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1. The Excellence Awards presented to 14 eminent members of the society for their outstanding contribution in various fields of societal development: Report Published on **The Assam Tribune, February 1st, 2015.**
2. The North East NSS Festival Inaugurated, which was organised in association with Government of Meghalaya: Report published on **The Shillong Times, April 29, 2015.**
3. The Women Social Workers presented the Social Work Excellence Award by the university to encourage the students for selfless service to the society: Report published on **The Assam Rising, March 20, 2019.**
4. The Social Work Excellence Award 2018 presented to the Forest Man of India, Mr Jadev Payang: Report published on **The Meghalaya Guardian, March 22, 2018.**
5. Application called for 20 Scholarships for higher education at the university to poor meritorious students in association with Assam Sahitya Sabha: Report published on **The Meghalaya Guardian, May 23, 2019.**
6. The Tree Planation at the connecting road of the University in association with Delhi Public School: Report published on **The North East Times, June 22, 2018.**
7. The Media Excellence Award presented to the eminent media personalities for their outstanding contribution in representing people voice at the forefront: Report published on **The Assam Tribune, July 6, 2018.**
8. The Media Excellence Award 2017 presented to the eminent media personalities for their outstanding contribution for fearless journalism: **Report published on The Assam Post, July 30, 2017.**

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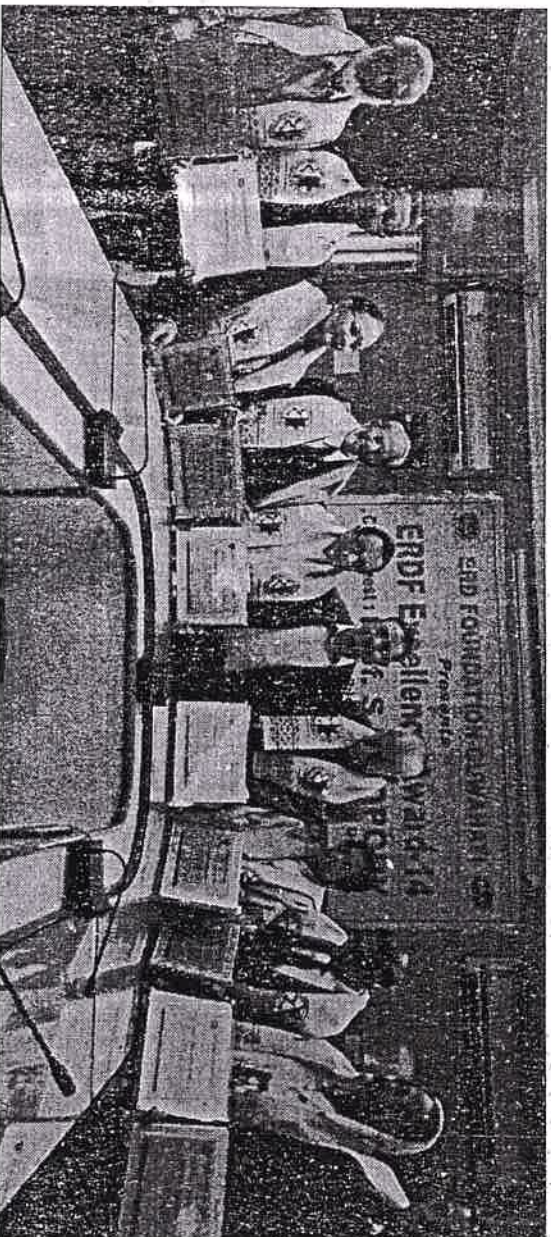
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14 elders honoured with excellence awards

GUWAHATI, Jan 31 - Keeping alive its decade long tradition, the Education Research & Development Foundation (ERDF) honoured 14 eminent senior citizens of Assam for their outstanding contributions in different fields of public life. Those who received their 'Excellence Award 2014' at the RIST auditorium on the outskirts of Guwahati on Saturday morning were DN Bebaruah (journalist), Tayabun Nisha (athlete), Prof Anil Kumar Goswami (scientist), Dr Lakhya Das (lyricist and singer), Isfaqur Rahman Borah (social worker), Prof MH Hazarika (generic engineer), Prof Ashok Kumar Goswami (Sanskrit scholar), Dr UK Sharma (educationist), Dr Nirupama Mahanta (Gandhian activist) and GL Agarwalla (media person).

Radhika Mohan Bhagawati, Col Monoranjan Goswami, Dr



DN Buragohain and Justice Atab Hussain Saikia could not attend the function due to pre-occupations. Their awards would be handed over later, it was announced.

Earlier, welcoming the dignitaries and guests to the function,

Mahbubul Hoque, Chairman ERDF and Chancellor USTM said, "The tendency in our society is that senior citizens who toiled all their life to make life better for others are often forgotten after the prime of their life. To reverse this trend, we

have started giving the Excellence Awards to outstanding senior citizens of Assam for nearly a decade now. Very soon we are going to extend this programme in Meghalaya also."

Prof SK Sopory, Vice Chancellor, Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU) New Delhi, who was the chief guest on the occasion and gave away the awards, lauded the initiative of ERDF and said, "We have many lessons to learn from this award ceremony. On one hand, it is an inspiration for the up-

coming generation, and on the other it is a declaration of our gratefulness to the senior citizens who gave their best time and energy for us to live with peace and honour today."

About ERDF, he said, "Education is the best gift that we can give to people, and ERDF is just doing that and doing it with sincerity and excellence. I will certainly look forward to opportunities in which JNU and ERDF could work together for common good of our people."

After the acceptance speech by the awardees, Dr NK Choudhury, principal adviser to ERDF HN Das, former Chief Secretary Assam and PJ Barua, Executive Editor, *The Assam Tribune* also addressed the gathering.

In a post lunch programme, Prof SK Sopory participated in an interactive session with faculty and students of USTM and Cotton College, Guwahati.

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2nd N-E NSS Festival of M'laya inaugurated

By Our Reporter

SHILLONG: The 2nd North East NSS Festival of Meghalaya with the theme 'Bonding Beyond Borders' was inaugurated on Tuesday at the University of Science & Technology, Meghalaya.

Speaking on the occasion, Adviser to the State Government, D.D. Lapang, encouraged the participants to go ahead in life by attending and participating in co-curricular and extra-curricular activities which will not only help the youth community to build up friendship and strong bonding among them to make India as one of the most powerful democracy.

Chairman of the Festival, C.C.M. Mihsil, delivered the welcome address in the inaugural session.

Sunil Basumatary, Youth Officer of NE NSS Unit, explained the significance and purpose of the NE NSS Festival to the participants.

He narrated the success story of NSS volunteers as very good leaders of the country. He also expressed confidence that the five-day stay in the USTM campus will be a unique experience for the NSS volunteers.

The souvenir of the Festival was released on the occasion and the IGNSS awardees were felicitated by the chief guest.

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USTM conferred Excellence Awards on World Social Work Day

Birubala Rabha & Swati Paradkar receive USTM Social Work Excellence Award



News Desk, Mar 19: With the theme of "promoting the importance of human relationship," the University of Science & Technology, Meghalaya organized a two-day National Convention on 18th and 19th March where this year's Social Work Excellence Award was conferred to Birubala Rabha, social activist from Assam and Swati Paradkar, president of Shri Mahila Griha Udyog Lijjat Papad, Mumbai. Prof. Kalpana Sarathy, Acting Deputy Director in Tata Institute of Social Sciences,

Guwahati received Dr Udaya Mahadevan Academic Excellence Award conferred on the same event at USTM today. Expressing happiness as she received the award, Birubala Rabha, the crusader against witchcraft and witch-hunting said, "Witchcraft and witch-hunting is a very superstitious belief which exists even in today's world. For decades, I have been doing awareness campaigns. I call upon everyone to join my mission to erase this social evil completely." Rabha was instrumen-

tal in the passing of the Prevention of and Protection from Witch Hunting Act, 2015 by the Assam Government. The active role played by Birubala Rabha in eradication of witch-hunting is an inspiration for many who wish to bring a positive change in the society. Receiving the award, Swati Paradkar said, "This is a big honour for me as well as the 45,000 women across India who are active part of our organization". Swathi is a self-made woman, an effective administrator, an

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Birubala Rabha & Swati

entrepreneur par excellence and a torch bearer of the Gandhian concept of Sarvodaya. She joined as papad rolling sister member at a very tender age to mitigate the family financial crisis, at Wadala Branch in 1971, four years after the institution was formerly registered. USTM Social Work Dept also instituted Dr Udaya Mahadevan Academic Excellence Award—after the renowned academician in Social Work who died on last Saturday (16 March 2019) and the Award was conferred upon Prof. Kalpana Sarathy from TISS who is specialized in the field of

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USTM said that the University has been constantly trying to impart professionalism with a human touch to students so that the students realize their social responsibilities. During the two days of the Convention, different sessions were taken by Prof. J. Henry Rozario, Director and Principal Consultant of Exodus Research and Development Pvt. Ltd., Prof. Victor Paul, HOD, Dept of Social Work, Christ University, Prof. Sanjay Bhatt, Dept of Social Work, President NAPSWL. Some of the sessions include: "Employability Skill Development of Youth", "Human Relationship for humanitarian work", "Strategies of Youth Development".

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Jadav Payeng feted with USTM Social Work Excellence Award

9TH MILE, RI BHOI, MAR 21: As the world celebrated World Social Work Day on March 20 this year, the University of Science & Technology, Meghalaya honoured environmental activist Padma Shri Jadav Payeng with USTM Social Work Excellence Award 2018. Organised by the Department of Social Work of USTM, the award was handed over by veteran journalist, writer and activist, Padma Shri Patricia Mukhim.

After receiving the Award, Jadav Payeng, also known as the "Forest Man of India" addressed a packed NK Choudhury Auditorium at USTM and said, "The forest I have built in Kokilabari at Jorhat is above religion and politics. I find my God in nature. I do not want anything from the country, but I know that I have to work for my country. In fact the whole world is my home. I like to go anywhere in the globe if I have to plant trees." Expressing his happiness to address students in an educational institution, Payeng said that Environment Science should be included from Lower Primary schools and each student should be taught to plant a tree when he or she takes admission for the first

time in school. Every five years, that student should plant another tree and look after it, he added.

Patricia Mukhim, the chief guest of the award function, said that social work requires a special commitment. Work starts at the family and community level. One of the key learning of social work is how to bring people above the poverty line. Their task is to advocate for those who are voiceless, she said.

She emphasized on the significance of the World Social Work Day and said that it is a day in the year that social workers worldwide stand together to celebrate the achievements of the profession and take the theme message into their communities, workplaces and to their governments to raise awareness of the social work contributions and need for further action.

Payeng's mission began in 1979 when he was just 14 with planting of 50 bamboo trees in order to prevent death of snakes as many snakes died that year due to heat and the absence of trees. Over the years, the once barren sandbar has turned into a dense forest home to many wild ani-

mals.

Speaking on the occasion, Mahabul Hoque, Chancellor of USTM said that the university is determined to take care of the environment and greenery. "We are extremely happy to have Jadav Payeng, the forestman of India among us who has shown the world how determination, dedication and persistent hard work of a single person can convert a barren land into a forest that now houses Bengal tigers, Indian rhinoceros, and over 100 deer and rabbits".

Earlier, the welcome address was delivered by Dr. Prateeti Barman, Head, Department of Social Work. The programme ended with the vote of thanks delivered by Dr. R.K. Sharma, Vice Chancellor, USTM. The World Social Work Day is celebrated each year on the third Tuesday of March. This year's celebration highlights on 'Promoting Community and Environmental Sustainability', which relates to the third pillar of the Global Agenda for Social Work and Social Development. Every year, USTM celebrates it by giving the Social Work Excellence Award to individuals who have immensely contributed to the society.

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Asam Sahitya Sabha calls for application of 20 scholarships at USTM

MAY 22: Asam Sahitya Sabha and the University of Technology Meghalaya (UTM) have called students from all over the state to apply for 20 full scholarships for Undergraduate and Postgraduate courses at USTM.

The scholarships are being instituted in the memory of 20 former presidents of Asam Sahitya Sabha. Research Fellowships lead by the scholars are also being offered to carry out research on the literary stalwarts of the state. Maneswar Neog and Mahabubul Hoque — both being presidents of Sabha. The award was taken up by MoU between USTM and Asam Sahitya Sabha in September.

In a press conference at USTM, Dr Paramananda Rajbongshi, President, Asam Sahitya Sabha, said, "We have seen that students get good percentage in board and degree exams but due to their poor financial position they are unable to pursue their education as per their desire. These scholarships would greatly help them to move ahead with their studies and secure their future".

He also mentioned the media, Mahabubul Hoque, Chancellor of USTM and the ERD Foundation, Guwahati, that the purpose of of-

fering the scholarships is on the one hand to help young meritorious students pursue higher education who would not have been able to chase their cherished dream due to their poor economic background,



Dr Paramananda Rajbongshi, President, Asam Sahitya Sabha, and Mahabubul Hoque, Chancellor, USTM, addressing a press conference in Guwahati on Wednesday.

and on the other, to inspire and encourage the youngsters to follow the footsteps of the honorable presidents of Sabha and contribute wholeheartedly for the development of language, literature, culture and integrity of the region.

The courses provided by USTM would be from Science/Commerce/Humanities as well as professional courses like LLB, MBA and Engineering. The students can apply for 5 Scholarships for UG courses in Physics, Botany, Zoology, Chemistry, Biotechnology, Food Science, Microbiology, Administrative Ser-

vice, English, Sociology, Psychology, Political Science, Physiotherapy, BBA, BCA, BSW, BCom (H), apart from B.Ed., B. Pharma, BALLB and Engineering courses. Students can apply for 15 Scholarships

for PG Courses in Physics, Chemistry, Botany, Biotechnology, Zoology, English, Microbiology, Mathematics, Environment Science, Economics, Sociology, Education, Geography, Political Science, Library Science, Rural Development, M.Com, MSW, MCA, MCA (Later), MPT, Agri-Extension Management.

Padum Rajkhowa, Chief Secretary, Asam Sahitya Sabha, said that the scholarships will be awarded on merit basis to students, while preference will be given to those whose financial condition is weak.

He said that the forms will available at USTM website www.ustm.ac.in and can be submitted to Asam Sahitya Sabha's Guwahati office as well as its branch offices spread across Assam. The last date for submission of Forms for UG scholarship is June 15 and for PG scholarships is July 20. The list of selected students will be declared within one week from the last date of form submission. Dates for Research Fellowship will be notified in the first week of August on USTM website. The merit list will be prepared by a Selection Committee, constituted by members of Asam Sahitya Sabha and USTM.

The 15 scholarships for PG courses are on: Padmanath Gohain Baruah, Chandradhar Barua, Kalliram Medhi, Hemchandra Goswami, Amrit Bhushan Dev Adhikari, Kanaklal Barua, Lakshminath Bezbaroa, Rajanikanta Bordoloi, Benudhar Rajkhowa, Tarun Ram Phukan, Kamalakanta Bhattacharya, Mofizuddin Ahmed Hazarika, Nagendra Narayan Choudhury, Jnanadabhiram Barua, Ananda Chandra Agarwala.

The 5 UG scholarships are on Raghunath Choudhary, Krishna Kanta Handique, Moidul Islam Bora, Nilmani Phukan and Arnbikagiri Raichoudhury.

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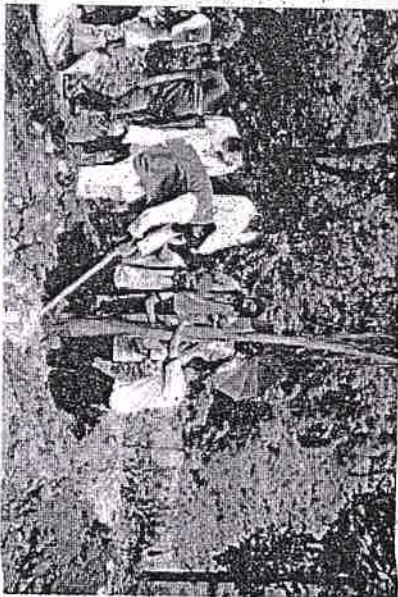
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USTM bottle palm plantation in Killing Rd

KILLING ROAD, 9TH MILE, JUNE 21 : USTM Registrar Anju Hazarika said that The University of Science & Technology, Meghalaya today planted hundreds of expensive bottle palm trees by the side of the Killing road which starts from GS Road and runs through Ri Bhoi district, stated a press release.

The plantation drive has been initiated by the University authorities today coinciding with the International Day of Yoga which has also been observed enthusiastically at USTM campus. Students and teachers from Delhi Public School, Khanapara also participated in the plantation drive.



Leading the plantation drive, M. Hoque, the Chancellor of USTM, said that plantation of bottle palm trees would not only beautify the road, but it would also help prevent erosion apart from many other benefits of this rare quality tree.

He said that the long life span of bottle palm trees would contribute immensely for a long term effect. The plants have been brought from Hyderabad.

type of plant doesn't get very tall and are very slow growers. It takes a long time for these palm trees to get the actual bottle shape. They start out with no real bulge at all.

As they mature, the bottle shape starts to take form. The older they get the more the bottle shape elongates. The leaves take a long time to form and unroll, the release added.

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Media has social responsibility: Mooshahary

STAFF REPORTER

GUWAHATI, July 5: The University of Science & Technology Meghalaya (USTM) today honoured media personalities from the region, recognising their contributions in the field of news media in giving legitimacy to people's voice and augmenting the role of media as the 'fourth estate'.

The awards were conferred on the occasion of USTM PR Day-2018 at a function presided over by Prof Nirmal Kumar Chaudhary, former Vice Chancellor of Gauhati University, at Hotel Landmark here.

The chief guest was former Meghalaya Governor, RS Mooshahary. A number of mediapersons and dignitaries,

including PJ Barnah, Executive Editor, *The Assam Tribune*, and Dr PK Goswami, VC, USTM, were present.

This year's USTM Media Excellence Award went to four senior journalists - Zarir Hussain, Chief Managing Editor, News Live; Dileep Chandan,

Prag Channel; Mridul Haloi, *Dainik Jambhumi*; Arifque Hussain, *The Shillong Times*; Tinakali Sumi, *Nagaland Post* and Evarjopin Dikhar, *Meghalaya Guardian*, Shillong.

Delivering his keynote address on the 'Role of Universities in Outreach Activities',

USTM media awards presented

Editor, *Asom Bani*; Samudra Gupta Kashyap, veteran journalist and author, and Mahanta, Editor, *Nandini*.

The USTM Media Achiever Award-2018 went to eight senior journalists from the region - Sujit Chakraborty, IANS, Tripura; Sayanarayan Misra, *Dainik Purvoday*; Intiaz Ahmed, *The Telegraph*, Guwahati; Monmomi Mahanta,

director, *The Shillong Times*, said universities have immense responsibility in shaping the future of a generation through community engagement, public service and knowledge exchange, apart from its main areas of teaching and research.

Another keynote speaker on the occasion, Prasanta Rajguru, Editor, *Amar Asom*, in his lecture on the 'Role of Universities in Socio-Political Awareness', said educational institutions are temples of knowledge and universities being at the highest level of educational institutions, have a great deal of responsibility in creating social and political awareness among the people.

Addressing the gathering, Mooshahary said there are very few private universities that have seen such level of growth within a few years of their establishment as USTM experienced. Giving away the awards, Mooshahary said the media too has social responsibilities and it could play a positive or negative role in society. USTM Chancellor M Hoque spoke about the university's progress.

USTM confers Media Awards 2017

Guwahati, July 29: University of Science and Technology, Meghalaya (USTM) organised University Public Relations Day

Speaking at the event Mr. Mahbubul Hoque, Chancellor, USTM and Chairman of ERD Foundation said, "The USTM PR Day"

past one year." Media personalities felicitated in the event were Nityamoni Saitika (Editor in Chief, Pratidin Times), Prasanta Rajguru

Jabian by J.B. College and Lakhtimpur Girls College Magazine by Lakhtimpur Girls College respectively.

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(Executive Editor, Amar Axom), Snigdha Sikha Borah (DY 365), Chaya Moni Bhuyan (Political Editor, News Live), Nasreen Habib (Editor, Eclectic), Mamta Misra (The Assam Tribune), Bireshwar Das (Dainik Jugasankha) and Ms. Emilio Konyak (Correspondent, Nagaland Post). Dignitaries present at the event were Shri

Cottonian by Cotton College was adjudged the Best Cover category, Manash Pratim Rajbanshi, a 4th Semester student of Nalbari College won the award for his article Moraba Fulor Xubah under the Best Article category. Dipsikha Baruah of Digboi College won the Best Woman Editor award, Priyanka Nath, 6th Semester student of K.C Das Commerce College Best Woman Writer award for her article Nishigandha. MOSAIC 2016 of St Anthony's College Shillong, Meghalaya and RENDEZVOUS 16 of Salesian College of Higher Education, Dimapur, Nagaland bagged the Special Jury Award. Later, the chairman of ERD Foundation Shri M. Hoque had announced some educational schemes for media friends. The University of Science and Technology, Meghalaya (USTM) had been established under the provisions of the University of Science and Technology, Meghalaya Act (No.6 of 2008) enacted by Legislative Assembly of Meghalaya and notified vide Gazette Notification No.IL(B)/87/2008/21, dated 02.12.2008 of Government of Meghalaya. The University is empowered by the University Grants Commission, to award degrees as specified by the UGC under section 22 of the UGC Act, 1956.

nut consumption is beneficial for digestive health by increasing amount of good probiotic bacteria in the Walnuts do this by acting as a prebiotic to help the gut and grow the bacteria that keeps the digestive system healthy. Researchers found that a diet of walnuts led to an increase in the diversity of bacteria in the gut. "Gut health is emerging research, but we are seeing greater bacterial diversity may be associated with better health outcomes whereas low diversity has been linked to conditions such as obesity and inflammatory bowel disease," said lead researcher Dr. Byetley, PhD, RD Associate Professor of Research in the Physiology Department at Louisiana State University. In this study, rats were randomly assigned to a diet containing ground walnuts equivalent to about 1/2 cup per 100g in humans, or a diet

today at Hotel Landmark, Guwahati. The day marks award felicitation of eminent Media Personalities, Announcement of several educational schemes for the media by Education Research and Development Foundation (ERDF), Award distribution program of 2nd North East College Magazine competition and Presentation of USTM Report Card for the year gone by.

is a special event organised for our media fraternity where we take the opportunity to recognise the efforts of journalist from across the region for their contribution in the field of journalism. We strongly feel that journalists play a very important role in bringing about a change in the society.

We also take this opportunity to share our achievements in the Former Governor of Meghalaya, Shri Dhiraj Borra, VC, ASTU; Prof N.K. Chaudhury, Principal Adviser, ERDF and Ananyoti Choudhury, CV Ramani Chair Prof, USTM. The Awards distribution program for the 2nd North East College Magazine competition was also held. Under the Best Magazine category the first three prizes were bagged by Alochani by Digboi College,

93 Parliamentary Secretaries may lose jobs in five NE states

ng, July 29: Ninety-three parliamentary secretaries across five

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