Encore Event: UGC Sponsored Two Day National Seminar

Topic: Trans(gendered) Lives: Praxis of Silence and Exclusion

Date: 7-8<sup>th</sup> February 2017

The Department of English organized a UGC sponsored two-day National Seminar on the topic 'Trans(gendered) Lives: Praxis of Silence and Exclusion.' The seminar addressed the pertinent issue of gendered identity through the lens of plurality in the understanding of gender and sexuality. The central focus of the seminar was on the exploration of transgender identity within the parlance of social, political, and cultural context. The polemical dialogue developed during the seminar revolved around the contemporary debates on gender binaries, politics of gender, queer lives, as well as transgenderism. Eminent scholars from interdisciplinary schools of thought participated in the seminar and presented their perspectives on the discourses related to transgender, cross dressing, and transmedial narratives on sexual identities. The seminar was well-attended and appreciated by all the scholars, faculty members, and students.