Youth Negotiations with International Peace and Participatory Democracy
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The panel discussion titled “Youth Negotiations with International Peace and Participatory Democracy,” organized jointly by the Departments of Human Rights, Political Science, and Sociology at Loreto College (Autonomous), Kolkata, marked the International Day of Democracy and International Day of Peace. Moderated by Meghjit Sengupta, Head and Faculty of the Department of Sociology at Loreto College, the session featured distinguished discussants including Prothoma Rai Chaudhuri from St. Xavier's College, Dr. Shankhamala Ray from Sivanath Sastri College, and Dr. Satyabrat Sinha from Presidency University.

The discussion was enriched by multiple intersecting dimensions brought forth by the panelists and moderator. The interdisciplinary expertise of the speakers—spanning sociology, gender performance, cultural studies, international relations, peace studies, democratization, and foreign policy—allowed students to connect broad global themes with everyday realities.

The students engaged exceptionally well throughout the session, demonstrating vibrant presence, enthusiasm, and active involvement that truly embodied the spirit of participatory democracy. Rather than acting merely as observers of rapid geopolitical changes, conflicts, and social transformations, the young attendees stepped forward as active participants and voices shaping vital conversations on peace, democracy, rights, and citizenship. They eagerly explored complex questions regarding how they perceive international peace, what democratic participation means to them, how traditional political engagement is transforming, and what role young citizens can play in building inclusive and peaceful societies.

By bridging academic research with the lived experiences of young citizens, the event provided deep insights into how youth navigate contemporary political, social, and global landscapes



Faculties with the Panelists



Dr. Satyabrat Sinha (Panelist 1)



Dr. Prothoma Rai Chaudhuri (Panelist 2)



Dr. Shankhamala Ray (Panelist 3)



Students