

Certificate Course on Gandhian Studies (16.12.2024)

An Add-on Course on 'Swaraj, Satyagraha and Ahimsa: A Study of the Political Outlook and the Philosophy of Mahatma Gandhi' was organized jointly by the Department of History, Political Science, Philosophy and Internal Quality Assurance Cell of St. Paul's Cathedral Mission College, Kolkata in association with Gandhi Smarak Sangrahalaya, Barrackpore and the course was held from 13 November to 16 December, 2024.

This Add-on Course aspired to study Gandhian thoughts from multiple perspectives to develop a holistic understanding of a great leader who is the pride of our Nation. Through an interesting and well-planned mix of lectures, presentations, films, museum visit, it aimed to study Gandhian thoughts academically and at the same time taking lessons from the life of Gandhiji, this Add-on Course, aspired to inculcate strong values in students while helping them to discover their latent skills in academic research.

The course was inaugurated on November 13, 2024 at the campus of St. Paul's Cathedral Mission College, Kolkata. Dr. Kingshuk Chatterjee, Professor, Department of History, University of Calcutta delivered the Introductory Lecture on 'The Myth of the Mahatma' at the inaugural session of the course. Dr. Pratik Ghosh, Director-Secretary, Gandhi Smarak Sangrahalaya Barrackpore delivered his virtual inaugural speech. A total number of 78 students from various departments of St. Paul's Cathedral Mission College, Kolkata had participated in the course.

On December 16, 2024 the Director-Secretary of the Sangrahalaya was invited by the authority of the college to deliver the valedictory lecture. He explained that such Add-on Course is very significant at present for our young generation as the course introduced the basic fundamental concepts of ethics, valued, humanity, culture, faith, truth and satyagraha and also social harmony of human life. The participants of the course were evaluated by providing the gradation marks on the basis of their performances in attendance, participatory skills, questionnaires and preparation of reports. At the end of the valedictory session, three students, obtaining the highest grade, were awarded and all the participants of the course were provided the certificates.

