## **ELECTORAL LITERACY CLUB REPORT (2023-2024)**



Shahid Matangini Hazra Government General Degree College for Women

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The Electoral Literacy Club has been set up in the year 2021-2022 to promote electoral literacy in all age groups of the students through engaging and interesting activities and hands-on experience but in an apolitical, neutral and non-partisan manner. The Electoral Literacy Club of our college has been formed, in collaboration with the IQAC comprising of one course coordinator, Prof. Shyamashree Roy (Department of Political Science) and three faculty and staff members, Prof. Sayanwita Panja and Prof. Basudev Mandal (Department of Chemistry) and Mr.Kaushik Dutta (Cashier); Two student coordinators Kamalika Maity, Political Science (H) Semester IV and Sudipa Majhi, Mathematics (H), Semester IV.

## **Objectives of the Electoral Literacy Club:**

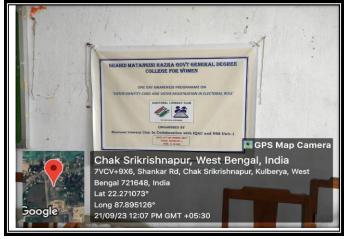
The Electoral Literacy Club is a platform to engage students through interesting activities and handson experience to sensitize them about their electoral rights and familiarize them with the complete
electoral process in our country. The Department of Political Science, Chemistry, is responsible for
the smooth functioning of this club. Teachers and students from various departments have been
included to give this body truly a representative character. With the goal to build a participative
democracy in India, the club encourages the students to vote, spread awareness and promote voter
literacy among all. To develop responsible citizens, the club deems it quintessential to sensitize
students about the importance of participating in the electoral process. They are made aware about
the political parties, their manifestos, backgrounds of the contesting candidates such that they can
cast an 'enlightened' vote at the time of elections. Therefore, the objectives of the club are:

- To creating awareness among the students regarding the importance of the electoral system of the country- union, state and local level.
- To enhance their participation in the voting system.
- To create awareness to select effective people centric leaders and cast a valid vote.

• To ensure smooth implementation of our planned activities.

The Electoral Literacy Club organized various programs throughout the session. A *One-Day* Awareness Programme on "Voter Identity Card and Voter's Registration in Electoral Roll" on 21st September, 2023 from 11 am to 2 pm for newly admitted first semester students of the college across all disciplines. The coordinator of the Electoral Literacy Club, Prof. Shyamashree Roy (Department of Political Science) delivered the inaugural lecture on the significance and application of Voter Identity Card in the daily lives of the citizens. Prof. Sayanwita Panja (Department of Chemistry and member of Electoral Literacy Club) conducted a power point presentation of the google form and made the students understand the procedure of filling up the form which had been distributed among the students regarding the collection of data of their voter identity cards. Prof. Debabrata Bera (Department of Sanskrit and NSS Programme Officer) delivered a lecture on the procedures of applying for the voter identity cards and the ways of online application. Prof. Basudev Mandal (Department of Chemistry and member of Electoral Literacy Club) conducted the interactive session and answered the queries of several students. The programme was conducted seamlessly and more than 190 google forms have been filled out and submitted by the students in due process of time.









The ELC organized electoral literacy campaign on "#ChunavKaParv, #DeshKaGarv, #IVoteForSure and #MeraPehlaVoteDeshKeLiye" launched by Ministry of Education (MoE) on 11<sup>th</sup> March,2024 & 12<sup>th</sup> March,2024 at 12 noon (Venue: Room No.1). A huge no. of students along with club members from all the departments were participated in various events like Quiz competition, Blog making, Poster making, Essay writing, Slogan writing and Reels making etc. The programme was chaired and coordinated by Prof. Basudev Mandal, Nodal officer and the occasion was graced by the Principal of this Institution.









The ELC organized **A Voter Awareness Camp** for election urgency in collaboration with Block Development Office, Tamluk on 16<sup>th</sup> April. 2024 at 12pm in Room No.1 for all the students of different disciplines. Eighty (80) students has participated in this program. B.D.O, Jt.B.D.O and others team members was present in this program. The programme was chaired and coordinated by Prof. Basudev Mandal, Nodal officer and the occasion was graced by the Principal of this Institution.





The aim of this club is to continue spreading awareness among the young students to build a better society which will be formed on the principles of democracy and ethical, free and fair voting system and to engage students in various other activities and programmes in future to enhance their knowledge and understanding about the electoral system in India.