Students' Paper Presentation on Western Political Thought (From Bentham to Wollstonecraft)
Organised by the Department of Political Science
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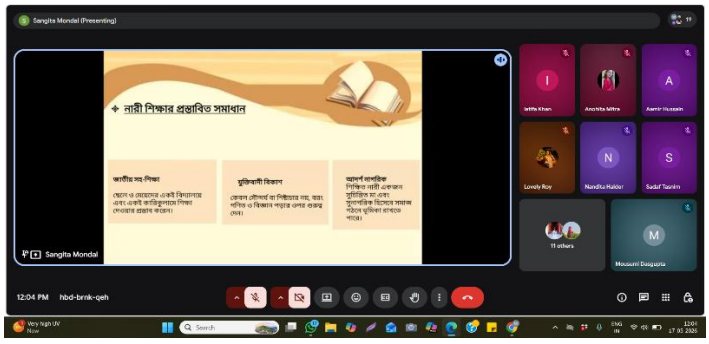
The Department of Political Science organised a student paper presentation seminar via Google Meet, focusing on Western Political Thought from Jeremy Bentham to Mary Wollstonecraft. The virtual academic session aimed to encourage critical inquiry and text-based analysis among major students. Nearly 22 students from Semester VI participated in the online seminar.

Participating students presented well-researched papers examining the core concepts forwarded by key classical political thinkers. The presentations highlighted Jeremy Bentham's utilitarian framework, John Stuart Mill's nuances on liberty, and Mary Wollstonecraft's pioneering discourse on women's rights and rational education. Rather than providing mere historical overviews, students engaged directly with the original texts and primary arguments of these philosophers. A key feature of the online seminar was the interactive discussion following each virtual presentation. Discussions brought out key ideological tensions—such as the balance between state intervention and individual freedom, as well as the gendered limitations in classical liberal thought. The seminar provided an effective digital forum for students to hone their public speaking, comparative analysis, and academic presentation skills, exemplifying the department's commitment to scholarly debate.



Online Presentation Underway



Interaction between Participants