

## Report on 'e-SSAY'

During the COVID-19 period lasting for several months, every aspect of human life has been affected badly including the education sector. In this context, Department of Mathematics, Ramsaday College, Amta in collaboration with IQAC, Ramsaday College, Amta had taken an initiative to know the thought of the current undergraduate and postgraduate students on the pandemic COVID-19 through the event 'e-SSAY,' an online based essay writing competition on 'Investigations on the Nature of COVID-19: An Indian Perspective'. The event was organized in July 2020, where the students (both undergraduates and postgraduates) from any Indian college/university/institution had submitted their write-up on the said topic via a Google Form created by the department.

The organizers have received 84 essays from students of various undergraduate colleges and universities of West Bengal and other states. All the participants have received their participation certificates already. But it is unfortunate to mention that most of the essays were not qualified for the competition as they contained a huge percentage of **plagiarized elements**. A panel of judges (four internal and four external experts) has evaluated the shortlisted essays which were made anonymous by removing the students name and organizations. On the basis of their evaluation the name of the qualified eight entries as per rank are as follows:

| Sl. No. | Code | Name   | Institute  | Rank |
|---------|------|--|--|------|
| 1.      | rhan | Bina Maji                                      | Dept. of Mathematics, Ramsaday College, Amta   | 1    |
| 2.      | bgdb | Souvik Dhara                                   | PG Scholar, Dept. of Veterinary Gynaecology and Obstetrics, G.B.P.U.A.T., Uttarakhand. | 2    |
| 3.      | evjf | Jayita Koley                                   | University of Calcutta , Kolkata, West Bengal  | 3    |
| 4.      | jlys | Apurba Ghosh                                   | Dept. of Mathematics, Ramsaday College, Amta   | 4    |
| 5.      | vcnb | Sabyasachi Maji                                | Dept. of Geography, Ramsaday College, Amta   | 5    |
| 6.      | mjon | Anirban Bose                                   | Dept. of English, Ramsaday College, Amta   | 6    |
| 7.      | uvxn | Shambhwi Tripathy                              | Haldia Institute of technology   | 7    |
| 8.      | ytfg | Arpan Hazra and Priyajit Kumar Das (Co-author) | Dept. of Mathematics, Ramsaday College, Amta   | 8    |

The above mentioned eight entries are entitled to receive some exciting prizes and e-certificates. It should be noted that, the organizers would contact personally to above mentioned eight students only regarding the prizes. Moreover, the organizers are planning to publish an e-book (with ISBN) containing some of the qualified shortlisted essays submitted in the said competition. For e-book publication, shortlisted students will be informed separately.

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