# THE NATIONAL SEMINAR ON
TRADITION, LAW AND SOCIAL TRANSFORMATION: CONTEXTUALISING
THE BENGAL RENAISSANCE IN CONTEMPORARY TIMES
SPONSORED BY SIR ASUTOSH MOOKERJEE CHAIR, THE WBNUJS

13.03.2015

**Inaugural session : 10:00 a.m.- 11:30 a.m.**
Presided over by Hon’ble Justice Shyamal Sen

1. **Welcome address**
   - Prof. Dr. Ishwara Bhat

2. **Inaugural address**
   - Hon’ble Justice Ruma Pal

3. **Key note address**
   - Prof. Sabyasachi Bhattacharya

4. **Presidential address**
   - Hon’ble Justice Shyamal Sen

5. **Special Guest of Honour**
   - Hon’ble Justice Amit Talukdar

### I. Technical Session : 11:45 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
Presided over by Hon’ble Justice Amit Talukdar

1. **The Theme of Social Justice as the Transformative Spirit of Bengal Renaissance**
   - Prof. Dr. Ishwara Bhat

2. **Social Movement of Renaissance**
   - Prof. Ashwani Kumar

3. **Sir Asutosh as the Renaissance Man**
   - Sri Sudhish Pai

**Lunch Break – 1:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.**

### II. Technical Session : 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Presided over by Sri Sudhish Pai

1. **Educational Vision of Sir Asutosh**
   - Prof. Gangotri Chakraborty

2. **Swami Vivekananda and Bengal Renaissance**
   - Prof. N. K. Chakraborty

**Tea Break – 3:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.**

3. **Contribution of Sir Asutosh in the Field of Gender Justice**
   - Dr. Kavita Singh

4. **Women’s Movements: Engagement with Law In Contemporary Times**
   - Ms. Ruchira Goswami

5. **The Origin of Indian Nationalism with special reference to Bengal Renaissance**
   - Dr. B. De

6. **Presentations by other participants (Ms. Shubhangi Bajaj Bag, Ms. Prerna Dhoop and others)**
### 14.03.2015

#### III. A. Technical Session: 10:00 a.m.- 11:15 a.m.

Presided over by Prof. Gangotri Chakraborty

1. **Abolishing 'Sati': A Few Observations**  
   Prof. Tanika Sarkar

2.  
   Prof. Samita Sen

3. **Rights and Realities of Elderly Women in India**  
   Ms. Durga Khaitan

**Tea Break** - 11:15 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

#### III. B. Technical Session: 11:30 a.m.- 1:00 p.m.

Presided over by Prof. (Dr.) I. G. Ahmed

4. **Contribution of the Press and the Literary Writings to the Bengal Renaissance**  
   Mr. Shameek Sen

5. **The Spiritual Substratum of the Bengal Renaissance**  
   Mr. Lokenath Chatterjee

6. **Sir Asutosh and the Colonial Legal System**  
   Prof. Radharaman Chakraborty

**Lunch Break** - 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

#### IV. Technical Session: 2:00 p.m.-3:20 p.m.

Presided over by Justice Joymalya Bagchi

1. **Women and Law**  
   Hon'ble Justice Indira Banerjee

2. **Vivekananda and the Nature of Indian State**  

**Tea Break** - 3:20 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

#### Valedictory session: 3:30 - 5:00 p.m.

1. Valedictory address  
   Hon'ble Justice Altamas Kabir

2. Chief Guest of Honour  
   Hon'ble Justice Joymalya Bagchi

3. Chief Guest of Honour  
   Hon'ble Justice Indira Banerjee

4. Special Guest of honour  
   Hon'ble Justice Chittatosh Mookerjee

5. Presiding address  
   Vice Chancellor, the WBNUJS

**Vote of Thanks**