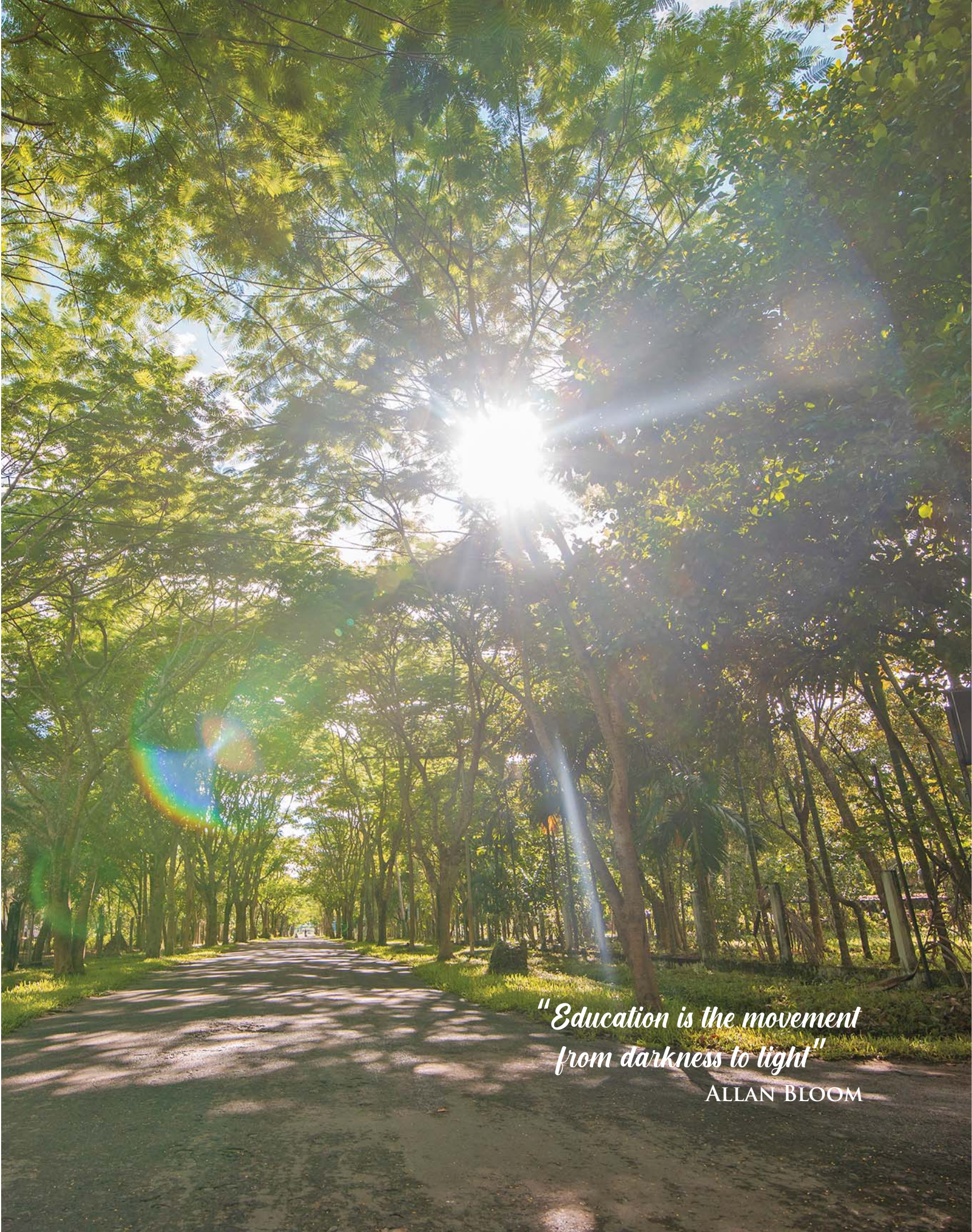


THE DIBRUGARH UNIVERSITY
Gazette



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*"Education is the movement
from darkness to light"*

ALLAN BLOOM

A Note from the Vice Chancellor



The *DU Gazette* is an important platform for highlighting Dibrugarh University's achievements of students, teachers, and administrative staff. Conferences, Invited Lectures, Celebration of International, National and State festivals, Commemorations and Tributes etc., find a pride of place in this biannual newsletter. Due to the nationwide lockdowns enforced in the wake of the two waves of the Covid-19 pandemic, the university was not in a position to publish a few issues of the *Gazette*. But we are now geared to resume the task of documenting the major events of the university through this medium, and to make this possible, I will need your help and assistance in many ways. We will all need to work together as a team with zeal,

dedication, and honesty. I am sure everyone will be able to live up to the expectations, and bring laurels to the institution. We are in the cusp of a major pedagogical reevaluation, or revolution – that is, the adoption of the National Education Policy 2020 in our university and its affiliated colleges. This policy marks a massive paradigm shift in the way education, especially higher education, will be imparted to learners of both colleges and universities henceforth. Instead of focusing primarily on theoretical knowledge, the NEP 2020 prioritises vocational education and acquisition of skill-sets for the workspace. By focusing on multidisciplinary approach, it aims to reduce the hard separation between basic sciences and social sciences. I think such a policy will make education more holistic and inclusive, and enable the next generation of learners to be both technologically and aesthetically adept. There are immense challenges before us in our quest to implement the NEP 2020 in our university, but we are determined to strive hard and overcome all hurdles to make it a reality. We are aware of infrastructural constraints, the necessity of capacity building, orientating teachers, employees, and stakeholders on the saliences of the new policy, especially making each of them competent in the use of technology to be up to speed with the increasing digitalization of the workplace. But I am sure we will be able to overcome these obstacles and all other bottlenecks, and emerge as an institution that succeeds in fulfilling the objectives envisaged in the NEP 2020 in both letter and spirit. Dibrugarh University is on course to undergo the fourth cycle of UGC-NAAC accreditation sometime in the first quarter of 2023, and work is going on a war footing to ensure that we come out with an accreditation worthy of such an illustrious institution. We are also striving hard to ensure that we improve our NIRF Ranking, and overall perception of the university in the public domain. The university is attracting learners from many countries around the world, and slowly but surely, we have succeeded in enhancing our visibility and credibility in the global arena. The number of patents from our university is increasing significantly. These are positives that we can take, especially in the post-pandemic condition in which we are trying to make up for lost time and opportunities. With the collective efforts of everyone working towards the realization of the university's decadal perspective plan in consonance with the larger vision and mission of the institution, the future of Dibrugarh University, indeed, appears very bright and promising.

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(Professor Jiten Hazarika)

Editor's Note: Prof. Jiten Hazarika was Registrar, Dibrugarh University during the timeline (1 January -30 June, 2022) of this particular issue of *The DU Gazette*. However, the publication process of this issue of *The DU Gazette* was initiated after he assumed office in the official capacity of Vice Chancellor, Dibrugarh University. Therefore, the note is attributed to him in his present designation.

From the Editor's Desk

This issue of *The DU Gazette* is out after a hiatus of more than two years. The reason for the same is not difficult to fathom. We have all experienced an extraordinary situation – an unfolding apocalyptic moment – which was surreal, bizarre, and extremely tragic. The covid-19 pandemic came as a bolt from the blue and made various protocols of carcerality aspects of the ‘new normal’. Instead of socialization, it mandated a regime of isolation. Instead of face-to-face conversation, it encouraged virtual interaction. Online classes, open book examination, truncated course contents, webinars, work from home and so forth became the order of the day. Countless lives were lost, business ventures imploded, workers laid off in droves, development shuttered in the wake of the unprecedented global lockdown. Everything seemed to have come to a standstill. A veritable *cul de sac* ! Then, fortunately, things turned around. Gradually, the regimented protocols were lifted one after another. Things opened up, and we resumed our old ways. Human resilience in the face of adversity is a stuff of legend. Ernest Hemingway’s lines from *The Old Man and the Sea* – “A man can be destroyed but not defeated” – (despite clichéd) is representative of human’s capacity to strive against insurmountable odds. That’s the spirit we need to infuse ourselves with in the post-pandemic condition. We need to reclaim the ground we ceded, get back to brass tacks, take stock of the situation, and go full throttle. That also applies to *The DU Gazette*. We need to highlight our university’s achievements, focus on individual and collective accomplishments, pay homage to those who rendered unstinted service to the institution, and encourage upcoming scholars, teachers, employees, and stakeholders to strive towards turning the vision and the mission of the university into a reality. This present issue is a small step in that direction. We have tried our best to showcase events that were organized by the various teaching (including non-teaching) departments and centers from January to June 2022. We have highlighted achievements of students, faculty members and employees, and paid sincere homage to those whose contributions would forever be part of our collective memory despite their passing. We would like to apologize beforehand if there are omissions or errors, which are inadvertent. We assure you that we will try to redress them in the next issue. Herein, I would also sincerely request you to assist us in compiling news about events, achievements, etc., from July to December 2022, happening in your department/center, along with images/photos (jpeg format), and mailing it to us at gazette@dibru.ac.in. We shall be very thankful for your timely help. And please send us your feedback, suggestions or recommendations about this issue at the email indicated. It will go a long way in enabling us to improve the overall quality of the newsmagazine in our subsequent issues. Thank you.

Seventy Third Republic Day Celebrated

The 73rd Republic Day of the nation was celebrated at Dibrugarh University on January 26, 2022 in the University Administrative Block premises. Professor L. K. Nath, Vice Chancellor, Dibrugarh University, unfurled the national flag and Prof. Jiten Hazarika, the Registrar, hoisted the university flag in the presence of teachers, officers, employees, research scholars, students and guests. The Vice-Chancellor delivered

a motivational oration on the occasion. He highlighted the contribution of the leaders and distinguished personalities as well as common people towards nation-building and development. On the occasion of Republic Day, the university felicitated Mr. Paban Talukdar, Security Officer, with a certificate of appreciation and a traditional Assamese *Gamosa* for his sincere and dedicated service towards maintaining safety, security and a good environment in the university. In his short



speech, Prof. Hazarika mooted the proposal of felicitating sincere and dedicated persons discharging their duties and responsibilities for the overall growth and development of the university on the occasion of Independence Day in upcoming years. The authority also felicitated the female security personnel of the university with a traditional Assamese *Gaomsa*



Bishnu Rabha Divas

observed by Dibrugarh University Officers' Association

As part of its extension activities, Dibrugarh University Officers' Association (DUOA) observed the Bishnu Rabha Divas on 20 June, 2022 in association with Rupnagar Jatiya Vidyalaya, Dibrugarh. The event was observed to commemorate the contributions of Kalaguru Bishnu Prasad Rabha in the field of social work, music, dance, painting, literature among others. The organisers invited students from nearby schools to create awareness amongst the youth regarding the contribution of Bishnu Prasad Rabha towards the greater Assamese society. The day-long programme comprised of several competitions viz. Singing, Drawing, and an Open Quiz session followed by an invited lecture delivered by Dr. Pranjal Buragohain, Assistant Professor, Department of Education, Dibrugarh University on the topic "Why we should know Bishnu Rabha?" The programme was followed by the award distribution ceremony for the winners, which was presided over by the President, DUOA. The Programme finally concluded with a concluding remark and a vote of thanks by the President, DUOA and General Secretary, DUOA respectively.





XX Convocation of Dibrugarh University Successfully Organised

The XX convocation ceremony of Dibrugarh University was held on 28 June, 2022. The ceremony was presided over by His Excellency Professor Jagdish Mukhi, Governor of Assam, and Chancellor of Dibrugarh University. Dr. Jagadish Mahanta, Eminent Scientist and Former Director, ICMR-RMRC, was conferred the D.Sc. *Honoris Causa* and renowned litterateur, composer and singer Dr. Lakshahira Das, was conferred upon (in absentia) the D.Litt. *Honoris Causa* at the XX Convocation of Dibrugarh University.





DIBRUGARH UNIVERSITY CELEBRATES *Eighth International Day of Yoga*

The *Eighth International Day of Yoga* was celebrated by Dibrugarh University with a number of events in the Bishnu Prasad Rabha Rangamancha on 21 June, 2022. The program was inaugurated by Prof. Jiten Hazarika, Registrar, Dibrugarh University and other dignitaries with the lighting of lamp. Prof. Surajit Borkotoky, Dean, Student Affairs, delivered the welcome speech. In his remarks, Prof. Jiten Hazarika, appealed to all participants to include Yoga practices in their daily life to attain a good health. A brief deliberation on the theme *Yoga for Humanity* was presented by Rajkumar Bharali, Assistant Professor and Coordinator of the program. Under the supervision of Mr. Bharali, B.P.Ed. students Partha Pratim Sarma, Sanjit Pandey, Madhusmita Basumatary and Ajiya Umpe demonstrated the common Yoga protocols, and the participants followed them



and practised these protocols. Dr. Mantu Baro, Director in-charge of the Centre for Studies in Physical Education and Sports, listed the events organized as part of the celebration of Eighth International Day of Yoga and delivered the vote of thanks. On behalf of Dibrugarh University, the program was organized by the Centre for Studies in Physical Education and Sports, NCC Unit and NSS Unit. Around 350 participants, including teachers, officers, employees, NCC Cadets, NSS Volunteers, and Students from neighboring schools, participated.

Dibrugarh University observes Shilpi Divas

Dibrugarh University observed Shilpi Divas to commemorate the noted freedom fighter, playwright, songwriter, poet and film maker Jyotiprasad Agarwala on his death anniversary on 17 January, 2022. Observing all the covid-19 related protocols, a small number of people including teachers, officers, and employees gathered at the premises of the Academic Branch. The event commenced with the garlanding of the portrait of the icon – Rupkonwar Jyotiprasad Agarwala – by Prof. Kalyan Bhuyan, Director, IQAC followed by others present there. Dr. Binud Chandra Borah, Joint Registrar (Academic) highlighted the multifaceted contributions of Jyotiprasad Agarwala towards Assamese literature, society, and culture. Prof. Kalyan Bhuyan, Mr. Arinjit Hazarika, Mr. Ashim Borkotoky, Dr. Gunadeep Chetia and Mr. Jayanta Kumar Gogoi also addressed the gathering with a few lines on this great personality.



A moment from an Inter-Department Football Match



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National Girl Child Day 2022

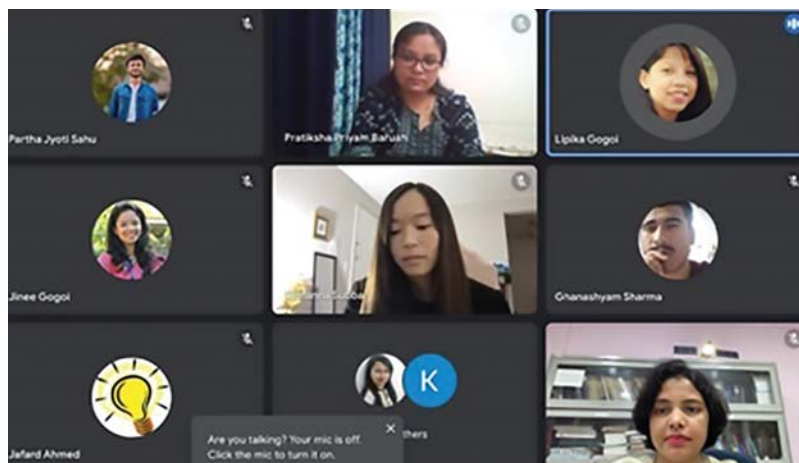
observed by NSS Cell

As part of the *Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav*, the NSS Cell of Dibrugarh University observed the **National Girl Child Day 2022** on January 24, 2022. The Day was observed online because of the third wave of the Covid 19 pandemic. The programme was held in collaboration with the Nazir Azmal Memorial College of Education, Hojai and Digboi College. The NSS Units of the Colleges under the NSS Cell of Dibrugarh University participated actively in the programme in which close to 150 girls were felicitated for their achievements in the fields of sports, art, culture, social work, etc. The girls were identified by the NSS Units. The programme was addressed by the Vice-Chancellor, Dibrugarh University, Prof. L K Nath, and the Registrar, Dibrugarh University, Prof. Jiten



Hazarika. Both of them appreciated the initiative of the NSS Cell in felicitating the girls and applauded their contribution. The welcome address was given by Dr. Devid Kardong, Programme Coordinator, NSS Cell, Dibrugarh University while the Vote of Thanks was proposed by Dr. Himadri Barman, Assistant Programme Coordinator, NSS Cell, Dibrugarh University. The programme was hosted by Dr. Kishor Haloi, Programme Officer, NSS Unit II, Digboi College.

Department of Physics Celebrates the 7th International Day of Women and Girls in Science



According to the UN Scientific Education and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), less than 30% of researchers worldwide are women and only 30% of female students select STEM-related fields. As such, an earnest initiative was undertaken by the Department of Physics, Dibrugarh University to encourage girls to build careers in STEM by celebrating the **7th International Day of Women and Girls in Science** on 11 February 2022. They have organized two activities among the students of

- the Department of Physics-
- i. A poster competition on 'Your Favourite Woman in Science'
 - ii. A live interaction with two Alumni: Dr. Tamanna Subba, Post-Doctoral Fellow, The University of Michigan, and Ms. Pratiksha Priyam Baruah, Ph.D. Fellow, IISER, Pune.

The Director, IQAC, Prof. Kalyan Bhuyan, a Professor of the Department, Prof. P. K. Bhuyan, former Professor of the Department along with other faculty members, Research Scholars, students from the Centre for Atmospheric Studies, and M.Sc. and Integrated M.Sc. students participated in the interaction session. The session was made public on YouTube for the benefit of other students interested in building a career in STEM.



Operations Management from Symbiosis Institute of Operations Management in 2017. Before moving to Flipkart, he was Deputy Manager at DHL Supply Chain. The programme commenced with a brief introduction of the speaker and his felicitation. It was followed by the Welcome Address from Dr. Himadri Barman who teaches the course. Thereafter, Mr. Bikram Bokul Barua

delivered his address, starting with his academic journey from BTech to MBA. He deliberated on the theme of the event, giving a broad overview of the supply chain in E-commerce, introducing the audience to the concept of Fulfilment Centres (FCs) which are at the core of any e-commerce company. He highlighted the use of advanced technology, including robotics in the FCs and the way technology made delivery of goods possible in the shortest time with minimal mistakes. Mr. Barua gave his classification of e-commerce and gave a brief overview of each type including the emerging area of social media commerce. He showcased interesting videos to supplement his lecture. The programme culminated with the vote of thanks, followed by the singing of the national anthem. The programme was hosted by Ms. Riya Gohain and Ms. Parishmita Dutta, and the student coordinator was Ms. Moumita Dey.

National Productivity Week Observed by CMS



The Centre for Management Studies observed the *National Productivity Week 2022* with the theme “Self Reliance through Productivity” by organising an invited lecture on March 15, 2022. The programme was held under the aegis of the Assam Productivity Council, an NGO based in Tinsukia, Assam. The programme commenced with a talk by Mr. B P Bakshi from Assam Productivity Council, who gave a detailed overview of the Productivity movement in India and Assam and the work carried out by

the Council. B P Bakshi is a father figure of the industrial ecosystem of Upper Assam and is the man behind the Assam Productivity Council. He is also a former member of the Executive Council of Dibrugarh University and a former member of the Board of Management of the Centre. He is a product of the famed XLRI, Jamshedpur. Thereafter, Prof. Pranjal Bezborah, founder Director-in-Charge of the Centre gave a brief talk as an invited guest on the theme of the Productivity Week. He also donated a collection of Productivity Quotes put in a laminated frame for the Library of the Centre. It was followed by the invited lecture from Mr. Prantik Sharma. He in his lively lecture interspersed with interesting anecdotes covered the complete gamut of the theme. He gave the example of his own organization BCPL to give insights into self-reliance. Mr. Sharma also exhorted the young students to be employers and not employees. The lecture was followed by a competition for the best two questions asked to the guests. Six questions were asked, out of which the questions put by Ms. Basobee Sreemoyee and

Ms. Monisha Borthakur were adjudged the best. The questions were answered by the guests. During the question-answer session, Prof. Kumud Chandra Goswami, Chairperson of the Centre, requested the students to make the best possible use of the resources of the Centre to become productive. The programme was hosted by Mr. Pransu Raj Kaushik, Assistant Professor at the Centre. The programme was also attended by students and teachers of the Department of Commerce, Dibrugarh University.



Bicycle Rally for Awareness on Road Safety



A Bicycle rally was organized by the Centre for Studies in Physical Education and Sports, Dibrugarh University, in collaboration with 46 Assam Medical Company, Dibrugarh and Dibrugarh University Unit on 27 February 2022 to generate awareness on road safety. The rally was started from the Bishnu Rabha Rangamancha premises of the University via Duwarachuk, Chiring Chapori, Amolapatty Chariali and concluded in the starting venue. NCC cadets of the University, Teachers, officers, employees, students and NCC Staff of the 46 Assam Med Coy Unit actively participated in the rally by displaying awareness slogans. Just before the rally, Vice-Chancellor, Prof. L.K. Nath and the Registrar, Prof. Jiten Hazarika, appreciated the initiative and encouraged the participants with their motivational speeches. Both of them highlighted the necessity of following traffic rules and the new policy on speed limit issued by the Govt. of Assam. They requested the participants to follow the government rules to ensure road safety in their life and create awareness amongst the general public. Prof. L. K. Nath also flagged off the rally. After the rally, a Swacchata Abhiyan was carried out at the Bishnu Rabha Rangamancha premises.



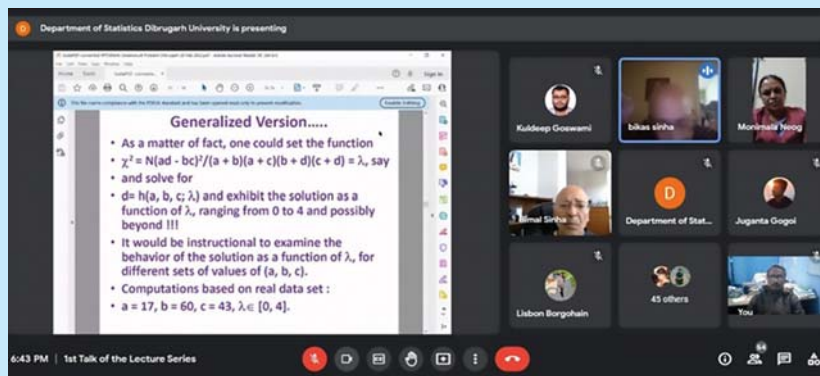
Prof. Porag Kumar Boruah

Third Memorial Golden Jubilee Lecture

Department of Applied Geology celebrated the Golden Jubilee of its establishment and to commemorate this notable moment, the department organised a series of lectures. The department organized Dibrugarh University sponsored Third Golden Jubilee Lecture in honour of late Prof. Porag Kumar Boruah on 21 December, 2021 at Prof. S.K. Memorial Conference Hall of the Department. Prof. Boruah was an eminent geologist who served in the Department of Applied Geology, Dibrugarh University from 1992 to 2009. He also chaired the prestigious K. D. M. Chair and was awarded with many major projects by ONGC, India and published many research papers in reputed national and international journals. The sedimentology laboratory of the department dedicated in honour of late Prof. Porag Kumar Boruah was unveiled by Mr. Indrajit Barua, Former Executive Director, Oil India Limited who was also the batchmate of late Prof. Boruah during the period of 1986 to 1989 in the Department of Applied Geology pursuing M.Tech in Applied Geology. Mr. Indrajit Barua, was the invited speaker of this event. He delivered his lecture on "Geology in the new energy order." At the beginning, Prof. Kalpana Deka Kalita, Head, Department of Applied Geology delivered the welcome speech. The event was inaugurated by

Prof. Dilip Majumder, Department of Applied Geology followed by lighting of lamp to pay tribute to Late Prof. Porag Kumar Boruah. Ms. Malobika Bora, Asst. Professor, Department of Applied Geology introduced Prof. Porag Kumar Boruah to the audience recalling his achievements and the contributions in the field of sedimentology. To honour this renowned sedimentologist, the sedimentology laboratory of this department was named after him. The event host, Dr. Ratamali Machahary, Asst. Professor, Department of Applied Geology spoke a few words about Mr. Indrajit Barua, the invited speaker of this event. He was an alumnus of the Department of Applied Geology, Dibrugarh University, and he is an experienced geologist not only in the Indian oil fields but also in some international oil fields. Mr. Indrajit Barua talked about the evolution of geosciences in the oil and gas industry. As he spoke about the energy transition, he mentioned the aspects of geothermal energy and key minerals such as Cobalt, Lithium, natural Graphite and rare earth minerals crucial for energy transition. He concluded his lecture mentioning the global current scenario of oil and gas prices. The programme concluded with the Vote of thanks offered by Mrs. Pallabi Borkakoty, Asst. Professor of the Department.

First Talk of the Lecture Series by the Department of Statistics



Prof. B.K. Sinha, Former Professor of Statistics, Stat-Math Unit, Indian Statistical Institute, Kolkata, delivered a lecture on the topic **Thoughts on Undercount Problems** on 20 February, 2022. More than 65 participants joined the talk online from different universities and colleges, apart from the faculty members, researchers and students of the Department of Statistics, Dibrugarh University.

One Day Symposium on Publication and Skill Development



The Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences in collaboration with the IQAC, Dibrugarh University organized a **One Day Symposium on Publication and Skill Development** on 28th of February, 2022 for Research Scholars of the Science Departments of Dibrugarh University at the Indira Miri Conference Hall. Vice Chancellor, Prof. L. K. Nath inaugurated the Programme. Four eminent scientists from PGIMER Chandigarh and AIIMS, New Delhi, viz. Prof. Bikash Medhi, Dr. Ajay Prakash, Dr. Promod Avti, and Dr. Sudhir Ch. Sarangi, from AIIMS, New Delhi, made their presentations. The programme was organized to enrich the students' skills in their research initiatives, particularly with special focus on publication skills, database inventory, scientific writing, role of various databases, search engines, Impact factor journals, Predatory journals, discussion on funding agencies etc. Teachers and a total of 46 research scholars from various Departments/Centres attended the Programme.

Model Exhibition cum Competition organized by Siksha Chora

The Siksha Chora, Student's Forum, Department of Education, Dibrugarh University organized a Model Exhibition cum Competition in the premises of the Department on 9 March 2022 as a part of curriculum of B.Ed Third Semester under the guidance of Dr. Amar Upadhyaya, Assistant Professor, Department of Education, Dibrugarh University. Prof. D. B. Talukdar, Dean, Faculty of Education, inaugurated the exhibition in the presence of Dr. K. P. Gogoi, Head, Department of Education, Prof. M. Hazarika, Prof. N.K Barua, Prof. P.K. Gogoi, Prof. M. Gogoi and other faculty members of the Department. Approximately 50 students



participated in the Model Making competition. The students of other departments of the University, students of nearby B. Ed Colleges, and students of nearby Schools also visited the exhibition. Dr. Jituranjan Chetia and Dr. Pranjal Buragohain acted as judges of the Model-making competition. Vedika Barua, Roseleen Ahmed, and Mintu Saikia were adjusted First, Second and Third Position in the Model making competition.

Inaugural Ranjit Kumar Dutta Leadership Lecture



Centre for Management Studies, Dibrugarh University, hosted the *Inaugural Ranjit Kumar Dutta Leadership Lecture* on March 14, 2022 at Rangghar, and it was attended by a galaxy of people from the oil and petroleum industry along with teachers and students from the University. In his keynote address, Mr. M S Rao, former Chief Secretary of Meghalaya recalled his association with Dibrugarh as the Deputy Commissioner and the difficult times he faced in the late nineties. He dwelt on leadership in a crisis situation and shared that B-Schools of today should make their graduates e-savvy. The Chief Guest, Mr. Manoj Jain, CMD, GAIL (India) also recalled his stay at Dibrugarh being on deputation to Brahmaputra Cracker and Polymer Limited. He talked about the uncertain times of today, and the kind of leadership that may handle these tough situations. Earlier, the Chairperson of the Centre, Prof. Kumud Chandra Goswami gave the welcome address and gave a brief overview of the programmes the Centre offers and how the industry can take benefit of the human resource created and nurtured by the Centre. He also thanked the donor of the Ranjit Kumar Dutta Memorial Leadership Lecture Series



Endowment, Mr. S K Barua. Prof. L K Nath, the Vice Chancellor of the University in his inaugural address recalled the contributions of late Ranjit Kumar Dutta to the University in general and the Centre for Management Studies, Dibrugarh University, in particular. He appreciated the initiative taken to organize the yearly leadership lecture. In the programme, the Bhubaneswar Barman Memorial Award 2020 was also presented to Ms. Debjani Deb. The Award is given to the topper amongst girls of the MBA (FT) programme at the Centre. It comprises of a trophy, a Certificate and an amount of ten thousand rupees. The Vote of Thanks was offered by Mr. S K Barua, former MD of Numaligarh Refinery Limited. A host of dignitaries were present in the programme including MD of Brahmaputra Cracker and Polymer Limited, Mr. Reep Hazarika; MD of Numaligarh Refinery Limited, Mr. Bhaskar Jyoti Phukan; MD of Assam Gas Company Limited, Mr. Gokul Chandra Swargiyari, and the Deputy Commissioner of Dibrugarh, Mr. Biswajit Pegu. The Ranjit Kumar Dutta will be an annual event, and corporate leaders from various entities will be invited to share their thoughts and experiences to benefit the student community at large.

NATIONAL SCIENCE DAY OBSERVED

On 28 February, 2022, the Dibrugarh University Research Scholars' Association (DURSA) in collaboration with Department of Chemistry, Dibrugarh University and Dibrugarh University Debate and Quiz Forum (DUDQF) observed National Science Day at Bishnu Rabha Rangamancha premises. The event was themed *Integrated Approach in Science and Technology for a Sustainable Future*, and the beginning of the day-long programme started with a plantation drive led by Mr. Bhaba Kumar Pegu (Advisor & ex-President, DURSA). The two "Bokul Plants" for plantation were donated by Mr. Jayanta Kumar Gogoi, General Secretary, Dibrugarh University Employees' Association (DUEA). The event commenced with the Dibrugarh University anthem followed by a Welcome Address by Mr. Bidyutjyoti Dutta, President, DURSA. Vice-Chancellor, Prof. L.K. Nath was present as Guest of Honour. Prof (Ms). Geetika Borah, Head, Dept. of Chemistry, delivered an enlightening talk on the importance of National Science Day. The event was followed by a lecture from the Chief Guest Dr. Pankaj Chetia, Dept. of Life Sciences, Dibrugarh University

who addressed the theme of National Science Day 2022 along with mass sustainability, future conservation of resources and waste management. Prof Pankaj Das, Professor, Department of Chemistry, Dibrugarh University, and Dr. Rahul Kar, Associate Professor, Department of Chemistry, Dibrugarh University also delivered lectures on the urgent need for, and the importance of developing scientific temperament among the youths of the upcoming and future generations. As part of the event, a Poster Competition among students of secondary level was organized. The themes of the competition were *Responsibilities towards Nature*, and *Science, Technology and innovation for Sustainable Development* for Group A and B respectively. The students showcased the importance, aims, and relevance of the theme during their presentations. In Group A, participants from Nurture International School and Delhi Public School received the prizes. In the Group B, students from DU Model School, Vivekananda Kendra Vidyalaya, and Kendriya Vidyalaya School bagged the awards. To encourage the students, the winners of the competition were awarded with certificates and memento trophy. Two awards in the two groups were sponsored by Dr. Anil Kumar, FNA, FASc, FNASc, J C Bose National Fellow, Chief Scientist and Divisional Chairman, Physical & Materials Chemical Division, CSIR-National Chemical Laboratory (NCL), Pune, India to encourage the school students. Dr. Anil Kumar announced the sponsorship of the two awards in the year 2017, and it is continuing till date. Along with this, an All-Assam Open Prize Money Quiz Competition *Quizzoscope* was organized which was conducted by Dr. Binud Borah, Joint Registrar (Academic) and Dr. Jitu Ranjan Chetia, Scientific Officer, Department of Chemistry, Dibrugarh University. The teams from Dhemaji Quiz Forum, Jorhat Quiz Forum and one team from Dibrugarh University were the respective winners of the event. Each of the teams were awarded with a certificate and prize money. Finally, the day-long programme concluded with a vote of thanks by Mr. Bhaskar Saikia, General Secretary, DURSA.



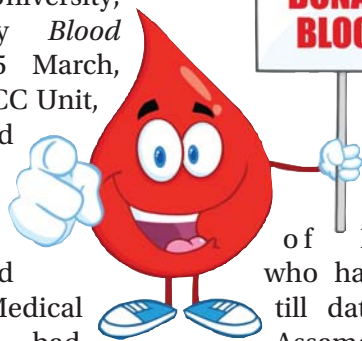
National Science Day

National Science Day is celebrated in India on 28 February each year to mark the discovery of the Raman effect by Indian Physicist Sir C. V. Raman.

Blood Donation Camp by NSS Cell



The NSS Cell, Dibrugarh University, organized a voluntary *Blood Donation Camp* on 25 March, 2022, in association with the NCC Unit, NSS DUG Unit, DUGSU, and DURSA at the Bishnurabha Rangamancha and Health Centre of Dibrugarh University. The program was supported by the Blood Bank of Assam Medical College, Dibrugarh. Despite bad weather, NSS volunteers from Digboi College, DDR College, Chabua, and North



Lakhimpur College (Autonomous) participated and donated blood during the programme. Altogether 76 units of blood were donated and deposited in the blood bank of the Assam Medical College from the camp. Mr. Atul Sonowal, a former NSS volunteer of North Lakhimpur College (Autonomous) who has already donated blood for 76 times till date was felicitated with the traditional Assamese *phulam gamocha* and a *safura*. Dr. Rashmi Phukan, Senior Medical Officer, Dibrugarh University, addressed the student-gathering and described the significance of blood donation and praised the student donors for their overwhelming response, despite bad weather conditions. Dr. DevidKardong, Programme Coordinator of the NSS Cell (DU), Prof. Surajit Borkotoky, Dr. Mantu Baro (Associate NCC Officer), Mr. Ranandra Khaund, NSS PO of DDR College, Mr. Pranjit Baruah, and Mr. Rajkumar Bhorali were amongst the prominent donors. In this context, a blood donation awareness rally was also carried out on 24 March, 2022. The rally was inaugurated by Prof. Jiten Hazarika, then Registrar, and teachers, officers, students, research scholars, NSS volunteers and NCC cadets participated in the rally. During the inauguration of the rally, Prof. Jiten Hazarika and Dr. Binud Borah (Joint Registrar, Academic) highlighted the necessity and significance of blood donation in their brief speeches.



Two-Day National Seminar Organised by Department of Political Science



The Department of Political Science, Dibrugarh University organised a two-day National Seminar on *Rethinking Citizenship in a Post-Colonial State: Identity and Conflict in Northeast India* on 24-25 March, 2022. The Head, Department of Political Science, Prof. Dolly Phukon, was the director of the seminar, and the faculty coordinators of the seminar were Dr. Priyanka Sharma and Dr. Rimon Bhuyan Gogoi, Assistant Professors. The Welcome Address was delivered by Prof. Dolly Phukon. The Seminar was inaugurated by Prof. Dipak Chetia, Dean, R&D, Dibrugarh University. The Registrar of Dibrugarh University, Prof. Jiten Hazarika delivered a speech at the inaugural session. The keynote address was delivered by Prof. Anupama Roy, Centre for Political Studies, JNU. Prof. Roy elaborated on the changing regimes of citizenship in post-colonial India. Prof. Roy stressed that the changing regime was transformative and

created states of exceptions. The ideational aspects of citizenship beyond the institutional discourse was highlighted by the keynote addressee as well. Prof. Akhil Ranjan Dutta, Gauhati University, in his lecture highlighted on the Hindutva regime and citizenship debates in Assam with a special reference to contemporary debates on the NRC and CAA. Prof. Ujjwal K. Kumar of Delhi University in his invited lecture elaborated on the concept of surveillance state as it is unfolding in the present times. Prof. Hilal Ahmed, Centre for the Study of Developing Societies, New Delhi, in his invited lecture focussed on the topic of the citizenship discourse and its implications for Indian Muslims. Prof. Biswajit Baruah, Dean of Social Sciences, Dibrugarh University, graced the inaugural session with a few words as an invited guest. Prof. Jahnabi Nath Gogoi, Department of History, Dibrugarh University, chaired the first session of the second day of the seminar. The first lecture was delivered by Dr. Chandan Kumar Sarma, Head,



Department of History, on the politico-historical analysis of the changing discourse on citizenship in Assam since the 1920s. Dr. Lakhripriya Gogoi, the Department of English, Dibrugarh University, spoke on the gendered discourse of citizenship based on select Assamese texts with special emphasis on motherhood and marriage. Dr. Kaustubh Deka of the Department of Political Science, Dibrugarh University, spoke on the duality of protests and participation as manifested by the twin moments of NRC and CAA in Assam. Dr. Rimon Bhuyan Gogoi, Department of Political Science, Dibrugarh University spoke on the discourse of indigeneity in the context of citizenship rights. The last session was a discussion on a book published by Dr. Manoj Kumar Nath, Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, Dibrugarh University, titled *The*

Muslim Question in Assam and Northeast India, published by Routledge. Prof. Bhupen Sarmah, Omeo Kumar Das Institute of Social Change and Development, Guwahati and Dr. Chandan K. Sarma, Head of the Department of History, Dibrugarh University acted as the discussants for the session. The session was chaired by Prof. Akhil Ranjan Dutta. The Valedictory Address was delivered by Prof. Bhupen Sarmah. Dr. Priyanka Sarma delivered the vote of thanks. The sessions were attended by students, research scholars and faculty members of various institutions. Discussions during the seminar were vibrant and engaging. The notions and contestations on citizenship, the implications and role of the state of Assam on the debate on citizenship and the new scholarly frontiers on this topic were the leitmotif of the seminar.

Invited Lecture on Twenty-first Century Skills for Leadership and Governance Organised by Dibrugarh University Officers' Association



An invited lecture on the topic *Twenty-first Century Skills for Leadership and Governance* was organised by Dibrugarh University Officers' Association (DUOA) on 29 March, 2022. The lecture was delivered by Prof. K. M. Bujarbaruah, Former Vice-Chancellor, Assam Agricultural University, Jorhat followed by an interaction. Prof. L. K. Nath, Vice-Chancellor, inaugurated the programme and Prof. J. Hazarika, Registrar, made the concluding remark. At the beginning of the programme, Mr. Monuj Tamuli, President, DUOA welcomed the gathering with a brief speech. Dr. Jituranjan Chetia, Secretary, DUOA offered the vote of thanks. The programme was coordinated by Dr Binud Ch. Borah, Joint Registrar Academic. The programme was attended by the Deans, Heads, Chairpersons, Directors, Officers and a few research scholars and students of the University.



Workshop on Intellectual Property Rights

A Two-Day Workshop on Patenting Innovations and Intellectual Property Rights was organized by the Dibrugarh University Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) Cell on 30 March, 2022. The Patent Information Centre of Assam Science Technology and Environment Council (ASTECC), Govt. of Assam, Guwahati, collaborate with the IPR Cell of Dibrugarh University in organizing the workshop. The inaugural session of the workshop held on 29 March 2022 was chaired by Prof. Dipak Chetia, the Chairperson of the IPR Cell. The Welcome Address was given by Prof. Aparoop Das. The workshop was formally inaugurated by Prof. L.K. Nath, Vice Chancellor in-charge. Other dignitaries present in the session were Prof. M.N. Dutta, Dr. Rupam Saikia, Mr. Debasish Dutta from ASTECC, Guwahati. The session was attended by faculty members of the university along with 60 registered participants of the workshop. The vote of thanks was offered by the Secretary of the IPR Cell, Dr. Pankaj Chetia. The resource persons who delivered lectures on different aspects of intellectual property rights were Dr. Rupam Saikia, Chairperson, Centre for Juridical Studies, Dibrugarh University; Mr. Debasish Dutta, Scientist, of Patent Information Centre, ASTECC, Guwahati; Dr. Mukul Chandra



Bora, Director, Dibrugarh University Institute Engineering and Technology; Prof. Purna K. Barua and Prof. Kishore Kr. Sharma of Assam Agricultural University, Jorhat. Dr. Utpal Das, Deputy Librarian of Lakshminath Bezbaroa Library of Dibrugarh University also delivered a talk online on the topic *Plagiarism and its Relevance in Academics*. The valedictory session of the workshop was held on 30 March 2022 and Prof. Kalyan Bhuyan, Director, Internal Quality Assurance Cell of the university was present as the Chief Guest. The workshop concluded after distribution of certificates to the participants.

Petrofest 2022

Petrofest 2022, the biggest Oil and Gas Extravaganza of Northeast India was organized by SPE Dibrugarh University Student Chapter (Chapter no. 6112) from 24-26 March, 2022, in the Dibrugarh University premises. The techno-cultural management festival was inaugurated by Prof. Nirode Baruah, Dean Student Affairs, Dibrugarh University, in the gracious presence of Mr. BinayanandaBharali, GM (G&R), OIL, Mr. R N Satish Babu, GGM (Mechanical), ONGC, Mr. Reep Hazarika, MD, BCPL, Dr. Nirmal Senapati and Mr. Sanjay Baruah from Petrodrill Well Control School, Guwahati, Prof. Subrata Borgohain Gogoi, Head, Petroleum Technology, DU, Prof. Diganta Bhuyan, Head, Applied Geology, DU and Dr. Nayan Medhi, Head, Petroleum Engineering, DU. Dr. Borkha Mech, Faculty Advisor of the chapter welcomed the guests and participants to the three day extravaganza. The festival witnessed various competitions including Paper and Poster presentation, HOEC Case Study, Quiz (in collaboration with DU Debate and Quiz Forum), Log Interpretation, Extempore, Drilling Fluid Challenge, Mock Interview, Treasure Hunt, Photography, Article Writing, SPE TechTalks and a workshop on Data Science in Oil and Gas Industries. The megaevent was sponsored by OIL,



ONGC, HOEC, BCPL, Abowloftales, Snevents, Designer Graphics and A&B Associates. The winners were felicitated by Mr. Nayan Nilim, Chief Guest of the closing ceremony and the event ended with a cultural night with vote of thanks by Mr. Sharahnan Puzari, President, SPE DU SC. Petrofest 2022 witnessed participation from UPES, PDEU, RGIPT, Barmer Engineering College, Presidency University, and Dibrugarh University.

Lecture on Unchartered Territory: Climate Action in a New Geopolitical and Geoeconomic Reality

Jörg Haas, Head of International Politics Division, Heinrich Böll Foundation (HBF) delivered a lecture in Dibrugarh University on 6 April, 2022 on the topic *Unchartered Territory: Climate Action in a New Geopolitical and Geoeconomic Reality*. He was accompanied by Marion Regina Muller of HBF. The lecture was organized by Department of Political Science in collaboration with Office of the International Affairs, Dibrugarh University.



Awareness Camp on Health through Yoga, Naturopathy and Acupressure Organised



An Awareness Camp on Health through Yoga, Naturopathy, and Acupressure was organised by Centre for Studies in Physical Education and Sports, Dibrugarh University, in Association with Chandraprabha Yoga Centre, Dibrugarh under the aegis of Arogya Yoga Bharati Welfare Society, New Delhi on 8 April, 2022. As a timely step of the University towards fulfilling the *SDG-3: Good Health and Wellbeing*, the awareness camp was set in motion. Experts from Arogya Yoga Bharati Welfare Society Yogacharya Dr. Alok Jha, Yoga and Naturopathy expert and National President of the AYBWS, Dr. Sanjay Singh, Acupressure Expert and National President, AYBWS, and Dr. Anuradha Mani Shukla, Ayurvedic and Naturopathy expert spoke about the role of yoga and naturopathy in maintaining good health.

They also demonstrated a few treatment procedures for naturopathy and acupressure. Dr. Mantu Baro, Director Incharge of Centre for Studies in Physical Education and Sports, Dibrugarh University, delivered the Welcome Speech. Dr. Devid Kardong, NSS Programme Coordinator of Dibrugarh University was present during the program and encouraged the participants. Director of Chandraprabha Yoga Centre also attended the program. Dr. O Jiten Singh, Associate Professor, offered the vote of thanks. The program was anchored by Ram Paul, Yoga Instructor of Chandraprabha Yoga Centre and President of Assam AYBWS.



FIPI Dibrugarh University Students' Chapter hosted the FIPI Eleventh Annual Convention

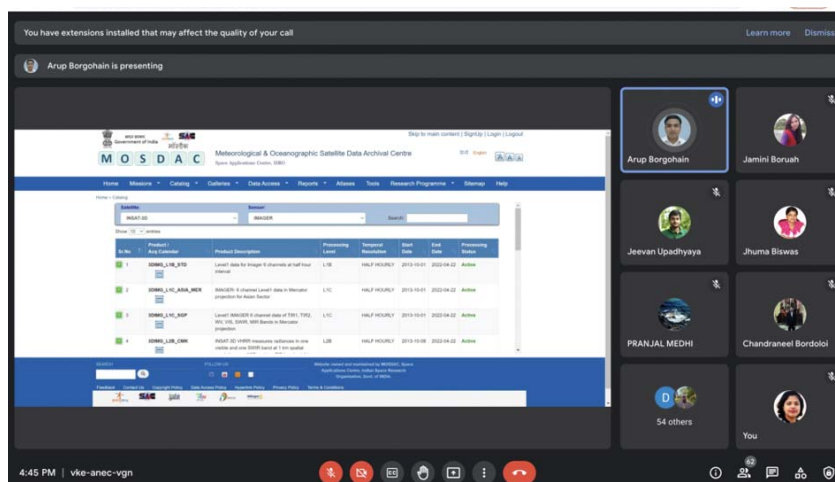
On 31 March, 2022, the *Eleventh Annual Convention* of the Federation of Indian Petroleum Industry (FIPI) was held in Dibrugarh University. The event was exclusively sponsored by the OIL, IOCL and ONGC. The chief guests of the events were Prof L K Nath, Vice-Chancellor, Shri Gurmeet Singh, Director General, FIPI, Shri Prasanta Barkakoty, Resident Chief Executive, OIL, Shri Rajesh Kumar Sharma, ED-Asset Manager, ONGC Assam Asset, Mr. G Ramesh ED-Head, AOD State Office, IOCL, Shri T K Sengupta, Director, E&P, FIPI. Apart from this, faculties and students from DUIET, P. Tech, and Applied Geology were present. The students' chapters from various other states participated in the event. The students from various chapters showcased their annual reports of their



performances and presented them to the judges. The best presenter and the best chapter awards were given away by the judges. PDEU secured the Best Chapter runners up award, and UPES secured the Best Chapter award. Dibrugarh University secured a Special Award for Chapter Activities.

Centre for Atmospheric Studies in Association with IQAC Celebrated Earth Day

The Centre for Atmospheric Studies in collaboration with the IQAC, Dibrugarh University, organized a lecture workshop on the occasion of *Earth Day* on 22 April, 2022. The Coordinator of the workshop, Prof. Kalyan Bhuyan, Chairperson of the Centre for Atmospheric Studies, and Director- IQAC, inaugurated the workshop. The aim of the workshop was to attract young College students towards Atmospheric Science, and also assist researchers in the field of Atmospheric Science with expertise on various techniques associated with it. Dr. Arup Borgohain, Scientist 'SF', NESAC, Meghalaya,



alumnus of the Department of Physics, Dibrugarh University, delivered a speech on *Space and ground-based technology for Atmospheric Research*. The convener of the workshop, Dr. Binita Pathak, Assistant Professor, Department of Physics as well as adjunct faculty in the Centre for Atmospheric Studies, provided hands-on training on Automatic weather Station data handling.



Sanjoy Hazarika, Eminent Writer and Honorary Research Professor at CPR visits Dibrugarh University

Eminent Writer, Scholar, Filmmaker, Honorary Research Professor at CPR, Sanjoy Hazarika was in Dibrugarh University as the *Guest of the Month* for April 2022. He had an interaction session with the members of faculty, students and research scholars of the University.

Community Work Programme on *Education for Sustainable Development* by the Department of Education



The Department of Education organized a week-long Community Work programme as a part of B. Ed curriculum at Sarvajanin High School, Subhachuk (near BCPL, Dibrugarh) from 25- 30 April 2022 on the theme of *Education for Sustainable Development (ESD)* under the guidance of Dr. Amar Upadhyaya, Assistant Professor and Coordinator of the programme. The Community work Programme was centered around on the concept of SDGs and ESD. Various programmes like creation of Medicinal and Flower gardens in the school premises, *Shramdan* in the nearby locality, Health check-up camps in support with Assam Medical College and Hospital, Village Survey on Sanitation and Hygiene, Community Plantation, awareness on Plastic use, and so forth, were organized by engaging the local community. Students were trained for art and craft activities, drama, song, music etc. on the theme of SDGs. Students counselling programmes were also organized effectively. An honesty shop was also set up in the school premises to develop the habit

of honesty among school students. The B. Ed students were also engaged in community cooking activities. On the last day of the programme, a Public Rally on the theme of attaining SDGs was organized in the locality which was attended by around 300 peoples including the members of the local community. In the afternoon, a cultural programme was organized by school students and community members. The products of art and craft training were also exhibited at the venue. The Department of Education, Dibrugarh University acknowledged the school authority, School Management Committee, teachers of the school and members of community for their support in organizing the Community Work Programme successfully.



Talk on *History of Indian Calendar* on the Occasion of *Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav*



Dr. Mukul Chandra Borah, Director, Dibrugarh University Institute of Engineering and Technology (DUIET) delivered a talk on 29 April, 2022 on the topic *History of Indian Calendar*. The talk was organized by DUIET as part of the lecture series organized to celebrate *Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav*. Vice Chancellor, Dibrugarh University, Prof. L. K. Nath inaugurated the programme. Prof. Jiten Hazarika, Registrar and Prof. S. C. Kakaty, Dean, Faculty of Science and Engineering were present at the event. The talk was attended by both students and faculty members.

Webinar on Public Relations organized by Centre for Studies in Journalism and Mass Communication

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Dibrugarh University
Presents

LIVE ON
WEBINAR

**PR IN THE NEW
WORLD-
NORTHEAST
INDIAN CONTEXT**

Understanding the
continuing shifts in Public
Relations and the
Communication landscape

Followed by a live interactive session with the
student community in Media &
Communications

GUESTS

Nurul Islam Laskar Chairperson, PRCI, Guwahati	Rooplin Sharma Perfect Relations	Dr. Shahid Siddiqui Journalist, INK7	Swakkhyar Deka DIPRO, Darrang	Rajnish Jain Crossword PR, New Delhi	Siddhartha Bhattacharya Registrar, News Line (Delhi Bureau)

in Public Relations and the Communication landscape, especially in North-East India. The webinar witnessed the presence of a distinguished panel with experience in Public Relations as well as Journalism. The guest speakers included eminent personalities like Nurul Islam Laskar, Chairperson, PRCI, Guwahati Chapter, Dr. Shahid Siddiqui, Journalist and Analyst (formerly with IBN7), Rooplin Sharma, Branch Head, Perfect Relations (Guwahati), Swakkhyar Deka, DIPRO (Darrang) and others. Prof. Prabin Kumar Gogoi, Chairperson, CSJMC, welcomed the audience and hoped that the students and the audience would benefit immensely from the proceedings. The webinar addressed the question of what the future of the PR practice would be in the new age, and in the Northeast India context. Nurul Islam Laskar opined, “PR in the North Eastern context is very different. Unlike other parts of the country, Northeast India has an astounding number of publications in total with Guwahati alone contributing to more than 20 publications, in various languages. This is a challenge because of the kind of fragmentation the region brings but with proper streamlining, solutions are around.”

The Centre for Studies in Journalism and Mass Communication (CSJMC), Dibrugarh University organized a webinar on *PR in the New World: Northeast Indian Context* on 29 April, 2022, to understand the continuing shifts

Celebration of National Technology Day

CELEBRATION OF NATIONAL TECHNOLOGY DAY, 2022

National Technology Day is celebrated on May 11 every year to commemorate the achievements of scientists, researchers, engineers and all others involved in the field of science and technology. It is a day to remind Indians about the technological advancements made by the country.

SPEAKERS

PROF. AJITH ABRAHAM
 Director of Machine Intelligence Research (MIR) Labs, USA
 Emeritus Editor, Engineering Applications of Artificial Intelligence, Elsevier
 Chair: IEEE Systems Man and Cybernetics Society Technical Committee on Soft Computing

MR. MADHURJYA PRAKASH BARUAH
 Additional Director (Scientist E)
 Software Technology Parks of India (STPI)
 Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology, Govt. of India

DR. PRANJAL BORAH
 Assistant Professor
 Department of Instrumentation and USIC,
 Gauhati University, Gauhati, Assam

PROGRAMME

9:30 AM: INAUGURATION
 10:00 AM: LECTURE BY PROF. AJITH ABRAHAM
 11:00 AM: LECTURE BY MR. MADHURJYA PRAKASH BARUAH
 12:00 PM: LECTURE BY DR. PRANJAL BORAH

CHIEF PATRON
 Prof. L. K. Nath

PATRON
 Prof. Jiten Hazarika

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Every year, *National Technology Day* is celebrated across India on 11 May to commemorate the anniversary of Shakti, the Pokhran nuclear test held on 11 May, 1998. The Department of Physics, Dibrugarh University, celebrated National Technology Day on 11 May, 2022 at the Department of Physics, Dibrugarh University. The mode of conduct was online during the morning session and hybrid during the afternoon session. One of the convenors of the event, Dr. Nimisha Dutta, hosted the event. The event began with a Welcome Address by the Head of the Department, Physics, Dibrugarh University. Prof. L.K Nath, ViceChancellor, Dibrugarh University, delivered the inaugural speech focusing on the importance of the observation of the National Technology Day, emphasizing on the significance of innovation and technology. Prof. Ajith Abraham, Director of Machine Intelligence Research (MIR)

Labs, USA, and Emeritus Editor of Engineering Applications of Artificial Intelligence, Elsevier (Editor-in-Chief: 2016-2021), Chair: IEEE Systems Man and Cybernetics Society, Technical Committee on Soft Computing (2008-2021), was one of the eminent speakers of the event. The topic of his talk was *Industry 4.0: The Role of AI and Data Science*. He delivered his talk online. His valuable words were a source of motivation and encouragement in broadening the scope of remarkable innovations across the traditional boundaries. He imparted his knowledge on huge, efficient and remarkable innovation based on Artificial Intelligence and Data Science in various industrial fields including medical, which will create a new landmark in the history of mankind. Guest speaker of the event, Mr. Madhurjya Prakash Baruah, *Additional Director at STPI, Ministry of Electronics & Information Technology, Govt.*

Of India delivered his talk on Indian IT/ITES industry and some government initiatives. His talk highlighted on the current advancements and the gradual evolution of the Indian IT industry. The major growth and progress our country have made during the past years and also amidst the pandemic was underscored by the speaker. In addition to that, the factors contributing to IT growth in India was also emphasised. Dr. Pranjal Borah, *Assistant Professor, Department of Instrumentation and USIC, Gauhati University, Gauhati, Assam* delivered his talk via hybrid mode on *Trends in Science and Technology for a Sustained Future : An Approach to the Students*. His talk aimed at the mode of human development to meet human needs while ensuring the sustainability of natural system and environment emphasizing the development of technology in the field of agricultural, renewable energy and energy harvesting. His talk highlighted on the role of satellites on the sustainable development. Deans, faculties, research scholars, from Dibrugarh University as well as from other institutions attended the event. Dr. Saumen Acharjee, one of the convenors of the event, offered the letter of appreciation to Dr. Pranjal Borah as a token of gratitude on behalf of the Department of Physics, Dibrugarh University and Dr. Reeta Devi, one of the convenors of the National Technology Day celebration proposed a vote of thanks to all eminent dignitaries and the participants on behalf of the Department of Physics, Dibrugarh University.

Social Media Themed Calendar for 2022-23 Released at CMSDU



A Social Media Theme Calendar for the FY 2022 -23 conceived by the Digital Platforms Analysis Team (DPAT) of the Centre for Management Studies, Dibrugarh University was released. The Calendar contains interesting facts on Social Media platforms, their activities as well as their founders. The DPAT team comprises of Dr. Himadri Barman, Assistant Professor, CMSDU, along with his three research scholars, namely Mr. Prakrit Saikia, Mr. Jamal Hussain and Ms. Banasree Dutta. The team is carrying out studies on digital platforms with a special emphasis on social media.

Investors' Awareness Program by the Department of Commerce in Collaboration with BSE Limited



The Department of Commerce organized an online *Investors' Awareness Program* in association with BSE Ltd. for two days, on 19-20 May, 2022. The objective of the Program was to impart knowledge related to investment amongst students. The number of students attending the program was 120, comprising of students from M.Com Fourth Semester, M.Com Second Semester and from the Generic Elective course, that is, *Introduction to Stock Market*. The Resource person for both days was Ms. Marina Jose Kanjikal, currently working as a resource person of BSE-IPF for conducting Investors Awareness Program across India. On 19 May, the program commenced with a brief introduction by Prof. Seema S. Singha, Head

of the Department, Department of Commerce, Dibrugarh University. The Resource person started her session by detailing about the principles of investing in the stock market followed by an explanation of how to select a company for the purpose of investing. The lecture was followed by an interactive session with the students for half an hour. On 20 May, 2022, the program started with an introduction by Ms. Barsha Kalita, Assistant Professor, Department of Commerce, Dibrugarh University. Besides M.Com students, students from the Generic Elective Course (*Introduction to Stock Market*) which includes students from various other departments of the University attended the sessions, and were highly benefited.

NSS PG Unit Observed Yoga Demonstration Programme



As per the directives of Regional Directorate, NSS Guwahati, the NSS PG Unit of Dibrugarh University organized a programme on Yoga on 14 May, 2022 as part of the countdown for observation of *International Yoga Day*. The chief guest and the coordinator of the Soft Skill Development Cell of Dibrugarh University, Mr. Hemchandra Dutta, talked about the importance of yoga in the present-day context. Dr. O. Jiten Singh, Associate Professor, Centre for Studies in Physical Education, Dibrugarh University, as an expert of yoga demonstration, shared the significance of yoga in maintaining a healthy lifestyle. Dr. Devid Kardong, Associate Professor, Department of Life Sciences and the Coordinator of Dibrugarh University NSS Cell, shared his personal experiences regarding yoga practices to motivate the participants. The event was led by Priyanus Hazarika, the senior volunteer of NSS Unit, Dibrugarh University, under the guidance of Dr. Amar Upadhyaya, Programme Officer,



NSS PG Unit, Dibrugarh University. The yoga practice session was attended by around 50 volunteers at the Bishnu Rabha Hall, Dibrugarh University.

Industrial-Academic Field Visit to Dihing Patkai National Park by Department of Commerce



On 21 May, 2022 (Saturday), the Fourth Semester students, research scholars and faculty members of the Department of Commerce visited the Dihing Patkai National Park, Digboi Forest Division, Soraipung range to explore various aspects of tourism industry. The Teacher-in-charge of the field visit, Dr.

Jutimala Bora, Assistant Professor, Department of Commerce was accompanied by Prof. Seema S. Singha, Head, and other faculty members, Ms Bishakha Chetia, Ms Barsha Kalita and Ms Pinky Gogoi. The resource persons of the Industrial-Academic field visit were Dr. Deborshee Gogoi, and Mr. Gauri Buragohain, faculty members from Digboi College. Dr. Deborshee Gogoi, Resource Person made a presentation on *Birdwatching Tourism and the Significance of Dihing Patkai National Park*. The resource persons highlighted various entrepreneurial opportunities in the Tourism sector in Assam. The whole team was immensely benefitted through this presentation and the field visit.



Centre for Studies in Journalism and Mass Communication marks its debut **Media Conclave**



The Centre for Studies in Journalism and Mass Communication (CSJMC), Dibrugarh University, one of the finest media and communications institutions of North-East India, hosted a two-day debut edition of *The Kaleido Conclave* in collaboration with Oil India Ltd., Duliajan and Brahmaputra Cracker and Polymer Ltd, Lepetkata, at Indira Miri Conference Hall, Dibrugarh University on 26 May 2022. The dais was graced by eminent media dignitaries from Northeast India, namely Karma Paljor, Editor-in-Chief of *East Mojo*, seasoned journalist OineetomOjah, OIL-Spokesperson Tridiv Hazarika and independent film-maker Jaicheng Zxai Dohutia of *Baghjan* fame, on Day One, and Guwahati-based Master Puppeteer Binita Devi, Ministry of Culture fellowship awardee, on Day Two. The two-day event highlighted on the ever-growing media culture, namely Journalism, Public Relations, Cinema and New Media and the significance of understanding the industry nuances across these diverse fortes in academia. In his message, Dr. Probin Kumar Gogoi,



Chairperson, CSJMC, Dibrugarh University said that he was happy to have successfully hosted the first ever edition of the *Kaleido Conclave 22*. He also noted that the sole purpose of the conclave was to celebrate the gathering of illustrious national and regional media dignitaries with the students, so as to allow a fruitful exchange of ideas and dialogue to close the gap between industry and academia. The inaugural session ignited conversations on the new world of journalism, on public relations and convergence of data and storytelling, and emerging practices in independent film-making. Chief Guest, Prof. Deb Kumar Chakraborty, Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences, highlighted how policies with the help of media as the conduit has the power to be a change agent to bring about the needed changes in education and overall national development. *East Mojo's* founder Karma Paljor, who came in as the New Media resource person commenced the session and emphasised the importance of understanding the nuances of the digital news landscape. He said, "Understanding the digital audience is key. The future of digital media in the context of news is not reporting on ground but rather fact-checking expertise alongside data



journalism, new avenues that are opening up in journalism today. Journalists are going to play a key role as fact finders, and there is a bright future for it.” Seasoned journalist, Oineetom Ojah added how journalism has undergone a sea change with each day throwing new challenges and ever-changing treatment of news by diverse readers. “Never leave your ethics and credibility behind and it is the only legacy that you can leave

behind. There is immense hope amongst the young generation in the Media.” Jaicheng Xzai Dohutia, Northeast India’s film-maker entrant to Cannes Festival 2022 dived into the practice of independent film-making. He said, “I am happy to be able to make it to the *Kaleido Conclave*. My hope is that cinema is seen and treated as real art and the efforts of young media students in making that happen will matter in the long run.” Tridiv Hazarika, OIL executive, took the audience through the nuances of the increasing importance of storytelling for good. “It is Public Relations that will help you come less scathed or unscathed out of a crisis. The only umbrella that you will have on a rainy day is good, conscious PR and you must ensure that you have a strong, quality umbrella.” The second day ended on a high note with a Puppetry workshop conducted by Master Puppeteer Binita Devi. The workshop received an encouraging student and faculty participation who were introduced to the novel experience in puppetry that helped expand the scope of an ancient artform, demonstrating the importance of combining communication and folklore.



NSS PG Unit conducts a Three-Day Swacchata Event

The NSS PG Unit, Dibrugarh University organized a Three-Day programme on *Mega Cleanliness Drive* on 24-26 May, 2022 at the Dibrugarh University campus. The activity started in the morning from the Jyoti Batsora, with groups of volunteers dispatched to the nearby areas. Volunteers removed all garbages from highlighted areas like Vishranta Guest House, Rangghar Auditorium, Lakhminath Bezbaroa Library, DU Haat, Josaag Tiniali

and Bishnu Rabha Rangmancha. During the activity, volunteers were provided necessity items like brooms, garbage bags, gloves, etc. They collected the plastic dumping and pledged to keep these in trash bags, and these were later shipped by the trash van. They also removed the weeds and chopped the unwanted bushes along the avenues. The event was led by Trishamoyee Borah, a senior volunteer of NSS DUPG Unit under the guidance of Dr. Amar Upadhyaya, Programme Officer, NSS PG Unit, Dibrugarh University. Around 40 volunteers participated in this Mega event with great enthusiasm and endurance. The programme Officer motivated the volunteers by sharing his work of experience in the volunteering field.

Alumni Association, CMS, organized Physical and Mental Health Workshop



S*amannay* – the CMSDU Alumni Association organized a Workshop on Physical and Mental Health for Budding Managers on June 4, 2022 at the Conference Hall of the Centre for Management Studies, Dibrugarh University (CMSDU). The workshop was conducted by Dr. Monprativ Barooah, Chief Medical Officer, Oil India Limited Hospital, Duliajan. He is also a well-known writer, public health activist, columnist and social media influencer on health and wellness. During his one-and-a-half-hour interaction with the students of the Centre, he touched upon a host of issues which has impact on physical and mental health. He said that the age 45 is an important milestone in the life of an individual and after that people should take preventive health measures. He was of the opinion that any food that is white may be avoided as well as anything that uses refined components. He advised the students that they should start taking care of their body from an early age because once they get into a job, physical activities will come down and the negative impacts on the body will pile up, which will ultimately show up around age 45. Dr. Barooah gave a 150-minute rule which says that one should spend at least one hundred and fifty minutes per week in working out. He cautioned people against

excessive intake of both sugar and salt. He said that people should have some exclusive personal time in which they are only with themselves. He said that once a while, people should take a complete break from work and go to some place to rejuvenate themselves. Dr. Barooah answered many queries from the students present after his talk. Earlier, Dr. Himadri Barman, Assistant Professor, CMSDU and General Secretary, *Samannay* welcomed Dr. Barooah and also gave a brief overview of the Alumni Association and the various activities that were being carried out under its aegis. Dr. Barooah was felicitated with an Assamese *Gamosa* and the memento of the Centre after the welcome speech. At the end of the programme, Mr. Abdul Rakib, President of *Samannay* and 2003 MBA (FT) alumni gave a brief speech to thank Dr. Monprativ Barooah for his excellent talk. He also presented a glimpse of what is being planned by *Samannay* for the students in the days to come. He also presented a Citation to Dr. Barooah on behalf of the Alumni Association to commemorate his presence and highlight his achievements. The workshop ended with a formal vote of thanks from Dr. Barman. The workshop was streamed live on the official Facebook page of the Centre.

Dr. Kiran Bedi at Dibrugarh University



Dr. Kiran Bedi, former Lieutenant Governor of Puducherry, delivered a talk on *Grooming Leadership* organized by NSS Cell, Dibrugarh University on 4 June, 2022 at Rangghar Auditorium.

Centre for Studies in Physical Education and Sports observes

World Environment Day



On the occasion of *World Environment Day*, Centre for Studies in Physical Education and Sports, Dibrugarh University carried out community outreach activity i.e. plantation drive and awareness on cleanliness in collaboration with Mohila Chora, Chetia Chuk at neighboring areas in and around Chetia Chuk, Dibrugarh on 5 June, 2022.

Centre for Studies in Physical Education and Sports Organised a One-Week Yoga Camp at Barpather Girls' High School

In compliance with the observation of the Eighth International Day of Yoga 2022, Centre for Studies in Physical Education and Sports, Dibrugarh University organized an outreach programme on *One-Week Yoga Camp* at Borpathar Girls' High School from 1-7 June, 2022. The programme commenced with the inaugural ceremony which was graced by Mrs. Kamar Jahan Begum, Headmistress of Borpathar Girl's High School and Chief Guest. Dr. Siddhartha Sarma, Assistant Professor, CSPES cum co-coordinator of the event delivered the welcome address. During the ceremony, Guest of Honour Dr. O Jiten Singh, Associate Professor, CSPES delivered a speech on the importance of yoga in the present-day context. During the yoga camp, Ajiya Umpe and Madhusmita Basumatary, students of B.P.Ed, CSPES, imparted skills on Common Yoga Protocols i.e., *asanas*, *pranayamas* and meditation with their principles and benefits. Students of the school actively participated in the camp and honed their yogic skills. The programme formally ended on 8 June, 2022 with the Headmistress' speech as well as the coordinator's vote of thanks.



Centre for Studies in Physical Education and Sports Conducted a One-Week Yoga Camp at Barpather Boys' High School

As part of the observation of the Eighth International Day of Yoga 2022, the Centre for Studies in Physical Education and Sports, Dibrugarh University organized an outreach programme - *One-Week Yoga Camp* at Borpathar Boys' High School from 1-7 June, 2022. The programme commenced with an inaugural ceremony which was graced by Mrs. Manjumoni Khanikar, Headmistress of Borpathar Boys' High School as the Chief Guest. Mr. Rajkumar Bharali, Assistant Professor, CSPES cum co-coordinator of the event delivered the welcome address. During the ceremony, Guest of Honour Dr. Mantu Baro, Director in-charge, CSPES delivered a speech on the necessity of yoga to maintain good health in the present-day context. During the yoga camp, Mr. Partha Pratim Sharma, Mr. Sanjit Pandey, and Firoj Kanti Brahma, students of B.P.Ed, CSPES, taught the participants about Common Yoga Protocols as prescribed by Ministry of AYUSH, GOI. Students of the school actively participated in the camp. On the closing day of the camp, the programme formally ended with the Headmistress' feedback on the camp and vote of thanks offered by the faculty coordinator of the camp.

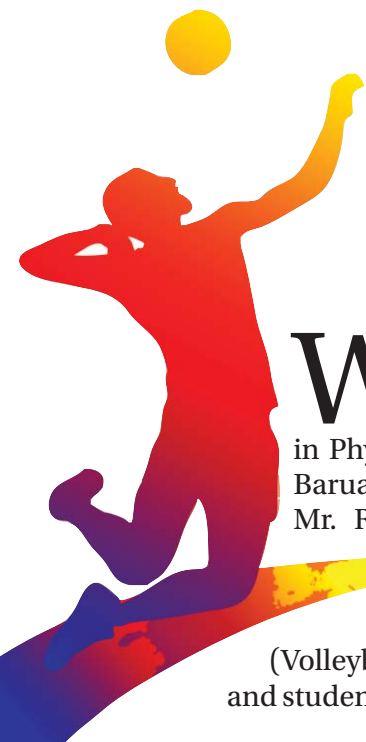


Centre for Studies in Physical Education and Sports Organized an Inter-Department Football Tournament, 2022

The Centre for Studies in Physical Education and Sports, Dibrugarh University, organized an Inter-Department Football Tournament from 21-27 May, 2022. Dibrugarh University Institute of Engineering and Technology came out champion by defeating Centre for Computer Studies and Applications. Tapan Boruah of DUIET was adjudged the Player of the Final. Prof. Jiten Hazarika Registrar, Prof. Nirode Boruah, Dean Student Affairs, Dr. Binud Borah, Joint Registrar (Academic), Prof. Kalyan Bhuyan, Director, IQAC, Dr. Dipjyoti Gogoi, Sports Officer, Mr. Sashindralal Bhuyan, Sr. Sports Journalist, Mr. Rajiv Saikia, Referee Secretary, DDSA, Mr. Jiban Gogoi, National Referee, Dr. Pankaj Chetia, Assistant Professor, Bimal Ch. Gogoi, SDSO and faculty members of CSPES and SASU graced the occasion. The event was organized by the football Specialization Students under the guidance of Director in-charge, CSPES and Teacher coordinator, Dr. O Jiten Singh. Students of CSPESDU the AFA Cat 5 qualified Referee acted as match officials during the tournament. The tournament was inaugurated on 21 May 2022. Dr. Jituranjan Chetia, Secretary, Dibrugarh University Officers' Association, Dr. Dipjyoti Gogoi, Sports Officer, Dibrugarh University, Dr. Mantu Baro Centre in-charge, CSPES and other faculty members of the Centre graced the occasion. In the tournament, a



total of eleven teams, namely Centre for Studies in Physical Education and Sports, Department of Commerce, Department of History, Department of Pharmaceutical Science, Centre for Languages, DUIET, Centre for Studies in Philosophy, Centre for Management Studies, Centre for Juridical Studies and Dept. of Petroleum Technology participated. The tournament was organized to create healthy environment in the University.



Centre for Studies in Physical Education and Sports organized a Workshop on Officiating in Volleyball

With an intention to provide professional knowledge and expertise, a *One Day Workshop on Officiating in Volleyball* was organized by Centre for Studies in Physical Education and Sports on 17 May, 2022. Mr. Anuj Baruah, Mr. Trirangajyoti Hondikoi, former referees and Mr. Ranjan Gogoi, National Referee graced the occasion and enlightened the participants with their deliberations. A total number of 68 participants comprising B.P.Ed Fourth Semester (Volleyball Specialized and others), Second Semester students, and students from other departments participated in the workshop.

Centre for Studies in Physical Education and Sports Organized a Workshop on Officiating in Handball



A *One Day Workshop on Officiating in Handball* was organized on 12 May, 2022 by Centre for Studies in Physical Education and Sports at the Dibrugarh University Playground. A total 72 participants comprising B.P.Ed. Fourth Semester Handball Specialization students, other interested students from B.P.Ed. and other teaching departments of the University participated in the Workshop. Mr. Gautam Kr. Das, National Referee and Assistant Secretary, AHA and Mr. Mon Akash Bordoloi, National Referee and Member Convenor, Referee Board, AHA participated as Resource Persons. Dr. Mantu Baro, Director Incharge, Dr. O Jiten Singh, Associate Professor, Dr. Siddarth Sarma, Assistant Professor, Mr. Rakesh Singh, Assistant Professor and Coordinator of the workshop graced the occasion and encouraged the students.

Centre for Studies in Physical Education and Sports Organised a Workshop on Officiating in Football

To provide platform to gather professional knowledge and expertise to the intending students, a *Two-Day Workshop on Officiating in Football* was organized by Centre for Studies in Physical Education and Sports on 8- 9 May, 2022. During the workshop, topics on pre-match discussion, post-match discussion, match report preparation, use of whistles and signals, mechanism of refereeing and their practical interpretation and implications were covered. Former National Referee and Referee Secretary, DDSA Mr. Rajib Saikia and National Referee Mr. Jivan Gogoi were invited as as Resource Persons. A total 57 participants including qualified referees of Dibrugarh, Dibrugarh University, and BPEd students opting Football Specialization and other interested football students of the university participated in the event. Dr. O Jiten Singh was the Coordinator, and Students Coordinators were Mr. Bhaskar Teron and Mr. Apu Changmai.

Centre for Studies in Physical Education and Sports Organises a One-Week Yoga Camp for Students of Dibrugarh University



As part of the observation of *Eighth International Day of Yoga 2022*, Centre for Studies in Physical Education and Sports, Dibrugarh University organized a *One-Week Yoga Camp* for Students of Dibrugarh University at Bishnu Rabha Rangamancha from 28 April to 5 May, 2022. The programme started with the inaugural ceremony, which was graced by Dr. Mantu Baro, Director in-charge, CSPES, Dibrugarh University as Chief Guest. Mr. Rajkumar Bharali, Assistant Professor, CSPES cum co-coordinator of the event delivered the welcome address. During the ceremony, Guest of Honour

Dr. O. Jiten Singh, Associate Professor, CSPES delivered a speech on the significance of yoga for students. During the yoga camp, Mr. Partha Pratim Sharma and Mr. Sanjit Pandey, students of B.P.Ed, CSPES, taught the participants about common yoga protocols as prescribed by the Ministry of AYUSH, GOI under the guidance of faculty coordinator Mr. Rajkumar Bharali, Assistant Professor, CSPES DU. Students of the university actively participated in the camp and learned to perform yoga. The programme formally ended with the feedback offered by Dr. Mantu Baro about the week-long yoga camp. Finally, the vote of thanks was delivered by Mr. Pranjit Boruah, Assistant Professor, CSPES.

Centre for Studies in Physical Education and Sports Organised Tennis Ball Cricket Tournament amongst Faculties, Officers, Employees and Research Scholars



The Centre for Studies in Physical Education and Sports, Dibrugarh University, organized a Tennis Ball Cricket Tournament among faculties, officers, employees, and research scholars of the University from 20 May 2022-20 June, 2022. Faculty of Education became champions

by defeating Faculty of Biological Sciences. Employee Mr. Simanta Sonowal was adjudged the Player of the Match. Dr. Devid Kardong, Program Coordinator, NSS, Dibrugarh University, Dr. Pankaj Chetia, Assistant Professor Life Sciences, Dr. Kameswar, Assistant Professor, Life Sciences, Dr. O. Jiten Singh, Associate Professor, CSPESDU, Mr. Bipul Chutia, Athletic Secretary, DDSA, Mr. Bolin Nath, former president, DUEA gave away the prizes. The tournament was inaugurated on 20 May 2022. Prof. Jiten Hazarika, Registrar, graced the occasion as chief guest, Mr Rohini Buragohain, Senior Assistant Registrar (Administration), Prof. Pankaj Dutta, Dept of Physics, Dr. Pankaj Chetia, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Life sciences, Dr. Kameswar, Dept of Life Sciences and Mr. Paban Talukdar, Security Officer, Dibrugarh University, were also



present as guests. Thirteen teams divided in four groups played in a league-cum knockout-basis. The students of the Centre for Studies in Physical

Education and Sports, Dibrugarh University extended all possible support in organising the event in a successful manner.

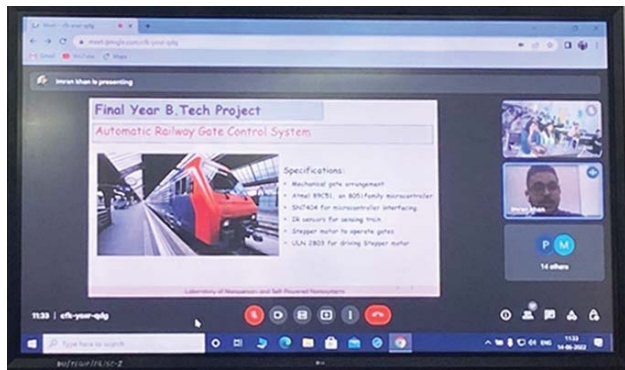
NSS PG Unit Organized NSS Special Camp



National Service Scheme (NSS) PG Unit, Dibrugarh University, organized its *Special Camp 2022 on Responsibility for Sustainability* from 13- 18 June 2022. Total forty volunteers of the unit participated in the special camp. The camp was designed and coordinated by Dr. Amar Upadhyaya, Programme Officer of the Unit. The inaugural ceremony was held on 13 June at the Indira Miri Conference Hall in the presence of Prof. S. Borkotokey, Dean, Student Affairs, DU, Dr. Himadri Barman, Assistant Programme Coordinator, NSS Cell, DU, Mr. Pranjit Kalita, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Applied Geology, DU, and Dr. Amar Upadhyaya. A series of activities were conducted to empower the volunteers of the unit. Cleanliness drive at Dibrugarh Town, Training on Life Skills and Volunteering, Training on Mental Health issues, Yoga practices, Civil defense training, School visits, starting of Fruit Garden in the campus,

Survey on Waste Management, Vermicompost preparation camp at adopted village, Veterinary camp at adopted village were some of the important activities of the camp. The theme of the camp was in consonance with the Sustainable Development Goals 2030. The camp was concluded with a certificate distribution ceremony on 18 June, 2022 and the same was attended by Dr. Devid Kardong, Programme Coordinator, NSS Cell, DU, Dr. Himadri Barman, Assistant Programme Coordinator, NSS Cell, DU, and Dr. Krishna Prasad Gogoi, Head, Department of Education. The Programme Officer, Dr. Amar Upadhyaya offered the vote of thanks to all members of University family for their support and guidance.

Alumni Meet V2.0 Celebrated in the Department of Electronics and Communication Engineering



The second annual Alumni Day celebration was held in Electronics and Communication Engineering Department, Dibrugarh University Institute of Engineering and Technology on 14 June, 2022 in the blended mode. The aim of the Alumni Day celebration was to unite ex-students and register them in the Alumni family of ECE Department. The program was inaugurated by Dr. Mukul Chandra Bora, Director, DUIET. Dr. Bhargab Jyoti Saikia, Head of the Department (i/c), faculty staff, students and ex-students of the department were present for the celebration. Dr. Mukul Chandra Bora and Dr. Bhargab Jyoti Saikia welcomed the gathering with their inspiring words. The felicitation ceremony of Alumni was held, in which they shared their individual experiences over the years. The following were among the notable alumni who graced the occasion and delivered their speeches.

- Imran Khan- Ph.D. (National Tsing Hua University, Taiwan) Senior R&D Engineer, BENQ Materials Corp. Taiwan
- Abhishek Talukdar- M.S. (Arizona State

University), Senior Digital IC Design Engineer, Max Linear, California, USA

- Manish Agarwal- M.S. (TU Berlin), System-on-Chip Engineer, NOKIA, Finland
- Dr. Himangshu R. Das- Ph.D. (Nehru), Assistant Professor, Central University of Karnataka,
- Jankishore Gogoi- APSC batch 2021, DSP at Assam Police, Kachar
- Amlan Jyoti Kalita- Entrepreneur, Business Strategist, Start Up Mentor
- Tridib Sharma – ASM (Service & Execution) at TATA Sky
- Suchibrata Das- VLSI design engineer, RvVlsi Design Center, Qualcomm, Bangalore
- Abhigyan Borah-M.E. Software Systems at Birla Institute of Technology Pilani, Graduate Technical Intern, CISCO
- Md Yakub Tosmin Ahmed- Data Analyst- Competitive intelligence, Bangalore, PhD (University of Hyderabad)
- Rimpi Bora- Mtech (IIIT Guwahati), Ph.D. pursuing from IIT Delhi
- Darshana Borthakur- SoC Design Engineer, Intel Tech India Pvt. Ltd.

An interaction session was also held with the Alumni and the present batch of students. A significant number of ex-students registered themselves in the Alumni Family on the day. The Concluding remark on the auspicious occasion was given by Mr. N.K. Kaphungkui, Assistant Professor, Dept. of ECE. Miss Simran Sarmah, a sixth semester student, presented the vote of thanks to all gathered members. The event was solely managed by the Dynamic Alumni Association Team.

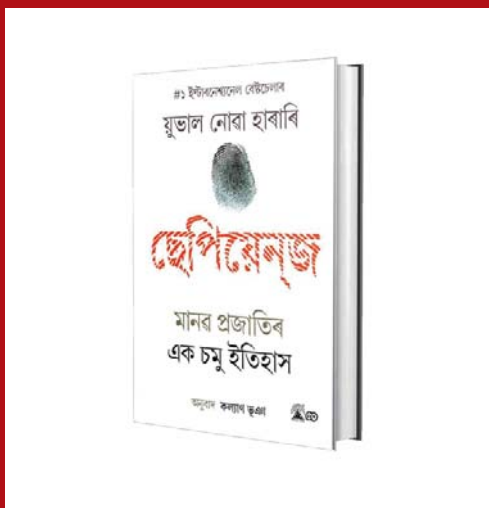
National Statistics Day celebrated by the Department of Statistics



On the occasion of *National Statistics Day, 2022*, the Department of Statistics organized the following events on 29 June, 2022 :

1. A bicycle rally from Dibrugarh University to Boiragimoth.
2. Talk on the subject Statistics and its scope among school students.
3. Quiz competition among the PG students of Statistics.

Assamese Translation of *Sapiens: A Brief History of Humankind* Released



Prof. Kalyan Bhuyan's (IQAC, Director & Professor of the Department of Physics, Dibrugarh University,) Assamese translation of *Sapiens: A Brief History of Humankind* of Yuval Noah Harari was released in a ceremony held in Dibrugarh University on 29 May, 2022. The ceremony was attended by Former Professor of Physics Paramananda Mahanta, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor of Birangana Sati Sadhani Rajyik University, Professor Jyoti Prasad Saikia, Registrar of Dibrugarh University, Professor Jiten Hazarika and faculty, officers and research scholars from various Departments of the University. Prof Bhuyan shared experiences of his journey while translating the book and mentioned the importance of obtaining due permission from the author in undertaking the task. The dignitaries at the occasion expressed their gratitude for the translation of such an important book. They hoped that such translations will make it accessible to a wider audience and it would encourage others to attempt such endeavours in the future.

WORLD HEALTH DAY CELEBRATED



World Health Day was celebrated on 7th April, 2022. The theme was *Our Planet, Our Health* and the slogan was *Health for All*. On this occasion, Dr. Mantu Baro, Director i/c, CSPES, DU delivered a talk on *Importance of Physical Health During Youth* in the Centre for Studies in Applied Psychology for the benefit of the students of the Centre.

Celebrating 150 years of the Birth Anniversary of Sri Aurobindo

The Centre for Studies in Philosophy, Dibrugarh University, celebrated 150 years of Birth Anniversary of Sri Aurobindo in 2022 by observing a series of lectures. The first two lectures of the series were conducted on the topics *Sri Aurobindo or the Adventure of Consciousness: An Interactive Session* and *A Glimpse of India's Idea of Education: From Vivekananda, Sri Aurobindo to UNESCO* on 6-7 January, 2022. The lectures were delivered by Diganta Biswa Sarma, an eminent scholar of Aurobindo and Vivekananda Studies.



Community Awareness Programme on **Visibility, Acceptance and Resistance**

The heterosexual biases of our society have for long marginalised a large section of people who do not identify themselves within the matrix. The rigid definition of desire not only deny to recognise the desires of homosexuality, but postulates that having such features and desires are a disease or disorder in some ways. We are more inclusive now than before, but, for many including, LGBTQIA++ community, this experience is still not a reality. Therefore, Dibrugarh Pride Committee and Drishti: A Queer Collective in collaboration with Dibrugarh University Political Science Association (DUPSA) organised 'Slogan, Poster and Collage Making Event' on 'Visibility. Acceptance. Resistance.' on 19/05/2022 in Bishnu Rabha Rangamancha, Dibrugarh University as an effort to practice inclusivity. It is an effort to create a space for visibility of all identities and sexualities and resist those practices, which are patriarchal, gendered and dogmatic. The event



was also organized with an objective to learn and unlearn- questioning our own practices, creating community awareness and increasing local outreach.

The event started with a warm up activity and meditation at 3:00 p.m. and ended at 6:30 p.m. Almost seventy-two participants were present in the event, including students and research scholars from different departments of Dibrugarh University and colleges. Mrs Lima Gogoi Borah, Nabajyoti Hazarika, Arundhuti Borthakur, Maharnab Hatimuria, Bhukhan Jyoti Gogoi, Cherry Das, members of Dristi and Dibrugarh Pride Committee also participated in all activities in the event and motivated the other participants. Pinky Biswash, Research Scholar, Department of Political Science, Dibrugarh University, Member of Dibrugarh Pride Committee moderated the event and highlighted the theme and the objectives of the event.

Prof. Jahnabi Gogoi Nath, Department of History, Chair Professor, Shri Shri Aniruddhadeva Chair, Dibrugarh University; Dr. Kaustubh Kumar Dekha, Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, Dibrugarh University, Dr. Rimon Bhuyan Gogoi, Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, Dibrugarh University, Dr. Amrita Pritam Gogoi, Assistant Professor, Department of Political



Science, Dibrugarh University, Dr. Priyanka Sharma, Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, Dibrugarh University; shared the significance of visibility, acceptance and resistance in the fight against patriarchy and patriarchal practices. They also enlightened participants with their valuable speech relating

to the movement and showed their gratitude to those, who work hard to organise this event.

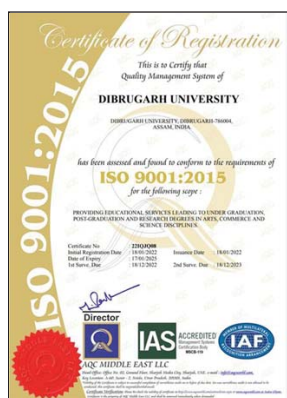
Prof. Dolly Phukon, Head, Department of Political Science, Dr. Dibyajyoti Dutta, Associate Professor, Department of Political Science and Dr. Obja Borah Hazarika, Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, Dibrugarh University did the needful to make this event successful.

Prof. Kalpana Deka Kalita, Department of Applied Geology, Dr. Monoj Kumar Nath, Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, Dr. Swati Kiran, Assistant Professor, Department of Assamese, Dibrugarh University were also present in the event. Participants were highly motivated and encouraged by their presence in the community awareness event.



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Dibrugarh University Receives ISO 9001:2015 and ISO 50001:2018 Certificates



Dibrugarh University received ISO 9001:2015 and ISO 50001:2018 certificates. The ISO 9001:2015 certification implies that the university processes and facilities are in conformity with International Standards. The ISO 50001:2018 certification implies that the varsity is energy efficient. It is a major achievement for the university to have achieved these standards of international competence.

Dibrugarh University enters into an academic collaboration with the University of Haifa, Israel



Dibrugarh University entered into an agreement (academic collaboration) with the University of Haifa, Israel, one of the premier universities in Israel on 31.03.2022 under the initiative of The Office of International Affairs, DU. The Agreement seeks to promote joint research, teaching and supervisorship, student and scholar exchange, and participation of students in study abroad programs between the two institutions.

SPE Dibrugarh University Student Chapter receives *Student Chapter Excellence Award, 2022*



Society of Petroleum Engineers, Dibrugarh University Student Chapter (6112,) has received the Student Chapter Excellence Award for the tenure 2021-22 under the guidance of Dr. Borkha Mech, Faculty Advisor of the chapter. The award has been presented by SPE International (Texas, US). The committee members were- Sharahnan Puzari (President), Angshuman Chetia (Vice President), Fardin Sattar (Secretary), Ananya Dutta (Officer), Nazrana Yasmin (Treasurer), Bhaskar Jyoti Deka (Social Activities Chair), Bikashita Shyam (Social Activities Chair), Chinmoy Das (Communication Chair), Sohail Hassan Choudhury (Communication Chair), Madhurjya Kashyap (Membership Chair), Mrigang Tayeng (Membership Chair), Shreoshi Roy Chowdhury (Program Chair), Arfaaz Masoom Ahmed (Program Chair).

Alumni contributed Portable Sound System to the Centre for Studies in Physical Education and Sports

Former B.P.Ed. Students of batch 2018-20 and 2019-21 of CSPES, D.U. donated portable Sound System to the Centre for Studies in Physical Education and Sports on 6 June, 2022 for smooth conduct of various kinds of activities of the Centre. On behalf of the Centre for Studies in Physical Education and Sports, the Director in-charge, acknowledged the contribution of the students of both batches for their effort towards the development of the Centre.



Obituary

Noted Women's Rights Activist and Academic: Professor Aparna Mahanta

Professor Aparna Dutta Mahanta, renowned women's rights activist, writer, literary critic, former Professor, Department of English, Dibrugarh University and founder Chairperson, the Centre for Women's Studies, Dibrugarh University, breathed her last on 26 January 2022.

Professor Mahanta was born on August 20, 1946 in Sivasagar. She had six siblings, among whom five were girls. She completed her schooling from St Mary's in Shillong and graduated from St Mary's College. She completed her Masters in English Literature from Gauhati University as well at the University of Leeds under a British Council scholarship programme. She pursued her Ph D from Dibrugarh University in 1982 and became the first woman in Assam to have a doctorate degree in English. Professor Mahanta was well-read and exposed to several feminist scholars. She returned to India from Leeds during the time of emergency. The fraught political climate of the



time made her determined to focus exclusively on social and political issues. She developed socialist inclination and an ardent commitment to address gender-based issues. As part of such a conscious-raising mission, she used to celebrate Women's Day with her female colleagues by visiting Dibrugarh University's female hostels by organising several awareness and sensitization programmes on women's rights. She has authored

numerous books, including *Nareebad* and a book on the life of Chandraprabha Saikiani, regarded as the first feminist in Assam. She also launched an Assamese magazine *Aideour Jonaki Bat*, which primarily focused on women's issues. The magazine included stories, features, and news articles. It also touched on sensitive issues like brutalities that women were subjected to by the police during the Assam movement. She travelled to various rural parts of nearby districts to address the issues of violence and facilitate

women to express themselves and fight for their rights. After her retirement from the university, she was a part of a women's organisation *Mahila Samakhya*, in which she served in the capacity of an advisor and mentor. She believed that as a society, we have not been able to progress because women's role was still perceived as secondary. She was 75 at the time of her demise and is survived by her husband, Professor Paramanonda Mahanta, a noted scientist and Former Professor of Physics, Dibrugarh University, and a son and a daughter.

Achievements

Dr Binita Pathak, Assistant Professor, Physics, selected for the SERB Women Excellence Award 2022

Dr Binita Pathak, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Physics, Dibrugarh University has been selected for the prestigious *SERB Women Excellence Award 2022* by the Science and Engineering Research Board, a statutory body of the Department of Science and Technology (DST), India. This award given by SERB supporting basic research in the frontier areas of science and engineering, was launched in the year 2013. It is a one-time award given to women scientists below 40 years of age who have received recognition from any one or more of the National Academies such as Young Scientist Medal, Young Associateship, etc. Dr. Binita Pathak has previously been selected for Associateship by the prestigious Indian Academy of Sciences (IASc), Bangalore in 2020. She is the first person from Dibrugarh University to have been selected for the same.



Dr. Pankaj Chetia, Department of Life Sciences, awarded the Prof. Arun Kumar Pandey Biodiversity Medal



The Professor Arun Kumar Pandey Biodiversity Medal in recognition of his research work on DNA Barcoding of different plant groups. The award was conferred online on 21 February, 2022 at the National Seminar on *Plant Taxonomy and Traditional Knowledge in the Himalayas & North-East India* organised by Rajiv Gandhi University, Itanagar, in collaboration with Botanical Survey of India, Kolkata and East Himalayan Society for Spermatophyte Taxonomy. The achievement highlights the commitment of Dibrugarh University towards upholding the Global Goals, especially SDG -15, pertaining to promoting Life on Land.

Student from DUIET selected as Graduate Engineer at IGGL

Mr. Purab Hazarika, M.B. Tech (Electronics and Communication Engineering) from DUIET was selected as *Graduate Engineer* in the pool campus drive at Tezpur University conducted by Indradhanush Gas Grid Limited (IGGL, A public Limited company) on 1 March, 2022. He is among the three selected candidates from the North East.

Student Project granted Patent by Commissioner of Patents, IP Australia



A student project in Dibrugarh University has been granted a patent by the Commissioner of Patents, IP Australia. Four students of the 2018 B. Tech class (Computer Science and Engineering) carried out the work under the supervision of Assistant Professor, Mr. Abhijit Boruah of Dibrugarh University. The patent was filed in May 2021.

The title of the invention is *A LiDAR point classification system for visualizing and processing LiDAR data and its method thereof*. The team consisted of Mr. Arpan Phukan, Mr. Pronam Phukan, Mr. Rohit Sinha, Mr. Shyamal Hazarika and Assistant Professor, Mr. Abhijit Boruah, Dibrugarh University Institute for Engineering Technology.

DU Badminton Team (Men) bags the Second Position in the East Zone Inter-University Badminton Tournament

Dibrugarh University Badminton Team (Men) participated in the East Zone Inter-University Badminton Tournament 2021-22 organized by Royal Global University, Guwahati from 27 December - 31 December 2021. The team bagged the Second position among 49 Universities and qualified for All India Inter University



Badminton Competition to be held at Chandigarh University, Mohali. The Team members

were Sri Lucas Borah (P G Classes, Dibrugarh University), Sri Angshuman Gogoi, (North Lakhimpur College), Sri Rajdeep Sarmah (P G Classes, Dibrugarh University), Sri Sarbartha Gupta (P G Classes, Dibrugarh University), Sri Abhinab Gogoi (P G Classes, Dibrugarh University), and Sri Dixit Gogoi (Duliajan College). The team was accompanied by the manager, Mr Pranjit Boruah, Assistant Professor, CSPES, D U and coach. Mr Akhtar Hussain.

Dibrugarh University Girl Student bags prizes in All India Inter-University Taekwondo Championship

The Dibrugarh University Taekwondo (Women) team participated in the All India Inter-University Taekwondo held at Kurukshetra University, Haryana from 28 to 31 March, 2022. In the Kyoruki events, Ms. Manumati Dohutia won the bronze medal in the 53 kg weight category. The team manager, Mr. Bimal Ch. Gogoi, accompanied the team



Dibrugarh University team qualifies for the Khelo India University Games, 2021-2022

Dibrugarh University has qualified for the *Khelo India University Games 2022*, to be held at Jain University, Bangalore from 23 April to May 3, 2022. The Dibrugarh University team will participate in Badminton for Men and Karate for Women. The Badminton team will be represented by Sri Lucas Borah (P.G. Classes, Dibrugarh University), Sri Angshuman Gogoi, (North Lakhimpur College), Sri Rajdeep Sarmah (P.G. Classes, Dibrugarh University),

Sri Sarbartha Gupta (P.G. Classes, Dibrugarh University), Sri Abhinab Gogoi (P.G. Classes, Dibrugarh University), and Sri Dixit Gogoi (Duliajan College) The Manager-cum coach is Mr. Pranjit Bourah, Assistant Professor, CSPES, D.U, and the Karate women's team will be represented by Ms. Emon Gogoi (J B College) and the Manager-cum-coach Ms. Monava Bezbourah, Assistant Professor, Department of Geography, Furkating College.



Students' Achievement in

the *Second Khelo India University Games 2022*

Ms. Emon Gogoi representing Dibrugarh University in the *Second Khelo India University Games, 2022* bagged silver medals in the Karate event - Female kumite 68+ category held at Jain University, Bengaluru from 24 April-3 May 2022.



Inter-College Quiz Competition



Mr. Pallav Kumar Das and Sri Sushanta Shekhar Kashyap, students of DUIET, Dibrugarh University, came third in the Inter-College Quiz Competition organized by the Assam Olympic Association in association with Cotton University Students' Union on the occasion of International Olympic Day on 23 June, 2022 at KBR Hall, Cotton College, Guwahati, Assam.

Campus Recruitment Drive

Students Selected by Oil India Limited



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Oil India Limited

The following students from 2022 batch of Dibrugarh University earned placements in the campus recruitment drive held on 1 April, 2022 by Oil India Ltd. at the University:

MBA (HR)

1. Shri Udit Raj Bora

Petroleum Technology

1. Sri Shekhar Jyoti Dutta,
2. Ms Sanjukta Baruah
3. Shri Angshuman Chetia
4. Shri Rahul Kumar
5. Shri Swakshar Jyoti Hazarika

Mechanical Engineering

1. Ms Priyakhi Medhi,
2. Ms Divyashree Dutta
3. Shri Debasish Das

Campus Placement by Reliance Digital, Reliance Retail Jio Mart and Edelweiss Wealth Management

The following students from the MBA 2022 batch got selected in the Campus Recruitment Drive conducted by Reliance Digital, Reliance Retail Jio Mart and Edelweiss Wealth Management:

1. Nilutpal Gohain (Development Executive) at Reliance Retail Jio Mart Ltd.
2. Papu Mili (Development Executive) at Reliance Retail Jio Mart Ltd.
3. Bishal Das (Key Account Executive) at Reliance Retail Jio Mart Ltd.
4. Jyotismita Das (Department Manager in Training - Operations) at Reliance Digital.
5. Shilpa Shahi (Wealth Manager), Edelweiss Wealth Management.

Campus Recruitment by VKVAPT

The following students from B.Ed. 2022 batch have been selected by VKVAPT in the campus recruitment drive held on 1st April, 2022 for Dibrugarh University:

1. Vedika Baruah
2. Karabi Borgohain
3. Jafrina Deori
4. Debanga Bhushan Gogoi

The following students were short-listed for their future requirements:

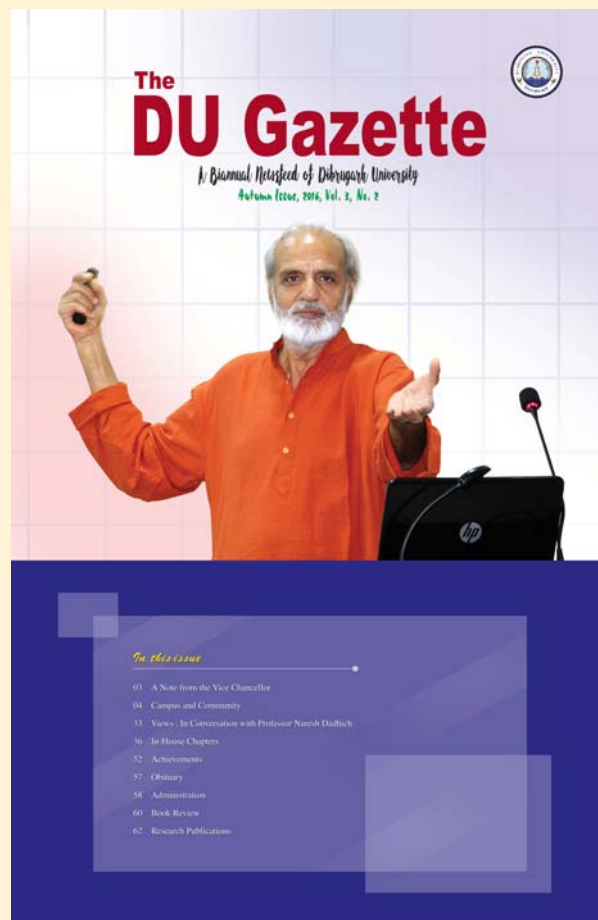
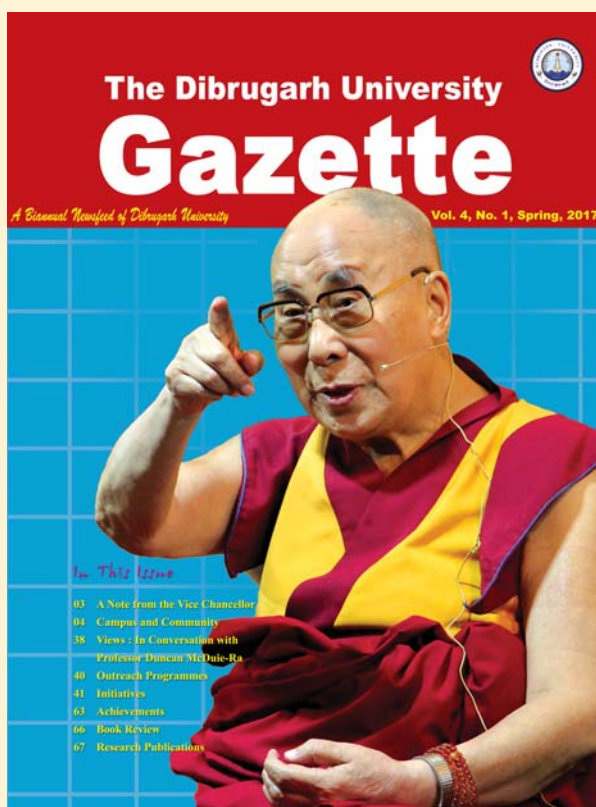
1. Pranjan Pratim Chetia
2. Rijusmita Kalita
3. Aksina Neog
4. Jui Das
5. Souvik Chandra Das
6. Sujata Phukan
7. Manash Pratim Lahon
8. Richa Bokatial
9. Umrani Panging
10. Nibedita Hazarika
11. Pallabi Konwar
12. Roseleen Ahmed
13. Bharati Baruah
14. Ankita Borah

Federal Bank Campus Recruitment



Mr. Ashis Kashyap of M. Com. 2022 batch from the Dept. of Commerce has been selected by the Federal Bank in the campus recruitment drive conducted on 28 March, 2022. He is provisionally empaneled for absorption in Bank's service as Officer in Junior Management Grade I subject to detailed verification of documents submitted by the candidates, background verification, and other terms and conditions to be intimated separately.





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