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Human-Animal Conflict

Forest-Based Livelihood

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Sustainable Tourism

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Dear sir/Madam,
We cordially invite your participation in the international conference on Sustainability, Biodiversity and Conservation: Implications for Livelihood and Community Development jointly organized by the Department of Zoology and Department of Environmental Science, Shillong College in collaboration with IQAC, Shillong College, Zoological Survey of India, North East Circle and Meghalaya Biodiversity Board, Shillong.

Venue and Date

Shillong College, Shillong
August 06 to 07, 2026

Important dates

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Date of Abstract acceptance- 15/07/2026
Last date of submission of full paper- 25/07/2026
Last date of registration- 20/07/2026

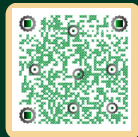
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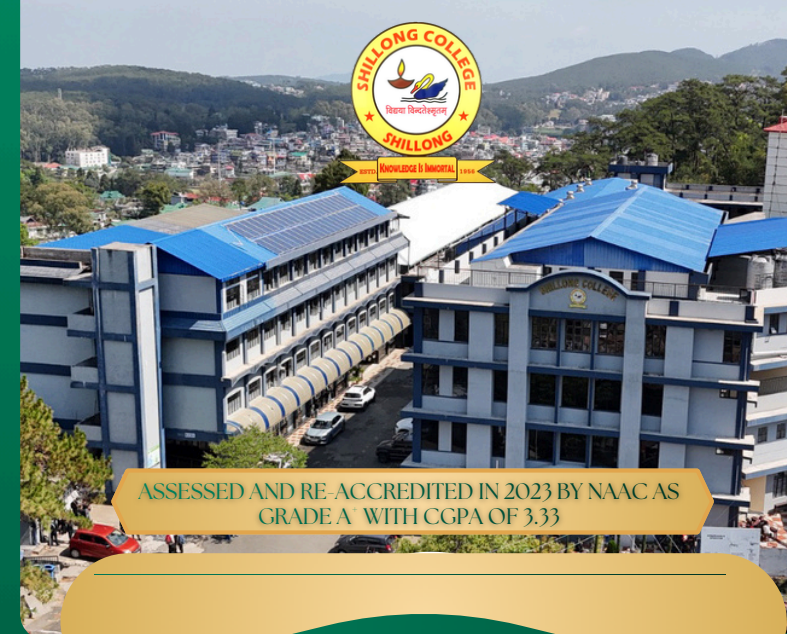
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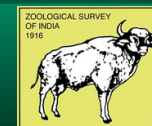
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The interdependence between biodiversity, sustainability, and the livelihoods of local communities has been increasingly gaining recognition as a crucial factor in community development. Biodiversity, defined as the variety of life on Earth, encompasses the intricate ecosystems, species diversity, and genetic variability vital for maintaining ecological equilibrium. However, rapid environmental degradation, driven by human activities such as deforestation, overfishing, and urbanization, poses a significant threat to biodiversity and, consequently, the livelihoods of millions globally. At the same time, it must be recognized that community involvement is key in conserving biodiversity and achieving the goals of sustainable development especially among indigenous groups.

The main aim of the conference is to inculcate the importance of integrating sustainability, Indigenous Traditional Knowledge System (ITKs) and biodiversity conservation into community development initiatives, and discuss strategies for promoting resilience and sustainable practices among communities.

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ABOUT SHILLONG

Shillong, the capital of Meghalaya, India, is a picturesque hill station known for its stunning landscapes, rich culture, and historical significance, often referred to as the "Scotland of the East". The easiest and fastest way to reach Shillong is by taking a flight or train to Guwahati and then continuing by road via taxi, shared cabs, or bus, which offers a scenic introduction to Meghalaya's hills and valleys.

ABOUT SHILLONG COLLEGE

Shillong College, A NAAC A+ accredited College, was inaugurated on 15th of August 1956 and began with few students at Jail Road Boys High School. Shri Sudhindra Chandra Datta, a Lecturer in the Department of Mathematics in St. Anthony's College, became the founder Principal. Before the establishment of North-Eastern Hill University in 1972, Shillong College was affiliated to Gauhati University. The birth, growth and development of Shillong College is a cumulative result of the immense sacrifice, dedication, hard work and perseverance of a good number of well-meaning selfless individuals as well as some prominent organizations of Shillong and also the region as a whole.

ABOUT ZSI-NERC, SHILLONG

The Northeastern Regional Centre, Shillong is the first of the 16 Regional Centre of Zoological Survey of India and was established on 6th March 1959 with the primary objective of exploring and documenting faunal diversity of northeastern India. The Centre's jurisdiction extends to six North East Indian states of Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland and Tripura.

ABOUT MBB, SHILLONG

Meghalaya Biodiversity Board (MBB) is a Statutory Body setup under Biological Diversity Act, 2002 and comes under the Forest and Environment Department, Government of Meghalaya. The Board is dedicated for conservation, sustainable utilisation of bio-resources of the State and fair and equitable sharing of benefits arising from bio-resources and its associated knowledge.

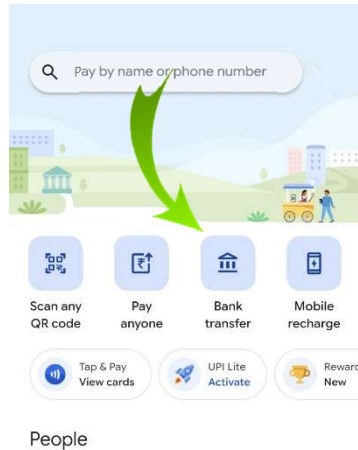
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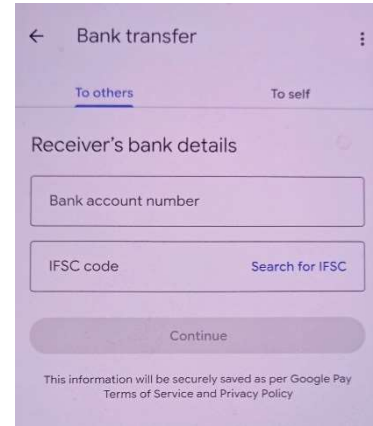
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