## **\*** KEY SPEAKER:

## MR NII AN JAN MISHRA

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- Asian **Paints** Sharad Samman (2021)
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- SBI Youth for India **Fellow**



Nilanjan Mishra is currently pursuing research on Sundarbans literature at the Department of Comparative Indian Language and Literature, University of Calcutta. He ranked first in his postgraduate program from the same department. An accomplished writer, translator, playwright, performer, and agroecological strategist, Mishra works extensively with farmers, beekeepers, and artisans in the Sundarbans and North 24 Parganas on sustainable agriculture, indigenous crop and pollinator conservation, and Disaster Risk Reduction.

He has translated and staged global literary texts across continents, performed Bhatiyali and devotional songs in national circuits, and published across major journals and news portals. Nilanjan is the founder of the Sundarban Delta Research Collective, working in collaboration with scholars from Calcutta University, NASA, RMIT Melbourne, and beyond.



# FCOLOGY AND BEYOND

# Seminar Abstract

What is ecology? What is life? And must it always revolve around the human? In an era marked by escalating climate crises, mass extinctions, food insecurity, and cultural dislocation, such questions are no longer merely philosophical—they are urgent, practical, and political. This seminar explores ecology not only as a science of living systems but as a framework for understanding the interconnectedness of all existence biological, cultural, and technological. Drawing on literature, fieldwork, and community experiences, the talk will challenge human-centred worldviews and invite participants to reconsider what it means to live responsibly in a web of shared life.

Through stories from the Sundarbans, indigenous agricultural practices, and global literary traditions, this session will

- Why is learning ecology essential not just for environmentalists but for everyone?
- How can ecological thinking help us navigate daily choices — from the food we eat to the technologies we use?
- What cultural wisdoms are already ecological at their core, yet overlooked in dominant narratives?

Join us for an interdisciplinary dialogue that moves beyond crisis thinking, toward imagination, resilience, and co-existence

- Open to All Students and Faculty
- Certificate of Participation will be provided.











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