

Coaching Centre for Entry into Services for SC/ST and Minorities Students

The Centre for Entry into Services has been set up in the Dibrugarh University on 2nd April, 2008 with an objective to impart the requisite skills and knowledge to the students of Dibrugarh University belonging to SC/ST and other minorities categories so as make them employable.

Till 2012-13 the centre has organized various programmes for preparation for the competitive examinations especially for the type II categories of competitive examinations like Bank PO, Staff Selections, Railways etc. Apart from these, some soft skill development programmes has also been conducted to facilitate the participants to face the various interviews. However from 2013 onwards the centre has ventured into the coaching programme for preparation of **Civil Services Examinations.**

The centre has organized the programme on “**Quest for Competitive Examination**” during **27th April to 18th May, 2013.** There were in total **60 students** of different centres and departments of the University have participated in the programme. The resource persons were from the field of **civil services, banks, private sectors, academicians from within and outside the University.** The feedback received for this programme was very encouraging. It has been suggested that there should be more sessions on civil service examinations.

Accordingly the **Centre** has conducted a **Two Weeks Crash Course on Preparation for Civil Services (Prelims.) Examination** from **29th October 2013 to 10th November 2013. 93 (Ninety three) students of Dibrugarh University** have attended the course.

There were **four IAS Officers of Assam-Meghalaya cadre** that have addressed the participants in the course in the first phase. During this phase of the course, three eminent faculties of History, Political Science and Geography also shared ideas in their areas of expertise with the participants. In the second phase of the course, resource persons from one of the leading coaching centres of the country - **Khan Study Group (KSG) of New Delhi** conducted intensive sessions on preparation for **Civil Services Examination** especially the **General Studies papers** from **4th November till 10th November, 2013.**

Keeping in mind the positive feedback of the participants about the course and with an intention of providing extensive support to interested candidates, the **Vice Chancellor of Dibrugarh University** in his valedictory remark on **10th November, 2013,** has declared that the **Centre for Entry In Services of Dibrugarh University** will start a **Club for Entry in Services,** where selected participants from the course and other interested students will **exchange their views and discuss on specific issues** related to such examinations apart from **attending special talks on some critical topics by experts** and will have **access to recommended newspapers, books and competitive magazines.**

From this course, the centre has identified **twenty** prospective candidates who have the every potential to do well in the civil services examinations. With these ‘**Super Twenty**’ the centre

has created the **Club for Entry in Services** and has opened a **Cell for Entry in Services** at the premises of **Department of Commerce, Dibrugarh University**. Some of the important National level News Paper and competitive magazines has been subscribed and books procured to facilitate these prospects. The cell is running on a regular basis since 27th November, 2013 except during the semester breaks.

It is important to note that **Dr Pankaj Phukan**, an MBBS from Assam Medical College, Dibrugarh and a participant of this coaching program passed this prestigious examination and have been selected for the **Indian Foreign Services (IFS)**.

The next edition of **Coaching Programme on Preparation for Civil Services Examination** was organized from **8th September 2014 to 21st September 2014**. **71 students of Dibrugarh University** have attended the course.

In the first phase of the programme, there were **five young IAS Officers** of the **Assam-Meghalaya cadre** who addressed the participants. **Ms Isawanda Laloo IAS, Assistant Commissioner of Dibrugarh District** in her motivational talk emphasised on the regular preparation for the examination and shared her way of preparations for the same. **Ms. J. Keerthi IAS, Assistant Commissioner of Jorhat District** interacted with the participants and focused her deliberation on the preparation for the examination. She further emphasised on the importance of the right use of news papers for such preparations. **Sri Ram Kumar Sathurappan IAS, Assistant Commissioner, Sivasagar** shared his experience about preparation for the Civil Services examinations by providing high motivational inputs to the participants. **Sri Pawar Narsing Sambhaji IAS, Assistant Commissioner, Tinsukia** in his session shared some success mantras with the participants. **Dr Jeevan B IAS, Assistant Commissioner, Nagaon** emphasised on having access to a good library for preparation for civil services examination. During this phase of the programme, the following faculty members of Dibrugarh University- **Prof. V. K. Verma of Centre for Geography, Sri Borun Dey of Department of Political Science, Sri Chandan Sarma of Department of History, Prof. P. Bezborah of Centre for management Studies and Prof. D.K. Chakraborty of Department of Economics**, also shared ideas in their areas of expertise with the participants. In an inspirational talk by the **Honourable Vice Chancellor of Dibrugarh University Prof. Alak Kumar Buragohain** emphasised on the need for good governance of the country and the role of the youth in that governance. He further put thrust on the development of Soft Skills which is AN essential element for the administrators.

In the second phase of the programme, resource persons from one of the leading coaching centres of the country - **Khan Study Group (KSG) of New Delhi** conducted intensive sessions on preparation for **Civil Services Examination** especially the **General Studies papers** from **15th September till 21th September, 2014**. **Dr. A.R. Khan the founder of KSG** addressed the participants on **15th September** by delivering a motivational talk on how to overcome from **'I cannot do it to I can do it'** especially for civil services examination. He further emphasised upon how to write a good essay or any descriptive writing. **Dr T.S. Rana of KSG** delivered his talk on **Geography and Social/Right Issues** during **16th and 17th September 2014**. **Sri S. Monga of KSG** dealt with topics in **Civil Services Aptitude Test &**

related themes of General Studies on 18th and 19th September, 2014. **Dr. M. K. Sarma of KSG** highlighted issues on **Indian Polity, Governance Issues & related themes of General Studies** on 20th and 21st September, 2014.

From this course, the centre has identified **thirty** prospective candidates who have the every potential for the civil services examinations. With these '**Super Thirty**' the centre has expanded the **Club for Entry in Services**.

Through the lens:



Dr Pankaj Phukan, IFS



Ms Isawanda Laloo IAS, Asstt Commissioner, Dibrugarh sharing her thoughts.....



Ms J. Keerthi IAS, Asstt
Commissioner, Jorhat in
action.....



Dr A.R. Khan of Khan Study Group, New Delhi



Sri S. Monga of Khan
Study Group, New
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