

SBMS COLLEGE NEWSLETTER

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Principal's Message



The world is facing a hazardous situation caused by the pandemic that has broken out of COVID-19. We are not sure when the much-awaited normalcy to life will come back. Under the prevailing situation, we, the fraternity of academics should try to re-educate the people to strictly adhere to the SOPs issued by the government authorities to combat the emerging threat to the human race throughout the globe. As an institution

of higher education serving in a rural setup, we have prepared hand sanitizer for distribution among the rural people to use as a precautionary measure against the spreading of the pandemic. I must appreciate the service of faculty members of the Department of Chemistry in particular and the NSS unit for doing this job in a mission mode. I feel proud of our teachers and students for the solidarity they have maintained with the people around them in their time of distress.

Dr. Dipesh Chandra Bhagabati, Principal

Editorial

The beginning of 2020 saw the world being caught unawares by the COVID-19 pandemic which has had profound and multifaceted impacts on people worldwide. The health and well-being of millions are directly affected by the virus, leading to widespread illness and death, causing an enormous strain on mental health. The new environment has shifted to a new culture of work done remotely, called "work from home", while beneficial for some in terms of flexibility and reduced commuting time, it also posed significant challenges in other aspects.

Diving into the realm of academics, the pandemic necessitated a rapid shift to online learning through digital and electronic appliances. While the virtual platform has become a feasible and effective alternative for keeping teaching-learning activities on track during these difficult times, the sudden shift from physical to online classes comes with its own set of challenges, particularly for students from underprivileged backgrounds who face significant barriers due to lack of access to reliable internet and technology, leading to disparities in educational opportunities exposing and amplifying the digital divide. Overall, the pandemic exposed and widened existing educational inequalities, posing long-term challenges requiring sustained efforts and innovations to address effectively.

Despite the novel social restrictions imposed by the pandemic, the faculties, staff, and students of SBMS College held their morale high. They continued to resume academic activities while following government directives to maintain a safe workplace. Together, with a new experience and a new set of workflow this newsletter showcases the efforts, moments, and major activities undertaken during the pandemic.

Ms. Claret Teronpi, Editor

General News and Events

JANUARY 31 TO FEBRUARY 4, 2020

THE ASSAM SAHITYA SABHA

The dedicated college staff took a step beyond their usual campus roles to attend and contribute in various capacities at the Assam Sahitya Sabha 2020 edition, a significant prestigious literary and cultural meet, bringing back valuable insights and showcasing the spirit and commitment of the institution. Held at Sualkuchi from 31st January to 4th February 2020, the state meet brought together a blend of various academic, literary, cultural, and other professionals from across the state.

A book titled "Sishur Protipalan Aru Vikash", edited by Mr. Ranjit Taku, Assistant Professor of the Department of Education, SBMS College, Mr. Satyajit Kalita, and Mr. Rabin



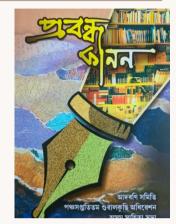
Pathak was published by the Reception Committee of the Assam Sahitya Sabha, 75th Sualkuchi Session.

A collection of articles about the Assamese language and literature, titled "Sampratik Asomiya Bhasa- Sahitya Chinta" was published by the Reception Committee



of Assam Sahitya Sabha, 75th Sualkuchi Session. The book was edited by two faculty members of the Department of Assamese, SBMS College, Mr. Atul Chandra Das, Associate Professor, and Dr. Monalisa Borah, Assistant Professor.

A book titled "
Prabhandha
Kaanan", edited by
Dr. Nihar Ranjan
Kalita, Associate
Professor,
Department of
Economics, SBMS
College, was



published by the Reception Committee of the Assam Sahitya Sabha, 75th Sualkuchi session.

The Departments of Fashion Technology and Animation and Graphic Design presented an exhibition stall at Assam Sahitya Sabha.





General News and Events

FEBRUARY 26, 2020

SKILL INTERVIEW WORKSHOP

SBMS College hosted a Skill Interview Workshop in collaboration with Assam down town University, Guwahti, Assam.

MARCH 7, 2020

FOUNDATION STONE OF SPORTS GROUND

Mr. Kamal Kumar Baishya, Deputy Commissioner of Kamrup (R) initiated the construction process for a sports playground as part of the Comprehensive Sports Management Guide for Urban Youth (CMSGUY) scheme. The event started with a ceremony, followed by a short speech in the presence of SBMS College staff, students, and local figures. The event was completed with great pomp and joy.



MARCH 8, 2020

COLLEGE YOUTH FESTIVAL

The campus buzzed with excitement as the college hosted its annual Youth Festival, a celebration of talent, creativity, and community spirit. The festival brought together students, faculty, and staff for a series of vibrant events that showcased the diverse skills

and passions of the student body.



MARCH 19, 2020

SANITIZER PRODUCTION

The COVID-19 pandemic prompted the SBMS college fraternity to rise to the challenge. During these difficult and uncertain times, the Departments of Chemistry and Botany engaged in the preparation of hand sanitizer. The sanitizer bottles were meant for distribution among people in and around Sualkuchi.



DISTRIBUTION OF SANITIZERS

Awareness of COVID-19 and Distribution of Satinizer bottles organized by the Staff and NSS Unit of SBMS College.





AUGUST 15, 2020
INDEPENDENCE DAY

The College celebrated India's 74th Independence Day on campus, filled with patriotism, pride, and a sense of unity. The event was organized in full tradition with the staff and student body to honor the nation's rich history and enduring spirit.



Observation of Significant days

JUNE 5, 2020

WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY

SBMS College, Sualkuchi, celebrated World Environment Day while maintaining the COVID-19 regulations. The Department of Botany proposed each student and staff of the college to participate in the event from home by posting pictures of themselves planting saplings in their yard. A writeup/essay competition was also organized among students on the topic:

"Importance of biodiversity conservation and practicability".



RABHA DIVAS



Rabha Divas was observed at SBMS College, Sualkuchi on June 20, 2020, to honor Kalaguru Bishnu Prasad invaluable Rabha and his contribution to the Assamese culture and literature. The Department of Assamese celebrated the occasion via Google Meet addressing a large number of attendees. The Principal of the college, Dr. Dipesh Chandra Bhagawati and Dr. Dipul Kumar Das, Associate Professor, Department of Education, delivered the keynote addresses in the event.

NOVEMBER 5, 2020

DEATH ANNIVERSARY OF DR. BHUPEN HAZARIKA

The SBMS College fraternity remembered "Xudha Kantha" Dr. Bhupen Hazarika on his 9th Death Anniversary on November 5, 2020, by paying homage to the legendary figure.



WEBINARS

JUNE 19, 2020

'ATMANIRBHRSHIL BHARAT: CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES'

A National Webinar on "Atmanirbhrshil Bharat: Challenges and Opportunities" was organised by the Department of Economics on June 19, 2020, on Zoom.





JUNE 25, 2020

USERS' AWARENESS ON USE OF ONLINE E-RESOURCES

The Central Library of SBMS College, Sualkuchi, jointly with NDLI-North East Regional Centre, IIT Guwahati, organised a Webinar on "Users' Awareness on Use of Online E-resources" on June 25, 2020 on Zoom.

JULY 6, 2020

"STRESS MANAGEMENT IN THE TIME OF PANDEMIC COVID-19"

The Department of Zoology jointly with the Central Library, SBMS College, organized a National webinar on "Stress Management in the time of Pandemic COVID-19" on July 6, 2020, via Google Meet.



ICT ACADEMY

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National Webinar
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Social Entrepreneurship in a knowledge economy
: A new perspective:

Is th July 2020 at 11.30 am

Speaker

Speaker

Coordinator

Cordinator

JULY 15, 2020

"SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP IN A KNOWLEDGE ECONOMY: A NEW PERSPECTIVE"

A National webinar on "Social Entrepreneurship in a Knowledge Economy: A New Perspective" was organized by the Department of Mathematics in association IQAC, SBMS College, on July 15, 2020, via Zoom.

JULY 24, 2020

"COVID-19 PANDEMIC AND ONLINE TEACHING IN HIGHER EDUCATION: OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES"

The Department of Education, in association with IQAC, SBMS College, organised an International Webinar "Covid-19 Pandemic and Online Teaching in Higher Education: Opportunities and Challenges", on July 24, 2020, on Zoom.





JULY 25, 2020

"BLENDED TEACHING-LEARNING PROCESS IN HIGHER EDUCATION: A SHIFTING PARADIGM"

An E- Panel Discussion on "Blended Teaching-Learning Process in Higher Education: A Shifting Paradigm" was organised by IQAC, SBMS College, in association with Assam College Teachers' Association, on July 25, 2020 on Zoom.



JULY 27, 2020

"COVID-19 AND GLOBAL ENVIRONMENT"

The Department of Botany and the Department of Chemistry, in association with IQAC, SBMS College, Sualkuchi organized a National Webinar on "Covid-19 and Global Environment" on July 27, 2020 through online mode.

JULY 28, 2020

"UNDERSTANDING ACCENT, COMMUNICATION AND SOCIAL FACTORS TOWARDS PROFESSIONAL CREDIBILITY"

The Department of English, SBMS College, Sualkuchi, organized an E- Discourse on "Understanding Accent, Communication and Social Factors towards Professional Credibility" on July 28, 2020, on Zoom.





AUGUST 2, 2020

" BISWAYAN ARU ASOMOR LOKA-SILPA"

The Department of Assamese in association with IQAC, SBMS College, Sualkuchi, organized a webinar on "Biswayan Aru Asomor Loka-Silpa" on August 2, 2020, on Zoom.

AUGUST 4, 2020

"SCOPE AND DIMENSIONS OF HISTORY"

The Department of History, SBMS College, Sualkuchi, organized a National Webinar on "Scope and Dimensions of History" on August 4, 2020, on Zoom.



AUGUST 17, 2020



" STRESS RELATED TO COVID-19 IN YOUTH AND SELF-HARM BEHAVIOUR"

A Webinar on "Stress Related to Covid-19 in Youth and Self-Harm Behaviour" has organised by the Central Library and the Department of Education in association with IQAC, SBMS College on August 17, 2021. Dr. Kamal Nath, Professor and Head, Department of Psychiatry, FAAMC, Barpeta and Dr. Shyamata Das, Assistant Professor, Department of Psychiatry, GMCH, Guwahati, were invited as resource persons.

Superannuated Members



Dr. Nandini KakatiAssistant Professor
Department of Botany
Retirement Year: 2020



Mr. Niren Sarma
UDA/ Head Assistant
Retirement Year: 2020

New Faculty Members



Dr. Bijoy Krishna DoleyDepartment of Assamese *Joining Date:* January 27, 2020



Ms. Himakhi Phukan
Department of English
Joining Date: January 23, 2020



Ms. Claret TeronpiDepartment of English
Joining Date: March 11, 2020

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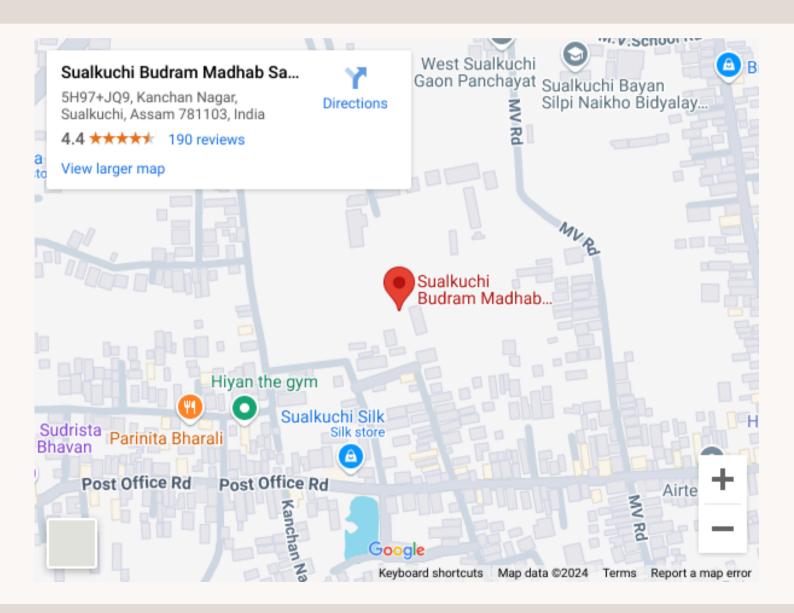
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