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Seminar on Language: Social Relations and Interactions In the Digital Age

**REPORT ON SEMINAR CUM INTERACTIVE LANGUAGE SESSION
ON**

“LANGUAGE: SOCIAL RELATIONS IN THE DIGITAL AGE”

Date: 19.01.2023

Venue: Room No. 1

Time: 12 noon

**Resource Person: Dr. Arindam Goswami, Associate Professor and Head,
Department of Bengali,
Government General Degree College Singur, Hooghly - 712409**

Through his lecture, Dr. Arindam Goswami wanted to point out how language is affected in digital communication. Today's youth tend to use abbreviations or short forms of words during message typing. For example, "Take care" is written as "tk cr" i.e by eliminating vowels. Again Bengali language is typed using English words but that too, abbreviated. For example, "I am eating" means "Ami khachhi" in Bengali, which is typed as "Mi kha6i". So the speaker wanted to highlight that these practices may lead to forgetting actual spelling of words and youth may face difficulty while writing in an exam or a resume or a formal application for job and so on and so forth. Thus the dynamics of interpersonal communication have changed significantly and social media is preferred rather than face-to-face interactions. Earlier people spent time together but now it is rare, thus extensive social media usage has also affected relationships among each other. Thus the speaker chose to speak on this important topic to motivate students to use words with their proper spelling and also encouraged face-to-face interactions among each other.

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