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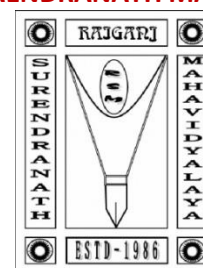
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ON

***HISTORY OF 'NORTH BENGAL': A NEW PERSPECTIVE***

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IN COLLABORATION WITH  
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## CONCEPT NOTE

As we believe, the partition of India was totally unscientific, unethical, and blundering event of Indian history. The British masters drafted it only on the basis of communal identity. The caste, creed, language, culture, lithopedo character of the area and many other crucial matters were not examined before the partition. This is a gigantic hurdle for the scholars of Indian subcontinent to relate the entire situation for their research work. After the partition followed by independence, the Indian part of Bengal was named as West Bengal and the northern part of this newly formed state was commonly known as North Bengal. But if we consider the history of North Bengal, the present geographical map becomes sketchy and difficult to deal with. The unerring geographical area of Northern part of Bengal should be the land between the River Karotoya in the east, the River Kosi (formerly Kausiki) and the river Ganges on the west and south respectively and Himalaya on the north. This piece of land includes the six districts of present 'North Bengal' (India), and the Rajshahi, Dinajpur, Bogra, Rangpur districts of present Bangladesh is the actual North Bengal. This entire area was known as *Pundra*, *Pundravardhana*, *Poundravardhana Vukti* in ancient time and in medieval period this area became known as *Varendri*. This region faced the scathing attack by the Muslim invaders and witnessed many political upheavals during that time. The region also has glorious history of agrarian movements and national freedom struggle against the British colonial masters. So the initiative has been taken by us to rethink the history of this northern part of Bengal within the broader geo-political map of West Bengal as well as of entire South Asia.

## SUB-THEMES:

1. The socio-economic and political characteristic of North Bengal.
2. Development of science and technology in North Bengal.
3. Art, architecture, archeology and sculpture of North Bengal.
4. Flora and fauna of North Bengal.
5. Demography and ethnicity of North Bengal.
6. Aborigines, caste and Tribe of North Bengal.
7. Political movements of North Bengal.
8. Folk culture, folk lore, oral traditions and habits of the people of North Bengal.
9. Geography of North Bengal.
10. Eminent personalities of North Bengal.
11. Contribution of women in the history of North Bengal.
12. Language, Sub-language of North Bengal.

## ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

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