



# ATMA RAM SANATAN DHARMA COLLEGE

(UNIVERSITY OF DELHI)

## Exploring Utopia Through Omelas: Philosophy and Science Fiction

**Date of the Program:** 25<sup>th</sup> October, 2021

**No. of Participants:** 81

**Organized by:** Department of English, ARSD College

**Name of the Speaker:** Ms. Sanam Khanna

The English Associate was grateful to have Ms. Sanam Khanna, Associate Professor, Department of English at Kamala Nehru College, University of Delhi for a lecture on 'Exploring Utopia through Omelas: Philosophy and Science Fiction' on 25<sup>th</sup> October 2021 at 11 am via Google meet.

The Session began with Ms. Khanna giving a brief summary of the short story 'The Ones Who Walk Away From Omelas' by Ursula LeGuin. She then moved on to the analysis of the story by bringing in the perspective of philosophy in speculative fiction genre. She talked about how science fiction intermixes with philosophy especially the question of morality and goodness. She explained the tensions in the story and how it complicates the idea of a good person, a good citizen and keeping silent in the face of oppression.

Ms Sanam Khanna took us on a rather enthralling route throughout the session as she explained key elements that are involved in decoding the Utopia. She elucidated between ethics and morality and elaborated on topics such as speculative fiction, philosophy utopia, and dystopia.

After the initial lecture, the session then moved on to a lively Q&A session where Ms. Khanna patiently answered the various questions posed by the audience. Ms. Khanna was extremely clear in her answers and provided the students with an interesting insight to the text. The session was a great success as it provided the students with an enthralling perspective to a story in their syllabus.




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## Poster

THE ENGLISH ASSOCIATION  
OF  
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Invites you to a lecture on  
*Exploring Utopia Through Omelas:  
Philosophy and Science Fiction*  
BY



Ms. Sanam Khanna  
Associate Professor  
Kamla Nehru College

<i>On</i> Monday 25th October 2021	<i>At</i> 11 am	<i>Via</i> Google Meet
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Convener- Ms. Shibani Phukan ( Associate Professor)  
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## List of Participants

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Harsh Kumar	Lakshita	kritika kant	Vindeshwari Rathore
Ananya Mishra	Ashwani Bagoriya	Amrit Angural	Nandini goel
Ishika	Harshita Ojha	Runjhun Agarwal	Meemansha Pareek
shivam bhardwaj	Anjali	S.Leimichoie	Perna chand
Ishita Ladha	Shushant kumar	Chetanya Dudi	Sagar srivastava
Sakshi yadav	Arihant Atri	Tishya Chawla	Arushi Shrivastava
Asha	Deepti	Nidhi Jha	Shushant kumar
Simran Kanojia	Amal Roy	Nishi Baghel	Harshita Mathur
Anshika garg	Devyani	Shishir	Shagun Panwar
AARTI	Aashima Prasad	Aman Raj Gupta	NIKUNJ TULSYAN
Nidhi Sharma	AARTI	Nishtha Trehan	Shruti Chauhan
Vishwarupa Rath	Shriyanshi Pandey	Abhishek	Anil Baghel
Keshav Sharma	S.Leimichoie	Isha Adhikari	Tanvi Sachdeva
Sejal Arora	Debangi Kashyap	Satyendu	Nitya Kaushik
Afsana Khanom Barbhuiya	Snigdha Aswal	Ravi Rajput	Harsh Adhana
Hritika Kumari	Muskaan Tajeja	Denzel Miiding Taning	Swarnim Agrawal
Monica Zutshi	Harsh	Astha Singh	Aprajita Kumari
Rama Singh	Aryan Vimmi Arora	Pankhuri	Isha Sharma
Anamika	Padma Yangzes	Pragatee	Nova Deka
Rahul Das			