

QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

BANDHAN-KONNAGAR

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Latest Event

H.P. Ghosh Research Centre, a unit of Bandhan-Konnagar, hosted the Kolkata-Dhaka Dialogue, in association with the Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India. The Kolkata-Dhaka dialogue focused



on selected issues concerning Indo-Bangladesh relations. It was inaugurated by the Founder of Bandhan-Konnagar, Mr. Chandra Shekhar Ghosh and was attended by dignitaries from India and Bangladesh, including Dr. Gowher Rizvi, the Hon'ble International Affairs Advisor to the Hon'ble Prime Minister of Bangladesh, Dr. Anupam Ray, the Joint Secretary of the Ministry of External Affairs of the Government of India, and Mr. Tofique Hasan, the Hon'ble Deputy High Commissioner of Bangladesh, in Kolkata. The H.P. Ghosh Research Centre now focussed on four themes: Public Finance in India, Science and Society, India and World Politics and Public Administration in India.

Bandhan-Konnagar outreach

Particulars	THP	BHP	BEP	EUP	BFLP	TOTAL
States	12	8	5	5	2	12
Districts	63	54	39	29	12	180
Blocks	272	142	200	36	62	691
Panchayats/ Municipalities	2685	419	842	52	230	2753
Village/wards	10009	5385	1782	114	2062	19060
Current Branches/Centre	246	297	117	26	45	717
Total Branches	749	478	126	26	62	1399
Present Beneficiaries	42166	778190	68612	2111	63760	954839
Phased out Beneficiaries	86084	898539	69783	34791	603406	1692603
Cumulative Beneficiaries	128250	1676729	138395	36902	667166	2647442
Staff	1459	895	371	160	156	3171

The reach of Bandhan-Konnagar as of March'2021 has been highlighted in the table above.

Coaching & Mentoring Workshop

A workshop for three days, from 17-19 January, 2021 was organised by Bandhan-Konnagar at BSDM, Rajpur. The central objective of the workshop was to discuss organisational strategies and policies in the august presence of our Founder Shri. Chandra Shekhar Ghosh. The goals, purpose, output and activities of the programs was revisited by the various program officials along with detailed discussion on timelines of projects, supervision and monitoring. Conceptions of new programs like Sustainable Agriculture & Climate change, Entrepreneurship, Quality Education, Old Age Home and Child Protection came up from the enlightening sessions of Founder Sir with the participants.



Visitors Album



Dr. Naseem Mohammed (Consultant), Mr. Mohammed Rizwan Sayed (Executive Vice President) and Mr. Kounak Biswas (Senior Executive) of Kotak Mahendra bank visited the group meeting of Bandhan Financial Literacy Program Kashipur(1) Branch



Bandhan Bank Ltd Chief Economist and Head - Research Mr. Siddhartha Sanyal visited Bandhan Skill Development Centre at Berhampore and Dr. Mohd Naseem, a senior official of Kotak Mahindra Bank visited Bandhan Skill Development Centre at Garia.



Patha Pratim Mahapatra and Sambit Dasgupta from Eazyr visited Bandhan Health Program At Polerhat-I



News Clippings



Kolkata-Dhaka Dialogue focuses on bilateral cooperation between India and Bangladesh
The H.P. Ghosh Research Centre has recently been established under the aegis of Bandhan-Konmara to provide a forum to Kolkata's intellectual community to engage themselves with issues of nation-building in India and world politics. Initially, it is proposed to have four verticals: the first on Public Finance in India, Banking and Fiscal Administration; the second on Science and Society; issues of convergence; the third on India and World Politics; and the fourth on Public Administration in India. Challenges of good governance.
The Kolkata-Dhaka dialogue is the first major public exercise of the H.P. Ghosh Research Centre, and was organised by the group concerned with the panel on India and World Politics.
This year is a special year for Indo-Bangladesh relations.
It marks 50 years of the emergence of Bangladesh as a sovereign entity and the birth centenary of Bismillah Shaikh Mujibur Rahman, who has been posthumously awarded India's prestigious Gandhi Peace Prize. Prime Minister Modi is scheduled to visit Bangladesh to celebrate the centenary occasion.
There is growing focus on the relations between India and Bangladesh and there is a need to sustain this interaction through new civil society initiatives. Kolkata and Dhaka could provide the two focal points of such initiatives.
It is in this context that the Dialogue was planned, especially to identify and discuss areas of convergence which would be mutually beneficial to both countries.
The various panel discussions in the Kolkata-Dhaka Dialogue included important topics like regional and sub-regional connectivity, bilateral cooperation on science and technology, issues of strategic cooperation, cooperation to achieve agenda 2030 SDG goals, cooperation in information technology and the legacy of Bangladesh liberation war.
Speaking on the occasion, Chandra Shekhar Ghosh, Founder, Bandhan-Konmara, said, "It is a privilege for us to be a part of the Kolkata-Dhaka Dialogue and play a role in bilateral ties between the nations. With the assistance of the Ministry of External Affairs and the harmonies involved in this initiative, we are confident to further strengthen the Indo-Bangladesh ties."
Prof. Surendra Das, Vice-Chancellor of Jadavpur University and the Chair of the panel on "Issues of Strategic Cooperation: Regional and Global", said, "This is an important milestone in the relations between India and Bangladesh. The panel discussed each subject in detail and arrived at an action plan for the same. We look forward to cover such initiatives and successful completion of the streams with the Kolkata-Dhaka Dialogue."
Prof. Udayanjit Chatterjee, Vice-Chancellor, Sankar Niketan University, said, "It is our privilege to get the opportunity to organize the Kolkata-Dhaka Dialogue. We look forward to more such initiatives and fruitful completion of the projects that will strengthen the ties between the two nations."

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60 महिलाओं को सामग्री बांटी



सावला, कार्यक्रम में मौजूद महिलाएं।
भास्कर संवाददाता/एमएम

बंधन एवं बजाज फाउंडेशन संस्था ने 60 महिलाओं को निरालूक राहत सामग्री दी। संस्थान के नेजर्सिंह ने बताया कि विधवा और तलाक़तूदा महिलाओं को रेडिमेड, मनहारी एवं कोस्मेटिक का सामान वितरित किया गया। ताकि महिलाएं स्वावलंबी बन सकें। इस अवसर पर संस्था प्रबंधक बिल्लगराजसिंह, राकेश रावत बंधन कर्म एवं रोजगार सहायिका मौजूद रहे।

Inauguration of Bandhan Education Centre in Baduria, West Bengal was covered by the newspaper Renessa Bangla.



Bandhan-Bajaj association has distributed goods to underprivileged women which got highlighted in Dainik Bhaskar.

India Blooms has covered the event of Kolkata - Dhaka Dialogue hosted by H.P. Ghosh Research Centre held on 25th March, 2021.



International Language Festival was celebrated in Bandhan Skill Development Centre by Employing the Unemployed Program in February, 2021 in Kharagpur Centre Premises which was highlighted by Belda Barta Newspaper.