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(WEST BENGAL DAY)

Special Lectures by

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Date: 20th June, 2026 (Saturday)

Time: 12 noon

Venue: Room 303

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**Caledonia in Calcutta: Looking at the City's Scots
Connections**
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Our State: what you should read
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Objectives:

- To create and sustain public awareness regarding the history of Bengal and partition of Bengal within India.
- To foster greater interest, a sense of responsibility, spirit of fraternity, brotherhood and unity.
- To strengthen social cohesion and collective identity towards heritage, culture and legacy of Bengal.

Report on the Programme of Paschimbanga Divas 2026

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Paschimbanga Divas (West Bengal Day) 2026 was observed by Shri Shikshayatan College on 20.6.2026 12 noon onwards in one of our Seminar Rooms (Room # 303). The day commemorates the adoption of a resolution by the Bengal Legislative Assembly in 1947 that led to the creation of West Bengal as a separate state.

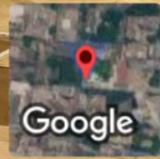
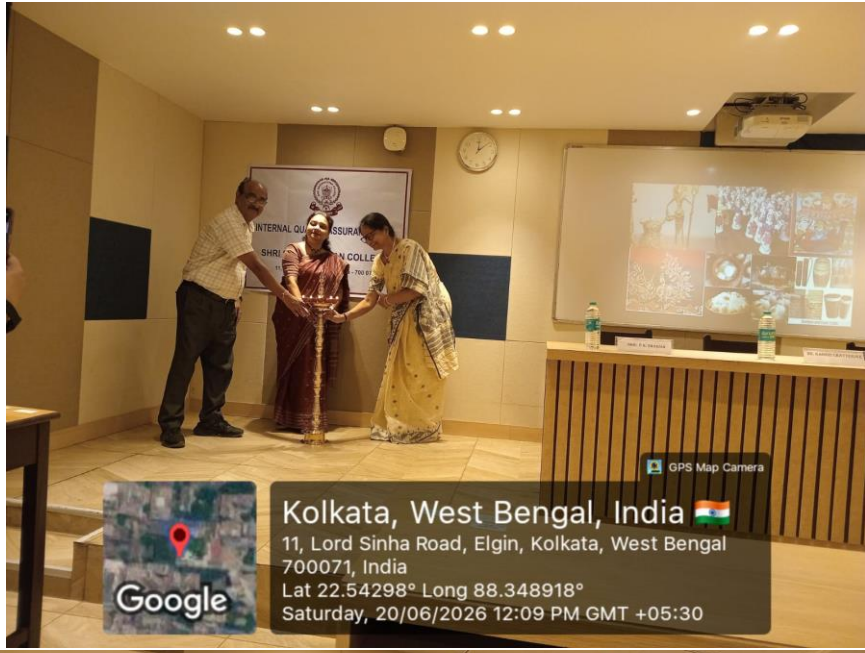
The programme began with the welcome address by the honourable Principal, Shri Shikshayatan College, Dr. Tania Chakraverty. She presented a scholastic account on the historical background of West Bengal day and also illustrated lucidly the uniqueness of our state with special reference to demography, rich culture, heritage and diversity.

The Internal Quality Assurance Cell of the college organised two special lectures attended by all faculty members. The eminent resource persons were Dr. Kaberi Chatterjee, Associate Professor (Retd.), Scottish Church College and Shri Pradeep Gooptu, Founder Trustee, Calcutta Debating Circle. The programme was graced by the presence of honourable Secretary, Shri Shikshayatan College, Shri P. K. Sharma.

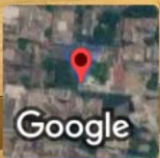
Prof Chatterjee's lecture entitled "Caledonia in Calcutta: Looking at the City's Scots Connections" rooted the emergence of the Scottish Church College and the role of Scotsman Alexander Duff in the evolution of the magnanimous institution. In the process she pointed out the differences in economic, cultural, social and political outlook between the British and Scots in their contribution to educating the Bengali middle class youth.

Shri Pradeep Gooptu, in his lecture on "Our State: what you should read" touched upon the various societal dimensions like economic, political, cultural and social to show how West Bengal had been a forerunner in laying the foundation of our country during the nationalist period. In his canopy lecture he also contrasted the condition of contemporary Bengali middle class youth with their past counterparts.

The programme ended with a vote of thanks.



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