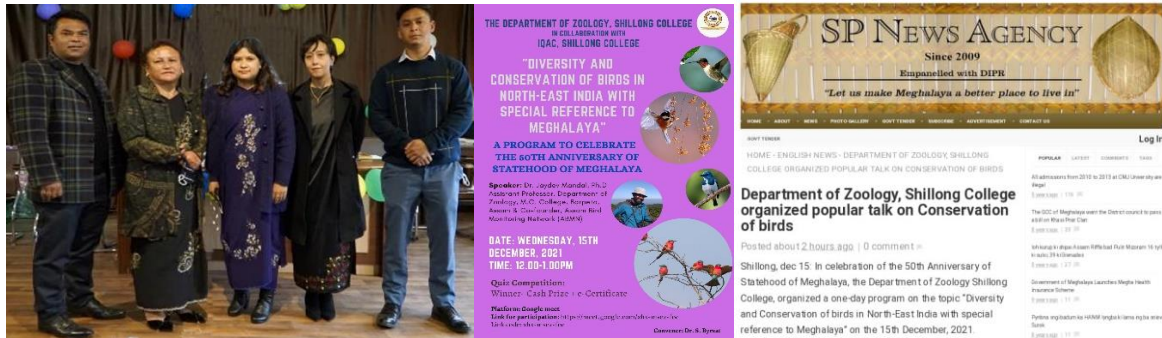


REPORT

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A program organized by the Department of Zoology, Shillong College in collaboration with IQAC, Shillong College on the 15th December, 2021.



**Faculties of the Department of Zoology,
Shillong college**

The Department of Zoology, Shillong College in collaboration with IQAC, Shillong college has organized a one-day programme (online mode) by conducting a popular talk on the topic “Diversity and Conservation of birds in North-East India with special reference to Meghalaya” on 15th December, 2021. This programmed also marks the celebration of the 50th Anniversary of Statehood of Meghalaya (1972-2022). The Speaker for the program was Dr. Jaydev Mandal, Assistant professor, Department of Zoology, M.C college, Barpeta, Assam and Co-founder Assam Bird Monitoring Network (ABMN). Dr. Mandal was a very well know person in the field of ornithology in the state of Assam. He had worked on the conservation of Greater adjutant (an endangered bird’s species) of Assam. He had also involved in conducting various study, giving training, etc. in relation with birds. He is also a man behind the popular Bihu Bird Count which used to held every year in the state of Assam during the Bihu festival. In the programmed, Dr Mandal elaborated on the bird’s diversity of North-East India in general and of the state of Meghalaya in particular. His lecture includes interesting facts of various importance bird’s species and birds’ area found in the state of Meghalaya. He also highlights about the various conservation strategies taken to protect the birds from exploitation. In addition, Dr. Mandal also enlightened the participants about the various birding tips such as how to identify birds and using various repositories to deposit information of the birds identified from a particular area. The program also includes a quiz competition for the students’ participants on various aspects of birds and questions related with the topic. The programmed was highly engaging and informative with a lot of interesting discussions and questions from the participants.