



## Interface- An Interdisciplinary Lecture Series

## Bankura University

Dear Colleagues,

You will be pleased to know that our university is going to initiate *Interface*- an interdisciplinary lecture series from September, 2018. Our Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor Professor Deb Narayan Bandyopadhyay has kindly agreed to inaugurate this series. He is going to deliver the inaugural lecture of the series, entitled "Disparity and Value: In Quest of Knowledge"

(September 25, 2018 at 2 p.m.). It will be convenient for us to adopt 'once-a-month-lecture' model. Our colleagues are teaching, publishing and doing research with much competence and efficiency. Many of them have been recognized in the national and international levels. Interface will serve for us as a platform to exchange our ideas and insights.

## Why this interdisciplinary lecture series?

We highlight a few objectives which many of us have already felt and thought about:

- Death of a Discipline (Spivak) had already insinuated the need for deterritorialization of disciplines in academia. Spivak strongly advocates that 'humanities and social sciences must supplement each other' in a globalised world order. Dipesh Chakrabarty's 2009 Falling Walls Conference lecture, "Breaking the Wall of 'Two Cultures': Science and Humanities After Climate Change" is another telling reminder of how the crisis of anthropogenic climate change makes fence building between the disciplines redundant.
- Globalisation and the concomitant flows of capital necessitate the epistemologies of traditional disciplines to be reconfigured. Interdisciplinarity aspires to offer multiple research optics cutting across the disciplinary frontiers.
- *Interface* will offer a platform for us to come together, review our research findings, exchange ideas, and discuss emerging trends in the humanities and social sciences. The lecture series is going to be a window into the University's academic excellence. Lectures will be uploaded on YouTube for global dissemination.

A dedicated email account interface.bku@gmail.com has been created for correspondence.

Your suggestions and cooperation are highly solicited.

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