

# SHILLONG COLLEGE



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## ANNUAL REPORT OF THE ACTIVITIES OF SHILLONG COLLEGE FOR THE YEAR 2014

Normal Academic activities continued for the Higher Secondary Section and Degree Courses throughout the year. Some highlight of various academic and extra-curricular activities and achievements are presented herein.

### I. NEHU EXAMINATION 2014

Name Of Student	Examination Passed	Honours subject	Rank/Position in Board/University
FERRANDO LYNGDOH NONGLAIT	B. A. (Hons.)	Education	First Class First (64.63%)
EVALYNE ANN SWER	B. A. (Hons.)	Philosophy	First Class Ninth (62.75%)
MANNEIKIM	B. A. (Hons.)	Philosophy	First Class Tenth (62.00 %)
PARIJAT HAZARIKA	B. Sc. (Hons.)	Microbiology	Ist Class First (73.63 %)
GLORIA NONGRUM	B. Sc. (Hons.)	Microbiology	Ist Class Second (70.63 %)
DIAMOND SALAHE	B. Sc. (Hons.)	Microbiology	Ist Class Third (66.00%)
LARISUK P KHONGLEIN	B. Sc. (Hons.)	Microbiology	Ist Class Fourth (62.50%)
BADONNAM KHARBITHAI	B. Sc. (Hons.)	Microbiology	Ist Class Fifth (60.50%)
WANSHAN BOR LANG NONGRANG	B. Sc. (Hons.)	Microbiology	Ist Class Sixth (60.00%)

### II. OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

#### (A) Two new scholarships were introduced by the college and they are

- (i) Nirjharini Deb Roy and Biman Behari Deb Roy Memorial Scholarship for Girl student pursuing post graduate studies in any subject in any recognised University. This scholarship has been introduced out of the fund (Rs. 4.00 lakhs) donated by noted Economist of the Country, Prof. Bibek Debroy.
- (ii) T. J. Kharbhih Memorial Scholarship for Chemistry Honours students of the college. This scholarship has been introduced out of the fund (Rs. 50,000/-) donated by the family of late Prof. T. J. Kharbhih, former Head of the Department of Chemistry of the College who expired prematurely on 26-11-2012.

#### (B) ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE FACULTY MEMBERS:

- (i) Smt. Aroma Lyngdoh, Assistant Professor, Department of Zoology, was awarded Ph. D. degree by the North Eastern Hill University.

### **III. HIGHLIGHTS OF IMPORTANT ACTIVITIES DURING THE PERIOD**

1. Regular Classes for 2<sup>nd</sup> year and 3<sup>rd</sup> year B. A., B. Com., B. Sc., B.C.A., B.B.A. commenced from 2<sup>nd</sup> May, 2014.
2. Orientation-cum-Counselling session for students of Class XII (Arts, Commerce and Science) on 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2014.
3. Study Centre of Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU) [Study Centre – 1877) opened formally on 11<sup>th</sup> April, 2014.
4. Meeting of teachers of higher secondary section, head of departments and principal was held on 21<sup>st</sup> April, 2014.
5. A joint meeting of the teacher-members of the IQAC, members of the Golden Jubilee Committee for Teaching Science in Shillong College, and the members of the Capacity Building on Eco-system Conservation of the College along with the Principal and Vice Principals was held on 16<sup>th</sup> of May, 2014 to discuss the proposal received from an external agency to initiate steps for commencing a course on some aspects of Environment Conservation.
6. Staff meeting on 15<sup>th</sup> May, 2014.
7. Retirement Party of Prof. R. Rynjah, former Head of the Department of History, and Smt. O. Kharkongor, former Head of the Department of Education was held on 31<sup>st</sup> May, 2014.
8. World Environment Day on 5<sup>th</sup> June, 2014. Prize distribution on 7<sup>th</sup> June where Smt. R. Thangkhiew, R.O., In-charge, SCSTE, Meghalaya was the Chief Guest.
9. Orientation programme for the first year B.A., B. Com., B. Sc., B.B.A., B.C.A. held on 7<sup>th</sup> June, 2014.
10. Orientation programme for Class XI (Arts, Science and Commerce) held on 6<sup>th</sup> June, 2014.
11. Shillong College Employees' Social Maintenance Scheme adopted and passed by the Governing Body of the College in its meeting held on 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2014.
12. Revised routine of the College made effective from 3<sup>rd</sup> July, 2014.
13. A Two day Book Exhibition cum Sale programme was organised by the Library Department, Shillong College on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> July, 2014, at the Sports Infrastructure Complex, Shillong College. The programme saw active participation from 6 regional publishers/book agencies like Eastern Book House, Nimbus Book House, M. R. Book House, Orient Blackswan from Guwahati, New Book Centre, Ri Khasi Bok Agency from Shillong. Students of the college and students/parents from other institutions visited the exhibition and derived benefit out of it.
14. As a part of the ongoing celebration of Golden Jubilee of "Teaching Science in Shillong College" and correlate the same with the impact of various developments around the world in the Environment sector, the Capacity Building Committee on Freshwater Ecosystem Conservation in collaboration with the Rufford Grant Foundation for Nature Conservation, United Kingdom, organized a week long training program on "Tools for Conservation of Freshwater Ecosystem: A Course to build capacity in North-East India" from the 14<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> of July 2014. The resource persons imparting the training program were Dr. Amartya Saha, Associate Scientist, Global Water for Sustainable Program, Florida International University, USA and Dr. Sonali Saha, Coordinator, Science Program, Touro College South, Miami Beach, Florida, USA. During the program, students were also given hand-on training on Geographical Information System (GIS) by Dr. R. S. Bhalla, GIS expert and founder of the Foundation for Ecological Research Advocacy and Learning (FERAL), Pondicherry. Students and teachers of different colleges of the state participated in the training program. The aims and objectives of the program are to impart a basic understanding of the links between hydrology, water quality, and forests/riparian/aquatic ecosystem and land cover in watersheds including on-line datasets and techniques of mapping, monitoring and analysis of biodiversity, hydrology, climate predictions and land cover change. The programme was inaugurated by Shri Sunil Kumar, IFS, PCCF, Department of Forest, Government of Meghalaya, who graced the Inaugural Function held on 14<sup>th</sup> July, 2014.
15. At the end of a long eventful Golden Jubilee Celebration for one year, a befitting Closing Ceremony was organised on the 23<sup>rd</sup> July, 2014, at the college campus. Chief Guest on the occasion was Hon'ble Governor of Meghalaya, Dr. K. K. Paul, who himself had bright career in science. Prof. Okhil Kumar Medhi, Former Vice-Chancellor & Head of the Department of Chemistry, Gauhati University, delivered the key note address.

16. First meeting of the 'Maintenance Sanctioning Authority' held on 30<sup>th</sup> July, 2014.
17. General Body meeting of the Shillong College Educational Society was held on 30<sup>th</sup> July, 2014.
18. Shillong College Library organised a Library Orientation Programme on the "Role of Library in the Internet Era" for the 1<sup>st</sup> year B. Sc. students on 5<sup>th</sup> August, 2014. Shri F. Sumer, acting Librarian, NEHU Central Library and Smt. Jaquiline J. Thabah, Assistant Professor, Department of Library and Information Science, NEHU, were the Resource Persons.
19. Meeting of the Students Self Supporting System with placement cell and senior faculty on 11<sup>th</sup> August, 2014.
20. Inauguration of 5 newly constructed class rooms at the terrace of the New Building on 13<sup>th</sup> August, 2014 and inaugurated by Prof. (Smt.) K. S. Lyngdoh, President, Governing Body of the College.
21. A Screening and Interactive programme on "Where the Clouds End", a Documentary by film maker, Wanphrang Diengdoh, was organised by the Department of Sociology, Shillong College on the 16<sup>th</sup> August, 2014. The film show was to the students aware on issues that had become sensitive in contemporary Khasi society. The documentary focussed and examined tribal identity as a fluid concept which defied man-made imagination, historical ideals, political definitions and geographic boundaries. The discussion highlighted on issues of identity, matrilineal system, religion and land rights of the Khasi people.
22. Shillong College Alumni Association celebrated the 'Alumni Day 2014' on 18<sup>th</sup> August with hoisting of Shillong College Flag, cultural events and then visit to Shanti Bhavan to distribute food items, clothes etc. to orphans and destitute.
23. Felicitation Programme organised by IQAC on 5<sup>th</sup> September to felicitate the SWOC analysis committee members. The occasion was also marked the formal launching of the Shillong college Employees' Social Maintenance Scheme with handing over of the first ever maintenance cheque to the retired members of the scheme.
24. Department of Computer Science and Applications organised a training session under its "Computer Literacy Programme" for the Non-teaching Staff of the College. The programme was held from 15<sup>th</sup> September, 2014, for 3 weeks, and certificates were awarded to the participants on completion of the course.
25. One day workshop on "Statistics for Knowledge Exploration" was organised by the Department of Statistics, Shillong College, Shillong on the 13<sup>th</sup> September, 2014. Dr. S. K. Jha, Associate Professor, Department of Statistics, North Eastern Hill University, and Dr. S. M. Bendre, Centre Head, ISI, North-East Centre, Tezpur were the Resource Persons.
26. 'Hindi Diwas Samaroha', organised by the Department of Hindi and the Department of Garo of the College on 19<sup>th</sup> September, 2014, which included Singing Competition, Recitation of self-composed poems and Debate competition.
27. A workshop on 'Fables in Translation' was organized jointly by the Department of Garo and the Department of Hindi on 16<sup>th</sup> August, 2014, with the aim of using the translation method as an effective way of teaching the Hindi language. Teachers and students from various colleges in Shillong participated in the workshop.
28. On the occasion of Hindi Diwas 2014, the Department of Hindi and the Department of Garo jointly organized Inter- college Debate, Recitation and Singing competitions In Hindi on 19<sup>th</sup> September, 2014. Teachers and students from various colleges in Shillong participated in the programme.
29. The Department of English, Shillong College, an Inter-school and Inter-college Declamation Competition on the title, "Reliving the Bard's Words", in commemoration of the 450<sup>th</sup> Birth Anniversary of William Shakespeare on 26 September, 2014, at the College Conference Hall. The programme was graced by Shri Frederick Roy Kharkongor, IAS, Secretary to the Education Department, Government of Meghalaya, as Chief Guest.
30. A popular talk on "Lifestyle Management – A Pathway for Healthy Life" was organised by the Shillong College Alumni Association along with the Health Care Committee of the College in the College Conference Hall on the 25<sup>th</sup> October, 2014.
31. The Youth Red Cross, Shillong College, organised a 'Sales of Work cum Food Fest' on the 28<sup>th</sup> October, 2014, in the college campus to raise fund for the unit.
32. A **National Seminar** on "Emerging Trends in Advanced Networking and Cloud Computing", organised by the Department of Computer Science & Applications along with the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of Shillong College which is being held on the 31<sup>st</sup> October and 1<sup>st</sup> November, 2014. The Seminar was inaugurated by Prof. Dilop Kr. Saikia, Director, National

- Institute of Technology, Meghalaya on 31<sup>st</sup> October, 2014, at 10.00 a.m. who also delivered a very informative Key Note address. A number of resource persons made the seminar reach its height and they included Shri Arjun Chettry, Computer Programmer, North East Police Academy, Barapani, Mrs. Surmila Thokchom, Assistant Professor, Department of CSE, NIT, Meghalaya, Dr. Prodipto Das, Department of Computer Science, Assam University, Silchar.
33. First S. C Dutta Memorial Lecture - Department of Mathematics, Shillong College, organised the first ever S. C. Dutta Memorial Lecture on the 18<sup>th</sup> November, 2014. The Lecture was delivered by Prof. Himadri K. Mukherjee, Dean, Physical Science, North Eastern Hill University.
  34. Panel discussion on 'Juvenile Delinquency' on 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov., 2014, organised by Political science department and Sociology department at the college conference hall. Dr. Lambok Toi, Director Social Ministries was the moderator while the panellists were Prof. A. K. Ningkynrih, Department of Sociology, NEHU, Shri Vivek Syiem, Superintendent of Police, Shillong City, Smt. Nakilin Shylla, Government Advocate, High Court Shillong, and Rev. Reuban Laloo, Director, Reach Ministries, Shillong.
  35. Department of Khasi, Shillong College, organised a One-day Regional Seminar on "Translation in Khasi Literature" in the College Conference Hall on the 5<sup>th</sup> November, 2014.
  36. Shillong College Alumni Association organised a "Food Fest" on 8<sup>th</sup> November, 2014, at the College campus.
  37. A study tour was conducted by the Department in collaboration with the Department of Hindi during 6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> November, 2014, to witness the Wangala Festival in Asanangre, West Garo Hills, Meghalaya.
  38. A three-day **National Seminar** on "Translation: Transcending Barriers" was organised by the Literary Circle of the College from 20<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> November, 2014, at the College Conference Hall. The Seminar was sponsored by University Grants Commission, Government of Meghalaya, Shahitya Academi and ICSSR. The Inaugural function was graced by Prof. L. S. Gassah, Honorary Director, ICSSR, NERC, wherein the key note address was delivered by Prof. Esther Syiem, Head, Department of English, North Eastern Hill University. A host of Resource Persons and delegates participated in the Seminar. Some of the prominent resource persons were: Prof. Bipul Shyam Purkayastha, Dean, AESOPS, Department of Computer Sciences, Assam University, Silchar, Prof. Badaplin Wan, Dean, School of Humanities, North Eastern Hill University, Prof. Desmond Kharmawphlang, Head, Department of Folklores, North Eastern Hill University, Prof. Avadhesh Kumar Singh, Director, School of Translation Studies and Training, IGNOU, New Delhi. The seminar also included Screening of Documentary "Roots and Longing" by Shri Conrad Sangma and also Musical rendition "Ka put sla, mieng bad phawar" by performing artists from Marraykneng village, Meghalaya.
  39. Department of Philosophy, Shillong College, organised a One-day Workshop on the theme, "Philosophy and Its Relevance in the Contemporary Society" on 6<sup>th</sup> December, 2014 at the College Conference Hall.
  40. Two day Regional Workshop on "Youth and Entrepreneurship", organised by the Entrepreneurship Development Cell on 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> December, 2014, in collaboration with Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development, Ministry of Skill Development, Entrepreneurship, Youth Affairs & Sports, Government of India, Sriperumbudur, Tamil Nadu.. The workshop was inaugurated by Dr. M. Ampareen Lyngdoh, Hon'ble Minister of Labour, Urban Affairs & Municipal Administration, Government of Meghalaya on 10<sup>th</sup> December, 2014. Various Resource Persons who attended and contributed in the Workshop included, Shri S. Dewan, IIE, Guwahati, Smt. Bhairavi Jani, Director, MIE, Shillong, Shri P. Sanasan, Executive Director, Polaris Solution Enterprise, Shri Conrad Sangma, Social Worker & Entrepreneur, Shri D. K. Lalla, Deputy General Manager, SBI, Shillong, and Prof. M. S. Bisht, Centre for Science Education, NEHU. The Valedictory Session of the Workshop was graced by Shri F. R. Kharkongor, IAS, Secretary, Education and Sports and Youth Affairs and State Project Director of SSA and RMSA, Government Meghalaya as Chief Guest while Dr. Salam D. Singh, District Youth Coordinator, Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan, Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India, was the Guest of Honour.
  41. **NSS ACTIVITIES:** The National Service Scheme, NSS, of Shillong College organised a number of programmes during the year in the college campus as well as in the adopted villages. Some of the activities of NSS are listed below:

- (i) Two programme officers of the Unit, Shri Mardor W. Synrem and Shri Sojol Kharrymba and volunteers of the unit and NEHU represented Meghalaya at the 4<sup>th</sup> North East NSS Festival held at Agartala from 12<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> February 2014.
- (ii) NSS Unit organized a one day Adventure trip on 15<sup>th</sup> March, 2014 for student Volunteers to Byrdaw Village in East Khasi Hills District.
- (iii) The NSS Unit organized a One week special Camping Programme at Laitkseh, at Smit Village from 21<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> April, 2014. Several Programmes were organized which include Awareness Programme on Rain water harvesting, construction of Village footpath and a Cleaning Drive.
- (iv) Ten NSS volunteers of the Unit participated in the Adventure Camp organized by Campfire Trails at Sohliya Village, East Khasi Hills District on 30<sup>th</sup> May, 2014.
- (v) NSS Unit celebrated World Environment Day 2014 by organizing a two days programme on the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> June 2014. A cleaning drive was organized on the 4<sup>th</sup> June in the college campus. On the 5<sup>th</sup> June a Clean River Umiew campaign was organized which is situated at Smit Village which is one of the adopted villages of the Unit.
- (vi) An orientation Programme was organised for newly recruited NSS volunteers on 28<sup>th</sup> June 2014.
- (vii) NSS Volunteers and Programme officers of the Unit participated in the International Youth Day Programme organize by the Meghalaya AIDS Control Society (MACS) on the 12<sup>th</sup> of August, 2014.
- (viii) NSS Unit organized a tree plantation programme at Laitlum Village on the 26<sup>th</sup> August 2014. Altogether 500 saplings were planted by 120 volunteers on the day.
- (ix) NSS Programme Officers and Volunteers participated in the World Suicide Prevention Day organized by San-Ker.
- (x) The NSS Unit organized a One week special Camping Programme at Nongpathaw Village from 28<sup>th</sup> September to 4<sup>th</sup> October, 2014. Several Programmes were organized which include construction of Village footpath and a Cleaning Drive.
- (xi) NSS Unit organized a One Day Voluntary Blood Donation Camp on the 17<sup>th</sup> of October, 2014 in collaboration with Regional Blood Bank, Pasteur Institutute and Meghalaya Aids Control Society and Alumni Association of the College in the College Campus. 33 Units of Blood was donated by Programme Officers, Teachers and NSS Volunteers.

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