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NATIONAL SEMINAR ON



Philosophical Explorations of Prof. Hrudananda Ray

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Prof. Hrudananda Ray

(10.5.1930 - 27.07.2015)

Introduction

Prof. Hrudananda Ray stands as a towering figure in the intellectual landscape of Odisha and Indian Philosophy at large. Born in Odisha, he distinguished himself as an educationist, philosopher, and celebrated author in the Odia language. Renowned for his eloquence, scholarly depth, and commitment to cultural heritage, Prof. Ray was an orator of rare brilliance and a prolific writer whose work spans poems, essays, and travelogues.

His philosophical outlook was deeply rooted in both Indian and Western traditions. Unconfined by disciplinary boundaries, he moved seamlessly across the analytical and continental schools of thought, reflecting a rare capacity to engage with diverse philosophical paradigms. His unique interpretations and comparative approach enriched the discourse of global Philosophy, earning him wide respect across academic and literary circles.

Beyond the realm of Philosophy, Prof. Ray played an instrumental role in promoting the Jagannath cult and was actively associated with the International Jagannath Society (IJS). He was also a committed social thinker, working closely with various literary, artistic, and cultural organizations for the betterment of society.

In recognition of his outstanding contributions to Odia literature and Philosophy, he was honoured with numerous prestigious awards, including the Odia Sahitya Academy Award, the Sarala Award (2005), the Sahityashri Award, the Odia Bhushan Award, the Vyasadev Samman, and the Madhu Swabhimani Award.

This seminar, Philosophical Explorations of Prof. Hrudananda Ray, offers a space to revisit, reflect upon, and celebrate the enduring legacy of a thinker whose ideas continue to inspire and enlighten.

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