



GOVERNMENT GIRLS' GENERAL DEGREE COLLEGE
7, MAYUR BHANJ ROAD , KOLKATA - 700023

BEST PRACTICES OF THE COLLEGE

❖ **Financial Assistance for Purchase of Books**

The college tries to facilitate the students in every possible ways. Majority of the students in the college belong to minority sections and are first generation learners whose family incomes are mostly within Rs. 5000/- per month (estimated on the basis of income certificates submitted by candidates during admission time duly signed by councilors). So the college has felt the need to empower these needy students in the best possible way by granting them book grant facilities. This is one of the best practices of the college which is organized by Students Welfare subcommittee of the college every year. This initiative was taken by the college from 2016-2017 academic session since its inception. In every academic session, when new students enroll for Semester 1, they are made aware about this unique facility of the college on the Orientation Day by the Students Welfare Subcommittee members.

Under this Book Grant facility offered, the needy and meritorious students are provided with one -time financial assistance to buy books and or contingency materials depending on their family means and merits. Students notice for the same with detailed instructions for applying are circulated by the Students Welfare Subcommittee. The newly admitted students of Semester 1 (those interested) apply in plain paper addressing the Principal of the college stating the reason behind the requirement of this book grant . Then an interview is arranged for the applicants from Semester -1 Batch. The selection is conducted by the interview in presence of Students welfare sub-committee members , the Principal and the IQAC coordinator. Final selection of students is done on the basis of the interview. The grant amounts to the applicants vary based on family means, their genuine needs and the final score in the last passed examination at 10+2 level.

Details of Book Grant facilities are available in the college website whose link is provided below

Book Grant facility :

https://www.govtgirlsekalpur.com/book_grant_facilities.php



The Students welfare Subcommittee members with the Principal and the Principal distributing the books to the selected candidates in the students week observed in January 2024 .

❖ Efforts To Portray The Rich Cultural Heritage Of Kidderpore-Ekbalpore, Mominpore Area

The college lies in Mominpur – Kiddepore locality of Kolkata in Ward No.78 under Port Area Constituency . From the very beginning the college is taking

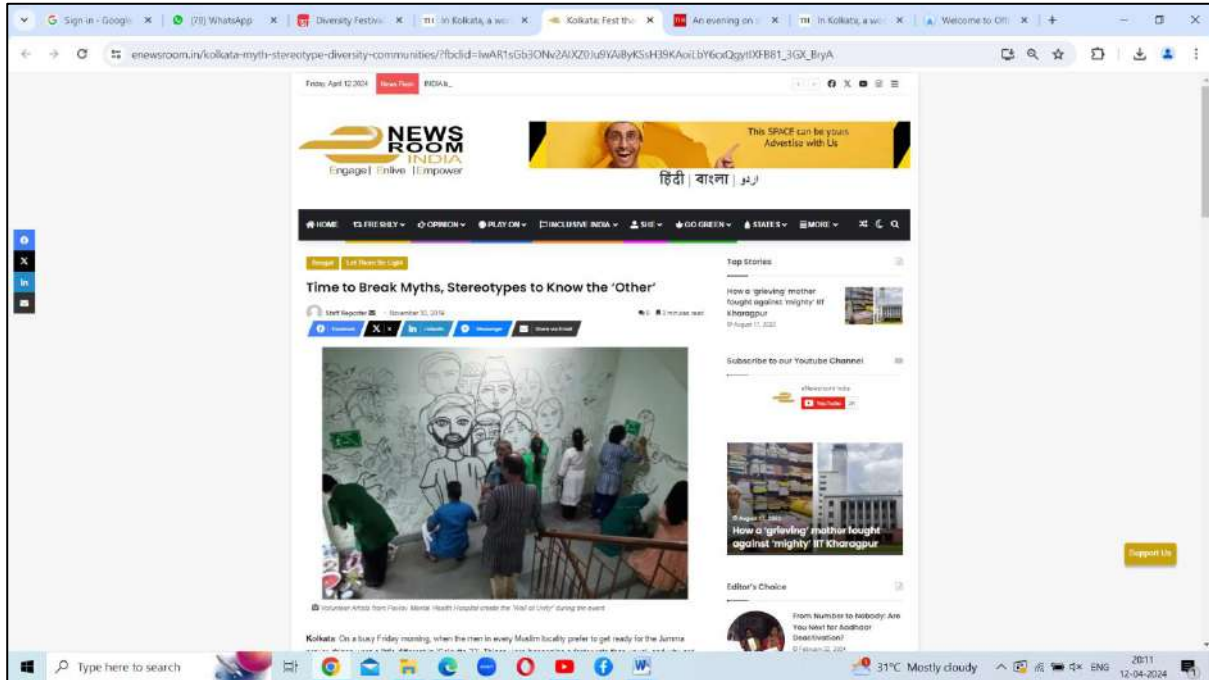
major efforts to study the cosmopolitan nature of the main port area of the city of Kolkata – Kidderpore lying in its neighbourhood. Amusingly enough, the multiplicity of Kidderpore is often mistaken to be a ‘melting pot’ where ‘other’ cultures have faded into oblivion to give way to a hegemonic, dominant Muslim culture. This assumption is might be statistically true but its ambience is multi-ethnic. While some parts of our history and culture enjoy prominence, some risk being lost in the sands of time. Despite being the main port area of the city of Kolkata, which results in Kidderpore being one of the oldest yet busiest areas of the city, the metanarrative of Kolkata’s history have hardly included the potent mini narratives of the richly layered Kidderpore area. Thus, Kidderpore area has remained as one of the lesser discussed and seldom visited places by the city’s educated middle classes and elites. Time has come to re-investigate this politics of representation, to unearth the cause of this exclusionary treatment, to interrogate whether Kidderpore area is really a Muslim ‘ghetto’ as portrayed in modern times by popular media or a proper amalgamation of everything that the city stands for. In the push and pull of history and the ugly display of communal animosity in contemporary times, we stand on the brink of losing what we once deeply valued – the diversity and inclusivity that characterised the city of Kolkata. Hence, it is utmost necessary to celebrate the immense potentiality of this lesser known localities of the city, to unearth the interesting tales unfolding daily – tales of togetherness, of compromise and of accommodation.

Keeping this in mind, the college as a part of the extension activity arranged a diversity festival to establish a network with its neighbourhood on **29th and 30th November, 2019**. The major objective was to provide the students with an awareness and knowledge of the rich local culture and history that mostly go unnoticed in the general humdrum of life.

The second program was held on **22nd November 2022** to portray the food diversity of the Kidderpore area. The diverse food items that are prepared in the locality bear the cultural heterogeneity and diversity of people. The Food festival named as *Khana E Kiddepore* included the publication of newsletter , videography and interview of owners of different eateries and restaurants in the locality, cooking competitions, photography competitions and Cultural programs. For both the programs the convener was Dr, Antara Mukherjee, Asst. Professor of English now transferred to Durgapur Government College. This cultural diversity programs were held in collaboration with WB Heritage Commission, INTACH (Kolkata Chapter), Know Your Neighbour and Break Free Trails.

A huge media coverage was there for both the programs organized by the college to advocate the rich local heritage of the Kidderpore, Mominpore and Ekbalpore locality of Kolkata.

**CALCUTTA 23 – THE CULTURAL DIVERSITY FESTIVAL ON
NOVEMBER 29 & 30, 2019**



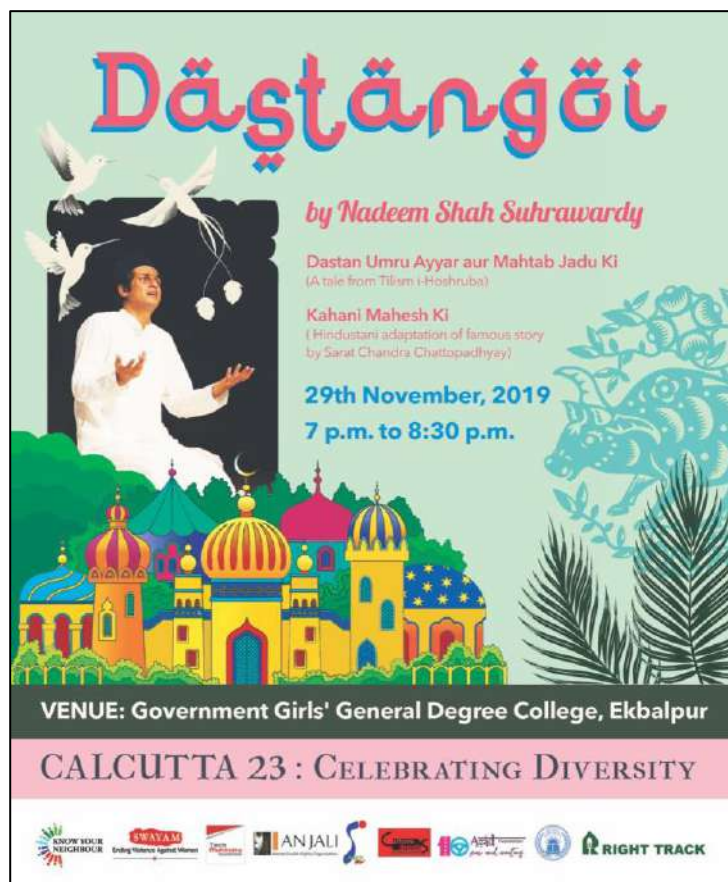
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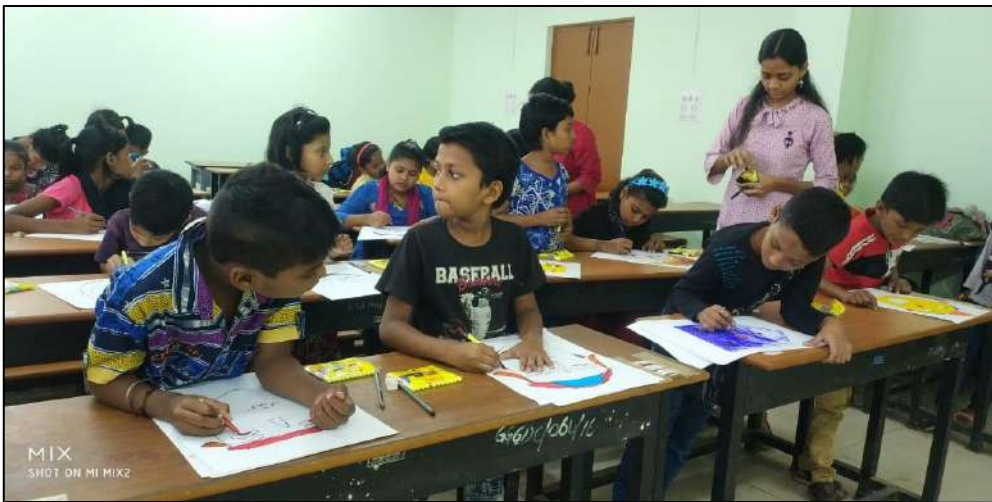
CALCUTTA -23 CULTURAL DIVERSITY FESTIVAL IN THE GGGDC CAMPUS



FLYERS OF THE DIFFERENT EVENTS UNDER CALCUTTA -23 CULTURAL DIVERSITY FESTIVAL



Generating Awareness among school students regarding Noise Pollution



Drawing Competition arranged for children in the college

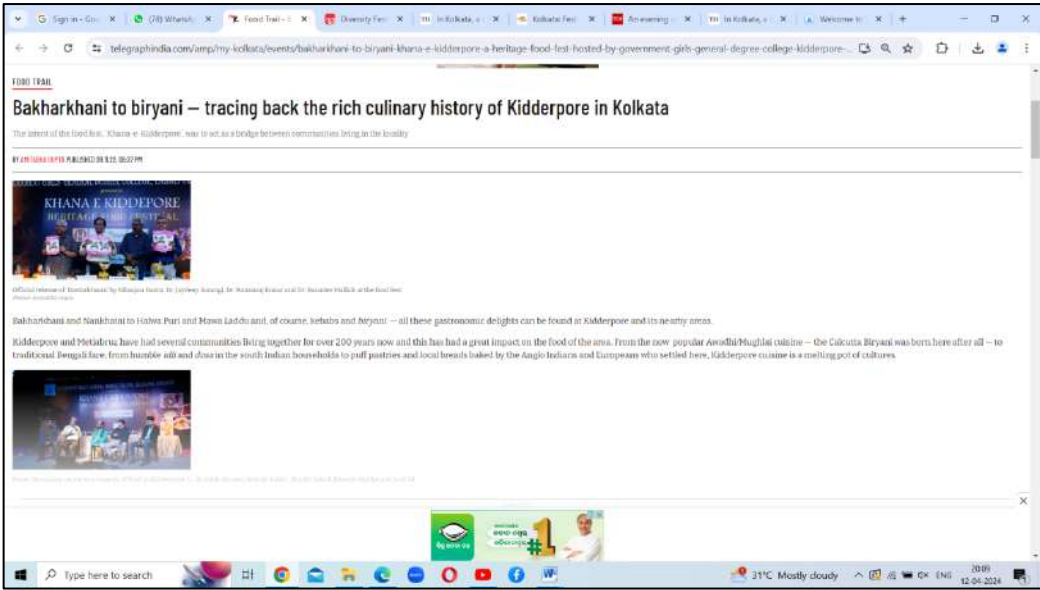


Judgment on Drawing Competition by Resource Person campus



Cultural Programs organized in the evening at GGGDC campus as part of the Diversity Festival

HERITAGE FOOD FESTIVAL – KHANA E KIDDERPORE ORGANIZED ON NOVEMBER 22, 2022



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Published in the Times of India Newspaper on Cooking Competition held during the event



Event on Hertiage Food Festival – KHANA –E-KIDDERPORE



Inauguration of the Food Map in the Event



Panel Discussion by Faculty Members of the College in the event



Documentary showcased on varieties of Food available in Kidderpore Locality



The gathering at the event with the Convenor Dr. Anantara Mukherjee