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collaboration with IQAS,
Kanchrapara College**



organize

**International Seminar on
Population and
Development**

Schedule: 11th July, 2022

Venue: College Seminar Hall

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Itinerary for the Program

<i>Sl. No</i>	<i>TIME</i>	<i>Items</i>
1.	11:00 AM	Lighting the candle
2.	11:10 AM	Inaugural speech by- Hon'ble Principal
3.	11: 20 AM	Welcome Address by- Hon'ble President
4.	11:30 AM	Special Address by- IQAS Coordinator
5.	11:40 AM	Special Address by- NSS Program Officer
6.	12:00 PM	Key Note Address by- Dr. Mary K. Shenk
7.	1:00 PM	Key Note Address by- Dr. Saswata Ghosh
8.	2:00 PM	Vote of Thanks by- Convener, NSS Advisory Committee

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Key Note Speakers:



Dr. Mary Shenk is an Associate Professor of Anthropology, Demography & Asian Studies and Director of Graduate Studies, Department of Anthropology, Pennsylvania State University. She completed her Ph.D. in Anthropology from the University of Washington. She is a renowned Anthropologist and demographer with interests in marriage, family, kinship, fertility, mortality, and inequality. She has conducted field research on the economics of marriage and parental investment in urban South India, the causes of rapid fertility decline in rural Bangladesh, and the effects of economic development on wealth, social networks, and health in Bangladesh and China. Her current work focuses on illuminating the mechanisms that underlie the relationships between religiosity, fertility, and child outcomes, and understanding shifting patterns of marriage, fertility, and family systems with economic development and social change. She has published over 50 articles, and her work has been funded by the U.S. National Science Foundation, the U.S. National Institutes of Health, and the John S. Templeton Foundation. At present through her Fulbright-Nehru project, Dr. Shenk is conducting research in Birbhum District, West Bengal, India in collaboration with Saswata Ghosh at the Institute for Development Studies Kolkata (IDSK) and researchers at the Society for Demographic Health and Surveillance (SDHS).

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Dr. Saswata Ghosh is an Associate Professor at the Institute of Development Studies Kolkata (IDSK). He completed his Ph.D. in Population Studies from the Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU). He obtained Sir Ratan Tata Post-Doctoral Fellowship from the Asia Research Centre of London School of Economics (LSE)



during 2014-15. He also received International Fellowship for Young Bio-Medical Scientists from the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) during 2012-13. He served as a Visiting Fellow at the LSE and at Bangladesh Institute of Development Studies (BIDS). He worked with Qatar Statistics Authority (QSA), Doha; Centre for Health Policy (CHP), ADRI, Patna; Population Council and Council for Social Development, New Delhi in various capacities. He has published extensively in peer-reviewed journals of international standing. He has co-edited (with Prof. Aparajita Chattopadhyay) the book titled "Population Dynamics in Eastern India and Bangladesh: Demographic, Health and Development Issues" published by the Springer Nature: Singapore. He is currently serving as a Member in International Advisory Board of Asian Population Studies Journal published by Routledge. He was also member of Technical Resource Group (TRG) in developing framework for HIV/AIDS mortality estimation by the ICMR-NICED. His areas of interest include religious demography; fertility, family planning and son preference; family demography; field survey methods; demographic estimations; and econometric methods

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