

GOVERNMENT GENERAL DEGREE COLLEGE, MANGALKOTE

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY

REPORT OF THE WEB-LECTURES ORGANIZED

ON

26.06.2021

IN COLLABORATION WITH

INTERNAL QUALITY ASSURANCE CELL

GGDC, MANGALKOTE

Aims and objectives of the program

On 26.06.2021, the Department of Sociology in collaboration with IQAC, GGDC, Mangalkote, organized two web-lectures on Google meet to keep the culture of learning alive during the gloomy Covid days.

The first lecture was delivered by Mr. Debottam Saha, PhD Research Scholar, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, IIT, Delhi. The web-lecture was titled *Taking Ecology Seriously: Ideas, Politics and Movement*.

The second lecture was delivered by Dr. Sinjini Roy, Assistant Professor in Sociology, Dr. A. P. J. Abdul Kalam Government College, New Town, Kolkata. The web-lecture was titled *Different Perspectives to the Study of Family*.

The objective of the programme was to familiarize the students with latest conceptual debates and empirical research work in the sub-disciplinary domains of Environmental Sociology and Sociology of Family, both of which are parts of the CBCS Curriculum of BA Sociology Honours and General courses of the University of Burdwan.

Proceedings of the program

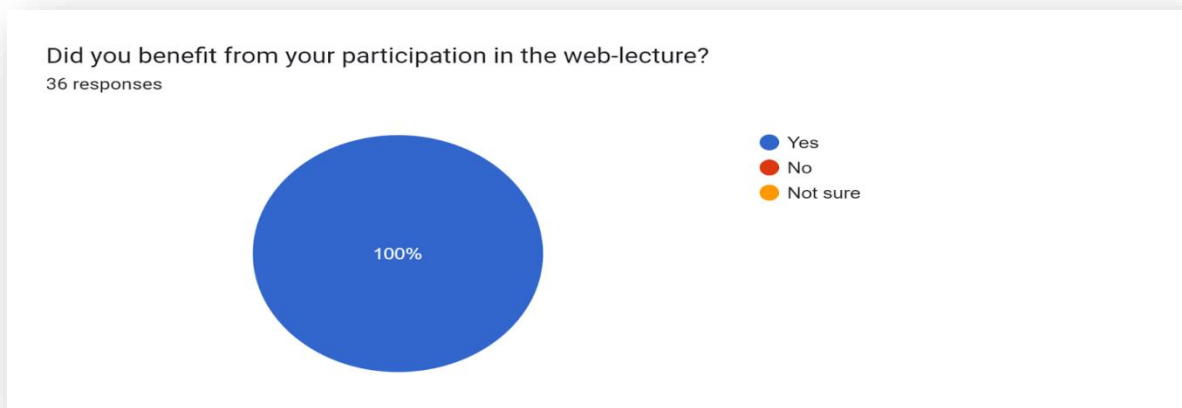
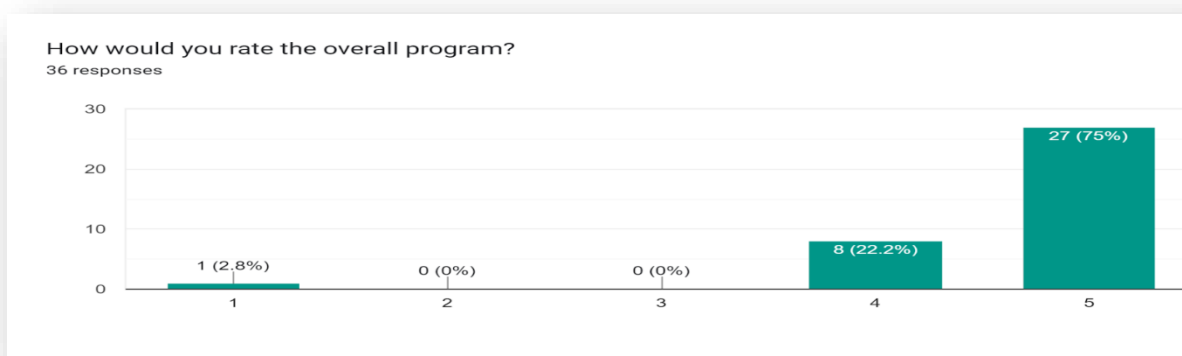
The web-lecture delivered by Mr. Debottam Saha revolved around conceptual complexities in thinking about ecology and environment. Then he delved deep into the ideas and ideologies associated with contemporary environmental politics and movements. His web-lecture was imbued with references from his on-going PhD research work on organic farming in the Burdwan district. The web-lecture delivered by Dr. Sinjini Roy revolved around the various approaches to the study of family and kinship. Her web-lecture focused on her PhD research on Social Gerontology attempting to establish the fact that the dependency crisis of the aged in the contemporary society need not be looked at from the point of view of neglect by the younger generation but in terms of greater mutual understanding between the aged and the dependent on the one hand and the younger generation on the other.

Participants

About thirty students, both internal and external, participated in the web-lecture. About twelve teachers also participated in the web-lecture. Apart from the teachers and students from the college, there were participants from Chandernagore College, Department of Social Work, Viswa Bharati University, Hyderabad Central University, Presidency University, St. Xavier's College, Mumbai.

Result of the program

The feedback collected from the respondents show that all the participants rated the two web-lectures either 4 or 5, which indicates high evaluation of the contents of the web-lecture by the participants. All participants responded that they benefited immensely from the programme. Most of the participants stated that the lectures were excellent or great. They praised the arrangement of the programme and requested the organizers to continue the initiative. Click the following link for more details about the feedback provided by the participants in the programme on 26.06.2021: <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1KHBA2gfZmT1PrU5pceYFxyYZ5OBIZa4g8Sd2P-uH-IGY/edit#gid=1713380473>



Conclusion

Amid the global crisis in education system unleashed by Covid 19 and the sudden shift to online teaching and learning, such initiative opened up avenues for greater in-depth engagement within curriculum and beyond. The Department will organize more such web-lectures in the future in order to retain faith in the culture of learning amid crisis.

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Department of Sociology

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Presents

Web-lecture 1

(Of Monthly Web-lecture Series)

Date: 26.06.2021, Saturday

Time: 5.00 pm

Google Meet Link: <https://meet.google.com/hty-mymz-jdh>

Speakers:

Lecture I:

Mr. Debottam Saha, PhD Research Scholar,
Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, IIT Delhi
“Taking Ecology Seriously: Ideas, Politics and Movement”

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Lecture II:

Dr. Sinjini Roy, Assistant Professor in Sociology,
Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Government College, New Town
“Different Perspectives to the Study of Family”

Concept and Plan of Monthly Web-lecture Series:

Amidst the Covid-19 pandemic when the entire academic community is struggling to make sense of the crisis that has hit teaching-learning process across the world and carving out alternative means to reach out to our intellectual collaborators, we, at the Department of Sociology, are making a humble effort, like our fellow collaborators elsewhere, to generate meaningful dialogue with our students and other interlocutors, beyond curriculum-based learning. Towards this end, the Department of Sociology is planning to organize a Monthly Web-lecture Series, with at least one online lecture by interested friends and colleagues from the discipline of sociology and other social sciences, who have made or are in the process of significantly contributing to sociological and social science research.

These lectures will address substantive components of the U.G. curriculum, which is our primary concern and open up avenues of thinking beyond classroom instruction and examination to engage new ideas and possibilities.

The first activity as part of the Monthly Web-lecture Series will take place on 26.06.2021. We are glad to have two promising scholars with us, who will deliver web-lectures on issues relating to environmental politics and ecological movements and the various approaches to the study of family as an institution. We sincerely hope that these lectures will be of interest to the students of B.A. and M.A. program, research scholars and faculty members of social sciences and humanities departments of different institutions of higher learning under different Universities.

Around mid-July, we plan to have two more web-lectures (the date is yet to be finalized) on gender justice and sensory approach to sociological research.

Organizing Committee:

Patron: Dr. Saurabh Chakraborti, WBSES, Principal, GGDC, Mangalkote

Advisor: Dr. Pradipta Kumar Basu, Coordinator, IQAC, GGDC, Mangalkote

Convener: Pinaki Roy, Head, Department of Sociology, GGDC, Mangalkote

Joint Convener: Sanchari De, Assistant Professor in Sociology, GGDC, Mangalkote

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Technical Advisor:

Dr. Debasish Kundu, Assistant Professor in Chemistry, GGDC, Mangalkote

Program Schedule (26.06.2021):

5.00-5.05 pm – Welcome address by Convener

5.05-5.10 pm – Inaugural address by Principal, GGDC, Mangalkote

5.10-5.15 pm – Message from Coordinator, IQAC, GGDC, Mangalkote

5.15-5.55 pm – Lecture I by Mr. Debottam Saha

5.55-6.35 pm – Lecture II by Dr. Sinjini Roy

6.35-6.55 pm – Q/A and Discussion

6.55-7.00 pm – Vote of Thanks