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## 2<sup>nd</sup> CYCLE NAAC ACCREDITATION PROCESS-2024

**CRITERIA: - Research, Innovations and Extention**

**Key Indicator: 3.1: Resource Mobilization for Research**

**Metric:3.1.1: Grants received from Government and non-governmental agencies for research projects / endowments in the institution during the last five years (INR in Lakhs)**

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Joint Secretary by designation and not by name



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EASTERN REGIONAL OFFICE  
LB 8 Sector III Salt Lake, Kolkata 700 098  
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No. F.PHW-110/15-16 (ERO)

To

The Principal,  
DUMKAL COLLEGE, BASANTAPUR  
Dumkal, Basantapur, Murshidabad  
West Bengal-742303

Subject: Approval of financial assistance to Dr./Mr./Ms ARNAV DEBNATH, Department of Political Science of your college for Minor Research Project regarding.

Sir/Madam,

1. The University Grants Commission has approved the proposal of Minor Research Project mentioned hereinabove as per the recommendations of the Expert Committee and has also approved an allocation of ₹ 180000/- for the project as per details given below :

Non-Recurring Items :	Amount (In ₹)
Books and Journals	60000/-
Equipment	50000/-
Recurring Items :	
Travel and Field Work	40000/-
Hiring Services	0/-
Chemicals and Consumables	0/-
Contingency (including special needs)	30000/-
<b>Total :</b>	<b>180000/-</b>

2. The terms and conditions of the grant will be as per the Guidelines of the scheme.
3. A sanction letter (100% of non-recurring and 50% of recurring grant) is enclosed herewith.
4. The college is requested to submit 'Acceptance Certificate' duly signed by the Principal and The Principal Investigator after receiving this letter.
5. The date of implementation will be the date of receipt of the first instalment by the college and it may be intimated in the Acceptance Certificate. The tenure of the Project will be for two years for all subjects.

Yours sincerely,

( Dr. Mohammad Arif )  
Joint Secretary

Copy forwarded for information & necessary action to;

1. The Registrar, Kalyani University.
2. The Director, Higher Education, Government of West Bengal state, state Secretariat,
3. Dr./Mr./Ms ARNAV DEBNATH, department of Political Science
4. Guard File

( Vinod Sharma )  
Under Secretary



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# Dumkal College, Basantapur

Dumkal \* Murshidabad

Ref: 25/DOB/UGC/AD

Date: 04/03/2017

To  
The Joint Secretary  
University Grants Commission  
Eastern Regional Office  
Kolkata - 700098

*Sub: Intimation regarding the receipt of the sanctioned amount in the college account for MRP (the name of incumbent : Arnab Debnath, Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science)*

Ref No. of your letter: PHW-110/15-16 (ESG)  
(ERO) ID No. : WK4-008  
Dated: 9<sup>th</sup> January, 2017  
S. No. : 228201

Respected Sir/Madam,

I am to inform you that we received the above mentioned sanction letter on 01/03/2017 and also an amount of Rs. 1,45,000/- (Rupees One Lakh Forty Five Thousand only) on 22/02/2017 in the college account as the Grant-in-Aid under the scheme of Minor Research Project.

Thanking you,  
Sincerely yours,

*Debasis Bandyopadhyay*  
Teacher-in-Charge  
Dumkal College  
Dumkal, Murshidabad

Encl.:

1. Copy of our above-mentioned letter.

RECEIVED  
Date: *04/03/2017*  
University Grants Commission  
Eastern Regional Office  
Kolkata - 700098

To,

Date: 07/03/2017.

The Teacher-In-Charge,

Dumkal College,

P.O- Basantapur,

P.S. - Dumkal,

Dist. - Murshidabad,

Pin - 742406, West Bengal.

Sub: **'Requesting to transfer of the first installment of Grant-in-Aid released by ERO, UGC under the Scheme of Minor Research project in Humanities & Social Science during 12<sup>th</sup> Plan in the year 2016-17 to Dumkal College from college account to incumbent's account.'**

Sir,

I received a letter from ERO, UGC [No. F. PHW-110/15-16 (ERO), ID No. WK4-008, S. No. 228201, dated: 09<sup>th</sup> January, 2017] on 01/03/2017 and an amount of Rs. 145000.00/ was sanctioned as Grant-in-Aid for doing MRP entitled: 'Dynamics of Political Violence in the District of Murshidabad: A Case Study of Hariharpara Block, 1984-2011'. I already submitted the 'Acceptance Certificate' to the ERO, UGC (on 06/03/2017, and a copy attached hereto).

Therefore, I request you to transfer the above-mentioned amount released by ERO, UGC, and received by college on 22/02/2017 as Grant-in-Aid to my (savings) account (details are given below) so that I can utilize it properly in connection with the said approved project as sharp as possible and oblige.

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely,

.....*Arnav Debnath*.....

[Arnav Debnath]

**Details of Incumbent's A/C:**

Name of Bank : State Bank of India.

Name : Arnav Debnath.

A/C No. : 11742939783.

CIF No : 81430199206.

Received  
Debasis Bandyopadhyay  
7.3.16.  
Teacher-in-Charge  
Dumkal College  
Dumkal, Murshidabad



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Ref. No: 20/DCB/MRP-AD

Date: 28/03/2019

To,  
**The Joint Secretary,**  
Eastern Regional Office,  
University Grants Commission,  
LB - 8, Sector - III, Salt Lake,  
Kolkata - 700098.

**Sub:** Submission of Final Report of Minor Research Project Vide No. F. PHW-110/15-16 (ERO), dated: 09 January, 2017, in favour of Arnav Debnath, Assistant Professor in Political Science, Dumkal College.

Respected Sir/Madam,

The final report of Minor Research Project entitled '**Dynamics of Political Violence in the District of Murshidabad: A Case Study of Hariharpara Block, 1984-2011**' duly completed by **Arnav Debnath** (Principal Investigator), Assistant Professor of Political Science, Dumkal College, [Ref. No. F. PHW-110/15-16 (ERO), dated 09.01.2017] is submitted herewith, along with all relevant documents for your kind perusal.

I do request you to accept the same and kindly release the remaining amount of Rs. 35,000/- (Rs. Thirty Five Thousand only) towards the project.

Dated: 28/03/2019;  
Dumkal, MSD.

Thanking you,  
Yours Sincerely,

*Debasis Bandyopadhyay*

(Teacher-in-Charge)

**Teacher-in-Charge**  
**Dumkal College**  
**Dumkal, Murshidabad**

List of Enclosure:

1. Annexure III - VII as per UGC MRP Guideline of 12<sup>th</sup> Plan.
2. All Bills and Vouchers (Attested Copies).
3. Certificates of Submission of Books, Journals and Equipments to Library and Department.
4. Summary of Progress Report.
5. Two Bounds Copies and one Soft Copy of Final Report that also includes Scanned Copies of Bills and Vouchers.

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03/04/19  
University Grants Commission  
Eastern Regional Office  
Kolkata-700098

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NEW DELHI - 110002

Utilization Certificate

Certified that the grant of Rs. 180000.00/ (Rupees. One Lakh Eighty Thousand only) received from the University Grants Commission under the scheme of support for Minor Research Project entitled '*Dynamics of Political Violence in the District of Murshidabad: A Case Study of Hariharpara Block, 1984-2011*', vide UGC letter No. F. PHW-110/15-16 (ERO) dated 09 January, 2017 has been fully utilized for the purpose for which it was sanctioned and in accordance with the terms and conditions laid down by the University Grants Commission.

*Agar abroto.*  
SIGNATURE OF

PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR

*Debasis Sandhyopadhyay*

PRINCIPAL

*Teacher-in-Charge*  
*Dumkal College*  
*Dumkal, Murshidabad*

STATUTORY AUDITOR  
(CA Debaprasad Sarkar)  
Membership No.054921  
Partner  
D.P. Sarkar & Co.  
Chartered Accountants  
90/1A, Sarat Bose Road,  
Kolkata - 700026,  
Date: 25-02-2019



**Final Report**  
**of**  
**Minor Research Project**

[Ref. No. F. PHW-110/15-16 (ERO), Dated 09.01.2017]

**Entitled:**

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**District of Murshidabad:**  
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**Submitted to**

**THE JOINT SECRETARY**  
**UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION**

**Eastern Regional Office,**  
**LB - 8, Sector - III, Salt Lake,**  
**Kolkata - 700098.**

**By**

**ARNAV DEBNATH**

**Assistant Professor (Political Science)**

**Dumkal College,**  
**Dist. - Murshidabad,**  
**Pin. - 742406 (West Bengal)**

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## INTRODUCTION

*We need to “learn, learn, and learn” what causes this violence.*

- Slavoj Žižek<sup>1</sup>

### **Background to the Study**

The ‘district’ under discussion owes its name to the city of ‘Murshidabad’ founded by Nawab Murshid Quli Khan in 1704. The ‘Committee of Revenue’ constituted in the year 1781 had taken a decision to break up both the ‘Calcutta Council’ and ‘Murshidabad Council’ in order to form eleven new ‘Collectorships’ on 18<sup>th</sup> April, 1786 which was approved by the ‘Governor General’ on 25<sup>th</sup> April, 1786.<sup>2</sup> Hariharpara, the selected block of Murshidabad district for this research on the topic of dynamics of political violence, and a plausible ‘*writ small*’ of the district concerned with respect to the topic, likewise has a history, although, in an obvious way, which is much lesser known. It is said that there was an old locality named ‘Harharpara’ in the ‘Kulbaria Pargana’ under the power of Nabinchandra Chowdhury, the famous landlord, in the nineteenth century.<sup>3</sup> Chitrabhoj, another landed aristocrat of the locality, gave some amount of property for maintaining the ‘Dargah’ of a popular Islamic saint Gaji Barhan and the ‘Eidgah’ beside it on 21.02.1862. In the legal deeds of this property ‘Harharpara’ was mentioned as ‘Haripara’. About twelve to thirteen years later Krishnaranjan Ray of Chhapra zilla, Bihar, bought ‘Haripara’ zamindari; and ‘Haripara’ came to be known as ‘Hariharpara’ afterwards. In 1881, Hariharpara remained one of the eight *thanas* under the ‘Berhampore Sadar Subdivision’. The changes of Murshidabad city to a ‘district’ and the native locality of ‘Harharpara’ to a ‘block’ within the district, however, manifest evolutionary feature common to and an inherent relation between the two geographical and administrative units. The names they acquire can thus be seen in a ‘*synchronic*’ manner relating to the fact that they have been termed according to the present day usage. It is this process through which a well-known historical place i.e. Murshidabad, and an almost unfamiliar locality, i.e. Hariharpara, receive their reputation and get their identity fixed for, as Hansen points out that ‘Mundane processes of using names, affixing them, enunciating them, and so on, have exactly this quality of constant reiteration that builds up and stabilizes the imputed properties of a place’ (Hansen 2001:2).