

**Dear Sir / Madam,**

We are delighted to announce that the Department of Philosophy, Raiganj University, is going to organize ICPR Sponsored One Day National Seminar on **“Different Dimensions of Epistemology and Metaphysics in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century”** on 27<sup>th</sup> March, 2019, at Priyaranjan Dasmunshi Hall, Administrative Building, Raiganj University.

Perspective of the Seminar  
One-Day National Seminar  
On

**“Different Dimensions of Epistemology and Metaphysics in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.”**

**About the Seminar:**

The existence of knowledge is unanimously accepted, because without knowledge no usage, be it acceptance or rejection or avoidance is possible. But how do we know? What are the conditions for acquiring Knowledge? What are the sources of Knowledge? How far can we know? Which knowledge is valid and which is invalid? Does genuine knowledge require justification or evidence? Is there a difference between knowledge and true belief, and if so, what is it? All these questions are dealt with by Epistemology, a major branch of Philosophy. In a word, Epistemology is called theory of knowledge. Some important Epistemological theories include: Rationalism, Empiricism etc.

Metaphysics, the other major branch of Philosophy, is concerned with the questions like: What is the nature of reality? Does the world exist outside the mind? How does the world exist and what is its origin or source of creation? How does mind affect the body? What is the objective nature of thing? Does God exist? etc. Metaphysics is believed to be the foundation of Philosophy because the origin of Philosophy was Metaphysical in nature. However, history

shows that Metaphysics has been attacked at many times. Sometimes it is said that Metaphysics is futile and vague. Especially very often we find Metaphysical ideas and concepts are in conflict with modern science. But, recently even as Metaphysics has been criticised for its apparent lack of access to the true nature of ultimate reality, so has science started to have its own difficulties in claiming absolute knowledge. Herein, lies the importance of studying Metaphysics.

**Objectives:**

As both Epistemology and Metaphysics occupy important place in Philosophy, this seminar aims at to create a platform for interaction regarding various aspects, importance and relevance of both these key branches of Philosophy amongst academics, researchers, students and other participants from various Institutions of different parts of India.

**Sub-themes:**

1. Origin of Metaphysics
2. Origin of Epistemology
3. Relationship between Epistemology and Metaphysics
4. Relevance of Epistemology and Metaphysics
5. Epistemic theories
6. Existence of God
7. Other related topics.

**Call for papers:**

The Teachers and Scholars are requested to send the abstracts of their original and unpublished papers on and before 18.03.2019. Acceptance of the abstract will be intimated by email. Full papers of accepted abstracts may be submitted on and before 24.03.2019. Both the abstract and full paper should be sent by email to: [rguphilosophy@gmail.com](mailto:rguphilosophy@gmail.com). Authors are advised to arrange both the abstract and full paper in the following manner:

- Title of paper: Font size -14, bold
- Name of Author: First name, Last name
- Name of Institution with address, Designation of the Author, email id and contact no.
- Keywords: Four to five.
- Text: Times New Roman, font size-12
- Margin: 1 inch in all sides
- Line space: 1.5
- Words limit: Abstract and full paper should not exceed 300 words and 2500 words respectively.

**Registration** Faculty Members from different Universities and Colleges, Research Scholars can register for the seminar. The registration fee is as follows:

**Teachers & Research Scholars Rs. 1000/-**

**Late date for Registration: 25<sup>th</sup> March 2019**

**Mode of Payment:** Bank or Cash (at the registration desk)

**Bank Details: A/C No. 34901673834**

**A/C. Name: Raiganj University**

**Bank: SBI, Raiganj Branch. IFSC No. ISBN0000162**

**Accommodation:** The seminar organizers will not able to provide accommodation to the paper presenters. They will have to arrange their accommodation on their own.

**Invited Speaker :**

1. **Prof. (Dr.) Devendra Nath Tiwari**  
Banaras Hindu University,
2. **Prof. (Dr.) Bhaswati Bhattacharjee Chakraborty**  
University of North Bengal
3. **Prof. (Dr.) Tafajol Hossain**  
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**About Raiganj University:** The long-cherished dream of the people of Raiganj came true when Smt. Mamata Banerjee, The Hon'ble Chief Minister of West Bengal announced to upgrade Raiganj College (University College) into a full-fledged University in 2015 with Prof. Anil Bhumali as the first Vice Chancellor of Raiganj University. We have reformed our undergraduate syllabi and have started Honours Programme under semester system following CGPA Grade. The Higher Education Department, Government of West Bengal has already approved to open twenty one post-graduate departments. We have started Ph.D. & M.Phil programme in several PG teaching departments in our university.

**About Raiganj Town :** Raiganj is situated in the state of West Bengal in India with the geographical coordinates 25.62°N, 88.12°E. It is known for the Kulik Bird Sanctuary, the second largest bird sanctuary in India, home to a large population of Asian openbills and other water birds. It is also famous for the Tulaipanji Rice, indigenous aromatic rice, cultivar grown mainly in the Raiganj Sub-division in Uttar Dinajpur District.

**Climate of Raiganj during the month of March :** During the month of March, a very pleasant weather prevails at Raiganj. The maximum temperature varies within 30-32°C with a bright sunny day.

**How to reach Raiganj :** The National Highway ( No. 34) runs through Raiganj town. As such the University is well connected by road with major cities/ towns of West Bengal. Raiganj is also connected by direct train service with Kolkata (480km), Malda (76Km) and Siliguri (180Km). Delegates can even get down at Kishanganj / Barsoi station (Bihar) and come to Raiganj by road (NH-34 distance 85km) the nearest Airport is located at Badogra(170km).

**Venue : Priyaranjan Dasmunshi Memorial Hall, RGU**



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