International Level Webinar on Ethnic Literature

Date: 29.06.2020 Platform: Virtual (Google Meet & YouTube Live)

Schedule of the Lecture Series:

| Day | Speaker | Date of the Lecture | Time | Title of the Lecture | YouTube Link |
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| Day - 1 | Dr. Elisabetta Marino, Associate Professor, University of Rome "Tor Vergata" | 29.06.2020 | 1.30 pm (IST) | Ethnic Literatures in the US: The Birth of African American Literature and Italian American Literature | Click here |

Program Highlights:

Introduction: The Department of English, Kharagpur College, in collaboration with the Department of English, Egra S.S.B. College, hosted an international special lecture on the theme "Ethnic Literatures in the US: The Birth of African American Literature and Italian American Literature." The lecture aimed to delve into the historical and literary aspects of two significant ethnic literatures in the United States.

Key Speakers: The chief speaker for the program was renowned scholar and literary critic, Elisabetta Marino. Ms. Marino, an expert in American literature with a focus on ethnic literatures, has extensively researched and published works on African American and Italian American literary traditions.

Welcome Address: The event commenced with a warm welcome address by Dr. Dipak Kumar Tamili, the principal of Egra S. S. B. College. He expressed his gratitude to the collaboration with Kharagpur College and highlighted the importance of exploring diverse literary traditions.

Inaugural Address: Dr. Bidyut Samanta, the principal of Kharagpur College, delivered the inaugural address, emphasizing the significance of understanding and appreciating the multicultural fabric of American literature. He lauded the joint initiative of both colleges in organizing this enlightening lecture.

Chief Lecture: "**Ethnic Literatures in the US**": Elisabetta Marino delivered an insightful lecture, exploring the historical background and evolution of African American literature, tracing its roots from the era of slavery to the present day. She also shed light on the emergence and development of Italian American literature, discussing its unique themes and contributions to the broader American literary landscape.

Interactive Session: Following the lecture, there was an engaging interactive session where the audience had the opportunity to ask questions and share their thoughts. Ms. Marino responded thoughtfully, providing additional insights into the complexities of ethnic literary traditions.

Vote of Thanks: The event concluded with a vote of thanks by the coordinators of the program. expressing gratitude to the chief patrons, speakers, attendees, and collaborators for their contributions in making the lecture a success.

Conclusion: The international special lecture on "Ethnic Literatures in the US: The Birth of African American Literature and Italian American Literature" was a significant academic endeavor that provided a platform for intellectual exchange and exploration. The collaboration between Egra S. S. B. College and Kharagpur College demonstrated a commitment to promoting a comprehensive understanding of American literary traditions. The insightful lecture by Elisabetta Marino left a lasting impact, encouraging further exploration and appreciation of diverse literary voices.

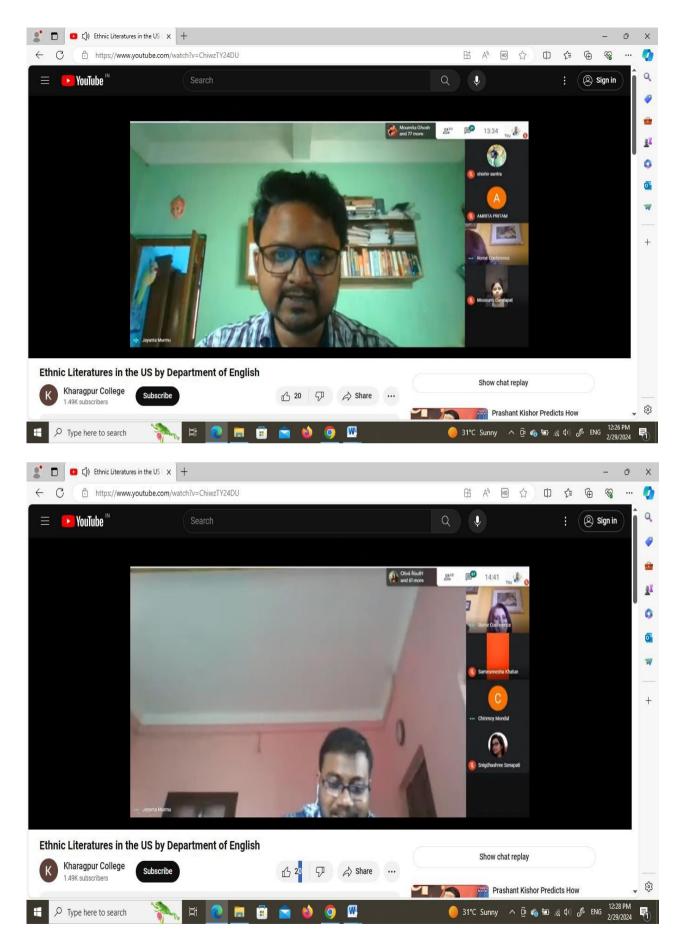
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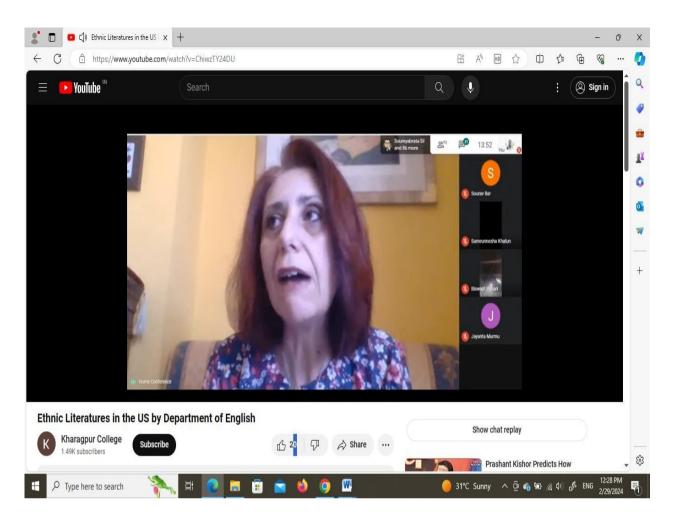
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