

# “Distinguished Lecture Series”

[Lecture by Prof (Dr) Subhash Chandra Roy]  
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Shantiniketan, Bolpur, W.B., India



**Prof (Dr) Subhash Chandra Roy addressing Students and Teachers of DIPSER**

The 18<sup>th</sup> Lecture of the Distinguished Lecture Series was organised by Dev Sangha Institute of Professional Studies and Educational Research, Deoghar, on 29<sup>th</sup> Sept.2023, on the topic “**Rabindranath Thakur and Visva Bharati**”. The Lecture was delivered by **Prof (Dr) Subhash Chandra Roy**, Head, Deptt. of Hindi, Visva Bharati, Shantiniketan, Bolpur, West Bengal, India.

Prof (Dr) Subhash Chandra Roy presented an elaborate picture of the life and work of Gurudev Rabindranath Thakur. In his lecture, he described the contribution of Rabindranath Thakur as a poet and genius, to the society. He said that Rabindranath Thakur was the supporter of Individual freedom and to create free individuals, he established Visva Bharati. Visva Bharati was the first co-educational Institution of the country where boys and girls had equal right to education. He also said that Visva Bharati was the only Institution where students from kinder garden to Ph.D. can study. At the same time, he also invited to the people of entire world to join his institution. Gurudev was such an individual who was born and brought up in town but worked for the people of villages. In order to continually improve the skills of people like farmers, potters, weavers etc., he established Shriniketan for their development and improvement of their skills. Establishment of Visva Bharati was a noble experiment in the field of education where students are not confined within the four walls of classroom but can learn from the nature and natural surroundings also. Recently Visva Bharati has been declared as the World Heritage Site by UNESCO.

The lecture was highly interactive, and was attended by Teachers and Students of Dev Sangha Institute of Professional Studies and Educational Research and was a great learning experience. The programme was anchored by Student Teachers of DIPSER.