

Report on Workshop/Seminar/Webinar

1. **Name of the organizing Department(s):** Internal Complaints Committee (ICC), Garhbeta College
2. **Title of the Workshop/Seminar/Webinar:** ‘Women in Leadership: The Unseen Barriers in The Era of Challenging Gender Stereotypes’
3. **Date:** 27th May, 2023
4. **Level:** Regional Level
5. **Number of participants:** 150
6. **Details of Resource Person(s):** Dr. Aparnita Bhattacharjee, Associate Professor in History Medinipur College (Autonomous).

On 27th May, 2023 the Internal Complaints Committee (ICC), Garhbeta College organized a regional level seminar in collaboration with an NGO called ‘Pratyarpan’. The topic of the seminar was ‘Women in Leadership: The Unseen Barriers in The Era of Challenging Gender Stereotypes’. Dr. Aparnita Bhattacharjee, Associate Professor in History Medinipur College (Autonomous) was present as the speaker. She presented her speech in very eloquent language. She points out the invisible gender-based barriers to women’s rise to leadership. She discusses how women can reach decision-making levels at political leadership, various administrative levels, and even at the household level. Empowerment of women did not happen by itself or overnight. It has come through the efforts of various constitutional laws, various policies, various social level movements and non-governmental organizations. She also highlighted this in her discussions. Dr. Hariprasad Sarkar, Principal of Garhbeta College presided over the seminar. In his welcome address, the Principal said that the empowerment of women and rising to the leadership level is one of the elements social, financial and political development. The entire seminar was conducted by Dr. Rita Sil, Chairperson, ICC, Garhbeta College. Dr. Sil started the seminar by narrating the history of the establishment of Garhbeta College ICC on the basis of women leadership and women empowerment at various levels of society. College IQAC Coordinator Dr. Sushil Kumar Ghosh spoke in the seminar. ICC Chairperson of the college Prof. Soma Samanta offered vote of thanks. The seminar was attended by faculties, non teaching staff and students of the college. Dr. Santimoy Patra, Teachers Representative of Governing Body, GC was present at the seminar.