- > TITLE OF PROGRAMME: State-Level Seminar cum Workshop:"Nari-Kathay Sathitya O Samaj"
- ➤ THE ME OF THE PROGRAMME: Exploration of Women's Role in Literature and Society

DATE: March27, 2024

VENUE: Asutosh College

COLLABORATOR: Asutosh College in collaboration with Deshbandhu College for Girls

> OBJECTIVE/PURPOSE:

To examine the societal construct of women through the lens of literature and discuss the evolving roles and representation of women in society, with references from classical Indian epics and cultural narratives.

> SPEAKERS:

Smt.Madhubani Chattopadhyay, Bharatnatyam exponent and author

Dr. Basabi Chakraborty, Professor, Faculty of Sociology, Netaji Subhash OpenUniversity (Chairperson)

Ms. Suranjana Dasgupta, Drama Performer

> TARGETAUDIENCE:

Students, faculty, and scholars interested in literature, sociology, and gender studies.

> BRIEFREPORTABOUTTHEEVENT/PROGRAMME:

The seminar, titled "Nari-Kathay Sathitya O Samaj," commenced with a welcoming address byDr. Sraboni Roy, followed by an inaugural lecture by Dr. Anita Chattopadhyay Gupta, who underscored the significance of analyzing women's societal roles. Dr. Chandramalli Sengupta introduced the theme, emphasizing the unchanged societal constructs around women. Smt. Madhubani Chattopadhyay spoke on "Bidrohinir Mahabharat," reflecting on female characters in the Mahabharata who embodied rebellion, with a focus on Sakuntala, Kunti, Satyabati, Subhadra, and Hirimba. Dr. Basabi Chakraborty, Chairperson of the session, offered a detailed analysis of Draupadi and discussed legislative measures addressing sexual harassment in the workplace. The second part of the event included a speech by Dr. Manas Kabi, and the event concluded with Ms. Suranjana Dasgupta's impactful drama recital inspired by Noti Binodini's autobiography, "Amar Katha."

EXPECTEDOUTCOME:

Participants gained insights into the historical and literary representation of women in Indian epics, understanding the roles, strengths, and societal challenges. The workshop aimed to foster dialogue on evolving gender constructs and promote awareness of legal protections for women.

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