DEPARTMENT OF GEOGRAPHY



ST. XAVIER'S COLLEGE

St. Xavier's Road, P.O. Sripalli Burdwan – 713103, West Bengal, India

Date: 31.10.2023

To The Principal, St, Xavier's College, Burdwan

(Subject: Approval for organizing an extension lecture)

Respected Father,

In this letter, I am requesting your permission to conduct an extension lecture on the topic of *Indigenous tribes of sub* himalayan North Bengal: An unexplained story about the Livelihood Experiences by Dr. Indrajit Roy Chowdhury, Department of Geography & Applied Geography, University of North Bengal, India on November 4th, 2023, Time: 12pm – 1.30pm in Seminar Hall, Academic Building.

We are confident that the session will be informative and that the interactive session with the speaker will be beneficial to our students.

I would be very grateful if you would grant us permission for the same. Pre requisite for conducting the extension lecture is attached in a separate sheet.

Sincerely

Saurav Sengupta

Approved By:

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Date: 31.10.2023

To Dr. Indrajit Roy Chowdhury, Department of Geography & Applied Geography, University of North Bengal, India.

(Subject: Invitation for being the speaker of the extension lecture series)

Sir,

We would like to take the opportunity to invite for extension lecture series that Department of Geography, St. Xavier's College Burdwan is organizing on *Indigenous tribes of Sub Himalayan North Bengal: An unexplained story about the Livelihood Experiences*. This session will be held on 4th November, 2023 (Saturday) 12.00pm onwards. You are cordially invited as a speaker of the session.

It would be a great honour if you enlighten our students with your profound deliberation. We aspire that the knowledge shared through the lecture would be enriching. Your kind consent is solicited for our college.

Warm regards

Sincerely

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MASTER CLASS



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St. Kabier's College, Burdwan (Affiliated to the UNIVERSITY OF BURDWAN)



Presents

Master Class Lecture Series

A Lecture on Indigenous tribes of Sub Himalayan North Bengal: An unexplained story about the Livelihood Experiences"



November 4, 2023 (1 2 : 0 0 P M)

Seminar hall, Academic Building

Flyer for Master Class

REPORT

The Department of Geography, St. Xavier's College, Burdwan organized its second session of Master Class Lecture Series on November 4, 2023 (Saturday). The invited speaker for the session was Dr. Indrajit Roy Chowdhury, Assistant Professor, Department of Geography and Applied Geography, North Bengal University. The title of the Master Class was '*Indigenous Tribes of Sub-Himalayan North Bengal: An Unexplained Story about the Livelihood Experiences*'. The academic programme was held in the Seminar Hall of the Academic Building from 12 noon addressing 65 participating students.

The inauguration of the programme was marked by watering the plant by Dr. Indrajit Roy Chowdhury, the speaker for the session, one of the teacher representative along with a student representative. Thereafter, the speaker was introduced and felicitated by the Head of the Department.

The Master Class began with understanding of indigenous livelihoods of the tribes of North Bengal. Dr. Roy Chowdhury with his extensive, empirical, ethnographic study for eight long years in the North Bengal shared his experiences about their unique life worlds. His vivid description was accompanied with evocative visual representations of indigenous livelihood. His lecture focused on how the tribal community have adopted with the sub-Himalayan natural habitat; the ways in which their life worlds are coping with rapid urbanization; how they are using home-stay tourism to maintain their economy in a ecologically sustainable way and the problems they encounter because of the accessibility issues.

The Master Class session was followed by the interactive session where the participating students were curiously enquired about the influences of urbanism and tourism in the serene tribal lives. Dr. Roy Chowdhury encouraged young minds to visit the untrodden sites of sub-Himalayan Bengal and explore their cultural realms.

The second Master Class was a successful attempt as the participants were encouraged on various dimensions of Geography of Culture and Tourism. The knowledge acquired through this learning session would definitely be utilized for their future academic pursuits.

GLIMPSES OF THE EVENT



Plate 1: Felicitation of the Speaker



Plate2: Inauguration by watering the plant

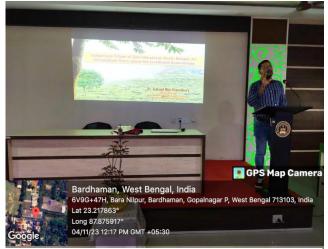


Plate 3: Speaker introducing the Topic



Plate 4: Glimpses of the Lecture



Plate 5: Audience

Plate 6: Interactive Session