## **International Web Conference on**

## Understanding Urban Ecosystem and Moving towards Sustainability Organised by

The Department of Geography, Patna Women's College
In collaboration with
Loreto College, Kolkata
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The three-day virtual event was the outcome of a Memorandum of Understanding between the two institutions, under the active initiative of Dr. Sister M. Rashmi A.C, Principal, Patna Women's College; and Dr. Sister Christine Coutinho, Principal, Loreto College. The international conference was convened by Dr. Debjani Sarkar Ghose, Head and Associate Professor, Department of Geography, Patna Women's College.

The deliberations were opened with an enriching keynote address by Prof. Mahalaya Chatterjee, Centre for Urban Economic Studies, Department of Economics, University of Calcutta.

Prof. D.K. Nayak, Department of Geography, North Eastern Hill University (NEHU) Shillong; Mr. Dhirendra Kumar, Programme Officer (Team Leader), Regulatory Framework Implementation Mitigation, UNFCCC, Bonn, Germany; Prof. Anup Saikia, Department of Geography, Gauhati University; and Prof. Swati Dhingra, Department of Economics and CEP, London School of Economics, London, UK; were among the erudite panel, who delivered special lectures across a series of two plenary sessions.

The technical session sub-themes addressed a spectrum of issues ranging from urban environment, amenities, services, society, economy, women workforce, sustainable development, governance and smart cities. The main topic of the conference was effectively and comprehensively covered by a variety of research presentations from higher educational institutions (colleges and universities) across the length and breadth of India.

Dr. Debasree Sinha, Assistant Professor, Department of Geography, Loreto College, was coconvener of the conference, and chaired a technical session on urban amenities, services, urban society, economy and women workforce.





