

St. Paul's Cathedral Mission College
Department of English
Second Annual Professor Kaushik Kishore Sarbadhikary Memorial Lecture
17.02.2026
REPORT

The Department of English, in collaboration with the IQAC, organised the Second Annual Prof. Kaushik Kishore Sarbadhikary Memorial Lecture on 17th February, 2026. The lecture series are in memory of the Late Professor, who abruptly left his earthly abode on 5th January 2013. The department had resolved to honour his memory by celebrating his birthday, which is on 15th February, with an annual lecture every year. The chief guest and invited speaker for the second event in this endeavour was Dr. Shanta Dutta, Professor, Department of English, Presidency University. Dr. Dutta is closely linked to our department as she has been mentor and guide to several of the teachers currently working here. Since the 250th birth anniversary of literary stalwart Jane Austen was recently celebrated, we requested Dr. Dutta to speak about her life and works. Dr. Dutta's lecture, entitled 'Revisiting the Austen Universe: Hidden Truths Behind the Facade', aptly held up before the audience the several obstacles the author faced during her time. Being a female novelist in a male-dominated literary scene posed tough situations for Austen, but she managed to shine through the cracks with her unforgettable creations and characters. The lecture wonderfully navigated us through the extraordinary life of Jane Austen. The students listened with rapt attention and asked insightful questions after the lecture was delivered. We were also delighted to have Dr. Sukanti Dutta, erstwhile member of the Undergraduate Board of Studies, University of Calcutta, join us for the event.

The session opened with a prayer by Prof. Ruth Rhea Khan of the Department of Political Science, in keeping with the college tradition. The session was chaired by the Vice Principal, Prof. Binayak Bhattacharya, who also felicitated our Chief Guest. The IQAC coordinator, Dr. Jaya Mukherjee, and the Bursar, Prof. Subhendu Kanjilal, spoke in memory of our beloved colleague, Prof. Sarbadhikary. The speaker was introduced by Dr. Anasuya Bhar, Associate Professor and Dean of the Postgraduate Department of English. The session was conducted by Prof. Kush Sengupta, Assistant Professor in the Department of English. The event was well-attended by students and staff of the entire college. We ended the day with a Vote of Thanks from Prof. Syeda Ayesha Ali, Assistant Professor, Department of English.



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entitled

Revisiting the Austen Universe:

Hidden Truths Behind the Facade

By



CHIEF GUEST AND SPEAKER

PROFESSOR SHANTA DUTTA

PROFESSOR, DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH,
PRESIDENCY UNIVERSITY

17TH FEBRUARY, FROM 1 PM AT THE SEMINAR HALL









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Pooja Beek	Pooja Beek
Aishwarya Nayak	Aishwarya Nayak
Patika Chandra	Patika Chandra
Ananya Mondal / English	Ananya Mondal
Disha Mondal / Eng.	Disha Mondal
Srima Roy	Srima Roy
Koushik Das / Eng / 2024	Koushik Das
Arpita Ghosh / Eng Dept / 2019	Arpita Ghosh
Arundhya Ghosh / Hindi / English / 2023	Arundhya Ghosh / Hindi / English / 2023
Saheli Poddar / Eng Dept / Sem 3 / 2024	Saheli Poddar
Ankita Dutta / Eng Dept / Sem 3 / 2023	Ankita Dutta
Shamya Parveen	Shamya Parveen
Rudraksha Naskar / Eng Dept / Sem 3 / 2024	Rudraksha Naskar
Ankita Roy / Eng Dept / Sem 1 / 2022	Ankita Roy
Riya Ghosh / Eng Dept / Sem 1 / 2018	Riya Ghosh
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