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Report on

## Celebration of 250<sup>th</sup> Birth Anniversary of Raja Rammohan Roy

Department of History

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Raja Rammohan Roy (1772–1833) was a renowned Indian social and religious reformer who played a pivotal role in shaping the socio-cultural landscape of 19th-century India. He is often referred to as the "Father of the Indian Renaissance" and is remembered for his efforts to modernize Indian society, promote rational thinking, and advocate for various social and religious reforms. Here are some key aspects of his life and work:

**1. Social Reforms:** Rammohan Roy championed various social reforms aimed at eradicating social evils and regressive practices in Indian society. He advocated for the abolition of practices such as sati (the practice of widows self-immolating on their husband's funeral pyres), child marriage, and polygamy. His tireless efforts contributed to the passing of laws against these practices by British authorities.

**2. Religious Reforms:** Rammohan Roy was critical of certain traditional aspects of Hinduism, particularly the idolatry and superstitions that had developed over time. He sought to promote a monotheistic interpretation of Hinduism, emphasizing the worship of one God rather than multiple deities. He was also a strong advocate of religious tolerance and believed in the need for interfaith dialogue.

**3. Advocacy for Education:** Rammohan Roy recognized the importance of education for social progress. He founded the Hindu College in Calcutta (now Kolkata) in 1817, which later became a part of the University of Calcutta. He promoted the study of modern sciences, Western philosophy, and rational thought alongside traditional Indian knowledge.

**4. Promotion of Vernacular Languages:** Rammohan Roy believed in using vernacular languages to spread knowledge and ideas. He translated various works, including religious texts, into languages such as Bengali and Persian to make them accessible to a wider audience.

**5. Advocacy for Women's Rights:** Rammohan Roy was an advocate for women's rights and their education. He believed that educating women was crucial for the overall development of society and challenged traditional norms that restricted women's access to education.

**6. Founding Brahmo Samaj:** Rammohan Roy was instrumental in the establishment of the Brahmo Samaj, a socio-religious reform movement. The Brahmo Samaj aimed to promote

monotheism, social reforms, and rationality in religion. It played a significant role in questioning orthodox Hindu practices and promoting progressive thought.

**7. Advocacy for Human Rights:** Rammohan Roy was an early advocate for human rights and social justice. He was critical of social discrimination based on caste and worked to promote equality and human dignity.

Raja Rammohan Roy's legacy continues to inspire generations of Indians and people around the world who are dedicated to social reform, religious tolerance, and the advancement of human rights. His emphasis on reason, education, and social progress has left an indelible mark on India's history and intellectual development.

The Programme was conducted by the students of History department and they have delivered speech on the life and achievements of Raja Rammohan Roy. Dr. Swapan Kumar Misra, Principal of this college has given an introduction on the achievement of Raja Rammohan Roy through his social reforms and asked the students to follow his line of thinking. Dr. Bidhan Chandra Samanta, TCS and HOD Chemistry department and Dr. Kalipada Maity, NAAC Co-Ordinator have said that, Raja Rammohan Roy was the Modern man during his age, also they have pointed out that Rammohan Roy fought for the upliftment of the mankind and raise his voice against all sorts of social menace, particularly against the brutal practice of Sati. Dr. Pintu Roy Choudhury, Assistant Professor of Bengali has delivered an excellent speech on how the Bengali literature look into the various social and economic conditions of the 19<sup>th</sup> century Bengali society and what Rammohan did during the debate of Sati and how the Brahminical society reacted to it.

Apart from that, Mr. Krishnabandhu Das, Assistant Professor of History & Mrs. Sumana Jana, SACT, History, Mrs Banashree Roy Chakroborty, SACT, History and Mr. Sanatan Adhikary, Assistant Professor of History were also present and delivered short speeches on the overall history of the early 19<sup>th</sup> century Bengal and critically examine the importance of Raja Rammohan Roy in his 250<sup>th</sup> birth anniversary. They have argued that the importance of raja Rammohan Roy in today's society lie on the role of the students for a better society.

## Photographs of the event























## Attendance

1. Swapan Kumar Misra - Principal	50. Suman Maity	51. Debani Kumar
2. Pabitra Chandra Samanta - Asst. Prof. Chemistry	51. Anil Kumar	52. Sampa Hal
3. Kalipada Maity	52. Anil Kumar	53. Riya Poddar
4. Prasant Kumar	53. Anil Kumar	54. Anupama Maity
5. Samant Adhikary - Asst. Prof. History	54. Anil Kumar	55. Soumya Maity
6. Kanchan Das - Asst. Prof. History	55. Anil Kumar	56. Ro Pakirita Das
7. Anurupa Ray Choudhury - Asst. Prof. History	56. Anil Kumar	57. Soumen Saha
8. Sumana Jana	57. Anil Kumar	58. Sathya Prasad Bhowmik
9. Suparna Misra	58. Anil Kumar	59. Krishnita Gopal Maity
10. Kanchan Choudhury	59. Anil Kumar	60. Subhendu Jana
11. Anupa Jana	60. Anil Kumar	61. Ananta Pradhan
12. Riya Mandal	61. Anil Kumar	62. Ananta Pradhan
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