



CM Stresses on Integrative Developmental Activities for Growth of Economy



Dr. Mukul Sangma lights the lamp while Prof. P. Shukla (second from left), Prof. E.D. Thomas (right) and Prof. J. U. Ahmed (far left) look on. (Contributed Photo)

In order to explore the various avenues and opportunities of entrepreneurship in the fast changing society, the Department of Management, NEHU, Tura Campus has organised an International Seminar on “Entrepreneurship in the fast changing society: The Socio-Economic perspective” on June 26th-27th, 2014.

Inaugurating the programme as the chief guest on the occasion,

Dr. Mukul Sangma, Chief Minister of Meghalaya highlighted the ground realities of rural areas of the country and the various opportunities that are lying untapped. He also stressed on the need of various integrative developmental activities for sustainable and inclusive growth of the economy. He further thanked the department for taking the initiative of organising such programmes at the

international level and wished the seminar a grand success.

In his speech, Prof. P. Shukla, Vice-Chancellor, NEHU congratulated the department for organising the seminar on one of the most important issue throughout the world. He expressed his belief that the seminar would certainly come out with some new avenues of entrepreneurship which

would help in the creation of various job opportunities for large sections of the society.

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Ensemble: A Poetry Festival

The Department of Cultural and Creative Studies (DCCS), NEHU in collaboration with the Sahitya Akademi organised a three-day programme titled “Ensemble: A Poetry Festival” from June 19 to 21, 2014 at the permanent campus.

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Prof. P. Shukla releases a book of poems. (Publication Photo)

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Prof. E.D. Thomas, Pro-Vice-Chancellor explained the basic importance of entrepreneurship and its impact on the socio-economic development of the country. He further emphasised on the need of various entrepreneurial activities that could be promoted which will help in addressing various issues in socio-economic development of the world in general and India in particular.

Prof. S.S. Khanka, NIFM, Faridabad in his key note address stressed on various entrepreneurial activities that were taken up by the various entrepreneurs at various levels in the country and

abroad. He also focused on the requirement of understanding various relevant conceptual framework and theories for the effective output of entrepreneurial activities which will ultimately lead to the socio-economic development of the country.

Dr K.D. Singh, seminar coordinator introduced the seminar whose main objective was to explore all possible avenues for entrepreneurship in the era of fast changing global world. He emphasised on the need of entrepreneurship in the society in defusing social tension and unrest.

Earlier, director and head of the department, Prof. J.U.

Ahmed in his welcome speech stated that a country which is underdeveloped or developing cannot become a developed one without having a productive entrepreneurial environment. He also highlighted the various academic activities that the department has undertaken for the last few years.

Later, Dr. Sangma alongwith other dignitaries released the 3rd issue of the international journal of the department while Prof. P. Shukla alongwith other dignitaries released the book titled, “Financing Priority Sector in India: Scenario, Setback and Solution” edited by Dr. J. U. Ahmed and Dr.

Kh. D. Singh.

The programme ended with a vote of thanks by Prof. G. Singaiah.

Day two was the valedictory function which eminent scholars from India and abroad participated. Prof. R.M. Pant, NERIST, Arunachal Pradesh and Prof. Mohd Saleh Jahur, University of Chittagong, Bangladesh graced the session as the chief guest and guest of honour, respectively.

A total of 51 papers out of 70 were accepted by the organising committee in seven different parallel business sessions of the seminar. Certificates were also awarded at the valedictory session.

Administrative Building opens at Tura Campus



Dr. Mukul Sangma and Prof. E.D. Thomas (left) at the inauguration. (Contributed Photo)

Dr. Mukul Sangma, Chief Minister of Meghalaya inaugurated the Administrative Building of the North-

Eastern Hill University, Tura Campus on June 26, 2014.

Among those present at the occasion

include Prof. P. Shukla, Vice-Chancellor, NEHU, Prof. E.D. Thomas, Pro-Vice Chancellor, NEHU,

Tura Campus, senior citizens of Tura, Nokma members, government officials and faculty members of NEHU.

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programme at the inaugural session chaired by Prof. S.K. Nanda, Head, DCCS, Prof. P. Shukla, Vice-Chancellor, NEHU and chief guest on the occasion said that there is a poet in all of us. Recalling a poem he had written 30 years ago to combat nightmares he was experiencing, Prof. Shukla said putting one's thoughts to paper in the form of poetry can be cathartic.

Earlier, in his welcome address, Mr. Santanu Gangopadhyay, Assistant Editor, Sahitya Akademi, said the reason why the North East was chosen to host the programme was because here the oral has remained central for the longest time. "Poetry has never been about the pace of the market, rather it is about life itself. If the regions and notes of the languages, the beauty of surroundings and the

strength of the traditional narratives offered the alphabet of poetry to the poets of the North East, then the deeper impulses of great art have come from the terrible tragedies the land has witnessed," he said.

In his introduction to the concept of the festival, Prof. K. Satchidanandan, Convenor, English Advisory Board, Sahitya Akademi, outlined the challenges facing poetry

today, the first being what he calls "challenges of freedom". According to him, the poet today can choose from a wide range of medium to express him/herself. "We have blogs, performance poetry, sound poetry, hyper-linked poetry as well as multi-media poetry which are coming up in many languages," he informed. However, he warned against getting

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carried away by too much freedom. “We also have to think about the other side of freedom, namely responsibility - responsibility to oneself, to the language you write in, to personal and social experiences and of course to imagination and form,” he said. “To be honest, to be original at the same time to have but not to be carried away entirely by craftsmanship, this is perhaps the first challenge that the atmosphere of aesthetic freedom puts before the poet,” he further added.

Moving on to the second challenge which is the challenge of the market, Prof. Satchidanandan, a poet himself, cautioned fellow poets from “deliberately lowering our standards, to fear that we may not be understood and that no publisher will accept us. We need not worry so

much about popularity, about market saleability of poetry; we need to just be honest and have our own voices.”

Prof. Satchidanandan then moved on to the challenge facing poetry in times of trauma. “There is a challenge of violence because violence can in some way silence poetry. That is why we need a new kind of poetry to address the traumatic times we live in,” he explained adding that here the duty of universities is to ascertain the various forms of suppression.

Explaining the concept of the festival, which also saw the release of a collection of poems, Prof. Desmond Kharmawphlang, faculty member, DCCS, informed that there are three sessions of panel discussions, the first one dealing with the question “Is there a North - Eastern

sensibility?” He hoped that the topic will open up discussions on the range of concerns of NE India like “how this geo - political construction of the region influence so-called mainland perceptions, or does this sensibility encourage a rather reductive concept of the NE where the place and its people become objects of study? Or does it legitimise the discourse of heritage as we understand it as something of an imagery which is constructive and which can be effectively used, demonstrate the so-called power?”

Moving on to the second topic titled “Poetry in times of trauma”, Prof. Kharmawphlang hoped that answers to the persistent questions of the role of literature and its spiritual significance can be solved.

Coming to the other panel discussion which is “Living in the mother-tongue, writing in English”, Prof. Kharmawphlang hoped to get some useful insights into the colonial and missionary encounters, issues of representations of indigenous sensibilities and many other social and historical markers which are pertinent to the issue.

As for the last session titled “Memory and Poetry”, the professor informed that the site for the discussion is a cultural significant place called Nartiang in West Jaintia Hills. He hoped that the megalithic complex will lend meaning to the discourse and deepen the experiences.

The inaugural session concluded with a vote of thanks by Robin. S. Ngangom, faculty member, Department of English.

“Even if you could live to be 100, it’s really a very short time. So why not spend it undergoing this process of evolution, of opening your mind and heart, connecting with your true nature - rather than getting better and better at fixing, grasping, freezing, and closing down.”

—*Anonymous*

“Our outer life reflects back to us the way we think, feel and behave. The outer world is all effects. Go to the source inside for all of life’s treasures.”

—*Mother Teresa*

‘Waste Management will make Civic Sense if it also Makes Business Sense’

As part of World Environment Day, the Department of Sociology, NEHU, organised a panel discussion on ‘Waste Management and Civic Sense’ on June 5 at the Old Guest House, permanent campus.

The panellists, who include Prof. Lucy Zehol, Department of Anthropology, NEHU, Mr. W.R. Kharpran, Environmental Engineer, Meghalaya State Pollution Board and Mr. C. Noronha, Managing Director, Bethany Society touched on the issues facing the world today and how to tackle them.

According to Mr. Kharpran, the time has come to ‘raise our voice and not the sea level’. “It is very unfortunate that though we give a lot of respect to the word environment on World Environment Day, we tend to forget about it for the remaining 364 days,” he said adding that when we look at waste management and civic sense, it is unfortunate that the civic sense aspect is gone and has become



Prof. I. L. Aier presents a memento to Dr. R. J. Nongrum, Head of Department of Sociology, Lady Keane College. (Publication Photo)

nonsense. “So our approach towards waste management needs to go back to the basics – by developing civic sense right from the home level,” he said. Describing the West’s attitude towards waste, which is waste equals wealth, Mr. Kharpran

said that they are able to commercialise waste generated from homes. He also stressed on segregation of waste and the need to give back to the environment.

For Mr. Noronha, preservation of the environment can be

done by following the four ‘R’s – Refuse, Reduce, Reuse and Recycle. “Have the courage to say no,” he said adding that if one cannot refuse then at least reduce. As for the third ‘R’, Mr. Noronha

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said that we need to reuse everything – from old magazines to even our organs after death. He went on to add that the fourth ‘R’ is equally important. “Almost 20 per cent of the funds that we raise is from what you throw out,” he said. “To sum up, waste management will make civic sense if it also makes business sense. Once there is money in it, people do get a certain amount of civic sense,” he concluded.

Reiterating the points made by the two panellists, Prof. Zehol said the time has come to change our concept of waste. “It is on this issue that our ethical stand comes out because the way we understand and define waste has profound implications on how we deal with it on a daily basis,” she informed. The professor also stressed on traditional knowledge which is rooted in practice and the need to reinforce it. She further appealed to the research scholars to use what they have been taught in their respective disciplines so that “our understanding of the whole waste management and civic

sense aspect could be consciously highlighted.”

Earlier in his welcome address, Prof. I.L. Aier, head, Department of Sociology, hoped that by remembering World Environment Day, it would eventually generate in “our hearts and minds actions at the personal and group level towards the betterment of the environment.”

Prof. C.L. Imchen, Department of Sociology and chief guest on the occasion cited the revival of the once dead Boston river in America by a movement of young people as an example for the students present at the discussion to emulate. He hoped that they take and implement what they would learn from the programme and apply it in their own situation.

Earlier, Dr. Rekha Shangkliang, Coordinator of the programme gave a brief history of how World Environment Day came about and the efforts of the department in this regard. “We here at the Department of

Sociology have been floating a course entitled ‘Sociology if Environment’ for almost 15 years now and have been doing our small bit in spreading awareness on this occasion every year,” she informed.

Besides the panel discussion and speeches, there was a presentation of mementos as well as a screening of a documentary titled ‘Magical Mawlynnong: God’s Own Garden’.

Meanwhile, World Environment Day was also observed in the Department of Education, NEHU in collaboration with the State Pollution

Control Board, Government of Meghalaya. Various activities among the MA II, MA IV & M.Ed students of the department was organised to mark the day.

Programmes include on the spot flower, vegetable arrangement and potted plant display, painting/sketching competition and a talk on “Environmental Issues and Waste Management” by Mr W.R. Kharkrang, Environmental Engineer, State Pollution Control Board who was the resource person of the programme.



A vegetable arrangement on display at the Department of Education. (Contributed Photo)

Role of Logistics & Supply Chain Management in Development of North East



Prof. E.D. Thomas inaugurates the symposium. (Contributed Photo)

In order to explore the various prospects and challenges of logistics and supply chain management, the Department of Management, NEHU, Tura Campus organised a National Symposium on “Role of Logistics and Supply Chain Management in Development of North-East India” in collaboration with BDU, West Garo Hills (IBDLP), Meghalaya Basin Development

Authority, Government of Meghalaya on May 23, 2014.

The main objective of the symposium was to explore all the possible ways to reduce cost, service enhancement and build competitiveness across the global supply chain in the age of complexity and globalization. Eminent professors, scholars from premier institutes and universities like IITs, IIMs, IIEs etc.

participated in the symposium. Moreover, top level government officials and corporate people were also a part of the programme.

The symposium provided significant implications on the policies of the government for the development of the North Eastern region in general and Meghalaya in particular. The inaugural session of the symposium kicked off at 10:00 AM in the Conference Hall of the

Department with lighting of lamp followed by a welcome song by the students of the department.

In his welcome speech, Prof. J.U. Ahmed, symposium Director and Head of the Department pointed out the role of logistics and supply chain management in the context of present peculiarities like transportation costs that were inordinately high due to regional

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concentration of manufacturing and geographically diversified distribution activities as well as inefficiencies in infrastructure and accompanying technology. He also highlighted the various academic activities that the department has undertaken for the last three years in the department.

Dr. Deepak Bhagat, Coordinator of the symposium, focused on the importance of logistics and supply chain management for the development of the North East region. He further stated that the symposium would help in enhancing the system of supply chain framework in the region.

In his keynote

address, Dr. M.K. Awasthi, IIM-Lucknow discussed the various pros and cons of an effective supply chain management and logistics in the process of development in the region. He also highlighted some of the barriers and opportunities that lie in the region which can be addressed efficiently in order to optimise the impact of supply chain management in the development scenario of the region.

Prof. N.B. Dey of Assam University, who was the guest of honour on the occasion, focused on various areas where intervention is required especially in the supply chain aspect in the value creation process of the economy. He also suggested the

involvement of various sections of the society in drawing the maximum output from the delivery process of various commodities in the society with special reference to North-Eastern region.

Prof. E.D. Thomas, Pro-Vice-Chancellor and chief guest on the occasion stressed on the basic importance of the supply chain management and logistics in the region. He also highlighted some of the alarming figures which indicate the low ranking position of the country in various developmental indicators throughout the globe. He further emphasised on the supply chain management and

logistic aspects as one of the key factors which can help in addressing various issues in the country in general and the North Eastern region in particular in the development process.

Prof. G. Singaiah, Advisor of the symposium proposed the vote of thanks.

During the day-long technical sessions, a total of 14 research papers were presented by the resource persons from reputed organisations and institutions. The technical sessions were followed by plenary session which has given some realistic direction for policy recommendations and scope for future research.

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Situating Tura from West Garo Hills

The Department of History and Archaeology, NEHU, Tura Campus in collaboration with the Department of Garo and A'chik Literature Society organised a national seminar on "Situating Tura from West Garo Hills" from June 5 to 7th, 2014, in the conference Hall, NEHU, Tura Campus, Chasingre.

Inaugurating the seminar, Prof (retd) Milton S. Sangma, chief guest on the occasion lauded the department for organizing the seminar and hoped that it would motivate scholars to take up in-depth research works in various fields. He said that Garo is a virgin field as far as research is concerned and it is up to the scholars to take up the work and render service to the people of the region.

Prof (retd) Caroline R. Marak, general secretary of A'chik Literature Society and the guest of honour on the occasion, associated North East region with some ancient civilization when the geography of this region was different from what it is today.

Prof. Eugene Thomas, Pro-Vice-Chancellor, NEHU, Tura Campus, reminded

that the Garo Hills region is rich in flora, fauna, minerals, stones-precious and otherwise. He recalled the crucial fact that Tura is only 50 kms away from the international border of Garo Hills.

Dr. Amit Upadhyay, Teacher-In-Charge/Head of the Department of History and Archaeology, NEHU, Tura Campus, in his welcome address stated that this was the first seminar organized by the department and that the 'first' always has a special significance.

A variety of papers which include "Money and trade in South East Asia: Exploring North-East Indian connection" by Dr. Susmita Basu Mazumdar, "Late Quaternary Geoarchaeological studies in Northern Indian: Implications for Prehistoric Cultures of Garo Hills, North-East India" by Prof. S M Rajaguru and Sushma Deo, "Their language is their history: Retelling the A'chik Migration from Bangladesh" by Barara S. Sangma, "Role of Religion in A'chik Folk life" by Bellvydha S. Momin, "Traditional Beliefs and Practices of A'chik Nokpante" by Colnat B.

Marak, "Perspectives of Pre-historic-Proto historic Archaeology" by Prof. V. Rami Reddy, "The stone Age Archaeology around central Garo Hills: A Study on Some Newly Explored Sites of Region" by Dr. Jitumani Phatak, "The History of Garo Hills as reflected in the novels of Prabodh M. Sangma" by Crystal Cornelious D. Marak, "Cultural Practices as reflected in A'chik folktales" by Rosa Mary Ch. Sangma, "Situating Tura Town Through the Difference in the Use of Lexical Items in A. we - The Standard Variety of the A'chik Language in pronunciation, Meaning and Tone from Nishangram" by Amanda Aski Momin, "Tracing the A'chik Migration through Oral Tradition" by Dr. Faneline K. Marak, "Cultural tourism in Lower Assam based on Sattra institution in and around Barpeta" by Manimal Das, "Extent of Multilingualism in the localities of Tura Town: A Case Study" by Dr. Dokatchi Ch. Marak and Jamie Mary Ch. Marak, "The Cultural Practices of the Garos: Then and Now" by Jobillyne D. Shira, "Stone Age Artifacts and Sites of West Garo Hills, Meghalaya" by Smita Devi Bora,

"Symbolism in A'chik Material Culture" by Rhinkle R. Marak, "Revisiting Bhaitbari – a landscape approach" by Dr. Tosabanda Pradhan, "Garos and Mughals" by Prof. F. A. Qadri, "History of Tura Town-from 1876-2000" by Sanggra Sangma, "Tura: the Headquarters of Garo Hills" by Dr. Jacqueline R. Marak, "North East: new Expectations in Origin of Agriculture" by Amit Ranjan, "Raja at Rani; The History of Early Man in Assam" by Prof. Dilip Medhi, "Stone Age Cultural Significance of West Garo Hills" by Dr. Dwipen Bezbaruah, "Pre-Colonial Centres and Process of Urbanization in Colonial Time" by Prof. A. K. Thakur, and "History of West Garo Hills: Need for a Scientific Archaeological Approach" by Prof. Alok Tripathi were presented at the six sessions of the seminar.

The seminar ended with the valedictory function chaired where Mr. Skylance G. Momin, President, Nokma council and chief guest on the occasion read the proceedings/resolution of the seminar and distributed certificates to the paper presenters.

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Ph.D Awardees

Ms. Sangeeta Dasgupta has been awarded a PhD in Economics by the University for her thesis titled *A study of economic development strategy for tribals in Meghalaya*. Ms. Dasgupta worked under the supervision of Prof. E.D. Thomas.

Ms. Priya Raghav has been awarded a PhD in English by the University for her thesis titled *Personal narratives: Interpreting select writings by women of colour*. Ms. Raghav worked under the supervision of Dr. S. Bhattacharjee.

Mr. George Rapsang has been awarded a PhD in Biotechnology & Bioinformatics for his thesis titled *Study on probiotic activity of lactic acid bacteria characterised from traditional non-alcoholic fermented foods of Meghalaya*. Mr. Rapsang worked under the supervision of Dr. S.R. Joshi.

Ms. Khangembam Malemnganbi Chanu has been awarded a PhD in Education by the University for her thesis titled *A study of women's higher education in the valley areas of Manipur*. Ms. Chanu worked under the supervision of Prof. A. Henia.

Ms. Asem Mipeshwaree Devi has been awarded a PhD in Botany by the University for her thesis titled *Studies on amplified fragment length polymorphism in tea (camellia species) clones*. Ms. Devi worked under the supervision of Prof. A.K. Mishra (Supervisor) and Dr. S. Goel (Jt. Supervisor).

Mr. Maibam Samson Singh has been awarded a PhD in Anthropology by the University for his thesis titled *Obesity and self-reported morbidity in relation to lifestyle and diet among the Meities of Manipur*. Mr. Singh worked under the supervision of Dr. J.W. Dkhar.

Ms. Gayreen Lyngdoh has been awarded a PhD in English by the University for her thesis titled *The journey to the self: A study of the women characters in the select novels of Pearl. S. Buck and Amy Tan*. Ms. Lyngdoh worked under the supervision of Prof. E. Syiem.

Ms. Twinkle Suhasini Marak has been awarded a PhD in English by the University for her thesis titled *The rooted past and fragmented present: A study of Chinua Achebe's African Trilogy*. Ms. Marak worked under the supervision of Dr. Sujata Gurudev.

Mr. Atonu Kakoty has been awarded a PhD in Linguistics by the

University for his thesis titled *The impact of language learning strategies instruction on Assamese ESL learners*. Mr. Kakoty worked under the supervision of Dr. Umarani Pappuswamy.

Ms. Wandashisha Lyngdoh has been awarded a PhD in Linguistics by the University for her thesis titled *Shillong as a micro-linguistic area: A study of morphological and morpho-syntactic features*. Ms. Lyngdoh worked under the supervision of Prof. J. War.

Ms. Chelmelyne Dhar has been awarded a PhD in Linguistics by the University for her thesis titled *A phonological and lexical study of Lamin and Shella varieties of Khasi: A comparative study*. Ms. Dhar worked under the supervision of Prof. J. War.

Ms. C. Lalremzami has been awarded a PhD in Linguistics by the University for her thesis titled *Lai phonetics, phonology and morphology: A descriptive study*. Ms. Lalremzami worked under the supervision of Dr. S.K. Singh.

Mr. Atin Kumar Srivastava has been awarded a PhD in Zoology by the University for his thesis titled *Spatial distribution of*

anopheline species in Meghalaya highlands: Effect of land use and topography. Mr. Srivastava worked under the supervision of Dr. S.B. Prasad.

Mr. Devendra Kumar has been awarded a PhD in Botany by the University for his thesis titled *Distribution and mapping of selected tree species in different forest types of lower Assam region of India*. Mr. Kumar worked under the supervision of Prof. Uma Shankar.

Ms. Amenla has been awarded a PhD in Zoology by the University for her thesis titled *Studies on modulatory role of ascorbic acid antitumor activity and toxicity of cisplatin in tumor-bearing mice*. Ms. Amenla worked under the supervision of Dr. S.B. Prasad.

Ms. Soma Gupta has been awarded a PhD in English by the University for her thesis titled *Resistance to oppression: A study of Mahasweta Devi's select works*. Ms. Gupta worked under the supervision of Dr. Mala Renganathan.

Ms. Isran Ara Rahman has been awarded a PhD in Botany by the University for her thesis titled *Biochemical, molecular and phylogenetic studies of selected wild solanum species of Meghalaya*. Ms. Rahman worked under

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the supervision of Prof. A.K. Mishra (Supervisor), Dr. Y. Kumar and Dr. D. Syiem (Jt. Supervisors).

Ms. Marlykynti Hynniewta has been awarded a PhD in Biotechnology & Bioinformatics by the University for her thesis titled *Cytogenetical studies in citrus species of North East India*. Ms. Hynniewta worked under the supervision of Prof. S.R. Rao.

Mr. Subongwabang has been awarded a PhD in Biochemistry by the University for his thesis titled *Regulation of cesium toxicity in cyanobacterial strains isolated from Meghalaya*. Mr. Subongwabang worked under the supervision of Dr. A.K. Singh.

Ms. Silse D. Marak has been awarded a PhD in Education by the University for her thesis titled *Environmental awareness and practices among secondary school students of West Garo Hills*. Ms. Marak worked under the supervision of Dr. J.V. Madhusudan.

Ms. Pyrkharlang A. Shadap has been awarded a PhD in Education by the University for her thesis titled *Environmental attitudes, ethics and practices among Jaintia students in Jaintia Hills District, Meghalaya*. Ms. Shadap worked under the

supervision of Dr. Nikme S.C. Momin.

Mr. Zacharias George has been awarded a PhD in Education by the University for his thesis titled *A study of the attitude of teacher educators towards innovative practices in teacher education institutions in Meghalaya*. Mr. George worked under the supervision of Dr. Nikme S.C. Momin.

Ms. Mayuri Das has been awarded a PhD in Geography by the University for her thesis titled *Socio-economic and demographic consequences of river bank erosion in Majuli Island, Assam*. Ms. Das worked under the supervision of Prof. D.K. Nayak.

Ms. Debashree Nath has been awarded a PhD in Botany by the University for her thesis titled *Role of soil microorganisms in C and P dynamics during recovery of degraded terrestrial eco-systems of Cherrapunjee plateau*. Ms. Nath worked under the supervision of Prof. S.K. Barik.

Mr. Souravjyoti Borah has been awarded a PhD in Botany by the University for his thesis titled *Quantitative assessment of phytodiversity, floristic composition and species*

populations in lower Assam region of India. Mr. Borah worked under the supervision of Prof. Uma Shankar.

Ms. Jenita Mary Nongkynrih has been awarded a PhD in Geography by the University for her thesis titled *Shifting courses and fluvial processes with special references to the Manas River system*. Ms. Nongklynrih worked under the supervision of Prof. Zahid Husain Qureshi.

Ms. Purobi Nath has been awarded a PhD in Zoology by the University for her thesis titled *Evaluation of anthelmintic activity of some medicinal plants used in the folklore medicine system of Riang tribe in Tripura*. Ms. Nath worked under the supervision of Dr. Arun Kumar Yadav.

Ms. Kiran Gogoi has been awarded a PhD in Botany by the University for her thesis titled *Ex situ conservation of cymbidium hookerianum rehb. F. and cymbidium eburneum lindl through in vitro propagation and cryopreservation*. Ms. Gogoi worked under the supervision of Dr. S.K. Kumaria (Supervisor) and Prof. P. Tandon (Jt. Supervisor).

Ms. Valrielyn Saio has been awarded a PhD in Biochemistry by

the University for her thesis titled *Study of the antioxidant and free radical scavenging potentials of selected plants in different pathophysiological conditions in mouse*. Ms. Saio worked under the supervision of Prof. D. Syiem (Supervisor) and Prof. R. Sharma (Jt. Supervisor).

MPhil Awardees

Ms. Lakyntiew Sohkhlet has been awarded an MPhil in Linguistics by the University for her dissertation titled *Multilingualism in Byrnihat area with reference to Harlibagan locality*. Ms. Sohkhlet worked under the supervision of Dr. Brika Khyriem.

Ms. Happylina Buhphang has been awarded an MPhil in Linguistics by the University for her dissertation titled *Noun phrase and verb phrase in War-Khasi*. Ms. Buhphang worked under the supervision of Dr. Saralin A. Lyngdoh.

Ms. Boishi Neijalhei Khongsai has been awarded an MPhil in Linguistics by the University for her dissertation titled *Verb phrase in Thadou*. Ms. Khongsai worked under the supervision of Dr. Saralin A. Lyngdoh.

North-Eastern Hill University Publications (Selected Titles)

1.	1997	D. R. Syiemlieh	Anecdotes of an Indian Life	Rs. 170.00
2.	1996	Daniel O'Connor	A Liberating Force and a Friend	Rs. 140.00
3.	1999	S. K. Bose	Coins and Tokens of Assam	Rs. 340.00 (HB) Rs. 250.00 (SB)
4.	1999	R. P. Sharma	Critical Asides : Musings on Language, Literature & Life	Rs. 200.00
5.	2000	P. P. Gokulanathan	Environmental Education	Rs. 80.00
6.	1986	Mrinal Miri (Ed)	Five Essays on Kant	Rs. 40.00
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