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Editorial Introduction

It gives us immense pleasure to present the latest issue of *Confluence: Journal of Humanities, Social Sciences & Commerce* (ISSN: 3107-5568), a peer-reviewed, multidisciplinary International journal published by Seth Soorajmull Jalan Girls' College (affiliated to the University of Calcutta), Kolkata, West Bengal, India. The present issue (Vol. 2, Issue 1) brings together a rich and diverse collection of articles that reflect contemporary concerns in literature, culture, gender studies, environmental humanities, philosophy, economics, history, and social thought.

The volume is organized into four thematic sections. **Section I** explores the question of identity formation, societal expectations, and the resilience of the marginalized, with essays that interrogate racial politics and diasporic subjectivity, the subversive potential of South Asian cinema, the psychological and structural discourses of inadequacy that subtly shape female subjectivity, and the traumatic matrix of shame, silence, and survival that defines the gendered experience of historical crisis. **Section II** shifts focus toward the Environmental Humanities, challenging long-standing human-centric paradigms and reassessing our relationship with the non-human world. **Section III** focuses on the fluid movements of desire, subjectivity, and modernism across regional and cultural borders. **Section IV** addresses traditional knowledge systems, cultural practices, and contemporary social policies.

We extend our sincere gratitude to all contributors for their rigorous scholarship, to our reviewers for their meticulous evaluations, and to the members of the Editorial and Advisory Boards for their continued guidance and support. We also acknowledge the unwavering encouragement of the administration of Seth Soorajmull Jalan Girls' College in nurturing this academic venture.

We hope this issue of *Confluence* will encourage meaningful academic dialogue across disciplines and inspire further research among scholars, students, and readers alike.

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