NATIONAL SEMINAR ON 'REVIVAL AND CHANGING ROLE OF PUBLIC LIBRARY IN RESTORING LOCAL HISTORY: BENGAL PERSPECTIVE'

<u>BRIEF REPORT</u>

The National Seminar on 'Revival and Changing Role of Public Library in Restoring Local History' was organized by Central Library of Dhruba Chand Halder College on 8-9 April, 2022. The College is located in Dakshin Barasat of South 24 Parganas and the Seminar took place in the Sailendranath Hålder Auditorium of the College. The main theme of the seminar was public library and its role in revival and restoration of local history of Bengal. The seminar was aimed at revealing various dimensions of local history as well as role of public libraries of West Bengal for collection, preservation, maintenance, and restoration of local history of a locality and dissemination among community members. The keynote speakers present, were Dr. Subarna Kumar Das (Professor, Department of Library & Information Science, Jadavpur University), Dr. Santanu Sarkar (Associate Professor, Department of Bengali, Assam University, Silchar), and Sri Madhusudan Chowdhury (Librarian, District Library, South 24 Pargahas). On 8th April, inauguration of the seminar was completed in first half. On second half, speaker Sri Madhusudan Chowdhury delivered his lecture, followed by technical session (session chair - Sri Madhusudan Chowdhury). On 9th April, speaker Dr. Subarna Kumar Das delivered his lecture, followed by technical session (session chair - Dr. Subarna Kumar Das). On the same day speaker Dr. Santanu Sarkar delivered his lecture on the second half, followed by valedictory session. Speakers handed over certificated to the participants.

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