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Editorial

Dear Researchers and Readers

This is the first volume since the new Editorial team took over the responsibility of The NEHU Journal during the later part of 2019. I place on record the efforts and time given by the members of the Editorial team and their contributions thereof.

The NEHU journal has been publishing articles/papers from wide range of academic areas and hence the present volume too consists of articles from different streams of socio-cultural, economic, political and mainstream science. While the Journal seeks to provide deeper knowledge and understanding in the specific areas, it also provides a forum for debate and expression of views which could be taken as basis for larger formulation of plans and policies specifically for Northeast region. Being multidisciplinary in nature, the editorial Board has tried to incorporate articles from different facets of academics contributed to experts in their own field.

The journal contains articles beginning with “ **Self-Sacrifice: A Philosophical Analysis from the Perspective of Gender**” by Danica A. E. Lyngdoh who throws light on the understanding of the concept of ‘self’ which cannot be complete without examining an ‘embodied self’. The self is always situated in a historical, social, political, geographical, familial context.

Bhaskar Kumar Kakati has made an attempt to critically examine the gender roles among men and women considering the existing power relation at both household and societal level in his article “**Sanskritization, Genderization and Process of Making of A Woman**”.

Ashok Dansana and Digambar Naik in their article “**Higher Education and Socio-Cultural and Political Sustainability**” present the possibilities in higher education in terms of its role in sustainable development based on a study limited to arts and science education provided in the colleges and universities in the State of Odisha.

The article “**Public Distribution Among Tribal Households in Karnataka and Telangana**” by Jayan T. brings forth the perspective on the ^[1]_[SEP] National Food Security Act as notified on 10th September 2013 emphasizing the Act that provides for the coverage of up to 75 per cent of the rural population and 50 per cent of the urban population for distributing subsidized food grains under Targeted Public Distribution System.

The article **“Agricultural Productivity and its Determinants in Arunachal Pradesh: An Application of Cobb-Douglas type Production Function”** by Maila Lama examines the growth in agricultural productivity and its determinants in Arunachal Pradesh, a hilly State of North-East India based on both primary and secondary data.

“Making of a Frontier Literature” by KB Veio Pou narrates the emergence of the writings in English from the Northeast of India which has attracted a lot of attention. He writes that although home to many diverse cultural and linguistic groups with their own rich oral traditions the region is often misunderstood to be a homogenous entity.

Rekha M. Shangpliang in her article **“Livelihood and Gender: Marginalisation of Khasi Rural Women in Land and Forest Rights”** highlights the role of women in natural resource management which has acquired a new dimension with the increasing focus on decentralization of community resources specially in developing nations.

Amanda Khyriem in her article **“Authenticating the Self in the Slave Narrative of Frederick Douglass’s Narrative of the Life of Frederick Douglass, an American Slave, Written by Himself and Harriet Jacob’s Incidents in the Life of A Slave Girl”** highlights how all art involves self-projection to a certain extent and in the novel or drama, the writer projects his own personality into the characters that he creates. In their respective narratives or autobiographies, Frederick Douglass and Harriet Jacobs have sought to tell their stories despite the restrictions of the period.

I take this opportunity to thank the reviewers who have reviewed the articles in a very short period of time and I request them to continue their support in future too. Faculty and research scholars are earnestly requested to submit their articles for publication in the future issues of The NEHU Journal.

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Editor