



Trivenidevi Bhalotia College, Raniganj
Organizes



Two-Day International Conference

In collaboration with

Bharata Vidya Charcha Kendra, Burdwan

For

The 22nd Annual Conference

On

Borderlines: Redefining Political Landscapes in a Divided World

Organized by:

Department of Political Science and Department of English

Under the aegis of

**Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC),
Trivenidevi Bhalotia College, Raniganj**

Dates: 14th and 15th May, 2025

(Mode: Blended)

Concept Note:

Elie Wiesel's quote, 'Sometimes we must interfere. When human lives are endangered, when human dignity is in jeopardy, national borders and sensitivities become irrelevant,' encapsulates his philosophy of moral responsibility and active intervention in the face of injustice. The conference titled "*Borderlines: Redefining Political Landscapes in a Divided World*" aims to explore the multifaceted dynamics of borders in the contemporary geopolitical context. Borders, both physical and conceptual, have evolved from simple territorial demarcations to complex political tools that influence migration, security, trade, identity, and environmental policies. This event seeks to redefine the understanding of borders as spaces of division and connection while addressing the challenges and opportunities they present in a rapidly changing global landscape. Borders have increasingly become sites of contention, reflecting global inequalities, security concerns, and identity politics. The rigid enforcement of borders often exacerbates humanitarian crises, disrupts cultural exchanges, and limits economic opportunities. Conversely, borders also serve as bridges for cooperation, trade, and shared governance. The conference will address the paradoxical role of borders as both barriers and facilitators in shaping political landscapes.

Sub-themes may be included, but are not restricted to

1. Borders as Barriers and Bridges
2. Migration and Humanitarian Challenges
3. Economic Dimensions

4. Environmental Borders and Transboundary Challenges
5. Cultural Identity
6. Resistance Movements
7. Border Narratives as Political Propositions
8. Postcolonial and Diasporic perspectives
9. Imagined Borders in Postcolonial Literatures
10. Decolonization and Eco-poetics
11. Partitioned Communities and Cross-Border Identities
12. Globalization and Border Politics

13. Historical Evolution of Borders
14. Border Poetics/Borders as Literary and Aesthetic Constructs
15. Cartography and Challenges
16. Borders and Social Exclusion
17. Psychological and Emotional Impact
18. Borders and Social Identity
19. Gendered Territories
20. Human Rights and Refugee Crisis

Every copy of the paper submitted for Presentation at the 22nd Annual Conference should bear the following details:

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Please keep in mind the following additional points when submitting papers:

1. Papers must be written **in English or Bengali**, word-processed, and double-spaced. The paper should be sent only in WORD (.doc/.docx) file format. Please refrain from submitting hard copies or uploading the soft copy of the paper in PDF format.
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6. Paper will be submitted through email byck.webinar@gmail.com (Kindly submit the paper abstract as of now; the full paper shall be sought later.)
7. A HARD COPY of the paper must be submitted by the Paper Presenter at the time of the presentation to the Chairperson of the relevant session.

Registration Details:

For Paper Presentation:

- a) Students (M.Phil. / Ph.D.): INR 800 (including Student Membership for one year)
- b) Student (P.G.): INR 600 (for two days' participation)
- c) Student (U.G.): INR 200 per day
- d) Academician: INR 1200 (including Annual Membership for one year)

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- a) With Participation Certificate: INR 500
- b) Without Certificate: Nil

Important dates:

- Last date of submission of abstract paper: **03.05.2025**
(Kindly submit the paper abstract as of now; the full paper shall be sought later)
- Last date of registration: **08.05.2025**
- Final schedule published on **10.05.2025**

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