

GOVERNMENT GENERAL DEGREE COLLEGE,
MANGALKOTE

IN COLLABORATION WITH

PALISHGRAM HIGH SCHOOL

REPORT

ON

*‘Observation of World Down Syndrome
Day’*

**ORGANISED BY: GOVERNMENT GENERAL DEGREE COLLEGE,
MANGALKOTE**

DATE: 21.03.2023

TIME: 12.00 noon onwards

VENUE: PALISHGRAM HIGH SCHOOL



Dr. Prabir Kumar Bhowmik
OFFICE INCHARGE, P.H.S.
MANGALKOTE, DIST. PALASHGRAM, WEST BENGAL, INDIA

1. **Name of the Program-** Observation of World Down Syndrome Day - A sensitization cum community outreach program
2. **Theme/Topic** - Down Syndrome, on the occasion of World Down Syndrome Day
3. **Date** – 21.03.2023
4. **Time/ Schedule** – 12 p.m.
5. **Venue /Platform-** Palish Gram High School
6. **Organizers of the Program** – Department of Sociology in collaboration with IQAC
7. **Organizing Committee** –

Patron – Dr. Pradipta Kumar Basu, OIC, GGDCM

Advisor – Dr. Debraj Biswal, Coordinator, IQAC, GGD

Jt. Conveners – Dr. Pinaki Roy, Assistant Professor in Sociology

Ms. Moumita Mazumder, Assistant professor in Sociology

Members – Ms. Sanchhri De, Assistant Professor in Sociology

Dr. Suchismita Das, Assistant Professor in Sociology

Mr. Debaditya Dutta, Assistant Professor in Sociology

8. **Objective of the Program** - To observe World Down Syndrome Day (21st March) for in the form of a Sensitization cum community outreach program:
 - i. To raise awareness about persons with Down Syndrome among our students and School students , and
 - ii. To make the college and school more inclusive space for persons with Down Syndrome , through cultivation of sensitivity, empathy and awareness towards the person with Down Syndrome.

Summary of the program-

Imagine a world where everyone was accepted for who they are, regardless of their differences. A world where we celebrated diversity and embraced uniqueness. This is the world that we should strive for, especially when it comes to children with Down Syndrome. Hence, promoting social integration and celebrating diversity and inclusion is important. By educating ourselves and others about Down Syndrome, providing support and resources, and celebrating diversity, we can create more inclusive communities. One way is to educate others about Down Syndrome and to challenge the negative attitudes and beliefs that exist. This can be done through awareness campaigns, workshops, and training programs. Finally, celebrating World Down Syndrome Day is important to promote social integration. It is also an opportunity to promote social integration and inclusion for people with Down Syndrome.

The World Down Syndrome day being a global awareness day, has been observed to signify the uniqueness of the triplication (trisomy) of the 21st chromosome which causes Down syndrome. Down Syndrome is a condition in which a person born with an extra copy of chromosome 21. People with Down Syndrome can have physical problems as well as intellectual disabilities. Every person born with Down syndrome is different.

In commemoration of World Down Syndrome Day, Department of Sociology, Government General Degree College, Mangalkote have organized an extension cum outreach programme at Palishgram High School on 21.03.2023 to observe World Down Syndrome Day under the theme “ End the Stereotypes”. This Program was planned and organized by the Department of Sociology, Government General Degree College, Mangalkote under the guidance of Dr. Pradipta Kumar Basu, Officer –In- Charge, Government General Degree College Mangalkote and greatly supported by IQAC coordinator Dr. Debraj Biswal. Student Volunteers from the Department of Sociology have also taken part in this outreach activity and assisted teachers in spreading awareness about the Down Syndrome among school students.

Speaking on the event, Dr. Pinaki Roy, Head Department of Sociology narrated the aims and objectives of the programme. Ms. Moumita Mazumder, Assistant Professor in Sociology, Government General Degree College, Mangalkote elaborated to school students that in case of Down Syndrome the reason of disability is genetic makeup and we cannot accuse parents of children facing down syndrome or the person facing down syndrome that because of their fault or mistake the Disability happened. Thus we should be empathetic towards the children facing Down Syndrome and safeguard their rights.



The school students were also being enlightened about the fact that children with Down Syndrome face disability because of trisomy in 21st chromosome thus these children have evident differences in face than non-disable people, added that we should take collective effort and we should not segregate children on basis of facial expressions or differences as all the children are equal and have equal rights. School students have been enlightened about the fact that there are many barriers that prevent children with Down Syndrome from being fully included in their communities. Negative attitudes and beliefs can lead to discrimination, bullying, and exclusion. The lack of knowledge and understanding about Down Syndrome can lead to a lack of support and resources for children with Down Syndrome.

Teachers of the Department of Sociology made the school students understand that we need to make person with Down Syndrome feel that they are equally treated as normal persons with dignity and respect and we should all come together to create unity in diversity and embrace the beauty of individuality.

Students from the department of Sociology also helped the school students to understand about Down Syndrome through posters and distributing pamphlets.

General Conclusion and Outcome of Sensitization Program - Celebrating World Down Syndrome Day is not only important for promoting social integration but also for raising awareness about Down Syndrome. Department of Sociology have celebrated the day and hope that by celebrating this day, it have helped to break down the barriers that prevent children with Down Syndrome from being fully included in their communities.

This Sensitization cum community outreach program, held on 21st March 2023 (Tuesday), at Palishgram High School, aimed to develop a greater sensitization about the lived realities of individuals with Down Syndrome and thereby develop empathetic understanding of their experiences. This outreach program was a sincere attempt to generate awareness among our students, and students of Palish Gram High School, regarding the ongoing struggle of people with Down Syndrome and make the Society more inclusive space for persons with Down Syndrome. The speakers for the awareness program, Dr. Pinaki Roy, Assistant Professor in Sociology, GGDC, Mangalkote and Ms. Moumita Mazumder, Assistant Professor in Sociology, GGDC, Mangalkote played a pivotal role in this sensitization process through their thought provoking deliberation.



GLIMPSES FROM THE PROGRAM



Dr. Pinaki Roy, Assistant Professor and Ms. Moumita Mazumder, Assistant Professor in Sociology elaborating school students about problem and experience of person with Down Syndrome at Palishgram High School on 21.03.2023.



Moumita Mazumder
Dr. Pinaki Roy and Ms. Moumita Mazumder
Department of Sociology, Palishgram High School
Palishgram, West Bengal, India



Student participants from Palishgram High School
Student volunteers and teachers from the Department of Sociology distributing pamphlets among school
students to raise awareness about Down Syndrome on 21.03.2023



Dr. Pradip Kumar Saha
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Department of Sociology, Palishgram High School,
Palishgram, West Bengal-713123



Students and with posters as a form of support for the persons with Down Syndrome at Palishgram High School on 21.03.2023

ATTENDANCE
SHEET

DOWN SYNDROME AWARENESS AT PALISHGRAM HIGH SCHOOL

- Dip Saha (VII)
- MUSIBUJI RAHAMAN (VII)
- Rokib SK (VIII)
- Abdullah Gohomori (VIII)
- SK MUJIB UDDIN (VIII)
- Habibul Mallek (VIII)
- Srejan Ghosh (VII)
- Akhil Bandhab Sankar (VIII)
- Syed Ashraful Alam (X)
- SK Imdad Ali (X)
- Ajad Khanekar (X)
- RAKESH DAS (VIII)
- Raj SK (VIII)
- SARAJIT DAS (VIII)
- Deep Das (VIII)
- Chwara Thandep (VIII)
- Asmima Khatun (VIII)
- Sohana Khatun (VIII)
- Rahima Khatun (VIII)





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The Memorandum of Understanding (hereinafter called the MOU) is entered into on this the 11th Day of March
(Two Thousand Twenty-Three)

By and Between

GOVERNMENT GENERAL DEGREE COLLEGE, MANGALKOTE, The First Party represented herein by its Officer-in-Charge as Representative and Competent Authority (Hereinafter referred as "First Party", the institution which expression, unless excluded by or repugnant to the subject or context shall include its successors – in office, administrators and assigns)

PALISHGRAM HIGH SCHOOL (H.S.), The Second party and represented herein by the Head Master as Representative and Competent Authority (Hereinafter represented as "Second Party", the institution which expression, unless excluded by or repugnant to the subject or context shall include its successors – in office, administrators and assigns)

(First Party and Second Party are hereinafter jointly referred to as 'Parties' and individually as 'Party')

WHEREAS

A) FIRST PARTY is a Government College named:

i) GOVERNMENT GENERAL DEGREE COLLEGE, MANGALKOTE, PANCHANANTALA, KHUDRUN DIGHI, P.O.-MAJHIGRAM, DT. PURBA BARDHAMAN, WEST BENGAL, PIN 713132.

B) First Party and Second Party believe that collaboration and cooperation between themselves will promote more effective use of each of their resources, and provide each of them with enhanced opportunities.

C) The parties intent to cooperate and focus their efforts in cooperation within the area of School Education, Higher Education, provide opportunity for teaching pedagogy, synergy in curriculum at all levels of education, extensive use of ICT and to facilitate advancement of knowledge on the basis of reciprocity, best effort, mutual benefit, and frequent interactions.

D) Both Parties being legal entities in themselves desire to sign this MOU for advancing their mutual interests.

E) PALISHGRAM HIGH SCHOOL (H.S.), the Second Party is a Government Sponsored Co-Educational Higher Secondary School.

F) The Second Party presently functions from its own campus at P.O.-PALISHGRAM, DIST-PURBA BARDHAMAN – 713147. It has no other branch, wing, subsidiaries or extensions existing at present.

NOW THEREFORE, IN CONSIDERATION OF THE MUTUAL PROMISE SET FORTH IN THIS MOU, THE PARTIES HERE TO AGREE AS FOLLOWS:

Clause-I

CO-OPERATION

1.1 Both the Parties are united by common interest and objectives, and they shall establish channels of communication

and co-operation that will promote and advance -



- Promotion of student centric teaching learning pedagogy which shall nurture creativity, competence belongingness and ownership among the learners;
- To instil scientific temper among young learners;
- To embrace equity and equality in education;
- Faculty and student exchanges based on reciprocity;
- Exposure of school students to state of the art laboratories and academic ambience of HEI;
- Team taught courses, including online courses for vocational opportunities;
- Visits by faculty, professional staff and students;
- Exchange of information on teaching, learning material and other literature relevant to their educational programmes;
- Joint organization of workshops and educational fair, and short-term continuing-education programmes on topics of mutual interest, inviting each other's faculty and students to participate therein;
- Joint organization of cultural programme, sports and other creative events to hunt talents and
- Any other joint venture for co-curricular and extra-curricular enrichment of both the Institution on prior agreement of the Head of the Institution of both the Institution; within the Institution and its related wings.

1.2 Both the Parties shall keep each other informed of potential opportunities and shall share all information that may be relevant to secure additional opportunities for one another.

1.3 First Party and Second Party must respect each other's to intellectual property and the disputes if any, relating to any aspect of academic cooperation, HOI of both the Institution will jointly resolve the dispute in a spirit of independence, mutual respect, and shared responsibility.

1.5 Both the Parties mutually agreed not to include any financial transaction during the execution of this MOU.

1.6 Neither Party shall be held responsible for non-fulfilment of their respective obligation under this MOU due to circumstances beyond their control but not limited to pandemic, war, flood etc. If such condition continues beyond six months, the parties shall then mutually decide about the future course of action.

1.7 Nothing in this MOU shall be constructed to make party a partner, an agent or legal representative of the other for any purpose. Now onwards both the party may mention the name and LOGO of the other in their documents as "COLLABORATOR" for purpose as may be required subject to communication by the user to the other party in writing beforehand.

1.8 This MOU unless terminated by mutual written agreement will continue for 5 years after the effective date specified in the opening paragraph and can be renewed through mutual interest. Either Party shall have the right to unilaterally terminate this MOU upon 90 days prior written notice to the other party.

Agreed:



For
Government General Degree College, Mangalkote
Purba Bardhaman-713132

[Handwritten Signature]

Authorized Signatory
Government General Degree College, Mangalkote
Purba Bardhaman-713132

OFFICER IN CHARGE, W.B.E.S.
Government General Degree College, Mangalkote
Dt. Purba Bardhaman, West Bengal- 713132

Witness - 1

[Handwritten Signature]

ARITRA RUDRA
(W.B.E.S)
ASSISTANT PROFESSOR (GROUP-A)
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION
WEST BENGAL

For
Palishgram High School (H.S.)
Purba Bardhaman-713147

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Authorized Signatory
Palishgram High School (H.S.)
Purba Bardhaman-713147

Witness - 2

[Handwritten Signature]
A-T (Bengali)

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No. 159/MGC,

DATE: 17/03/2023

From: Dr. Pradipta Kumar Basu
Officer in Charge.
Government General Degree College, Mangalkote

To: The Headmaster/ Teacher in Charge
Palishgram High School (H.S)

Sir,

In pursuance of the MoU between Government General Degree College, Mangalkote and Palishgram High School (H.S) dated 11/03/23, the undersigned likes to inform you that our college is going to organize an Awareness & Outreach Programme entitled "Break-the-Stereotypes" on 21.3.2023 on the occasion of World Down Syndrome Day (21st March) to promote awareness about Down Syndrome and the challenges and discrimination faced by the people afflicted with the condition among the students of Palishgram High School.

Your cooperation is highly solicited in the matter.

Thanking you,

With regards,

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No. 16A/23,

DATE: 17/03/23

It is hereby notified for the information of all concerned that the college is going to organize an Awareness & Outreach Programme entitled "Break-the-Stereotypes" on 21.3.2023 on the occasion of World Down Syndrome Day (21st March) to promote awareness about Down Syndrome and the challenges and discrimination faced by the people afflicted with the condition among the students of Palishgram High School.

Interested students are asked to participate in the programme.

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Copy forwarded for information and necessary action to:

- 1) Headmaster/ Teacher in Charge, Palishgram High School
- 2) College Notice Board
- 3) Notice Book, Department of Sociology

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Date: 08/05/2023

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

This is to certify that in pursuance of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between GOVERNMENT GENERAL DEGREE COLLEGE, MANGALKOTE and PALISHGRAM HIGH SCHOOL (H.S.) dated 11/03/23, GOVERNMENT GENERAL DEGREE COLLEGE, MANGALKOTE has organized a Down Syndrome Awareness Campaign at PALISHGRAM HIGH SCHOOL on 21/03/23 and the students of Class XII of PALISHGRAM HIGH SCHOOL have visited the Chemistry laboratory of GOVERNMENT GENERAL DEGREE COLLEGE on 08/05/2023.

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