

**CENTENARY CELEBRATION OF TAGORE'S VISIT TO  
CHINA**

***“A Memorable Encounter: Significance for  
Civilizational Dialogue in the Contemporary World”***

**Photo Exhibition, International Conference & Cultural Program**

***September 24, 2024***

**Organised by the**

**Institute of Chinese Studies, New Delhi**

**In collaboration with**

**India International Centre (IIC),**

**Gandhi Global Family,**

**Intercivilizational Dialogue Project,**

**Cheena Bhavana, Visva-Bharati University**

**Centre for Chinese & South East Asian Studies, SLL&CS,  
Jawaharlal Nehru University**

## **Photo Exhibition**

**Quadrangle Garden, India International Centre,  
40, Max Mueller Marg, Lodhi Gardens, Lodhi Estate,  
New Delhi 110003**

***September 24-29, 2024***

**Inauguration of Photo Exhibition: 10:00 a.m. -10:30 a.m.**

***K. N. Shrivastava, Alka Acharya, Avijit Banerjee, Nandita Chaturvedi***

## **International Conference**

### **Venue**

**Conference Room II, Terrace Pergola, India International Centre,  
40, Max Mueller Marg, Lodhi Gardens, Lodhi Estate,  
New Delhi 110003**

## ***PROGRAMME***

***September 24, 2024***

***Registration: 9:30 am -10:30 am***

### ***Inaugural Session***

***(10.30 am -11:30 am)***

***Welcome Remarks: Sabaree Mitra***, Convenor & Professor, Centre for Chinese & South East Asian Studies (CC&SEAS), Jawaharlal Nehru University; Honorary Fellow, Institute of Chinese Studies, New Delhi

***Inaugural Remarks: K. N. Shrivastava***, Director, India International Centre, New Delhi

***Special Remarks: Manoranjan Mohanty***, Distinguished Professor, Council for Social Development; Emeritus Fellow, Institute of Chinese Studies, New Delhi

***Special Remarks: Archishman Raju***, Founding Member, Intercivilizational Dialogue Project; Member, Gandhi Global Family, Bengaluru

***Keynote Address: Udaya Narayana Singh***, Dean, Faculty of Arts, Amity University, Haryana; Tagore Scholar, formerly Pro-VC, Visva-Bharati, Santiniketan

### **“The Quest for Knowledge in the East: Some Remarks”**

***Vote of Thanks: Alka Acharya***, Chairperson & Professor, Centre for East Asian Studies, School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University; Honorary Director, Institute of Chinese Studies, New Delhi.

**Tea Break: 11:30 am- 11:45 am**

### **Session One: Tagore's Writings in Intercultural Context**

**(11:45 am -1:30 pm)**

**Chair: Sreemati Chakrabarti**, Chairperson, Institute of Chinese Studies, New Delhi, India

*Speakers*

- **Manabendra Mukhopadhyay**, Department of Bengali, Visva-Bharati, Santiniketan, India, **"Tagore's 'Mission' of China: Review and Reassessment after a Century"**
- **Huang Rong**, Centre for India Studies, Shenzhen University, Shenzhen, PRC, **"Rabindranath Tagore and Tan Yunshan: Sowing the Seeds of China-India Friendship"**
- **Wei Liming**, Department of Asia-Pacific Studies, Peking University, Beijing, PRC, **"The Intersection of Rabindranath Tagore and Peking University: From Cai Yuanpei to PKU Courses on Tagore"**
- **Riva Ganguly Das**, Retired Diplomat, Former Director General, Indian Council of Cultural Relations (ICCR), **"Gurudev Rabindranath Tagore in Shanghai"**
- **Xiao Xingzheng**, College of Foreign Languages and Cultures, Xiamen University, Xiamen, PRC, **"Rabindranath Tagore's Inspirational Influence on My Creative Writing"**

**Lunch: 1:30 pm- 2:15 pm**

### **Session Two: Tagore's Vision of India, China and the World**

**(2:15 pm -4:00 pm)**

**Chair: Vinod C. Khanna**, Emeritus Fellow, Institute of Chinese Studies, New Delhi, India

*Speakers*

- **Uma Das Gupta**, Historian and Tagore Biographer, Kolkata, India, **"What was Rabindranath Tagore looking for from his dialogue with China?"**
- **Huang Yinghong**, Jindal Global Law School, O. P. Jindal Global University, Sonapat, India, **"From Interstate Relations to Inter-civilization Relations: A Case Study from Rabindranath Tagore's Phenomenal Visit to China in 1924"**
- **Indrani Bhattacharjee**, Jindal School of Liberal Arts & Humanities, O. P. Jindal Global University, Sonapat, India, **"Rabindranath Tagore and the Question of a characteristically Indian Cosmopolitanism"**

***Session Three: Panel Discussion on Tagore's Ideas of Humanism,  
Nationalism & Universalism***

***(4:00 pm -5:15 pm)***

***Moderator: Samik Bandyopadhyay***, Tagore Scholar & Cultural Critic, Kolkata, India

***Panelists:***

- ***Anita Agnihotri***, Creative Writer, Kolkata, India
- ***Mridula Mukherjee***, Historian, New Delhi, India
- ***S. P. Ganguly***, Spanish & Latin American Literature Studies Scholar, New Delhi, India

***Vote of Thanks: Avijit Banerjee***, Co-convenor & HOD, Cheena-Bhavana, Visva-Bharati, Santiniketan, India

***High Tea: 5:15 pm- 5:45 pm***

**Cultural Programme**

***September 24, 2024, 6.30 pm -8:30 pm***

**Venue**

**C.D. Deshmukh Auditorium, India International Centre,  
40, Max Mueller Marg, Lodhi Gardens, Lodhi Estate, New Delhi, 110003**

***Rabindra Sangit (Tagore's Songs)***: Students and Faculty of JNU led and directed by ***Sri Kajal Ghosh***; accompanied by ***Sri Anirudh Chowdhury*** (Synthesizer/ Keyboard) and ***Sri Dipankar*** (Tabla)

**Chinese Play based on Rabindranath Tagore's short story *Postmaster***: Students of Centre for Chinese & South East Asian Studies, SLL&CS, JNU; script adaptation and direction by ***Smt. Dayawanti***

***Rabindra Sangit (Tagore's Songs) in Bengali, English and Chinese, and Dance (Rabindra Nritya)***: Students of Cheena-Bhavana, Visva-Bharati, Santiniketan