



*Celebrating Jalangi Divas with academic feast*



## **INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR ON REVITALIZING DECAYING RIVERS AND WETLANDS: UNLOCKING POTENTIAL RESOURCES FOR SUSTAINABLE FUTURE.**

*Jointly Organized by*

**Krishnagar Women's College & Save Jalangi (West Bengal)**

**On**

**17 th February 2024**

**Time: 10.00 A.M - 4.30 P.M**

**At Bina Das Memorial Hall, Krishnagar Women's College .**

**[See venue on map](#)**

### **SEMINAR HIGHLIGHTS:**

- EXPERT SPEAKER
- PUBLISHING BOOK
- AWARDS
- PANEL DISCUSSIONS
- CALL FOR PAPERS AND POSTER,

### **WHO SHOULD ATTEND?**

- SCIENTISTS AND RESEARCHERS
- STUDENTS AND EDUCATORS
- POLICYMAKERS AND GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS
- NGO'S AND CONSERVATIONISTS
- COMMUNITY LEADERS AND ACTIVISTS
- ALL WHOEVER ARE INTERESTED IN RIVERS & WETLANDS

**Submission of Abstract: Abstract of papers within 250 words are requested to be submitted latest by 14.02.2024 to email: [seminar.kwcssj@gmail.com](mailto:seminar.kwcssj@gmail.com)**

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**Registration Fee: Rs. 200/- only. Other than presenters(papers & posters) need not to pay registration fees.**

**Bank details of registration fee deposit: A/C Name: Krishnagar Women's College**

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## **Introduction:**

In an era where environmental sustainability is paramount, our rivers and wetlands are facing unprecedented challenges. The degradation of these crucial ecosystems not only poses threats to biodiversity but also jeopardizes the very foundation of human civilization. The "International Seminar on Revitalizing Decaying Rivers and Wetlands: Unlocking Potential Resources for Sustainable Future" aims to address these pressing issues, emphasizing the untapped potential resources within these ecosystems and fostering awareness for a sustainable future.

## **Seminar Objectives:**

**Identifying Critical Issues:** Explore the current state of decay in rivers and wetlands, understanding the key challenges they face.

**Unlocking Potential Resources:** Highlighting the often-overlooked resources within these ecosystems that can contribute to sustainable development.

**Technological Solutions:** Introducing innovative technologies and methodologies for the restoration and preservation of rivers and wetlands.

**Community Engagement:** Emphasizing the role of local communities in the conservation efforts and creating a sense of ownership towards these vital ecosystems associated with local rivers and wetlands.

**Heritage & Cultural Insight:** Delving into the heritage cultural intricacies and emotional bonds tied to rivers and wetlands, fostering a nuanced understanding of diverse societal connections.

**Socio-Economic-Political Dynamics:** Uncovering the interwoven socio-economic, and political dimensions related to rivers and wetlands.

**Policy Recommendations:** Formulating and discussing policies that support the rejuvenation of decaying rivers and wetlands at a national level.

## **Seminar Highlights:**

1. **Expert Speakers:** Renowned international and national environmentalists, scientists, policymakers will share their insights and experiences, providing a comprehensive understanding of the challenges and solutions.

2. **Publishing book:** Selected papers will be published in proceedings with ISBN.

3. **Awards:** Panels will evaluate presented papers and posters and recommend awards for 1st 2nd and 3rd

**Panel Discussions:** Participate in discussions with experts on topics such as sustainable practices, restoration techniques, and community-driven initiatives, biodiversity conservation, water quality management, and the role of technology in environmental sustainability.

## *Call for papers and poster:*

Papers and posters are invited on themes aligned with objectives of the seminar, providing insights, data-driven analyses, case studies, and policy recommendations. Contributions from multidisciplinary perspectives are encouraged.

## **Registration Details:**

Registration Fee: Rs. 200/- only For Presenters (Papers & Poster. Lunch and seminar kit included).

All other audience/ delegates (Lunch only) need not to pay registration fee. For accommodation, self-arrangement is recommended. However, organizing committee may extend possible help.

### About Krishnagar Women's College

Krishnagar Women's College was established in the year 1958 for the purpose of promoting Women's Education in and around Krishnagar. From its inception this College has been performing its duties with utmost efficiency. The Institution not only boasts of a beautiful campus, but also has computerized library facilities, Network Resource Centre, safe and hygienic hostel for the students, expansive playground, Women's Study Cell, and attractive sports facilities. The College is efficiently administered by the Principal and the Governing Body, members of which are elected periodically.

The College has been accredited by NAAC (National Assessment and Accreditation Council) in 2005 with B++ grade and B+ in its second cycle. It is the second College in Nadia district in general and only Women's College which has been accredited in 2005. The college is trying to cater to the needs of the students and offers facilities for their enhancement of knowledge and enrichment in every field.

The College was previously affiliated to the University of Calcutta. In the year 1998 it came under the aegis of the University of Kalyani.

### About Save Jalangi (West Bengal):

"Save Jalangi (West Bengal)", established in 2019, is a dedicated activist group working to rescue and restore the beleaguered Jalangi River. With a strong commitment to environmental conservation, their multifaceted approach includes clean-up drives, removal of illegal structures from rivers, extensive tree plantation and distribution of saplings among different organizations (more than 30,000 during last 4 years), Rainwater harvesting in 5 school buildings, Urban Greenery, Alternate jute fiber extraction and retting (in the form of procuring a jute fiber extraction machine and extensive demonstration amongst jute farmers of Jalangi basin, and community engagement in sustainable practices. The group actively invites individuals and communities to join in activities like clean-up drives, tree planting, street corner, river survey and workshops to contribute to a sustainable future for the Jalangi River and beyond. Their collective efforts showcase the power of grassroots activism in driving positive environmental change.

Their message is 'Join the movement and become a guardian of the environment for a vibrant future'.

### *Resource persons:*

- *Keynote Speaker-1: Dr. Kalyan Rudra (Chairman, West Bengal Pollution Control Board; member Central Pollution Control Board)*
- *Speaker- 2: Prof. Sanat Kumar Guchhait, University of Burdwan*
- *Speaker- 3: Dr. Aznarul Islam, Department of Geography, Aliah University (W.B.)*
- *Guest of honour: Dr. Rajendra Singh, Waterman of India, Winner of "Stockholm Water Prize" & "Ramon Magsaysay Award". (Rajasthan),*
- *International speaker: 1: Dr. Paul Marchese, Dept. Of Physics, Queensborough Community College, USA.*  
*speaker:2 Prof. Mallik Akram Hossain, Geography and Environmental Studies, Jagannath University - Bangladesh.*
- *National Speaker: Dr. Snehal Dondé, Fulbright Scholar, US Department of State BECA & IIE, Member World Water Council. (Maharashtra)*

### Organizing team:

#### Patrons:

Dr. Natasa Dasgupta. Principal Krishnagar Women's College

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