

### Performance of the Students :

Pachhunga University College has contributed immensely for the development of Higher Education particularly the Science Education in Mizoram. Till recently the College as the only institute providing +2 level course in Science to the students, who after completing the course entered the professional education namely Engineering, Medicine and Agriculture, and Veterinary. The graduates passed out from this College in Arts, Sciences and Commerce are of high quality who joined Civil/Administrative services, Teaching and other jobs. This College is an important feeder institution for the Post-graduate programme in Shillong and Aizawl Campuses of the University.

Over the last few years the pass percentage of the students in the University Examination at the degree level Honours courses have been increasing.

## STUDENT SERVICES AND AMENITIES

### STUDENTS' WELFARE

The Office of the Dean of Students' Welfare continued to serve as the nodal agency for student services and their welfare. Though largely concerned with the Shillong Campus, the Office coordinated student activities in the Aizawl Campus through teachers given charge of these functions. Throughout the period under the review Dr. B. Kharbuli, Reader in Zoology, held charge as Dean Students' Welfare. As in previous years a major concern of the office was management of the residence of the post-graduate students and research scholars, the coordination of the NEHU Students' Union, cultural activities and admission to the post graduate and research programmes of the University and the award of P.G. Scholarships and Students' Aid Fund.

#### Scholarships/Aid Fund

During the period under review 85 NEHU P.G scholarships including 22 to ST/SC students were awarded. Six economically backward students were awarded NEHU Students' Aid Fund.

#### Residence in Hostels

In the Shillong Campus, Total Hostel admission is as follows :

|                 | Gen | SC/ST | Total |
|-----------------|-----|-------|-------|
| Hostel (Male)   | 09  | 61    | 70    |
| Hostel (Female) | 13  | 103   | 116   |

#### Students' Activities :

Election to the Executive Committee of the NEHU Students' Union for the year 1998-99 and 1999-2000 was conducted on schedule.

The Office coordinated the Study tour of eight Academic departments, namely: Political Science, Physics, Education, English, Biochemistry, Zoology, Geography, and Anthropology.

In addition to the Annual University Week which included Sports and Games and cultural programmes, the office also organised the following :

### 1. R.Murry Memorial Inter Hostel T.T. Tournament.

#### Silver Jubilee Celebration (1998-99) :

The following were included the University's Silver Jubilee Celebration.

#### (a) Cultural Programme :

- (i) Debate, Extempore, Quiz, Photo Exhibition and Flower Show.
- (ii) Painting Exhibition cum three day Lecture series with slide show.
- (iii) One Act Play, music, fancy dress competition and Beauty contest.

#### Golden Jubilee of India's Freedom (1998-99)

The programmes taken up for the celebration of the 50 Years of India's Independence.

- (i) Debate on the Topic - "50 Years of freedom has transformed N.E. India".
- (ii) Open Quiz by NEHUSU.
- (iii) On the Spot Essay writing competition (Open) by NEHUSU.
- (iv) Cultural programmes by Assamese, Mizo, Naga, Manipur and Meghalaya PGSU.
- (v) Career Counselling Session by Meghalaya PGSU.
- (vi) Panel discussions by NEHUSU.
- (vii) On the Spot painting competition by NEHUSU.
- (viii) Golden Jubilee Fresher Social.

## SPORTS AND GAMES

### REPORT OF ACTIVITIES UNDER THE SPORTS BOARD.

During the year under report the following tournaments were conducted by the Sports Department under the Director of the Sports Board.

One Zone Tournaments : Basketball (M&W), Football (W), Hockey (M&W), Boxing, Judo (M&W), Best Physique (M), Weight Lifting (M).

Zonal Tournaments : Football (M), Table Tennis (M&W), Badminton (M&W), Volleyball (M&W) and Chess (Combined).

All the tournaments were held in either Aizawl, Tura or Shillong as decided by the Sports Board. This was the first time that tournaments were held at Tura - these were Volleyball (M&W), Basketball (M&W) and Chess (Combined).

Inter University Tournaments : East Zone and A.I.U.

This year, the University sent out teams to participate in Inter-University Football (M) and Hockey (M) Tournaments.

#### Other activities :

As part of the University's Silver Jubilee Celebrations, the Sports Department assisted in the conduct of the Tennis Ball Cricket Tournament at NEHU Bijni Complex, Shillong on 14<sup>th</sup> November, 1998. The participating teams were NEHU Non-Teaching Staff Association, NEHU, Students' Union and Bijni Boys. The tournament was won by the Bijni Boys.

## NATIONAL SERVICE SCHEME

During the period under report, the enrolment of volunteers in Meghalaya reached 8222, covering 24 colleges and a Post-Graduate Unit, with a total of 38 Programme Officers.

NSS programmes in Meghalaya were adversely affected due to non-receipt of funds from the State Government. Programmes were, hence, centrally organised by the NSS office as there were no funds to release to the colleges for conducting activities in their respective colleges. Some of these programmes were :

1. To mark the occasion of World Environment Day, a tree plantation programme was held on 5<sup>th</sup> June, 1998 at the approach area to the NEHU Permanent Campus, Umshing. About 100 volunteers of the P.G. Unit participated.
2. As part of the NEHU Silver Jubilee Celebrations, the NSS Cell held a photo exhibition of activities during 9<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup> November, 1998 at Bijni Complex.

Following the decision taken in the 16<sup>th</sup> University Advisory Committee meeting, a Local Advisory Committee to facilitate quick and ready advice to the Programme Co-ordinator was constituted in May 1998.

According to reports received till March '99 in Mizoram enrolment of volunteers has reached 13966, covering 29 colleges with a total of 59 Programme Officers. Most of the Programmes conducted in Mizoram centred round the Special Camp Theme 'Youth for Sustainable Development' with emphasis on Watershed Development and Watershed Management. Some of the activities involved were repair of roads, construction of waiting sheds and public benches, construction water-points and watertanks, drainage systems and public urinals. Under Regular Activities, the units participated in various activities such as development of College Campus, beautification and cleanliness drives, awareness programmes relating to AIDS, drug abuse and other issues, blood donation Camps.

Dr. Elizabeth Laitflang, Reader in Political Science, was Coordinator till March 1999 when Dr. R.N. Sharan, Head, Department of Bio-Chemistry took over as Coordinator. Shri U.R. Dutta, Programme Officer, Tura Government College has been appointed as Deputy Programme Co-ordinator, NSS, NEHU for supervision of NSS programme at Tura.

## CENTRAL SERVICES

### COMPUTER CENTRE

The Centre provides computation facility to faculty members, research scholars and students of the University, and conducts training programmes in computer related subjects and develops software for NEHU administration.

At present, there is a VAX 3100-40 computer system with nine terminals, one network server and nineteen personal computers connected on a LAN. Utilisation of the computer system is on an average 8 hours per day. The total number of users