



भारतीय दार्शनिक अनुसंधान परिषद्
(शिक्षा मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार)



INDIAN COUNCIL OF PHILOSOPHICAL RESEARCH
(Ministry of Education, Government of India)

F. No. 12-6/2022/P&R/ICPR/13
November 3, 2022

SANCTION ORDER

Sanction of the Indian Council of Philosophical Research is hereby accorded for payment of a grant of Rs. 20,000/- (Rupees twenty thousand only) to the **Principal**, Victoria Institution (College), Kolkata- 700 009 for disbursement to Dr. Mina Chakraborty, Associate Professor, Department of Philosophy, Victoria Institution (College), Kolkata- 700 009 in connection with organizing lectures by Scholars under the **Periodic Lecture Scheme, 2022** during the current financial year till **March 31, 2023**.

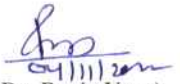
The grant is subject to the following terms and conditions.

1. Brief Programme Report alongwith 2-3 photos should be sent in English and Hindi in MS Word format, to report.icpr1@gmail.com within 7 days after the programme.
2. The sanctioned amount shall be utilized for the purpose for which it has been sanctioned and **the programme will be organized only on the Topic/Theme which you have mentioned in the application form. In the case of change of Topic/Theme, the organizer may obtain prior approval from ICPR.**
3. The payee shall exercise reasonable economy in spending the sanctioned amount.
4. Regular accounts shall be maintained in respect of expenditure of the sanctioned amount. TDS and GST as applicable may be deducted.
5. Immediately after the programme is over, the payee shall furnish the detailed statement of expenditure duly supported with original vouchers latest by one month after the programme. All documents/papers/vouchers must be self attested, while submitting the account details.
6. The payee shall submit hard copy of all documents i.e. a brief report of the programme as well as 2/3 photographs with the background of banner/back drop etc. with visible logo of ICPR and theme of the event along with a copy of the script of the lectures delivered.
7. Apart from the taxi, an honorarium of **Rs. 3,000/-** for each lecture may be paid to the Resource Person/scholar who deliver the lecture.
8. If the event is not organized before **March 31, 2023** the sanctioned amount may be refunded to the Council forthwith via **D.D. in favour of INDIAN COUNCIL OF PHILOSOPHICAL RESEARCH, NEW DELHI.**
9. The organizing departments should invite the staff and students of the department of Philosophy of nearby Universities/Colleges and also those who are interested in Philosophy.

The sanctioned amount shall be paid through **Victoria Institution (College)** through Bank Transfer to A/c. No. **05310200001489** at **UCO Bank, Rajabazar Branch, (IFS Code: UCBA0000531), MICR Code: 700028075.**

The expenditure will be met from the budget of the Council for the financial year **2022-23** and debited to the head of account **Group D, D-VII (C)-Gen.- 2202.80.004.11.00.31-Lectures Periodical.**

(Authority: M.S. approval on note page- 12, dated 26.10.2022).


(Dr. Pooja Vyas)
Director (A)/ (P&R)/l/c.

Director (A&F), ICPR, New Delhi.

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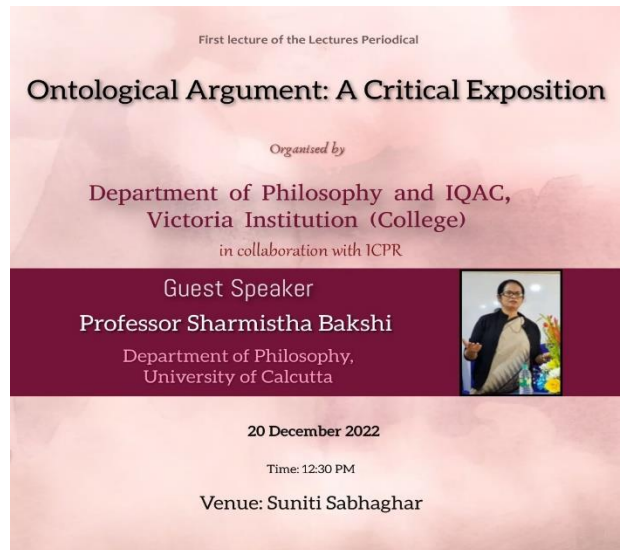
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**First lecture of the Lectures Periodical
on 20.12.2022**

The very first lecture of the Lectures Periodical, delivered by Professor Sharmistha Bakshi of the University of Calcutta, Department of Philosophy; in collaboration with Indian Council of Philosophical Research, organised by the Department of Philosophy and IQAC, Victoria Institution College. The venue was Suniti Sabhaghar, the time was 12:30 pm to 02:00 pm., on 20/12/2022, Tuesday.

The topic was: Ontological Argument: A Critical Exposition.

Ontological Argument is an argument that proceeds from the idea of God to the reality of God. It was first clearly formulated by St. Anselm in his Proslogian, a later famous version is given by Rene Descartes.



Anselm began with the concept of God as that than which nothing greater could be conceived. To think of such a being as existing only in thought and not also in reality involves a conversation, since a being that lacks real existence is not a being than which none greater can be conceived. A yet greater being would be one with the further attribute of existence. Thus the unsurpassably perfect being must exist; otherwise it would not be unsurpassably perfect. This is among the most discussed and contested arguments in the history of thought.

Our Speaker's delivery was mesmerizing. Her study is in - depth, and that was reflected in her speech. The auditorium was full with our students, and they were engrossed in the lecture. At the end of the lecture there was an interactive question answer session like an icing on the cake.

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**Second lecture of the Lectures Periodical
on 23.02.2023**

Lecture no. 2 of the lecture series delivered by Professor Preetam Ghoshal of Jadavpur University, Department of Philosophy, in collaboration with Indian Council of Philosophical Research, organised by the Department of Philosophy and IQAC, Victoria Institution College.

The topic was "Tattva- Nirnayer Paddhati rupe Nyaya-- Ekti Samiksha." The venue was Suniti Sabhaghar, and the time was 12 noon to 2pm.

The Nyaya Darsana is one of the six orthodox Hindu Schools of Philosophy. It is highlighted as essentially being a school of logical thought, debate and reasoning. The word 'Nyaya' itself may be translated as 'right' or 'justice' and therefore its practice, Nyaya - Sastra translates as "The science of right judgment".



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Tattva- Nirnayer Paddhati rupe Nyaya-- Ekti Samiksha

Organised by
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Guest Speaker
Professor Preetam Ghoshal
Department of Philosophy,
Jadavpur University

23 February 2023
Time: 12 noon
Venue: Suniti Sabhaghar

categories (padarthas) which are meant to represent all that can and does exist. These sixteen categories are pramana. Prameya, samasya, prayojana, drstanta, siddhanta, awayava, tarka, nirnaya, vada, Jalpa, bitanda, hetvabhava, chal, jati, nigrahasthana. This extensive list has, however, been reduced by subsequent commentators on the Nyaya- Sutras to only include the first two categories , pramana and prameya; as pramana pertains to the observer while prameya pertains to that which is observed. Therefore, the investigation of pramana and prameya forms the foundation of the classical Nyaya Darsana.

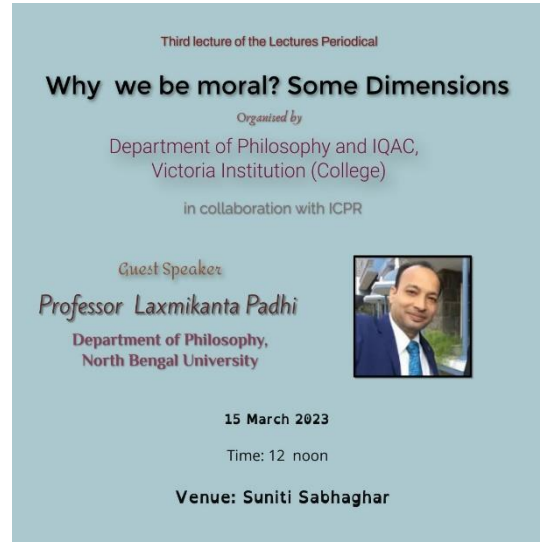
Professor Ghoshal gave a lucid account of the otherwise difficult topic. The students were very much attentive and listened carefully to his deliberation which was evident in the subsequent interactive question and answer session.

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**Third lecture of the Lectures Periodical
on 15.03.2023**

Lecture no. 3 of the lecture series delivered by Professor Laxmikanta Padhi of North Bengal University, Department of Philosophy, in collaboration with Indian Council of Philosophical Research, organised by the Department of Philosophy and IQAC, Victoria Institution College. The topic was " Why we be moral? Some Dimensions ". The venue was Suniti Sabhaghar. Time was 12 noon to 2 pm.

Due to some unavoidable circumstances, Professor Padhi could not join us in person, so we had to arrange for a Google Meet. We all gathered in the auditorium, joined in the platform through a common link and took recourse to the headphones to listen to his voice. He appeared in life size in the giant screen of the projector through a computer. It was a unique webinar in all respect.



Justifying why one should behave morally is a surprisingly difficult task. Proposed justifications are found throughout the history of moral Philosophy, but these reasons to be moral remain controversial. The fundamental question -- " Why be moral?" -- still seems in need of a satisfactory answer.

The question can take other forms. Why should I care about morality? Why do moral considerations have normative force? Why are the demands of morality obligatory? However, no matter how it is phrased, it always addresses the foundation of morality -- Why we believe moral considerations should influence how we ought to act. As the demands of morality become more burdensome the question becomes more relevant.

However, our resource person could do justice to the topic. He produced an extensive and thoughtful lecture. Students were highly satisfied. A question answer session followed.

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**Fourth lecture of the Lectures Periodical
on 31.03.2023**

Lecture no. 4 and the concluding session of our ICPR sponsored lecture series was delivered by Professor Jhadeswar Ghosh, Department of Philosophy, Vidya Sagar University, on 31/03/2023, at 12 noon. The venue was Suniti Sabhaghar.

The subject was "Analytic Truth & Logical Possibility."

In one way or other notions of logical or Analytic Truth have played an important role in logic, and hence in philosophy. Since the time of Aristotle an Analytic Truth is usually described as a statement true in virtue of logic or true in virtue of the meanings of the terms occurring in it. A synthetic Truth is then described as one which depends for its Truth fundamentally upon matters of fact. Another way of stating this is that Analytic Truths are true in "all possible world". (Leibnitz).

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Fourth and Final lecture of the Lectures Periodical
Analytic Truth & Logical Possibility

Guest Speaker
Professor Jhadeswar Ghosh
Department of Philosophy,
Vidyasagar University

31 March 2023
Time: 12:00 noon
Venue: Suniti Sabhaghar

Possibility, in logic and metaphysics, implies the absence of contradiction. Possible things or states of affairs are simply those whose conception involves no contradiction. To determine the empirical Possibility of a thing, it must be ascertained whether the nature of a thing in question conforms to the conditions of actual experience. Some philosophers hold that the actual world together with the infinite number of possible but nonactual worlds constitutes the realm of "possible worlds". They were serious and attentive. A question answer session followed.

