VISVA-BHARATI
WOMEN'S CELL
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ANNUAL REPORT (2025–2026)

1. Introduction

The Women's Cell, Visva-Bharati, in collaboration with the Internal Complaints Committee (ICC), Rabindra Bhavana, and the Department of Yogic Art & Science, actively organized a series of awareness and outreach programmes during the academic session **2025–2026**, in accordance with **UGC mandates**.

These initiatives were designed to promote **gender sensitization, legal awareness, mental well-being, and community engagement** among students, faculty, staff, and the wider community.

2. UGC-Mandated Women's Awareness Programme

Date: 9th February 2026
Venue: Conference Hall, Central Library, Visva-Bharati

A UGC-mandated Women's Awareness Programme was successfully organized on the theme:

"Empowering Women in Higher Education: Legal Rights, Workplace Dignity and Redressal Mechanisms in Educational Institutions."

Distinguished Speakers:

1. **Dr. Bikash Mukhopadhyay,** Registrar, Visva-Bharati
2. **Prof. Bipasha Raha,** Chairperson, Women's Cell
3. **Prof. Sakuntala Mishra,** Chairperson, ICC
4. **Shri Sandip Mukherjee,** Legal Officer
5. **Prof. Shreela Basu,** Member, Women's Cell

Programme Highlights:

1. Inaugural and plenary addresses emphasizing legal literacy and institutional mechanisms
2. Insightful keynote deliberations on women's rights and judicial perspectives
3. Interactive session involving students, faculty, and staff

Outcome:

The programme significantly enhanced awareness regarding:

1. Legal rights of women
2. Workplace dignity and safety
3. Institutional grievance redressal mechanisms

The event witnessed active participation from students, research scholars, faculty members, and staff of Visva-Bharati.

3. Photo Exhibition: "Women of the Tagore Family" on International Women's Day Programme: "Bharati- Nari to Narayani"

Date: 8th March 2026, Time: 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Venue: Rabindra Bhavana, Visva-Bharati

The Rabindra Bhavana organized in collaboration with Women's Cell a **photo exhibition** titled *"Women of the Tagore Family"* at Rabindra Bhavana.

Objectives:

1. To highlight the contributions of women in the Tagore family
2. To promote historical and cultural awareness regarding women's roles in shaping society

Outcome:

The exhibition attracted a large number of visitors including students, faculty, and researchers, fostering a deeper appreciation of women's contributions to cultural and intellectual heritage.

4. International Women's Day Main Programme: "Bharati- Nari to Narayani"

Date: 8th March 2026

In collaboration with: Department of Yogic Art & Science

Venue: Community Hall, PSB, Sriniketan

On the occasion of **International Women's Day**, a special outreach programme titled **"Bharati- Nari to Narayani"** was organized.

Key Activities:

1. Awareness and empowerment sessions
2. Distribution of **plant saplings** to women participants
3. Engagement with women from **65 adopted villages** of Visva-Bharati

Outcome:

1. Strong community participation
2. Promotion of **environmental awareness alongside women empowerment**
3. Strengthening university-community linkage

This programme emerged as a **major outreach initiative** of the university, with active involvement from administration and local communities.

5. Conclusion

The activities conducted by the Women's Cell during the academic year **2025–2026** reflect a comprehensive approach towards:

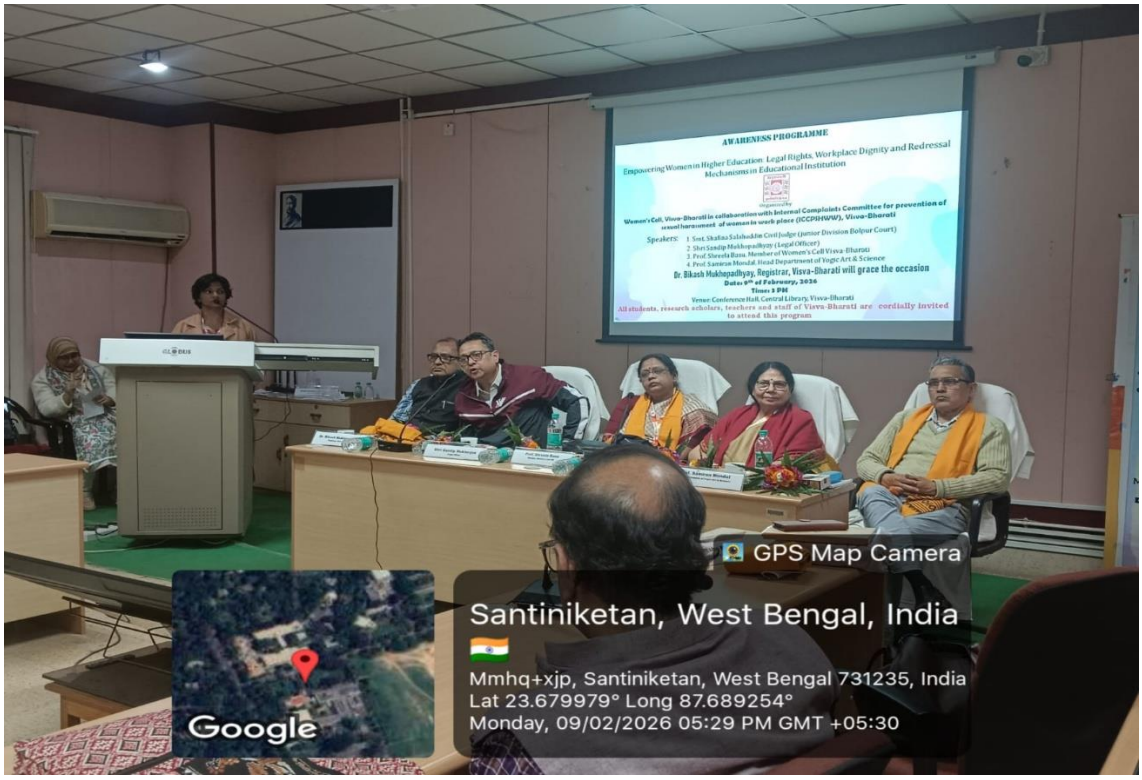
1. Gender sensitization
2. Legal awareness
3. Cultural engagement
4. Community outreach

These initiatives have contributed significantly to fostering a **safe, inclusive, and empowered academic environment** at Visva-Bharati.

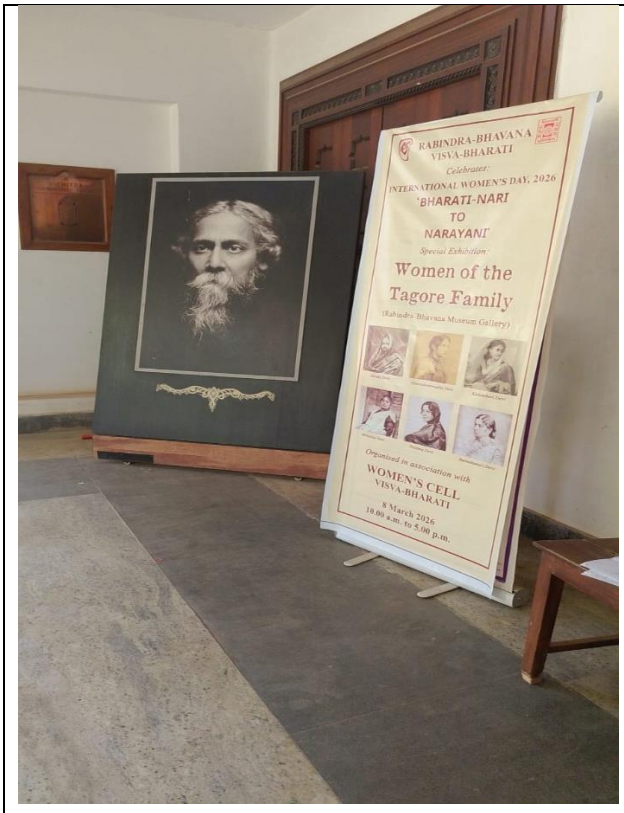
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The Women's Cell aims to:

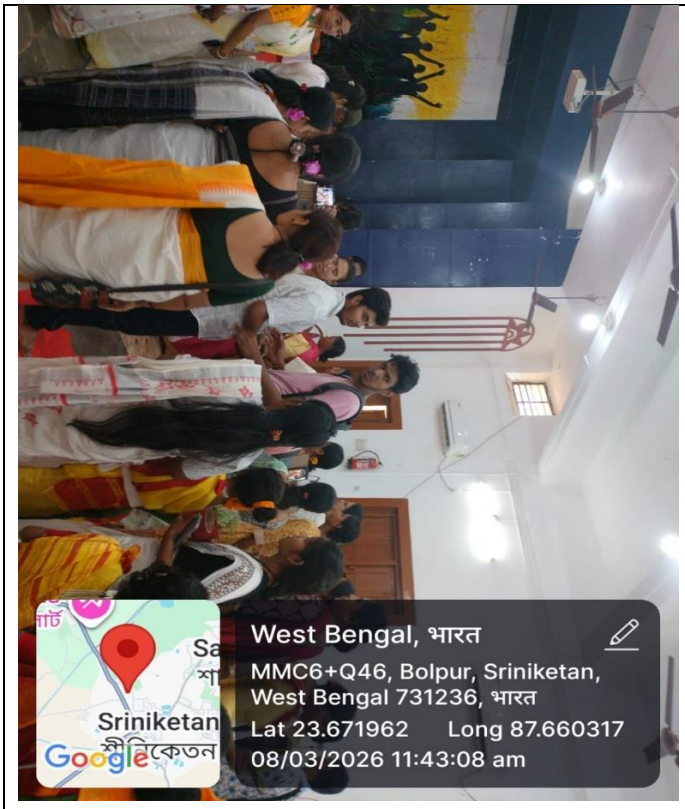
1. Expand outreach programmes to rural and marginalized communities
2. Organize skill development and legal literacy workshops
3. Strengthen collaboration with institutional and external stakeholders
4. Promote continuous awareness on gender equity and rights

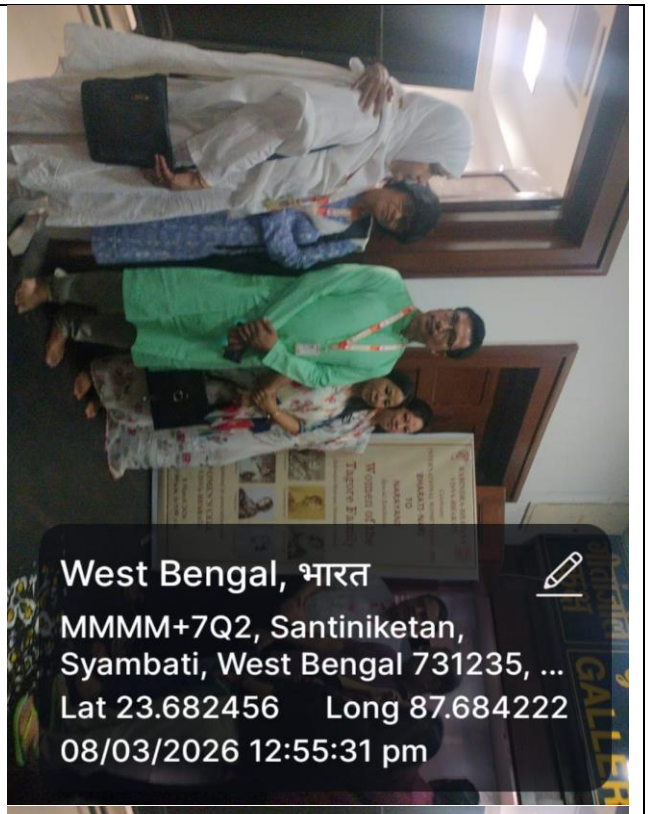


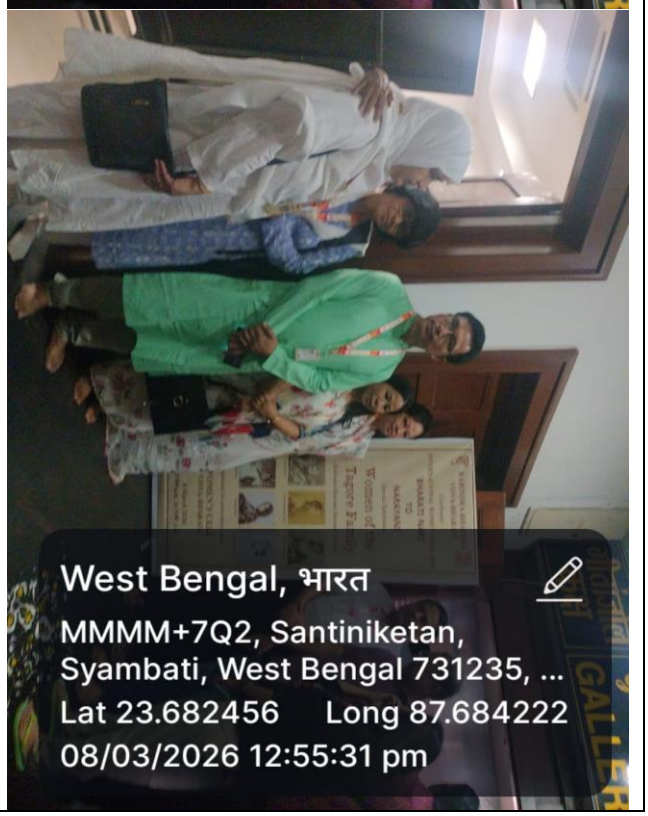

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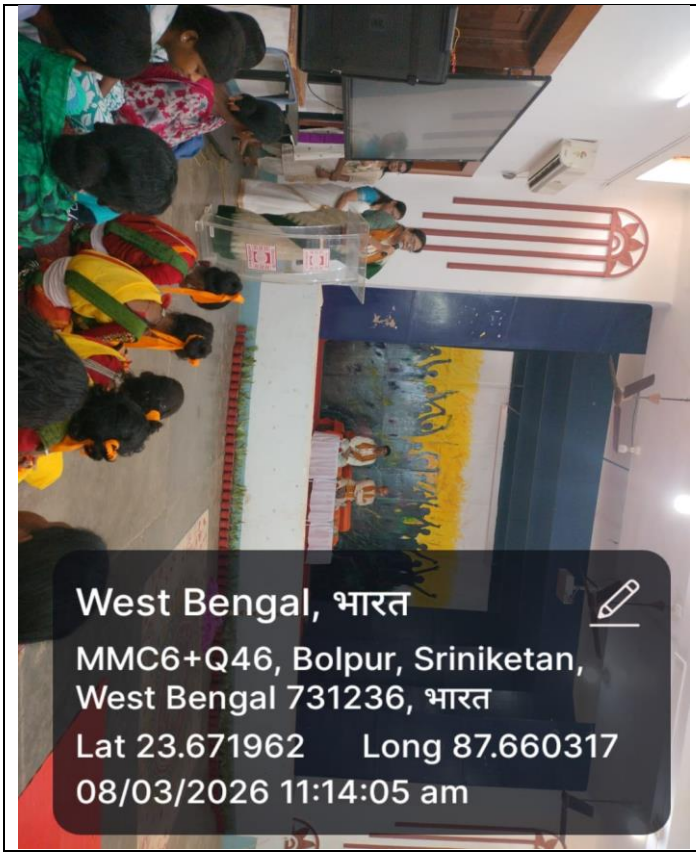

RABINDRA-BHAVANA
VISVA-BHARATI
Celebrates
INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY, 2026
'BHARATI-NARI
TO
NARAYANI'
Special Exhibition
Women of the
Tagore Family
(Rabindra-Bhavana Museum Gallery)
Organised in association with
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VISVA-BHARATI
8 March 2026
10.00 a.m. to 5.00 p.m.




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