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From the Principal's Desk



Imparting quality education to the students has always been the major objective of the college. The overall development of the college through the various activities, besides the regular classroom teaching has been in practise in our college since its inception. Like the previous years, the year 2019 has also witnessed many extensive programs and activities. One of the landmark achievement this year is the inauguration of "Parag Sarma Memorial Open Stage" by the Honourable Minister of Education, Health & PWD, Govt. Of Assam, Dr.Himanta Biswa Sarma.

The students experienced departmental field trips which enabled them to acquire knowledge beyond books. Besides the celebrations like Saraswati Puja, Freshmen Social, Annual College Week, the birth anniversary of the maestro, Dr Bhupen Hazarika has also been celebrated in the college.

I thank and congratulate the teaching staff, non teaching staff, librarian, library staff, alumni association, student's union and my dear students for their relentless effort to make the institution achieve newer heights.

December, 2019

Dr.(Mrs) Babita Choudhury
Principal
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Inauguration of Parag Sarma Memorial Open Stage

On 26th September, 2019, the "Parag Sarma Memorial Open Stage" was inaugurated in the college premises by honourable Minister of Education, PWD and Health, Govt. of Assam, Dr. Himanta Biswa Sarma. It was constructed jointly by MLA Fund along with the contributions of Dr. Mallabika Sarma, wife of Late Parag Sarma who serves as an Associate Professor in the Department of Hindi, of the college. Dr. Babita Choudhury, Principal of the college along with invitees Mr. Ramendra Narayan Deka, honourable MLA, Guwahati (West) and Mr. Ashok Kumar Singhal, honourable MLA, Dekhiajuli graced the inaugural ceremony. With the inauguration of the open stage, the long standing demand for an auditorium of the college got fulfilled. The inaugural ceremony was attended by many other dignitaries and invitees. The inaugural ceremony was a grand one.



Binoy Bhusan Choudhury Memorial Lecture, 2019

Binoy Bhusan Choudhury Memorial lecture was organised by the college in collaboration with the family members of Late Binoy Bhusan Choudhury on 15th June, 2019. The event was celebrated in memory of the founder member of the college and the Mayor of Guwahati, Late Binoy Bhusan Choudhury. The speaker on the occasion was Prof.Madhurjya Bezbaruah, Department of Economics, Gauhati University who spoke on the topic "Global economic inequality in 21st century: A Challenge". The Principal of the college, Dr.Babita Choudhury has graced the occasion. The trustee member, Mrs. Tribeni Choudhury, Associate Professor, Department of Economics of the college honoured Ms. Purba Medhi, University topper of Undergraduate Programme for the session 2018-2019 ,GU, from the Department of Assamese, R G Baruah College. The teaching and nonteaching staff members, librarian, library staff and the students were present in the occasion.



Keshab Mahanta Death Anniversary Lecture

On 30th March, 2019,the R G Baruah College in association with Pragatishil Lekhak Sangha, Bharatiya Gana Natya Sangha and Maitrayee Sangha has organised a lecture to commemorate the death anniversary of renowned Assamese poet and lyricist, Late Keshab Mahanta. Mr. Lakshmi NathTamuly, writer, critic and historian was the key speaker on the occasion. Dr.Manjyoshna Mahanta, daughter of Late Keshab Mahanta and Associate Professor, Handique Girls' College, Guwahati performed some of the creations of the legend.



Workshop

A seven day National Workshop was organised by the college on "Human Rights Education: Issues and Challenges in Northeast India" from 29th April 2019 to 5th May 2019. The workshop was sponsored by ICSSR NERC in collaboration with Centre for Ethnic Studies and Research, Guwahati, Assam. In the inaugural function, Dr. Babita Choudhury, Principal of the college, Director, ICSSR-NERC, Prof. R K Satpathy and Prof. Niru Hazarika, former Dean, Fac ulty of Arts, GU have graced the opening session of the national workshop. Renowned social scientists and Human Rights advo cates have delivered their lectures during the various sessions. Participants from all over the state participated in the workshop.



Awards and Achievements

Dr.Utpal Kalita, Assistant Professor, Department of Education has developed a research tool titled "Social Awareness Scale (SAS-KU)". The tool has been recognised by National Psychological Corporation, Agra in the year 2019.





Ms. Bidisha Bora, Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, has been awarded PhD degree on February 2019 by Gauhati University for her thesis titled "Gender Based Violence and State Responses: A Study of Right to Justice under PWDVA, 2005in Kamrup (Metro) District, Assam". She carried out her research work under the guidance of Professor Akhil Ranjan Dutta, HOD, Department of Political Science, Gauhati University.

Construction Activities:

Foundation stone laying ceremony of the college library took place on 25th August, 2019. The grant is received from Infrastructure Development. Govt. of Assam.





Construction of the front boundary wall was also completed in the year 2019.

Departmental Activities

Department of Mathematics

On 14th March, 2019, the Department of Mathematics of the college celebrated the famous "Pi Day". The Principal of the college, Dr.Babita Choudbury has graced the occasion. The topic for the occasion was "Irrational Number Pi and its Application" which was delivered by Dr.Jyanjyoti Sarma, Associate Professor of the same department. The lecture was well received by the audience present in the occasion.





Department of Education

On 8th September, 2019 the "International Literacy Day" was celebrated by the Department of Education which was inaugurated by Dr. Babita Choudhury, Principal of the college. Dr. Deepak Pathak, Vice Principal of the college has also shared the dais. The topic for the occasion was "Yoga & Moral Education" delivered by Dr. Jnanjyoti Sarma, Associate Professor, Department of Mathematics.

On the same occasion, the Department of Education has also published a handwritten magazine titled "ALOK" which is well illustrated and well edited. The magazine was unique and first of its kind in the history of the college. The occasion was graced by Dr. Babita Choudhury, Principal of the college.

On 11 June, 2019 a counselling programme titled "Psychological Counselling" has been organised by the department. The speaker for the occasion was Komal Nayana Choudhury, a renowned person of the field. The Principal of the college, Dr.Babita Choudhury delivered the inaugural speech on the occassion.







Department of History

On 23rd February, 2019 one day excursion -cum-field study tour to Bordowa (Nagaon), the birth place of Mahapurush Srimanta Sankardeva was undertaken by the department. The final semester students along with the faculties of the department got an opportunity to experience something out of their academic



syllabus. Thus, the field trip helped the students of the department to link experiences of the venture with their discipline.

Department of Political Science

The Department of Political Science has organised a visit to No.2 Kataligaon (Rabha Supa), Baksa, Assam on 7th April, 2019 as, a part of their educational field trip. The students interacted with the villagers and studied the developmental strategy of the village which has enriched their knowledge beyond classroom learning. An amount of Rs. 1,000/- has been donated to the village club by the department.



On 16th September, 2019 the "International Democracy Day" was celebrated by the Department of Political Science. Dr. Sikha Saikia, Associate Professor, Department of Mathematics delivered the lecture on the occasion. She stressed on the practicality of the concept of democracy in the present context which is the need of the moment. It was well received by the audience.



Students' Activities

College Week was celebrated from 6th March to 13th March, 2019. It is a week long celebration where the students showcase their talents through various activities. From sports to cultural programs, from singing to debates various competitions were held. Students are given a platform to enhance their talents. The teacher in-charges along with their student secretaries tried to build up the gap and act hand in hand to make it a grand suc-

On 9th February, 2019, Sarwasti Puja was celebrated in the college premises. It was organised by the Student's Union.

On 21st June, 2021 the college joined the rest of the world to celebrate the 5th International Day of Yoga. To celebrate the day, various yoga asanas were exhibited and demonstrated to the students and the teachers.

On 29 June 2019, the college bagged the award for the best

college team in "Swachh Bharat Summer Internship Programme, 2019" among the Kamrup (M) colleges. 25 students were given "Certificate of Appreciation". It was held in Karmashree Hiteswar Saikia College, Guwahati;

On 15th August, 2019, the yoga team of the college was invited to showcase their presentation in the Independence Day celebrations by the Government of Assam's Programme in Khanapara Veterinary College playground. It was an honour for the students and the college to showcase their talent in such a grand programme.

On 5thNovember, 2019, the 8th death anniversary of the internationally acclaimed musical maestro Dr. Bhupon Hazarika was celebrated in the college premises under the DHE's order. The topic was "Clean RGBC Green: Plastic & Tobacco Free Campus". It is an initiative to aware the students about cleanliness within the campus.

On 24th November, 2019 a group of students of the college participated in the "Lachit Divas Programme" organised by the Government of Assam in Kalashetra, Guwahati.

On 10th December, 2019, Swahid Divas was observed by the Students' Union in the Swahid Stambha in the college premises. Floral tributes were offered to pay respect to the swahid on the occasion.



Alumni Association Activities

On 5th November, 2019, the registered Alumni Association has organised a "Shradhanjali Programme" in the college campus to commemorate the 8th death anniversary of Sudhakanta and the Son of the Soil, Dr. Bhupen Hazarika. The event was graced by the Principal of the college Dr.BabtiacChoudhury.Floral tributes were offered to the Maestro's statue in the college premises. In the meeting, the contributions of the legend were discussed in length. The highlight of the event was the performance of the song "Bimunto Mur Nixati Jen.." by an Alumni.



IQAC Activities

In June 2019 a One Day Sensitization Workshop on UG-CBCS was organised by the cell. Professor Nissar A. Barua, Department of Economics, G.U. and Chairman, Committee for Framing UG-CBCS Regulations was the speaker on the occasion. He spoke elaborately on the newly introduced CBCS at the UG level and had an enlightening interaction with the teachers. The Principal of the college, Dr.Babita Choudhury was present in the workshop.

An Orientation Programme was organised on 1st August, 2019 by the cell for the newly admitted B.A./B.COM students. Dr. Babita Choudhury, Principal of the college oriented the students about the discipline and regulations within the college campus. It is an initiative of the cell towards the newly admitted students to get acquainted with the college.





Library Activities

Library Orientation Week for the newly admitted TDC 1st semester (Honours), Arts and Commerce students was organised by the college library in collaboration with IQAC from 26th August to 31st August, 2019. The objective of the programme was to orient students regarding the e-access of various library resources.



Extension Education Cell Activities

On 9th May, 2019 the cell organised a talk on banking awareness in Navajagaran Sangha, Dhirenpara, Guwahati. The



speaker for the occasion was Monomohan Sarma, B.M. of Union Bank, Panbazaar. He focused on micro-saving scheme which was well received by the women present there. It is an initiative of the cell to aware the women folk of the adjacent area of the college regarding finance and savings.

To celebrate Children's Day on 14th November, 2019, the cell in collaboration with IQAC has organised a programme in the SishuGriha, Fatashil Ambari, Guwahati. The children of the Sishu Griha participated in the programme with great enthusiasm. The programme includes distribution of foods and prizes among the inmates.

NSS Activities

On 24th September, 2019 a blood donation camp was organised by the NSS unit in the college campus. The camp was jointly organised by the NSS unit and Guwahati Medical College Hospital, Assam to celebrate the golden jubilee of the foundation of NSS. The Principal of the college, Dr.Babita Choudhury has inaugurated the camp. The students, teaching and the non-teaching staff, librarian and library staff of the college participated in the camp in large number which made the camp a grand success.





From 2nd September to 4th September, 2019, the NSS unit has carried out a "Sramdan and Plantation Drive" in Monakuchi, Hajo, Assam. It was very successful.

On 24th November, 2019 the NSS Day was celebrated in the college campus with great zeal. The Principal of the college, Dr.Babita Choudhury was present in the occasion.

NCC Activities

On 2nd September 2019, the unit celebrated NCC Day in the college campus. The Principal of the college, Dr.Babita Choudhury was present in the occasion. Starting with flag hoisting and various other programmes, the day was celebrated with great pomp and grandeur.

Activities of Committee Against Sexual Harassment (CASH)

On 19th September, 2019 an awareness program on "Sexual Harassment at Work Places" was organised by the committee for H.S 1st Year girl students. A talk on the same was delivered by Dr.Malabika Sarma, a member of CASH, R.G Baruah College. About 150 girl students of the college attended the program.

Activities of MOOC/SWAYAM Cell

On 4th September, 2019 a workshop on NAD (National Academic Depository) was organised by the cell in the college. The workshop has made the students aware of the e-depository system and its pros and cons.

Activities of Womens' Studies Cell (WSC)

On 24th February, 2019, WSC of the college and Heart Care Society Assam, Guwahati Chapter in association with GNRC Hospitals has organised a Health Check-up Camp in the college premises. It is a part of Women Heart Care Month Celebrations. The camp was inaugurated by the Principal of the college, Dr.Babita Choudhury.Doctors from GNRC hospitals forwarded their help to run the camp successfully. Students in large numbers have done their check-ups in the camp.

As a part of the celebration of International Women's Day on 8th March, 2019, the cell had organised a felicitation programme of Mrs. Bonti Senchowa, Associate Professor, Department of English of the college, for her remarkable contributions to the Assamese literature. She is a renowned novelist and a short story writer from the state. Some of her famous novels are Nihadh Gandhar, Mou Hora, Akonbindhi Hunporuwa.

On 25th October the WSC, R.G.Baruah College organised an awareness programme on Personal Hygiene of Girls. The Principal of the college, Dr. Babita Choudhury was present in the programme. Dr.Sikha Saikia, member of the cell spoke on the programme. It is an initiative to make the girl students aware about the importance of daily hygiene of the girls and how it effects their health has been discussed.



Principal's Academic Activities

Participated in an IQAC sponsored 2-day national seminar on



"Academic and Administrative Audit of Higher Education Institution" organised by IQAC, Jhanji College in collaboration with ACPC Sivasagar Zone , 4th February 2019

Attended 3 days annual conference of All India Council for

Principals in Guiarat from 10th-12th March, 2019

- Felicitated by Assam Sahitya Sabha .USTM
- Visited Tokyo University, Japan as a part of academic tour in July 2019.



Activities of the Faculty Members

Dr. Jnanjyoti Sarma, Associate Professor, Department of Mathematics

Two of the scholars were awarded the Degree of Philosophy by Gauhati University under his guidance in 2019.

Dr Mallika Kandali, Associate Professor, Department of Political Science

- •Invited to perform Sattriya at "Divya Prakriti Parva" festival on the occasion of World Woman's Day on 8th March,2019, organised by IGNA (Indira Gandhi National Center for Arts), New Delhi
- Published an article "Mati-Akhora: The Paramount Principle of Sattriya Culture" in 'Amar Asom' newspaper on 21st June,2019. Presented a paper on "Mati-Akhora: A Paramount Principle of Sattriya Culture, organised by Srimanta Sankardeva Kalakshetra Samaj, Guwahati on 14th June,2019
- ●Invited to perform Sattriya at "Nritya Parva" festival on 17th November 2019, organised by Central Sangeet Natak Academy, New Delhi

Dr.Bidisha Bora, Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science

On 1st and 2nd November 2019, she presented a research paper titled "Immigration and Ethnicity in Assam: An Analysis" in ICSSR Sponsored National Seminar on Ethnicity, Identity and Politics: Quest for Peace and Development organised by the Department of Political Science, Sonapur College, Sonapur in collaboration with Dhanjit Medhi Foundation.

Mr. Rupam Hazarika, Assistant Professor, Department of English

 Appointed as Language Editor for Self Learning Material (SLM) of BA 3rd Semester Programme in the Education of Krishna Kanta Handique State Open University in May 2019.

Ms. Jini Rani Boro, Assistant Professor, Department of History

Presented a paper entitled "Peasants Movement in Colonial

Assam w. sp. r. t. the Raij Mels ",on 19th and 20th March, 2019 in a

National Seminar, organised by the Dept. of History, Pandu College.

Dr. Leela Kalita, Assistant Professor, Department of Assamese Participated in a National Workshop entitled "Human Rights Education: Issues and Challenges in Northeast India" organised by R. G. Baruah College in collaboration with CSER, Guwahati from 29th April 2019 to 5th May, 2019

Ms. Tapati Dutta, Assistant Professor, Department of Bengali
Participated in the ICSSR NERC sponsored National Workshop on Human Rights Education: Issues and Challenges in

Northeast India organised by R.G. Baruah College, Guwahati from 29th April, 2019-5th May, 2019

- Participated in the ICSSR NERC sponsored National Workshop on Socio-cultural Perspective of Translation in Writings from Northeast India held from 21st October, 2019 to 26th October, 2019 at Arya Vidyapeeth College, Guwahati.
- Ms. Kashira Jahan, Assistant Professor, Department of Hindi
- Participated in National Workshop on Research Methodology and Recent Research Trends from 02 July, 2019 to 08 July, 2019 organised by the department of Hindi, Cotton University.
- Participated in National Workshop on Human Rights Education: Issues and Challenges in Northeast India organised by R. G. Baruah College in collaboration with Centre for Ethnic Studies and Research (CESR), Guwahati from 29th April to 5th May 2019.
- Presented a paper entitled "Adibashi Samaj Ke Jiban" in National Seminar on "Bhartiya Sahitya aur Samaj aur Stree: Adhayan Ke Biridh Ayam" organised by Cotton University in Association with Unity Education Foundation from 28th September to 29th September.
- Presented a paper entitled "Mahadevi Barmaki Lekhan Sailee: Baktin Rekhachitrake Bisesh Sandharv Me" on Regional Seminar on " The Writing Techniques of Woman writers in Indian Literature" organised by Sankardev Sahitya Chora, Nowgong College and Department of Assamese, Nowgong College from 21st September, 2019.
- Dr. Utpal Kalita, Assistant Professor, Department of Education
- Life Member of 'North East India Education Society (NEIES)' (Membership No. 637/2019)
- Completed 'Five Days Refresher Programme on research Methodology in the field of Special Education and Disability Rehabilitation' organised by Department of Education, Mizoram University, Aizawl sponsored by Rehabilitation Council of India, New Delhi from 26th-30th March, 2019.

 List of books published
- Sikshat Parisankhya Bignan published by Shanti Prakashan,
 Assam in June, 2019 (ISBN: 978-93-84466-34-3)
- Sikshar Vitty published by Shanti Prakashan, Assam in July, 2019 (ISBN: 978-93-84466-39-8)
- •Sikshar Manobaignanik Vitty (Co-authored) published by Shanti Prakashan, Assam in July, 2019 (ISBN: 978-93-84466-40-4)
- •Kishorar Manobignan published by Shanti Prakashan, Assam in December, 2019 (ISBN: 978-93-84466-48-0)
- Jointly edited a book entitled 'Recent Trends in Education' published by Akhand Publishing House, Delhi (India) in 2019 (ISBN: 978-93-88998-61-1)
- Published a chapter entitled 'Choice Based Credit System in Higher Education: SWOC Analysis' published in book namely 'Perspectives on Education: Current Dimensions' by Department of Education, Krishna Kanta Handiqui State Open University, Assam in August, 2019 (ISBN: 978-93-8923-13-5)
- A chapter entitled 'Influence of Mass-Media on Awareness of Women's Rights with special reference to Tribal Women: A Study' published in book namely 'Human Rights and Gender Justice (Volume-II)' by Swagata Prakashan, Guwahati and Department of Bengali, Digboi Mahila Mahavidyalaya, Assam in November,

2019 (ISBN: 978-93-89694-0301)

- Published a paper entitled 'A Study on Status of Primary Schools in Rampur Development Block of Kamrup District, Assam' published in 'Shristi' (Peer Reviewed Journal) in Vol-9, August, 2019 (ISSN: 2277-6540)
- Published a paper entitled 'Study Habit as a Coping Strategy of Academic Anxiety of High School Students: A Study' published in 'International Review of Social Science and Humanities' (UGC-CARE Approved Group-D) in Vol-9, No.-8, August, 2019 [ISSN: 2250-0715 (P), 2248-9010(O)]
- Prepared two units on "Curriculum Development in Distance Education" and "Role of Distance Education in Teacher Training Programme" for B.A. Course of Krishna Kanta Handiqui State Open University, Assam in SLM entitled "Distance Education" in January, 2019.
- Translated two units on "Teacher Made Test" and "Aptitude Testing" for B.A. Course of Krishna Kanta Handiqui State Open University, Assam in SLM entitled "Educational Measurement and Statistics" in June, 2019.
- Prepared one unit on "Measurement of General Intelligence" for M.A. Course of IDOL, Gauhati University, Assam in SLM entitled "Measurement and Evaluation in Education" in July, 2019 (ISBN: 978-93-84018-88-7)
- Prepared one unit on "The Teaching Learning Process" for M.A. Course of IDOL, Gauhati University, Assam in SLM entitled "Methods and Techniques of Teaching" in July, 2019 (ISBN: 978-93-84018-96-2)
- Prepared one unit in English and Assamese medium on "Psychology and Education" for CBCS B.A. Course of IDOL, Gauhati University, Assam in SLM entitled "Foundations of Education" in November, 2019 (ISBN: 978-81-942689-7-0)
- Presented a paper entitled "A Study on Participation of Rural Community in Higher Education in South Kamrup Area of Kamrup District, Assam" in the International Seminar on "Emerging Scenario of Rural India: Society, Education and Literature" organised by Department of Bengali, Tripura University, Tripura in collaboration with Byanjanbarna Foundation, Kolkata held on 15th-16th November, 2019.
- Presented a paper entitled "Status of Primary Education in Char areas of Kamrup District, Assam: A Study" in the National Conference on "Issues in North-East India & the Role of ODL and OER in Higher Education" organised by Gauhati University Institute of Distance and Open Learning, Assam held on 19th and 20th March, 2019.
- Presented a paper entitled "Influence of Mass-Media on Awareness of women's Rights with special reference to Tribal Women: A Study" in the ICSSR Sponsored National Seminar on "Human Rights & Gender Justice: Issues, Perspectives and Challenges" organised by Department of Bengali, Digboi Mahila Mahavidyalaya, Digboi, Assam held on 31st August & 1st September, 2019.
- Presented a paper entitled "An Evaluative Study on Present Indian Education in the Context of Mahatma Gandhi's Educational Philosophy" in the Higher Education Department, Karbi Anglong Autonomous Councli sponsored National Seminar on "Gandhi and Modern India" organised by East Karbi Anglong College, Karbi Anglong in collaboration with All Assam Political Science Association held on 1st& 2nd October, 2019.