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2022-2023

Name of the Department/Society: North east cell, Hansraj college

Name of the Event : *Speaker Session on Literature, Identity and the notion of the North East.*

Speaker- Dr. Deepshikha Mahanta Bortamuly

Date of the Event: 11th November 2022

Convenor of the Department/Society: Ms Ruchi

The session commenced at around 12 pm with a peak of 70 participants.

The president of NE Cell Hansraj, Pragya Kashyap welcomed everyone and the speaker, Dr. Deepshikha Mahanta Bortamuly. Dr Deepshikha will talk about ethno diversity in north east culture.

She started the session by asking, “What kind of literature you go for? What kind of literature you love reading and What kind of literature is forced upon you by the university curriculum or any other factors? “

She explained how literature is not only the syllabus prescribed to us; but also about what we learn from, about perspectives, identity formation and questioning the identity formation. This line of reasoning begets another question, what kind of identity you carry with you? And how is it defined? Is it defined through appearances? Or by the clothes you wear? Everything from the way we dress to the way we talk, the way we behave, defines our identity.

Identity is also dynamic and multi faceted and can also be progressive. The multifaceted nature of identity is apparent since there are many identities of one person. For example, the students sitting in the seminar room can have multiple identities like that of a friend, a son, a daughter, and a student.

Sometimes these multiple identities clash with each other. Identity can be personal, social, and emotive. When multiple identities clashes with each other, they are called emotive.

Dr Deepshikha further explained identity creation with the help of dress and clothing style.

Literature, as a field of study, opens up our mind from the cocoon where we are living in and expands our perspectives. One of the striking examples of this is the fact that north east is not homogeneous. It doesn't have a homogenous identity that mainstream culture often seem to endorse. It is composed of different tribes, different belief systems, and different languages. Even the idea of a language is political since a lot of times some languages are not given the status of a language but only a dialect. Language is however very important to human existence. We live through language, we perceive it, and we cannot come out of it

Dr Deepshikha then talked about Assamese history, the military rule, state control, insurgency, and the period of political unrest she and her peers grew up in. This period of political upheaval is not only limited to Assam but to other north east states as well. .

Some of these states have a history of terror lore, which is similar to a folklore except that they talk about their shared traumatic experiences.

Language plays a significant role in our society since it preconditions our notion of the universe. Through language and culture we recognise our place in the world. By the end of her talk, Dr Deepshikha highlighted the importance of mother tongue to mental health and how the presence of mother tongue evokes a feeling of home even when one is miles away from home.



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The room then opens to questions mostly pertaining to identity, its multifaceted nature, and the stereotypes pertaining to different sets of identities. The session concluded with a Vote of thanks given by Annashree, the Financial and Editorial head of North East Cell, Hansraj College.

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NORTH-EAST CELL, HANSRAJ COLLEGE

invite you for a speaker session on

Literature, Identity and the Notion of the North East

Dr. Deepshikha Mahanta Bortamuly
Associate Professor, Department of English
Daulat Ram College, University of Delhi

Date - 11 November
Time - 12 PM onwards
Venue - New Seminar Room

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