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Newsletter, March - September 2017

### VCs of three oldest universities at 2nd Convocation

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### From the Desk of the Vice Chancellor

Greetings to all. I am happy to inform you all that this quarter (July-Sept) has been a rewarding one with many success stories and achievements. On 14th July 2014, our session has started with the Orientation-Guide meet for fresh batch of students for UG Courses. The Research Scholar-Guide meet was held on 19th July to review the progress of research activities and the Ph D Programme of the scholars along with their guides. On 23rd July, we had the North East College Principals Conclave on higher education, where in former president of India, Dr APJ Abdul Kalam has visited USTM and addressed the Principals and the students in the valedictory function. The visit of former President of India to USTM was an honor to all USTM and ERDE.

### Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam visited USTM

'Knowledge is creativity plus righteousness in the heart plus courage.'

Dr APJ Abdul Kalam, former President of India, addressed the valedictory function of the North East College Principals' Conclave (NCPC)-2014, hosted by USTM, on 23rd July 2014.

### NORTH EAST COLLEGE PRINCIPALS' CONCLAVE

Organized by UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY, MEGHALAYA

Chief Guest: **Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam**

Hon'ble Former President of India

Sponsored by: SBI

SBI Presents **NCPC-2014**

### Mahbulul Hoque received Educlusion Award at Singapore

Mahbulul Hoque, Chancellor of University of Science & Technology, Meghalaya and the foundation had received the award from the Educlusion Foundation of Engineering Community of Singapore on 10 June.

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Quarterly Newsletter, June, 2014

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## From the Desk of Vice-Chancellor

Greetings to all. I am happy to inform you that I have become a member of USTM Family from 2nd June 2014, with the responsibility to steer the University in its mission to achieve its goals. I have a very big task ahead and need cooperation from one and all. I assure you all that I will move with team spirit and take us all together.

This issue of the news letter gives you the important events taken place in the university since January 2014 to till date. I am happy to inform our programme of North East College Principals Conclave, will be held on 23rd of July.

I wish an interesting academic session in the next semester to all students, inspiring and fruitful session to the entire faculty and an eventful session, which will make all the staff and management proud. I Congratulate the Editorial Committee and its team for making all efforts to bring this news letter.



With best wishes  
Dr PG Rao

## BHARAT RATNA DR APJ ABDUL KALAM, FORMER PRESIDENT OF INDIA AT USTM

Missile Man of India Dr A P J Abdul Kalam, former President of India will address the North East College Principals Conclave (NCPC) 2014 at Techno City, University of Science & Technology, and Meghalaya (USTM) on July 23.

The Conclave has been organized by USTM in association with Assam College Principal's Council (ACPC) with an aim to streamline the education institutions, knowing each other's potentials and working together for the promotion of educational scenario in the region.

Over one thousand college principals of all the degree colleges of Assam as well as the other north eastern states, teachers and renowned academicians of the region are expected to participate in the conclave. A large number of college and school students will attend the address of Dr Kalam.

Dr Kalam will address the principals emphasizing on science, innovation and other related issues to be cultured in educational institutions for the greater benefit of the students of the region as well as the country which will be a step towards technological advancements to make India a developed nation.

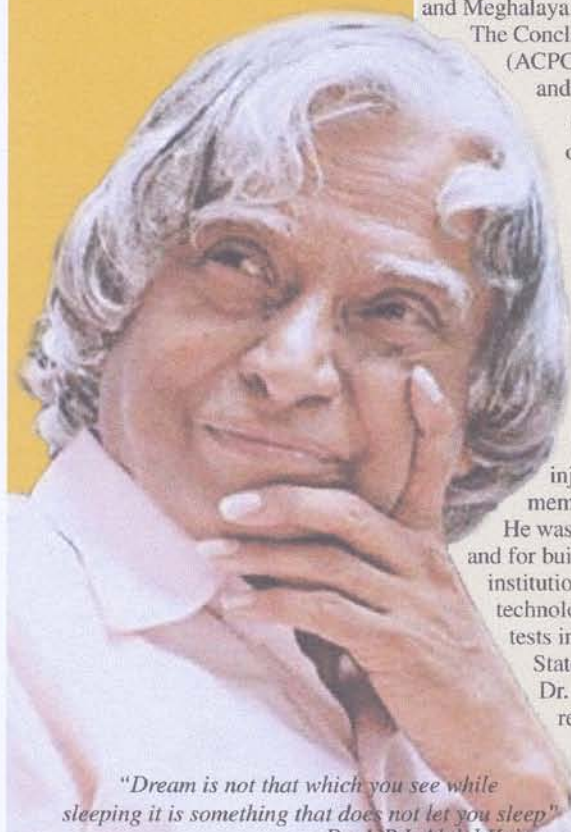
### Know about Dr. Kalam.....

Dr. Kalam is a pioneer in fibre glass technology and led a young team to initiate this effort in ISRO from design, development leading to production of composites rocket motor cases. Dr. Kalam made significant contribution as Project Director to develop India's first indigenous Satellite Launch Vehicle (SLV-3) which successfully injected the Rohini satellite in the near earth orbit in July 1980 and made India an exclusive member of Space Club.

He was responsible for the development and operationalisation of AGNI and PRITHVI Missiles and for building indigenous capability in critical technologies through networking of multiple institutions. One of his significant contribution was creating Research Centre Imarat for advanced technologies. He led to the weaponisation of strategic missile systems and the Pokhran-II nuclear tests in collaboration with Department of Atomic Energy, which made India a nuclear weapon State.

Dr. Kalam is one of the most distinguished scientists of World with the unique honour of receiving honorary doctorates from 47 Universities and institutions from India and abroad. He has been awarded with the coveted civilian awards - Padma Bhushan (1981) and Padma Vibhushan (1990) and the highest civilian award Bharat Ratna (1997) .....

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"Dream is not that which you see while sleeping it is something that does not let you sleep"  
- Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam

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## Orientation Program of the Under Graduates

The orientation program of the UG Batch of 2014-16 was conducted at USTM on July 14, 2014 in the conference hall.

## AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS



**Dr. Dinesh Baishya**  
Dean, School of Media Sciences & Cultural Studies  
appointed as a member Gauhati University Court  
He is also appointed as Member, State Music  
Board, Govt. of Assam.



**Dr. Papiya Dutta**  
Faculty, Rural Development  
Awarded Ph. D by N.I.T. Agartala



**Dr. Gobinda Palit**  
Faculty, Geography  
Discovered/Explored news  
butterfly species continental green flash.



**Dr. Meenakshi Bhattacharjee,**  
Faculty, Biotechnology.  
Published a Paper on "Role of Glutathione S Transferase  
Polymorphism in COPD with Special Reference to  
Peoples Living in the Vicinity of the Open  
Cast Coal Mine of Assam," in the journal PLOS  
One, Volume 9, Issue 5.

## Innovative Research at USTM work on Protein-Enzyme

Dibyajyoti Ozah, a Ph D Scholar of University of Science and Technology Meghalaya(USTM) who is on the verge of submitting his research work entitled "Isolation, Identification and Molecular Characterization of Extracellular Protine (Coagulase) of microbial Origin" under the vital Guidance of Dr BG Unni, Chief Scientist & Area Coordinator of CSIR-NEIST and joint Guidance of Dr R K Sharma, Pro Vice Chancellor USTM. has already earned appreciation from the various eminent scientists from the respective field. "International Journal Of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Science" which is a reputed science journal has already published a paper on the ongoing experimental works of Dibyajyoti Ozah.

The experimental works have been carried out in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology Laboratory under Biotechnology Division of CSIR- NEIST, Jorhat in collaboration with USTM. Isolation, partial purification of Staphylocoagulase has been completed. The basic idea behind the study is that, the bioactive molecules produced by the microbe after isolation and purification will be of high industrial use and will have high impact in health sector. The present study was undertaken with the major objective to Identify, Characterize and Purify the extra cellular protein( Coagulase) from the microbial extract. The protein showing clotting of plasma to be purified for further homogeneity and the clinical bioassay with plasma coagulase.

## Upcoming events

### Visit of Former President Dr. A P J Abdul Kalam at USTM

The Former President of India, a great scientist and educationist Dr. A P J Abdul Kalam will visit University of Science and Technology, Meghalaya (USTM) on 23rd July, 2014



### North East College Principal's Conclave (NCPC)

University of Science and Technology, Meghalaya (USTM) in collaboration with Assam College Principal's Council (ACPC) will be organising North East College Principal's Conclave (NCPC) on 12th July, 2014 at the University itself. ACPC is an apex body of the Higher education both in academic decision making and implementation of programmes of higher education in the grass root levels.

The primary objective of this conclave is to provide a common platform to facilitate discussions amongst various stakeholders in the field of Higher Education. The day long conclave will witness the presence of Principal's of colleges and Administrations from higher education as well as academicians of repute. The areas to be covered in this conclave are Higher Education in North East India, Rashtriya Uchcharat Siksha Abhiyan (RUSA) An Overview.

Principals of the Colleges and institutions of higher Education in NE India will be participating in this conclave.

The conclave will be inaugurated at 10 am on 12th of July, 2014. The program then will be followed by various technical sessions.

### Orientation Program of Post Graduates 2014

The University of Science and Technology will be conducting the Orientation program of the new undergraduates on 11th August, 2014. This orientation program will be organized for the new students who had taken admissions in the 2014-16 batches.

### US Based NRIs at USTM

A Team of US based NRIs will shortly visit USTM to see the oppourtinites for student exchange programmes' specialized lectures to students, faculties & scholars; creating avenues for students; short term training in USA universities, fellowship in innovative research, placement services to eligible candidates and eventually collaboration in specific areas.

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### Najma Heptulla Launches Skill Development Programme for Madrasa Students



A scheme of Skill Development Centers for Madrasa students by Maulana Azad National Academy for Skills (MANAS) under the Ministry of Minority Affairs, Government of India was launched on Pilot Project basis. Dr. Najma Heptulla, Honourable Union Minister of Minority Affairs inaugurated the Skill Development Centers from the campus of University of Science and Technology, Meghalaya via remote video link in six different madrasahs in the district of Kamrup, Assam and a Skill Development Centre in USTM. The facility of the Skill Development Centre at USTM will also be availed by the Christian minority in the neighbourhood of USTM. University of Science & Technology, Meghalaya will provide the technological support for the programme.

On the occasion, Dr. Najma Heptulla also inaugurated the Maulana Azad Academic Block and laid the foundation of Maulana Azad Central Library of USTM.

### From the Desk of the Vice Chancellor

Let me wish one and all a happy New Year 2016 and greetings of the season.

It gives me immense pleasure to present before you the progress of activities of the University of Science & Technology, Meghalaya, for the fourth quarter and odd-even semester of the eventful year 2015-16, through this news letter.

Our Hon'ble Chancellor, Sri M Hoque received the Prestigious "Aligarh Movement award 2015" for his efforts in promoting the education in NE region. USTM has become the member of AIU and a MoU was signed between USTM and JNU, New Delhi during this period.

To add to the strength of Academic Activity, Prof Amarjyoti Choudhury former Pro VC of Tezpur University joined USTM as CV Raman Chair Professor of Applied Science.

During this period, number of workshops, seminars, were organized by various departments.

I am happy to congratulate the editorial team and advisors of the news letter for their sincere efforts in bringing the news letter in time.

Dr. P.G.Rao, Vice Chancellor



### USTM Signed MoU With JNU, New Delhi

A MoU has been signed between Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), New Delhi and the University of Science and Technology, Meghalaya (USTM) on the 25th of January, 2016 by Prof. S. K. Sopory, Vice-Chancellor, JNU, New Delhi and Shri Mahbubul Hoque, Chancellor, USTM, in presence of high officials of JNU in the Office of the Vice-Chancellor, JNU.

The MOU provides that JNU will guide USTM in academic promotions especially in the field of North East Studies by mentoring and training the faculties, special

classes by JNU Faculties, guidance in University governance, syllabus & examination up-gradation, and jointly organising seminars, workshops, symposia on specific themes pertaining to the region in particular and national and international issues in general. JNU will also guide USTM in managing the research programmes by jointly guiding the scholars of USTM and in preparing DPR for projects and collaborative activities by taking lead.

The cooperation will open the doors for the faculties and students of USTM to go for higher education and research at JNU. They can now attend classes for specific period at JNU, can do internship and summer training under the guidance of JNU faculty/departments and can also access the library and lab facilities at JNU.



### ERDF EXCELLENCE AWARD- 2015



Shri Tarun Gogoi, Chief Minister of Assam handed over ERDF Excellence Award-2015 to eighteen eminent personalities of Assam who have achieved excellence in various fields and contributed immensely to the society in a glittering a function held in the University of Science and Technology Meghalaya on the 20th of January, 2016. Shri Tarun Gogoi applauded the ERD Foundation for instituting the award for recognizing and appreciating the contribution of eminent citizens of Assam and hoped that this will encourage the recipients of the Award

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### USTM became Member of AIU

The Governing Council of the Association of Indian Universities (AIU) at its 335th meeting held on September 29, 2015 at New Delhi had approved the application for grant of Membership to USTM. This was stated in a letter addressed to the Vice Chancellor, USTM dated October 21, 2015 from the Secretary General, AIU, New Delhi.



## ERDF Get Together Lunch



Like every year, the Chairman of ERD Foundation had offered "ERDF Get Together Lunch" on 2nd December, 2015 on the eve of New Year & Christmas. The entire ERDF family assembled in an "All in One" in front of the Amenity Centre of the Techno city campus. All the high officials, well wishers, Deans, HODs, Faculty members, Administrative staff, supporting/operational staff, students & neighborhood residents had the Lunch together at the same time. On the same occasion, 24 supporting staffs were also felicitated based on their performance.

### Our associations:

USTM is regularly taking initiative for collaboration and tie ups with different Industries, R & D organizations, Universities, IITs & Placement Agencies for overall benefits of Students. USTM has already tied up with CSIR-NEIST, Jorhat, CSIR-CRRI, New Delhi, NIT, Silchar, Tezpur University, Tezpur, Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), New Delhi, Bangladesh University of Health Sciences (BUHS), AARANYAK, Universitas Ngurah Rai, Denpasar (UNR)-Indonesia, North East Space Application Centre, Shillong and Confederation of Indian Industries (CII). USTM has also tied up with a renowned Hospitals at Guwahati for all kinds of emergency treatment for its students, faculties & other employees.

### ACHIEVEMENT

#### USTM student qualifies UGC-NET

Ms. Rajashree Saikia, student of M.Com of 2013-15 batch from the Dept of Commerce & Economics of USTM has cleared the UGC-National Eligibility Test (NET) of 2015



#### Young Scientist Fellowship:

Dr. Yumnam Lokeshwor Singh, ( Asst. Prof. Zoology) has been awarded a Project titled "Ornamental Fish Diversity of the Superfamily Cobitoidea (Teleostei: Cypriniformes) in northeast India and their sustainability". An amount of Rs. 39,85,000/- is sanctioned for the same.



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## Upcoming Events

### North East Graduate Congress-2016

The one and only graduate congress of the country is going to be held from 26th-28th of Feb. 2016 at USTM Campus. This is an unique effort to assemble the young graduates of the NE region in one common platform to exchange ideas and to bring out capabilities through various life skill sessions.

### Colleges to join NEGC-2016

More than 100 colleges namely-Mandya Anchalik College, Bajali College, BBK College, Nabajyoti College, Barama College, Darrang College, Silapathar College, Hamidabad College, Sapatgram College, Bilashipara College, Rangia College, Karimganj College, NC College, Nalbari College are to going to be a part of NEGC'16.

### USTM to Sign MoU with Jamia Milia Islamia, Gauhati University & Dhaka University, Bangladesh

USTM to signed MoU's with the above Universities for academic promotion and to create technical & professional manpower and knowledge based in the region through various educational programmes.

### North East Law Graduates Congress-2016

University School of Law and Research, USTM is going to organize "North East Law Graduates Conclave" on 16th of March at Techno City, USTM where Former Chief Justice of India Justice A M Ahmadi will grace the occasion as Chief Guest.

### International Conference

An International Conference on "Raise with East: Vistas of Indian Cooperation with South East Asian Commerce, Culture, Capacity and Connectivity" will be organised by USTM on 27th February, in association with Green School Bali, Indonesia. With an aim to provide a platform to discuss ways to revive political ties, forge regional security cooperation and develop economic linkages by increasing integration with South East Asia. The conference will be graced by dignitaries from countries like Netherlands, US, Singapore, Indonesia & Thailand. Amb. Ashok Sajjanhar, Former Ambassador of India, to Kazakhstan, Sweden and Latvia will inaugurate the International Conference.

### Smt. Sheila Dikshit to visit USTM

Hon'ble Former Chief Minister of Delhi, Smt. Sheila Dikshit, will grace NEGC-2016 with her presence, which will be held from 26th -28th February 2016. Smt. Dikshit will be delivering a lecture on "Women in Politics"



### Justice A M Ahmadi to visit USTM

Former Chief Justice of India Justice A M Ahmadi will come for a two day visit at USTM. Justice Ahmadi will interact with faculty members and students and will also deliver a lecture on "Role of Judiciary in Political Reform" in the North East Law Graduates Congress.



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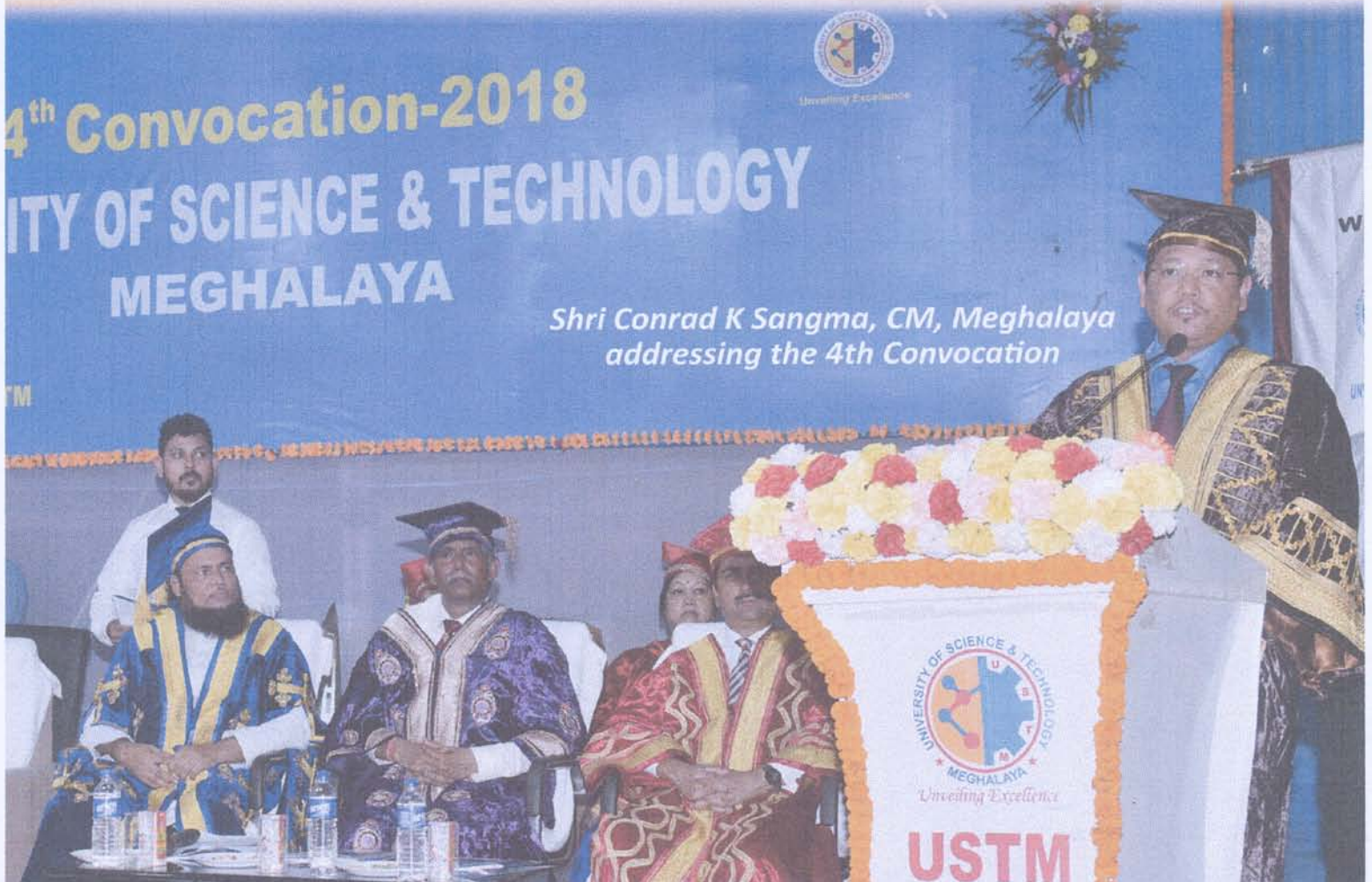
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- ◆ Mega Job Fair
- ◆ Seminars & Workshops

## 4<sup>th</sup> Convocation-2018 UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY MEGHALAYA

Shri Conrad K Sangma, CM, Meghalaya  
addressing the 4th Convocation





## Awards & Achievements

### 18 Students from USTM cleared UGC NET in January 2019



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Bikash Das Social Work, Ujjal Sut Economics, Tenzin Chimey Commerce, Sikha Englengi Lib. & Info. Sc., Rima Mani Devi Lib. & Info. Sc., Anita Chetry English, Dweyhunle Khing Education, Alisha A Sangma Political Sc., Nabam Mania Political Sc.

(\* Results of CSIR-NET exam held in December 2018 are yet to be declared)

### CSIR-NET



**Filbert War**, Department of Physics, USTM secured 223 Rank in the Joint CSIR-UGC held in June 2018, results of which were declared in January 2019

USTM students bagged the First Prize for the second consecutive year in innovative Science Model Competition organized by Indian Institute of Advanced Studies in Science and Technology (IASST), DST, Govt of India on 27-28 February. The students were: Marina Sultana Afroza, Priyanka Roy, Pranjal Bhuyan, Anamika Nirala—all from M.Sc Botany 2nd Sem.



### Few more Achievers

**Samson Suting**, pursuing BBA from USTM was awarded the GOLDEN BALL award for being the best player of the tournament for Reliance Foundation Youth Sports Football Tournament in Assam.



- **Rimlee Saikia**, Physics student, secured 150th rank in the Joint Entrance Screening Test (JEST-2018) for Ph.D course.
- **Linu Sharma** and **Tarali Das** from Dept. of Sociology received the prestigious ICSSR doctoral fellowship in 2018.
- **Haydar Hussain Mollah**, research scholar of Dept. of Physics presented a paper in the International conference, IONS 2019, organized by OPTICAL SOCIETY OF AMERICA (OSA) from 11 to 14 January 2019.

**Ridip Sarma**, Assistant Professor, Department of Mathematics, USTM presented his research findings in one of the world's topmost conferences, "Progress in Electromagnetic Research Symposium 2018" which was held in Toyama, Japan from 1-4 August 2018.



**Dr Nabarun Purkayastha**, Asst. Prof. Dept. of Sociology was honoured with the prestigious IRDP National Award 2018 for his remarkable achievement in Research and Publications. The Award Ceremony was held in Chennai in October.



**Mr. Rabiul Alam**, Assistant Professor, Department of Commerce, has been selected for Professor N.S. Ramaswamy Pre-Doctoral Fellowship at IIM, Bangalore.



**Nihar Kashyap**, a Zoology 5th sem student of USTM received 2nd prize in Red Fm College Ki Tashan.





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### Wisdom Tree..



Within a short period of its existence, USTM has emerged as the fastest growing and vibrant universities in north-eastern region of India. We are confident that very soon it will be one of the top ten of the country's best universities and also, that day is not very far when USTM will be counted among the most unique and exceptional universities of the world. Our journey so far has been quite struggling but our achievements

far outweigh the challenges and roadblocks that we had to surmount.

I am happy that one more issue of the USTM Newsletter is coming out. The contents would tell about what's happening in and around the University and motivate students to get into a healthy competition with one another to excel. I urge upon all the stakeholders to join us in our endeavour to transform this University into a world class institution.

Mahbul Hoque, Chancellor

### Vice Chancellor Speaks..

It is my immense pleasure to present before you the USTM Newsletter which covers some of the major events of the University from mid-October 2017 to mid-February 2018. The Newsletter would speak about the progress of activities of the University as this period has been marked by number of important events.

As the Newsletter tells about the appreciable activities taken place in the University academic ambience, it gives me great pleasure to experience the enthusiastic interest among the academia of the University. I congratulate the editorial team and advisors of the Newsletter for their sincere efforts in bringing out the publication on time.

Dr R K Sharma, Vice Chancellor



### USTM defeated JNU in terms of women students' enrollment : JNU VC



Prof. M Jagadesh Kumar, VC, JNU addressing the 3rd Convocation

Prof. M Jagadesh Kumar, Vice Chancellor, JNU, Prof. Jayant M Modak, Deputy Director, IISC, Bangalore, Prof. G D Sharma, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Bilaspur University had graced the 3rd Convocation of USTM on 9 September 2017. In his address as the Chief Guest, Prof Jagadesh Kumar said that USTM defeated JNU in terms of women students' enrollment. In the 3rd Convocation, a total number of 905 students which includes 744 at the PG level, 161 at the UG level and two Ph.D scholars, had received degrees. 26 students had received gold medals out of which 17 at the PG level and nine at the UG level.

### Teachers must be Motivators: Meghalaya Governor



Performer faculties with the Governor of Meghalaya

Meghalaya Governor Sri Ganga Prasad handed over 40 Excellence Awards to selected faculties and Departments of USTM at the 'Annual Performance Day 2017' on 17 November 2017. The awards were instituted by USTM to encourage the teachers and recognize the contribution for educational development. The awards included a package of Certificates, Rs 10,000 cash, to and fro airfare to Singapore or Dubai, interest free car loan and 10 days paid leave. Delivering the awards, Sri Prasad said that teachers have many responsibilities and they must play the role of a motivator for the students.

### Editors from NE States Brainstormed at 'USTM-Media Round Table 2018'



Participants discussing in the Round Table

USTM announced several media fellowships for journalists of the region at 'USTM-Media Round Table 2018' in the University campus on Thursday, 18 January, amidst a galaxy of editors of newspapers and television channels as well as stalwarts and opinion-makers from different states of the North East. They greeted the Chancellor of USTM for his educational entrepreneurship through relentless endeavour towards development of education among the people. An Academia-Media Committee will be formed as a follow up to the Round Table to finalise the topics and other details of the fellowship to be awarded by USTM to journalists from the North East. The fellowships will be formally launched by USTM in July 2018.

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## Awards & Achievements

### Visionary Edupreneur 2017 Award to Mahbubul Hoque

Mahbubul Hoque, Chancellor, USTM and Chairman, ER Foundation received the prestigious honour of Visionary Edupreneur 2017 Award which was handed over on December 2017, by Manish Sisodia, Deputy CM of New Delhi in the presence of the former President Pranab Mukherjee. Sri Hoque is the first person from the North East India to receive this honour. Philippe Le Gall, High Commissioner of Seychelles to India, along with more than 100 Vice Chancellors of reputed universities from across the country and distinguished academicians were present on the occasion.

M. Hoque receiving the Award from Deputy CM of New Delhi

### USTM felicitated 13 UGC NET qualified students



Dikki N Marak  
Commerce, UGC-NET



Imsemperong  
Sociology, UGC-NET



Watilemla Longkumer  
Sociology, UGC-NET



Janu Komut  
Library & Info. Science, UGC-NET



Mimasha Vergira R Marak  
Political Science, UGC-NET



Dzuzehonu Kulnu  
Geography, UGC-NET



Bhopen Madar  
Social Work, UGC-NET



Angsong Kro  
Social Work, UGC-NET



Monalisha Rabha  
Social Work, UGC-NET



Ms. Bendanjungla  
Social Work, UGC-NET



Ms. Dakachwapaya Madar  
Environmental Sc. UGC-NET



Ratan Choudhury  
Botany, UGC-JRF NET

At an elaborate felicitation ceremony held in the University campus on 20 January 2018, all the thirteen students who have successfully cleared in the recently declared results of UGC NET exams have been honoured by Mahbubul Hoque, Chancellor of the University.

### USTM Faculty invited by NASA for talk

Dr Sanchita Roy, faculty at Department of Physics, has been invited to present a contributory talk in the XVIIIth Electromagnetic and light scattering conference organised by NASA, to be held at the Texas A&M University, USA. She will be presenting a paper on "Light scattering tool to typify sub-micron particles in relevance to biomedical science." The conference will be held from 4 to 9 March 2018.



### USTM to take lead in shaping SEANBBN-INE University Council

The SEANBBN-INE University Council, a visionary initiative, is going to be launched soon taking 800+ universities of South East Asian Countries, i.e Thailand, Vietnam, Myanmar, Indonesia, Cambodia, Phillipines, Laos, Brunei, Malaysia, Singapore, Bangladesh, Bhutan and Nepal as members; and bringing them together in a single platform for joint research, exchange and collaborative work; which will lead to the growth of each country, and also make entry to knowledge world. Sri Mahbubul Hoque, Chancellor, USTM, conceptualized this University Council after discussing with eminent academicians from various countries, especially from North East India. Let us all join in this mission and make the region a gateway of knowledge towards global arena. Your valuable advice and suggestions will be highly solicited. Kindly contact Chancellor, USTM at [chancellorustm@gmail.com](mailto:chancellorustm@gmail.com). (SEANBBN-INE stands for South East Asian Nations; Bangladesh Bhutan and Nepal-India's North East).



## MoU on Food Processing Research and Training Signed between USTM and IIFPT



To enhance the cutting edge research and innovations, USTM has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with Indian Institute of Food Processing Technology (IIFPT), Ministry of Food Processing Industries, Govt of India on Friday, 2 February 2018. This collaboration will facilitate a

collaborative program of research, training, curriculum, institutional development, information dissemination, and exchange of faculty, students and staff. On the occasion of signing of the MoU at USTM, insightful deliberations were presented by Dr C Anandharamkrishnan, Director, IIFPT.

## Dr Nirmal Kr Choudhury Auditorium Inaugurated



On 10 February 2018, a newly-built state of the art auditorium of USTM was dedicated in the name of Dr Nirmal Kumar Chaudhury, former Vice Chancellor of Gauhati University, in recognition of his immense contribution for the development of education in the region. The auditorium was inaugurated by Prof Mihir Kanti Chaudhuri, former VC, Tezpur University and Prof Akhil Kumar Medhi, former VC, Gauhati University, in the presence of Dr Nirmal Kumar Chaudhury.

## Cleanliness Drive on 69<sup>th</sup> Republic Day



As the Nation celebrated its 69th Republic Day to remember when India's Constitution came into force, a group of 20 college students from South Korea too sang the National anthem at USTM and initiated a cleanliness drive along with their partner students from the Earth Science Department of the University. Soon after hoisting of the National flag, various programmes began in the university campus. Simultaneously with the cleanliness drive, various cultural and sports competitions were conducted among the students and staff.

## Sports Highlight



USTM cricket team after winning a match in NGPL Inter Institutions Cricket League in Mirza

## Students participating at Varsity Week 2018



## Few Upcoming Events

- ▶ North East Graduate Congress, 16-18 February 2018
- ▶ National Conference on Drug Discovery from Natural Products and their Traditional Uses, 23-24 March 2018
- ▶ North East College Principals' Conclave-2018

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