

Foreword from the Head Of The Department of English

It is sheer pleasure to introduce to you the 1st issue- *Fortis Feminae of DiscourseZ 2020*, an in-house annual periodical of the Department of English, Duliajan College. The launching of this periodical is a significant milestone in the history of the department as it marks the culmination of a dream which we had woven together. It is my firm belief that nurturing creativity and inspiring critical thinking are integral elements of a successful education and the college magazine is a perfect tool for that. Contributions to multi disciplinary periodicals not only help students hone their literary skills, it also enables them to explore social issues beyond their curriculum and inculcate positive, progressive thinking. *DiscourseZ* will provide our students a forum for creative expression and help in their hollistic development.

The journey of *DiscourseZ* from its conception to materialization, from the realm of imagination to its actualization has been full of challenges largely due to paucity of funds but the determined members of the department, faculty and students alike, have proved it beyond doubt that where there's a will there's more than one way. *DiscourseZ* is indeed a reality now! And *Fortis Feminae* is definitely a step in the right direction. However, the journey has only begun. As we go forward, we shall have to strive harder to make continuous improvements both in its content and format.

On the inaugural occassion of *DiscourseZ 2020*, I would like to thank the faculty members who guided the students at every step from suggesting the topics to proof reading and designing the aesthetics for the magazine. A special thanks to Barbita Ghosh, the student editor who worked deligently on the project. I also

congratulate all the student contributors whose works were selected. They can be justifiably proud of having their work chosen and I am happy to acknowledge their achievement.

Wishing *DiscourseZ* a triumphant future ahead...

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EDITORIAL



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It gives me immense joy to put together the 1st edition of DiscourseZ, a periodical of the Department of English which we propose to publish annually. The objective of the periodical is to provide a platform for the GenZ students of the department to exercise their creativity. As such, the periodical has been very succinctly named 'DiscourseZ'.

This year gender discourse dominated the collective psyche of GenZ. Therefore issues related to women have been chosen as the theme for the 1st edition which has been inspiringly subtitled 'Fortis Feminae', a Latin expression for 'Strong Women'.

It is rightly said that a single flower cannot make a garland. Likewise, this periodical is the result of a team work. The dynamic initiative taken by our HOD, Jyoti Singh Pathak maam, the patient handholding and guidance provided by all the respected teachers the department and the creative contributions from the students have all made our dream come true....

DiscourseZ 2020 is born!

I would like to take this opportunity to extend my heartfelt gratitude to all and hope that the articles will be interesting to all.

Happy reading,

Barbita Ghosh.

Editor of 'DiscourseZ', 2020.

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