



অসমীয়া আলোচনা চক্র & Centre for Women's Studies,
Cotton University
PRESENT A SPECIAL LECTURE
On
"Disability, (Feminist) Disability Studies:
Perspective and Approaches"
TO BE DELIVERED BY: **DR SHILPA DAS**
EXPERT IN DISABILITY STUDIES, NID
Date: 12 February, 2021
Time: 2pm
Venue: Seminar Hall, 311 (MCB)

The Axomiya Alochana Chakra(Department of Assamese) in association with the Center for Women's Studies , Cotton University organised a special lecture on " Disability , (Feminist) Disability Studies" on 16th Feb , 2021 in an event that was attended largely by scholars, students and faculty of the institution . The speaker of the lecture Dr.Shilpa Das , an expert in Disability Studies, and senior faculty at theNational Institute of Design, Ahmedabad has worked with women and children ,particularly on health and disability from a human-centred perspective.

Professor Kalyan Das , Dean of Earth Sciences , Cotton University inaugurated the session while Dr. Rakhee Kalita Moral ,Head, Center for Women Studies, Cotton University introduced the speaker , the frame of the lecture to the audience and briefly explained the gendered concerns around disability at the present time.

In her talk , Dr. Das discussed and elaborated on the definition of Disabled people with special emphasis on the statistics observing that" about 50% of the disabled people in India are women". She presented a thought- provoking lecture thereby opening avenues for further research in human care, ethics and rights of people with disability.She introduced the participants to many exclusive examples and challenges faced by the disabled people by challenging stereotypes and the labels with regard to people with disabilities. She further went on to discuss how disability intersects with other kinds of gendered oppression by bringing forth the importance of Feminist

Disability Studies, now an emerging discipline in Gender Studies, an a paper offered also in the present Gender Studies course by the Centre for Women's Studies .

Her deliberation was followed by a small interactive session. Dr. Champakali Talukdar, HOD, Department of Assamese; Dr. Phukan Chandra Basumatary ,Dean of Language , Literature and Linguistics, SantanuPhukan , HOD , Department of English,doctoral scholars besides the students of Assamese and Gender Studies Programs,Cotton University attended the event . Dr. Kalpana Sharmah Kalita ,Incharge of AxomiyaAlochana Chakra extended her vote of thanks at the end of the session .

