



A Two-Day International Conference

on

Environmental Education and Sustainable Development : Interdisciplinary Approaches and Theories

- Organised by -

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**Date & Time: 11th & 12th October, 2023 at 10.30 a.m.
Venue: S. N. Bose Seminar Hall | Mode: Hybrid**

About the College:

Panskura Banamali College, affiliated to Vidyasagar University, was established in 1960 at Kanakpur near Panskura Railway Station under undivided Medinipur District of West Bengal. It was re-accredited by NAAC with grade "A". The college has been recognized by UGC as an autonomous college since 2018 and also elevated the status to research centre. Our college is arguably the largest college in Rural Bengal, in terms of its strength of students and the number of subjects taught at the undergraduate and postgraduate levels. The college campus consists of a lush green football ground and other open areas for various sports, flower and herbal gardens, several large buildings, general auditorium, gymnasium, seminar room, indoor sports complex, yoga room, students' hostel, photocopy facility, students' canteen, common rooms, cycle stand, teachers' accommodation, solar electricity generating system, library with OPAC system and internet facilities for students.

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About the Conference:

“We are all living together on a single planet, which is threatened by our own actions...”/
“Our changing the environment is proceeding much more rapidly than our ability to understand it.”

-Yuval Noah Harari

The impact of climate change and environmental degradation, with its repercussions of persistent global warming and an upsurge in natural calamities, has reverberated deeply, reshaping the Earth's intrinsic essence. This compels us to reflect on our existence, given the divergence between technological advancement and urbanization on one hand and the reverence for nature on the other. In this crucial moment the role of Environmental Education and Sustainable Development is very vital to cope up with these ecocides. Various visionaries and intellectuals spanning fields such as literature, philosophy, science, and activism collaborate ceaselessly to shield the planet from ecological harm and to illuminate a path toward balanced coexistence. Prominent literary figures like Emerson, Thoreau, Rachel Carson, Richard Powers, and Amitav Ghosh, have left an indelible mark on environmental discourse through their profound writings that probe into the challenges engendered by industrialization and the complex ethics that underlie our relationship with the environment. Their literary contributions resonate as a compelling call to action, urging society to safeguard and revere our planet. Naturalist philosophers and educationists like Rousseau and Rabindranath Tagore advocate the idea of environmental education for shaping the child psychology with ecocentric mind and formulating intrinsic value and deep commitment for saving this mother earth.

Amidst the tapestry of minds engaged in unraveling the intricate threads of our ecological destiny, an assembly of luminaries emerges. Theorists and critics, bearing names like William Rueckert, Arne Naess, Greta Gaard, Jonathan Bate, Lawrence Buell, Karl Kroeber, Cronon, Simon Schama, Heidegger, Ramchandra Guha, Lori Gruen, Bullard, Christophe Bonneuil, Jean-Baptiste Fressozet, Scott Slovic, and a chorus of others, emerge as sentinels of insight, paving the way from egocentrism to ecocentrism.

In such a context of an escalating global environmental crisis, the interface of linguistic expression, ecological consciousness, and cultural dynamics has emerged as a locus of academic inquiry. This Call for Papers endeavors to invite scholarly inquiries that delve into the expanding realm at the intersection of language, nature, and culture with a focus on studying their intricate interaction. As Rene Wellek in his *Concept of Criticism* expresses nature as “a living, growing, organic entity infused with spirit and in some way related to man” (160), this interdisciplinary exploration too, seeks to facilitate a nuanced understanding of environmental sustainability, drawing on the empirical, theoretical, and methodological advancements within this emergent field and interrogate from every possible angle of ‘imagings’ that reflect and influence our sustainable living.

Sub-themes:

- Environmental and Population Education
- NEP -2020 and Environmental Education
- Environment Education and Green Pedagogy
- Naturalism and Environmental Education
- Environmental Sustainability
- Environment and Teacher Education

- Environmentalism and Inclusivity
- Ecocriticism and Green theory
- Deep Ecology and Ecofeminism
- Eco-Cosmopolitics
- Environmental Racism and Social Ecology
- Postcolonial Ecocriticism
- Queer Ecologies
- New Materialism and Anthropocene
- Environmental Education and Literature
- Environmental Education and Social Science
- Economics and Environmental Justice
- Post-Humanism
- Geocriticism and Blue Humanities
- World Ecology
- Environmental Ethics and Ecofascism
- Ecolinguistics
- Biocentrism and ecocentrism
- NEP 2020 & Environmental Policies
- Environmental Education and Science
- Environmental Education and Film

Eminent Speakers:

Keynote Speaker



Prof. Manasendu Kundu

Former Summer Faculty in Environment Studies Programme;
& Dept. of Anthropology,
University of California, Santa Barbara, USA

Title of Talk: *“Is Homo Sapiens becoming the victim of its past success? But is it possible to avoid an environmental apocalypse?”*

Plenary Speakers



Prof. Dr. Bishnupada Nanda

Prof. & Former Head, Dept. of Education
Jadavpur University, Kolkata

Title of Talk: *“Environment Education: Contribution to Ancient India”*



Prof. Dr. Shruti Das

Head, P.G. Department
Berhampur University, Odisha

Title of Talk: *“Stories we Live by: Ecological Ethics and Posthumanism”*



Prof. Asheesh Srivastava

Prof. & Dean, Dept. of Educational Studies,
School of Education, Mahatma Gandhi
Central University, Motihari, Bihar

Title of Talk: *“Sustainability with respect to NEP 2020”*



Dr. Jaydeep Sarangi

Veteran poet, academician, and Principal
New Alipore College, Kolkata

Title of Talk: *“Returning to River within: Parameters to New Education Technology”*



Daya Dissanayake

Eminent bilingual Srilankan poet,
novelist, activist, environmentalist

Title of Talk: *“Nature worship to save mother earth”*



Dr. Subhadeep Paul

Asst. Professor in English & Joint Co-ordinator,
Cent. For Research in Posthumanities

Title of Talk: *“Green Pedagogy and the Posthumanities”*

Call for Papers:

Original research papers on the sub-themes of the seminars are invited for presentation in the seminar. Though outstation candidates may present their papers through online mode. Interested teachers, scholars and students are requested to send title and abstract (within 200-250 words with five key words) in MS word by 03.10.2023 via provided link. The acceptance of the paper will be notified through registered email by 05.10.2023. The topic of the paper must be consistent with theme of the seminar. **Selected papers will be published by national/international publisher with ISBN within 45 days.**

- Manuscript must be written in English or Bengali language.
- File must be in Microsoft Word format.
- Paper Size: A4, Font and Size: Times New Roman 12, whereas the title must be in 14 point size, bold.
- Alignment of the paper: Justified.
- Spacing: 1.5, Margin: 1 inch on all four sides.
- Word limit: **Minimum: 2500, Maximum: 5000 words.**
- The authors need to strictly follow **MLA** or **APA** latest addition in their paper for referencing.
- Last Date of submission of **Abstract: 3rd October, 2023**
- Last date of submission of **Full Paper: 9th October, 2023**
- While submitting a paper, the author must be aware of plagiarism policy and the paper should be unpublished and original in nature.

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- Paper Presentation: 1000/-

Registration Fees for Only Participation:

- Teachers/Academician/Scholars: 500/-
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