

## *Programmes & Activities in the Financial Year of 2015-16*

### ➤ *Celebration of Independence Day (15/08/2015):*

*The Sangrahalaya celebrated the 69th Independence Day on the 15th of August 2015 at its premises in a befitting manner. The national flag was hoisted by Sri Salil Kumar Gupta, member of the Managing Committee of the Sangrahalaya, at 9:30 am in the morning. The guests included the local senior citizens. After flag hoisting a symposium was arranged on the topic 'Bharater Swadhinata Andoloner Prekshapote Bangla O Bangali'. Sri Salil Kumar Gupta presided over the function. The speakers included Dr. Tarun Kumar Banerjee, Former Professor, Department of Political Science, Vidyasagar University, Midnapore, Prof. Kanaipada Roy, Former Professor, Mahadevananda College, Barrackpore and Sri Swapan Kumar Mukherjee, Chief Advisor, Ramakrishna Vivekananda Mission, Barrackpore. All the three speakers put forward their valuable opinion on the theme. The opening and closing songs were rendered by Smt. Sarbani Chatterjee, Librarian of the Library of the Sangrahalaya. After the symposium ended, a 'Sit and Draw Competition' for children was organized by the Sangrahalaya. The participants included students from the local academic institutions as well as the local art schools. The competition included three categories - Group A – age 5 years to 7 years, Group B – age 7+ years to 10 years and Group C – 10+ years to 15 years. Group A – had twenty two (22) participants, Group B had forty (40) participants and Group C had twenty seven (27) participants which implies that a total of eighty nine (89) participants participated in the competition. The judges included Sri Maichel Bose, Principal of Pranavananda Art Institution and Sri Jayanto Ghosh, art teacher of Tulika Art Institution, Kasba. Prizes were awarded to three winners in each category whereas consolation prizes were provided to everyone, which included a folder containing drawing stationary. In the post lunch session, a puppet show on the*

*theme 'Independence Day' was organized for the children. The puppet show was performed by Calcutta Puppet Theatre Group from Kasba headed by Padmashree Suresh Dutta, a pioneer in the field of puppets. The show was immensely enjoyed by the children as well as their guardians. Certificates of merit and participation were also awarded to the winners as well as to the other participants who did not win prizes, respectively at the end of the day.*



