

- TITLE OF THE EVENT: **EMINENT ALUMNI EXTENSION LECTURE**

- THEME OF THE EVENT: **GOOD ECONOMICS**

An Interactive Session

- DATE: **20.12.2024**
- VENUE: **Seminar Hall, Centenary Building, Asutosh College.**
- OBJECTIVE/ PURPOSE: **To familiarise the students with the concept of Good Economics and its relevance to the world not only in hard times but also for good times.**
- SPEAKER/ RESOURCE PERSON: **Dr. Kaushik Lahiri, Associate Professor, Department of Economics, Surendranath College, University of Calcutta.**
- TARGET AUDIENCE/ PARTICIPANTS: **Students of the Department**

- BRIEF REPORT ABOUT THE EVENT: On 20th December 2024, the Department of Economics organized an alumni lecture by Dr. Kaushik Lahiri, Associate Professor, Department of Economics, Surendranath College, Kolkata. It is indeed an honour for the department to have such successful alumni delivering to the present batch of students. The program was chaired by Dr. Reema Roy, Governing Body Member of Asutosh College. Smt. Suparna Basu delivered the inauguration speech where she introduced the speaker to the audience. It was followed by the traditional ritual of paying floral tributes to Sir Asutosh Mukherjee by Dr. Kaushik Lahiri, Dr. Reema Roy, Governing Body Member of Asutosh College and Dr. Maniparna SyamRoy, Head of the Department of Economics. Thereafter, Dr. Maniparna SyamRoy felicitated Dr. Kaushik Lahiri by welcoming him with *uttario*. Then, the chief guest was presented a few gifts by fifth semester students of the department, Krishnendu Das and Sruti Chatterjee respectively. Since, Dr. Kaushik Lahiri was an alumnus of the Economics department; the department presented a slideshow to highlight the achievements of the students of the department in the last few years to the speaker. It was soon followed by a brief speech of Dr. Reema Roy following which the speaker started his interactive session on GOOD ECONOMICS.

Dr. Kaushik Lahiri reminisced about the times he spent as a student in Asutosh College. He emphasised the importance of interaction in the field of economics to make the study of economics more attractive and make it a more reliable and useful tool to the common public for understanding the world. The speaker, through a series of interactions with the students as well as the faculty members, explained some parts of the course curriculum of students like some theories of international trade, environmental economics, along with some pertinent real-world issues like racism, immigration, trade wars etc.

The program was conducted by Smt. Suparna Basu and the vote of thanks was given by Dr. Pritha Biswas who encouraged the students to do their own research works in areas of economics as per their interests.

- EXPECTED OUTCOME: The seminar was meant for all the students of semester I, III and V. The seminar covered a wide range of topics which are very relevant in today's world such as Immigration, Climate change, Racism, Trade liberalization and its impacts on countries along with topics like usefulness

of RCT methods in Economics. This interactive seminar was very effective and helpful for the students as they could learn the importance of analysing and relating real world events with economic theories.

- GEO-TAGGED PHOTOGRAPHS:



