

DESHABANDHU MAHAVIDYALAYA

Title of the Event: ***“Ritwik Ghatak’s Film Criticism-Making: Under the Shadow of the Cold War”***

Date of Event: **17 November 2025**

Organized By: **Department of English**

Number of Participants: **Approximately 80**

Name of the Resource Person/s (Not applicable for field-based activities): **Dr. Parichay Patra, Assistant Professor, School of Liberal Arts, IIT Jodhpur.**

A Brief Report

Report on the Special Lecture Held at Department of English, Deshabandhu Mahavidyalaya, Chittaranjan

A Special Lecture on *“Ritwik Ghatak’s Film Criticism-Making: Under the Shadow of the Cold War”* was organised by the Department of English under the aegis of the IQAC, Deshabandhu Mahavidyalaya, Chittaranjan. The event took place on **17 November 2025** at **12:30 p.m.** in the **Ishwar Chandra Vidyasagar Seminar Hall**. The distinguished speaker for the session was **Dr. Parichay Patra**, Assistant Professor, School of Liberal Arts, IIT Jodhpur.

The programme began with a formal welcome and Dr. Patra was introduced to the audience comprising nearly **70 students** along with **most of the faculty members of the college**, who were present to benefit from the insightful discourse. Dr. Patra delivered an engaging and intellectually stimulating lecture, focusing on Ritwik Ghatak’s unique approach to film criticism within the political and cultural backdrop of the Cold War. His analysis highlighted Ghatak’s distinctive cinematic vision and the ideological undercurrents that shaped his critical writings.

Following the lecture, an interactive **question–answer session** was conducted. Both faculty members and students actively participated, raising thoughtful queries and engaging in meaningful discussions with the speaker. Dr. Patra responded with depth and clarity, enriching the audience’s understanding of the topic.

As a gesture of appreciation, the speaker was **felicitated with a flower bouquet** by the the Teacher-in-Charge, Dr. Palash Kumar Mondal(in absence of the Principal on that day). The event concluded on a cordial note with **lunch served to the students**, while **tea was arranged for some attendees**, fostering an atmosphere of collegiality and academic camaraderie.

Overall, the lecture was highly successful and contributed significantly to the academic enrichment of the participants.

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