRE, VIDYA BHAVANA, VISVA-BHARATI

A) Theme:

- 1) Student reach-out programs

B) **Description of the activity (500 words):** Women's Studies Centre, Vidya Bhavana, Visva-Bharati organized a round table discussion with the NSS Unit, Vidya Bhavana on 19th September, 2024. This was a discussion on **"Women's Safety in Public Spaces: Exploring the Way Forward"**. This event was honored by the presence of several distinguished dignitaries including Prof. Sirajul Islam, Principal, Vidya-Bhavana; Prof. Rekha Ojha, Dept. of Philosophy, Visva-Bharati; Dr. Tanusree Paul, Assistant Professor, Women's Studies Centre, Visva-Bharati. Several PhD scholars and students from several departments participated in this activity.

C) Data

- (a) Number of students participated: 45



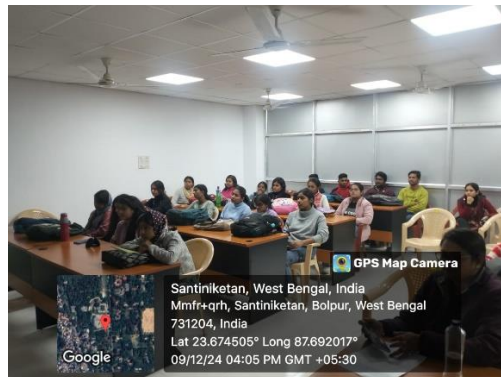
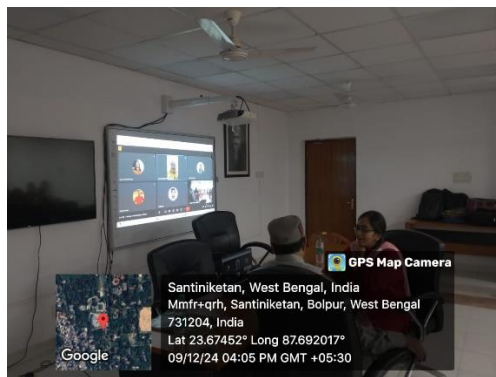
A) **Theme:**

2) Student reach-out programs

- B) **Description of the activity:** Women's Studies Centre, Vidya Bhavana, Visva-Bharati had organized a student reach-out program on 9th December, 2024. This reach-out was on **"The Politics of Silence: The Process of Silencing and Normalizing Gender Based Violence in Children"**. This event was honored by the presence of several distinguished dignitaries including Prof. Sirajul Islam, Principal, Vidya-Bhavana, Dr. Tanusree Paul, Assistant Professor, Women's Studies Centre, Visva-Bharati. The Invited Speaker for this programme Ms. Ananya Chakraborty (Former Chairperson, West Bengal State Council for Protection of Child Rights). Several PhD scholars and students from several departments participated in this reach-out program.

C) **Data**

(b) Number of students participated: 40



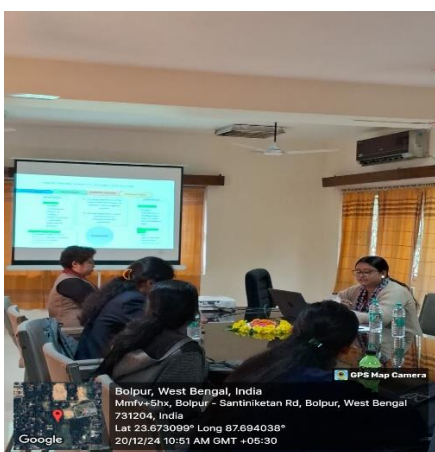
A) **Theme:**

3) Student reach-out programs

- B) **Description of the activity:** Women's Studies Centre, Vidya Bhavana, Visva-Bharati organized a student reach-out program on 20th December, 2024. This reach-out program was organized in collaboration with the Dept. of Philosophy, Visva-Bharati. This reach-out was on **"Elimination of Gender Based Violence from the Society"**. This event was honored by the presence of several distinguished dignitaries including Prof. Sirajul Islam, Principal, Vidya-Bhavana, Visva-Bharati, Prof. Rekha Ojha, Dept. of Philosophy, Visva-Bharati, Dr. Tanusree Paul, Assistant Professor, Women's Studies Centre, Visva-Bharati. Several PhD scholars and students from several departments participated in this activity.

C) **Data**

(c) Number of students participated: 20



A) **Select a Theme: (Anyone from the list below)**

4) Empowered women communities

- B) **Description of the activity:** Women's Studies Centre, Vidya Bhavana, Visva-Bharati organized a village visit to a village named Baganpara, Santiniketan on 30th July, 2025. This event was honored

by the presence of several distinguished dignitaries including Prof. Sirajul Islam, Principal, Vidya-Bhavana, Visva-Bharati and Dr. Sujit Paul, Assistant Professor from dept of Life Long Learning, Visva-Bharati. Dr. Tanusree Paul, Assistant Professor from Women's Studies Centre. Several PhD scholars both from Women's Studies Centre and Dept. of Life Long Learning also participated. The tribal women of the village were asked about the challenges they face in their daily life- about their health, sanitation, source of income, gender in-equalities in their family etc. Using Participatory Rural Appraisal (PRA) techniques, the everyday obstacles that hinder their empowerment were identified and their suggestions regarding how to address these challenges were also noted.

c) Data

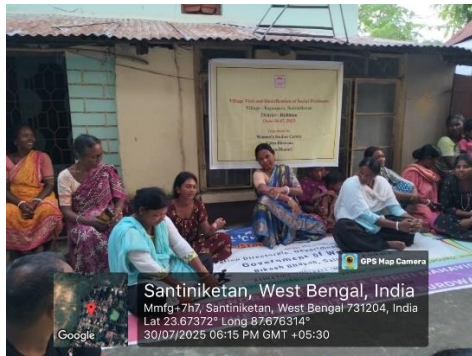
(d) Number of students participated: 6

(e) Number of village where this out reach program is conducted: 1

Sl no	Name of the village	Number
1	Baganpara	1

(f) Number of participants of the community: 24





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