# MAULANA AZAD COLLEGE

KOLKATA

**Department of Sociology and Department of History**
in collaboration with **IQAC**
**Organizing**

## National-Level Interdisciplinary Seminar

## "Indian Knowledge System: Reconsidering Historical Foundations and Socio-cultural Perspectives"

**2nd–3rd December 2026**

**Call for Papers: Faculties, Scholars, Students are invited to present papers from all Academic Institutions.**

**Themes/topics and paper contents: Please visit the college website for details.**

**Registration-fee link for paper presenters will be provided shortly.**

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# THEMATIC AREAS OF THE INTERDISCIPLINARY NATIONAL SEMINAR

**Teachers, Scholars and Students are invited to present papers** on the following themes:

**1. Historical Foundations**

- Historical development of Indian Knowledge Systems
- Textual and archaeological sources
- Inscriptions, literature, oral traditions, and material culture
- Changing interpretations of Ancient India

**2. Sociology of Knowledge**

- Knowledge and social structure
- Knowledge production and social institutions
- Family, community, occupation, caste, class, and gender
- Social organisation of learning and knowledge transmission

**3. Education and Knowledge Transmission**

- Teachers and students
- Centres of learning
- Indigenous educational practices
- Oral traditions and intergenerational transmission of knowledge

**4. Diversity and Social Access to Knowledge**

- Regional and linguistic diversity
- Community-based knowledge traditions
- Caste and access to knowledge
- Gender and knowledge
- Marginalised and less-represented voices

**5. Traditional Knowledge and Everyday Life**

- Agriculture
- Medicine and health
- Water management
- Architecture
- Crafts and metallurgy
- Mathematics and astronomy
- Environment and ecological knowledge
- Trade and livelihoods

**6. Knowledge, Ethics and Society**

- Ethics and duty
- Compassion and social responsibility
- Human well-being
- Nature and society
- Individual and community

**7. Indian Knowledge Systems and Contemporary Scholarship**

- Traditional knowledge and modern scholarship
- Historical evidence and later interpretations
- Contemporary interpretations of Indian Knowledge Systems
- Education and society
- Sustainability and environmental concerns
- Ethics and human well-being

**NOTE:** The details of Academic Papers will be shortly given in the college website. Please follow the college website.

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