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GOLDEN JUBILEE CLOSING CEREMONY CELEBRATED



The closing ceremony of Golden Jubilee celebration of Sualkuchi Budram Madhab Satradhikar College was held on the 9th & 10th November, 2013, with a two day programme.

In the morning of 9th Nov, 2013, The National Flag, The College Flag and the Golden Jubilee Flag were hoisted by Sri Mahendra Kalita (Working President), Dr. D.C. Bhagabati (Principal and Secretary) and Sri Umesh Ch. Das (President) respectively. Immediately thereafter 49 Golden Jubilee flags were also unfurled. Retired teacher, Sri Priya Nath Sarma, paid floral tributes to the martyrs. Satradhikar, Sri Bhogeswar Mahanta and Deka- Satradhikar, Sri Rajiv Lochan Santa, of Iswar Sri Sri Hati Sattrra, paid floral tributes at the portraits of Santa Budram Mahanta and Late Madhab Mahanta. Many cultural troupes, students of different schools and colleges, guardians, teachers and local people participated in the cultural procession. Dr. J. Balaji, Deputy Commissioner, Kamrup (R), flagged off the Cultural Procession.

A discourse on the topic "The Role of Higher Educational Institution in Rural Areas in Fulfilling the Hopes and Aspirations of the People" was held at 2 pm on 9th Nov., 2013. Honourable M.P. Ms. Bijoya Chakravarty, inaugurated the discourse. Eminent thinker and retired IAS Officer Lakshinath Tamuli spoke on the topic. Two books 'Samannay' published by the Women's Cell of the college and 'Santa Jashamrit' published by the Study Circle of the college were released in the meeting. In the evening, a colourful cultural programme was held.

On 10th November, 2013, a plantation programme was held in the morning at the College campus. After this Sri Mrigendra Kalita, former member APSC, on the chair, initiated the Alumni Meet. An open session was then held which was presided over by Umesh Chandra Das, President of the Golden Jubilee Celebration Committee. Dr. Kulendu Pathak, former Vice Chancellor, Dibrugarh University, Dr. Dhruba Jyoti Saikia, Vice Chancellor, Cotton State University, addressed the open meeting. Dr. Chandra Mohan Sarma, distinguished scientist, released the 'Souvenir' brought out on the occasion. Earlier Dr. Dipesh Chandra Bhagabati, Principal of the college laid out the objectives of the meeting. In the evening, a colourful musical nite was held in which many reputed artist performed.

Message From The Principal -



The vibrancy of an institution is reflected in its activities, achievements of its stakeholders. Ours is a family of more than twelve hundred members working for fulfillment of the individual and institutional goals. The need for a medium to disseminate the information in regard to the programs, activities, achievements etc among the members of the SBMS College family is a long felt one. This time, we resolved to meet the demand with the publication of this news letter.

In this maiden venture, I am sure that the members of the Editorial Board have faced varieties of trouble in bringing this volume to its present form. I gratefully acknowledge their effort and do congratulate them on their success in materializing this dream. I hope this news letter will bring all good things taking place in the college in the notice of others and wish that more and more activities and achievements will come to our credit to make the subsequent issues of the news letter enriched with lots of information.

Dr. Dipesh Ch. Bhagabati
Principal

From Editor's Desk -



The First Issue of the First Volume of SBMS College "Newsletter" attempts to encapsulate the important events and achievements within the time-frame of January 2013 to December 2013. Significantly, many of these pieces of information may reflect for further improvement of SBMS College Newsletter. Newsletters enjoy the economy of publishing for a limited and defined market. This Newsletter attempts to provide preliminary informations of the college about some specific fields only. Vying to be at par with the best colleges of Assam, its members are required to fulfil tough goals. This breeds competitions, often mechanizing human relations within the institution. But yet, it is a matter of joy to note that progress of the college in terms of academics as well as civil infrastructure has been progressing steadily.

Faculty Development -

- (1) Sri Nihar Ranjan Kalita, Assistant Professor in Economics, has been awarded Fellowship under Faculty Improvement Programme (FIP) for pursuing Ph.D.
- (2) Sri Gopal Sarma, Associate Professor in History, has attended an Orientation Programme for Research Scholars and Faculty Members at Tezpur University from Sept. 23rd to 27th 2013.
- (3) Mrs. Arpana Nath, Assistant Professor in Education, and Sri Nripen Das, Assistant Professor in English, has attended a Refresher Course in Research Methodology at Academic Staff College, G.U. from 21st Jan. to 10th Feb. 2013.
- (4) Sri Tapan Das, Assistant Professor in Political Science, has attended a Refresher Course from 18th Nov. to 8th Dec. 2013 at the North Eastern Hill University.

Research Project -

Sri Ranjit Taku, Assistant Professor in Education, has been doing a U.G.C. sponsored M.R.P. on the topic "Agricultural Festival of Mising Community- tradition and change with special reference to Dhemaji and Lakhimpur Districts."

Organizational Responsibilities -



Two members of the teaching faculty, Dr. Jogesh Deka, Associate Professor, Department of Political Science and Sri Rituparna Das, Assistant Professor, Department of Assamese, were elected President, ACTA, 'B' Zone and Assistant General Secretary, ACTA Central Committee, respectively for the year 2013-14.



Participation in Austin International Poetry Festival, U.S.A.



Mr. D. Saikia, Associate Professor in the Department of English, also known as Anubabh Tulasi in the literary circle participated in the Austin International Poetry Festival 2013, Austin, Texas, U.S.A. from the 11th to the 14th April 2013. He was honoured with the "Excellence Award" on the 12th April, 2013 for his poetry in this Festival. He was felicitated for this award at the college on the 25th May, 2013.

Students Support Service : Know your Army

A lecture on "Know Your Army" was held under the aegis of the 107, Mountain Brigade of Red Horn Division, Tamulpur, in association with SBMS College on the 15th May 2013. Major Prabha Bisht shed light on the primary and the secondary duties of the Army. Students and teachers of the college interacted enthusiastically with the Army Major. In the interaction, the Major briefed the students of the college about the simple way in which students can directly become Officers in the Army.



Freshers' Social



The Freshers' Social, 2013, was held on the 27th August, 2013. On the occasion "Anubhuti" the wall magazine of the college was published. The Freshers were addressed by noted painter Sri Munindra Narayan Bhattacharya who was also the Chief Guest on the occasion. The Principal, Dr. Dipesh Ch. Bhagabati, presided over the open session which was followed by a cultural programme.

UGC Seminar on Anti-Witch Hunting

A UGC sponsored National Seminar on 'Phenomenon of Witch-Hunting in the North-East: A Major Challenge for women' was organized by the Women Cell of the college in collaboration with ACTA, Kamrup 'B' Zone, on the 27th & the 28th September, 2013, with a two day programme.

Professor Annada Charan Bhagawati, retired Vice-Chancellor, Arunachal University, inaugurating the seminar expressed his concern over the evil practices prevalent in the society due to superstitious beliefs. Birubala Rabha, the Chairperson of 'Mission Birubala', who started a crusade against witch-hunting in the North-East since 1985, participated on both the days. The inaugural function was also addressed by Prof. Bholanath Ghosh, Resource Person of the Seminar, who is presently serving at the Indian Institute of Statistics, Kolkata.

Altogether 62 scholars and academicians coming from different colleges and institutions participated in the Seminar and discussed the theme thoroughly.

The Panel Discussion was held with Dr. Prabin Chandra Das, former Secretary, University Classes, Gauhati University, in the Chair. Senior Advocate, Nekibur Zaman, Geeta Bhattacharjee, Director, Mahila Samata Society and Birubala Rabha, Chariman, Mission Birubala, participated as the Resource Persons in the seminar and pointed out the different aspects of the phenomenon of the witch-hunting in the North-East India.

Dr. Mridul Hazarika, Vice-Chancellor, Gauhati University, attended the valedictory function as Chief Guest. He praised the college authority for holding the seminar on a topic like witch-hunting which is emerging as a grave social problem in the society.

Earlier, Dr. D.C. Bhagabati, Principal of the College, welcomed the guests. The programme was anchored by Ms. Mamoni Devi, Associate Prof. of Political Science, and the vote of thanks was offered by Assistant Professor Dr. Anima Baishya.



Students' Union Election 2013-14

The Students' Union Election for the session 2013-14, was held on the 9th of Oct., 2013. The election was held for nine different portfolios. The elected students and their portfolios are - Sri Siva Prasad Sarma as General Secretary, Karnadeep Nath as Assistant General Secretary, Diganta Baishya as Games Secretary, Anup Baishya as Magazine Secretary, Bikash Sarma as Boys' Common Room Secretary, Bidyut Baishya as Debating Secretary, Minakshi Kumari as Girls' Common Room Secretary, Siba Prasad Das as Social Service Secretary and Pooja Kalita as Cultural Secretary. Sri Himakshi Kakati was nominated as the Vice-President of the Students' Union.

Gandhi Jayanti



Gandhi Jayanti was celebrated with a day-long programme in the college premises on the 2nd Oct. 2013. In the morning floral tributes were paid to the portrait of Mahatma Gandhi and an oath was taken by all present to take up a path of non-violence. An open session meeting was held in which Mr. Banajit Baishya and Ms. Banti Bora, Associate Professor in the Department of Philosophy, spoke on different aspects of Gandhian Philosophy. Sri Sangita Rajbangshi presented the 'Ramdhun'.

Inter College Debate Competition

Fourth Annual Ranjit Choudhury Memorial Inter-College Debating Competition, 2013, was held on the 1st Oct. 2013. The theme of the debate was "In the opinion of the house, 'Formation of separate state is contrary to the interest of greater Assam'". Dr. Krishna Gopal Bhattacharya was the honourable speaker of the debating competition. Dr. Jayanta Krishna Sarma, Assistant Professor in the Department of Political Science, G.U., Sri Chandan Goswami, Assistant Professor in M.C.J. of G.U. and Sri Nilotpal Deka, Advocate, Gauhati High Court, were present as Judges of the competition.



National Service Scheme (N.S.S.) Activities



The N.S.S. Foundation Day was celebrated in the college premises on the 24th Sept., 2013, with a day-long programme. The N.S.S. Programme Officer of the college Dr. Dipul Kr. Das, coordinated the programmes in different categories. Sri D. Saikia, Associate Professor, Department of English inaugurated the general meeting held on the day. Sri Atul Ch. Das explained the motto and objectives of N.S.S. and Prof. A. Choudhury of Economics Department and former N.S.S. Programme Officer also spoke on the occasion. Quiz, Extempore Speech, Bhupendra Sangeet and Dance Competition were held among the students in the day-long programme.

A special camping programme of National Service Scheme of SBMS College Unit, Sualkuchi, was held from the 18th to the 24th Dec. 2013 at Rawanboi, Bongor, which was the adopted village of the special camp.

Obituary

Tua Katak: Tua Katak, who joined as a faculty member in the Department of History in the year 1983, died on the 25th June, 2013, following a brief illness. During his tenure, he worked as the Principal In-Charge from 1st January 2011 to the 17th January 2012. He worked as Vice-Principal of the college till his death. The college fraternity deeply mourn his untimely death.

Bharat Ch. Devasarma: B.C. Devasarma, a retired Prof. in the Deptt. of Education and Ex Principal In-Charge died on the 1st November 2013. Students, teachers and employees of the college mourn his death and recall his contributions.