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## Detailed Report of the International Seminar on “Divided Bengal: Society, Culture and Politics (1947-1971)” Organized by Department of History, Garhbeta College in Collaboration with Paschimbanga Itihas Samsad

An international seminar on "Divided Bengal: Society, Culture, and Politics (1947-1971)" was held on the 12th and 13th of July, 2019. The seminar was organized by the Department of History in collaboration with Paschim Banga Itihas Samsad.

### ▪ Welcome Address

The seminar commenced with a welcome address by Professor Sushil Kumar Bera, Teacher-in-Charge of the College. He warmly welcomed the participants and set the tone for the seminar.

### ▪ Keynote Speech

Dr. Ashish Kumar Das, Secretary of Paschim Banga Itihas Samsad, delivered the keynote speech. He provided an in-depth analysis of the impact of the Partition of India and Bengal in 1947.

### ▪ Distinguished Speakers

**Professor Mohammed Abdur Rahim** (Department of Islamic History and Culture, Dhaka University, Bangladesh)

**Dr. Humayun Kabir** (Department of Islamic History and Culture, Dhaka University, Bangladesh)

**Professor Shah Md. Ariful Abed** (Department of Bengali, Jagannath University, Dhaka, Bangladesh)

**Professor Amit De** (Department of History, Kolkata University)

**Dr. Sujaya Sarkar** (Vidyasagar University)

**Professor Ujjayan Bhattacharjee** (Vidyasagar University)

**Nalini Bera** (Ananda Award-winning novelist)

### ▪ Topics Covered

**Impact of Partition (1947):** Discussed by Dr. Ashish Kumar Das.

**Socio-Cultural and Political Aspects:** Perspectives by Professors Mohammed Abdur Rahim and Humayun Kabir.

**Literary Perspectives:** Contributions by Professor Areful Abid and novelist Nalini Bera.



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## ▪ Paper Presentations

Around forty research scholars and students from various countries presented their papers. The presentations reflected the socio-cultural and political scenarios during the period of 1947-1971.

## ▪ Participants

The seminar saw active participation from:

Research scholars and students from both India and abroad

Faculty members of the Department of History

Members of Paschim Banga Itihas Samsad

## ▪ Convenors and Key Organizers

**Dr. Santimoy Patra** (GB Member, Garhbeta College)

**Alarif Mollah** (IQAC Coordinator, Garhbeta College)

**Dr. Sajed Biswas** (Joint Convenor, Seminar)

**Professor Manas Kumar Rana** (Joint Convenor, Seminar)

## ▪ Conclusion

The seminar was a grand success, with significant contributions from all participants. The collaborative efforts of the Department of History and Paschim Banga Itihas Samsad were instrumental in making the event impactful and informative.

