

## **Report on Book Conservation Workshop**

**Organized by: IQAC, Bilasipara College in Collaboration with  
Bilasipara College Library Study Circle and KKHSOU Study  
Centre, Bilasipara College**

**Venue: Dr. Banikanta Kakati Library, Bilasipara College**

**Date: 05/07/2019 to 11/07/2019**

The Book Conservation Workshop was successfully organized by the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of Bilasipara College in collaboration with the Bilasipara College Library Study Circle and KKHSOU Study Centre, Bilasipara College. The workshop was conducted at the Dr. Banikanta Kakati Library from July 5th to July 11th, 2019. The primary objective of the workshop was to create awareness about book preservation and conservation techniques among students, faculty members, and library staff.

### **Objectives of the Workshop:**

1. To educate participants about the importance of book conservation.
2. To provide hands-on training on book preservation techniques.
3. To enhance knowledge on handling and storing old and rare books.
4. To encourage best practices for maintaining library collections.

### **Workshop Activities:**

The workshop included theoretical sessions, practical demonstrations, and hands-on training conducted by experts in the field of book conservation. The key activities of the workshop were:

- **Introduction to Book Conservation:** Understanding the need for preserving books and manuscripts.
- **Material Selection:** Identifying the best materials for bookbinding and restoration.
- **Repairing Damaged Books:** Techniques for mending torn pages, re-binding, and restoring old books.
- **Preventive Conservation Measures:** Proper handling, storage, and environmental conditions for book preservation.
- **Demonstrations:** Experts demonstrated cleaning, de-acidification, and lamination techniques to extend the lifespan of books.

### **Participants and Resource Persons:**

The workshop saw active participation from students, faculty members, and library staff of Bilasipara College. Eminent library science professionals and book conservation experts were invited as resource persons to share their expertise and guide the participants through practical conservation methods.

## Outcomes of the Workshop:

- Increased awareness about the importance of book conservation.
- Hands-on experience in book restoration techniques.
- Improved skills of library staff in handling and preserving books.
- Encouragement to adopt conservation practices for personal and institutional book collections.


## Conclusion:

The Book Conservation Workshop was a significant initiative towards preserving literary heritage and maintaining valuable library resources. The participants gained valuable insights into book conservation methods, and the workshop successfully met its objectives. The event concluded with a vote of thanks to all the organizers, resource persons, and participants for their enthusiastic involvement and contribution.

This workshop marked an important step in fostering a culture of book conservation and ensuring the longevity of academic resources at Bilasipara College.



  
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