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Principal's Message

Dear Students, Faculty, and Members of the Paschim Guwahati Mahavidyalaya Community,

As we stand at the threshold of another promising academic year, I extend my warmest greetings to all our students, both returning scholars and those beginning their exciting journey with us. This moment fills me with tremendous enthusiasm as I reflect on the transformative plans and bright prospects that lie ahead for our beloved institution.

Our Vision for Excellence:

Throughout my academic career, I have been driven by a fundamental belief that with dedication, innovation and collective effort, we can make the impossible possible. As your Principal, I am committed to channeling this philosophy into accelerating the growth and development of Paschim Guwahati Mahavidyalaya, establishing it as a beacon of educational excellence in our region.

This journey would not be possible without the unwavering support of our extraordinary community. I am deeply grateful to the entire Paschim Guwahati Mahavidyalaya fraternity, our dedicated faculty members who inspire minds daily, our efficient office staff who ensure smooth operations, our vibrant student body who bring energy and purpose to our campus, our visionary Governing Body, our supportive local community, Gauhati University for their continued guidance, the Government of Assam for their invaluable backing, and the University Grants Commission for their ongoing support. Together, we form an ecosystem of learning that nurtures not just academic growth, but holistic development.

Embracing Educational Transformation: NEP 2020

One of the most significant developments in our educational landscape is the implementation of the New Education Policy (NEP) 2020 across colleges in Assam. This revolutionary policy framework represents a paradigm shift in higher education, moving us toward a more holistic, multidisciplinary, and skill-oriented approach that emphasizes flexibility and comprehensive student development.

Key Transformations Under NEP 2020

1. The Four-Year Undergraduate Revolution: We are progressively transitioning from the traditional three-year degree structure to a comprehensive four-year undergraduate program. This enhanced framework offers unprecedented flexibility with multiple entry and exit points, ensuring that students receive appropriate certifications at each stage of their academic journey, whether they complete a certificate program, diploma, degree, or honors degree, depending on their chosen duration and academic goals.



2. **Breaking Academic Silos: Multidisciplinary Education** Gone are the days of rigid academic boundaries. Our students now have the freedom to explore courses across various streams, fostering a more comprehensive and well-rounded education. A science student can enrich their understanding through arts or commerce courses, while humanities students can delve into scientific inquiry. This cross-pollination of knowledge creates more versatile graduates prepared for our interconnected world.

3. **Skill Development at the Forefront:** Recognizing the evolving demands of the modern workforce, we are integrating vocational courses and skill-based training alongside our traditional academic programs. This dual approach ensures our graduates emerge not just with theoretical knowledge, but with practical competencies that make them immediately valuable in their chosen fields and adaptable to changing industry needs.

4. **Unprecedented Academic Flexibility:** The NEP offers students remarkable choice and autonomy in shaping their educational experience. You can now select subjects that align with your interests and strengths, benefit from credit transfer opportunities, enjoy mobility between institutions, and utilize the academic bank of credits system to create a truly personalized learning pathway.

5. **Celebrating Our Cultural Heritage:** We are proud to embrace the policy's emphasis on Indian languages and value-based education. By promoting instruction in local languages and integrating our rich cultural heritage into the curriculum, we ensure that while our students become global citizens, they remain rooted in their cultural identity and ethical values.

6. **Holistic Assessment Methods:** Assessment is no longer confined to high-stakes final examinations. We now employ continuous evaluation methods that include projects, presentations, group work, and overall participation, providing a more comprehensive picture of student learning and growth.

As students of Paschim Guwahati Mahavidyalaya, you are positioned to benefit immensely from this educational renaissance. You will experience a more personalized education that harmoniously balances theoretical knowledge with practical skills. The opportunities before you include pursuing multidisciplinary studies that broaden your intellectual horizons, engaging in vocational training that enhances your employability, and participating in value-based education that shapes your character.

Our college stands firmly committed to implementing these transformative provisions while maintaining our tradition of academic excellence. We are dedicated to helping you acquire not only outstanding academic credentials but also the diverse skill set necessary to thrive in our rapidly evolving world.

As we embark on this new academic year, I encourage each of you to embrace these opportunities with enthusiasm and determination. The education you receive here will not merely prepare you for a career, it will equip you to be thoughtful leaders, innovative problem-solvers, and compassionate contributors to society.

Many exciting plans are still on the horizon, and I look forward to unveiling them as we progress through this academic year. Together, we will continue to push boundaries, challenge conventions, and create an educational environment where every student can discover their potential and pursue their dreams.

Here's to a year of growth, discovery, and achievement. Welcome to Paschim Guwahati Mahavidyalaya, where your future begins today.

With warm regards and best wishes for your success,

Dr. Manisha Bhattacharyya
Principal

Paschim Guwahati Mahavidyalaya, Guwahati

Editor's View...



It gives me immense pleasure to present before you the 21st issue of our Annual Newsletter "DEEPAR'S ECHO-2025". As the editor of this edition of Deepar's Echo, it is my primary responsibility to present an accurate account of the past year's activities at our college. I have therefore carefully recorded all events and programs held at Paschim Guwahati Mahavidyalaya from September 2024 to August 2025. Photographs have been included wherever the editorial board deemed appropriate. Deepar's Echo is published every year on the 5th of September which is the, Foundation Day, a momentous occasion celebrated with great pride and enthusiasm.

Deepar's Echo is a living document and a mirror of the college which showcases activities of different cells and committees of the college such as IQAC, NCC unit, NSS Cell, Indian Knowledge System Cell, Information, Career Guidance Committee, Internal Complaint Committee, Digital Learning Cell, Village Adoption Committee, Entrepreneurship Development Cell, Research Development and Training Cell, Red Ribbon Club, Skill Development Committee, Women's Cell, Campus Beautification and Environment Committee etc. The objectives of these cells and committees are to organise various academic and extension education-related programs inside as well as outside the college campus and thereby bridging the gap between the institution and the community, including all stakeholders associated with this institution.

An institution is known by the qualities, achievements and contributions of its students, teaching and non-teaching staff. Through this newsletter, the achievements of teachers, office staffs and students are highlighted.

I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to Dr. Manisha Bhattacharyya, Principal of the institution, for her encouragement and support for publishing this 21st issue of the newsletter. On behalf of the editorial board here I take the opportunity to thank all my colleagues, office staffs and students for their help and cooperation in bringing out this issue of Deepar's Echo. I am also grateful to Dr. Prabalika Sarma and Dr. Priyanka Banerjee, members of the editorial board for their unwavering support in this endeavour. Finally, I would like to express my sincere thanks to all the family members of Paschim Guwahati Mahavidyalaya for their support and suggestions for publishing this Newsletter.

Ms. Nirmali Borah

47TH FOUNDATION DAY CELEBRATION



The 47th Foundation Day of Paschim Guwahati Mahavidyalaya was celebrated with great enthusiasm on 5th September, 2024. The college flag was hoisted by Dr. Manab Deka, President of the Governing Body of the college, the statue of Lt. Bipin Chandra Barua, Founder Principal of PGM, as a mark of respect and garlanding by Dr. Manisha Bhattacharyya, Principal of PGM. In this connection, a general meeting was held. It is worth mentioning that Dr. Samudra Gupta Kashyap, Chancellor of Nagaland University, Dr. Jugal Goswami and Dr. Rana Sarma, Former Principals of PGM, Dr. Mira Kumari Das and Mrs. Parul Baishya, in-charge Principals of PGM, Mr. Ankur Lahoty, Director of Doordarshan Kendra Assam and dignitaries from Dharapur Taluk and AASU and local people attended the meeting. Our annual college Magazine "Nibedan", Newsletter "Deepar's Echo-2024", and other publications such as "Transition of Indian Society: A North-East India Perspective", "Anannya", "PGM Economic Review", "Politika", and "Venture", "Anuranan" and History of Small Things were inaugurated in that meeting.

On this auspicious day, a Badminton Academy was inaugurated by Mr. Dinesh Kalita, Deputy Director of Students Welfare, Sports, and Recreation, Gauhati University, for the students of the college and nearby areas, which is now running smoothly with a large number of students.



THE 79TH INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION

The 79th Independence Day was celebrated in the college campus on August 15th, 2024, in the presence of teaching and non-teaching staff, students, NCC Cadets and NSS Volunteers. On this occasion, Dr. Manisha Bhattacharyya, Principal of Paschim Guwahati Mahavidyalaya, hoisted the National Flag by following all the protocol. The Principal delivered a speech on the significance of Independence Day to the gathering. All present sang the National Anthem, followed by a cultural performance by the NSS volunteers.



FAREWELL MEETING



• A farewell meeting of Mrs. Ira Choudhury, Department of Economics and Dr. Gagan Jyoti Borah, Department of Political Science was held at Paschim Guwahati Mahavidyalaya on 31-10-2024.

• A farewell meeting of Dr. Namita Devi, Department of Economics and Mr. Mrigen Kalita, Library Assistant was held at Paschim Guwahati Mahavidyalaya on 25-02-2025

• A farewell meeting of Dr. Yashodhara Medhi, Department of English was held at Paschim Guwahati Mahavidyalaya on 20-08-2025

The outgoing teaching and non-teaching members were offered warm and hearty felicitation with Citation (Manptra), Xorai, Fulam Gamosa, Books, and numerous gifts as a token of love and appreciation by the family members of the institution.



ELECTION OF STUDENTS' UNION



The Annual Election of the Paschim Guwahati Mahavidyalaya Students' Union (PGMSU) body was held on 05-10-2024 for the session 2024-25. This year, the election was observed first time via online mode through the College Website, for which prior training on the election process was given to all the students. This

process made the students more enthusiastic. A good number of candidates contested in every portfolio. The students' community participated wholeheartedly and were active throughout the election.

COLLEGE WEEK, 2025



The "College Week-2025" was celebrated from 05-02-2025 to 09-02-2025 with great enthusiasm. Many students participated in the different events and competitions, including sports, games, culture, literature, performing Arts etc. The College Week began with a colourful cultural procession, in which Assamese Department Secured the 1st prize, Commerce Department the 2nd Prize and Economics & English jointly secured the 3rd Prize. In the last day, there was a prize distribution ceremony following a felicitation program for the teachers who authored books.



FREE MEDICAL CAMP AND AWARENESS PROGRAM AT THE ADOPTED VILLAGE

The Village Linkage Cell, PGM, in collaboration with the IQAC, NSS, and NCC Cells of PGM, organized a free health check-up and medical camp in Puranbari village, an adopted village under the Rani Block of Kamrup District. The team of doctors involved in the program were Dr. Alesh Nag, Dr. Nabanita Deka, Dr. Monika Devi, and Dr. Saurav Mandal.

"Agniveer" Awareness Program

An awareness program on the "Agniveer" (Army Wing) scheme was organized at Rani High School. One Colonel and one Lieutenant from the Narengi Army Recruitment Centre delivered a insightful lecture on the recruitment process under the Agniveer scheme. Their motivational talk aimed to inspire and encourage students to consider a career in the Indian Army. The lecture highlighted the opportunities for personal and professional growth available through the scheme.



OBSERVANCE OF INTERNATIONAL YOGA DAY

The 11th International Day of Yoga was celebrated by Yoga Centre, Paschim Guwahati Mahavidyalaya in collaboration with IQAC, NCC, NSS Unit & Women's Cell. Mr. Prasanta Kumar Baruah, Ex-ITBP officer, was present in the program as a yoga instructor. The program was inaugurated by Dr. Manisha Bhattacharya, Principal of the institution, with a brief lecture on the benefits of yoga practice for the physical and mental health of a person. The program was organised by Mr Phanindra Medhi, convenor of Yoga Center, in which the student as well as the teaching & non-teaching staffs participated.



INAUGURATION OF GUEST OF THE MONTH PROGRAMME



The Training, Research and Publication Cell in collaboration with IQAC, Paschim Guwahati Mahavidyalaya hosted a special programme "Guest of the Month" on 31-08-2024, where Honourable Vice Chancellor Prof. Smriti Kumar Sinha of

Pragjyotishpur University was invited. Prof Sinha discussed important inputs of NEP2020 in his lecture on NEP 2020: Objectives of Human Development and Future Challenges.

WOMEN'S CELL

As part of the UN's 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence, a Lecture Programme was organised in Paschim Guwahati Mahavidyalaya by the Women's Cell in Association with IQAC, PGM on 10th of December 2024. The Guest Speaker of this lecture was Prof. Polly Vauqueline, Former Head, Department of Women's Studies, Gauhati University. The Topic of the Lecture was, "POSH (IC): Role, Responsibility, Implications."

International Women's Day Celebration: The Women's Cell of Paschim Guwahati Mahavidyalaya celebrated International Women's Day with 'Essay competition' among all students of the college on 'The Significance of International Women's Day', 'Poster Competition' among all students on the theme of 'Empowerment of Women', 'Street Play' on 'Domestic Violence and its Resistance' from 08-03-2025 to 10-03-2025. Students participated with enthusiasm. Cell also felicitated five independent and successful women established in various fields.

A Lecture Programme was organised with the speakers Dr. Pallabi Goswami, Associate Professor, Dept. of Chemistry, Nagaon University, Dr. Farida Haque Sultana, Assistant Professor, Dept. of English, Saraighat College and Smt. Pritty Rekha Laskar, Branch Manager, SBI, Dharapur Branch on 08-03-2025.

On 09-03-2025, an online talk by Dr. Rituparna Bhattacharyya from the U.K., Editor of Sage Publications, Adjunct Professor, IIT-Guwahati, and USTM, Meghalaya, was organised on "Career in STEM for girl students".

An e-Journal titled 'Scholar's Voice' on 'Gender and Contemporary Issues' was inaugurated by the 'Women's Studies and Research Cell' and the Department of Education on 10-03-2025.

Women cell in collaboration with Department of Economics, organised a 'Digital Literacy Awareness Programme' for the Women members at Puranbari Village, Garbhanga, an adopted village of the college on 24-06-2025 alongwith an awareness programme on Women's Health and hygiene where sanitary pads were distributed amongst the women's.



ANNUAL MEMORIAL LECTURE & BEST FEMALE GRADUATE AWARD PROGRAM



A Memorial Lecture in the name of Govinda Dev Borpujari and Anila Devi Borpujari was held on 5th of November 2024 organised by Academic Excellence and Welfare Society, Paschim Guwahati Mahavidyalaya. In this program, Ms. Aparajita Kalita from the Dept of Education received the Female Best Graduate award, which includes a certificate and a cash prize of Rs. 10,000.



The Annual Memorial Lecture was delivered by Professor Dipak Kumar Sarma of the Department of Sanskrit, Gauhati University, on the topic "Indian Knowledge System: The Teacher and the Taught".

RED RIBBON CLUB

- A health awareness programme was organised by RRC in collaboration with IQAC, Paschim Guwahati Mahavidyalaya, on the topic Overview of non-communicable disease and the invited resource person was Dr. Benudhar Medhi, associate professor of Kokrajhar Medical College and Hospital on 07-12-2024.
- A mega Blood donation drive organised by LG in collaboration with Red Ribbon Club, NSS & NCC of Paschim Guwahati Mahavidyalaya and a total of 16 persons successfully donated their blood on 13-03-2025.



INFORMATION, CAREER GUIDANCE, AND PLACEMENT CELL

Under the able guidance of Dr. Marie Kalita, HOD, English and convener of ICGPC cell of the college, various programs were held at the college campus.

- A Student Interaction Program on current opportunities at GIAL (Guwahati International Airport Limited) was held on 08-10-2024.
- One Day Awareness Program on "Going Beyond Employability" was organised by Times Pro in collaboration with ICGP Cell on 29-01-2025. Around 75 students of B.Com 4th and 6th semesters got enrolled for the free 45-day Course on the Employability provisions in the Insurance Sector.
- An MOU was signed with Bajaj Finserv to conduct the Certificate Program in Banking, Finance and Insurance (CPBFI) for our students by Dr. Manisha Bhattacharya, Principal of the college and Dr. Marie Kalita, Convener of the cell and the officials of Bajaj Finserv. Accordingly, 72 students of the B.Com 4th and 6th semester class got enrolled for the course on 31-01-2025.



THE INTERNAL COMPLAINTS COMMITTEE

A Talk on Sexual Harassment at Workplace: The Internal Complaints Committee and Department of Education of Paschim Guwahati Mahavidyalaya in collaboration with Asom Shikshak Prashikshan

Mahavidyalaya (ASPM) hosted a talk on 'Sexual Harassment at Workplace' on the 27th of June, 2025 in the Asom Shikshak Prashikshan Mahavidyalaya Auditorium. This program was the first event after the signing of the MoU between the Education Department of PGM, led by HOD Dr. Hazarat Ali and ASPM.



NSS ACTIVITIES

The NSS unit organized and participated in a series of significant events and programs to contribute to both campus life and the local community:

- World Human Rights Day: The unit observed World Human Rights Day on Dec 10, 2024, raising awareness about fundamental human rights and freedoms.
- Swachhata Hi Seva Abhiyan: A cleanliness drive was held on December 7, 2024, as part of the "Swachhata Hi Seva" campaign, promoting cleanliness and hygiene.
- Self-Improvement Training Program: A comprehensive self-improvement training program was conducted from February 23, 2025, to May 30, 2025, at the Hare Krishna Temple, North Guwahati, to enhance the personal and professional skills of the volunteers.
- An educational tour was organized on May 19, 2025, to the Buddha Monastery in Amingaon.
- Chatra Diwas: The unit celebrated Chatra Diwas on April 7, 2025, to honor the student community and their role in nation-building.
- Anti-Terrorism Pledge-Taking Ceremony: A pledge-taking ceremony was held on April 23, 2025, to condemn the terror attack at Pahalgam and raise awareness against terrorism.
- Anti-Tobacco Day: On May 31, 2025, the unit observed Anti-Tobacco Day to educate people on the harmful effects of tobacco use.



INDIAN KNOWLEDGE SYSTEM CELL

The Indian Knowledge System (IKS) Cell of the college was constituted by the college authority on April 22, 2025. The cell has since organized several key events.



• **International Symposium :** An International Symposium on "Interpreting the Bhagavad Gita as a Guide for Contemporary Challenges" was held on May 24, 2025. The resource person for this event was Rasa Acharya Dr. I Made Dharmayasa from Indonesia. The program was organized in association with Vidya Bharati Uccha Shiksha Sansthan, Assam Prant.

• **Guest of the Month Lecture:** A "Guest of the Month Lecture" on the topic "Yoga: India's Gift to the world" was organized on June 21, 2025. The resource person was Mr. Prasanta Kr. Baruah, an Ex. ITBP Officer, Ex. SPG Officer, Ex. GM of OIL, and a Yoga Instructor. The event was organized in association with the IQAC, PGM.



ACTIVITIES OF DEPARTMENTS

Department of Assamese

• **Guest of the Month Lectures:** The Sankardeva Study Centre of the department, in collaboration with IQAC, organized two guest lectures:

*On 29-10-2024, speaker Bhaskar Jyoti Mahanta gave a talk on the topic *Aadhunik Jugat Srimanta Sankardevar Prasangikata*.

*On April 26, 2025, research scholar Mr. Dhan ManiDas spoke on *Sankardevar Chintadarshar Sampratik Prasangikata*.

• In collaboration with IQAC, the Sankardeva Study Centre organized a lecture and film screening program on the topic *Sankardeva and his works*. The speaker was Dr. Yashodhara Medhi, HOD of the Department of English and a renowned scholar on Srimanta Sankardev.

• A special lecture was held in the context of "Bhasha Gaurav Saptah". The speaker was Dr. Maniram Kalita, Associate Professor from Sonapur College, and the topic was *Asamiya Bhashak Dhrupadi Bhasha Hisape Sikriti: Eti Alokpat*.

• The department celebrated **International Mother Language Day** on February 21, 2025.

• The department inaugurated the "**Mamani Raisam Goswami Study Centre**" on April 30, 2025.

• The department opened an Indian Knowledge System related course on *Asamiya Ramayani Sahitya* on April 10, 2025.



Department of Commerce

• **IKS Course Inauguration:** The faculty of the Department of Commerce inaugurated an Indian Knowledge System (IKS) course on Trade and Commerce of ancient India" on April 11, 2025.

• A lecture on Budgeting and Saving: Building a strong Financial Foundation was organized on June 19, 2025. The resource persons for this valuable program were Mr. Himangshu Sarma and Mr. Hitesh Talukdar from AXIS Bank Ltd., Lankeswar Branch. The event was organized in association with IQAC, PGM.



Department of Education

• **Documentary Programme:** On the 25th March, the Department of Education organised a documentary on the late Dr. Lakhahira Das. Ms. Namrata Dutta, the eminent Writer, presented a Documentary on late Dr. Lakhahira Das for her contribution in the field of literature, arts and cultural Scenario of Assam.

• On 24th April, 2025, the Department of Education introduced a course on Indian Knowledge System.

• On the 10th April 2025, the Department of Education organised a Parents and Teachers Meet to discuss the progress and problems of the students.



Department of English

• **Venture**, the department's little magazine, Volume 10, edited by Associate Professor Dr. Yashodhara Medhi, was released on September 5, 2024

• Teacher Exchange Program:

- o September 30, 2024: Dr. Jilmil Bora, HoD of English from D.K. College, Mirza, took a class.
- o November 13, 2024: Dr. Madhuleema Chaliha from our department visited D.K. College and took a class.

• **Students' Seminar:** A Students' Seminar was held under an MoU with Pandu College on the theme "Literary Discourse: Mapping Texts and Narratives." on March 11, 2025

• **World Poetry Day:** On April 2, 2025, World Poetry Day was celebrated with a students' seminar where research papers were presented.

• The IKS Course on "**Indian Classical Literature in Translation**" was inaugurated May 2, 2025.

• **A Parent Teacher Meet (PTM)** was organized, where the Principal, Dr. Manisha Bhattacharyya, addressed the gathering on May 10, 2025.



Department of Hindi

• **Hindi Diwas:** The Department of Hindi celebrated Hindi Diwas on 16-09-2024. Dr. Manisha Bhattacharyya, Principal of the institution, was the chief Guest. She delivered an interesting speech on the expansion of the Hindi Language.



Department of History

Dept. of History observed **World Heritage Day** on April 21, 2025 with a series of vibrant and informative events highlighting India's rich cultural legacy.

- o An awareness drama on tourism was performed.
- o Students gave a PowerPoint presentation illustrating India's cultural diversity, architectural marvels, and historical significance.
- o A Pan-Indian Food Exhibition was held, showcasing traditional delicacies from different states.
- o The event concluded with a Folk Fusion Dance of India, where students performed various folk forms.



Department of Management

• **IKS Course:** On April 5, 2025 started a **lecture on Origin and evaluation of the Barter system and Business** under the Indian Knowledge System as per the new education policy 2020.

• **Student Seminar:** Organized a Student Seminar on the topic "**Role of Small Business in Regional Economic Development.**" Students submitted and presented their papers March 5, 2025.



Department of Philosophy

• **World Philosophy Day 2024:** As a part of the observation of World Philosophy Day 2024, a lecture program was organised by the department of Philosophy on the topic, **Philosophy of Life and Motivation** on 21-11-2024. Dr. Jintu Gohain, Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, PGM, was invited as Resource person in the program.



Department of Political Science

• **An Orientation Programme on Preparing for NET/SLET Examination** was organized, with Dr. Vikas Tripathi from Gauhati University as the resource person November 21, 2024.

• **Constitution Day 2024** was celebrated. Dr. Moinul Haque Choudhury, HOD, delivered a lecture on "Indian Constitution: Roots and Significance." on November 26, 2024

• **A Guest of the Month** lecture titled **Understanding the Indian Constitution** was delivered by Dr. Dhruva Pratim Sarmah, Professor & HOD from Gauhati University on February 27, 2025.

- A popular talk was organized on **Human Rights-The Indian Perspective**, with Dr. Ratul Ch. Kalita from Tihu College as the resource person on March 19, 2025:

- The department organized a **CLEANLINESS DRIVE** program on April 10, 2025.

- The department published two works in September 2024:

- o "ANANNYA," a peer-reviewed bilingual book of research papers and articles on Humanities and Social Sciences. It was edited by Dr. Moinul Haque Choudhury and Dr. Jintu Gohain.

- o "POLITIKA," an e-research journal, edited by Dr. Moinul Haque Choudhury and Dr. Jintu Gohain.

- On August 11, 2025, an "Orientation Programme for newly admitted students (both UG & PG)" was organized.



Department of Economics

- **The National Khadi day** was observed at Dharapur MV School by the Department on 30-09-2024. The speech regarding history and importance of the day was delivered by Dr. Namita Devi, Associate Professor to enlighten the students. More than 50 students along with teachers were present in the programme.

- **The World Sanitation day** was observed at Garal ME School by the department on 19-11-2024. The welcome address was given by Dr. Mrinmoyee Bhattacharyya, Associate Professor. Resource person,

Mrs. Ira Choudhury, retired Vice Principal delivered a speech on the importance and significance of the World Sanitation Day.

- Department of Economics also published its 10th edition **Departmental Journal** titled **PGM Economic Review** on 5th September, 2024.

- A digital literacy program was organized by the Department of Economics at adopted village Rani, Puranbari on 24-06-2025. Ms Nasima Jahan, alumni of Department of Economics delivered a talk on **Importance of Digital Literacy** among the women of the adopted village.



TEACHERS' ACTIVITIES

Dr. Mrinmoyee Bhattacharyya,

Associate Professor & HoD, Department of Economics.

- Dr. Mrinmoyee Bhattacharyya has served as a Language Editor for the Self Learning Material (SLM) of Economics at KKHSOU since 2018.

- Her article, titled "বহনক্ষম উন্নয়নৰ অনান্য উপাদান হিচাপে বাস্তবসংঘৰ দ্বাৰা স্বীকৃত ২১ শতিকাৰ বৃক্ষ নিৰ্মগচ্ছ" was published in the August 2024 issue of *Krishi Jagran* (Vol. 07, Issue-08; ISSN 2583-598X).

- A research paper titled "Role of Micro Enterprise Development in promoting Rural Women Entrepreneurship in India with special Reference to NE Region." was published in the peer-reviewed edited book, **Transition of Indian Society: A North-East India Perspective** (ISBN 978-81-979660-0-2), in 2024.

Dr. Prabalika Sarma,

Associate Professor, Department of English

- Dr. Prabalika Sarma won the **Best Library User Award** amongst the teachers of college for the academic session 2024-25.

- She authored three English Major Texts under NEP 2020 Syllabus prescribed by Gauhati University for the academic session 2023-24.

- She was invited by the Department of English, Pandu College, on 11-11-2024 **as a resource person in a Students Seminar** on the theme 'Literary Discourse: Mapping Texts and Narratives'.

- She was invited **as a Resource Person to Asom Shikshak Prashikshan Mahavidyalaya (ASPM)** to deliver a talk on The Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal) Act, 2013.

Dr. Marie Kalita,

Associate Professor & HoD, Department of English

- **Dr. Marie Kalita** has been appointed as a Guest Faculty in the BASS Program at TISS (Tata Institute of Social Sciences) Guwahati Campus for the session 2025- 26.

- Dr. Marie Kalita 's articles on varied areas gets regularly published in the editorial section of **The Assam Tribune**.

Dr. Moinul Hoque Choudhury,

Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science

- **Dr. Moinul Hoque Choudhury** has co-authored two textbooks for undergraduate courses under FYUGP:

- o "Political Theory: Concepts and Debates" for Gauhati University and Bhattadev University.

- o "Understanding International Relations" for Gauhati University and Rabindra Nath Tagore University.



Dr. Hazarat Ali,
Assistant Professor and HoD, Department of Education

- **Dr. Hazarat Ali** participated in the online Week-long **Faculty Development Program on Indian Education System : History, Transformation and Future** held on 23rd -29th October, 2024, organised by Darrang - Udalguri Zone, ACTA in collaboration with Anundaram Borooah Institute of Language, Art & Culture, Assam, India Mahapurush Srimanta Sankardeva Welfare Trust, Assam India & R.C. Saharia Teachers' Training College, Tanga.
- He has completed one day **State Level Workshop on The Role of Assam College Teachers' Association in implementation of NEP 2020** organised by Bongaigaon- Kokrajhar- Chirang Zone (ACTA Zone-2) & IQAC, Abhayapuri College in Association with Abhayapuri College Teachers' Council (ACTA) held on 11th December, 2024.
- He has presented a paper titled **Challenges and opportunities for Higher Education in Assam (NEP, 2020)** in the XXXIII Academic Conference organized by the Punjab and Chandigarh College Teachers' Union (PCCTU) in association with Punjab Agriculture University Teachers' Association (PAUTA) at Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana, on 1-2 March 2025.

Dr. Madhuleema Chaliha,
Assistant Professor, Department of English

- **Dr. Madhuleema Chaliha** participated in RUSA Assam Sponsored **Short Term Programme/Faculty Development Programme on Climate Crossroads: Challenges and Prospects in Changing Ecology** under the 'Mentoring cutting-edge Research' scheme of Gauhati University, held during 23rd June 2025 to 29th June 2025 in online-mode, conducted by Department of Communication and Journalism, Gauhati University in collaboration with UGC-MMTTC (Formerly known as UGC-HRDC), Gauhati University.

Ms. Nirmali Borah,
Assistant Professor, Department of Commerce (Statistics)

- **Nirmali Borah** participated in the one week online National Workshop on **"STATISTICAL DATA ANALYSIS USING SPSS"** held from 4th to 10th November 2024, organised by the Department of Statistics, Dibrugarh University.
- She participated in the **National Webinar on Safeguarding Writing Skills and Design under the Domain of Intellectual Property Rights** organised by Centre for Legal Studies, GCU, Guwahati, Assam; Dept. of Economics, GCU, Guwahati, Assam; and IPR Cell, GCU, in collaboration with Dept. of Economics, Chhaygaon College and Paschim Guwahati Mahavidyalaya, Dharapur, held on 8th October, 2024
- She also participated in RUSA Assam Sponsored **Short Term Programme/FDP on Climate Crossroads: Challenges and Prospects in Changing Ecology** under the 'Mentoring cutting-edge Research' scheme of Gauhati University, held during 23rd June 2025 to 29th June 2025 in online-mode, conducted by Department of Communication and Journalism, Gauhati University in collaboration with UGC-MMTTC (Formerly known as UGC-HRDC), Gauhati University.

Dr. Chaya Devi,
Assistant Professor, Department of Education

- **Dr. Chaya Devi** participated in UGC Sponsored **Guru-Dakshta Faculty Induction Programme (FIP - 11)** held during 5th February to 7th March 2025 in online-mode, conducted by UGC -MMTTC, Gauhati University.

- She participated in one week online **FDP** organised by Department of Communication and Journalism, Gauhati University in collaboration with MMTTC, Gauhati University from 23rd June 2025 to 29th June 2025 on **Climate Crossroads: Challenges and Prospects in Changing Ecology** under the "Mentoring cutting-edge Research" Scheme of Gauhati University sponsored by RUSA Assam.

• Her edited Books -

- **Transition of Indian Society: A North-East India Perspective**, published on 5th September 2024
- **"Gender and Contemporary Issues"** an e-journal, published on 10th of March 2025. The e-journal specially reflected major concern on gender related issues.

Dr. Birina Boro,
Assistant Professor, Department of Education

- **Dr. Birina Boro** participated in UGC-sponsored **Guru-Dakshta Faculty Induction Programme (FIP-12)** held from 28th May to 30th June 2025, conducted by UGC-MMTTC, Gauhati University.

- She presented a Seminar Paper entitled **Exploring Sardar Patel's Thoughts and Ideology on Unemployment and its Reflection on NEP 2020** in the International Seminar on Exploring Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel's Legacy organized by KRB Girls' College on 24th and 25th July, 2025.

- She also co-authored a book on the Development of Education in India for Four-Year Undergraduate Programme (FYUGP) for the B.A. 4th Semester

Dr. Priyanka Banerjee,
Assistant Professor, Department of Education

- **Dr. Priyanka Banerjee** participated in UGC-sponsored Online 13th FIP held during 2nd January, 2025 to 30th January, 2025 conducted by UGC-MMTTC (Formerly known as UGC-HRDC), Rashtrasant Tukadoji Maharaj Nagpur University, Nagpur and obtained A+.

- She has participated in RUSA Assam Sponsored **Short Term Programme/FDP on Climate Crossroads: Challenges and Prospects in Changing Ecology** under the 'Mentoring cutting-edge Research' scheme of Gauhati University, held during 23rd June 2025 to 29th June 2025 in online-mode, conducted by Department of Communication and Journalism, Gauhati University in collaboration with UGC-MMTTC (Formerly known as UGC-HRDC), Gauhati University.

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Dr. Kukila Goswami,

Assistant Professor, Department of Assamese

• Dr. Kukila Goswami awarded **Dr. Lakshminandan Bora Research Award, 2025** from Dr. Lakshminandan Bora Sahitya Nyas.

• She presented a research paper entitled **"Sankardevar Bargeetat Adhyatmik Adarshar Pratiphalan (Pawe Pari hari karohe katari bargeetar ullikhanere)** on a National Seminar organised by Sri Sankardeva Sanskritik Samaj (Puri Prakalpa) on 3rd Dec, 2024, which was published on edited book **"Sanskritik Jagataloi Sankardeva Aru Madhabdeva Avadan"**.

• She has participated in UGC-sponsored Guru- Dakshta Faculty Induction Programme (FIP-12) held from 28th May to 30th June 2025, conducted by UGC-MMTTC, Gauhati University.

Dr Hemanta Kalita,

Assistant Professor, Department of Commerce

• Dr Hemanta Kalita has participated in UGC-Sponsored **Short Term Programme on Gender & Contemporary Issues** held during 5th March to 12 March 2025 in online mode, conducted by UGC-MMTTC (UGC-HRDC) Gauhati university.

• He has participated in the National Webinar on **VIKSHIT BHARAT: AI, Research & Innovation for Economic Transformation** organised by Department of Economics Rajkiya Mahavidyalaya Amori & Banbasa, Uttarakhand on February 25, 2025

Ms. Himashree Barman,

Assistant Professor, Department of Assamese

• **Ms. Himashree Barman** participated in UGC Sponsored **Guru-Dakshta Faculty Induction Programme (FIP -11)** held during 5th February to 7th March 2025 in online-mode, conducted by UGC-MMTTC, Gauhati University.

• She participated in one week online **FDP** organised by Department of Communication and Journalism, Gauhati University in collaboration with MMTTC, Gauhati University from 23rd June 2025 to 29th June 2025 on **Climate Crossroads: Challenges and Prospects in Changing Ecology** under the "Mentoring cutting-edge Research" Scheme of Gauhati University sponsored by RUSA Assam.

ACHIEVEMENTS OF NON-TEACHING STAFF

• **Mr. Niren Kalita and Mr. Saurav Jyoti Goswami, Jr.** Assistant, Paschim Guwahati Mahavidyalaya has participated and successfully completed the **Two Days' Workshop cum Training program on "College E-Administration System on SAMARTH, FinAssam and Artificial Intelligence (AI) for College Staff"** organised by Non-Teaching Staff of SBMS College in collaboration with IQAC, SBMS College, Sualkuchi on 23rd July & 24th July 2025



STUDENTS' ACHIEVEMENTS



• **Ipshta Srivastava** of the Department of History got the **Best Female Graduate Award** in the session 2024-25

• **NSS Unit Group Leader Amarjyoti Bhuyan and Deepjyoti Das**, Secretary, NSS Unit, have won third and special prize in **Speech Competition on Anti-Tobacco Day** organised by Gauhati University NSS Cell.

• **NSS Volunteer Priyanka Kalita, Fiza Khannam and Deepjyoti Das** (Secretary, NSS Unit) have won the **Viksit Bharat Youth Parliament competition** at the block level and got selected for the district level.

• **NSS Volunteers of Paschim Guwahati Mahavidyalaya** have participated in the **North East NSS festival** at Meghalaya from 8-12 July 2025, as a part of team Assam contingent, where the Assam contingent won the best team title.

• This year, 20 **NCC Cadets** of Paschim Guwahati Mahavidyalaya passed the **C certificate** examination, 2025.

• **NCC cadet Rajesh Roy** of B.Com 3rd Semester joined **NCC National Camp** (Basic Mountaineering Course).

• **Bhumika Boro, Jenifa Sultana Begum & Garima Bora** of Department of English were awarded the **Best Team** in the **5th Young Researcher's Conference 2025** at Pandu College.

SNAPSHOTS OF DIFFERENT ACTIVITIES



Observation of United Nations Day



Visit to collect Cheque of Nijut Moina Scheme, 2024



Celebration of 9th Ayurveda Day



FYUGP First Semester Admission - 2025



Visit to Krishi Vigyan Kendra, Azara



Signing of MoU with GIMT



Orientation Program on Summer Internship of FYUGP 5th Semester students.



Awareness & enrolment drive by Prof. Rajendra Prasad Das, Vice Chancellor, KKHSOU



Celebration of 'Bohagor Adin' at college campus

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