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Arijit Bhattacharyya passed B.A. (Hons.) in Political Science from the Scottish Church College, Calcutta University securing First Class (1Q, first Class in both Honours and Pass Subjects (Economics & History) in 1998. He completed his M.A. from Calcutta University with First Class in Political Science securing record marks in his Special Paper: Socialism: Theory & Practise in 2000. He completed his Ph.D from the University of Burdwan in 2011 on Understanding Indian Nationhood: Ethnic and Civic Dimensions.

His special areas of interest include Political Thought, Political Sociology, Marxism,

Nationalism & Ethnicity and Indian Politics.

The details of his publications and seminar/conference papers are given below.

Papers in Conference/Seminars/workshops etc

International

- 1. **International Seminar** on *Nation Building in Multicultural Society*, organized by *Rajiv Gandhi Chair in Contemporary Studies*, *University of Allahabad*, *Allahabad*, U.P. (4-5 March 2011)
- 2. **International Seminar** on *Global Environmental Politics*, organized by *UGC-SAP Dept. Of Pol. Science*, *University of Allahabad*, Allahabad, U.P. (8-9 December 2012)
- 3. **International Seminar** on *Democracy in India: Recent Trends* organized jointly **by** *ICSSR and Centre for Culture and Development*, Vadodara, Gujrat held on 15-16 March 2013

National

1. **National Level Seminar** on *Politics in India Since the 1990s: Structures and Processes* organized by the Dept. of Pol. Science, *Burdwan University on 4-5 June 2010.*

- 2. **National Seminar on** *Democracy in India: Emerging Trends* organized by Nehru Studies Centre, **UGC-SAP**, Department of Political Science & Nehru Studies Centre, *The University of Allahabad*, **U.P.** on 7-8 March 2014
- 3. **National Seminar on** *Development and Politics in India* organized by the Dept. of Pol. Science, Chandidas Mahavidyalaya, B.U. on 27-28 March, 2015
- 4. **National Seminar on** *Evolution of Bengal in the Twentieth Century in the Context of Liberal Arts and Popular Culture* organized by the Dept. of Pol. Science, Rampurhat College, B.U. on 3-4 September, 2015
- 5. **National Seminar on** *Identity and Security in India in the Era of Globalization* organized by the Dept. of Pol. Science, The University of Burdwan on 17-18 March, 2016
- 6. **National Seminar on** *Financial Inclusion in India* organized by the Department of Economics & Commerce, Chandidas Mahavidyalaya, B.U. on 6-7 April, 2017

Regional/State Level; Local-University / College Level

- 1. *The Limits of Individualism*, Annual Conference of West Bengal Political Science Association (18-19 June 2011)
- 2. *Indian Constitution and the Accommodation of the Minorities*, Annual Conference of West Bengal Political Science Association (13 June 2010)
- 3. Contemporary Marxism: A Theoretical Overview by Barrackpore Rastraguru Surendranath College, Barrackpore, West Bengal on 12th December 2011.
- 4. Seminar on "People's Participation In Modern Democracy" in **Indian Association** (established 1876) on 26th July 2013.
- 5. "Human Rights: A Theoretical Review" on 10/1/15 at Chandidas Mahavidyalya, BU
- 6. Imagining a Nation: Swami Vivekananda and the Making of Modern India by Barrackpore Rastraguru Surendranath College, Barrackpore, West Bengal on 2/3/2015
- 7. *Civil Society and the State: The Indian experience* by Dept. of Pol. Sc., Belda College, V.U. on 2nd February, 2015

Invited Lectures or presentation/ International/National

Invited as Resource Person to deliver lecture in the:

- 1. *UGC Sponsored State Level Seminar* on *National Integration in the Perspective of Swami Vivekananda* organized **jointly by** Panchmura Mahavidyalaya, Bankura West Bengal & Bankura Ramkrishna Mission (22-23 September 2011)
- 2. **UGC Sponsored International Seminar** on *New Social Movements in the Era of Globalization* organized by Rajiv Gandhi Chair in Contemporary Studies, University of Allahabad, Allahabad, U.P. (22-23 February, 2012)

- 3. UGC Sponsored National Level Seminar on *Questioning Identity: The Response of State and Community in Contemporary India* organized by Barrackpore Rastraguru Surendranath College, Barrackpore, West Bengal on 22-23 December 2013
- 4. **UGC Sponsored National Seminar** on *India's Constitutional Developments since the 1950s: Socio-Political & Economic Dimensions*, organized by Dewan Abdul Gani College, Harirampur, Dakshin Dinajpur, WB on 10-11 September 2014
- 5. UGC Sponsored National Seminar on Civil Society & the State: The Indian Experience organized by BELDA COLLEGE, V.U., WB on 2.2.2015
- 6. **One Day State Level Seminar** on *Imagining an India: Exploring the Political Ideas of Swami Vivekananda* organized by the Department of Political Science, Barrackpore Rastraguru Surendranath College, WBSU on 2nd March, 2015
- 7. **UGC Sponsored National Seminar** on *Democracy and Development in India* organized by Chandidas Mahavidyalaya, B.U., WB on 27-28 March 2015
- 8. **UGC sponsored National Seminar** on *Popular Culture: Changing Perspectives in India*, organized by Rampurhat College, Birbhum, BU, September 2015
- 9. **One Day State Level Seminar** on *Feminism: An Overview* organized by the Department of Political Science, Arambagh Girls' College, B.U. on 10th December, 2016
- 10. **One Day State Level Seminar** on *Indian Politics: Recent Trends* organized by Chandidas Mahavidyalaya, B.U., West Bengal on 17th December, 2016
- 11. One Day State Level Seminar on *The Importance of International Mother Language Day* organized by Sadhan Chandra Mahavidyalaya on 21st February, 2017
- 12. One Day State Level Seminar on *Human Rights: The Contending Theoretical Aspects* organized by Acharya Prafulla Chandra College, WBSU on 30th November, 2017
- 13. One Day State Level Seminar on Contemporary Faces of Nationalism and the Nation-State organized by Sarat Centenary College, B.U.
- 14. **One-day National Seminar** on *Trends and Challenges in Indian Polity since 1990s* organized by the The Dept. of Political Science in association with the Dept. of History, Kazi Nazrul Islam Mahavidyalaya, Paschim Bardhaman, West Bengal on 12th April, 2018

- 15. Two-day National Seminar on Geriatric Care Management: Rehabilitation and Psychological Care management organized by the Dept. of Social Work, Assam University, Silchar in association with Ministry of Social Justice and Defence, Govt. of India on 20-21 March, 2018
- 16. A Three-Day International Webinar on Ancient Indian Polity and Democratic System of Modern India: An Interface organized by the department of Sanskrit, SFS Mahavidyalaya, Khayrasole, Birbhum, West Bengal in collaboration with department of Sanskrit, Chandidas Mahavidyalaya, Khujutipara, Birbhum, West Bengal (under the supervision of IQACs of both colleges)
- 17. **Special Lecture** on *Unfolding Issues in Indian Nation Building* organized by the department of Political Science, Purbasthali College, Purba Bardhaman, West Bengal on 21st September, 2019
- 18. **Special Lecture** on *Indian Politics in Contemporary Era* organized by the department of Political Science, Purbasthali College, Purba Bardhaman, West Bengal on 11th January, 2020
- 19. One Day International Conference on Revisiting the State of Democracy in South Asia: Emerging Issues and Concerns organized by Galsi Mahavidyalaya on 23th December, 2022
- 20. One Day International Conference on *Tolerance and Democratic Values: The Contributions of Indian Political Philosophers* organized by the Department of Political Science and IQAC, Galsi Mahavidyalaya on 9th January 2024
- 21. Special Workshop on *Research Methodology From Questions to Conclusions: Fostering Research Skills* organized by the Department of Political Science and IQAC, Barrackpore Rastraguru Surendranath College on 20th June, 2024
- 22. One Day State Level Seminar on *Impact of Globalization on Women Empowerment* organized by the Department of Political Science, IQAC and Alumni Association, Rishi Bankim Chandra College for Women on 12th December, 2024
- 23. One Day International Seminar on Women Empowerment in India: Historical Perspectives and Contemporary Policy Initiatives organized by Acharya Sukumar Sen Mahavidyalaya on 11th March, 2025

Research Papers in Books and Journals

- 1. "Antiquity versus modernity of nations: The Smith-Gellner debate" in *Socialist Perspective*, Vol. 36, No. 34, Dec. 2008-March 2009, ISSN 0970-8863.
- 2. "The Erosion of Individuality" Socialist Perspective, Vol. 40, No. 1-2, June-September 2012,

ISSN 0970-8863

- 3. "The Construction of Nationhood: Beyond Hobsbawm and Gellner" in *Journal of Social and Political Studies*, June 2011, Vol. II (I), ISSN 2229-3647
- 4. "The Making of a Nation: Bhudev Mukhopadhyay and the 'Construction' of Jatiyobhav in the early colonial India" *in Journal of Social and Political Studies*, June 2013, Vol. IV (I), ISSN 2229-3647
- 5. "From STATE to *state*: The Changing Nature of Ethno-regional Movements in India since the 1990s" to be published by K.P. Bagchi & Co. with ISBN 978-81-7074-384
- 6. "Indian Democracy and the Accommodation of Ethnic Conflicts" in *Democracy in India, Recent Trends*, to be published by Primus in an edited book.

- 7. "Marx on Nature" published in *Impressions of Eternity: Journal of Language and Literature Studies*, ISBN 2229-4813
- 8. "Jean Jacques Rousseau" in Sobhanlal Datta Gupta ed. *Paschatyo Rastrovabna*, Paschim Banga Rajya Pustak Parshad, (*Ministry of Human Resource and Development, Dept. of Higher Education, Govt. of India*) ISBN: 978-81-247-0711-1
- 9. "Charles Louis Montesqueue"in Sobhanlal Datta Gupta ed. *Paschatyo Rastrovabna*, Paschim Banga Rajya Pustak Parshad, (*Ministry of Human Resource and Development, Dept. of Higher Education, Govt. of India*) ISBN: 978-81-247-0711-1
- 10. "Democracy's Other and Discrimination" in S. Chatterjee (ed): *Politics of Discrimination and Problems of Democratic Governance*, Kolkata, International Book Trust, 2008
- 11. Capitalism, Socialism and Nature: An Overview of Marx in Inquest, Vol 1, Issue 2, Dec. 2015, ISSN 2349-5472.
- 12. "New Social Movements and Radical Democracy: A Critical Overview of Postmarxism" in Dr. Kamlesh Gupta (ed.): *Social Movements and State in New Global Era*, K.K. Publications, New Delhi, 2015, ISBN 978-81-7844-227-3.
- 13. "Democracy, Nationhood and Accommodation of Ethnic Conflicts in India" in L. Lobo & J. Shah (eds.): *Democracry in India: Current Debates and Emerging Challenges*, Delhi, Primus Book, 2017.
- 14. "Secularism: A theoretical exposition of the Western and Indian Perspectives" in *Wesleyan Journal of Research, Vol. 11.1*, ISSN: 0975-1386; an UGC CARE Journal
- 15. "Bhudev Mukhopadhyayer Jatiyobhaber Porjalochana" in *Ebong Mohua*, Vol-23, No.136 (季), July 2021
- 16. "Gandhir Hind Swaraj Ebong Rousseaur Enlightenment Birodhi Oitijhya: Ekti Bishletion" in *Ebong Mohua*, Vol-22, No.120 (季), April 2020.
- 17. "The Contradictions of Democracy and the Question of Minority: A Theoretical Exposition" in *International Journal for Social Development Quarterly* (English), Vol.8, Jan. Mar., 2020 Part-II, Issue 1, ISSN 2320 9283
- 18. "Print-Capitalism and The Emergence of 'Imagined Communities': Benedict Anderson's Ideas on the Emergence of Nationalism in the West" in *Nabyasrote*, Vol-13, No. 1-2, Issue-14, August, 2019 & February 2020, ISSN-2249-8133
- 19. "Dr, Shyama Prasad Mookerjee's Ideas on India's Nation Building: An Overview" in *International Journal for Social Development*, Vol.-7, Issue- 2(II), April-June 2019, ISSN-2320-9283