



SBMS COLLEGE

P.O. Sualkuchi, District: Kamrup

ANNUAL COLLEGE WEEK (20TH JANUARY TO 25TH JANUARY, 2014)

Annual College Week of SBMS College 2013-14 was held from 20th January to 25th January. On 20th January, 2014 in the morning, Dr. D.C. Bhagabati, Principal SBMS College, inaugurated the college week by hoisting the college flag.



In his speech he called upon the student community to take a larger participation in different co-curricular activities of the college week so that they could develop their qualities in sports, music, dance, drama, debate, art and literature. Later on, Sri D. Saikia, Vice-Principal, SBMS College, Ms. Himakshi Kakati, Vice-President, Students Union and Mr. Shiv Prasad Sarma, General Secretary, Students' Union paid floral tribute to the martyrs.



The week long activities of SBMS College Week were carried over by the members of Students' Union and the teachers-in-charge alongwith the co-operation of other faculty members. Winners and participants of different category competitions were awarded with the prizes and certificates by Sri D. Saikia., Vice-Principal SBMS

College at the open meeting presided over by Sri Umesh Ch. Das, President Governing Body of the College on 24-01-2014.

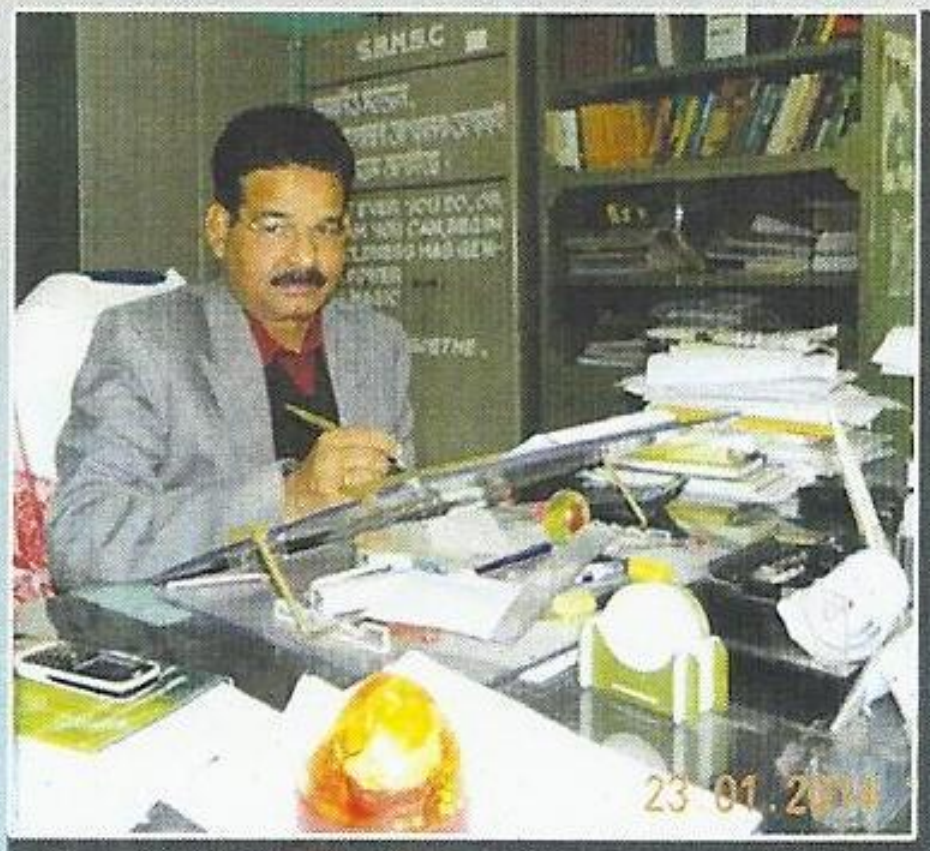
On 25th January, 2014, the last day of the College Week an open meeting was held. The meeting was graced by Sri Loknath Goswami, popular singer and thinker of Assam and Mrs. Gitiali Baroi, a small screen artist. On the occasion "Anubhuti" the wall magazine of SBMS College was released by Sri D. Saikia, Vice-Principal of the College. In the meeting, SBMS College News Letter Vol. 1, Issue- 1 was also released.

The student community and the learned gathering were addressed by the Guest Invitees as well as by faculty members. Dr. D.C. Bhagabati, Principal of the College presided over the meeting.

The open session was followed by a Cultural Programme in which Sri Parashmoni Das and other artists performed in front of a huge gathering.



FEW WORDS FROM THE PRINCIPAL



I am very much delighted to compose these few words for the next issue of our News Letter. I hope, it will be able to give a better coverage to the activities and achievements that have enriched the corporate life of this institution. I also urge upon every member of the college family to extend their best effort to achieve and materialize the mission and vision of this institution to their best possible extent. To get this issue of the News Letter in its present form is the outcome of sincere effort of the Editor. I gratefully acknowledge his effort.

Dr. D.C. Bhagabati
Principal, SBMS College

EDITORIAL



In an ideal world, a campus newspaper or news letter would do exactly what the media is supposed to do in a democratic society - be the voice of the students & teachers and hold the powers that be, accountable. A college newsletter is a means to bring students and faculty together. It helps in better interaction between the two. Needless to say, subjects such as placements, internship, entrance tests, events and competitions are regular features of a college newsletter. I hope the 2nd Issue 1st volume of this '**Newsletter**' has covered the entire workdone of the college from January to April 2014.

Gopal Sarma
Editor, Newsletter

FACULTY DEVELOPMENT



(I) Sri Rituparna Das, Asstt. Prof. of Department of Assamese, had undergone "Pre-Commission Training" of NCC from 23rd December 2013 to 22nd March 2014 at Nagpur Officer Training Academy in Kamptee and received an 'A' grade. Prof. Das was the only trainee to be selected from Assam in the camp.



(II) Ms. Gitali Das, Librarian, SBMS College has attended a refresher course on "Library Information Science" at Academic Staff College, Gauhati University from March 10 to March 29, 2014.

REPUBLIC DAY CELEBRATION (26TH JANUARY, 2014)

The 65th Republic Day was celebrated in the College. The National Flag was hoisted by Dr. D.C. Bhagabati, Principal, SBMS College. He explained the importance of the celebration of the day and appealed to all present on the occasion to imbibe the spirit of Democratic values. The NCC cadets offered 'Guard of Honour' on the occasion.

SILPI DIVAS CELEBRATED (17th January, 2014)

Jyoti Prasad Agarwala (1903-1951) was a noted Assamese playwright, poet, writer and film-maker from Assam. He was considered as Assamese cultural icon, deeply revered for his creative vision and output and is popularly called 'the Rupkonwar of Assamese culture'. His death anniversary (January 17) is celebrated as Silpi Divas (Artists' Day) in his honour.



A talk on 'Jyoti Prasad Agarwala and his contributions to the Assamese culture and society' was organised at SBMS College with a daylong programme on 17th January, 2014. Sri Dilip Kumar Sarma, Associate Prof. of the Department of Assamese was the appointed speaker on the topic. He talked about the plays, songs and films of Jyoti Prasad and significance of his creations. All the faculty members present on the talk took active part on the discussion and explained the importance of different aspects of Jyoti Prasad Agarwala and his creative art. Dr. Dipesh Ch. Bhagabati, Principal of the college graced the occasion by lighting the lamp on the portrait of Jyoti Prasad. Sri D. Saikia, Vice-Principal, SBMS College was the chairperson on the talk and he thanked the faculty and student community for celebration of the Artists' Day.

Saraswati Puja (04th February, 2014)



An annual function of worship to the Goddess Saraswati, the deity of knowledge and education was performed by the Students community of SBMS College with great respect and religious discipline with a daylong programme on 4th February, 2014. Prasad 'Khichiri' and 'Payas' were distributed among the students and teachers on the occasion. Students performed Puja to the goddess Saraswati for her blessing.

Vaccination Camp (24th February, 2014)

Anti-Japanese Encephalitis Vaccination Camp was held on 24th February 2014 at SBMS College by the Doctors and Nurses of the Sualkuchi Primary Health Centre as part of a Statewide agenda of Rastriya Gramya Swasthya Abhijan, Assam. More than 100 students and teachers got themselves vaccinated on that day.



ICPR Sponsored Lecture (24th February, 2014)



The Indian Council of Philosophical Research (ICPR) sponsored periodical Lecture was organised by the department of Philosophy, SBMS College, Sualkuchi on 24-02-2014 on two topics - I. Values and the New Generation, and II. Tagore's Humanism.

Dr. Girish Sarma, Professor of the Department of Philosophy, Gauhati University was the honourable appointed speaker on the topic - Values and the New Generation, Dr. Mantu Kr. Das, Principal, Habraghat College, Krishnai, Goalpara was the appointed speaker on - Tagore's Humanism. Students and teachers interacted with the resource persons on the topics. Principal, Dr. D.C. Bhagabati inaugurated the Lecture and Sri D. Saikia, Vice-Principal was the chairperson of the talk.

Participation in the International Poetry Festival, Dhaka.



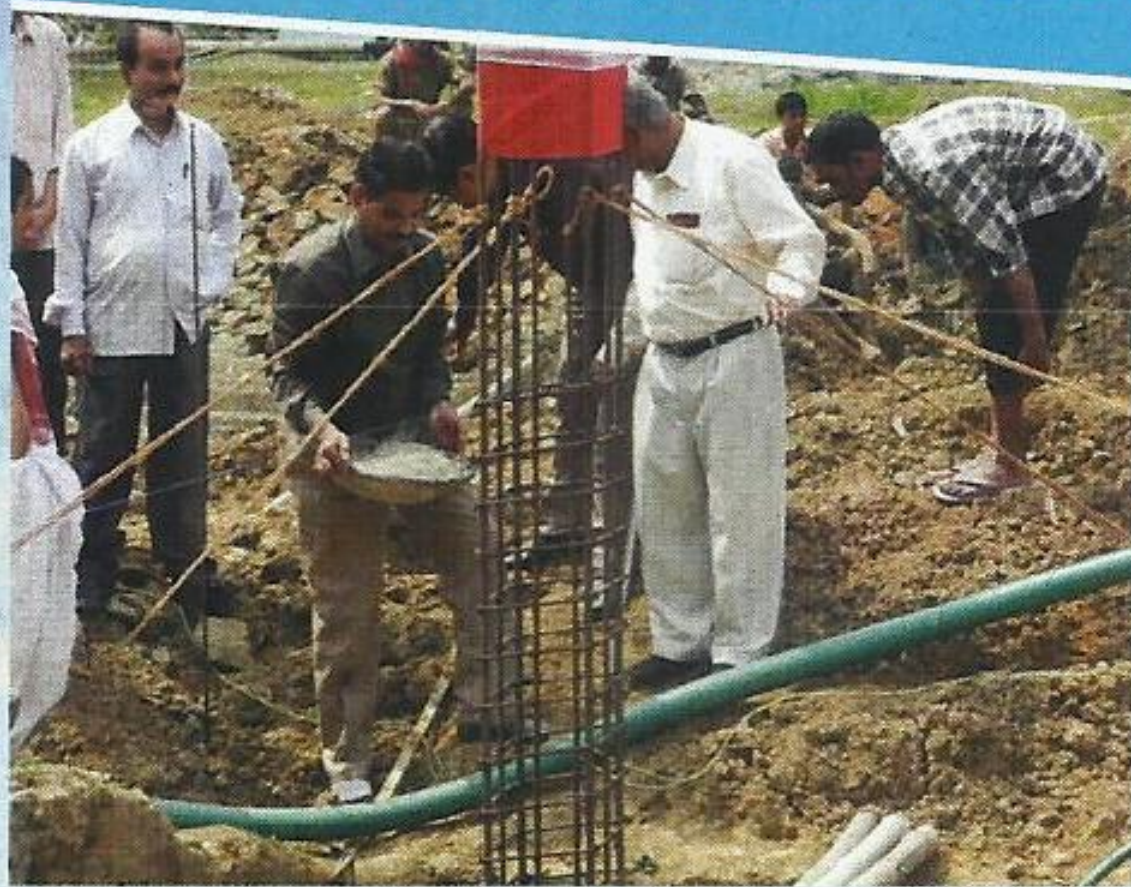
Jatiya Kabita Parishad, Dhaka, Bangladesh organised an International Poetry Festival on 1st and 2nd February, 2014 at Dhaka University. Sri D. Saikia, Associate Prof. of the Department of English, popularly known as Anubhav Tulashi, was the invited participant as a poet from Assamese language where he was felicitated for his contribution. He read out his poems to an International audience.

International Womens Day (8th March, 2014)

On the occasion of International Womens Day, 8th March, 2014, a Lecture was organised by Women Cell, SBMS College, Sualkuchi in association with 'Rodali' a centre for cancer awareness and counselling on the topic - "Breast Cancer and Cervical Cancer in women". Dr. Jayantimala Chakraborty was the speaker on the topic from the NGO 'Rodali. Highlighting on the topic she gave valuable information on breast cancer and cervical cancer on women and early detection of this killer disease in women folk. The student community was greatly benefited from this programme which was performed with audio-visual aids.



Foundation of New Building (13th March, 2014)



Foundation ceremony of a new Building (106 X 35 feet) was held by Sri Umesh Ch. Das, President, Governing Body, Dr. D.C. Bhagabati, Principal, Sri D. Saikia, Vice-Principal of SBMS College in presence of faculty and office members on 13th March, 2014. In the foundation ceremony Mr. Pradip Kumar and Ms. Dipika Baishya, the Governing Body members was also present.

Educational Tours, Excursion and Awareness Programme

1. The first educational tour of the Semester students of English Major was organised on 10th March, 2014 to Borapani Lake also known as Umium Lake, which is the largest natural Lake in Meghalaya in midst of sylvan hills adorned by khasi pines and peerless beauty. The team consisted of faculty members Sri D. Saikia, Sri P. Deka, Sri N. Das and Sri Arup Sarma. Sri Dibakar Baishya and Sri Bhaskar Das, office employee of the college also participated on the tour.



2. An educational tour of the Department of Political Science 6th Semester (Major) was undertaken on 29th and 30th March, 2014 to Shillong. A total number of 13 students of Pol. Science (Major) of whom 4 boys and 9 girl students participated on the tour. The team was guided by faculty members Ms. Mamani Devi, Associate Prof. and senior faculty of Pol. Science, Dr. Jogesh Deka, Associate Prof. and Head of the Department of Pol. Science and Sri Gopal Sarma, Associate Prof. and Head Department of History. The team visited Borapani Lake also known as Umium Lake, Shillong Peak, Elephant Falls and Ward's lake on the first day. On 30th March 2014, the team visited Cherrapunjee, Mawsmai Cave and Thangkherang Park.



3. A 6th Semester excursion was organised by Ms. Banti Borah, Associate Prof. of the Department of Philosophy, Dr. C.R. Das, Associate Prof. of the Deptt of Assamese and Sri Tapan Das, Asstt. Prof. in Pol. Science. All together 29th students of Political Science, 6th Semester General, and Philosophy (Major and General) went to educational tour to Rani Forest and Pobitora Wildlife Sanctuary on 2nd April 2014.

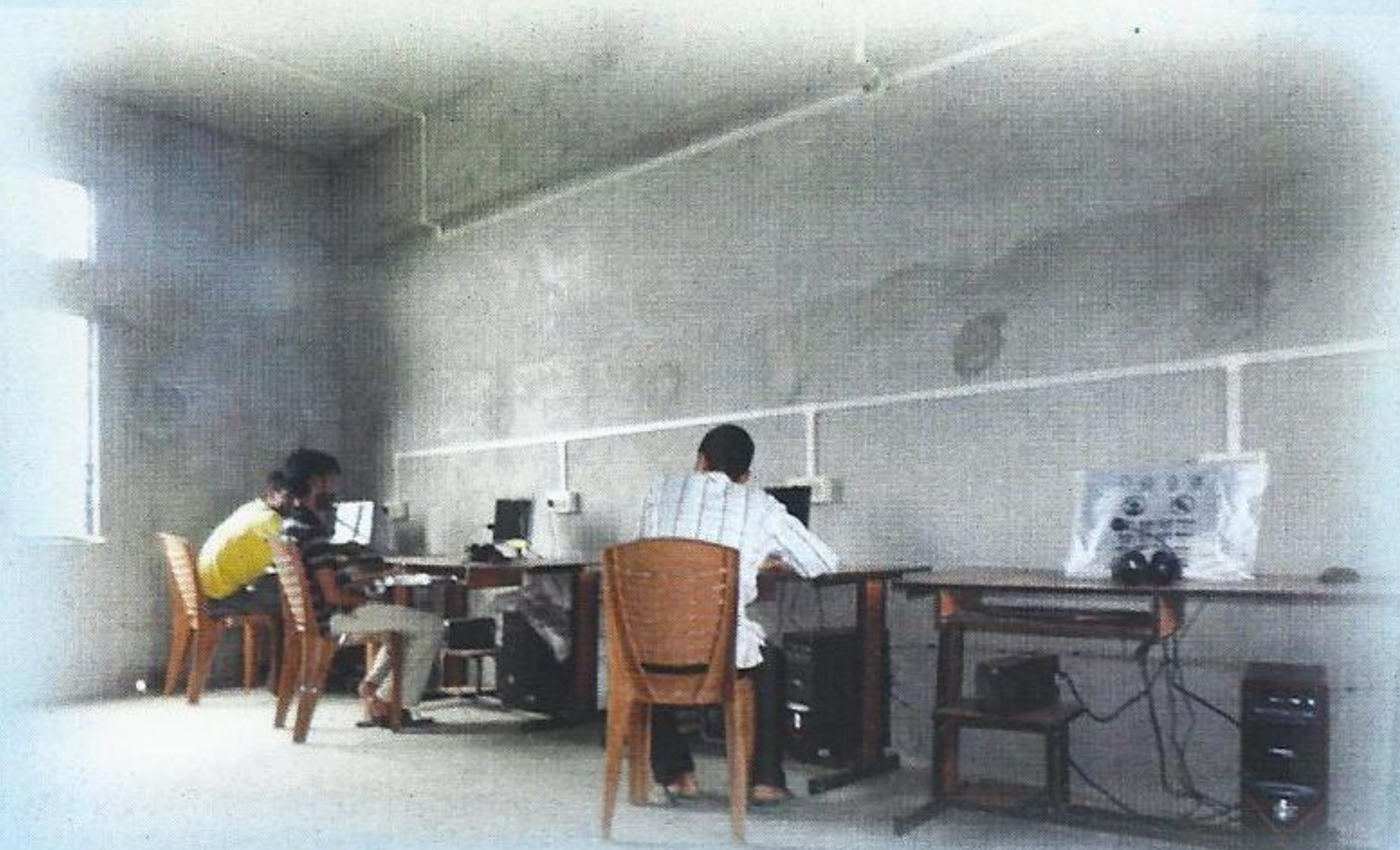
4. A 6th Semester excursion of the Deptt. of Economics was organised by Dr. Dwipen Kr. Sarma, Associate Prof. and Ms. Shrutidhara Kashyap, Asstt. Prof., Department of Economics to Sibsagar, a historical place of importance on 2nd April 2014. A total number 31 students of Major and general course of Economics Deptt. participated on the tour.



5. Kolkata Tour, April 2 to 6, 2014 - 25 students comprising Assamese, Economics and Education departments all 6th semester classes under the guidance of Prof. A. Choudhury, senior faculty of the Economics Department, Prof. A. Das, Department of Assamese, Prof. R. Taku, Department of Education and Prof. Jayshree Goswami, Department of Assamese went to an excursion to Kolkata on April 2, 2014. The group during their tour visited Birla Planetarium, Science City, Victoria Memorial, National Library, National Museum, Belur Math and Dakshineswar Mandir.

OPENING OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE LAB

In the month of March, 2014 with the installation of seven Desktop Computers and peripherals, Language Laboratory of the Department of English was opened. The language laboratory is an audio-visual installation used as an aid in modern language teaching. The next generation digital language labs allow teachers to monitor, control, deliver, group, display,

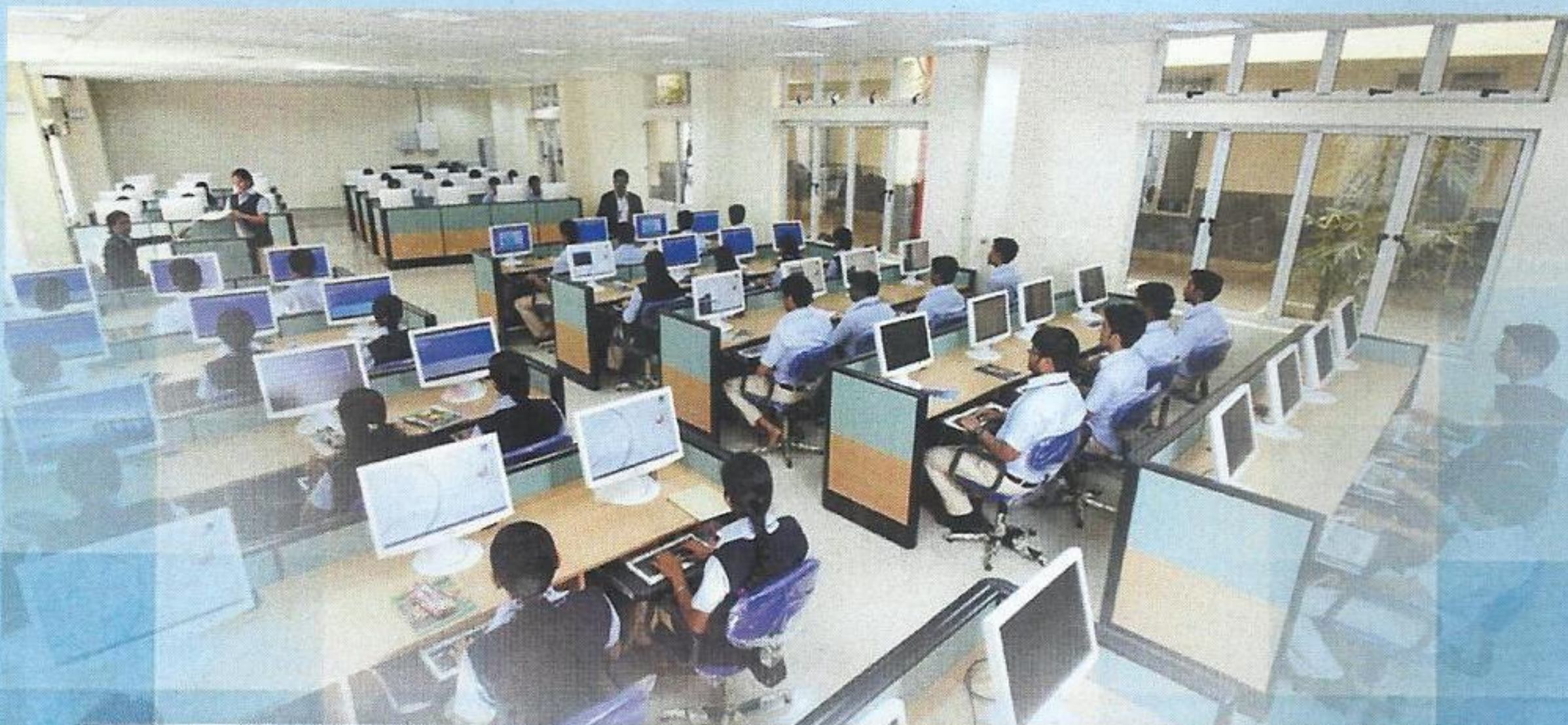


review and collect audio, video and web based multi media content. The student player is linked to the teacher console and can play audio, video and web based formats. Students can rewind, stop, start, goback to last silence, record, fast forward, repeat phrase and bookmark.

LIBRARY SERVICES IN DIGITAL ERA

A talk on "Utilisation of Library Services in digital era" was held on 9th April 2014 at hall-4 of SBMS College. Dr. Badan Barman, Asstt. Librarian, K.K. Handique State Open University, Guwahati was the resource person on the topic. He explained - A digital library is a systematic collection of digital reading material that is accessible through computers. It may be hosted in intranet or internet. Internet is the World's Largest digital library. Free access to internet now replacing the book lending and reference services. E-books are changing the reading habits of people. We need digital library - because the future is here. An investment in developing a digital library mean - we are spending the amount in a service that will give a direct benefit to the students, faculty and society at large.

Dr. D.C. Bhagabati, principal of the college was the hon'ble Chair Person on the talk. Earlier Ms. Mamani Devi, Associate Prof., Department of Pol. Science and co-ordinator IQAC, SBMS College explained the objectives of the meeting and Vote of thanks was offered by Ms. Gitali Das, Librarian, SBMS College.



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