

SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS, MANAGEMENT & INFORMATION SCIENCES

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The School consists of four Departments, namely; Commerce, Economics, Library & Information Science and Management. The first three departments are located at NEHU Campus, Shillong whereas the Department of Management is situated at NEHU Campus, Tura. The School admits students to the Masters, M. Phil and Doctoral Programmes.

Six research scholars have been awarded doctoral degree, five from the Department of Economics and one from Library & Information Science during the year under consideration. The Department of Library & Information Science organized a three day International Conference on 'Role of Library and Library Professionals in Knowledge Society' and a two day Seminar-cum-workshop on 'Managing Libraries'. A two day National Seminar on 'Growth and Human Development in North East India' was organized by the Department of Economics. The Commerce Department organized a one day Regional Workshop on 'Changing Paradigm of Business Education in North East'.

During the year under report the faculty members of the school published a large number of research papers in professional, national and international journals and contributed articles to a number of books. They also presented papers in a number of Regional, National and International Seminars and Conferences held within India and abroad. A number of faculty members invited as Resource Persons in various refresher courses organized within and outside NEHU. Three books were authored by a faculty member of the Department of Library & Information Science. One book each was authored and one book each coauthored by the faculty members of Economics and Management during the year.

One research project was entitled 'Financial Sustainability of Micro Lending through SHG – Bank Linkage Program: A Study of Meghalaya', was completed in the Department of Commerce and two research projects are under execution in the Department of Economics.

The Post-Graduate students of the Economics and Library & Information Science Departments undertook study tours, whereas the Management Department conducted industrial tours for their students. The Department of Economics conducted at UGC sponsored Refresher Course on 'Modern Trends in Economics'.

A faculty member of the Department of Commerce got the best business Academic Year Award 2007 (Silver Medal) and another faculty member of the same department was conferred the award of Fellow by the Indian Commerce Association during the 60th Annual Conference. The Common Wealth Foundation Fellowship was awarded to a faculty member of the Department of Management.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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Thrust Area of Research : The department aims at imparting education needed for creation and management of business enterprises in an emerging economy. Keeping in view the importance of business research both at national and regional levels, it also conducts socially relevant research work. The following are the thrust areas of research in the department:

- (i) Accounting and Finance
- (ii) Entrepreneurship and Small Business
- (iii) Organisational Happiness

Brief Statement of Academic Activities : There are seven regular teachers: one Professor, two Readers and four Lecturers. Currently the department has 80 students on its roll at the M.Com level. The department in addition to the regular teaching conducts seminars for the students with the following objectives :

- (i) to enable them enhance their presentation skills
- (ii) to share the outcome of their project/field work.

Faculty :

Professor : N.M. Panda, M.Com.(UU), Ph.D.(MU), LL.B.(UU),
FDPM (IIMA)
Readers : A.P. Pati, M.Com/M.Phil/Ph.D./LL.B.(UU),
ACWA(ICWAI), BDF (ICFAI)
V.K. Shrotryia, M.Com/LL.B./Ph.D. (Rohilkhand)
Sr. Lecturers : A. Dash, M.Com/M.Phil/Ph.D. (UU), FDP (IIMA), On lien
K.C. Kabra, M.Com/Ph.D. (JRNagar Raji Vidyapeeth)
Lecturers : R.A.J. Syngkon, M.A./M.Com/Ph.D. (NEHU)
S. Kharmawphlang, M.Com.(NEHU), DFM(NILEM,Chennai)

Student intake :

Enrolment capacity : M.Com – 45

Actual admission	SC/ST/Genl.	Male/Female	From Meghalaya/Outside
M.Com	- 39 6	17 28	45 -
Ph.D.	- 6 11	12 5	17

Degrees awarded :

Students passed	SC/ST/Genl.	Male/Female	Total
M.Com	1 7 9	6 11	17

Placement of the Students : Though there is no formal placement programme conducted by the department, the teachers on a continuous basis provide counseling to the students so as to enable them compete in the job market. Past

statistics suggest that on an average, within a period of 18 months, the graduating students get placements.

Courses conducted : Business Environment, Organisational Behavior, Financial Accounting and Reporting Practice, Statistics for Decision Making, Financial Management, Managerial Economics, Cost and Management Accounting, Marketing Management & Policy, Financial Markets and Instruments, Direct Taxes and Practice, Corporate Financial Accounting, Security Analysis and Portfolio Management, Small Business Environment and Entrepreneurship, Small Project Planning and Control, Management Information System & Computer Application, Human Resource Management and Industrial Relations, Strategic Management, Specialised Accounting, Management of Financial Institutions, Strategy and Management in Small Business, Retail Management.

Seminars/Workshops :

Organised

Regional Workshop on 'Changing Paradigm of Business Education in North East India' organized on 31st August 2007 in the Department.

Attended

Dr. N.M. Panda (i) attended a National Seminar organized by the Department of Commerce, Rajiv Gandhi University, Itanagar on 27th March 2008 and delivered the key note address on the theme "Constraints and Opportunities for Rural Industrialisation in Arunachal Pradesh".

Dr. A.P. Pati (i) presented a paper on "Subsidised Micro Financing and Financial Sustainability of SHGs", in 60th All India Commerce Conference, organized by the Department of Commerce, Osmania University, Hyderabad, 27-29 December 2007; (ii) presented a paper on "Inclusive Financial Infrastructure and Emergence of SHGs : Lessons from India", in Singapore Economic Review Conference (SERC) organized by Singapore Economic Review, from 2-4 August 2007 at Singapore. (iii) presented a paper on "Does Micro Finance bring Human Development?", in National Seminar on Growth and Human Development in North East India, organized by the Department of Economics, NEHU, and ICSSR (NERC) Shillong, on 24-25 May 2007.

Dr. Vijay Kumar Shrotryia (i) moderated a session and presented a paper on 'Sustaining Happiness amongst Handicraft Artisans – Strategies for Facing the Challenge of Change' in a Regional Seminar on "The Importance of Branding, Value addition, Packaging, Pricing, e-Marketing and other factors relevant to the development of handicrafts of NER of India", sponsored by Ministry of Textiles, Government of India and organized by Creation Society for Handicrafts and Goodwill, Imphal, Manipur held at State Central Library Auditorium on 18th March 2008; (ii) presented a paper on "How Happy are the People in Bhutan – A Study from the Perspective of Quality of Life" in International Conference on Happiness and Public Policy, organized by Public

Policy Development Office, Government of Thailand, Bangkok held at United Nations Convention Centre, Bangkok on 18-19 July 2007; (iii) presented a paper on "Does Human Development lead to Happiness?", in National Seminar on Growth and Human Development in North East India organized by the Department of Economics, NEHU and ICSSR (NERC) Shillong, on 24-25 May 2007.

Dr. K.C. Kabra presented a paper on Human Development in North East India : Aspects of Attitudinal Change in the National Seminar on Growth and Human Development in North East India, organized by the Department of Economics, NEHU and ICSSR (NERC) Shillong on 24-25 May 2007.

Dr. R.A.J. Syngkon presented a paper on Small Scale Industries in Meghalaya in a two days Seminar on Managing Meghalaya: Development and Directional Priorities, organized by Nationalist Congress Party Meghalaya unit on 9-10 October 2007 at Shillong.

Publications :

Journal.

Pati, A.P. June 2007. "International Commitments and Transformations in Indian Banking" *Business Vision* 3 : 45-61.

Kabra, K.C. June 2007. "Financing through Co-operatives in Mizoram – A case study of Mizoram Co-operative Apex Bank Ltd., *Abhyudaya*, 48-52.

Kabra, K.C. June 2007. "What does Fair Value Accounting need? – Accounting Principle or Accountants' Principle", *Vanijya* 17: 31-45.

Syngkon, R.A.J. September 2007 "Economic Behaviour of Small Scale Industries in Meghalaya: An Econometric Analysis", *ICFAI Journal of Entrepreneurship Development*, IV. 3: 30-48.

Syngkon, R.A.J. December 2007. "A Case study of Small Scale Industries in East Khasi Hills District of Meghalaya", *ICFAI Journal of Entrepreneurship Development*, IV. 4: 28-47.

Books (Edited Books)

Pati, A.P. 2007 Micro Finance Intervention and Growth of Micro-Enterprises : A Study of North Easter Region, in Entrepreneurship in Mocr- Enterprise and Service Sector. PG Department of Commerce, Utkal University, Bhubaneswar.

Syngkon, R.A.J. 2007 Marketing Management and Entrepreneurship Development in a Tribal Dominated Economy, In: S. Menon (ed) India's North-East Economy Problems and Prospects. ICFAI University Press, Hyderabad.

Infrastructure facilities : The Department has a Computer Lab and a Learning Resource Centre for the M.Com students and Research Scholars.

Research projects :

Completed : Financial Sustainability of Micro Lending Through SHG-Bank Linkage Programme: A Study on Meghalaya. ICSSR, New Delhi, July 2007 (Project Director-Dr. A.P. Pati).

Honours/Awards/Recognition :

Dr. A.P. Pati got the Best Business Academic Year Award, 2007 (Silver Medal) by Indian Commerce Association during the 60th Annual Conference held at Osmania University, Hyderabad 27-29 December 2007.

Dr. V. K. Shrotryia was conferred Fellow of the Indian Commerce Association, during the 60th Annual Conference held at Osmania University, Hyderabad, 27-29 December 2007.

Other activities :

Professor N.M. Panda (i) Resource person in the UGC sponsored orientation course organized by the Department of Education, NEHU, Shillong during March-April 2007. (ii) Resource person in the orientation programme for the SCERT and SIE faculties organized by NERIE (NCERT) during 8-12 October 2007. (iii) Resource person in a training programme organized by Regional Training Institute, Shillong on 18.12.2007 and conducted training sessions for the newly recruited Accounts/Audit officers. (iv) Resource person in "PARIVARTAN" a training programme conducted by SBI Learning Centre, Shillong, Meghalaya in December 2007. (v) Resource person for a "Workshop on Enhancing Managerial Skills and Personal Competence for JTS and STS", organized by Geological Survey of India at Shillong on 25th September 2007.

Dr. A.P. Pati (i) Resource person in "PARIVARTAN" a training programme conducted by SBI Learning Centre, Shillong, Meghalaya in December 2007. (ii) Resource person for the Refresher Course in Economics, organized by the Department of Economics, NEHU, Shillong, 20th September – 12th October 2007.

Dr. Vijay Kumar Shrotryia (i) Resource person in "PARIVARTAN" a training programme conducted by SBI Learning Centre, Shillong, Meghalaya in December 2007. (ii) Resource person in Special Courses on 'Human Resource Development, Organisation Behaviour, Leadership and Motivation' for SOs, Sr. AOs (Audit and A&E Offices) held at Regional Training Institute, Indian Audit and Accounts Department, North Eastern Region, Shillong, 20-25 August 2007. (iii) Resource person for a workshop on Enhancing Managerial Skill and Personal Competence for JTS AND STS Officers of GSI (25-27 September 2007) at Geological Survey of India, North Eastern Region, Shillong.

Dr. K.C. Kabra (i) Resource person for Environmental Studies held at Academic Staff College, Kurukshetra University, Kurukshetra, sponsored by UGC, New Delhi on 25th July – 14th August 2007. (ii) Attended an Orientation programme for Academic Counselors of Commerce and International Business Operations held at IGNOU, Regional Centre, Aizawl, sponsored by the School of Management Studies, IGNOU, New Delhi in March 2008. (iii) Delivered lectures in an one week specialized course for MBA students at the Department of Management, NEHU, Tura Campus, Tura, 21-27 October 2007. (iv) Participated in the “National Seminar entitled ‘Development of Hill Tribal Villages in North-East India with special reference to Nagaland and ‘Infrastructure Development in North-East India with special reference to Mizoram’”, organized by the Department of Economics, St. Joseph’s College, Jakhama, Kohima held on 14-15 September 2007.

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

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Thrust Area of Research: The following are the thrust areas of research of the Department: (1) Economics of the North-Eastern Region, (2) Issues of Development Economics like Poverty, Inequality, Unemployment and Human Development, (3) Quantitative Economics, (4) Industrial and Agricultural Economics, (5) Public Economics, (6) Environmental Economics, (7) Economics of Rural Development, and (8) Economics of Education and Manpower.

Brief Statement of Academic Activities : During 2007-08, the Department concentrated on its post-graduate teaching programmes and research. The faculty members participated in a number of regional, national and international seminars/conferences. They also published books and research papers in various national/international journals.

Faculty :

Professors : S.K. Mishra, M.A. (Bhagalpur), MRP/Ph. D. (IIT, Kharagpur)
 N. Srivastav, M.A. (Rajasthan), Ph.D. (IIT, Kanpur)
 E.D. Thomas, M.A./Ph. D. (NEHU)
 P. Nayak, M.A. (Utkal), Ph. D. (IIT, Kharagpur)
 B. Mishra, M.A./ Ph. D. (Utkal)

Reader : U.K. De, M.Sc./ Ph. D. (Burdwan)
 B. Panda, M.A. (Utkal), M. Phil (Berhampur), Ph. D. (Utkal)
 P.S. Suresh, M.A./ M.Phil (S.V.Univ., Tirupati), Ph. D. (Hyd.)
 B.K. Dutta, M.A./ Ph. D. (NEHU)

Lecturer : W. Tariang, M.A. (NEHU)
 S. Umdor, M.A./Ph. D. (NEHU)
 D. Nongkynrih, M.A. (NEHU)
 D.W. Thangkhiew, M.A. (NEHU)

Student Intake:

Enrollment Capacity: M.A.- 55, M. Phil – 20, Ph. D - 20

Actual Admission	SC/ST/Genl	Male/Female	From Meghalaya/Outside
M.A./M.Sc.	- 52 3	19 36	48 7
M. Phil.	- 1 3	2 2	1 3

Degrees Awarded :	SC/ST/Genl	Male/Female	Total
M.A.	- 45 -	12 33	45
M. Phil.	- 1 3	2 2	4

Ph.D.

Mr. R.A.J. Syngkon, "Development of Small Scale Industries in Meghalaya: A Case Study of East Khasi Hill District". Supervisor : Prof. N. Srivastav.

Mr. S. Umdor, "An Assessment of Self Help Groups Credit Programme in Meghalaya". Supervisor : Dr. A.C. Dubey & Dr. B. Panda.

Mr. T. Jamir, "Economics of Higher Education: Micro Analysis of Private Colleges in Nagaland". Supervisor : Prof. S.K. Mishra.

Ms. Veronica Pala, "Social Exclusion, Poverty and Development: An Analysis of Disparities amongst Social Groups in India". Supervisor : Dr. A.C. Dubey.

Mr. Lambodar Rout, "Impact of Coal Mining and Trading on the Economy of Meghalaya: A Case Study of Jaintia Hills District". Supervisor : Dr. U.K. De.

Courses conducted :

M.A.: Public Economics; Macroeconomic Analysis-I; Mathematics for Economists; Microeconomic Analysis-I; Macroeconomic Analysis-II; Microeconomic Analysis-II; Statistical Analysis; Economics of Growth and Development; International Trade; Economics of Environment and Social Sector-I; Indian Economic Policy; Economics of Environment and Social Sector-II.

Optional Papers: Industrial Economics-I; Industrial Economics-II; Labor Economics-I; Labor Economics-II; Econometrics-I; Econometrics-II; Demography-I; Demography-II; Economics of Agriculture-I; Economics of Agriculture-II; Economics of Gender and Development-I; Economics of Gender and Development-II; Computer Applications in Economics Analysis-I; Computer Applications in Economics Analysis-II; Economics of Infrastructure-I; Economics of Infrastructure-II; Economics of Law; Welfare Economics-I; Welfare Economics-II; Economy of North-Eastern Region;

Economics of Development-I; Economics of Development-II; Financial Economics-I; Financial Economics-II; Budgetary Theory and Practice.

M. Phil: Recent Advances in Economic Theory; Scientific Methods and Quantitative Techniques; Major Issues of Indian Economy

Study Tours/Field Trips of Students : A study tour to Kanya Kumari, Bangalore and Chennai for the 3rd Semester students was organized by the Department during 21st December to 5th January 2008. Dr. P. S. Suresh and Dr. B. Dutta were the teachers-in-charge of the tour.

Seminars/Conferences/Symposia/Extension Programmes etc.:

The Department organized a National Seminar on "Growth and Human Development in North East India" during 24th - 25th May 2007 which was jointly sponsored by the (1) Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Government of India, New Delhi, (2) NEHU and the (3) Indian Council of Social Science Research New Delhi. His Excellency Shri B.L. Joshi, the Governor of Meghalaya, inaugurated the seminar, graced the occasion as the Chief Guest and released a book entitled "Human Development and Deprivation in Meghalaya" jointly authored by Prof. P. Nayak and Prof. E.D. Thomas. Prof. Pramod Tandon, Vice-Chancellor of the University, chaired the inaugural session and delivered the welcome address. Prof. P. Nayak, Head, Department of Economics and Director of the Seminar introduced the topic to the august gathering. The Keynote Address was delivered by Prof. Suresh Tendulkar, Chairman, National Statistics Commission, Government of India, New Delhi. Dr. S. Umdor proposed the vote of thanks.

Prof. S.K. Mishra presented a paper entitled "Recent Trend of Village and Small Enterprise Sector Exploring and Exploiting its Opportunities in the North Eastern Region of India touching upon its Profile and Barriers" in the One-day Seminar on "Capability of VSE Sector as Engine of Growth and Regional Development", organized by the Indian Council of Small Industries, Kolkata and Sponsored by the Planning Commission, Government of India, New Delhi on June 30, 2007. He also presented a paper entitled "Construction of an Index by Maximization of the Sum of its Absolute Correlation Coefficients with the Constituent Variables" in the National Seminar on "Growth and Human Development in North East India" organized by the Dept. of Economics, NEHU, Shillong during 24-25 May 2007.

Prof. N. Srivastav presented a paper entitled "Changing Profile of the Service Sector in North Eastern States of India" in the One-day Seminar on "Capability of VSE Sector as Engine of Growth and Regional Development", organized by the Indian Council of Small Industries, Kolkata and Sponsored by the Planning Commission, Government of India, New Delhi on June 30, 2007; He presented a paper on "Severity of Poverty and Status of Public Services in North Eastern States" at the two-days Seminar on "Growth and Human Development in NE India", Organized by the Department of Economics, NEHU and ICSSR (NERC), Shillong on May 24-25, 2007; Prof. Srivastav attended and Chaired the VI Session on the National Seminar on "Population, Environment and Sustainable Development" organized by Centre

for Adult and Continuing Education and Sponsored by the Ministry of Urban Affairs, Government of India, July 11-12, 2007; He attended and Chaired the VI Technical Session on the Two-days National Seminar on "Emerging Patterns of Contractual Employment in Indian Labour Market" and presented a paper on "Patterns of Emerging Labour Force and Growing Unemployment in North-East India: Some Issues", organized by the Department of Economics, Baba Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Lucknow on February 28-29, 2008.

Prof. P. Nayak and Mr. Santanu Ray presented a paper entitled "Inter-District Disparities in Meghalaya: A Human Development Approach" in the National Seminar on "Growth and Human Development in North East India" organized by the Dept. of Economics, NEHU, Shillong during 24-25 May 2007.

Dr. P.S. Suresh and Prof. B. Mishra presented a paper entitled "Public Expenditure and Human Development in the North East: A Case Study of Nagaland State" at the National Seminar on "Growth and Human Development in North East India", organized by the Department of Economics, NEHU, on 24th and 25th May, 2007.

Dr. U.K. De presented a paper entitled "Human Resource and Economic Development: Where Does North-East India Stand?" in the National Seminar on Growth and Human Development in North-East India, organized by the Department of Economics, North-Eastern Hill University, Shillong during 24-25 May, 2007; He presented a paper on "Population Dynamics and the Demographic Dividend in Meghalaya", in the National Seminar on Population Dynamics in North-East India during 4-5 June, 2007, organized by NEICSSR at Shillong; Dr. De presented a paper on "Planning Resource Use and Economic Development: Case of Coal and Limestone in Meghalaya" in the National Seminar on Population, Environment and Sustainable Development with Special Reference to North-East India organized by Centre for Adult and Continuing Education, North-Eastern Hill University, Shillong during 11-12 July, 2007.

Dr. B. Panda presented a paper entitled "Economic Growth and Human Development in North East India- Some Reflections" in the National Seminar on Economic Growth and Human Development in North East India organised by the Department of Economics, NEHU, Shillong during 24-25th May 2007. He presented a paper entitled "India's Look East Policy and the North East" in the National Workshop for Journalists on *Impact of Globalisation in North East: Emerging Issues* organized by the Press Institute of India at NEHU Campus, Shillong on November 2-3, 2007.

Dr. B. Dutta attended a workshop on *Existence Education* conducted by IGNOU, New Delhi. He presented a paper on "Economic Growth and Human Development in India" in the National Seminar on Growth and Human Development in N.E. India organized by the Department of Economics during 24th - 25th May, 2007.

Dr. S. Umdor presented (i) a paper on "Decentralized Planning in Sixth Schedule Area: A Case Study of Meghalaya" in the International Conference on Kerala People's Plan Revisited, 14-15 December 2007, organized by Institute of Social Sciences, Kerala Institute of Local Administration and

UNDP, India; (ii) a paper on "Decentralization and Human Development in North East India" in the National Seminar on Growth and Human Development in North East India, 24-25, May 2007, organized by Department of Economics, NEHU, Shillong.

Publications:

International Journal

Mishra, S.K. (2007): "Estimation of Zellner-Revankar Production Function Revisited." *Economics Bulletin*, 3 (14), 1-7.

Mishra, S.K. (2007): "Least Squares Estimation of Joint Production Functions by the Differential Evolution method of Global Optimization." *Economics Bulletin*, Vol.3 (51), pp.1-13

National Journal

Mishra, S.K. 2007. Human Resource Management: Some Vital Considerations, *Pravartak* [National Insurance Academy School of Management, Pune], Vol.2 (4), pp.132-138.

Mishra, S.K. 2007. India's Policy Deficit: An Existentialist Perspective, *The India Economy Review*, Vol.4 (3), pp.18-23.

Mishra, S.K. 2007. Globalization and Structural Changes in the Indian Industrial Sector: An Analysis of Production Functions *ICFAI Journal of Managerial Economics*, Vol.5. 56-81.

Mishra, S.K. 2007. Performance of Differential Evolution Method in Least Squares Fitting of Some Typical Nonlinear Curves *Journal of Quantitative Economics*, Vol. 5 (1), 140-177.

Srivastav, N. and R.A.J. Syngkon 2007. Economic Behaviour of Small Scale Industries of Meghalaya: An Econometric Analysis *ICFAI Journal of Entrepreneurship Development*, Vol.4, 30-48.

Srivastav, N. and R.A.J. Syngkon 2007. Marketing Management and Entrepreneurship Development in a Tribal Dominated Economy: A Case Study of Small Scale Industries in East Khasi Hill District of Meghalaya, *ICFAI Journal of Entrepreneurship Development*, Vol. 4, 28-47.

De, U.K. and M. Das 2007. Village Based Informal Ericulture and Endi-Textiles in Assam: An Economic Inquiry *ICFAI Journal of Entrepreneurship Development*, Vol.4, 8-29.

Umdor, S. 2008. Microfinance Programme in Northeast India, *Eastern Quarterly*, Vol. 4, Issue II, New Delhi, 134-144.

Books

Dubey, A., S. Kumar, N. Srivastav and E.D Thomas (eds.) 2007 *Globalisation and North-East India*, Standard Publishers, New Delhi.

Srivastav, N. 2007. Industrial Development in the Northeastern States of India: The case of Service Industries, In: S. Menon (ed.) *India's North East Economy: Problems and Prospects*, I.U. Press, Hyderabad, pp-108-121.

- Srivastav, N. and Syngkon R.A.J. 2007. Status and Development of Small Scale Industries in the NE States of India: An Exploratory Approach In S. Menon (ed.) *India's North-East Economy: Problems and Prospects*, I.U. Press, Hyderabad, pp-78-107.
- Srivastav, N. 2007. Development of Service Sector: Is there Any Hope for the Economies of North-East India, In: A. Dubey, M.S. Kumar, N, Srivastav and E.D. Thomas (eds.) *Globalisation and North East India*, Standard Publishers (India), New Delhi, pp-247-264.
- Mishra, B. 2007. Tax Efforts and Variations in North-East India: An Economic Analysis In: S. Borbora et al (eds.) *Development Issues in the North East in the Turn of the Century*, Papyrus Publishers, Guwahati, pp.83-99.
- De, U.K. and R.D.H. Kharlukhi. 2008. Status and Prospect of Limestone Quarrying in Meghalaya and it's Trade with Bangladesh, In: G. Das and C.J. Thomas (eds.) *Indo Bangladesh Border Trade: Benefiting from Neighbourhood*, Akansha Publishing House, New Delhi, pp.332- 349.
- De, U.K. and F. Kulirani. 2007. *Issues on Natural Resource Management: with Special Reference to North-East India*, Regency Publications, New Delhi.
- De, U.K. 2007. Dimension of Human Resource and the Management of Natural Resources In: U. K. De and F. Kulirani (eds.) *Issues on Natural Resource Management with Special Reference to North-East India*, Regency Publications, New Delhi, pp. 3-17.
- De, U.K., L. Rout and G. Das. 2007. Dynamics of Coal Extraction in Meghalaya and its Implications In: U. K. De and F. Kulirani (eds.) *Issues on Natural Resource Management with Special Reference to North-East India*, Regency Publications, New Delhi, pp. 97-110.
- Ghosh, B. and U.K. De. 2007. Process of Empowerment of Women: A Comparative Study of Tripura and Meghalaya In: A.K. Ray and B. Dutta Ray (eds.) *Women Emancipation, Focus North-East India*, OM Publication, New Delhi, pp. 265-288.
- Umdor, S. 2007. Banking Sector Development and Rural Household Accessibility to Institutional Credit in Northeastern India, In: ICFAI Publication (ed.) *Economy of India's North East: Problems and Prospects*, pp 169-185.

Funds received from agencies other than NEHU :

Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Govt. of India, New Delhi	: Rs. 75,000.00
ICSSR, New Delhi	: Rs. 30,000.00
ICSSR, NERC, Shillong	: Rs. 25,000.00

Research Projects:

Ongoing

- (i) Process of Empowerment of Women in Rural Areas: Case Studies in Jharkhand State, Principal Investigators: Dr Bholanath Ghosh and Dr. U.K. De, Amount: Rs 350000 sponsored by Indian Statistical Institute, Kolkata.

(ii) Functioning of Autonomous District/Regional Councils in the Sixth Schedule States of Northeast India, Principal Investigator: Prof. E. D. Thomas; Investigators: Prof. P. Nayak and Dr. S. Umdor; Amount: 3.70 lakhs; sponsored by Ministry of Tribal Affairs, New Delhi.

Academic/ Professional Collaboration : Dr. S. Umdor and Dr. B. Panda in the project on preparation of Human Development Report of Meghalaya.

Other Activities :

The Department along with the Academic Staff College conducted one U.G.C. sponsored Refresher Course on "Modern Trends in Economics" during 20th September to 12th October 2007. Prof. B. Mishra was the Course Coordinator. Altogether 28 participants from different Colleges and Universities, mostly from the North-Eastern and Eastern Region of the Country, attended the Course. A total of 23 Resource Persons from different Universities in India were invited to deliver lectures of which four were from the North-East (IIT, Guwahati, Gauhati University, Dibrugarh University, and Rajiv Gandhi University), three from outside the North-East (IGIDR, Mumbai, Utkal University, Bhubaneswar and Sambalpur University, Sambalpur) and 17 from within NEHU.

Prof. S.K. Mishra acted as Referee both in the International Journals (1) Annals of Operations Research [Springer]; (2) Journal of Economic Growth [Springer]; (3) Southeast Asian Bulletin of Mathematics [Southeast Asian Mathematical Society, Hong Kong]; and (4) Computational Statistics and Data Analysis [Elsevier] and National Journals (1) ICFAI Journal of Managerial Economics.

Prof. N. Srivastav delivered lectures on "Recent Researches on Human Development" and Structural Changes in the Economies of North Eastern States of India at the XIII UGC Refresher Course organized by the Department of Economics, Guwahati University, Guwahati during July 25-26, 2007. He delivered a lecture on "Globalisation and Economies of North-Eastern States of India" at the Planning and Development Unit created by Planning Commission, GOI at the Department of Economics, Allahabad University, Allahabad on August 13, 2007. He delivered a lecture on "Globalisation and its impact on India's Banking Sector" to the Officers' Training Program, 'Parivartan' at Staff Training Centre, State Bank of India, Shillong on August 23, 2007. He delivered a lecture on "Towards Inclusive Growth: An Approach to XI Five Year Plan" at the UGC Refresher Course organized by the Department of Geography, NEHU, Shillong during August 2007. He delivered two lectures on "Higher Education in India: Thrust and Priorities for XI Five Year Plan" at the Orientation Course organized by the Department of Education, NEHU, Shillong during April 2007. He delivered two lectures on "Human Resource Development" at the UGC Refresher Course organized by the Department of Commerce, NEHU, Shillong during April 2007. He delivered a lecture on "Diversification, Integration and Merger" at the Department of Economics, Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Vidya Vihar, Lucknow on February 04, 2008.

Prof P. Nayak directed the National Seminar on "Growth and Human Development in North East India" organized by in the Dept. of Economics, NEHU, Shillong during 24-25 May 2007. On invitation he delivered a lecture on "Status and Trend of Human Development in Meghalaya" in the Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, IIT, Kharagpur on 29th June 2007. He delivered a lecture on "Human Development in N.E. India: An Overview" at the UGC Refresher Course organized by the Department of Geography, NEHU, Shillong during August 1-23 2007. He chaired one technical session in the National Seminar on "Decentralized Planning in Manipur" organized jointly by the Manipur Economic Association and Dept. of Economics, Manipur University during 8-9, March 2008. He delivered six lectures on "Issues and Dimensions of Human Development: From Global to Local Scenario" and "Game Theory and Applications" in the UGC Refresher Course organized by the Dept. of Economics, Manipur University, Imphal during 10-11, March 2008.

Prof. B. Mishra delivered a lecture on "Tribal Fiscal Dilemma and Tax Efforts in North-East India: Implications for Economic Development" in the Refresher Course organized by the Department of Geography, NEHU, on the theme "Recent Development in Geography" during 1st to 23rd August, 2007. He was invited to deliver a lecture on "Market Failures: the Genesis of Environmental Economics" by the Department of Economics, Ravenshaw University, Cuttack on 28th January, 2008.

Dr. U.K. De delivered lectures in the Orientation Course organized by NEHU on 20-3-08 on the topics "Privatization of Higher Education" and "Preparation of Project and Writing of Project Reports". He delivered a lecture on "Environment-Economy Linkages" at the Women's College, Shillong on 5 December 2007.

Dr. B. Panda delivered two lectures respectively on "Theory of Development and Rural Employment Diversification" and "Inclusive Development" in the Refresher Course on 27th July 2007, organized by the Department of Economics, Guwahati University, Guwahati. He delivered a talk on "Financial Exclusion in the North East" on 30th July 2007 in the Training Programme for Bankers in Staff Training Institute of SBI, Shillong, India. Dr. Panda delivered two lectures on "Urban Informal Sector" and "Rural Non-Farm Economy" on 7th and 13th August 2007 respectively in the Refresher Course organized by the Department of Geography, NEHU, on the theme "Recent Developments in Geography".

Dr. S. Umdor provided consultancy services to Indian Institute of Banking Management, Khanapara, Guwahati for 'Project on Microfinance'. He is a Member of the Meghalaya Economic Development Council (MEDC), Government of Meghalaya. Dr Umdor participated as a resource person in the National Level Advocacy Workshop on "Farmers' Rights to Livelihood", held on 21st June 2007 at New Delhi, organised by Consumer Unity and Trust Society (CUTS).

Ms. D. Nongkynrih attended the Refresher Course on "Recent Development in Commerce and Economics, organized by the Department of Commerce, NEHU during 26th March to 16th April, 2007.

Ms. D.W. Thangkhiew attended the Refresher Course on "Recent Development in Commerce and Economics" organized by the Department of Commerce, NEHU, Shillong from 26th March to 16th April, 2007.

DEPARTMENT OF LIBRARY & INFORMATION SCIENCE

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Thrust area of research : The Department's thrust areas of research are: Information Retrieval, Information & Knowledge Management, Database Management Systems, Communication Technologies and Digital Libraries, Measurement and Effectiveness of Information Services and Information Centres, Human Resource Management of Academic Libraries, Content Analysis, Marketing of Information Products and Services.

Brief statement of academic activities : Established in the year 1985, the Department of Library & Information Science has been moving forward ever from strength to strength in teaching and in research as well as in co-curricular activities. The year 2007-2008 has been very fruitful and productive for the Department. The Department was able to successfully organise a three day international conference and seminar cum workshop. During the year under report, the faculty members published a good number of their research papers in leading professional journals. The faculty members participated in various national and international seminars and conferences and presented papers and delivered lectures. They have also participated as resource persons in refresher and orientation courses conducted by other departments of NEHU. As part of the course, the Department conducted a study tour.

Faculty :

Readers : Moses M. Naga, MLISc, Ph. D. (NEHU)
Lecturers : Bikika Laloo, MLISc. (NEHU),
P. Hangsing, MLISc. (Delhi), PGDCA, Ph.D. (NEHU)
Jacqueline Jean Thabah, MLISc. (NEHU)
Jiarlimon Khongtim, MLISc, PGDCA (NEHU)

Visiting Professors/Fellow/Guest Lecturers in the department :

- (i) Prof. A.S. Chandel, Visiting Fellow for one year, w.e.f. 07-12-2007
- (ii) P. K. Mitra, Guest Lecturer
- (iii) Manoj Rana, Guest Lecturer

Student intake : 25

Enrolment capacity : MLISc : 25, Ph.D. : Variable

Actual Admission	SC/ST/Gen	Male/Female	From Meghalaya/Outside
MLISc.	- 23 2	11 13	20 5
Ph. D	- 6 2	1 7	4 4

Degrees Awarded:

Actual Admission:	SC/ST/Gen	Male/Female	Total
MLISc.	- 19 2	7 14	21
Ph. D	- 1	1	1

Ph. D

Medalda Challam "Evaluation of College Libraries in Meghalaya: A Case Study". Supervisor: Prof. A. S. Chandel.

Placement of Students :

Wankorlin joined as the Librarian in ICFAI; David Kharkongor joined the Syndicate Bank as a Probationary Officer; Jonathan P. Nongbri joined the State Central Library, Shillong as a Library Assistant; Dr. Temjen Jamir joined as Deputy Librarian, Nagaland University; Mr. Mhonbemo Ngullie joined as Assistant Librarian, Nagaland University; Ms Dalimi Devi joined as Librarian in the National Power Training; Institute, Guwahati, Ministry of Power, Govt. of India.

Courses conducted : Compulsory Papers: Foundation of Library & Information Science, Organisation of knowledge (Theory), Organisation of knowledge (Practical), Information Sources & Services, Introduction to Information Technology, Database Management System, Organisation of Knowledge (Theory), Organisation of Knowledges (Practical), Library Software Packages (Practical), Library House Keeping Operations, Library system Analysis & Design, Information Users & Their Needs, Information Retrieval, Research Methodology, Management of Library & Information Systems, Communication Technology and Digital Libraries, and Project Report/Dissertation.

Optional Papers: Agricultural Information Systems and Services, Collection Development, Knowledge Development, Representation and Management.

Study tours/field trips of students : As part of the core syllabus, a group of 30 (thirty) students were taken on a study tour to visit various libraries and information centers in Bangalore and Mysore.

Seminars/conferences/symposia/extension programmes etc.

Organised

(i) The Department organised a three day international conference on 'Role of Library and Library Professionals in Knowledge Society' during 17-19, March, 2008 in collaboration with the Central Reference Library, Kolkata, Ministry of Culture, Govt. of India. Dr. Moses M. Naga was the Conference Director. (ii) A two day Seminar-Cum-workshop on 'Managing Libraries' (25-26, March, 2008) in collaboration with the NEHU Central Library and

National Library, Kolkata was also organised by the Department with Prof. A. S. Chandel as the Co-ordinator.

Attended

Moses M Naga and Jeevan Singh attended and presented a paper on "The Role of Community Information Centres (CICs) in Knowledge Society with reference to the North East India" at the International Conference held in the Department of Library and Information Science, NEHU, Shillong during 17-19, March, 2008

Bikika Laloo attended and presented a paper on "Innovating Where It Matters Most: How Reference Service Can Turn the Library into a Global Information hub" in the 5th Convention PLANNER during 7-8, December, 2007

Bikika Laloo attended and presented a paper on "Librarianship, theory and reality: The chasm" at the International Conference held in the Department of Library and Information Science, NEHU, Shillong during 17-19, March, 2008.

Plathottam, George and P. Hangsing attended and presented a paper on "Information Sans : Knowledge sharing and ICT" in the International Conference on the Role of Library and Library Professionals in Knowledge Society held in the Department of Library and Information Science, North-Eastern Hill University from 17-19, March, 2008.

Hangsing, P. presented a paper entitled "A glance at the concept of Library 2.0 through the lens of Kano model" in the International conference on the Role of Library and Library Professionals in Knowledge Society held in the Department of Library and Information Science, North Eastern Hill University, Shillong from 17-19, March, 2008.

Sumer, F.R. and P. Hangsing attended and presented a paper on "Building Digital Libraries using Open Source Software: A model for NEHU" during the International Conference on Role of Library and Library Professionals in Knowledge Society held in the Department of Library and Information Science, NEHU, Shillong from 17-19, March, 2008

Jiarlimon Khongtim presented a paper on "Information Literacy: Is It Essential?" at the International Conference on Role of Library and Library Professionals in Knowledge Society held in the Department of Library and Information Science, NEHU, Shillong during 17-19, March, 2008

Publications :

Journal

Naga, Moses M and Alem W. Longchar 2007, Agricultural Information Communication and Adoption of Innovative Practices: A Review. *Library Herald*, 45, 205-224.

Laloo B. 2007 Innovating Where it Matters Most: How Reference Service can Turn the Library Into a Global Information Hub, In: Proceedings of the 5th Convention PLANNER (December) : 7 – 8 P.p. 127 -131

Thabah J.J and Prof. A.S. Chandel 2007 Digital Conservation and Preservation of Newspapers: Problems and Prospects. In; Buragohain, Alaka and Dutta, Marabi (eds) National Workshop-cum Training on “Preservation and Digital Conservation Methods of Newspapers, Magazines and Archival Materials with reference to the North –East” organized by the Media Trust, Assam in collaboration with National Library, Kolkata and RRRLF, Kolkata at Guwahati held on the 21st -24th November, 2007; Pp. 26-29.

Thabah, J.J. and Prof. A.S. Chandel 2007 Library quality measures. In: Arora, Jagdish (ed) Proceedings of the 5th Convention PLANNER 2007 on Library as a Global Information Hub: Perspectives & Challenges organized jointly by the INFLIBNET Center, Ahmedabad and Gauhati University, Guwahati held on the 7th -8th December, 2007. Pp. 209-216.

Books

Laloo, B. 2007. “Dad and the Salesman”, Kolkata, Writers Workshop (Collection of Short Stories)

Laloo, B. 2007. “Empty Lives: Musings of Reluctant Poet”, Shillong, Rilum Offset Printing Press (Collection of English Poems).

Laloo, B. May 2007. “Jingim ba Suda”, Shillong Rilum Offset Printing Press (Collection of Khasi Poems)

Funds received from agencies other than NEHU :

Central Reference Library, Kolkata : Rs 2,50,000/-

Infrastructure facilitates: The Department upgraded the computer laboratory by adding 8 units of thin clients with a high-end server to support the Thin-LAN. Besides this, some of the computers have been upgraded with additional RAM, HDD, etc.

Research Projects:

Completed: The project on “Reorganization and processing of Library Documents of the Anthropological Survey of India, NERC, Shillong” w.e.f. May 2006-Dec. 2007 was successfully completed under the supervision of Mrs. J. J. Thabah. The Project cost was Rs. 1, 82, 066/-

Other activities :

Thabah J.J. as a Resource Person delivered a Lecture on “Information Retrieval” on the 7th of April 2007, during the 1st UGC sponsored Orientation Course conducted by the Deptt. of Education, NEHU, Shillong w.e.f. 21st March to 18th April, 2007.

Thabab J.J delivered a lecture on "User Education" on the 11th of August 2007, during the Librarians' Day Celebration 2007 organized by Shillong College, Shillong.

Ms Jiarlimon Khongtim acted as a resource person in the UGC-Sponsored Refresher Course in Education on the theme "Educational Testing and Data Analysis" and conducted two practical sessions on SPSS & Excel on the 2nd November, 2007 which was organised by the Deptt. Of Education, NEHU, Shillong during 23rd October to 14th November, 2007.

Bikika Laloo acted as Resource Person at the Orientation Course held in the Department of Education and delivered a lecture on the 29th of February, 2008)

Moses M. Naga delivered a lecture on "Objective-driven Management of Libraries and Information centres" during the two day workshop on "Managing Libraries" held at NEHU Central Library on 25-26, March, 2008

Bikika Laloo delivered a lecture on "Qualities and Role of the Librarian" during the two day Seminar Cum workshop on "Managing Libraries" held at NEHU Central Library on 25-26, March, 2008

P. Hangsing delivered a lecture on "Application of Web 2.0 technologies for College Libraries in Meghalaya" at the seminar cum workshop on "Managing Libraries", held at NEHU Central Library during 25-26, March, 2008.

DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT

Head : Professor G. Singaiah
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Thrust Area of Research : The Department is aimed at creation of knowledge in new frontiers of management. Research is carried out in thrust areas like, Cross-cultural Management, Entrepreneurship, Small Business Management, Tourism Management, Micro-Finance, Business Process Re-engineering, Banking Sector Reforms, Agri-Business and Rural Marketing.

Brief Statement of Academic Activities : The Department of Management was established in August 2006. Master of Business Administration and Ph.D. programmes are offered. Students are admitted into MBA programme based on MAT score and performance in Group Discussion and Personal Interview. In order to condition the students' mindset to become ethically driven entrepreneurs and managers, a blend of traditional and modern teaching methods pedagogy is followed by conducting a series of lectures, case studies,

quizzes, presentations and assignments besides exposing them to regular industrial visits. Apart from regular faculty members, practising managers, guest and visiting Faculty from premier institutes across the globe are invited to interact with the students and faculty for encouraging and strengthening cross-fertilization of ideas.

Faculty :

Professor : G. Singaiah MBA(Andh.); Ph.D(Utkal); FRP(SICI-McMaster)
 Readers : K. Mishra, MMS; Ph.D (Lucknow)
 J. U. Ahmed, M.Com; Ph.D; LLB (Assam),
 Lecturers : B.F. Lyngdoh, M.Com (Guwahati)
 D. H. Malini, B.Sc; MBA (SK)
 D. Bhagat, B.Sc (Ag.); MBA (Assam Agri.)

Visiting and Guest Faculty :

Prof. V. R. Khannan	Utah State University, USA
Prof. (Mrs.) E. Dejonge Khannan	Utah State University, USA
Prof. Balachandran	North-Eastern University, Boston, USA
Prof. Manas Pandey	VBS University, Juanpur, UP
Prof. R. K. Pandey	BHU, Varanasi
Prof. N. M. Panda	NEHU, Shillong
Prof. S. Sikidar	Gauhati University, Assam
Prof. K. C. Talukdar	Assam Agricultural University, Jorhat
Dr. M. K. Sharma	Tezpur University, Assam
Dr. S. S. Sarkar	Tezpur University, Assam
Dr. K. C. Kabra	NEHU, Shillong
Mr. Samip Baruah	ITC, Guwahati
Mr. Sampath Kumar	DC, Tura
Mr. Sunil Kumar Newar	SISI, Tura
Mr. K. M. Deka	SIDBI, Shillong
Mr. D. K. Areng	DIC, Tura
Mrs. B. Ruram	MIDC Ltd., Shillong
Mr. T. T. C. Marak	MBOSE, Tura

Student Intake :

Enrollment Capacity: MBA – 30, Ph.D. - 20

Actual Admission: SC/ST/Gen Male/Female From Meghalaya/Outside

MBA	11	12	14	9	6	17
Ph. D.	1	6	5	2	3	4

Placement of Students : The Department has a fully networked industry institute interface cell looking after the winter training and final placements of the students. The conscious efforts put in by the cell resulted in some of the biggest corporate recruiters like WIPRO, ITC, HDFC, AMUL, RGVN, PRADAN, ICICI, etc., showing interest in our Institution and students.

Courses Conducted : The Department offers 32 courses, out of which 20 courses are core subjects and one project work equivalent to two courses.

Besides, 6 courses from major and 4 courses from minor specialization are to be pursued. In each semester, students need to pursue over two years of four Semesters.

Semester I – Principles and Processes of Management, Managerial Economics, Business Environment, Statistics for Managers, Computer Applications, Managerial Skill Development and Research Methodology.

Semester II – Organizational Behavior, Quantitative Methods, Operations Management, Human Resource Management, Financial Management, Marketing Management, Management Information System, Fundamentals of Agri-Business Management.

Semester III – Compulsory Papers – Strategic Management, Business Ethics and six Courses from Elective areas.

Semester IV – Compulsory Papers – Entrepreneurship Development and Small Business Management, Business Legislation and four courses from Elective areas besides Winter Project Work.

Elective papers:

Marketing Management – Consumer Behavior, Sales and Distribution Management, Product and Brand Management, International Marketing, Advertising and Sales Promotion Management, Marketing of Services.

Human Resource Management – Human Resource Management-Policy and strategy, Human Resource Planning-Planning and Development, Management of Industrial Relations, Legal Framework Governing Human relations, Human Resource Accounting and Compensation Management, Industrial Psychology and Organization Dynamics

Financial Management – Security Analysis and Portfolio Management, Management of Financial Services, Project Planning, Analysis and Management, Strategic Tax Planning and Management, Financial Institutions and Markets, International Financial Management.

Agri-Business Management – Agro and Food Marketing, Agricultural Credit and Micro Finance, ICT in Agri-Business, Farm Business Management, Agriculture Project Management, Food Retailing.

Industrial Tour/Industrial Visits :

During 2007-08, Industrial Tour was organized from 27th December, 07 to 12th January, 2008. Students visited 16 Industries and Institutes (IIT Madras, MANAGE, ITC-International Business Division, Madras Fertilizer, Vijay Electricals, Etc.) at Hyderabad, Chennai and Pondicherry. Prof. G. Singaiah and Mr. Deepak Bhagat conducted Industrial Tour.

One day Industrial visits were conducted to: Cashew nut factories in Mankachar during June and September, 2007 (organized by Dr. K. Mishra, Mr. B. F. Lyngdoh and Mr. D. Bhagat); Areng Industries, Rongram, during October, 2007 (organized by Dr. J. U. Ahmed and Ms. D. H. Malini); Village study cum Exposure trip to Garobada Village, WestGaro Hills, for Agri-

Business Management students was organized on 22nd September, 2007 organised by Mr. Deepak Bhagat.

Seminars/Workshops :

Dr. G. Singaiah chaired a Technical Sessions of National Seminar titled "Challenges and Opportunities before SSEs in the wake of Globalisation" organized by Kaliabor College, Kaliabor Assam during 12th – 13th October, 2007.

Dr. K. Mishra: (i) chaired a session at Indian Accounting Association's (Gwalior Branch) conference on Contemporary Issues in Accounting, Commerce and Business Management held on 27-28 October 2007; (ii) presented a paper titled Investigative Journalism for National Development in the 16th AMIC International Conference held at Singapore on 25th to 28th June 2007; (iii) presented a paper titled "Managing Land resource: Issues and challenges" in IIM Lucknow conference on "Managing Land Resources for Sustainable Agricultural Growth and Diversification during May 24, 25 and 26, 2007".

Dr. J. U Ahmed presented a paper entitled "Role of Credit Delivery Institutions in Spotlighting a Dynamic Farming Sector" at the International Conference on Agri-Business and Food Industries in Developing Countries: Opportunities and Challenges, organized by the Indian Institute of Management, Lucknow on 10-12 August, 2007.

Mr. Benjamin F. Lyngdoh attended 60th Diamond Jubilee, All India Commerce Conference, dated 27-29 December, 2007, hosted by the Department of Commerce, Osmania University, Hyderabad and presented paper entitled "Micro Finance and Women Empowerment: Perspectives from Meghalaya."

Mr. Deepak Bhagat: Presented a paper entitled "Micro-Finance in India: A Critical Analysis of Model II" at international conference on Micro-Finance: A tool to eradicate poverty during 23-25 January, 2008, organized by the Department of Commerce, School of Management, Pondicherry University, Pondicherry.

Publications :

Journals

Mishra, K. and Sharma, J. K. 2007. Strong Legal Institutions and Good Governance – A Precursor to Globalization and Development. *International Journal for Development Management*. 41, 96-102.

Ahmed, J. U. 2007. An Investigation of Asset Liability Futility of Public Sector Commercial Banks in India. *Business Vision*, 3:11-13.

Ahmed, J. U. 2007. Financing of Agriculture and Allied Sector in the Reform Era: An Empirical Diagnosis. *Indian Economic Panorama*. 17: 6-12.

Ahmed, J. U. 2007. Applications of Human Resource Accounting in the Present Business Scene. *ICFAI University Press-The Accounting World*. VIII(II): 54-57.

Lyngdoh, B.F. 2007. Tourism as an Industry in the North-Eastern Region. *Industrialization in the North-Eastern Region*, Mittal Publication. Pp. 193-196.

Malini, D. H. 2007. The Promotional Strategies of Rural Consumers. *AURA, Journal of Institute of Science and Management*. Ranchi. 4: 84-89.

Books

Shukla BRK and Mishra K. 2008. Participatory Local Social Development-Issues and Challenges. Bharat Book Centre (Lucknow) ISBN No 978-81-232-3203-4.

Mishra, K. et al. 2007. Entrepreneurial Interventions: A Study of High Entrepreneurial Drive Among Few Communities and Exploration. Sarup and Sons, New Delhi.

Infrastructural Facilities : The Department is equipped with infrastructural facilities like Computer Lab with 30 PCs having Internet Facility and Library with 3300 books and a good number of Journals. It has also started establishing Case Study Room and Audio-Video equipments for facilitating and strengthening learning systems.

Honours/Awards/Recognition : Dr. K. Mishra was awarded the Commonwealth Foundation Fellowship to visit Singapore to attend 16th AMIC International Conference on Media Issues and Challenges.

Other Activities :

Dr. G. Singaiah was invited as a Resource Person to deliver lectures on Entrepreneurship in EDPs conducted by SISI during 2007-08

Dr. K. Mishra spent 07 days (7th Jan to 12th Jan, 2008) in University of Bergen, Center for Rural Development, Norway as an exchange research fellow supported by NORDISK Foundation) in connection with the ongoing project of Ministry of Culture, Government of India.

Dr. J. U. Ahmed (i) delivered lectures on "Feasible Enterprises at Garo Hills, Meghalaya" and "Enterprises: Causes of Failures and Cures" at District Industries Centre, Tura, West Garo Hills, Meghalaya during April, 2007 (ii) delivered three lectures in the "Entrepreneurship Development Programme" organized by Micro, Small and Medium Enterprise Development Institute at Tura Polytechnic, Tura, Meghalaya.

Ms. D. H. Malini (i) attended Fellowship Development Programme conducted by the Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad during 31 October 2007 to 15 February 2008.

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The School comprises of English, Education, Khasi, Hindi, Linguistics and Philosophy in Shillong Campus and Garo, English and Education in Tura. There are also two centre of studies, namely, Centre for Adult and Continuing Education and Centre for Distance Education. Apart from the regular teaching and research work, the Departments have, from time to time, been organizing Refresher Courses, Seminars and Workshops in collaboration with outside agencies. The Department of Education organized a Refresher Course in Education from 23rd October to 14th November, 2007 and organized an Orientation Course from the 26th February to 26th March, 2008. The Department of Philosophy organized a National Seminar on 'Recent Trend in Epistemology-Western and Indian' from November 28-30, 2007. The Department of Khasi organized a Regional Seminar on Khasi Orthography on 26th October 2007. National Seminar on 'Tribal Literature with Special reference to Languages of North East India' from 20-22 February 2008. The Department of English organized a Literary Workshop TRYST 2007 on 31st October 2007. A Refresher Course from 4-25 March, 2008 was organized by the Department. A National Seminar cum Workshop on Drama from 26-28 March 2008 was also organized by the Department. The Department of Hindi organized a National Seminar on "Purvottar Bhasha ka Sahitya Evam Hindi" supported by Central Hindi Directorate, MHRD, Delhi 1-2 November 2007 at NEHU. The Department of Linguistics organized a National Seminar on "Emerging Linguistic Scene in North-East India" from 15-16 October 2007. A workshop on Tibeto Burman Linguistics was organized by the Department on 17.10.2007. UPE Workshop on TB Languages of NE India was conducted by the Department on 17.3.2008. The Department of Philosophy, English, Khasi, Linguistics and Hindi organized Study Tours for students taking them to various places in the country to visit Universities as well as places of historic interest.

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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Thrust Areas of Research in the department : The Department has the following thrust of research :