

Basanti Devi College NAAC ACCREDITED The Department of Women's Studies and Women's Studies Centre

In Collaboration With IQAC and I C are Organising a Seminar On The International Women's Day

"ভালোবাসা- ই উপশম"

Date: March 13, 2024

Time: At 1.30pm

Venue: College Auditorium (Room No 309)



Guest Speaker
Alokananda Roy
Celebrated Indian Classical Dancer,
Choreographer, Trainer,
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Report

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The seminar on "BHALOBASA-I-UPOSHOM" was organised by the department of Women's Studies and Women's Studies Centre in collaboration with IQAC and IC of Basanti Devi College, Kolkata, West Bengal, India on 13th March, 2024 for celebrating The International Women's Day.

Celebrated Indian Classical Dancer, Choreographer, Trainer, Dance Educationist, Therapist and Social Reformer Smt. Alokananda Roy was the chief guest of the event.

The speaker started the session by expressing her love and gratitude for being at the college. Smt Roy considered treating everyone with humanity, regardless of gender, caste, class, religion etc. Speaker spoke about the vision of a world where International Human Day would be celebrated. Smt. Roy cheered on women with the phrase "Amra naari, amra shob pari" (We the women can do everything) in Bengali and admired fathers for their quiet support and mothers for their protective roles.

Smt. Roy expressed passion for dance and believes money cannot justify the value of art. Speaker highlighted her believes in "Love therapy" which can transform anything to a new world. Smt. Roy doesn't believe in the term "born criminal" when sharing her experiences of working with the prisoners of correctional home. Despite facing criticism especially for working with prisoners, speaker believes everyone deserves a chance for recovery. She's faced challenges while working with prisoners, although, she believes love can bring all the happiness.

Followed by this talk, Smt. Roy shared her experiences and thought of "Love therapy", there was a session of screening a documentary 'My second Home' which is made on the condition of prisoners and how they attached with their 'Maa' (mother) Alokananda Roy.

Smt. Roy shared her work with prisoners and juvenile prisoners too. She talked about human trafficking, stating that not only girls are trafficked but boys are as well around the world. She emphasized that as human beings, we should protect all the human being in our society in every possible way. She then discussed the androcentric society, highlighting how girls can be praised for wearing shirts and trousers, but boys are criticized for wearing sarees because it's considered women's clothing, and how this contributes to the degradation of women in society.

Smt. Roy concluded by sharing her believes in the "Religion of Love" by working in this field for the past 18 years. She believes that everyone has the right to choose and the freedom to do everything in their own life.

Followed by the talk, there was an interactive session with lots of enthusiastic queries related to her experiences of working with LOVE.

The seminar was a prospect to know and rethinking believes on the hidden world surrounded by high wall for everybody who attended the lecture and screening session as well.





















