



## 32. Seminar on Environmental Degradation & its effects on Women: Impacts on Mental Health & Human Rights

Name of the Program	Seminar on Environmental Degradation & its effects on Women: Impacts on Mental Health & Human Rights
Resource Persons	Dr. Jnendra Narayan Sengupta, Director, Gurukul Edutech & Mr. Chittaranjan Mondal, Regional Manager, ActionAid India.
Organising Department	Psychology, Human Rights and Women's Studies & I.Q.A.C
Date	03.03.2020
Venue	College Auditorium
Beneficiaries	190

### Report of the Program

The seminar on Environmental Degradation and its mental health effects on Human Rights issues of Women was organised to explore the intersectionality of environmental degradation, mental health, and women's human rights. The Geographical challenges of West Bengal makes it very important to discuss the gender-specific impacts of environmental degradation on mental health and the human rights violations faced by women every year in both the low altitude and high altitude areas like Sundarban, areas in North Bengal etc.

Dr. Jnendra Narayan Sengupta, Director, Gurukul Edutech and an Environmentalist discussed and explained strategies for promoting women's mental health and human rights in the face of environmental degradation. His

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elaborations hugely benefited the participants to promote awareness and mobilize action on this critical issue.

Mr. Chittaranjan Mondal, Regional Manager, ActionAid India, on the other hand, pointed towards understanding of the interconnectedness of environmental degradation, mental health, and women's human rights. He also elaborated on strategies for promoting women's mental health and human rights, including advocacy, policy change, and community engagement.

The outcome of the seminar has been remarkable as the more than 190 participants participated, interacted and disseminated. A poster competition was held among students promoting awareness regarding the issue.

The seminar ensured contributions to a better understanding of the critical links between environmental degradation and women's mental health and their human rights issues.

### Highlights of the Program



THE PANEL OF THE SEMINAR

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Participating Students & Teachers

Poster/Brochure

**BASANTI DEVI COLLEGE**  
SEMINAR ON  
"Environmental Degradation  
& its effects on Women :  
Impacts on Mental Health &  
Human Rights"  
Organised by  
**Department  
of Human Rights,  
Psychology  
&  
Women's Studies**  
In Collaboration with  
**Internal  
Quality Assurance Cell  
(I.Q.A.C)**  
Date  
**3rd March, 2020**  
Time  
**2pm to 4.00 pm**  
Venue  
**College Auditorium**

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