

## 1. Seminars/Conferences/Workshops/Talks conducted under IQAC Initiative

A brief note on the different Seminars/Conferences/Workshops/Invited talks/Events which were conducted in the University of Science and Technology, Meghalaya (USTM) under the IQAC cell of the University in different years are presented under the following year-heading.

### 2014

- USTM in collaboration with Madhavdev College, Narayanpur has organized a National Seminar on “ **Challenges in Higher Education- A North East Perspective**” on the 29th of January, 2014 in Madhavdev College, Narayanpur.

### 2015

- 3 day National seminar on “Changing Scenario in Academic Performance and Audit” was organized on 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> of January, 2015. The inauguration session was graced by Dr. G.D Sharma, VC, Bilashpur University, Prof. Bolin Kumar Konwar, VC, Nagaland University and Prof. B.C Goswami, Director, Academic Staff College, Guwahati University.

Prof. Nilima Bhagawati, Guwahati University, Dr. Balendra Kumar Das, Principal, Pashim Guwahati Mahavidyalaya, Dr. Buddhin Gogoi, Principal, Margherita College and Dr. Mitali Konwar, Principal, Digboi Mahila Mahavidyalaya were the Speaker and Chairperson of the different Technical Sessions.

Around 500 college faculties attended the seminar and presented around 60 research papers were presented during the Seminar.

The seminar was co-sponsored by CSIR-NEIST, DPS-Khanapara and RIST.

- Scholar-Guide meet of the different departments of the University was organized on 7<sup>th</sup> November 2015. The meet was organized in order to emphasize the research and development initiative of the University and provide a platform for the research scholars to share their knowledge in and around their area of research. The event was chaired by Dr. P.G. Rao, VC, USTM.

- A talk on “Role of Faculty in Institution Building” on 28<sup>th</sup> February, 2015 was organized.



Padmashree Dr. Mahmoodur Rahman, (IAS), Former VC, Aligarh Muslim University interacted with the faculty members and delivered the talk on Role of Faculty in Institution Building. Dr. Rahman while addressing the faculty members highlighted the vital tasks to be performed by them in general and emphasised on those roles pertaining to the development of organizational performance.

## 2016

- In collaboration with the Qoumrul Hoque School of Education USTM organized a 2 day workshop on Research Methodology in Social Sciences on 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> of January, 2016.

Dr. Bhupen Sarma, OKDISCD-Director, Dr. Jaydeep Baruah, Faculty Member of OKDISCD, Prof. G. Goswami, Department of Education, Guwahati University, Prof. Dahimani Goswami, Department of Education, Guwahati University, Dr. Rupa Das Borbora, Head, Department of Education, Cotton College were the resource persons of the workshop.

The workshop was organized aiming to share and impart knowledge regarding the various aspects of research and methodology relating to varied aspects of social science among the participants.

- On 13<sup>th</sup> July, 2016 an interactive talk on “Research and Institution Capacity Building” was organized by University of Science and Technology, Meghalaya. The senior

professors, Deans, HoDs, faculty members and higher officials of USTM participated in this interactive session. Dr. Jayanta Biswa Sarma, MBBS, FRCPATH, Ph.D delivered talk on the occasion.

## 2017

- On 18<sup>th</sup> February, 2017 a seminar on “Teachers as Motivators and Counsellors” was organized for the faculty members from different colleges of North East India. 67 college faculties across the different states of North East India participated in the seminar.

The seminar started with a key note address by Dr. P.G. Rao, Hon’ble VC, USTM. Prof. B.K. Konwar, Former VC, Nagaland University and Prof, Department of Molecular Biology and Biotechnology, Tezpur University, was the Chief Guest of the seminar.

Prof. Daisy Bora Talukdar, KKHSOU, Prof. Gayetree Goswami, Department of Education, Guwahati University, Dr. Brinda Bazeley Kharbiryumbai, Department of Education, NEHU, Mr. Mazim Muktor (USA) a renowned educationalist and Mr. Deepankar Bhattacharjee, Consultant, Mine India were the other esteemed guests of the seminar.

The technical sessions of the seminar was followed by a Panel discussion on “Higher Education at Cross Roads”. Thereafter, the seminar ended by speech delivered by the invited guests.

- Scholar-Guide meet of the different departments of the University was organized on 18<sup>th</sup> November, 2017. The meet was organized in order to emphasize the research and development initiative of the University and provide a platform for the research scholars to share their knowledge in and around their area of research. Also to provide the scholars a platform to share the difficulties (of any nature) faced by them in course of their research undertaking. Prof. A.K. Thakur, Head, Department of History, NEHU and Prof. S. Khijwania, Department of Physics, IIT Guwahati were the invited guests in the said occasion.

## 2018

- A seminar for faculty member from different colleges of North East India was organized on 17<sup>th</sup> February, 2018. The seminar started with a key note address by Dr. N.C Talukdar, Director, IASST. Dr. Balendra Das, President, ACPC was the speaker of the seminar.

More than 50 faculties across different colleges of North East India participated in the seminar.

- A talk on “Quality Higher Education” was organized by the University on 17<sup>th</sup> September, 2018.





Prof. Ved Prakash, Former Chairman, UGC delivered talk on the occasion. Faculty members from all the departments of the University attended the talk. Prof. Prakash enlightened the faculty members with the different issues related to higher education in the country. In the later part, there was an interaction session between Prof Prakash and the faculty members.

- Scholar-Guide meet of the different departments of the University was organized on 29<sup>th</sup> September, 2018. The meet was organized in order to emphasize the research and development initiative of the University and provide a platform for the research scholars to share their knowledge in and around their area of research. Prof.M.M. Sufyan Beg, Principal, Z.H. College of English and Technology, Aligarh Muslim University was present as a distinguished speaker on the occasion.

## 2019

- A National Seminar on “Teacher as Counsellor, Motivator, Guide and Visionary-Introspection” was organized by IQAC. The faculty members of different colleges from North East India participated in the Seminar.  
The seminar was held on 16<sup>th</sup> February, 2019.  
Prof. Gayitree Goswami, Associate Professor, Department of Education, Guwahati University addressed the participants by emphasizing the importance and role of teachers in the career building of the students.

Dr. Balendra Das, Director Administration, USTM enlightened the participants with his speech on academic administration and leadership qualities and quality research for the growth of University.

- On 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2019, University of Science and Technology, Meghalaya organized a Brainstorming Session on National Education Policy (NEP) 2019 which was an initiative by IQAC cell of the University.



The session was graced by Dr. Mihir Kanti Choudhury, Former VC, Tezpur University. Faculty members from all the departments of USTM attended the session. The prime purpose of organizing such session is to keep the faculty members of the University at par with the changing paradigm in educational policy. The session facilitated the faculty members in comprehending the varied issues pertaining to NEP 2019.

- A Training Programme on “Curriculum Formulation, Curriculum Transaction and Curriculum Evaluation for Teacher Educators” was organized on 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> October, 2019 which is also an IQAC initiative.



Dr. W. Myllemngap, Assistant Professor and Prof. B. P. Sahu, Professor, Department of Adult and Continuing Education, North East Hill University, Meghalaya trained the participants with the mechanisms of Curriculum Formulation, Curriculum Transaction and Curriculum Evaluation. All the faculty members of the University attended the training programme.