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Title of the Program: One-day International webinar on "Vidyasagar and the present time"

On 14th July 2020, the Bengali Department of SNCW, in association with IQAC, organized a one-day Webinar on Pandit Iswar Chandra Vidyasagar to explore and assimilate the philosophy of the "Father of Bengali prose".

Objective: Ishwar Chandra Vidyasagar, the educational and social reformer, is always considered as the "Father of Bengali Prose". His contribution in simplifying, modernizing, and rationalizing the Bengali alphabet and some Bengali prose is undeniable and everlasting. Though he came from a Hindu Brahmin family, he is among those 19th-century social reformers who thought to educate women as well as to bring the Hindu widows back to the normalcy of life by giving remarriage. His endeavors raised many eyebrows of the then society but couldn't stop him from establishing his vision.

Content: warm participation of the faculty fraternity of the college as well as across the academic world was observed in the event. Different aspects of the great educational philosopher were rediscovered through lucid narrations by some spectacular academicians and scholars. Especially the resilient explorations by our Principal madam Dr. Urmila Ukil and the cultural coordinator Professor Sanfui led the audience to rebelieve in the power of education as the ideal of life.

Outcome: it was an honor for the participants and audience to be a part of the webinar. We ended with a new exploration of Vidyasagar and his oceanic philosophies. The session was a revelation of the fact that everything we know about the great academic philosopher and social reformer is just the cover of the book and would take life to understand him.

Urmila Ukil
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