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Women's cell Report.

Title of the Talk-Draupadi-Sawambhutar Jibancharit.

Chief Patron-Dr.Amitava Datta, Principal

Name of the Convenor-Dr.Priyanka Mallick

Organizing Department-Women's Cell ,Bangabasi Morning College

Date-02.08.2023

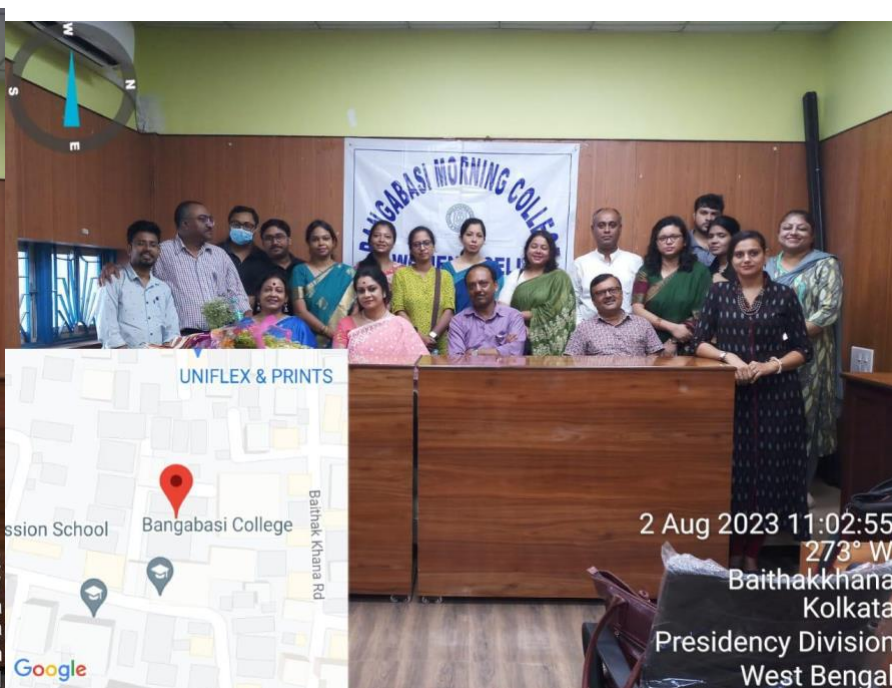
Number of Participants-50

Program Report

A solo lecture session was conducted by The Women's Cell of Bangabasi Morning College on 'Draupadi-Sawambhutar Jibancharit' on 2<sup>nd</sup> August,2023,09 A.M onwards at the college .

Renowned Classical dancer and author Madhubani Chattopadhyay was the guest speaker as the author of her monograph " Draupadi-Swambhutar Jibancharit".Aiming at the intellectual and social upliftment of the young female students as well as their male counterparts ,the speaker delved into our traditional past as depicted in the Hindu epic Mahabharata, discussed the society and it's attitude towards women, various customs that are contrary to reality. In her lecture Draupadi was explained not only as an untold heroine of the epic, but also as a paragon of womanhood and resistance in the wake of the injustices meted out to her within the patriarchal context. The portrayal of Draupadi in this lecture continues to display her individuality, strength and unyielding determination for both justice and vengeance, hence becoming an independent , empowering character. The injustice meted out to Draupadi, all justified by her marriage is inexcusable, and the legends condemning her sexuality are unreasonable. Depending how one reads her ,Draupadi can be viewed as subversive character who emerges victor. Draupadi, an important character in the mythology might have lived in another era, but the fate she endured continues to befall numerous women in India and across the world even today. She is not just a mythical character, she is a metaphor for women of all time and ages. There is no death of Draupadis in our mundane world, they are every where ,be it in Manipur, in the village of Haryana, the thriving metropolitan of Delhi, in the slums of Mumbai, on the streets of Kolkata. Awareness was created among the students(both male and female) as well as the teachers regarding the rights of women and its relevance in society as the program ended with an active and very spontaneous question-answer session.





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Principal

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