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**Two -Day National Seminar**

On

## Philosophical Contribution of Contemporary Thinkers

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**The Department of Philosophy**  
**Gobinda Prasad Mahavidyalaya,**  
(Affiliated to Bankura University)  
Amarkanana, Bankura 722133, West Bengal

**Date:** 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> March, 2025

**Venue:** Gobinda Prasad Mahavidyalaya, Seminar Hall

- **Last date of Registration:** 19.03.2025
  - **Link for Registration:**  
<https://forms.gle/Y9T5vUYTRYJQYcsZ8>
- **Last date of abstract submission:** 19.03.2025
- **Email for submission of Full Paper :** [gpmphil85@gmail.com](mailto:gpmphil85@gmail.com)

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## Concept Note of the seminar

Contemporary Indian Philosophy stands as a dynamic confluence of classical Indian wisdom and modern Western thought, embodying both interpretative depth and creative innovation. It is a philosophical movement that seeks to reinterpret the profound teachings of the Upanishads, offering fresh perspectives, rational demonstrations, and intellectual reconstructions that resonate with the evolving ethos of the modern world.

Modern Indian philosophers have been deeply engaged in the quest to harmonize spiritual values with empirical and supernatural concepts. Their discourse reflects a self-conscious endeavour to reconsider and rearticulate Indian traditions through the lens of Western culture and scientific advancements. Despite their engagement with contemporary thought, these philosophers continue to uphold fundamental tenets such as karma, rebirth, immortality, and salvation. They affirm the principles of monism, the integral nature of human existence, the dignity of humankind, the reality of human freedom, and the significance of intuitive knowledge.

A striking feature of contemporary Indian philosophy is its humanistic approach and the vision of a Universal Religion—a synthesis of spiritual ideals transcending sectarian boundaries. Among the notable figures of this movement, Swami Vivekananda stands as a beacon of intellectual and spiritual synthesis. He championed an inclusive perspective, advocating modernization without the loss of India's rich spiritual heritage. Recognizing the socio-economic challenges faced by India, he emphasized the need for progress and development while staying rooted in the spiritual traditions that define the nation's identity.

This seminar aims to delve into the profound contributions of contemporary Indian thinkers, exploring their philosophical reinterpretations, their dialogue with modernity, and their vision for a harmonious integration of tradition and progress. Join us as we embark on an intellectual journey that celebrates the resilience, adaptability, and enduring wisdom of Indian philosophy in the contemporary world.



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## **Eminent Resource Persons**

### **DAY-1**



**Prof. (Dr.) Dipayan Pattanayak**  
Head of the Department  
Department of Philosophy  
Jadavpur University (WB)  
*Topic: Concept of Dharma in light of Bankim Chandra Chattopadhyay*



**Dr. Bikash Bhargab Sarma**  
Dean of Humanities, Former HoD, Department of  
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Kumar Bhaskar Varma Sanskrit and Ancient Studies  
University, Nalbari  
*Topic: Humanistic Religion and the Philosophy of Rabindranath Tagore*

### **DAY-2**



**Dr. Kalyan Banerjee**  
Associate Professor  
Department of Philosophy  
Kazi Nazrul University (WB)  
*Topic: From Becoming To Being: A Step Ahead*



**Dr. Goutam Das**  
Assistant Professor  
Department of Philosophy  
Bankura University  
*Topic: Universal Religion of Swami Vivekananda*

## Call for Abstracts on Sub themes (not restricted to)

We are pleased to invite scholars, researchers, and academicians to submit abstracts for presentation at our upcoming conference. This event aims to foster intellectual discourse on various philosophical traditions and their contemporary relevance. We welcome contributions on a range of sub-themes, including but not limited to:

### Sub-Themes:

- Neo-Buddhism & Ambedkar's Philosophy
- Gandhian Philosophy
- Liberal Intellectual Philosophy
- Philosophy of Kalidas Bhattacharya
- S. Radhakrishnan's Philosophical Contributions
- The Vision of J. Krishnamurti
- Daya Krishna's Intellectual Contributions
- Integral Humanism: Deen Dayal Upadhyaya
- J. N. Mohanty's Phenomenology and Logic
- Amartya Sen on Justice and Democracy
- Bimal Krishna Matilal's Ethical and Logical Inquiry
- Philosophy of Bankim Chandra Chattopadhyay
- Reformist Ideals of Raja Rammohan Roy
- Philosophy and Social Reforms of Narayan Guru
- Iswarchandra Vidyasagar's Philosophy
- The Vision of Swami Vivekananda
- Rabindranath Tagore's Educational and Philosophical Thought
- Sri Aurobindo's Integral Philosophy
- Md. Iqbal's Vision of Self and Society
- Moulana Abul Kalam Azad's Contributions to Education and Religion
- M. N. Roy's Radical Humanism



## Submission Guidelines

### *Extended Abstract Format:*

- The abstract must include the **title of the paper, author(s) name, contact details, and references.**
- The abstract should not exceed **500 words.**
- About **3-5 keywords** should be provided.

### *Full Paper Format:*

- The manuscript should be in **MS Word (.docx/.doc format).**
- The text should be in **Times New Roman, font size 12-point** or **Kalpurush, font size 14-point.**
- The paper should be formatted on **A4 size paper with 1.5-inch line spacing.**
- Manuscripts **must not have been published previously.**

### *Publication Opportunity:*

- If there are sufficient submissions (**at least 25**), selected papers will be published.
- The publication will feature an **ISBN number.**

### *Important Dates:*

- **Full paper submission deadline:** 31st March 2025

### *Presentation Mode:*

- The paper may be presented in a **blended mode**, either **in person (offline)** or **virtually (online).**
- **The google Meet Link:** <https://meet.google.com/nyt-wkaz-bso>

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- ➡ 500/- for Research Scholars

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