



**ICPR Sponsored**

**Two-day International Seminar (Blended mode)**

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**“THE THEORIES OF TRUTH AND KNOWLEDGE”**

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Department of Philosophy  
**TRIVENIDEVI BHALOTIA COLLEGE**  
(A State Government Aided College in West Bengal)  
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## About the Seminar

### ➤ Introduction

The discussion of knowledge is a central theme in both 'Indian and Western philosophy'. As much as the philosopher is inquisitive about the fundamental truth of world and life, he is equally thoughtful about the nature and conditions of knowledge. There is considerable difference between the two terms knowledge in Indian philosophy and western philosophy. All scholars of Indian philosophy except Prabhakar Mimamsa accept that valid and invalid both are the nature of knowledge. But in the western philosophy these adjectives accurate, inaccurate, truth, false, are not used as adjective of knowledge. But western concept the word 'jnana' is used as a literally of knowledge, not in a demotic and Indian concept.

It is expected that in this seminar the speeches and deliberations will cover the under mentioned areas of scientific and philosophical research on theories of truth and knowledge and knowledge from different perspectives of Indian and western philosophy.

### ➤ Scope as per the ICPR Guideline

In order to provide an opportunity for scholars to express their views and interact with other scholars, ICPR organizes both national and international seminars every year on a variety of themes and topics in philosophy and interdisciplinary studies. It also gives grant to philosophy departments of Indian universities and research institutions to organize seminars/symposia/workshops/dialogues etc. The Council has linked up its publication program with the seminars in such a manner that all important papers presented can be published by the Council, if found suitable. It may be mentioned that some of the very outstanding papers of the seminars are published in the Council's journal viz., JICPR. Every year the Council receives a large number of requests from the universities, research organizations for partial assistance for organizing seminars and ICPR supports 25 to 50 such seminars annually.

### ➤ Target group of participants

Early-career researchers (PhD students, postdoc or other young researchers, College/University Faculty), and Postgraduate students in the fields of Philosophy, are eligible to apply.

### ➤ Seminar structure

The seminar will mainly consist of plenary talks, keynote talks, and research talks. The plenary and keynote talks will be given by renowned experts on the idea of knowledge in Philosophy domain. The event will be held in Blended mode. The course will be organized at **Smart Class Room No. 72, Science Building, Trivenidevi Bhalotia College, Raniganj**. The medium of the training workshop will be **bilingual (English & Bengali)**.

### ➤ How to reach the Venue

The distance between Raniganj railway station and Trivenidevi Bhalotia College is **Fifteen (15)** minutes by car. Participants can take an e-rickshaw from Raniganj Railway Station to reach the college campus. Public bus service is also available for reaching Trivenidevi Bhalotia College from the Raniganj Bus Stand, Station and Punjabi More (Durgapur-Asansol National Highway connector).

### ➤ Application process

To apply for participation in the **Seminar**, (i) fill-up the google form link provided below, (ii) submit the abstract following the title, author(s) name, designation, address in the same link within midnight (11:59 p.m.) **19<sup>th</sup> March 2024 (Tuesday)**. Applications will be evaluated by the organizers. Only selected candidates will be informed by email for presentation.

**Link: <https://forms.gle/TtrkPYWgMM9CNGrc9>**

### ➤ Costs

There will be a nominal registration fee (**Rs. 500/-**) for the Seminar presentation. However, the participants must make their own travel and accommodation arrangements as per requirement. The organizers may help to search for suitable accommodation. During the workshop, lunch and tea will be served to all the participants physically available in the venue. Each participant will be provided lecture notes, relevant literature, and other materials. A certificate will be given to all participants. 100% online and offline attendance is mandatory to receive a seminar participation certificate.

## ➤ **Theme**

- ❖ Concept of freedom from antiquity to Modern Times
- ❖ Environmental ethics
- ❖ Philosophy of yoga
- ❖ Equality and Justice
- ❖ War, violence and Human Right
- ❖ Truth and fact
- ❖ Formal theories of truth

## ➤ **About Trivenidevi Bhalotia College**

Trivenidevi Bhalotia College commenced its journey in 1957 as a UGC registered College [under 2(f) and (12b)], affiliated under the University of Calcutta. It became affiliated to the University of Burdwan in 1960. Presently the College has come under the aegis of Kazi Nazrul University on and from 24th June, 2015. The College is a co-educational institution which is run in two sections – Morning section and Day section.

Over the years the college has consolidated its position as a premier institution in the state of West Bengal imparting higher education in diverse areas of Humanities, Commerce and Basic Sciences. Emerging subjects in the field of Applied Sciences such as Computer Science, Electronic Science, Biochemistry, Psychology, Food and Nutrition are given due emphasis. Several Postgraduation courses have been introduced that explore the horizon of knowledge among students. Such specialization will equip the students to pursue research, better job opportunities as well as entrepreneurships. The college has also finalized blueprints of some more career-related courses which are to be initiated shortly.

The academic vision of the college is to provide sustainable education that will inspire the students to aspire to greater heights of achievement in every professional field. The college as part of Kazi Nazrul University adheres to the Choice Based Credit System (CBCS) which encourages young learners to broaden their spectrum and add a multiplicity to their knowledge bank. Students are encouraged to participate in Social Outreach programmes such as NSS which widens their ecological awareness and the need for social-work; Jiyonkathi is also one such extension of social outreach that aids the teaching-learning process among primary school children who are economically backward.

Trivenidevi Bhalotia College offers UG courses under three streams: Humanities, Science and Commerce. It also offers PG courses in three streams: Humanities, Science and Commerce. Besides it provides training in NSS and NCC. At present there are 28 Undergraduate and 8 Postgraduate courses.

The medium of instruction is mainly English and Bengali. Students are free to opt for courses in other vernacular languages, such as Hindi, Sanskrit and Urdu.

### ➤ **About the Department of Philosophy**

The Department of philosophy in T.D.B College was established in 1957. Initially, the department started its journey offering only General course in Philosophy. Later, keeping in mind the importance of subject in present era, the Honours course was also introduced in 2008. B.A. Honours in Philosophy, students have various career options where there are lot of job opportunities. Here, below are some of those career options one can pursue right after B.A. Honours in Philosophy like Jobs in Civil Services (WBCS, IAS, IPS, IRS), Indian Railways, Banks, SSC etc. Many of the students get engaged in higher education like M.A. in Philosophy, and PhD in Philosophy/Sanskrit after the successful undergraduate course, Teaching in Schools, General degree colleges, and University also. Beside the general academic engagements, students use to pursue career as Lawyers, Social Worker, Businessman, Health service manager, IT consultant etc. A large number of students of this department had qualified various competitive exams like WBCS, SSC, Bank P.O Exam, School Service Commission, NET, SET etc.

## ➤ Resource Persons



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