

Report on Two-Day State-Level Seminar at Rabindra Bharati University

Introduction

The Department of Sanskrit, in collaboration with the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), Rabindra Bharati University, organized a Two-day State-level Seminar on “Indian Intellectual Tradition: Numeracy in Sanskrit Literature” on 27–28 November 2025. The seminar was held at Kavijanani Sarada Kaksha, EB Campus, Rabindra Bharati University, Kolkata.

Inaugural Session (27 November 2025)

The program commenced at 11:30 a.m. with an opening song presented by students of the Department of Sanskrit.

Welcome Address: Delivered by the Head of the Department of Sanskrit.

Inaugural Address: Prof. Sonali Chakravarti Banerjee, Hon’ble Vice-Chancellor, Rabindra Bharati University.

Keynote Address: Prof. Partha Pratim Das, Head of the Department of Sanskrit, Burdwan University.

Chief Guest’s Address: Prof. Hitendra Kumar Patel, Director, IQAC.

Chairperson’s Address: Prof. Bankim Chandra Mondal, Hon’ble Dean, Faculty of Arts.

The inaugural session set the tone for the seminar, highlighting the importance of numeracy and intellectual traditions in Sanskrit literature.

First Academic Session (27 November 2025)

Theme: Numerical Concept in Ancient India
Chairperson: Prof. Amal Kumar Mondal
Speakers:

Prof. Monidipa Das

Dr. Pradip Chandra Das

This session explored the philosophical and practical dimensions of numerical concepts in ancient Indian thought.

Second Academic Session (27 November 2025)

Theme: Technique of Expressing Numbers in Sanskrit Literature
Chairperson: Prof. Parbati Chakraborty
Speakers:

Dr. Subrata Mondal

Ms. Shrabanti Das

The speakers discussed the unique methods of representing numbers in Sanskrit texts, emphasizing their relevance to intellectual traditions and literary expression.

Valedictory Session (28 November 2025)

The seminar concluded with the valedictory session held from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Chairperson: Prof. Samiran Chandra Chakrabarti

Speaker: Dr. Sayantan Roy

Vote of Thanks: Prof. Amal Kumar Mondal

Closing Song: Presented by students of the Department

Conclusion

The two-day seminar successfully brought together scholars, faculty, and students to engage in meaningful discussions on the intellectual tradition of numeracy in Sanskrit literature. The sessions highlighted the depth of ancient Indian knowledge systems and their continued relevance in contemporary scholarship. The program concluded with a strong message of academic collaboration and cultural enrichment.

All participants and attendees expressed appreciation for the insightful deliberations and the warm hospitality extended by Rabindra Bharati University.

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Some pictures of the Seminar –





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