

Report of a State-Level Seminar titled
"১৮৫৭ সালের মহাবিদ্রোহ ও ফিরে দেখা"

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The poster features a central illustration of a historical battle scene with soldiers on horseback and a large building in the background. Text is overlaid on the image. In the top left corner, there is a circular logo of Sri Ramakrishna Sarada Vidya Mahapitha. The main text reads: 'SRI RAMAKRISHNA SARADA VIDYA MAHAPITHA State Level Seminar on ১৮৫৭-র মহাবিদ্রোহ: ফিরে দেখা Organized by the Department of History, SRSVM in collaboration with Rabindra Mahavidyalaya, Champadanga (Under MoU) 28 March, 2024'. Below this, a white box lists 'Eminent Speakers -' with two names and their affiliations, and a venue and time: 'Venue - Room no -8 Time -11 am onwards'.

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Eminent Speakers –

- Sujata Bandopadhyay, Assistant Professor, Dept of History, Rabindra Mahavidyalaya, Champadanga
- Ardhendusekhar Jana, Former Professor, Dept of History, Rabindra Mahavidyalaya, Champadanga

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The Department of History, SRS Vidya Mahapitha organised a departmental seminar on March 28, 2024, titled "১৮৫৭ সালের মহাবিদ্রোহ ও ফিরে দেখা" (Revisiting the Great Rebellion of 1857). Mr. Ardhendu Sekhar Jana, retired Prof., Dept. of History, Rabindra Mahavidyalaya and Ms. Sujata Bandyopadhyay, Asst. Prof. Dept. of History, Rabindra Mahavidyalaya, graced the occasion as speakers for the seminar. The principal of SRS Vidyamahapitha, Dr. Mausumi Ghosh inaugurated the seminar with the welcome address. Several members of the Governing Body of the college, including the President of the Governing Body, Sri Jagabandhu Ghosh, were also present at the seminar.

The seminar's academic deliberations commenced with a lecture by Mr. Jana. He delved into the significance of the great rebellion of 1857, focusing on Mangal Pandey's role. Prof. Jana provided a clear and concise explanation of the Mutiny's beginnings at Barrackpore and Meerut, making it accessible to all students. He also posed a thought-provoking question, asking whether Mangal Pandey was 'a brave martyr or an accidental hero'. This question sparked a lively discussion among the attendees, further enriching the seminar.



The next speaker, Ms Bandyopadhyay, focused on the very important issue of women's role in the rebellion of 1857. From the more prominent women figures of the rebellion, such as Rani Laxmibai, to the rather obscure names, such as Rani Jhalkari Bai, she unearthed the crucial role of women leaders in the rebellion.

A considerable number of students and faculties from The Department of History and other departments of the college attended the seminar and took part in the question-answer session that followed the lectures by the guest speakers. The students greatly benefited from the seminar as it unveiled in front of them the different dimensions of the 1857 rebellion and encouraged them to study these dimensions further.

The seminar was concluded by the Head of the Department of the Department of history with a vote of thanks.

