



One-Day International Seminar (Blended Mode)

On

Diversity, Psycho-social Aspects, and Empowerment: Gender Perspective through an Interdisciplinary Lens

Organised by

Department of Education, West Bengal State University, Kolkata, India

in collaboration with

IQAC, West Bengal State University &

Department of Education, Rabindra Bharati University, Kolkata, West Bengal, India

Date: September 13, 2024

Venue: Auditorium Hall, Administrative Block, WBSU.



Respected Sir / Madam,

It is our pleasure to inform you that the Department of Education, West Bengal State University, Kolkata, India, IQAC, WBSU & Department of Education, Rabindra Bharati University, Kolkata, West Bengal, India is going to organize a One-Day International Level Seminar (Blended Mode) on **“Diversity, Psycho-social Aspects, and Empowerment: Gender Perspective through an Interdisciplinary Lens”** on 13th September, 2024, Friday at **Auditorium Hall, Administrative Block, WBSU.**

We cordially invite you, your colleagues and students of your institution to attend the seminar and solicit your hearty co-operation in making it a grand success.

Yours sincerely,

Prof. Abhijit Kumar Pal
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Dr. Shnaoli Chakraborty Acharya
Dr. Ajit Mondal
(Joint Convener)

About the Department of Education

West Bengal State University

The Department of Education started its journey in 2008. It offers M.A. and Ph.D. programmes in Education. The compulsory papers provided by the Department are Philosophical Foundation of Education, Psychological Foundation of Education, Sociological Foundation of Education, Methodology of Educational Research, Educational Technology, Educational Management, Curriculum Studies, Pedagogical Analysis, Educational Measurement and Evaluation Communicative English and Practical (Computer). Teacher Education, Education for the Children with Diverse Needs, Economics of Education and Guidance and Counselling Practical fall under the category of unique papers. Various Special Lectures by eminent academicians are arranged throughout the year. State / National / International Level Seminars and Conferences are also used to build awareness among students and faculty members on contemporary issues in education. Co-curricular activities like Fresher’s Welcome, Observance of Teacher Day, Autumn Festival, Celebration of Rabindra Jayanti, and Farewell Ceremony of the outgoing students. Departmental Picnic-cum-Reunion, Excursions, Intra-departmental Games, etc., are also organised by the Department.

CONCEPT NOTE

Understanding and embracing diversity is a choice and a necessity for sustainable development in our increasingly interconnected world. This concept note delves into the intersection of diversity, psycho-social aspects, and empowerment, highlighting their crucial role in achieving social justice, well-being, and resilience. Diversity encompasses differences in culture, ethnicity, gender, age, abilities, and socioeconomic background. Recognising and celebrating diversity is a moral imperative and a strategic move to foster inclusivity, creativity, and a more robust societal fabric. Psycho-social factors are the interplay between psychological and social elements that influence well-being. It includes the following dimensions:

- ❖ **Emotional well-being:** Understanding emotions, coping mechanisms, and mental health.
- ❖ **Social support:** Networks, relationships, and community bonds.
- ❖ **Cultural context:** How cultural norms impact mental health and resilience.
- ❖ **Interventions:** Promoting mental health awareness, reducing stigma, and providing psychosocial support.

Empowerment involves enabling individuals and communities to take control of their lives and make informed decisions. Its components are economic empowerment, which requires access to resources, education, and livelihood opportunities; political empowerment, which involves participation in decision-making processes; and Social empowerment, which strengthens self-esteem, agency, and voice. Diversity and empowerment could be synergised through inclusive policies, empowering marginalised groups, and promoting social justice. Moreover, psycho-social support and empowerment mingle to strengthen mental health and resilience and enhance empowerment.

The journey toward a more equitable and empowered world requires acknowledging diversity, prioritising psycho-social well-being, and fostering collective empowerment. We can build a resilient and just society by embracing these themes.

Target Groups: Academicians, Administrators, Research Scholars, Students.

SUB-THEME

The Seminar will focus on the following sub-themes but are not limited to –

1. Understanding Gender from Multiple Lens
2. Linkage among Diversity, Psycho-Social Aspects and Empowerment
3. Contextualising Diversity within the Framework of Sustainable Development
4. Analysing Empowerment: A Dynamic View
5. Education a Tool for Empowerment
6. Empowerment, Gender, and Development
7. Gender Mainstreaming: From Policy to Practice
8. Indian Policy Discourse on Women Empowerment
9. Educational rights for the Transgender Communities (TGCs) in India
10. Curriculum and Gender Question: The Indian Experience
11. Gender Equality and Empowerment
12. Gender, Media and Education
13. Pedagogy and Gender Concerns
14. Gender Concerns in Education
15. Gender Equality in Indian Education: Issues and Concerns
16. Education, Gender and Empowerment: Perspectives from India

RESOURCE PERSONS

- ✚ Dr. Svetlana Barmatova, Professor, Department of Management and Law, Institute of International Economic Relations, Moscow, Russia.



Topic: **Reflection of Gender Issues in the Social Policy of the State: The Realities of Modernity**

- ✚ Dr. Svetlana Guskova, Associate Professor, Department of Humanities and Natural Sciences, Institute of International Economic Relations, Moscow, Russia.



Topic: **Leadership as a Human Lifestyle**

- ✚ Prof. Lungsang Zeliang, Department of Education, Nagaland University, India



Topic: **Gender Equality in Indian Education: Issues and Concerns**

- ✚ Prof. Bharati Banerjee, Department of Education, Rabindra Bharati University, Kolkata



Topic: **Bridging the Chasm: Mental Health of Indian Women & Relevant Social Supports**

CALL FOR PAPERS

Original papers relevant to the theme and sub-themes of the seminar are invited from teachers, teacher educators, researchers and educational administrators as per the following specifications:

- Abstract should not be more than 200- 250 words. The full paper should not be less than 3500 – 5000 words.
- Paper must include Abstract, Key Words (5/6), Objectives, Methodology, Interpretation, In-text citations and References.
- Follow APA Referencing and In-Text Citations Style (7th Edition)
- Authors should mention Name, Academic affiliation, E-mail & Contact Number
- Paper should be 1.5 Points (Font size) in MS Word format and English only.

All are requested to send the **Abstract on or before 20.08.2024** at wbsugender2024@gmail.com

Last date for submission of Full papers is 05.09.2024

REGISTRATION FEES

	Offline	Online
Academicians	Rs 600	Rs 400
Research Scholars	Rs 400	Rs 300
Participants (within India)	Rs 200	Nil
Participants and Paper Presenters from outside India could join without Registration fees		

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Selected quality papers will be published in the UGC-CARE Journal.

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