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## **DEPARTMENT OF GENDER STUDIES**

### **About the Department**

The Department of Gender Studies is a multidisciplinary field of study committed to a transformative analysis of the gender relationship and structures of power, especially as they are grounded in socio-spatially constructed categories. We advance the field through innovative teaching, collaborative research, public and community engagements that promote alternative expressions of knowledge, capability and socially responsible interrogation. Our work is guided by an on-going process of theorizing, practice and critical reflection which is inspiring a new generation of gender scholars and feminist leaders committed to social justice. We strive to be a globally recognized model of excellence in gender, sexuality and feminist scholarship. The department offers MA, M.Phil. and Ph. D. programs and organize seminar, workshops and interactive sessions and extracurricular activities. Department is following the CBCS syllabus with a timely mid-semester and end-semester examination system. It also takes initiatives to offer gender sensitization training for the students of other departments and affiliated colleges. As a part of the extracurricular activity students are encouraged to participate at other institutions, in the career counselling and placement drives and field internships. Students are also engaged in the club activities, field exposure visit, community services, Unnat Bharat Abhiyan, Global Classroom learning, Swachha campus, Yoga, NSS, Sports and cultural competitions, and take leadership roles in their communities using these new insights and skills.

### **Vision**

To strive for academic excellence in diverse gender scholarship.

### **Mission**

1. To provide rigorous and multi-disciplinary education in gender studies.
2. To conduct innovative gender research, demonstrate skills and intellectual insights that address existing development paradigms.

## MESSAGE FROM THE PROFESSOR AND HEAD



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Dear students and stakeholders of Rama Devi Women's University, on behalf of the Department of Gender Studies it is our pleasure to present you about the emergence of Gender Studies as an Academic Discipline and acquaint you with the Institutions who are offering UG/PG/PhD programme in Women and /or Gender Studies. The University Grant Commission (UGC) guideline for the 11<sup>th</sup> plan has taken a broader view of Women's Studies constituency by supporting University Women Studies Centre and facilitating them to become teaching and research department in the University system. The past three decades have witnessed the influence of the establishment of these trends within academia, leading to path breaking feminist research in different disciplines, particularly in the social sciences and humanities. In view of the current globalizing gender turn in the International and National New Educational Policy-2020 structure and system, the Women's Studies Centres of the premium Universities in India, have started offering post graduate course in Gender Studies since 2014 and onwards. These are to deal with a broader spectrum of social and cultural aspects connected to male, female, LGBTQ+ from relational, symbolic, feminist and intersectionality perspectives. Gender and sexuality studies analyses relevant topics as they appear in Literature, Language, History, Politics, Sociology, Law, and Medicine. In view of the gender subjectivity a contemporary concern, we reviewed websites of different Universities and Institutions abroad and in India. The premium universities and academic institutions are offering Post Graduation, M.Phil. and Ph.D. programme in Women Studies, Gender Studies and Gender subjectivity from an intersectionality perspective are listed out.

**Gender Studies at a Global Scale:** The World's premium Universities to name a few which are offering the Gender and Sexuality subject related regular courses at the undergraduate, Graduate or at Doctoral level programme. To name a few are The London School of Economics and Political Science, London, University of London; The University of Manchester; Monash University;

Australia; Asian Institute of Technology, Bangkok; Memorial University of Newfoundland; University of Nottingham; University of York; University of Cambridge; Harvard University; University of Sussex; University of Oxford and Norwegian University of Science and Technology, Norway.

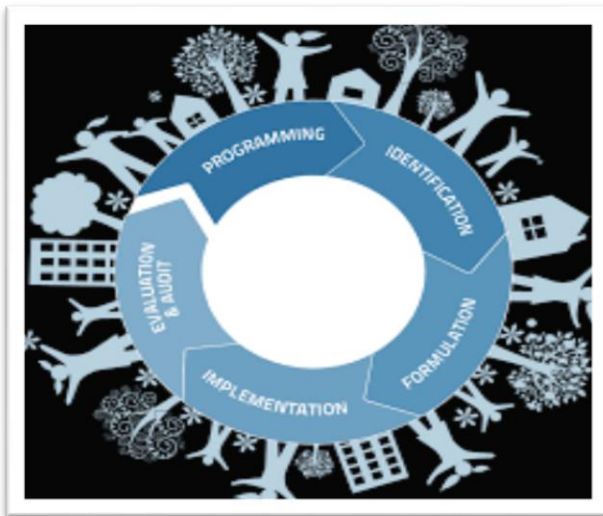
### **Traversing a journey from Women's Studies to Gender Studies in India**

University Grant Commission, New Delhi supported establishment of Women's Studies Centre/School/Department in 1990s have shifted and upgraded their course curricular. Hence, the current trend witnessed an up gradation in the curricular and teaching methods and research, integrated the feminist and gender planning in the development processes. Gender related issues and challenges traversed through discourses and critical and analytical thinking from spatial and intersectional perspectives are crucial to bring parity in the academic stance. Diverse and multidisciplinary intellectuals found pursuing Master Degree/MPhil and PhD on Gender, Sexuality and Intersectional studies worthy. Hence, it is evident that there is a subsequent shift of the Centre for Women's Studies in the in their third phase (especially from 2014 and onwards) and are offering the degree courses in Gender Studies/Gender and Development/Sexuality Studies as a multi-disciplinary field in Master, MPhil. and PhD.

Presently there are 67 Women's Studies Centres established in various Universities and Colleges in the country. The growth of Women's Studies Centres/ Programmes for offering Master in Arts or Master in Sciences on Gender Studies in different Universities and institutions (including TISS), all over the country has demonstrated recognition of the issues that have been highlighted by the women's movement and feminist research over the past many years. Universities and institutions in India are offering the Master in Gender Studies to name a few are National Council for Educational Research and Training established its Dept. of Gender Studies in 2021, JNU, NIRD, Hyderabad, Jamia Millia Islamia University, SNDT, Pune, Mumbai, TISS Mumbai and Hyderabad, University of Delhi Dr. B.R. Ambedkar University of Social Sciences, School of Gender and Development Studies; IGNOU, University of Hyderabad, Rama Devi Women's University, Bhubaneswar. It illustrates how in India the initial feminist movement led by the UGC, New Delhi. The Department of Higher Education Council, Government of Odisha is planning to offer Gender Studies courses at the Under Graduation level. Gender becomes a key concern of at the elementary level education. In view of this, the text books prescribed to the students have been designed. To promote integration of gender subjectivity in research, Indian Council for Social Science Research/ICAR/DST and National Commission for Women in India are encouraging research sponsorships.

# THRUST AREAS OF RESEARCH

❖ GENDER DEVELOPMENT  
PLANNING AND  
MAINSTREAMING



❖ TRANSGENDER AND NON-  
BINARY IDENTITIES

❖ GENDER RIGHTS AT  
WORKPLACE AND  
REPRODUCTION



❖ PSYCHOLOGY OF GENDER AND  
COUNSELLING APPROACHES



## BEST PRACTICES 1: ANNUAL GENDER SENSITIZATION PROGRAM

### Objectives of the Practices:

1. To enhance the capacity of the students and stakeholders through gender sensitization training and field enquiry for integrating gender perspectives in research and publications.
2. To make aware to the communities and corporations about the relevance of sexual harassment policy in the workplace for implementation and intervention.
3. To promote grassroots young feminist leaders committed to end violence against women and act as catalyst for social justice and policy advocacy.



Figure 1: Gender sensitization training conducted by the department in different years.



## BEST PRACTICES 2: INTERSECTIONAL ANALYSIS INTO TRANSGENDER EDUCATION, RESEARCH AND POLICY ADVOCACY

The department of Gender Studies is pioneer of undertaking various research and fieldwork activities in the academic session 2023-24. The scholars and students of the department are also engaged in research, publication and participation in various seminar, workshop and discourses on the transgender rights and visibility. It is committed to undertake in-depth and action research, consultancy and advocacy activities on transgender rights and livelihoods.

### Objectives of the Practices:

1. To engage in the curricular and co-curricular activities on transgender rights and livelihoods challenges.
2. To undertake in-depth and action research, consultancy and advocacy activities.
3. To engage in the collaborative platform to organize, awareness campaign, seminar, workshop.



Figure 2: Transgender persons protection rights held on 19 April 2023.

## **DISTINCTIVENESS: TRAVERSING THE SPACE AND UNRAVELING THE UNTOLD GENDER DIVERSITY STORIES**

### **Objectives of the Practice**

1. To inspire a new generation of gender scholars for integrating a gender intersectional analysis into teaching, research and innovation.
2. To organize training, seminars, workshops, conferences, and faculty development programme to engage in the multidisciplinary research.
3. To connect students with the grassroots community and corporate leaders, youth and civil societies for field research and insights.

### **Students Activities and Achievements (2022-2023)**

1. Sanjukta Behera, joined in 2022 as Project Coordinator in the Yuva Vikash Foundation, Baleswar as a project Coordinator for training on organic farming. Currently working as an Assistant Researcher in an International Research Project and SEWA Dehradun.
2. Sweety Saloni Das received the Gopabandhu fellowship at Centre for Youth and Social Development (CYSD), Bhubaneswar.
3. MPhil student's batch of 2019-20 Ms Liza Sahoo, NET qualified in 2022 currently working as a Guest Faculty for Gangadhar Meher University.
4. Ms Bangmayee Pati was working as a MSW faculty and currently working for NC Autonomous College, Jajpur.
5. Participated in the Workshop cum Exhibition on Menstruation Health Hygiene Products and Disposable Solutions organised by AAINA in collaboration with Youth for Water & MMHH at the hotel HHI held on 27<sup>th</sup> Sept 2022.
6. Participated in PRENA Ceremony organised by SWABHIMAN FOUNDATION an NGO at Panthaniwas on 13<sup>th</sup> Oct 2022.
7. Participated in the International Children and Youth Festival ANJALI held from 14<sup>th</sup> Nov 2022 to 8<sup>th</sup> Dec 2022 at BBC School of Deaf and Dumb and Utkal Mandap respectively.
8. Attended the Suicide Prevention and Awareness Marathon organised by UTSA at New Marion hotel on 22<sup>nd</sup> Oct 2022.
9. Khusbu Das of P.G 2<sup>nd</sup> year 2023 Admission Batch has won the 2<sup>nd</sup> prize in debate competition on National Science Day organised by Rama Devi Women's University held on 28<sup>th</sup> Feb 2023.

- 10. Khusbu Das and Debasmita Mohanty of P.G 2<sup>nd</sup> year, Admission Batch of 2022-2023 received 2<sup>nd</sup> position in the debate competition on the eve of International Women’s Day held on 8<sup>th</sup> March 2023.
- 11. Participated in the Panel discussion on “Value for Money: An Analysis of Odisha State Budget 2022-2023 organised by CYSD on 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2023.
- 12. Participated in the 2-days start-up boot camp, organised at Rama Devi Women’s University held from 12th March 2020 to 13th March 2020.
- 13. Participated in the exposure visits to PIPILI and PURI held on 25.2.2023 to acquires and explore the knowledges on the problems and challenges of women working in the applique handloom sectors.
- 14. Startup for a social cause: Dancing Roamer  
 Email Address - [dancingroamer03@gmail.com](mailto:dancingroamer03@gmail.com), Founder – Smitarani Swain  
 Contact Name – 9861001708, Bhubaneswar, 11 June 2023

## ଅନାଥଙ୍କ ପାଇଁ ‘ଡ୍ୟାନ୍ସିଂ ରୋମର-ସମସ୍ତେ ନାଚିବେ’ ଅଭିଯାନ

ଭୁବନେଶ୍ୱର, ୧୩।୬(ବୁଧବେ): ଅନାଥ ପିଲାଙ୍କ ଭିତରେ ଯିବା ନାଚ ପ୍ରତିଭାକୁ ପଦାକୁ ଆଣିବାକୁ ପ୍ରୟାସ କରିଛି ଡ୍ୟାନ୍ସିଂ ରୋମର । ଆରମ୍ଭ ହୋଇଛି ‘ସମସ୍ତେ ନାଚିବେ ଅଭିଯାନ’ । ମାଗଣା ନୃତ୍ୟ ଶିକ୍ଷା ଦେଇ ସେମାନଙ୍କ ଜୀବନରେ ପରିବର୍ତ୍ତନ ଆଣିବା ଲକ୍ଷ୍ୟରେ ଏହା ଆରମ୍ଭ ହୋଇଛି । ବ୍ୟକ୍ତିଗତ ଜୀବନର ପ୍ରଗତି ଓ ରୂପାନ୍ତରଣ ପାଇଁ ନାଚ ହେଉଛି ସର୍ବୋତ୍କୃଷ୍ଟ ମାଧ୍ୟମ । ଗତ ରବିବାର ଏକ ହୋଟେଲରେ ଏହି ଅଭିଯାନ ଶୁଭାରମ୍ଭ ହୋଇଛି । ମାସକରେ ୪ଦିନ ଏହି ପ୍ରଶିକ୍ଷଣ କାର୍ଯ୍ୟକ୍ରମ ହେବ । ମତର୍ଷ, ସେମି କ୍ୟାସିକାଲ ଓ ଲୋକକଳାର ମାଗଣା ପ୍ରଶିକ୍ଷଣ ଦିଆଯିବ । ନୃତ୍ୟ ମାଧ୍ୟମରେ ଏଭଳି ଅବହେଳିତ ବର୍ଗର ପିଲାଙ୍କ ଜୀବନରେ ଯେଭଳି ପରିବର୍ତ୍ତନ ଆସିବ ସେଥିପାଇଁ ଆମେ ସ୍ୱତନ୍ତ୍ର ଧ୍ୟାନ ଦେବୁ ବୋଲି ଡ୍ୟାନ୍ସିଂ ରୋମରର ପ୍ରତିଷ୍ଠାତା ସ୍ମିତାରାଣୀ ସ୍ୱାଇଁ କହିଛନ୍ତି । କର୍ପୋରେଟ୍ ଚାକିରିର ଆକର୍ଷଣକୁ ଛାଡ଼ି ସେ ନିଜ ପ୍ରୟାସରେ ଏହି ଐତିହାସିକ ଆରମ୍ଭ କରିଛନ୍ତି । ନୃତ୍ୟ ମାଧ୍ୟମରେ ମହିଳା ଓ ସମ୍ପେଦନଶୀଳ ବର୍ଗର କିଭଳି ସମ୍ପର୍କିତରଣ ହେବ ସେଥିପାଇଁ



ମୁଁ ଉଦ୍ୟମ କରୁଛି ବୋଲି ସ୍ମିତା କହିଛନ୍ତି । ଅନାଥ ପିଲାଙ୍କୁ ଖୋଜି ତାଙ୍କୁ ମାଗଣାରେ ନୃତ୍ୟ ପ୍ରଶିକ୍ଷଣ ଦେବୁ । ସେମାନେ ସମାଜରେ ଯେଭଳି ପ୍ରତିଷ୍ଠିତ ହୋଇପାରିବେ, ସେଥିପାଇଁ ଆମେ ଅହରହ ପରିଶ୍ରମ କରିବୁ ବୋଲି ସେ କହିଛନ୍ତି ।

"Dancing Romer - Samaste Nachibe" is to Organize Life-Changing Program for Orphan People in Bhubaneswar. The primary objective is to provide free dance classes to empower and uplift the lives of these individuals. Dancing Roamer has consistently demonstrated its commitment to using dance as a powerful tool for personal growth and transformation. With a team of six experienced and passionate instructors, from Odisha, the Organisation has successfully organized numerous programs like WEDDING CHOREOGRAPHY & DANCE SESSIONS all around India & In Abroad, that have impacted the lives of participants. The upcoming program "DR - Samaste Nachibe", aims to extend this impact to orphan people, who often face unique challenges and limited opportunities.

The program has commenced on 11th June 2023, and will span for four days a month, providing participants with a comprehensive dance curriculum that includes various

dance styles such as Modern, Semi Classical & Folk. The curriculum has been carefully designed to cater to individuals of all skill levels, ensuring that each participant can discover their passion for dance and unlock their hidden potential. Through this program,

## **JOINT PARTNERSHIP ON GLOBAL CLASSROOM TEACHING PROGRAMME GS-RDWU WITH UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA 2022-23**

### **Introduction**

Global Classrooms provides an innovative way for students to gain international experience through virtual technology. They are existing courses, revised by University of California Santa Cruz (UCSC) and their faculty collaborator abroad to incorporate the course design approaches of Virtual Exchange (VE) also known as Collaborative Online International Learning (COIL). These Global Classroom programmer has increased UCSC students' access to global learning by providing them with opportunities to engage and collaborate globally with students at international partner institutions, while also creating opportunities for faculty to strengthen ties with colleagues abroad, through joint teaching and course development, in support of future scholarly collaborations and potential graduate student recruitment.

As part of the inaugural cohort of faculty awardees developing Global Classrooms, faculty have connected with the international partner who teaches in a similar discipline, participate together in professional development training, develop a COIL module/component with concrete goals and deliverables, and implement it in one of your existing courses at UCSC to create a Global Classroom. Global Classrooms are best suited to smaller class sizes with an average enrolment of under 30 and can be undergraduate or graduate courses. The COIL modules/components can vary in scope and duration, but typically last between six and eight weeks within a course and include:

In Winter 2022, "Gender and Development: Cross Cultural Perspectives" course offered by Rama Devi Women's University, in collaboration with the course "Women in Politics: A Third World Perspective (ANTH 194X) by University of California, Santa Cruz as a part of the Division of Global Engagements Classrooms initiative. Prof. Annapurna Pandey, Anthropology Department University of California Santa Cruz, and Prof. Jyortimayee Acharya Dept. of Gender Studies, Rama Devi Women's University have jointly offered the course.

This weekly seminar has been divided into three parts.

1. The first devoted to a theoretical study of women/gender politics, and feminism in relation to the state.



2. The second part focused on women constructing their political space and their leadership in different states defined as third world and
3. The third part discussed and presented the faculty research projects focused on case studies of women's leadership in relation to the third world.

### Student Participants

Students from any discipline can participate in the Global Classroom programme of Rama Devi Women's University. The participants have received the registration ID to participate in the Global Classroom programme UCSC in 2021-22 (view excel sheet). The 10 weeks course work has been offered jointly by the faculty members of UCSC and RDWU.



**Figure 3 & 4:** Adyasha Mahapatra UG 2<sup>nd</sup> year in Economics one of the students of Rama Devi

Women's University, Bhubaneswar receiving certificate from the Honorable Vice Chancellor, Professor Aparajita Choudhury, RDWU and Dr. Annapurna Devi Pandey UCSC, US on successful completion of the Global Classrooms Winter 2022 on 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2022 at Dept. of Gender Studies. However, due to time difference (12PM-2AM IST) only four students of RDWU (two from Gender Studies and two from Economics) could be able to successfully regular to attend all classes, actively participated in all the interactive session and assignment submission and finally completed the seminar paper and submitted the seminar report. The scope is that interested Students of RDWU from any discipline across UG/PG/PhD can participate in Global Classroom Programme of UCSC.



**Figure 5:** International Seminar on ‘**Women in Politics a Contemporary Perspective**’ held in 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2022 at Department of Gender Studies, Rama Devi Women’s University, Bhubaneswar photo with paper presenters and volunteers.



**Figure 6:** Department of Gender Studies Organized Seminar for the PG students followed by an interactive session. Experts from Mission Shakti and Urban Planning Bhubaneswar were the speakers.





**Figure 7:** Batch of 2021-23 Students Organized a Welcome Ceremony for The New Batch of Student 2022-24 On 29 November 2022

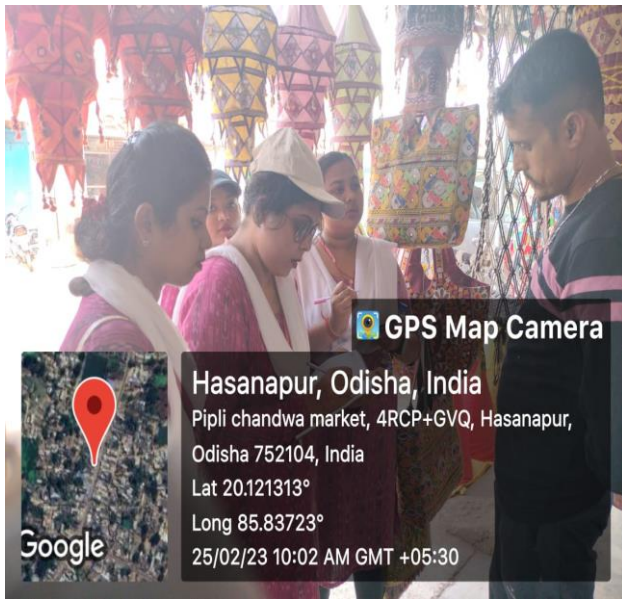
### **STUDENTS EXPOSURE VISIT CUM STUDY TOUR (2022-2023)**

Department of Gender studies organized annual study tour cum-exposure visit to Pipili, Puri, Konark Temple and Chandrabhaga Sea beach sites on 25<sup>th</sup> February 2023. Student experience the Applique craft making villages, centre and workshop, and shopping corridor located on the way to Konark temple, Jaganath temple and Puri Sea beach. These are places popular among the National and International tourists' transit daily.



**Figure 8:** An exposure visits to PIPILI of the P.G. department of gender studies on 25th February 2023





**Figure 9 & 10:** An exposure visits to PIPILI of the P.G. department of gender studies on 25<sup>th</sup> February 2023 to acquires and explore the knowledges on the problems and challenges of women working in the applique handloom sectors. The Student's discussion with the respondents revealed that the applique business is still a masculine environment, dominant with local gendered ideology about women's participation. The government initiatives will be helpful if the women take a lead on it.

## **Awareness Campaign to Keep Our Sea Beach Clean And Blue (2022-23)**



**Figure 11 & 12:** The awareness campaign to **“Keep the Chandrabhaga Sea Beach Clean and Blue”** held on **25<sup>th</sup> February 2023** by the students of the Dept of Gender Studies including its PhD students and faculty members has been acknowledge by the tourist and local fisher communities.

The local shared that the beach is overcrowded not only with tourist but the through away plastic and glass bottles, cups, remaining food with container, polyethene and packets etc often washed away to the sea is a dangerous phenomenon. Especially the seabeach Jhaun jangle site picnic spots are found with leftover food and containers those litter to the sea water. The student exposure to the local fisher’s community



said that these micro-plastics negatively impact human health due to consumption of marine organisms by humans. In addition to all these impacts, the marine debris and beach litter pose dangers to wildlife on the beaches and marine ecology. Hence, in view of this our student's awareness program to clean and blue beach was an admirable initiative.

### **Workshop Cum Exhibition (2022-2023)**

The P.G. Students Batch of 2022 of Gender Studies attended the workshop-cum-exhibition on menstrual products and its disposables solutions. The event has been organized on 27 September 2022 by AAINA a reputed NGO in Bhubaneswar.



**Figure 13:** Exhibition on menstrual products and its disposables solutions 27/9/2022 by AAINA a reputed NGO in Bhubaneswar

## **CONSULTATION WORKSHOP ON DRAFT ODISHA STATE TRANSGENDER PERSONS POLICY 2021**

With evolving understandings of sexual orientation and gender identity, public policy has been confronted with questions of how to improve the draft policy and make decisions based on new conceptions of sex and gender for transgender community. The decision of transgender person to openly discuss their gender identity or sexual orientation should be taken seriously and dealt with cautiously. Research demonstrates that the support provided to

transgender individuals, specifically during the transition process, is essential to their relationship building and experience in the education and workplace. Further, Insights into both administrative and pedagogical approaches to supporting transgender students in schools which rely on a fundamental rationality of individualisation and rights.

**CONSULTATION ON DRAFT 'ODISHA STATE TRANSGENDER PERSONS POLICY 2021'**

**Main Speakers:**

- Welcome Address:** Dr. Jyotimayee Acharya, Professor, Gender Studies, Rama Devi Women's University
- Context Setting:** Sachikanta Pradhan, Secretary, The Humanity
- Key Note Address:** Meghna Sahoo, Chairperson, Thirdgender Welfare Trust (TWT)
- Gender Justice:** Prof. Sasmita Mohanty, Chairperson, PG Council, Rama Devi Women's University
- Chaired by:** Prof. Aparajita Choudhary, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Rama Devi Women's University

**Guest Panellists:**

- Advocate Chitaranjan Behera, Odisha High Court, Cuttack
- Sudarshan Chhotaray, Sr. Journalist
- Sameer Ranjan Dash, State Lead, CFAR
- Anil Kumar Pradhan, Secretary Shikshanusandhan
- Rohan Mohanty, Social Activist

**Debate on:**

- Accessibility
- Freedom of Expression
- Dignity and Life without violence
- Equal Access to Education
- Equal Access to Health Services
- Employment Opportunity
- Right to family life
- Homestead land and housing
- Food Security
- Facilitation in Transportation
- Special Schemes for Welfare of Transgender
- Social Security & Inclusion
- State Level Transgender Welfare Board
- Grievance Redressal Mechanism

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**Figure 14: The consultants of the “Consultation workshop on Draft Odisha State Transgender Persons Policy 2021” held on Dt. 10 January 2022.**

To increase the visibility of trans-youth in schools and a growing awareness of their experiences about the institutional and systemic barriers questions the nature of inclusivity of transgender students in the education system. The panel members of this jointly organized virtual meeting today I hope will give insights into how transgender inclusion and recognition will be conceived in the draft policy and enacted in the schools of Odisha.

In the consultative roundtable virtual meeting a list of concerns has been documented which required concrete policy framework Today discussion will address the issue of accessibility, Freedom of Expression, Dignity and life without violence, Equal access to education, equal access to health services, employment opportunities and livelihoods, right to family life,, homestead, land and housing, food security, facilitation in transportation, special schemes for welfare of transgender personnel, social security and inclusion, state level transgender welfare board, grievance redressal mechanism. However, the educational policy

concerns about the access to Primary and Higher Education and inclusion of subjects and concepts on Transgender in school curriculum which will be discussed in detail.

1. Access to Adequate and Safe Drinking Water & Sanitation:
2. To Affordable Physical and Mental Health Services to Transgender Persons.
3. Livelihoods and Financial Inclusion:
4. Reservation & Rehabilitation:
5. Social inclusion
6. Legal framework
7. Right to transgender children and
8. Formation of State Transgender Welfare Board

In view of this an increasing number of contemporary research publications acknowledge the influence of religion, culture, and gender on transgender personnel to exercise their rights. Rights to their life, liberty, and the security; the right to health care and information; and the right to non-discrimination in the allocation of resources and health services and in their availability and accessibility. Of central importance are the rights to autonomy and privacy in making sexual decisions.

Hence the existence of transgender human rights to education in policy planning or in a syllabus or content are merely not enough. But how subjective and gender sensitive are the content. Education can impact the stereotype and ideology of male and female and promote gender responsive reproductive health behaviour. The question is who teaches the content? Are they culturally sensitive and gender-neutral? It depends upon the teacher and trainer the way the teacher teaches and deliver the knowledge, either it will reenforced the power politics and male domination than management of reproductive health and learning value. So, the attitude with which the content is delivered with guilt with cultural colour and solution from a cultural attribute to procreate the perspectives. Further, the right to say no is not very prominent as the gendered society has silenced their voice in their identity and dignity. Transgender persons role has been ritualized, gendered and full of myths and romanticism is a complex situation. Choice condition, in which the transgender may choose a strategy to framework policy must be the States obligations to respect, protect and fulfil. Hence, the consultants emphasized the fundamental requisite of the study gender and intersectionality, practitioners to acknowledge religious heterogeneity and variability, and individuals' possibilities to negotiate the space.



## Awareness Workshop on Transgender Person's Protection of Rights Act, 2019 on 19<sup>th</sup> April 2023

SAKHA in collaboration with P.G. Dept. of Gender Studies (GS), Dept. of Journalism and Mass Communication and Dept. of English of Rama Devi Women's University, Bhubaneswar has organized an Awareness Workshop on Transgender Person's Protection of Rights Act, 2019 on 19<sup>th</sup> April 2023 at Academic Building Block-II with the sponsorship of Govt. of India. SAKHA is a pioneer state level community-based organization (CBO) in Bhubaneswar.



**Figure 15 & 16:** Prof. Jyotirmayee Acharya, HOD GS extended a warm welcome to the speakers, faculty and student participants and introduced the objective of this awareness programme.

Around 110 students from the three Departments, including visually impaired students have participated. Prof., Acharya emphasized about the importance of research to enhance a holistic understanding about the Transgender Communities. With a note of heartfelt gratitude to Meera Maa and Sadhana Maa said that the distinctive lived experience has enlightened the students' understanding on the Transgender's identity, equity, and equality.

This significant occasion was graced by Ms. Meera Parida, founder of SAKHA who is an eminent Social Activist and advocate of the Transgender wellbeing in Odisha and was the first Transgender Entrepreneur in India. Meera Maa is assertive about the difference between Transgender and Eunuch. She represented the Transgender viewpoints in the White House during 2017 and related how her community has been depicted in the Epics like Ramayana and Mahabharata. She was overwhelmed in their interaction with such a vibrant crowd of student participants and owes her heartfelt gratitude to the Vice Chancellor, RDWU.



**Figure 17:** Esteemed speaker Ms. Sadhana Mishra, (Sadhana Maa), a Social Development Officer at Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences (KISS) and Founding member of SAKHA Organization embellished her challenging journey from Satya Sundar Mishra to Sadhana Mishra. She pondered the stereotype stigmas of society through her life journey “Being beautiful is not a mistake, it’s okay to be different”, states Sadhana Maa. She recalled her mother’ wise words that she is beautiful just the way she is.

Ms. Mamata elucidated foreground study and policies of Transgender Person’s Protection of Rights Act, 2019. She analyzed agendas on recognition of identity of Transgender

Persons, Welfare measures, Obligation of Education, Social Security and Health, Offences and Penalties of Transgender persons by Govt. of India.

Dr. Manisha Mishra, HOD, Dept. of English, gave a literary knowledge on portrayal of transgender novels during the period of post- colonialism and the need for more reading and research on the issues of Transgender. Dr. Sayantani Behura, Asst. Prof. of GS recited a self-composed poem on the image of Meera Maa. Dr. Aliva Mohanty, Dr. Ahna Mansai, Ms. Geetanjali Naik were also attended. Ms. Nity, Assist. Prof., Journalism and Mass Communication, RDWU gave her vote of thanks towards the esteemed dignitaries, Vice Chancellor, CPGC, team members of SAKHA, colleagues, research scholars, volunteers.

### **INTERNATIONAL CHILDREN & YOUTH FESTIVAL (2022-2023)**



**Figure 18:** Student Volunteers of the Department visited the school to celebrate International Youth Festival 2022-23.



## **EXCELLENT VOLUNTEERS ON RDWU INTER-UNIVERSITY WOMEN'S HOCKEY (2022-2023)**



**Figure 19: Gender Studies students serving as volunteers**



Figure 20: Gender Studies students serving as volunteers



## PRERANA CEREMONY ORGANISED BY SWABHIMAN FOUNDATION



**Figure 21:** Students of our department participated as volunteers in PRENA Ceremony organised by SWABHIMAN FOUNDATION an NGO at Panthaniwas on 13<sup>th</sup> Oct 2022.



## **CULTURAL PROGRAMME ON THE UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION DAY 3RD DECEMBER 2023**

### **Dance Performance on the University Foundation Day**

The university foundation Day observed on 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2023 was an exciting and memorable event that brought together students, faculty members, alumni, and distinguished guests to celebrate the establishment and growth of our esteemed university. To highlight the vibrant campus field, talented students entertained the audience with captivating musical performances, dance, drama, celebrating the rich cultural heritage of the university and creating an atmosphere of joy and unity.



**Figure 22:** Students performed Dance in the gender awareness song composed by them in the University foundation Day observed on 3rd December 2023.

## Observation of National Science Day

Rama Devi Women's University Observed the National Science Day on 28<sup>th</sup> February 2023. An annual event that honors the remarkable achievements and advancements made in the of science. To stimulate scientific curiosity, a science quiz, Debate, and various competitions are held for students at different educational levels.



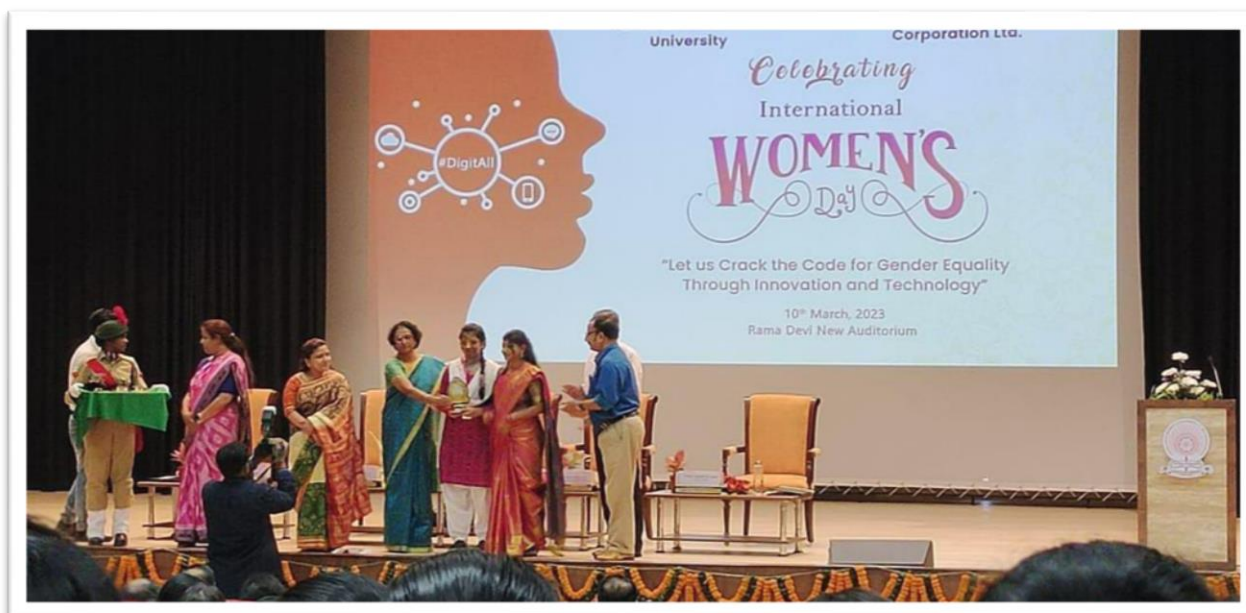
**Figure 24 & 25:** Miss Khusbu Das, PG 1<sup>ST</sup> Year, PG 22- GS 13 participated in the debate competition on Topic Millet is a Substitute of Rice. Khusbu Das secured 2<sup>nd</sup> position in the debate competition.





**Figure 26:** Participation in The Value for Money Budget Analysis 2023

The insightful panel discussion on Odisha budgeting was held on 2<sup>nd</sup> march at CYSD (Center for youth and social development). Akanksha Duby, PG 2ndYear, Khusbu Das, PG 1st Year, Zeba Parveen, PG 1st Year participated in the events.



**Figure 26:** Observation of The International Women's Day 2023

International Women's Day celebrated on 10th March, 2023. This momentous event, held at new auditorium of our university, served as a beacon of empowerment, fostering inclusivity and promoting gender equality within the academic community.

The event's theme "Digital Women". There are various types of competitions are held, quizzes and face painting competitions are also held. Khushbu Das PG 1st Year, Debasmita Mohanty, PG 1st Year participated in the events. Khusbu das and Debasmita Mohanty securing 2nd position in Debate competition.



**Figure 27:** Performance in the International Women's Day competition begged 2<sup>nd</sup> prize to show case her as Tribal Women in the Digital era.

## Alumni Meeting



**Figure 28:** Departmental Alumni Meeting Held On 23 December 2022



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### ସାମ୍ବର ଯୁକ୍ତି ନାମଲେଖା ପ୍ରକ୍ରିୟାରେ ସାମିଲହେବ 'ଏନ୍ଏଲୟୁ'

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### 'ରମାଦେବୀ'ରେ ଆଲୋଚନାଚକ୍ର

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### ନିର୍ମାଣାଧୀନ ସ୍କୁଲ ପରିଦର୍ଶନରେ ବିଧାୟକ

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## ରମାଦେବୀ ବିଶ୍ୱବିଦ୍ୟାଳୟରେ ଚୁଡ଼ାଧିକାରୀ ସୁରକ୍ଷା ଏବଂ ଅଧିକାର ଆଲୋଚନାଚକ୍ର

ଭୁବନେଶ୍ୱର, ୧୯୮୪(ମହାନଗର): ଭୁବନେଶ୍ୱର ମହିଳା ବିଶ୍ୱବିଦ୍ୟାଳୟର ଜେଣ୍ଡର ଷ୍ଟଡିଜ୍, କାମାଜୀ ଏବଂ ଯୋଗାଯୋଗ ବିଭାଗର ମିଳିତ ଆନୁକୂଲ୍ୟରେ ବୁଧବାର ଚୁଡ଼ାଧିକାରୀ ସୁରକ୍ଷା ଏବଂ ଅଧିକାର ସମ୍ବନ୍ଧରେ ଆଲୋଚନାଚକ୍ର ଆନୁଷ୍ଠିତ ହୋଇଛି । ଏହି ଆଲୋଚନାଚକ୍ରରେ ଚୁଡ଼ାଧିକାରୀ ସମ୍ପ୍ରଦାୟର ସଭାପତି ମାତା ପରିଡ଼ା, କିସର ସାମାଜିକ ବିକାଶ ଅଧିକାରୀ ସାଧନା ମିଶ୍ର, ମମତା ରାୟଚୂଡ଼ାଧିକାରୀ ଏବଂ ନିୟମ ବିଷୟରେ ଅବଗତ କରାଇଥିଲେ । ଜେଣ୍ଡର ଷ୍ଟଡିଜ୍ ବିଭାଗ ମାଗଣା ମୁଖ୍ୟ ଡ. ଜ୍ୟୋତିର୍ବିନ୍ଦ୍ୟା ଆଚାର୍ଯ୍ୟ ସାଗର ରାଣେଙ୍କ ଦେଇଥିଲେ ।



ଭୁବନେଶ୍ୱର, ୧୯୮୪(ମହାନଗର): ଭୁବନେଶ୍ୱର ମହିଳା ବିଶ୍ୱବିଦ୍ୟାଳୟର ଜେଣ୍ଡର ଷ୍ଟଡିଜ୍, କାମାଜୀ ଏବଂ ଯୋଗାଯୋଗ ବିଭାଗର ମିଳିତ ଆନୁକୂଲ୍ୟରେ ବୁଧବାର ଚୁଡ଼ାଧିକାରୀ ସୁରକ୍ଷା ଏବଂ ଅଧିକାର ସମ୍ବନ୍ଧରେ ଆଲୋଚନାଚକ୍ର ଆନୁଷ୍ଠିତ ହୋଇଛି । ଏହି ଆଲୋଚନାଚକ୍ରରେ ଚୁଡ଼ାଧିକାରୀ ସମ୍ପ୍ରଦାୟର ସଭାପତି ମାତା ପରିଡ଼ା, କିସର ସାମାଜିକ ବିକାଶ ଅଧିକାରୀ ସାଧନା ମିଶ୍ର, ମମତା ରାୟଚୂଡ଼ାଧିକାରୀ ଏବଂ ନିୟମ ବିଷୟରେ ଅବଗତ କରାଇଥିଲେ ।

ଭୁବନେଶ୍ୱର, ୧୯୮୪(ମହାନଗର): ଭୁବନେଶ୍ୱର ମହିଳା ବିଶ୍ୱବିଦ୍ୟାଳୟର ଜେଣ୍ଡର ଷ୍ଟଡିଜ୍, କାମାଜୀ ଏବଂ ଯୋଗାଯୋଗ ବିଭାଗର ମିଳିତ ଆନୁକୂଲ୍ୟରେ ବୁଧବାର ଚୁଡ଼ାଧିକାରୀ ସୁରକ୍ଷା ଏବଂ ଅଧିକାର ସମ୍ବନ୍ଧରେ ଆଲୋଚନାଚକ୍ର ଆନୁଷ୍ଠିତ ହୋଇଛି । ଏହି ଆଲୋଚନାଚକ୍ରରେ ଚୁଡ଼ାଧିକାରୀ ସମ୍ପ୍ରଦାୟର ସଭାପତି ମାତା ପରିଡ଼ା, କିସର ସାମାଜିକ ବିକାଶ ଅଧିକାରୀ ସାଧନା ମିଶ୍ର, ମମତା ରାୟଚୂଡ଼ାଧିକାରୀ ଏବଂ ନିୟମ ବିଷୟରେ ଅବଗତ କରାଇଥିଲେ ।

## ଅନାଥଙ୍କ ପାଇଁ 'ତ୍ୟାନ୍ତି' ରୋମର-ସମସ୍ତେ ନାଚିବେ' ଅଭିଯାନ

ଭୁବନେଶ୍ୱର, ୧୯୮୪(ବୁଧବାର): ଅନାଥ ପିଲାଙ୍କ ଭିତରେ ଶିକ୍ଷା ନୀତି ପ୍ରତିଭାକୁ ପଦାକୁ ଆଣିବାକୁ ପ୍ରୟାସ କରିଛି 'ତ୍ୟାନ୍ତି' ରୋମର । ଆରମ୍ଭ ହୋଇଛି 'ସମସ୍ତେ ନାଚିବେ ଅଭିଯାନ' । ମାଗଣା ନୃତ୍ୟ ଶିକ୍ଷା ଦେଇ ସେମାନଙ୍କ ଜୀବନରେ ପରିବର୍ତ୍ତନ ଆଣିବା ଲକ୍ଷ୍ୟରେ ଏହା ଆରମ୍ଭ ହୋଇଛି । ବ୍ୟକ୍ତିଗତ ଜୀବନର ପ୍ରଗତି ଓ ରୂପାନ୍ତରଣ ପାଇଁ ନୀତି ହେଉଛି ସର୍ବୋତ୍କୃଷ୍ଟ ମାଧ୍ୟମ । ଗତ ରବିବାର ଏକ ହୋଟେଲରେ ଏହି ଅଭିଯାନ ଶୁଭାରମ୍ଭ ହୋଇଛି । ମାସକରେ ୪ଦିନ ଏହି ପ୍ରଶିକ୍ଷଣ କାର୍ଯ୍ୟକ୍ରମ ହେବ । ମତର୍ଷ, ସେମି କୁସିଧାଳ ଓ ଲୋକକଳାର ମାଗଣା ପ୍ରଶିକ୍ଷଣ ଦିଆଯିବ । ନୃତ୍ୟ ମାଧ୍ୟମରେ ଏଭଳି ଅବହେଳିତ ବର୍ଗର ପିଲାଙ୍କ ଜୀବନରେ ଯେଭଳି ପରିବର୍ତ୍ତନ ଆଣିବ ସେଥିପାଇଁ ଆମେ ସତରଂ ଧ୍ୟାନ ଦେବୁ ବୋଲି 'ତ୍ୟାନ୍ତି' ରୋମରର ପ୍ରତିଷ୍ଠାତା ସ୍ୱିତାଗାଣା ସାଲ୍ କହିଛନ୍ତି । କର୍ମକ୍ରମରେ ବାକିର ଅଧିକାରୀଙ୍କୁ ଛାଡ଼ି ସେ ନିଜ ପ୍ରୟାସରେ ଏହି ଷ୍ଟର୍ଟଅପ୍ ଆରମ୍ଭ କରିଛନ୍ତି । ନୃତ୍ୟ ମାଧ୍ୟମରେ ମହିଳା ଓ ସମ୍ପେଦନଶୀଳ ବର୍ଗର କିଲି ସଶକ୍ତିକରଣ ହେବ ସେଥିପାଇଁ



ମୁଁ ଉଦ୍ୟମ କରୁଛି ବୋଲି ସ୍ୱିତା କହିଛନ୍ତି । ଅନାଥ ପିଲାଙ୍କୁ ଖୋଜି ତାଙ୍କୁ ମାଗଣାରେ ନୃତ୍ୟ ପ୍ରଶିକ୍ଷଣ ଦେବୁ । ସେମାନେ ସମାଜରେ ଯେଭଳି ପ୍ରତିଷ୍ଠିତ ହୋଇପାରିବେ, ସେଥିପାଇଁ ଆମେ ଅହରହ ପରିଶ୍ରମ କରିବୁ ବୋଲି ସେ କହିଛନ୍ତି ।

### ସମ୍ପଦାନ ସୁରକ୍ଷା ୨୩/୪/୧୯



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**Annexure -1**

Figure 1: Gender sensitization training conducted by the department in different years.

Figure 2: Transgender persons protection rights held on 19 April 2023.

Figure 3 & 4: Adyasha Mahapatra UG 2<sup>nd</sup> year in Economics one of the students of Rama Devi Women's University, Bhubaneswar receiving certificate from the Honorable Vice Chancellor, Professor Aparajita Choudhury, RDWU and Dr. Annapurna Devi Pandey UCSC, US on successful completion of the Global Classrooms Winter 2022 on 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2022 at Dept. of Gender Studies.

Figure 5: International Seminar on 'Women in Politics a Contemporary Perspective' held in 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2022 at Department of Gender Studies, Rama Devi Women's University, Bhubaneswar photo with paper presenters and volunteers.

Figure 6: Department of Gender Studies Organized Seminar for the PG students followed by an interactive session. Experts from Mission Shakti and Urban Planning Bhubaneswar were the speakers.

Figure 7: Batch of 2021-23 Students Organized a Welcome Ceremony for The New Batch of Student 2022-24 On 29 November 2022

Figure 8: An exposure visits to PIPILI of the P.G. department of gender studies on 25<sup>th</sup> February 2023

Figure 9 & 10: An exposure visits to PIPILI of the P.G. department of gender studies on 25<sup>th</sup> February 2023 to acquires and explore the knowledges on the

Figure 11 & 12: The awareness campaign to "Keep the Chandrabhaga Sea Beach Clean and Blue" held on 25<sup>th</sup> February 2023 by the students of the Dept of Gender Studies including its PhD students and faculty members has been acknowledge by the tourist and local fisher communities.

Figure 13: Exhibition on menstrual products and its disposables solutions 27/9/2022 by AAINA a reputed NGO in Bhubaneswar

Figure 14: The consultants of the "Consultation workshop on Draft Odisha State Transgender Persons Policy 2021" held on Dt. 10 January 2022.

Figure 15 & 16: Prof. Jyotirmayee Acharya, HOD GS extended a warm welcome to the speakers, faculty and student participants and introduced the objective of this awareness programme.

Figure 17: Esteemed speaker Ms. Sadhana Mishra, (Sadhana Maa), a Social Development

Figure 18: Student Volunteers of the Department visited the school to celebrate International Youth Festival 2022-23.



Figure 19: Gender Studies students serving as volunteers

Figure 20: Gender Studies students serving as volunteers

Figure 21: Students of our department participated as volunteers in PRENA Ceremony organised by SWABHIMAN FOUNDATION an NGO at Panthaniwas on 13<sup>th</sup> Oct 2022.

Figure 22: Students performed Dance in the gender awareness song composed by them in the University foundation Day observed on 3rd December 2023.

Figure 24 & 25: Miss Khusbu Das, PG 1<sup>ST</sup> Year, PG 22- GS 13 participated in the debate competition on Topic Millet is a Substitute of Rice. Khusbu Das secured 2<sup>nd</sup> position in the debate competition.

Figure 26: Participation in The Value for Money Budget Analysis 2023

Figure 26: Observation of The International Women's Day 2023

Figure 28: Departmental Alumni Meeting Held On 23 December 2022

