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Message from the Principal

The Chroniclers of our college document the journey and accomplishments of each academic session, highlighting the efforts made to achieve our vision and mission. In our pursuit of excellence, we remain committed to the overall development of our students, with a strong focus on academic growth, behavioural discipline, moral integrity, and cognitive advancement. The academic year 2020-2021, however, was unlike any other. The sudden onset of the COVID-19 pandemic drastically altered our daily routines and lifestyle. The global health crisis affected each one of us, pushing the entire world into uncharted territory. The pandemic accelerated a range of existential challenges,



including profound individual loneliness, disruptions in social life, and a pervasive sense of distrust. These shifts not only impacted our interpersonal connections but also triggered new psychological conditions that reshaped the way we live, work, and interact. During this unprecedented time, our college, like many others, faced numerous hurdles in maintaining academic continuity. The closure of educational institutions posed significant challenges for students, parents, and faculty, all of whom had to quickly adapt to virtual learning. Despite these difficulties, our college demonstrated resilience and adaptability. We understand the struggles faced by everyone involved in navigating this new normal, and we appreciate the efforts made to ensure that academic needs were met. We recognize that, while the pandemic brought about various obstacles, it also provided opportunities for growth, innovation, and collaboration. Our faculty members and students worked together to overcome the challenges posed by virtual learning, continuing their academic, cultural, and social service activities with determination and cooperation. As we reflect on this period, I extend my gratitude to all those who contributed to the noble cause of spreading education and upholding its values during such trying times. Their dedication to the aims and objectives of our institution has played a crucial role in ensuring that we remained focused on our mission, despite the adversities.

The accomplishments of the 2020-2021 academic session, whether in the realm of academics, culture, or community service, are testament to the collective strength of our college community. These efforts are highlighted in this issue of *The Chronicler*, as we celebrate the resilience and commitment of our students, faculty, and staff.

Dr Dharmendra Nath
Principal
S. B. Deorah College

Editorial

The Chronicler of our college serves as a custodian of our institution's history, tasked with documenting, archiving, and preserving the significant academic, cultural, and extracurricular events that define our community. In this issue, we strive to capture and reflect the various milestones and moments that have shaped the identity of S. B. Deorah College, despite the constraints imposed by the COVID-19 pandemic. Throughout the year, we continued to track and record important events such as seminars, workshops, lectures, orientation programs, alumni meetings, the college's foundation day, ethnic festivals, and cultural programs. However, the pandemic posed certain limitations in how these events were organized and executed. Many activities were adapted to the online format, ensuring that students' learning was not disrupted during the lockdown. Webinars, online classes, and home assignments became the new normal, while the time available for offline classes was utilized to its fullest potential once restrictions eased. Despite the challenges, the spirit of solidarity and community engagement prevailed. Our faculty, students, and administrative staff came together to support the needy, providing essential items such as nutritious food, clothes, and other necessities through donations and cooperation in different locations. The Political Science department organized a seminar titled "COVID-19: Issues, Challenges, and The Way Ahead" during the reopening phase, which served as an academic platform to discuss the implications of the pandemic on society. Additionally, our college continued its commitment to community development through initiatives in the adopted village of Namgaon. During this time, a clean water well was constructed for the village, and sewing machines were donated to local women to help them become self-reliant. One of the most memorable events during this period was the telecast of "Campus Campus" on Doordarshan Kendra Guwahati. It brought joy to both students and faculty, and served as a wonderful reminder of the unity and enthusiasm of our college community even in the most difficult times.

As we present this issue of The Chronicler, we would like to express our deepest gratitude to our Principal, Dr Dharmendra Nath, whose unwavering dedication, passion, and commitment continue to shape the institution. His guidance has been invaluable in ensuring the smooth progress of our editorial work. We also extend our thanks to Dr Anjali Patowary, the IQAC Coordinator, and all the faculty members for their continuous support. Our heartfelt appreciation goes out to the students, whose resilience and cooperation during this challenging period have been truly inspiring.

We wish all our students success in their future endeavours and thank them for contributing to the enduring spirit of S. B. Deorah College.

Dr Sanjukta Baruah
Dr Binita Borgohain

Events

Independence Day

Independence Day was celebrated on 15/08/2020 following Covid protocol where the Tricolour was hoisted in the morning.



Foundation Day Lecture on “New Education Policy”

On the occasion of 37th Foundation Day of S. B. Deorah College, an online talk was organized on the topic New National Educational Policy 2020, Indian Languages: a unique role on 09/09/2020. Dr Niranjana Kalita, Honourable member, APSC explained the role of NEP-2020 in transforming the nature of higher education by promoting vernacular languages.



Alumni meet

An Alumni meet was organized on 29/11/2020.





Pre-Bhogali Mela

Pre-Bhogali Mela was celebrated in the college on 09/01/2021. An exhibition cum sale was organized by the students.



Republic Day

Indians celebrate Republic Day on 26th January every year to commemorate the enactment of the Constitution. This year, the country celebrated its 72th Republic Day. The flag is hoisted at the Red Fort in Delhi every year on the occasion of Republic Day. There are also many activities organized across the country during this day. Our college also celebrated this day beautifully. Tricolour was hoisted on 26/01/2021 in the morning on the occasion of Republic Day.



Campus Campus

A cultural event in the name of Campus Campus organized by Guwahati Doordarshan Kendra took place at our college on 12/02/2021. Program provided a platform to the students to showcase their ethnic tradition and culture covering the entire N.E. India. More than 12 programs were performed by the students and they received great appreciation.



Saraswati Puja

Saraswati Puja is a yearly festive celebration in our college which was held with great enthusiasm on 16/02/2021. Students irrespective of religion, caste or community participated in the Puja celebration which endorses a sense of fellow feeling. Alumni of the college joined and contributed for the Puja. People from the neighbouring area also participated in the Puja.



Ethnic Festival & Earn while you learn

Ethnic Festival & Earn while you learn was organized by the Department of Political Science and IQAC in the college on 20/02/2021. Students from different ethnic backgrounds showcased their rich culture, food and tradition.





National Science Day

On the Occasion of National Science Day, Prof. Sarada Kanta Sarma, Ex Head, Department of Botany, Ex Dean Faculty of Science, Gauhati University, was invited to deliver a talk on Ecosystem Restoration on 04/03/2021. A total of 95 participants attended the event, including the faculties and students of S. B. Deorah College. Poster and quiz competitions were organized along with tree plantation.



International Women's Day

On the occasion of International Women's Day, a workshop on Self-defense for girls was organized by Women Cell in association with 181 Helpline, Assam on 08/03/2021. The girl students were provided basic training on self-defense. A total of 60 participants attended the event.



Counselling session

A counselling session for girl students to deal with sexual harassment-induced mental health issues was held on 21/04/2021.

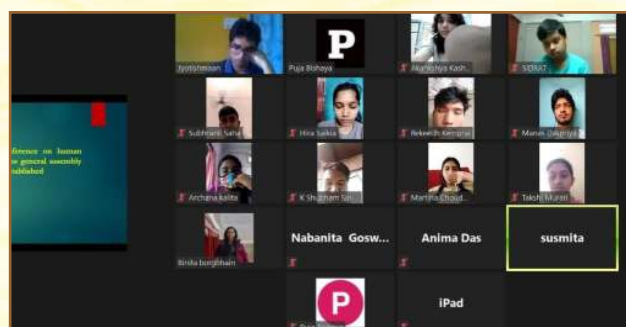


International Yoga Day

On the occasion of International Yoga Day, an online workshop on Yoga demonstration by Manabisha Barua and Barnita Devi from Fitness Gurukul was organised on 21/06/2021. 75 participants including faculties and students were present in the event.

World Environment Day

World Environment Day was celebrated by organizing Inter-College Poster Competition, Essay and Quiz Competition on 05/06/2021. 70 participants from various colleges of Assam participated in the event. The program was organized to raise awareness among the students for the protection of environment.



WWF

Celebration of Earth Hour on 22/03/2021 was done in association with WWF at S. B. Deorah College.



Project on Vermicompost was initiated in December 2020 in collaboration with WWF and continued till December 2021. The vermicompost was sold among college staff at nominal rates to raise awareness about its usage.



Talks

Indo-China Relation

A talk on Indo-China Relation was organized by the Department of Political Science. The talk was delivered by Mandeep Bhattacharya on 19/12/2020. A total of 50 participants were present during the event.



Increasing trends of Non-Communicable diseases and its prevention

A talk on Increasing trends of non-Communicable diseases and its prevention was organized by Department of Education and Parent-Teacher Association on 09/02/2021. The resource person of the event, Dr. Jutika Ojah highlighted the basic characteristics of Non-Communicable Diseases and various ways to prevent it. A total of 40 participants took active participation in the program and interacted with the resource person with various queries.



Dandi March and its Significance in India's Freedom Struggle

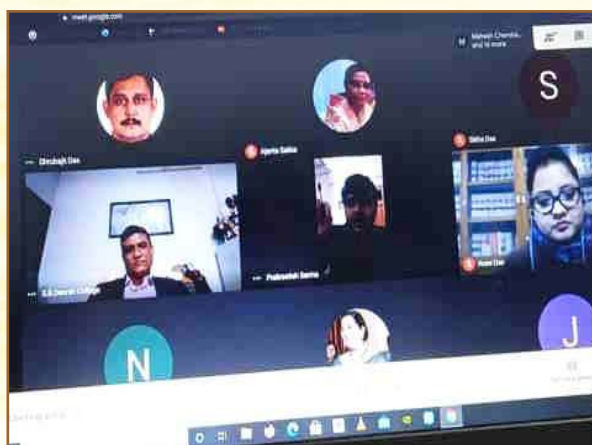
A talk on "Dandi March and its Significance in India's Freedom Struggle" was delivered by Dr. Orchid Barua, Faculty, Department of History to commemorate the 75th year of Independence on 12/03/2021. A total of 80 participants were present during the event.



Seminars and Workshops

Webinar on Intellectual Property Rights

The IQAC Cell of the college organized a webinar on Intellectual Property Rights, on 28/12/2020. Prakreetish Sarma, Advocate, Guwahati High court and Anne Das, Advocate, Nagaon Bar Association were the resource person. Adv. Prakreetish Sarma elaborated on some key points regarding “Copyright Act and Trademark Act” and Adv. Anne Das explained in detail the key features of “Patent Act and Design Act”. A total of 74 participants attended the webinar.



National Seminar on “Covid-19. Issues, Challenges and way ahead”

National Seminar on Covid-19. Issues, Challenges and way ahead was organized by the Department of Political Science of the College on 08/02/2021. Prof. Prasenjit Biswas, Associate Prof., Dept. of Philosophy, NEHU, was the keynote speaker in the inaugural session. Eminent academicians Dr Manashi Sarma (from Dept. of Political Science, Arya Vidyapeeth College), Dr F Hussain (Associate Prof., Dept. of English, GU), and renowned neurosurgeon, Dr Navanil Barua were invited as the resource persons. A total of 50 participants were present in the seminar and the participants presented papers covering various aspects related to Covid-19.



Workshop on “Short Story Writing”

A day long workshop on "Short Story Writing" was organized by the Department of Assamese, S. B. Deorah College in collaboration with Publication Board, Assam on 13/02/2021. Noted novelist, short story writer and Sahitya Akademi awardee Dr Arupa Patangiya Kalita was the resource person of the workshop in which 50 students participated.



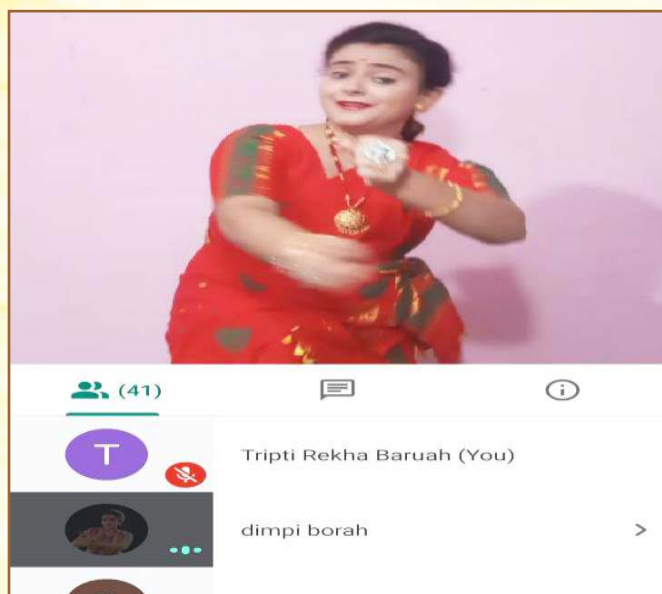
Interdisciplinary Workshop on Colonialism and Oral History

"Interdisciplinary Workshop on Colonialism and Oral History" was organized by Department of History and Assamese in collaboration with 'Bharatiya Itihas Sankalan Samiti' on 05/03/2021. Dr Sanjib Goswami, Professor & Head, Centre for North East Studies, M S Sankardev Vishwavidyalaya, Guwahati, delivered the talk to an audience of 80 participants.



Webinar on "Dance Style of Bishnu Rabha"

A webinar was organized by the Department of Assamese, S. B. Deorah College on 20/06/2021 on the Dance Style of Bishnu Rabha. The resource person of this webinar was renowned National level dancer and alumni of S. B. Deorah College, Mrs Dimpi Borah Konwar. She described different dance style of Bishnu Rabha like Hasta Mudra, Pada Mudra etc. through her dance.



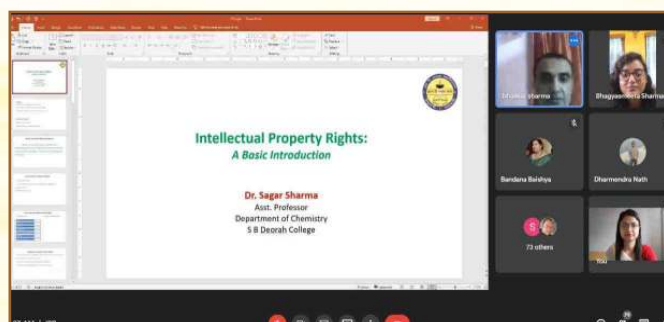
Workshop on "Use of ICT tools for Effective Teaching"

Workshop on Use of ICT tools for Effective Teaching was organized by Teaching Learning Cell of Tezpur University in association with S. B. Deorah College on 31/05/2021 & 01/06/2021. 52 participants were present in the event.



Webinar on "Intellectual Property Rights"

A webinar on Intellectual Property Rights was organized by Department of Chemistry in association with IQAC on 30/06/2021. Dr Sagar Sharma, Assistant Prof., S. B. Deorah College, delivered the talk. A total of 70 participants were present.



Workshop on TALLY and MS-Office

A three-day workshop on TALLY and MS-Office was organized by Parent Teacher Association of S. B. Deorah College for the non-teaching staff from 24/02/2021-26/02/2021. Mr Apurba

Sarma, Faculty, Computer Training Institute, Guwahati Refinery was the resource person. He discussed and demonstrated various skills related to TALLY and MS-office which would help the participants to work efficiently with the above-mentioned software.



Certificate Courses:

Three certificate courses were conducted during the session.

- 1) Certificate course on M S Office started from 19/04/2021 conducted by the Department of Computer Science.
- 2) IQAC and Extension Education Cell of the college conducted a certificate course on Functional Assamese from 12/06/2021.
- 3) A Certificate course on Ecosystem Management organized by the departments of Botany and Environmental Science in association with IQAC, started from 30/06/2021 to 31/07/2021.

Community Services:

A Cloth distribution program was held on 08/01/2021, at various localities of Kamrup (M) such as Six Mile, Puranabasti Masjid, Fakaruddin Ali Ahmed Nagar by the Extension Education Cell of S. B. Deorah College. Woollen clothes were distributed among the poor people



An awareness program on Economic Self Reliance of Rural Women was organized by Women Cell at Namgaon, an adopted village of the college, on 22/01/2021. Dr Anjali Patowary and Dr Tripti Rekha Baruah spoke in the event. A total of 60 participants were present in the program.



S. B. Deorah College took the initiative of providing safe drinking water by digging well at adopted village Namgaon. The well was inaugurated for villagers on 20/03/2021.



As a part of extension activities, S. B. Deorah College donated one sewing machine on 20/03/2021, to the village community of Namgaon for skill development so that it serves as an additional source of income for them.



Amidst Covid-19 pandemic, the members of the extension education cell of S. B. Deorah College and student volunteers prepared and distributed cooked food among the needy people of Ulubari and Six-mile of Guwahati on 13/06/2021 and 14/06/2021.





A COVID-19 screening center was established at S. B. Deorah College to provide testing and screening for the virus. These centers played a vital role in identifying cases, particularly among asymptomatic individuals or those who may have been exposed to the virus. The screening center at our college contributed significantly to the early detection of infections, helping to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and ensuring that individuals received timely medical intervention when necessary.



NSS Diary

The NSS volunteers Orientation Program held on 11/02/2021 was presided over by Dr Dharmendra Nath, Principal of the college. Dr Ranjan Kakati, Director, Students Welfare, Gauhati University, Dr Niranjan Kalita, member, APSC and Hemanta Rabha, Project Head, IIE, graced the occasion. The program was attended by 85 students.



NSS activities during Covid-19

Food Distribution at Namgaon during Covid-19 pandemic

The NSS Unit of S. B. Deorah College took the initiative of food distribution at the adopted village during the 2nd wave of pandemic. Essential food items were distributed to the villagers on 15/06/2021.



Help Desk on Covid-19

A help desk on Covid-19 was set-up by NSS unit of S. B. Deorah College during the 2nd wave of Covid-19 pandemic in the month of May 2021. Five helpline numbers were introduced for the residents of Guwahati. The unit provided information and assistance related to food, medicine, oxygen etc. to the family of Covid-19 infected patients. The helpline also aided in registration and slot booking for Covid-19 vaccination.

Charity program during Covid-19

The NSS Unit of S. B. Deorah College carried out various charitable activities for a period of 10 days from 28/05/2021 to 08/06/2021. The activities included distribution of grocery item and cooked foods and other essential items to the needy people.





Field trip

Industrial Exposure Trip to Chaygaon, for students for industrial plants visit of (Industrial Growth Centre) IGC on 04/02/2021 organized by Department of History and sponsored by Assam Industrial Infrastructural Development Corporation (AIIDC).



Campus Round up

Department Toppers

1. Sanjib Pathak (Assamese)
2. Bahniman Das (Economics)
3. Sushmita Acharjya (Education)
4. Bridila Daimary (English)
5. Debora Lalsiemthar Tuolor (History)
6. Nathanael Darnei (Political Science)
7. Prasenjit Das (Commerce)

PhD



Tripti Rekha Baruah



Jushna Barua

Retirement

Mr Jnanendra Kalita
31/07/2020Dr Jayati Das
31/03/2021Mrs Sikha Das
21/04/2021

Achievement

Dr Nabanita Bhuyan was recognized with Vivekananda Educational trust award on 12/01/2021 for her unconditional educational service rendered for the students community.



IQAC:

1	Dr D. Nath, Principal	Chairman
2	Dr A. Patowary, Associate Prof.	Co-ordinator
3	Mrs D. Goswami, Associate Prof.	Member
4	Dr N. Bhuyan, Associate Prof.	Member
5	Dr B. Baishya, Associate Prof.	Member
6	Md M. Hussain, Associate Prof.	Member
7	Dr B. R. Pathak, Associate Prof.	Member
8	Mrs A. Das, Assistant Prof.	Member
9	Dr J. Barua, Assistant Prof.	Member
10	Dr D. Das, Librarian	Member
11	Prof M. P. Bezbaruah	Member from Governing Body
12	Mrs Anima Hazarika	Member from Local Society
13	Mrs C. Talukdar, Deputy Director, Higher Education, Assam	Member from Employer
14	Mr Amrit Deorah	Member from Industrialists
15	Mr Jitu Borgohain	Member from Alumni
16	President, S. B. Deorah College Students' Union	Member from Students

Constructions

- 1) Construction of four more science laboratories.
- 2) Completion of five new faculty rooms and renovation of three rooms.
- 3) Construction of two more classrooms.
- 4) Construction of a dark room for the Department of Physics.