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Mr. Bumba Dey: The Scholar-Historian of Kharagpur Who Inspires a Generation

From the modest classrooms of Kharagpur College to the prestigious corridors of academic leadership at Panskura Banamali College, **Mr. Bumba Dey** has exemplified the journey of an individual driven by intellect, integrity, and impact. A dedicated educator, a profound historian, and an inspired leader, Mr. Dey's academic journey and contributions have not only influenced students and scholars across West Bengal but have also marked him as a rising force in Indian historical studies.



Academic Journey: From Kharagpur to Jadavpur and Beyond

Born and raised in the academic town of Kharagpur, Mr. Dey's intellectual roots trace back to **Kharagpur College**, where he completed his **Bachelor of Arts in History** under **Vidyasagar University in 2015**. His academic distinction was unparalleled: securing **First Class First** in the department and topping across humanities — achievements that foreshadowed the impactful career that lay ahead.

He further pursued his Master's degree from the esteemed **Jadavpur University** in 2017, where he deepened his understanding of historical methodology, critical theory, and socio-political developments through the ages. A determined scholar, he went on to clear the **UGC-NET** twice (July 2018, June 2019), along with **SET (Maharashtra, 2018)** — cementing his credentials as a university-level educator.

Professional Career: A Beacon of Knowledge and Leadership

Panskura Banamali College

Mr. Dey joined **Panskura Banamali College (Autonomous)** on **August 2, 2019**, as an **Assistant Professor in the Department of History**. His pedagogical excellence and visionary approach earned him the position of **Head of the Department from 2021 to 2023**. Over the years, he has taught a wide range of subjects to both undergraduate and postgraduate students:

- **History and Historiography**
- **State and Economy in Colonial India**
- **Environmental History**
- **History of Medieval India**

He has also contributed to **distance education and lifelong learning**, serving as a guest lecturer at the **Vidyasagar University Directorate of Distance Education** and a **counselor** for **Netaji Subhas Open University**.

Research and Mentorship

Mr. Dey is deeply involved in student mentoring and research supervision. Under his guidance, over **45 undergraduate** and **15 postgraduate dissertations** have been completed, with many more currently ongoing. His primary areas of research include:

- Social and Cultural History of Medieval India
- Environmental History
- Natural Calamities and Disasters in Historical Perspective
- Political History of Colonial and Postcolonial India

His published works and conference papers reflect a balance of regional specificity and global relevance — a hallmark of truly meaningful historical scholarship.

Scholarly Contributions

Mr. Dey's contributions to the academic community extend far beyond teaching. His research output includes:

Publications

1. “ভারতে ইসলামের প্রসারে সুফীদের ভূমিকা”, *ANTAK International Peer Reviewed Journal*, July 2018.
2. **Book Chapter:** *Gendering COVID-19: A Study on the Socio-Economic and Psychological Impact on Women in West Bengal*, published by **Jadavpur University Press (2022)**.
3. **Authored Book:** “রোম-আরব ও মধ্যযুগের ইউরোপ”, Progressive Publishers, 2022.

Seminars and Conferences

He has presented papers and participated in numerous academic forums, including international conferences and national workshops on themes like:

- Natural disasters in 19th-century Medinipur
- Gender, environment, and nationalism
- Role of archives in history
- Intersection of religion and diversity in Indian nationalism

He also organized several academic seminars, acting as **Organizing Secretary** for student research events that bridge the gap between teaching and learning.

Academic Leadership & Institutional Service

In his current role, Mr. Dey contributes significantly to curriculum development, internal assessments, and strategic planning. His leadership positions include:

- **Chairman**, Board of Studies, Department of History
- **Academic Committee Member**, Panskura Banamali College
- Member of the **Sports and Admission Committees**
- **Curriculum Designer** for UG and PG History programs

He is also an active **examiner and evaluator** for multiple academic institutions, often involved in question setting and evaluation at both internal and external levels.

Professional Recognition & Affiliations

Mr. Dey is a recognized member of many prominent historical and cultural bodies:

- **Paschimbanga Itihas Samsad**
- **Indian History Congress**
- **Bharatiya Itihas Sankalan Samiti**
- **Bangiya Itihas Samiti**
- **Garia Suchintan Society for Culture**
- **General Secretary**, Barasat History Association

Awards

- **Gold Medalist** in B.A. History from Kharagpur College (Vidyasagar University)
- Awarded for securing **First Class First across Humanities departments**

Legacy and Inspiration

Mr. Bumba Dey represents a rare blend of **academic integrity**, **pedagogical innovation**, and **community-oriented scholarship**. His life story offers an inspiring model for students from small towns — proving that with **dedication, intellectual curiosity, and resilience**, one can rise to leadership roles in academia and influence generations.

Whether teaching complex historical theories or organizing inclusive educational platforms, Mr. Dey remains driven by a singular mission: **to illuminate the past in ways that empower the future**.