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#### **ABSTRACT**

The global pandemic has ushered in an unprecedented crisis, triggerin the rise of exclusionary, divisive and aggressive nationalism. Sealing of the national borders, which metamorphically represent the most potent symbol state sovereignty, has created the policy and political space for consolidation the big state. The article examines the rise of authoritarian nationalise catalyzed by the onset of the pandemic. It compares the present trajectory of the nationalism with the genre of nationalism that was existent before the pandemic Finally, it argues how the genre of nationalism is not entirely novel, but ha provided a context to aggravate the exclusionary and "othering" tendencie which were already existent in the narrative of virulent nationalism Authoritarian decision making by governments invoking emergency laws have increasingly curtailed the rights and liberties of the citizens, containing the democratic space. War mongering rhetoric has been employed by political leaders. The pandemic has evoked genetic bias and xenophobia. There has been a disdain for institutions and international organizations like WHO, signaling the erosion of accountability. Vaccine nationalism exemplifies the triumph of nationalism over internationalism, competition over collaboration in tackling the virus. Economic nationalism with emphasis on autarky as opposed to free trade has been on rise. Incidentally states which are resorting to hyper-

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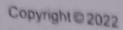
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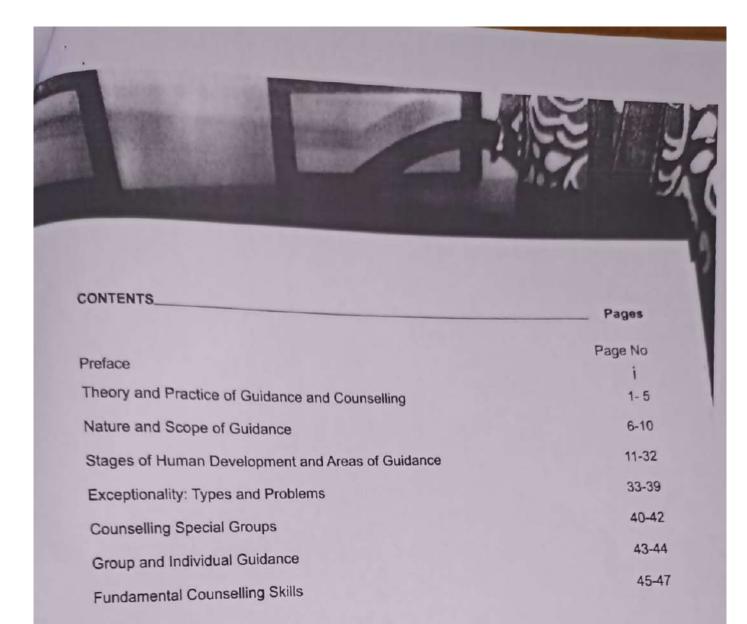
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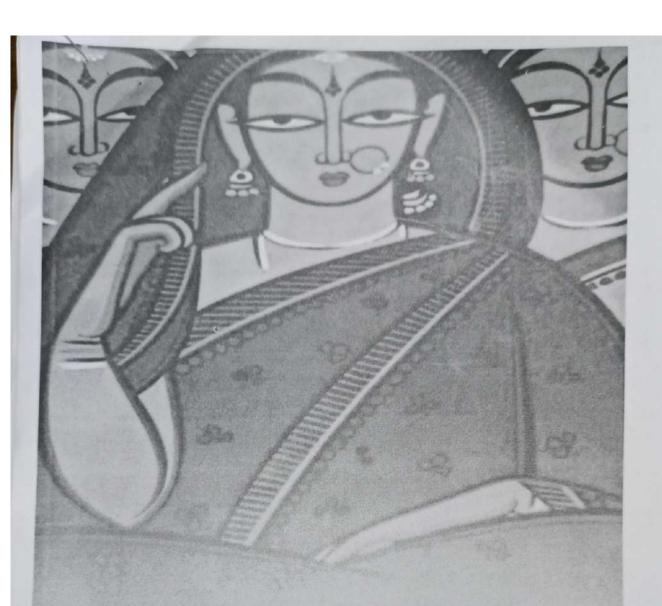
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Abstract: This paper would seek to address the vital question of the Indian woman, more so the Bengali woman's journey from the house to the workplace. While doing so it will survey the colonial government's policies vis-à-vis the post-colonial government's policies with regard to the higher educational patterns set by them for the woman of India. The paper would also seek to address the kind of importance the higher education of women was receiving, especially in the core sciences which was a male domain for some time more in both the colonial and post-colonial periods. A parallel analysis would also be sought to be made of the demand for female education and the entry of women into the professions at the turn of the nineteenth century. To this may be added the initiatives of the Christian missionaries, the indigenous reformers, the native landlords and the rising English educated urban middle-class intelligentsia of the time to promote the cause of female education. The question would then arise that whether their efforts yielded or catered to the woman's needs for education and

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## India's Concerns for Agriculture Sector under WTO: A Study of Farmers' Anti-WTO **Protest Movements**

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#### Abstract:

The creation of WTO in 1995 has tremendous impact on the world economy— particularly developing countries such as India. Globally India is trying her best to reshape her economy and trade policies to meet the challenges of new trade rules under WTO. The changed economic milieu has affected the Indian economy-more so the agriculture sector—in several ways. The stagnating Indian agriculture has aggravated the urgency for debate on how to meet the challenges of new rules of the game under WTO. The aim of this article is to find out the genuine situation of Indian agriculture trade after WTO policy. Despite having a huge country's population since independence, there has been a major transformation and transition in Indian agricultural system, affecting numbers of farmers across the country. Therefore, the author has made a humble attempt to understand and examine the present stock of Indian agriculture in light of rules and regulation formulated by WTO along with achievement and emerging challenges in Indian agricultural system. As a result, we observe that the challenges and concerns are making Indian Farmers' into protesters against WTO's polices in the context of India's present agriculture scenario.

#### Keywords:

WTO, Indian Agriculture, Farmers', Farmers Association, Export-Import.

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Agriculture in several developing countries like India is not so much a matter of commerce; it is intimately interwoven with the pattern अत्याचित्रवाचक्रभवत्र गात्रं वाभावतग्रतविद्यांगा यग्रभाषम ग्राष्ट्रिका यापाजी Kujelani mwa

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আচরণমূলক বিজ্ঞানে বিশেষত বিপণন গবেষণায় (market research) নমুনায়নের বিপুল প্রচলন রয়েছে। নমুনায়ন পদ্ধতিটি অনুসরণ করলে কখনোই বৃহৎ জনসমষ্টির প্রতিটি উপাদান, একক বা সদস্যর থেকে উপাত্ত সংগ্রহের প্রয়োজন হয় না। এটি একটি অর্থ ও সময় সাশ্রয়কারী প্রক্রিয়া বিশেষ। ফলে, গবেষণা পরিকল্পনার (research design) মৌলিক তার রূপে নমুনায়ন অত্যন্ত কার্যকরী একটি প্রক্রিয়া। উদাহরণস্বরূপ, যদি কোনো ঔষধ প্রস্তুতকারক নির্দিষ্ট কোনো ঔষধের ক্ষতিকারক প্রভাব গবেষণা দ্বারা অনুসন্ধান করতে চান, তাহলে তিনি কখনোই দেশের সকল জনসাধারণের থেকে উপাত্ত সংগ্রহ করতে সক্ষম হবেন না। এমন পরিস্থিতিতে, গবেষক বৃহৎ জনসমষ্টি থেকে প্রতিনিধিত্বকারী অংশকে নির্বাচন করবেন, নির্বাচিত নমুনাদল থেকে প্রয়োজনীয় উপাত্ত সংগ্রহ করবেন, সংগৃহীত উপাত্তের যথায়থ ফলাফল বিশ্লেষণের দ্বারা আচরণের ওপর নির্ধারিত ঔষধের প্রভাব সম্পর্কে সিদ্ধান্ত গ্রহণ করবেন।

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### The Evolution of the Devadasi System in India

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#### Introduction

The Devadasi system is a socio-cultural practice which has a long history in India. It originated between the third and sixth century A.D and was predominantly practiced in South India. The practice meant the dedication of a woman to a deity through a ritual marriage. These women came to be known as devadasis, a Sanskrit term that can be literally translated into 'slaves of god'. A woman thus ritualized was entitled to freedom from widowhood by means of marrying the Gods and thereby devoting her entire life in the service of God and the temple associated with that particular god. A devadasi typically sang, danced and performed various rituals in temples, some of which could be conducted only by a devadasi. The figure of the devadasi in the Indian imagination has changed in different historical periods True to her name, a devadasi was held in respect and social standing because she was the "handmaiden of God". In the years around Indian Independence, there was a widespread demand for the abolition of Devadasi system by Reformists and Revivalists This was precipitated by the

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## Interrogating Gender and Personal Laws: The Case of Triple Talaq

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#### 1 Introduction

Collection development of libraries (especially higher educational institution library) has changed profoundly during last two decades. Now a day, almost all the higher education institutions spent a significant amount of their library budget for procuring online resources. In addition to subscription-based e-resources, there are a huge number of free online resources available in the internet. In recent time, due to the outbreak of Covid19, the importance of these resources has become indispensable.

Academic Libraries collection, now a day's mostly are of two typesprint and digital. Print resources- (books, Journals or any other kind of documents) which are accessible to the users only by physically visiting the libraries. This is not at all possible during this covid19 environment. The digital resources on the other hand are remotely accessible and became most helpful in present situation. To assist the user and to make use of most of it, academic institutions are trying to provide access to these resources through password based systems;so that, the users may access them from their home. Libraries may add e-resource to their collection either by subscribing to it or may provide access to selected free online e-resource by providing links to their websites.

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The plights of any women are usual victims of conflicts between The piignts of any communities, nation and mostly families. The cinematic adoption of the novel took place in 2003 by Chandraprakash Dwivedi which got National

The story of a women (hindu) named Pooro, who was abducted by a man(muslim) named Rashida, due to family enmity which turned out to be a terrible nightmare for Pooro. After abduction Pooro got married to Rashida and was renamed Hamida. Her name was imbibed on her hand but it couldn't be done on her soul. She could voice her every moment through the film. Amrita Pritam portrayed women as a property who could be abused, kidnapped, sexually harassed, raped as per the wish of the patriarchal society. Dwivedi also point towards the same argument, adding more voice to Pooro.

In the other part of the novel as well as film, Pooro was portrayed as an ideal daughter who was about to get married to Ramchand, a character played by Sanjay Suri in the film. But at the last hour Pooro was abducted by Rashida. The marriage which was fixed by Pooro's parents was called off. Pooro was a fifteen year old girl of a Sahukar family of Punjab. The abduction was an act of revenge from Rashida's family as because Rashida's aunty was also abducted by the sahukars for their inability to pay debts. So

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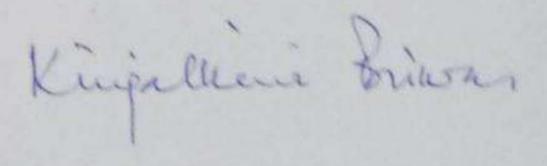
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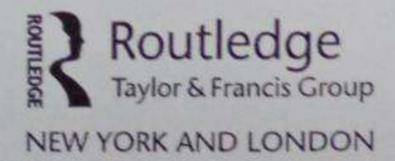
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In Chapter 11, the cookbook's title is also a lyric from "What's Inside": "Sugar, butter, flour"

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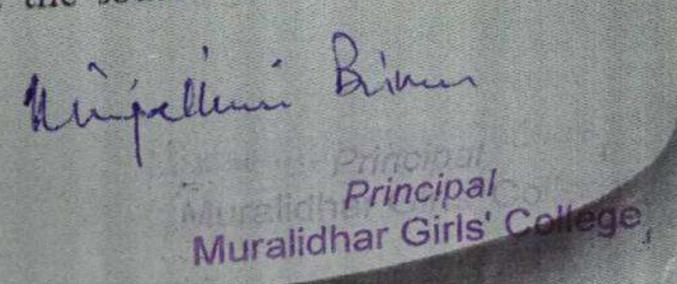
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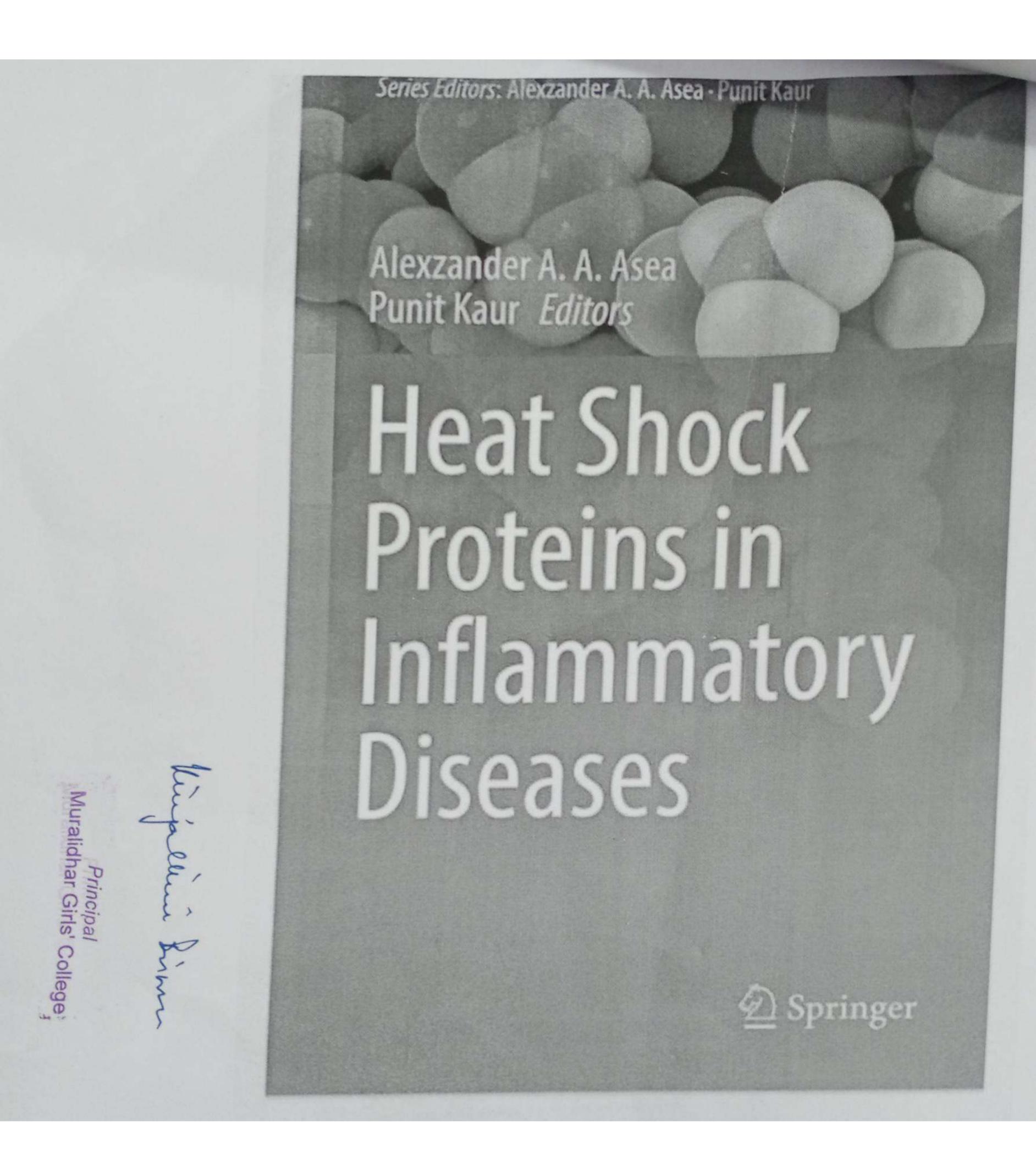
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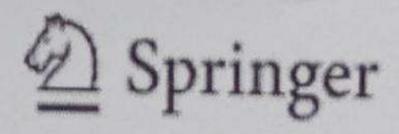
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The quotidian practices around food became a marker which te middle and upper-middle class from the working-class and the colonizers. This class identity was formed in part by women games ciency in the culinary arts. The construction of a "new" item during the colonial period made culinary education part of the care for women. Partha Chatterjee argues that the nationalistic ideologie formal education a requirement for the "new" woman (128-129.11) Borthwick mentions that apart from being considered a part of the cooking was being defined in more complex ways. Education was cultural definition under the shroud of culinary skills. Many shalls colleges, such as the Mahakali Pathshala, established on consense principles, and the Victoria College began incorporating cooks, into their curriculum. But it was also imperative for the "new" and be different from the Western woman. Thus, the bourgeois national culinary education as a marker of cultural superiority for the source. "new" Indian woman.

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## Binary Role of Heat Shock Proteins in Cancer Immunotherapy: A Detailed Perspective



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#### Abstract

Introduction It is a well-accepted fact that Heat Shock Proteins (HSP) have immuno-stimulatory roles. HSP can act as self-antigens or as either adjuvants or molecular chaperones in stimulating both the innate and adaptive immune systems. The role of HSP as cancer vaccines is being tested with successful immunization comprising gp96, HSP 90, and HSP 70 either bound to synthetic or natural peptides. These chaperones stimulate the immune system involving antigen-presenting cells leading to activation of cytotoxic T-lymphocytes and also lead to stimulation of pro-inflammatory cytokines such as IL-1β. TNF-α, IL-12, and GM-CSF as well as C-C chemokines such as MCP-1, MIP-1, and RANTES. In this article, the authors have attempted to encapsulate in brief the alternative role played by HSP in progression and mitigation of cancer, emphasizing the later one as an attribute of their immuno-stimulatory role achieved by activation of various immune cells.

Methods The articles emphasizing the HSP immano-stimulatory or immunogenic roles in cancer were searched in PubMed by filtering last 20 year's collection and reviewed systematically.

Results HSP stimulate the immune system when directly used as antigens in cancer therapy; however, it reports some adverse effects as well. The most successful design of cancer vaccine has been the use of HSP as efficient immuno-adjuvants in complex form with antigens specific to the cancer type. They mediate both innate as well as form with antigens specific to the cancer type. They mediate both innate as well as adaptive immune responses, therefore are comprehensively studied for cancer immune signaling.

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Abstract: The creation of WTO in 1995 has tremendous impact on the world economy-particularly developing countries such as India Globally India is trying her best to reshape her economy and trade policies to meet the challenges of new trade rules under WTO. The changed economic milieu has affected the Indian economy -more so the aericulture sector-in several ways. The stagnating Indian agriculture has aggravated the urgency for debate on how to meet the challenges of new rules of the game under WTO. The aim of this article is to find out the genuine situation of Indian agriculture trade after WTO policy. Despite of having a huge country's population since independence, there has been a major transformations and transition in Indian agricultural system, affecting numbers of farmers across the country. Therefore, the author has made a humble attempt to understand and examine the present stock of Indian agriculture in light of rules and regulation formulated by WTO along with achievement and emerging challenges in Indian agricultural system. As a result, we observe that the challenges and concerns are making Indian Farmers' into protesters against WTO's polices in the context of India's present agriculture scenario.

Keywords: WTO, Indian Agriculture, Farmers Association, export. import.

Agriculture in several developing countries like India is not so much a matter of commerce; it is intimately interwoven with the pattern of rural lives. Many farmers cultivate their land not as a commercial venture, but more as a family tradition. The land has been with their families for generations and they have been their families. Besides, in the process of the division of holdings, which are not commercially viable. Such developing countries great difficulty, when they are called upon to face the chillenge

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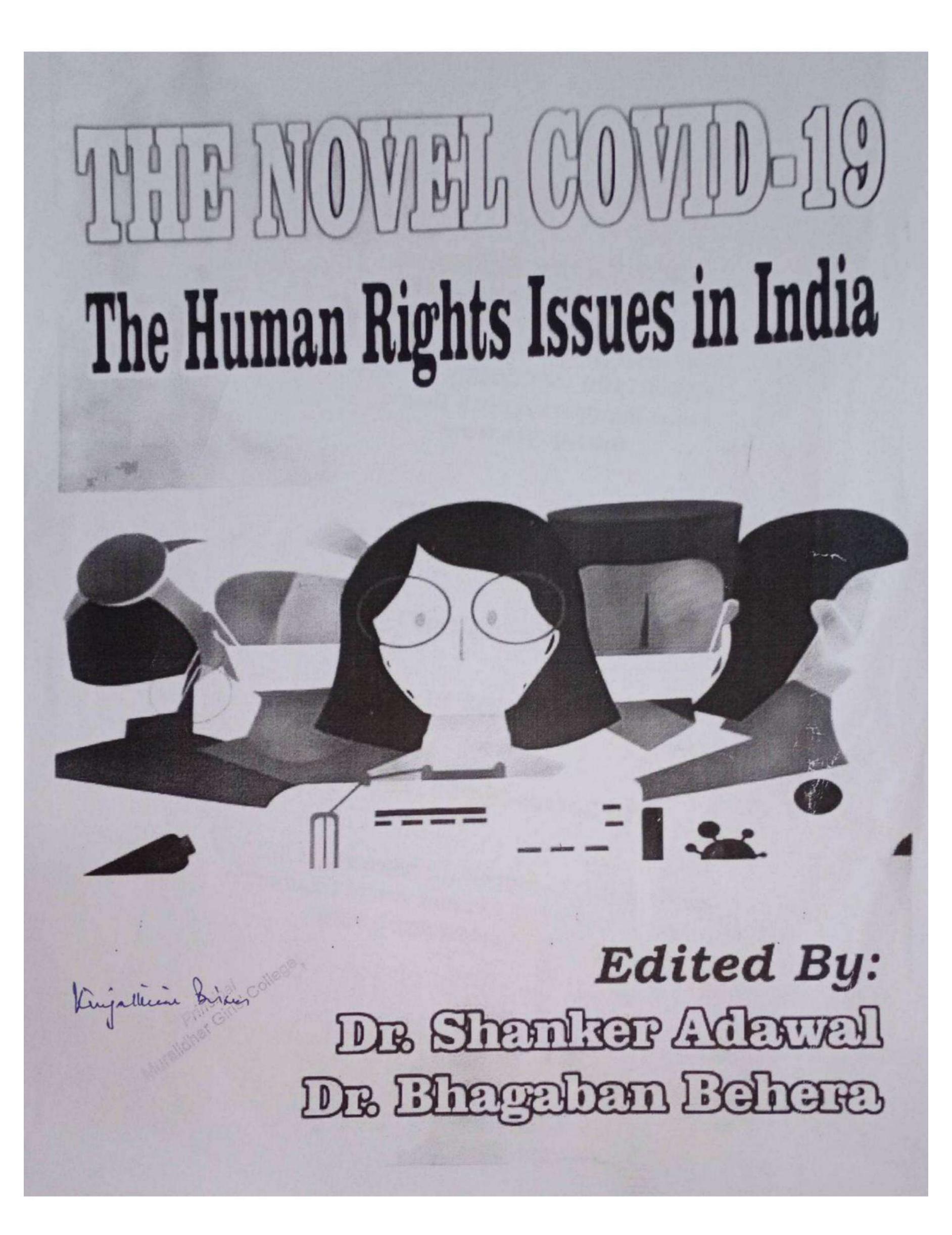
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## Abstract

Today in the midst of technological advancement, in the midst of all adversities, Tagore's lyrical composition is still indispensible. Tagore's Chitrangada and Shyama transcend us 'concept to creation', 'beauty to eternal grace', from the 'finite to the fathomless depths of infinite'. If we psychoanalytically analyze the character of Chitrangada& Shyama, we find that apparently they are different but they stance on love as a divine source of energy. The friendship that remains unbroken when challenged by self interest called love. Initially when Arjun was not in a position to respond Chitrangada's love, she was shocked but at the end she was happy to put an end to the life. She has claimed she was not a goddess, not an ordinary man. She was ready to accept Arjun but only through stand by his side through joys and sorrows. On the other hand, Shyama throughout the composition depicts the infinite moments and emotion of a woman. Vajrasen was under the spell of Shyama's beauty. Shyama slowly narrated the story of how she made Uttiya, her blind admirer, agree to sacrifice his life to save Vajrasen. At the end Shyama remained silent and the dream has been faded away in the air.

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# FOOD SECURITY AND WTO UNDER MODI-GOVERNMENT: A CRITICAL PERSPECTIVE

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## Abstract

This article examines how the definition of food security has evolved over the years to till date and the causes of food insecurity. It looks at the state of food security in India's perspective with special reference to Modi Government. It analyzes how to food security issue linked to pubic stockholding in the WTO's Agreement of Agriculture one of the key issues is being integrated. It has major implication for food security and agriculture in developing countries like India. It defines the national food security Act and how it's inverse AoA Policy (Agreement of Agriculture policy) under WTO provision. Finally, it examines recent government how to determine balance policy between national food security act and international institution WTO's 'agreement of agriculture policy' on the behalf of Indian majority people perspective.

Keywords: Food security, NDA Government, WTO, AoA policy, Public Stockholding

## Introduction:

In the era of LPG (liberalization-Globalization-Privatization), Non-traditional forms of security have gained attention in the entire world. Food security is one of issue that comes under both human and environmental security, assumes utmost importance. Food is basic to the survival of the human race. For many people around the world, food continues to be a privilege not a right. Food insecurity can have grave consequence foe socio-economic development of a society. Hence, food insecurity continues to be one of the most critical and

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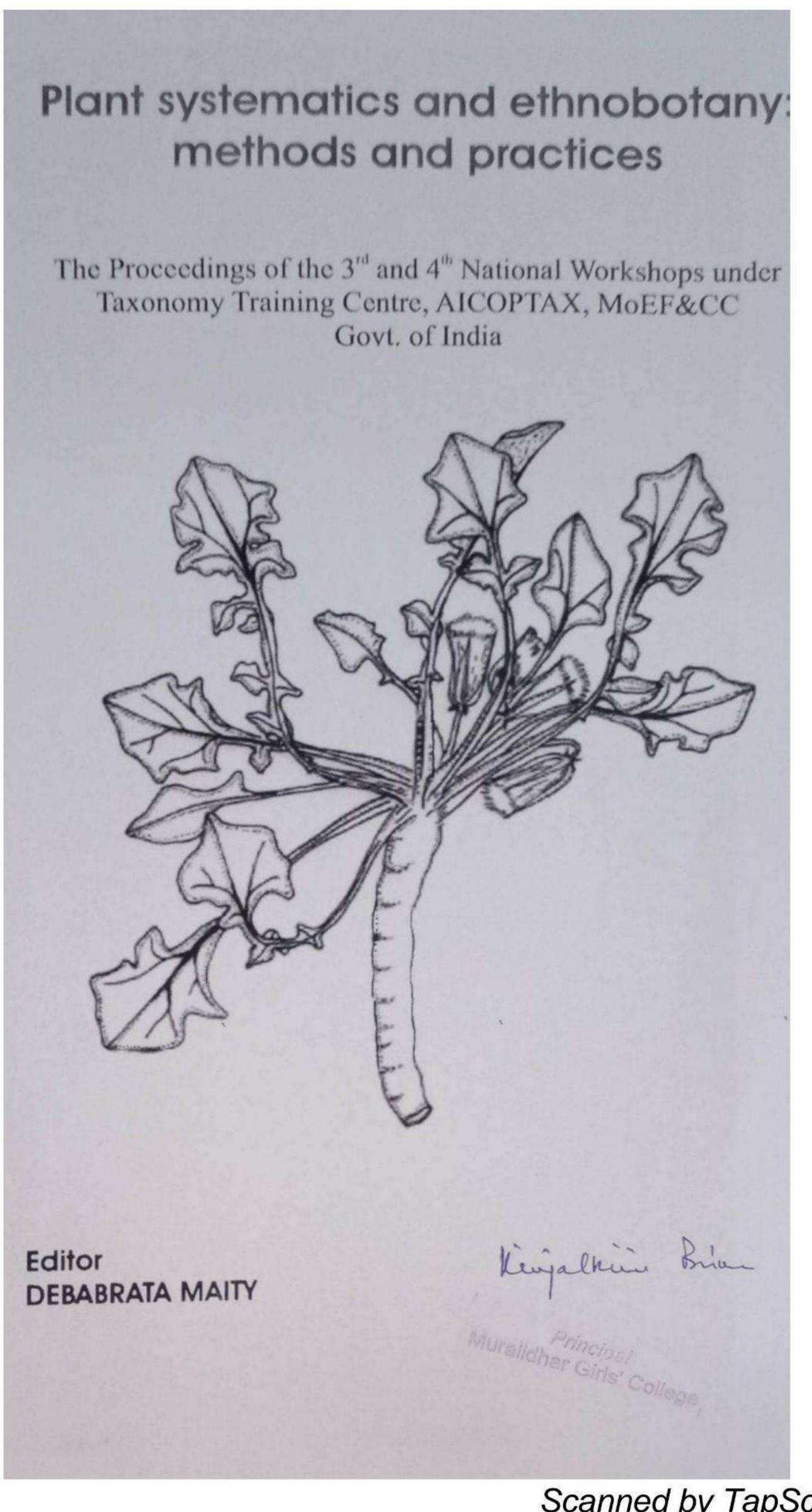
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#### ABSTRACT

A nation can progress only by utilizing its all available human and material resources. Women constitute 50% of the human resource in any society. And national progress is possible only when women in a society may be given equal opportunity as their male counterpart in every aspect of social life. Child marriage is one of serious social crime in the world today. Child marriage and school drop-outs go hand in hand in West Bengal, both the problems are more intense with girl child. Due to implementation of free and universal elementary education, increase in enrolment and retention has been noticed

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## DIVERSITY AND IDENTIFICATION OF GRASSES

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Grasses belonging to the family Poaceae Barnhart [Gramineae Juss. (nom.cons.)] occupy significant position in the plant kingdom owing to their species richness and diverse uses in terms of providing food, fodder and ecosystem services. Poaceae contains about 11,300 species belonging to 752 genera (Mabberley, 2017) in world, cosmopolitan in distribution. In India, it has about 1291 species belonging to 263 genera (Palit, et al.2017), which contributes to about 13% of the world species. India has nearly 315 species belonging to14 genera considered as endemic. Bor (1960) provided a comprehensive classification of Poaceae and divided the family into 2 subfamilies viz. subfamily Panicoideae with3 tribes and subfamily Pooideae with 37 tribes. Soreng et al. (2017) have provided the phylogenetic classification of Poaceae and considered about768 genera, belonging to 12 subfamilies, seven supertribes, 52 tribes, five supersubtribes, and 90 subtribes.

#### Morphological description of grasses

Habit: Annual or perennial herbs (except woody bamboos).

Roots: Fibrous in nature, arising from the lower nodes of the stem; also with underground roots, aerial roots (known as stilt roots) from their lower nodes in some species (Zea mays), trailing grasses i.e. Cynodon dactylon often having nodal roots of considerable length, roots of Trisetum spicatum, Agrostis canina are surrounded with mycorrhizal hyphae.

Rhizomes: Underground part of stems with nodes and internodes covered with scales; scales with reduced leaves and leaf sheaths. Rhizomes thick and woody in bamboos forming a dense colony.

Culms: Stem of a grass plant has series of nodes separated by internodes; internodes hollow (solid in Saccharum officinarum (Sugar Cane), internodes filled with snow white pith in Zea, Sorghum; soft and juicy in Eleusine, Dactyloctenium, mostly terete but compressed in Poa compressa; nodes either hairy or glabrous; lower nodes mostly with fibrous roots in many grasses.

Leaves: Alternate, simple, composed of four parts as leaf sheath, leaf blade, auricle and ligule (Fig. 1).

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প্রাচীন ঐতিহ্যমণ্ডিত নদিয়া জেলা তথা সদর শহর কৃষ্ণনগর এক সময় রাজনৈতিক, সাংস্কৃতিক ও লৌকিক ঐতিহ্য নির্মাণে পলাশির প্রান্তরে ইংরেজ শাসনের সূত্রপাত, মীরজাফরের বিশ্বাসঘাতকতা ইত্যাদি নানা কারণে রাজনৈতিক দিক থেকে নদিয়া জেলা শিরোনামে চলে আসে।

শুমাত্র রাজনৈতিক দিক থেকে নয়, সাংস্কৃতিক দিক থেকেও নিদ্য়া জেলা গৌরবময় ঐতিহ্যের অধিকারী হয়ে উঠেছিল। এক সময় বাংলার মনন ও চর্যার অভিকেন্দ্র ছিল এই জেলা। জ্ঞান, শাস্ত্র ও সাহিত্যচর্চার কেন্দ্রবিন্দু হয়ে উঠেছিল এই জেলা। দেশ-বিদেশের বিভিন্ন প্রান্ত থেকে নানাভাষী বিদ্বান, পণ্ডিত, জিজ্ঞাসু মানুষ শাস্ত্র-সংস্কৃত্যচর্চার জন্য আসতেন এখানে। এক সময় এই জেলা 'Oxford of Bengal' নামে পরিচিত লাভ করেছিল। কৃষ্ণনগরের রাজপরিবার শাস্ত্র-সাহিত্যচর্চার ক্ষেত্রে অত্যন্ত গুরুত্বপূর্ণ ভূমিকা নিয়েছিল। ভারত্যন্ত্র রায়, রামপ্রসাদ সেন মহারাজা কৃষ্ণচন্দ্র রায়ের সভা অলঙ্কৃত করেছিলেন। এই রাজপরিবারের কেউ কেউ সাহিত্যচর্চাও করতেন।

এই রকম ঐতিহ্যমণ্ডিত শহর কৃষ্ণনগরের মৃৎশিল্প ইতিহাসখ্যাত ও ঐতিহ্যে উজ্জ্ব। প্রচলিত জনশ্রুতি অনুযায়ী নদিয়ারাজ কৃষ্ণচন্দ্র রায়ের পৃষ্ণপোষণায় কৃষ্ণনগরের মৃৎশিল্পের উদ্ভব-বিকাশ ঘটে।

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#### Abstract:

It is true that the Government of India has taken giant leaps toward making higher education available to all sections of society. The SWAYAM platform hosts various online courses to enable the students to virtually attend classes and access high quality reading resources. The colleges (both Government and non-Government) that are offering degree courses also apply to various Government Bodies for funds to use ICT as a major medium of instruction.

In spite of so many initiatives there always remains a gap between these projects and their implementations. I am not talking in general but for some particular situations where necessary steps need to be taken for effective implementation of Information and Communication Technology. In this paper I intend to highlight the colleges (without naming them) that are either newly established Government-Aided Colleges or are Private Colleges which are still preparing to get UGC/NAAC recognition and therefore cannot avail for the preliminary UGC funds. I also focus on the fact that many of the students who belong to the rural areas and study in such newly established colleges often cannot afford for the online courses and teaching classes due to lack of facilities, awareness, money and skill. In such situations the initiatives taken by the government help these students to overcome their limitations.

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Synonyms

Exemption program: Grant program

#### Definition

Entitlement programs, according to Yglesias (2015), refer to those programs which are endowed to spend money "automatically" unless there is any regulation to change or reform the programs by the US Congress. In other words, such programs which have already been listed mainly through the Older Americans Act (OAA) 1965 to provide economic and social benefit for better ways of livelihood to the aged persons residing in the United States are considered to be "entitlement programs" and are realized through the state funds to the older citizens of the country. Yglesias (2015) emphasizes that such forms of funding take place in two ways. One refers to the "discretionary" spending. According to this, the US Congress

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Governance of social services for older people: Network of social services for older people

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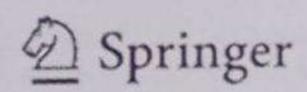
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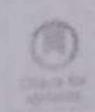
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#### Chapter 5 Role of Heat Shock Protein 90 in Mammary Tumorigenesis



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Abstract Heat shock proteins (HSP) are the proteins with a wide range of functions. They protect the cells from various stressors including heat stress and also act as chaperones thereby aiding in protein folding and maintenance of cellular homeostaxis. Various members of HSP family have been associated with cancers. HSP90 is one such member which promotes protein folding and has an important role in breast cancer progression. Reports indicate that mammary tumor cells constitutively secrete HSP90 in order to facilitate tumor invasion and metastasis. Further, neutralisation of extracellular HSP90 or inhibition of its secretion or interruption of its signalling has been found to block cancer invasion. The recent findings that various isoforms of HSP90 are upregulated in breast neoplasia and breast cancer/mammary tumor subjects have elevated serum HSP90 levels suggest an important role of this chaperone in malignant transformation of mammary glands. This chapter briefly reviews recent advances in our understanding of the role of HSP90 in mammary gland tumorigenesis.

Keywords Diagnosis - Expression - HSP90 - HSP90 inhibitors - Mammary gland · Mammary tumor

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Since time immemorial art and culture has been an inseparable aspect of human life. Art in all its forms has preserved the culture and social system of a particular period or era. The visual ans like "natya" have had a direct contact with the minds of the viewers and the impact of such media on the human mind has been widely acclaimed. The ancient Indian society was not static and was in a continuous process of evolution, transformation, assimilation and change. Urbanisation was an unique phenomena of ancient Indian society. The first several centuries of the 1st Christian era, witnessed the busiling and rapid growth of urbanisation in ancient India. The growth of classical Sanskrit creative literature and urbanisation comemporary to each other. (2) This was probably because Creative Sanskrit literature was patronized by the elites of the society. who had the leisure, aptitude and resources to get acquainted with the various rigid guidelines, which was required to truly appreciate Sanskrit literature. Thus Classical Sanskrit literature was essentially preserve of the highly sophisticated sections of the society. Who that both the leisure and the aptitude to get acquainted with the rigid takens of literary convention and fineries to understand and Services their application in the true perspective. Appreciation of Manufacture required refinement and all-round perusal These criterions could only be fulfilled by a section of the community with a could only be fulfilled by a section of the community with the could only be fulfilled by a section of the country with the could only be fulfilled by a section of the country with th the community, who went for the acquisition of knowledge and the acquisition of knowledge and in alkiells the season who went for the acquisition of knowledge and refinement to appreciate art. Urbanisation in alkaledge the least a class of service elites who had both knowledge and the service elites who had both knowledge the last of service elites who had both knowleds are to appreciate art. This section of the service

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Background and Context:

The history of WTO goes back to the World War II. During the World War II, it was feared that the depressed economic conditions of the 1930s may return after the cessation of the war, as nations like in the past, would attempt to return to balanced budget. This would create problems for international trade. Therefore, the plan for reforms in the international trading system began to take shape during the war. As the war ended, the allied powers met in Bretton Woods, New Hampshire in 1944 to set some guidelines for the operation of the world economy in the post-war years. The international Monetary Fund (IMF) to promote international monetary cooperation and trade and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD, popularly known as World Bank) - to finance economic reconstruction and development - were conceived at this conference. This conference also generated plans for the Trade International establishment an of Organization (ITO) to frame rules, eliminate restrictions and settle disputes relating to international trade. But the ITO failed to take shape due to the non-approval of its charter by the US Congress. Instead, the U.S. and some other countries agreed to adopt a set of rules as treaty obligations for conducting international trade among the member countries. This treaty was called the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) and was signed at Geneva on 30 October 1947 by 23 countries which wished to lower their customs tariffs on a number of items then constituting almost half of world trade and the treaty became effective from January 1, 1948. India signed GATT on 8th July, 1948 and 128 countries had signed GATT by 1994.

Over the years, the GATT pursued trade liberalization by sponsoring a series of negotiations or rounds of talk and achieved remarkable success in reducing tariffs all around the globe, especially in the developed countries. Continued reduction in tariffs helped spur an unprecedented expansion in world trade surpassing the rate of growth of world output. But despite these achievements, grievances against the working of the GATT appeared in the early 1980s. However, its credibility effectiveness began to be questioned on the grounds of its limited success in eliminating non-tariff barriers (NTBs) to international trade and ignoring trade in agricultural goods, textiles and services. Its weak institutional structure and defective dispute settlement system were considered responsible for impeding further progress in trade liberalisation. The member countries wanted the improved role of GATT to absorb the complexities of world trade, Based on the failure to address the concerns of the developing countries, LDCs called GATT as the men's club."

This realization led to a fresh round of trade negotiations - the eighth in the series-under the aegis of GATT at Punta del Este, Uruguay in September 1986 with the principal objective "to halt and reverse protectionism, and to reverse distortions in trade." This round of trade negotiations popularly

known as the Uruguay Round (UR) concluded and it was unique in several respects 1994 and it was unique in several respects covered many new areas such as agriculture technology, intellectual property covered many new textiles, technology, intellectual property right trade-related investment, services, etc. (IPRs) trade-related investment, services, right in its scope of liberalization, non-(IPRs) trade-related in its scope of liberalization, rental included in its scope with tariffs, and constituted barriers (NTBs), along with tariffs, and conceived many new norms and disciplines such as sarutes, anti-ductions phytosanitary measures, anti-dumpay measures, dispute settlement procedures, safeguard measures, etc. with a view to ensuring liberalized effective market access and rule-based trade. The conclusion of the UR saw the transformation of the GATT into a more formal institutional organization in 1905 called the World trade Organization in 1995.

Basic Objectives of WTO:

The WTO with 164 Member-Nations as on 29th July 2016, is the main international body dealing with the rules of trade between nations. The WTO agreements were negotiated and signed by the main trading nations lexcept former Socialis countries like Russia, China (initially, but joined on 11th December, 2001) and the Muslim countries of the Middle East like Saudi Arabial. These agreements provide the legal ground rules for international trade." The primary objective of the WTO is to bring uniformity, certainty and transparency in world trading system by restraining Members from invoking arbitrary and unilateral trade policy measures. The preamble to WTO Agreement states its objective as "raising standards of living, ensuring full employment and a large and steadily growing volume of real income and effective demand, and expanding the production of trade in goods and services, while allowing for optimal use of the world's resources in accordance with the objective of the sustainable development, seeking both to protect and preserve the environment and to enhance the means for doing so in a manner consistent with their respective needs and concerns at different levels of economic development.

Generally, the international trade will be beneficial and help developing countries raise their standards of living and also can promote peace through internationally agreed standards or rules of that trade, helping reduce the likelihood of tragedies. And yet, we are concerned at the corporate drive in international trade where national safety standards, laws and rules are often deemed as barriers to trade and a largely unelected set of WTO officials can make these decisions. Criticism is also towards the corporate influence on the way the actual rules of trade are made land what the rules are), as corporations are not democratic and yet the rules that they are pushing forth via the WTO affect everyone." So, my article attempt to address the impact of WTO on World politics through declaration, negotiation, strategy and tactics analysis involving the study of various WTO-ministerial conferences chronologically.

First Ministerial Conference in Singapore (Dec 9. 13, 1996)

The first ministerial conference was initiated to further strengthen WTO as a forum for liberalization of trade within a rule-based system Basically, it focused on review the ongoing and Work Programme; examined developments in world trade; and addressed the challenges of an evolving world economy in

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## 17 POST-STRUCTURALISM

#### Shashi Subba & Saminur Rahaman

Before understanding the concept of post structuralism, there are two points, which need to be highlighted:

- 1) The concept has inter-relation to other concepts such as structuralism and deconstruction, and
- 2) The concept is inter-disciplinary in nature.

Structuralism talks about a wide range of discourses that study the underlying structure of signification. Signification occurs when there is a meaningful event/action, known as "signifying practices". Now these signifying practices must involve either a document or an exchange, that can be documented which is called the "Text".

Structuralism says that all texts, all meaningful events and signifying practices can be analyzed for their underlying structures. Such an analysis would reveal the pattern that characterizes the system that analysis would reveal the pattern that characterizes the system that makes such texts and practices possible. A structure or a system cannot makes such texts and practices possible. A structure or a system cannot be viewed separately. The discourse also speaks that the analysis is be viewed separately. The discourse also speaks that the analysis is done in an unconscious manner but is an important aspect, as it offers meaning to our whole life and being.

Earlier, there had many explanations of language but something was always missing. For instance, according to empiricist John Locke, always missing. For instance, according to empiricist John Locke, always missing. For instance, according to empiricist John Locke, always missing. For instance, according to empiricist John Locke, always missing. For instance, according to empiricist John Locke, always missing. For instance, according to empiricist John Locke, always missing. For instance, according to empiricist John Locke, always missing. For instance, according to empiricist John Locke, always missing. For instance, according to empiricist John Locke, always missing. For instance, according to empiricist John Locke, always missing. For instance, according to empiricist John Locke, always missing. For instance, according to empiricist John Locke, always missing. For instance, according to empiricist John Locke, always missing. For instance, according to empiricist John Locke, always missing. For instance, according to empiricist John Locke, always missing. For instance, according to empiricist John Locke, always missing. For instance, according to empiricist John Locke, always missing to empirical tree or a dog; but there are some words, that does not exist like "unicorn". Such as politics/crime or some words, that does not exist like "unicorn". Such as politics/crime or some words, that does not exist like "unicorn". However, Ferdinand de Saussure, a Swiss linguistic theorist would.

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## The Importance of Soft Skills in the Job Market of Global Scenario

#### Dr. Kinjalkini Biswas

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As I belong to the Academic world, I had the opportunity to study the present job prospects directly after graduation which is the basic of any prospective work culture. Though a few of them get well placed, most do not make it to the upper echelons. This perturbed me very much and on analyzing such a situation, I found that soft skills are a must in today's procurement and sustenance of a good job. If academics is compared with a cake, then soft skills are considered as the icing on the top of that very cake which makes it attractive in the eyes of the beholder. Initially, you have to catch the eyes of the future employees of global reputation and then the special personal attributes will help you to sustain them in future with enhanced career prospects, suitable pay hike and advancement in salary.

Soft Skills or emotional intelligence as may be defined are personal attributes that enable someone to interact amicably, effectively and harmoniously with other people.

Some of the most common soft skills employers are looking for and will be assessing you on include –

- Strong work ethics
- Positive attitude
- Good communication skills
- Time management abilities
- Problem solving skills
- Acting as a team player
- Self confidence
- Ability to accept and learn from criticism

These affect relationships very much since unlike hard skills, which can be proven and reasured, soft skills are intangible and difficult to quantify. They include analytical thinking, erbal and written communication & leadership.

Basically, you can be the best at what you do with soft skills or else you are limiting your

### The Asiatic Society of Bengal: A Bridge between the East and the West

Dr. Nilanjana Banerjee

#### ABSTRACT

The Asiatic Society of Bengal was set up by Sir William Jones on January 15, 1784. Based on the model of the Royal Asiatic Society of Britain and Ireland, it acted as the interface between the East and the West. The professed ideal of the Asiatic Society of Bengal was to acquire an intimate knowledge of the Oriental learning, culture and to present it before the entire world. Individual sporadic efforts in the direction were already undertaken but met with limited success. The activities of the Asiatic Society of Bengal were examples of long-lasting institutional efforts, encouraged by the British Government, to delve into Oriental antiquity. And only time showed how the mission of the Asiatic Society of Bengal was crowned with success.

The activities of the Asiatic Society were varied as well as path-breaking. On one hand it worked for the translocation of classical literature of Asia into English language. On the other it set up a museum in 1814 to encourage scientific learning. This article not only reflects on such activities but also tries to ascertain the Asiatic Society's place in the history of Indian life and culture. It also deals with the question whether the Asiatic Society was a boom or a course of the Indians.

#### Introduction

It is a well known fact that the Asiatic Society of Bengal was established by Sir William Jones on January 15, 1784. The reason which enthused him to do so was evident from his own words "Asia" commented Jones, "was the nurse of sciences" and the "inventers of delightful and useful arts." And to acquire an intimate knowledge of the Orient, as he rightly foresaw, an institutional approach instead of individual efforts, was more than necessary.

In his pursuit of discovery the Hast, he was joined by many of the white community comprising high officials of the English East India Company, teachers of the Fort William College, judges of the Supreme Court, Christian missionaries and governor generals like Warren Hastings, Sir John shore, Lord Bentinck, Lord Dalhousie etc.

However it was not before 1829, as the Proceedings of the Asiatic Society reveal, that ndians were allowed an entry into this august institution. Notable personality like Dwarakanath lagore, Prasannakumar Tagore, Ramgopal Ghosh, Radhakanta Deb and Iswarchandra lidyasagar eventually become members of the Asiatic Society. But surprisingly the Asiatic

## Creative Teaching and Joyful Learning Dr. Indira Sur

Innovative classroom practices create a Joyful learning climate in the educational Institution. The classroom environment should be non-threatening and joyful with a warm teacher studenter relationship. Joyful learning makes a classroom interesting and ensures the attendance of the children / students. The problems of wastage and stagnation can be overcome by following the joyful learning method. The success of any educational programme depends on the involvement of the teachers, so teachers should adopt or follow some of the strategies in day to-day teaching like self exploration, simulation, Microteaching, Project work, demonstration story telling, songs and music, dramatization, exhibition, subject games, puppet show, shor film. Poetry, art work etc Within each strategy we have tremendous scope for flexibility and variation for example, we can simply teach through a closed story or an open story telling session followed by discussion. The epics, songs and games are strong components of Indian Child-rearing practices which cut across the diversity of our country. These age -old creative practices go a long way in the educational development of students.

The creative art of teaching can produce immense benefits encompassing various human and social dimensions if executed with skill and caution, keeping in mind the creative need on the tender minds of students. The adventure of education begins with the weaving of the mind of creatively and aesthetics one of the important aims of education is to foster and stimulate treativity. Creativity is the capacity to produce new compositions, products or ideas through magination or thought synthesis. Creativity is always goal directed relevant to the solute of the India suffers from an absence of creative and aesthetic efflorescence. Every learner enjoys ere undesirable scope for being imitative rather than creative.

According to Torrance (1962), it is the teachers who are themselves creative who encourage eativity in their students. If teaching is an art, then teaching is also individualistic wherein eativity like knowledge, experience and skills, is an important attribute in view of which a acher qualified for being the real personality mentor.

Creative teaching surpasses all other methods of teaching owing to its multidimensional nefits.

Since all four aspects of development namely, language development, cognitive development socio-emotional development and physical motor development are interrelated and occur simultaneously, creative teaching contributes to all these four aspects of development directly individually, as well as by one kind of development stimulating

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#### Openness and Inequality: India's Performance in Post-Reform Era

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#### **ABSTRACT**

The gradual liberalisation of India's external sector during the first half of 1990s was extremely successful in meeting the BOP crisis of 1990 and putting the BOP on a sustainable path. The main lesson of the nineties is that liberalisation of the current and capital account increases the flexibility and resilience of the BOP, improved the openness of the Indian economy. However, liberalisation was shaped largely by the economic problems of the government rather than by the economic priorities of the people or by long-term development objectives. Thus, jobless growth, persistent poverty and rising inequality have mounted as problems since economic liberalisation began. And, 25 years later, the time has come to analyse the impact of globalisation in Indian economy before going for 'second-generation reforms 'as much remains to be done.

After gaining independence in 1947, India followed the Soviet model of planned economic development with emphasis on heavy industries and self-sufficiency. The whole development strategy in India was based on direct intervention of the state coupled with an 'inwardlooking import substitution' model of development. The restrictive interventionist policies meant the existence of a complex structure of permissions, licenses, quotas, rationing and absolute bans in many spheres including industrial production, infrastructural facilities. raw materials, credit. foreign exchange and trade. In short, government policy interventions distorted the price and quantity signals in all three markets- goods, money and factors. India's economy went through several episodes of economic liberalisation in the 1970s and the 1980s. However, these attempts at economic liberalization were half-hearted, selfcontradictory, and often self-reversing in parts (Harris, 1987). In contrast, the economic reforms launched in the 1990s were 'much wider and deeper' (Sachs, Varshney and Bajpai, 1999) and decidedly marked a 'U-turn' in the direction of economic policy followed by India during the previous forty years of centralized economic planning (Wadhva, 2004). In the Indian case, therefore, the year 1991-92 is often regarded as providing a significant

At the end of June 1991, India's foreign currency assets had declined to Rs 2383 crore break in the policy environment. that was barely enough to finance two weeks of essential import bills. A state of the chis college

#### Agrarian Structure and Development of Agrarian Sector Atrayee Saha

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Introduction of the land reforms, adoption of scientific technologies, opening of agricultural production to the global market has resulted in a shift of agriculture from being predominantly based on food grain production to cash crop and horticultural production in the recent times. The growth-led story of Indian agriculture does not touch upon the fact that the caste and class inequality continues galore in the rural economy. Agrarian structure has transformed from being based on the age-old "master-serf or "patron-client relation to one that is based on "profit-making incentive, where the agricultural and landless labourers are no more tied to the landlords or the landowners. Persistence of social inequality is seen from the fact that the small and marginal farmers and landless and agricultural labourers who traditionally belonged to the lower castes continue to remain economically deprived and most often fall in debt-trap in order to increase production levels. With the help of several field studies. I have showed in the paper that introduction of the Bt technology, introduction of the new seed varieties and patenting policies and increase in the local power lobbies has affected the development in the agrarian sector and has not done much to change the social milieu of the rural economy. I also show that much of the profit gained from agricultural growth is enjoyed by the big farmers and large landholders who traditionally belong to the upper castes or the dominant landed castes and also dominate the local power structure in the rural areas.

Keywords: land reform, agrarian structure, technology, capitalist farmers, patenting, new seed variety.

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### Vaisnavism: A Path of Complete Devotion

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#### **ABSTRACT**

Vaisnavism is the branch of Hinduism in which Visnu or one of his 'Avatāra' (incarnations) mainly Kṛṣṇa is worshipped as the supreme God. The Sanskrit term Vaiṣṇava means "follower of Vișnu". This is the name given to the faith and practices of those Hindus who hold Vișnu and the goddess Lakṣmī as supreme deities. In this paper, I would like to draw your kind attention towards the complete devotion of bhaktas to his or her supreme power.

Key Words: Vaiṣṇavism; Complete Devotion; Bhakti; Lord Kṛṣṇa; Bhāva.

Visnu was a Vedic deity. We found him with a minor position in the Vedic hymns. Vaisnava means "follower of Visnu". In their prospect, Lord Kṛṣṇa is a supreme God. The Bṛhannāradīya Purāna says:

Harer nāma harer nāma harer nāmaiva kevalam kalau nasty eva nasty eva nasty eva gatir anyathā ||

Visnu was mentioned as a god in the Vedas and later Sanskrit literature, combined with the worship of many local deities:

Tad visno paramam padam sadā paśyanti sūrayah Divīva cakṣurātatam||"

The Lord eventually gave rise to the Vaiṣṇava faith. Vaiṣṇavas also worship Viṣnu's many incarnations, especially his appearances as Rāma and as Kṛṣṇa, as well as his manifestations in iconic form in several temples. These manifestations in temples are considered to be actual incarnations of Visnu in a worship able form. In addition, many Vaisnavas also revere various poet-saints and theologians whom they consider to be paradigmatic devotees. There are several traditions of Vaisnava theologies, but a Vaisnava does not have to be affiliated with any one of them. It is thus difficult to determine the exact number of Hindus who practice Vaisnavism.

According to Vaisnavism, devotion is the ultimate way to achieve the supreme power. So Vaisnavism is exclusively a religion of bhakti (devotion). Bhakti is intense love of God. attachment to him alone; it is of the nature of bliss and bestows upon the lover immortality and liberation. According to Vaisnavism God cannot be explained by laws and rules; and, without pure love or bhakti, all penances, austerities and rites are futile. Man, cannot realize

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### "The affect of television and new media in youngster behaviour and Psychology"

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Quotation: "The media's the most powerful entity on earth. They have the power to make the innocent guilty and to make the guilty innocent, and that's power. Because they control the minds of the masses."

— Malcolm X

#### **Abstract**

As the old adage goes "if you really want to test a person give him power" and today media is identical with power, the fourth estate of democracy has the power to influence the mass, whether the form is print or electronic, it barely matters, the frequency of outcome may be low or high but every form has its own way of influence. The outcome of the power can be segregrated into two categories, i.e. Acceptable and Debatable. The acceptable category includes the power to educate, entertain, inform, aware, update and empower whereas the Debatable category includes sensationalism, media trials, setting agenda and priorities (As per Agenda Setting Theory), and to make believe what does not really exist, which can also be termed as an outcome, due to the turning point of media duties from noble profession to profit making organisation. Similarly the effects of media, especially television in audience. has been divided into two types under observational learning as inhibitory effects and disinhibitory effects, as stated under The Social Learning Theory, propounded by Albert Bandura, in the year 1977. The power of media is so immense that it can uproot and change the entire political scenario of any country, the Arab Spring, the Halloween drama are some of the best examples in this context. Similarly today, it is the world of competition, everyone wants to keep oneself updated and informed and "News" is one of the best medium to achieve such desire. Hence, keeping in view, the power of media and the competitive world, the paper is concentrated to examine the effect of television as well as New Media in the youngster behaviour and psychology, especially concentrating on news coverage and reporting on gender issues and sensationalism.

Keywords: Media, New media, Television, Social media, Mobile Media, Sensationalism, Gender issues, media affects, youngster psychology, crime against women

Introduction: The change of stream from science to social science:

As the proverb goes" Change is the only constant", it holds its importance in every sector of life. Since, the pre historic age, humans has been witnessing and giving its helping hand to

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#### Age and Ageing

#### Jhumur Basu

The fact that life is a continuous process of growth, beginning from infancy and coming to old age through childhood and adulthood and that is ultimately terminates with the death of an individual, is an obvious phenomenon and need not be emphasized. The course of life is influenced by several factors, like biological & cultural inheritance of an individual. Age and aging are equally related to role-taking, value orientations and modes of behavior or a person the expectation of which varies at different age stages of members of society.

Every society is stratified in terms of age of its members, just as there is stratification in terms of social and economic factors. The social system which depends upon the continuing performance of numerous age specific functions, must accommodate the endless succession of cohorts, (generations) that are born, grow old and die within it.(1)

Old age is a universal phenomenon. The number of old people is increasing all over the world, both in absolute terms and proportion to the populations. The challenges of old age come from various source as well old is generally accompanied by a number of problems that the aged have to face and adjust with in varying degrees. These problems may range from ensured and sufficient income to support themselves and their dependents.

Loss of economic independence and physical vigor and the emergence of various types of degenerative diseases change an aged from an independent self-suffering individual selfsupporting individual to one who needs help from children, members of the family and the society in general. Absence of common interests and lack of extensive and regular interaction with the younger members in the family may result in social isolation and loneliness of the aged. The aged having performed a long continuous and relatively well-defined adult role may find himself in stage of life which presents only few alternative role be fitting his physical. social and psychological make-up. The nature and extent of his social adjustment may vary according to his own personality make-up, his life experiences as an adult and the immediate family and community environment that surrounds him. It may be observed that the process of aging is not uniform for all persons and groups alike. Changes in the life of the aged are necessitated not only by their physical and mental capacities but also by the social and cultural practices.

The term "aging" has three different but inter-related connection, namely biological and physiological aging, social aging and psychological aging.

Biological and Physiological aging

The process of life consist of physical and mental changes characterized by growth and decline

#### The Need for Creating A Congenial Learning Environment for Pre-primary Education In India

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#### **ABSTRACT**

In the total life span of an individual, early childhood is a time of remarkable physical, cognitive, social, and emotional development. In this stage infants enter the world with a limited range of skills and abilities. Watching a child develop new motor, cognitive, language, and social skills is a source of wonder for parents and caregivers. After family the second important agency in a child's life is the educational institution. At present with modernisation of Indian society some significant roles of the family has been entrusted on the school. School is the first social environment after home, so it acts as a platform for preparing the child for broader future life. Now if this first impression is good then the rest of the experiences under school can be expected to be fine. Here comes the role of institution imparting preprimary education. The environment, the infrastructure, the teachers, other staff of the institution, method of teaching, play ground, teaching-learning materials, suitable text books etc. all these components have their own role to play in the education of childrenof the preprimary stage. Children at this stage are very tender and needs very sensitive and careful handling and this level of education may be highly responsible to determine the subsequent course of development for the child. Hence in the present paper the significance of creating a congenial learning environment for pre-primary education in India is discussed to justify the special need of the children of this stage of education.

Key words: Infancy, Pre primary education, Congenial learning environment

#### Introduction

Children in the pre primary stage are exclusively children more specifically they are in their early childhood and are not miniature adults as claimed by Rousseau in the early eighteenth century. The initial stage of organized formal instruction designed primarily to introduce very young children to a school-type environment is known as the pre primary stage of education. This stage comprises kindergartens and pre-school classes. Upon completion of this stage, children continue their education at the following stage i.e. primary education.

The Merriam Webster's Dictionary defines infancy as - the first part of a child's life and an early stage of development. This stage is followed by early childhood. So this stage of

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#### Introduction

"Being vulnerable" and "vulnerability" are important aspects of every modern society which triggers the need for special attention, debate, and discussion, both at the individual level and at the macrostructural level. In simple terms, "being vulnerable" may refer to the state of exposure to a possibility of being harmed or attacked, physically, emotionally, and psychologically. On the other hand, "vulnerability" might refer to the specific quality or state of being where an individual or groups of individuals get exposed to the possibility of being attacked or harmed, physically, emotionally, or psychologically. The harm or attack inflicted on the individuals or such "vulnerable" groups of individuals can take the form of insult,

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#### Madanikā: A Broadminded Woman in the Narrow Lane of the Mrcchakațika

#### Minakshi Lahiri

- 1.0. In view of the Indian  $Smrtis\bar{a}stra$ , a prostitute is regarded as sinful. But in reality they got respect as we see the courtesan Vasantasenā and her maid servant Madanikā in the prakaraṇa-type of drama  $(r\bar{u}paka)$  Mrcchakaṭika, because both of them are honoured by the word  $vadh\bar{u}$ . There were three types of women in  $\dot{S}\bar{u}draka$ 's Mrcchakaṭika. They are: chaste woman  $(=kulavadh\bar{u})$ , prostitute  $(=gaṇik\bar{a})$  and maid  $(=bhujicy\bar{a})$ . Madanikā belonged to the last type. Her duty was to serve her mistress. As they are maid-slave, they could be freed from slavery in exchange of salvation value<sup>1</sup>.
- 1.1. We generally think that the broadminded men live in the society where gentle and educated people live and such mentality is rare in an unknown alley of the society. But this kind of thinking is not true. Broadminded quality is never barred in the barrier of place and time. Ceṭī-Madanikā is a great instance of such view. Though she was a maid servant, she was not so much neglected as that of maids of present days. By the way it must be noticed that the meaning of the word dāsī (=maid) was much different in the past from the present. In ancient society the word dāsī not only refers to servant but also prostitute. At present the meaning is contracted. Vasantasenā had so many maid servants, but among them Madanikā was elevated to

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#### Abstract:

The paper refers to the origin of early Indian drama to the religious rituals and dramatic element and practices of the early Indians. The theory of Greek influence in the origin of early Indian drama has been explained. This Greek influence hypothesis was said to have been a creation of the Orientalists, who in their zeal of rediscovering India's glorious past equated the two civilizations of India and Greece to a common ancestor. They believed that the Indian drama had been born out of interactions with Greek culture. This view has been repudiated by many scholars who felt that Indian drama, though influenced by Greek and other cultures was an indigenous phenomena.

The contribution of Sanskrit drama to India's history and culture is immense, since it is one of the earliest if not the first significant signs of theatre in Asia. Historians believed that the genesis of early Indian drama has to be sought in the primitive religious rites of the early Indians. According to them drama had its beginnings in a combination of the Vedic hymns recited in a dramatic manner and in the religious dances of the early Indians.2 There is reason to believe that theatre came into being sometimes between 2000 B.C. and 1500 B.C, as by this time, all its elements, a lively tradition of dance, music and songs, rich heritage of myths and legends, historical and semi-historical tales, presence of specialist communities of story tellers and performing artists which all provided the basis of Indian theatre had already developed.3

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শ্বেষ ইংরেজ ইউ ইভিয়া কোম্পানীর দ্বারা প্রবর্তিত চার্টার আইন এর মাধ্যমে প্রথম খ্রীষ্টান মিশনারীরা ভারতে শিক্ষার প্রসার ঘটায়। যদিও তখনও উচ্চ বর্ণের হিন্দুরা তাদের কন্যাদের খ্রীষ্টান বিদ্যালয়গুলিতে পাঠাতে প্রবৃত্ত ছিলেন না। নিম্নবর্গীয় বাগদি, চভাল ও কুর্মী পরিবারের মেয়েরাই এই মিশনারী ক্ষুলগুলিতে অধ্যয়ন করতে যেতেন। তবে মিশনারীদের প্রচেন্টার সবচেয়ে উৎকৃষ্ট ফল হল যে, তাদের মাধ্যমে শহুরে শিক্ষিত ভদ্রলোক সম্প্রদায় রী শিক্ষার প্রয়োজনীয়তা উপলব্ধি করলেন। শুধু নারীদের অবস্থার উন্নতির জন্য নয়, সার্বিক সামাজিক উন্নতির জন্যও প্রয়োজন ছি, আধুনিক শিক্ষা। এই সময় থেকে মূলতঃ অর্থাৎ উনবিংশ শতাব্দীর প্রথমার্ধ থেকেই স্ত্রীশিক্ষার প্রয়োজনীয়তা সম্পর্কে সমাজ-সংশ্বারকরা সজাগ হলেন।

১৮২২ সালে গৌরমোহন বিদ্যালন্ধার তাঁর স্ত্রীশিক্ষাবিধান প্রকাশ করলেন এবং ৩.র দ্বারা প্রমাণ করলেন যে প্রাচীন ভারতে নারীদের শিক্ষাদান করা বা তাদের শিক্ষালাভ করায় কোন নিষেধাজ্ঞা ছিল না বাংলায় 'নব্যবঙ্গ' গোষ্ঠী এবং শ্রী ঈশ্বরচন্দ্র বিদ্যাসাগর নারী শিক্ষার উন্নতির জন্য অনেক বিদ্যালয় স্থাপন করেন।

ধর্মীয় ও সামাজিক বিরোধিতার কারণে, ইংরেজ ইন্ট ইন্ডিয়া কোম্পানী নারী শিক্ষা প্রসারের জন্য কোন পদক্ষেপ নেয়নি। কিন্তু এই নীতির পরিবর্তন ঘটাতে প্রণ সক্ষম হলেন বেপুন সাহেব, যিনি মেয়েদের জন্য একটি স্কুল স্থাপন করেন যা 'হিন্দু ফিমেল

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হিতোপদেশ, পঞ্চতন্ত্র থেকে উৎপত্তি<sup>২</sup> লাভ করেও বহু ধারা-উপধারায় প্রবাহিত হয়েছে। এর উদ্দেশ্য হল—'কথাচ্ছলেন বালানাং নীতিস্তদিহ কথ্যতে' (হিতোপদেশ-এর প্রস্তাবনা)। এখানে একটি কথা মনে রাখা দরকার যে, পঞ্চতন্ত্রকার নীতিশিক্ষনেচ্ছু হলেও মূলত গল্পকথক, আর হিতোপদেশের রচয়িতা মূলত নীতিশিক্ষক—গল্পকথন তাঁর গৌণ উদ্দেশ্য।

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