REPORT OF THE WEBINAR

The Webinar entitled 'Recalling Mahatma's Visions: A Philosophy of Non-violence' was held on 29th June, 2021 under the sponsorship of ICPR Periodic Lecture 2020 Programme (F.N 12-1/2020/P&R/ICPR 03 November, 2020). It was organized by the **Department of Philosophy of Sri Ramkrishna Sarada Vidya Mahapitha**, a General Degree College at Kamarpukur Village, Hooghly District of West Bengal.

Recorded Video Link of the Webinar

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Program Schedule

Time	Program		
10:30 AM to 10:40 AM	Inaugural Note	Bhaswati Basu Assistant Professor, SRSVM	
10:40 AM to 10:50 AM	Welcome Address	Dr. Mousumi Ghosh Principal, SRSVM	
10:50 AM to 11:35 AM	Keynote Speech	Prof. Md. Sirajul Islam Professor, Visva-Bharati	
11:35 AM to 12:20 PM	Session I	Prof. RajkumarModak Professor, Sidho-Kanho- Birsha University, Purulia	
12:20 PM to 01:05 PM	Session II	Dr. Tripti Dhar Associate Professor Raiganj University	
01:05 PM to 01:35 PM	Interactive Session	Shubham Amin (Moderator) Assistant Professor, SRSVM	
01:35 PM to 01:45 PM	Vote of Thanks	Soma Ghosal Assistant Professor, SRSVM	

There were three invited speakers who delivered lectures on Gandhiji's Philosophy of Truth and non-violence from various perspectives. The honourable speakers were as follows:

1. **Dr. Md. Sirajul Islam**, Professor, Department of Philosophy & Comparative Religion, Visva-Bharati University, Santiniketan, West Bengal.

Title of the Paper: The Philosophy of non-violence and its relevance in the present world: A Gandhian Approach

2. **Dr. Rajkumar Modak**, Professor, Department of Philosophy,

Sidho-Kanho-Birsha University. Purulia, West Bengal.

Title of the Paper: Truth from Gandhian Perspectives

3. **Dr. Tripti Dhar**, Associate Professor, Department of Philosophy,

Raigani University, Raigani, West Bengal.

Title of the Paper: Tracing the Essence of Non-violence in Buddha and Gandhi

After the Inaugural Note by the Coordinator of the Webinar and Welcome Address by the Principle of the College, Prof. Md. Sirajul Islam delivered the Keynote speech. In his speech, he mainly focused on the Gandhian Approach to the Philosophy of non-violence and its relevance in the present world. He explained the meaning of the notion of nonviolence as described in the scriptures of Hinduism, Jainism and Buddhism from where Gandhiji adopted this concept and illustrated how as an intellectual and pragmatic personality, Gandhiji utilized it from a rational viewpoint.

In the first technical Session, Prof. Modak explained different meaning of the notion of 'Truth' and elaborated how Gandhiji was influenced by Indian Philosophical tradition when he recognized 'Truth' is God' where truth represents the *sat* or reality. He analyzed the uniqueness of the Gandhian notion of thruth and how he formulated this notion in accordance with the need of the time.

In the second technical session, Dr. Tripti Dhar elucidated Jainism and Buddhism as key influences in the formation of Gandhi's conception of *Ahimsa* as the highest virtue. To him, *Ahimsa* is the natural corollary of *Satyagraha* or the pursuit of truth. Dr, Dhar pointed out that Gandhiji maintained a middle path between Jain Individualism and the Vedantist dissolution of the individual and his position most closely resembles Mahayana Buddhism.

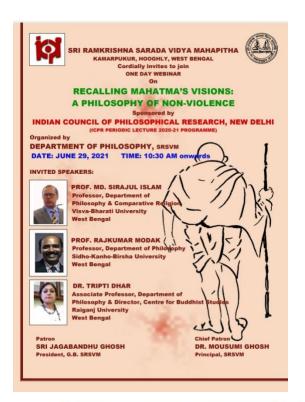
Outcome of the Webinar:

Teachers, Research Scholars and students of philosophy as well as of other disciplines from different parts of India participated in this webinar and a long interactive session exposes their interest towards Gandhiji's visions which confirms the significance and relevance of the subject of the webinar. The highest human end, Gandhiji thought, is Truth and the noblest means to attain it is through the practice of nonviolence. Admission of the necessity of justified violence is the pragmatic aspect of his philosophy. Gandhiji realized that perfect and absolute Ahimsa might be unattainable as totally refraining from violence is not possible. He however still insisted that it remains the worthiest of all ways. Following Gandhiji's path, practicing nonviolence is promising to minimize the sufferings of humanity – it is the key message of this webinar which is inspirational and encouraging for Pursuance of such a noble philosophy.

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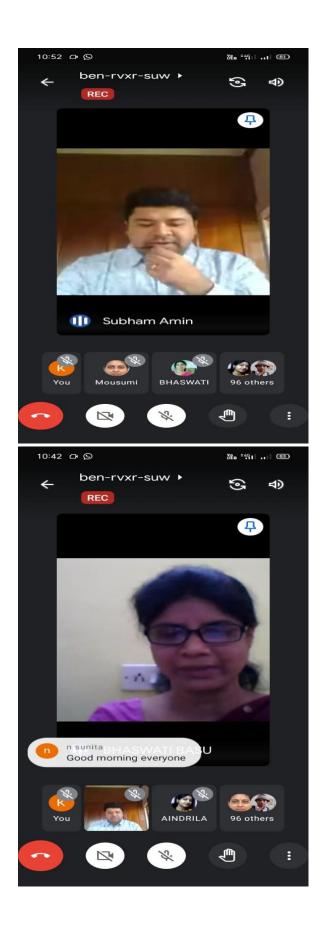
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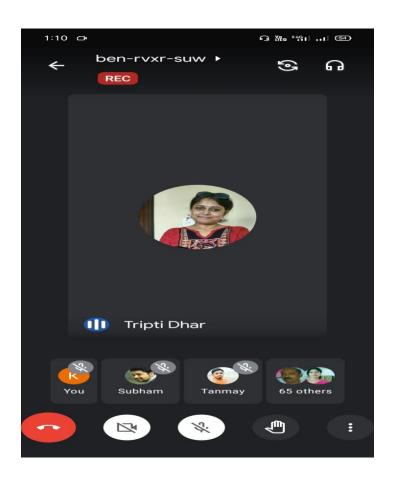


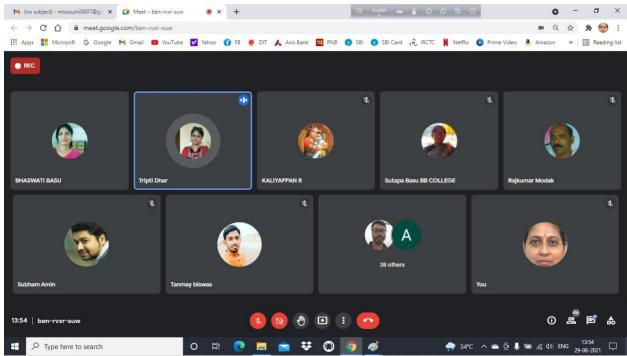




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