

## **One-Day Seminar cum Workshop on “Educational Leadership Today: A Holistic Framework for Teacher Development”**

*Date: January 16, 2026*

*Venue: St. Xavier’s College, Maharo, Dumka*

St. Xavier’s College, Maharo, Dumka successfully organized a One-Day Seminar cum Workshop on “Educational Leadership Today: A Holistic Framework for Teacher Development” on 16th January 2026, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the college campus.

The seminar was held under the patronage of Fr. Dr. Varghese Palli, S.J., Principal of St. Xavier’s College, Maharo, with Fr. Jesuraj, S.J., Vice-Principal, serving as the Convener of the programme. The event began with a warm welcome address by Fr. Jesuraj, S.J., who emphasized the importance of holistic educational leadership in shaping contemporary academic institutions and fostering meaningful teacher development.

The sessions were conducted by the distinguished resource person Fr. Dr. Augustine Thomas, S.J., Principal of St. Xavier’s College, Kathmandu, Nepal. In his engaging and insightful presentations, he explored multiple dimensions of educational leadership. The workshop covered topics such as psycho-spiritual self-understanding, neuroscientific perspectives on human behaviour, Ignatian leadership principles, and reflective practices for educators.

The sessions were highly interactive and encouraged participants to engage in reflection, group discussions, and experiential learning, enabling educators to deepen their understanding of leadership and professional growth.

The seminar witnessed enthusiastic participation from faculty members of Sido Kanhu Murmu University, Dumka; S. P. College, Dumka; St. Xavier’s Intermediate Section; and St. Xavier’s Collegiate School, Maharo, along with teachers from the host institution St. Xavier’s College, Maharo, Dumka. The programme served as an important platform for academic exchange, collaboration, and professional enrichment among educators.

The event concluded with a vote of thanks by Dr. Gopinath Gorai, who expressed sincere gratitude to the resource person, the college management, the organizing team, and all the participants for their valuable contribution to the success of the programme.

Overall, the seminar cum workshop proved to be highly enriching, strengthening leadership perspectives and enhancing the professional competencies of educators, while reaffirming the institution’s commitment to academic excellence and holistic development.



Participants and faculty members during the One-Day Seminar cum Workshop on Educational Leadership at St. Xavier's College, Maharo (16 January 2026).

