

SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCE

The School of Social Sciences has three departments in Shillong namely, History, Political Science, and Sociology, and one centre called the Centre for Literary and Cultural Studies, and the department of Public Administration and Psychology in Aizawl, Mizoram. The School has functioned successfully inspite of the difficulties due to locational problems. The School is one of the largest in the University in terms of faculty and student strength. All the departments in the School are engaged in teaching and research in their thrust areas. The Departments have established their academic leadership in their respective fields in this region and outside. Many faculty members of the School are well recognised outside for their contributions.

CENTRE FOR LITERARY AND CULTURAL STUDIES

The Centre continued its programme of teaching and research. The collaboration proposal of the Ford Foundation in the areas of folklore research and setting up Audio visual Folklore Archive in the Centre was referred to the Government of India by the University. During the year, use of modern technology in cultural studies was focussed. This was done by acquiring and building up the human resource of the centre in use of computers, multimedia and video camera recording. This was culminated by holding a workshop on the theme "Field work in Cultural Studies".

Head : Dr.Soumen Sen (Head) upto 31st Oct' 1997
Prabodh Jhingan (In charge) 1st Nov' to date.

Faculty :

Reader : Soumen Sen, MA (Cal), PhD (Gauh).

Lecturer : P.Jhingan, MA (J Nehru).

Courses Conducted :

Diploma Course in Folkloristics.

Course in Folkloristics with Special Reference to N.E. India in the M.Phil programme of the School of Social Sciences.

Extension Lectures :

Mr. P.Jhingan

"Theatre and Population Education" in Certificate course on Population Education in Post Graduate Training College,

Shillong, conducted by the Centre for Adult & Continuing Education, NEHU, Shillong, on 20th June, 1997.

Seminars/Workshops :

Organized:

The Centre organized a one day workshop on "Field methods in cultural studies" on 31st March 1998 in the Department of Anthropology, NEHU, Shillong. The focus of this workshop was on the use of modern equipment like the video camera recorder, computers etc. in field work. There were two sessions : First dealt with methodology and the second dealt with use of modern technology. The workshop was aimed at the Post Graduate research students of the University working in areas of the humanities & social sciences. The workshop was coordinated by Mr. P. Jhingan.

Publications

Dr. Soumen Sen 'Folk-Narrative and Social Reality in Matrilineal Khasi-Jaintia Society', *Journal of North-East India Council for Social Science Research*. Vol.21. No.2. pp. 10-15.

----'Endoethnonym and Exoethnonym of an Ethnics: Identity and Folklore', *South Indian Folklorist*. Vol.2. January 1998, pp. 85-91.

---- 'The Proverb : A Hegemonic Discourse'? Dialogue, *Journal of North-East India Forum for English Studies* Vol.2, 1997 pp.64-77.

Research Programmes :

- (i) A Pictorial Study of Khasi-Jewellery.
- (ii) The Nongkrem Festival was auditioned during October 1997. This was done as a part of semiotic study of this festival.

Other activities :

Dr. Soumen Sen (i) Elected President of the Governing Body of North-East India Council for Social Science Research in its Annual General Meeting on 5th December 1997. (ii) Gave the Presidential Address at D.N.Majumdar Lecture organised by North-Eastern Institute of Anthropological Research at the Anthropological Survey of India, Shillong. 25th July 1997. (iii) chaired the inaugural session of the seminar on Water and Water Resources organised by North-East India Council for Social Research, Shillong, 6-7 May 1997. (iv) Chaired a session at the *International Seminar on the Dynamics of Rituals and Narratives* at the Centre for Folk Culture Studies, University of Hyderabad. 29-30 August 1997. (v) Attended as a Resource Person a *Seminar-cum-Workshop on Translation with emphasis on Regional Tribal Folklore and Literature* at the Regional Centre, Central Institute of English and Foreign Languages, Shillong. 8-12 September 1997. (vi) Chaired a session in the 4th *International Conference on Folklore* organised by Bangladesh Folklore Society at the National Museum, Dhaka, Bangladesh. 27-29 October 1997. (vii) Attended as a Resource Person a *Workshop on Folklore in the changing World* at Rajshahi University, Rajshahi Bangladesh. 31 October to 1 November 1997. (viii) Chaired the inaugural session of the

seminar on Energy Management in North East India organised by North-East India Council for Social Science Research. 26-27 November 1997. (ix) Chaired a session of the National Seminar on Comparative Folklore at Kalyani University, Kalyani West Bengal. 6-7 February 1998. (x) Presented a paper at the National Seminar on Oral Tribal Literature organised by Sahitya Akademi at Vidya-sagar University, Midnapore, West Bengal. 13-15 February 1998. (xi) Presented a paper in a Seminar on Trends in Social Sciences in North-East India organised by North-Eastern Regional Centres of Indian Council of Social Sciences Research, Shillong. 30th March 1998. (xii) Attended as a Resource Person a Workshop on Field Work in Cultural Studies organised by Centre for Literary and Cultural Studies, NEHU, Shillong. 31st March 1998.

P. Jhingan (i) Taught in the M.A. course programme in Linguistics in the Department of Linguistics, NEHU, Shillong. (ii) Appointed as In-charge of the Entrepreneurship Development Programme (EDP) of NEHU. Subsequently was appointed as a member of the interim advisory committee of the EDC., NEHU.

DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

Established in 1974 the Department of History has been organised, as its placement in the School of Social Sciences would suggest on the concept of history as a social sciences. It is distinguished by an emphasis on the study of peoples and regions with particular reference to social and cultural development in North East India. The Department's objectives of the academic programme is (1) to provide a broad knowledge of human history and particularly of the areas and themes of special concern to the Department and the modern approaches to its study through a suitably structured and balanced syllabus (2) to promote historical research in hitherto unexplored areas, especially in the North Eastern region through the M.Phil/Ph.D programmes and faculty members' research.

Head : Professor Imdad Hussain

Faculty :

Professors.: J.B.Bhattacharjee. M.A/Ph.D (Gauh) (Presently Vice-Chancellor, Assam University, Silchar)

J.P.Singh. M.A/Ph.D (Ban)

Imdad Hussain. M.A/Ph.D (Gauh)

M.S.Sangma. M.A. (Calc), Ph.D (Gauh) (Presently Pro-Vice-Chancellor, NEHU, Tura Campus)

Readers. : D.R.Syiemlieh. M.A/Ph.D (NEHU)

M.Momin. M.A/Ph.D (J Nehru)

M. Sharma. M.A. (Gauh), Ph.D (NEHU)

F.A.Qadri. M.A/Ph.D (Alig)

Lecturers. : C. Mawlong. M.A. (NEHU), Dip.Arch (Delhi)
 V.R. Rengsi. M.A/M.Phil (NEHU).
 A.N. Passah. M.A./M.Phil (NEHU).
 T.Gurung. M.A/Ph.D (NEHU).

Student Intake :

(a)Enrolment Capacity:		M.A.	50
		M.Phil	15
		Ph.D.	-
(b)Actual Enrolment:			
M.A.	51	M.Phil.	Nil
SC/ST.	46	SC/ST.	Nil
Others.	5	Others.	Nil
		Ph.D.	9
		SC/ST.	9
		Others.	Nil

Degrees Awarded :

M.Phil :

A.S.John Pengmayong, "Origin and Migration of the Tangkul",
 Supervisor, Dr. M. Momin.

Evangeline Niangti, "Megalithic Culture of the Khasi and Jaintia
 Hills with Special Reference to Nartiang Village", Supervisor,
 Prof. J.P. Singh.

Sekhar Brahma, "Sanskritization among the Bodos of Kokrajhar
 District", Supervisor, Dr. F.A. Qadri.

Abdul Manaf Sikdar, "Sir Syed Md.Abdullah and Government and
 Politics in Assam 1921-47", Supervisor, Prof. Imdad Hussain.

Ph.D :

Y.Ben Lotha, "The Traditional Naga Lotha Polity and Society under
 British Rule", Supervisor, Prof. M.S. Sangma.

Vanlalringa Bawitlung, "Chieftainship and the Processes of State
 Formation in Mizo Society", Supervisor, Dr.M.Sharma.

Courses Conducted :

M.A.: Historiography; Pre Historic and Proto Historic Societies;
 Ancient Societies; Pre Industrial Societies and Social Institu-
 tions; Capitalism and Colonialism 16th-19th Centuries;Imperialism
 and Nationalism in 1st Half of the 20th Century;Evolution of
 Modern Indian Societies (1858-1947); Socio Economic and Political
 Development in N E India; Ancient Indian Social and Economic
 History; Political Theory and Institutions in Ancient India;
 Religion and Society in Ancient India;Introduction to Archaeology
 History of the Guptas; Religion & Society in Medieval India;
 Economy and Society in India (650-1400 AD); Agrarian Unrest in
 Medieval India; British Expansion in India;British Imperialism in
 India; Indian Nationalism; Economic History of Modern India;
 Peasant Movements in Modern India; British policy in N E India;
 Political Development in N E India; Government and Politics in
 N E India; Economic History of N E India; Polity Formation in N E

India; The Rise of Modern Japan; History of Sciences

M.Phil.

Historical Thought; Historical Method; Dissertation by Research.

Seminars/Conferences :

Attended.

Professor J.P.Singh gave the Presidential Address at the 83rd Annual Session of the Numismatic Society of India held in Varanasi on 4th December, 1997. Prof. J.P.Singh, Dr.D.R.Syiemlieh and Dr. Manorama Sharma attended the 18th Session of the North East India History Association held at Tripura University, Agartala between 4-6 November, 1997.

Dr. D.R.Syiemlieh read a paper in the ICSSR-NERC seminar "Trends in Social Sciences in North East India" held in Shillong on 30th March, 1998.

Dr. F.A. Qadri attended a one day workshop on "Muslims under Christian Rule : Medieval Spain and Sicily" at University of Oxford, presented a paper, "Shattari Sufism and Mughal Historians" at the Annual Session of British Association of South Asian Studies, held at University of Bath, April 11-13, 1997 (This session was specially for 50th year of India's Independence). He gave a presentation on "European Influence on Indian Historiography During Post Independence Period", at the International Seminar on "European Studies in India Since Independence", held at Goa, March 12-14, 1998.

Mr. Vanlal Ruata Rengsi attended the CIEFL Seminar "Translation and Tribal Folklore and Literature" held in Shillong between 8-12 September, 1997 and read a paper "British Influence on Mizo Culture". He attended the Seminar "Regionalism, Nationalism and Philosophy of National Integration" organised by Philosophy Department NEHU between 11-13 August, 1997 and presented a paper. "Integration of the Mizos Process and Problems".

Publications

Momin, M. Studies in the Political and Socio-Economic History Pre-Ahom Assam : Perspectives and Prospects NEHU Journal of Social Sciences and Humanities, Vol.1, 1998, pp.1-20.

Passah, Amena. "Choice of Mission Field of the Welsh Calvinistic Methodist Mission", *Proceedings of the North East India History Association*, Seventeenth Session, Aizawl, 1996, pp.251-259.

Quadri, F.A. "Eighteenth Century Intellectual Legacy : A Brief Survey of Religio-Political Literature", *NEHU Journal of Social Sciences and Humanities*, Vol.1, No.1 (New Series) pp. 47-56.

---- "Problems of Social Justice in Medieval India : Sultanate Perspective", *Samskriti Sandhan*, National Institute of Human Culture, Varanasi Chandrajeet Yadav Felicitation Volume, pp.183-

194.

---- Carl W Ernst : Ruzbihan Baqli : Mysticism and the Rhetoric of Saint hood in Persian Sufism (Book Review) *Oxford Journal of Islamic Studies*, Oxford, Vol.9, No.1, 1998, pp.1-2.

Singh, J.P. "Presidential Address", *Proceedings of the NEIHA, Seventeenth Session*, Aizawl, 1996, pp 1-42.

---- "On Indian Museum Dundudhi Inscription of Siva Sinha and Pramathasvari", *Journals of North East India Council for Social Science Research* Vol.21:2 (October 1997), pp.5-9.

---- On the Names of the Queens of Tripura, *Numismatic Studies*, Vol.5 (1997),

---- Presidential Address delivered at the 83rd Annual Session of the Numismatic Society of India held at Varanasi 4th December, 1997 pp 115-124.

Syiemlieh, D.R. Edited with Introduction, Robert Lindsay : *Anecdotes of An Indian Life*, NEHU Publications, Shillong, 1997.

---- "The Halflong Prefecture 1952-1969", *The North Eastern Hill University Journal of Social Sciences and Humanities*, Vol.1, No.1, 1998, pp.89-102.

---- "Westmascott's History of Assam", *Proceedings of the North East India History Association*, Seventeenth Session, Aizawl, 1996, pp.94-98.

---- Edited *Proceedings of the North East India History Association*, Seventeenth Session, Aizawl, 1996.

Sharma, Manorama. "Identity : Inherent or Evolved?", in G Phukan & N L Dutta (Ed) *Politics of Identity & Nation Building in North East India* (South Asia Publishing Pvt.Ltd., New Delhi, 1997) pp. 17-24.

---- "Writing of History : The Feminist Debate", *Proceedings of the NEIHA*, Seventeenth Session, Aizawl, 1996, pp.75-82.

Study Tour/Field Trip :

The third semester students were taken on a study tour to Bombay and Goa in January, 1998 to study British and Portuguese colonialism. The three week visit was led by Mr. V.R.Rengsi.

Thrust Area : Regional History/N E India.

Research Programme/Project :

All the faculty members continued their research in the third year of the Special Assistance Programme, on specific projects to collectively prepare a comprehensive history of North East India.

Other Activities :

Faculty members were involved in two Refresher Courses for College/University teachers conducted in November-December

1997 and March-April 1998. Dr.M.Momin was invited to Dibrugarh University in December, 1997 to deliver a series of lectures on Ancient Assam. Professor Imdad Hussain gave lectures on Frontier and Frontier problems at the Refresher Course at Arunachal University during 9-11 March, 1998.

Professor Imdad Hussain was re-elected for a second term as Executive Member of the Indian History Congress, and nominated to the Inter University Centre of the Indian Institute of Advanced Studies, Simla.

DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE

Established in 1974, the Department of Political Science aims at building an academic community of students, researchers and teachers devoted to an open, critical and analytical study of the discipline with an emphasis on the inter-disciplinary approach. It also aims at making courses and research work socially relevant and to develop in the students an awareness of the basic issues and problems in the discipline and to equip them intellectually to fulfill these needs.

With a sanctioned strength of 13 faculty members the department has 80 students at the M.A. level. The department also provides research facilities leading to the M.Phil and Ph.D degrees.

Faculty :

Professors : R.L.Walli, M.A. (J.& K.), Ph.D (J Nehru)
A.K.Baruah, M.A./Ph.D. (Punj.)
R.Borgohain, M.A. (J Nehru), Ph.D. (Gauh.)
L.S.Gassah, M.A./Ph.D. (NEHU)

Readers : B.J.Deb, M.A./Ph.D. (Gauh.)
E.Laitflang, M.A./Ph.D. (NEHU)

Lecturers : K.Debbarma, M.A./Ph.D. (NEHU)
P.Malngiang, M.A./Ph.D. & LL.B. (NEHU)
S.Sengupta, M.A./M.Phil. (NEHU)
T.T.Haokip, M.A./Ph.D. (NEHU)
B.K.Mahapatra, M.A. (Delhi), Ph.D. (J Nehru)

Student Intake : M.A. 40. M.Phil 10 Ph.D according to availability of supervisors.

Actual admission :

M.A.	40	M.Phil.	Nil	Ph.D.	3.
SC/ST.	39		Nil		2
Gen.	1		Nil		1

Degrees Awarded :

Ph.D.

A.S.Atai Shimray, Topic : NAGA NATIONALISM AND NATIONAL SOCIALIST COUNCIL OF NAGALAND under the supervision of Dr. B.J. Deb.

Courses conducted : Semester-wise during the year: (Titles only)

M.A. : Political Theory - The Classical Traditions. Theories and Concept in Public Administration. Government and Politics in India. Theory of International Politics. Political Theory - The Liberal Democratic theory and Conservatism. Issues in Public Administration. Socio-economic Basis of the Indian Political System. Problems of International Politics. Political Theory - Contemporary Marxist Theory. Modern Political Analysis. International Law, Traditional Government and Politics of the Hill Areas of North East India, Issues in Indian Administration and Research Methodology. Contemporary Political Theory : Major Issues. Comparative Politics. International Organisation, Govt. & Politics of the Hill Areas of N.E. India, Modern Indian Political Ideas, Foreign Policy and Political Sociology.

M.Phil : Contemporary Political Theory, Research Methodology and Environmental Studies.

Seminars/Conferences :*Attended :*

B.J. Deb - Forest Resource in N.E. India, (5 June 1997) NEICSSR, Energy & Energy Resource Management in N.E. India (26-27 Nov. 1997), NEICSSR.

Participated :

K.Debbarma - Participated in the seminar on 'Nationalism, Regionalism and National Integration' NEHU, Shillong August 1997 and presented a paper on "Insurgency and Counter Insurgency in Tripura".

L.S. Gassah - Presented paper on 'Economy, Trade & Commerce in Meghalaya with special reference to Khasi-Jaintia Hills', and 'Indian Democracy : Popular Participation and Perception with special reference to N.E.India' (27 March '98) at OKD Institute of Social Change & Development, Guwahati. 'Trends in Social Sciences in N.E. India; 1947-97' organised by ICSSR (NERC) Shillong on 30 March '98.

P.Malngiang - Presented a papers on 'Police & Human Rights' at North-East Police Academy, Umsaw, Shillong (Oct. 97) Paper presented on 'Student Activism in N.E.' - N.E. Education Commission Guwahati (Sept.97).

R.L.Walli - Presented a paper on "Ethnicity & New Economic Policy"

held at St. Anthony's College, Shillong 1997.

S. Sengupta - Presented a paper at the American Studies Research Centre, Hyderabad (11 Feb '98) on 'The System and the disadvantaged group in America - A study of Representation of Women in the Congressional Elections of 1992 and 1994.

Conference :

K. Debbarma : (i) NEIPSA Conference as Resource Person held at Tura NEHU Campus on Dec. 12-13 1997, presented a Paper on "Ethnic Issues at the Grass Roots level in Tripura : A study of National Liberation Front of Tripura.". (ii) Presented a paper on International Conference of Human Rights Challenge in 21st Century, New Delhi, 5 - 6 March 1998, Challenges in 21st Century in North East India with Special Reference to Tripura".

L.S. Gassah : Contributed a paper entitled 'The Jaintia Situation : Some Issues of Ethnic Identity' at NEIPSA Conference held at Tura NEHU Campus, 12-13 Dec. 97.

S. Sengupta : Presented a Paper on 'Ethnic Issues in the grassroots politics of Arunachal Pradesh - An Analysis of the programmes and policies of all Arunachal Pradesh Students' Union (AAPSU) 'AT NEIPSA Conference held at Tura NEHU Campus, 12-13 Dec. 97.

T.T. Haokip : Presented paper "The Great Divide : Kuki - Naga Conflict" at NEIPSA Conference held at Tura 12-13 December 1997.

Visiting Professors/Fellows : Prof. S.K. Chaube - 6 Oct. 97.

Publications :

Gassah, L.S., *Traditional Institutions of Meghalaya : A Study of Doloi and his administration*, Regency Publications, New Delhi, 1998.

----- "A Critical Assessment of the Role and Functions of the Jaintia Hills Autonomous District Council" in Karna, M.N. Gassah, L.S. and Thomas, C.J. (eds.), (*Power to People in Meghalaya (Sixth Schedule and the 73rd Amendment)*) Regency Publications, New Delhi (1998), pp. 116 - 129.

----- "The Sixth Schedule and the 73rd Amendment : An Analysis" in Karna, M.N., Gassah, L.S. and Thomas, C.J. (eds.) *Power to People in Meghalaya (Sixth Schedule and the 73rd Amendment)*, Regency Publications, New Delhi (1998), pp. 3-12.

----- "Paragraph 12A of the Sixth Schedule and Meghalaya Politics" in Karna, M.N., Gassah, L.S. and Thomas, C.J. (eds.) *Power to People in Meghalaya (Sixth Schedule and the 73rd Amendments)* Regency Publications, New Delhi (1998), pp. 50-54.

Malngiang, P. "The Khasi Hills Autonomous District Council and the 73rd Amendment" in Karna, M.N. et al (eds.) *Power to People in Meghalaya*, Regency Publications, New Delhi (1998), pp. 101 - 108.

----- 'Women and elections in Meghalaya' in *Proceedings of NEIPSA*, Dibrugarh University, pp. 36 - 40.

Walli, R.L. "U.S and Operation Desert Storm", *VITASTA*, Vol. LXVI,

No.2. pp. 73 -85.

Thrust Area : Govt & Politics of North East India

Research Programme/Project :

A.K.Baruah - National Election Survey 1998 with CSDS Youth Organisations in the NEI, ICSSR (NERC) Extremist Politics in NEI, ICSSR, New Delhi.

B.K.Mohapatra- Gender, Women & Sustainable Development : A Case Study of Bangladesh and Egypt, SAP (UGC)

L.S.Gassah - Review of Literature in Political Science with special reference to the North Eastern Region of India(1970-1990) sponsored by ICSSR (NERC), Shillong.

S. Sengupta - Women in the Politics of Meghalaya - A Study of Representation of Women in the Elections to the State Assembly (1972-1988)

Other Activities :

S.Sengupta attended 19th Course on American Culture and Civilisation (Jan 19-Feb 13, 1998) at American Research Centre, Hyderabad.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

The Department of Public Administration at Aizawl started functioning in June 1995. Teaching in the two post-graduate programmes in Public Administration began in April, 1997.

1. M.A. Programme of two year (four semester) duration.
2. Diploma Programme of one year (two semester) duration.
3. M.A. Via Diploma Programme of one year (III & IV semester) duration started in 1989 meant for eligible Diploma Holders.

Development themes have received emphasis in the over-all structures of the three with exposure to theoretical concepts as well as practical problems. Facilities for Ph.D. supervision are presently available in the Department.

Head : Dr.C. Lalkima.

Faculty :

Professor : R.N.Prasad, M.A./Ph.D. (Bihar)

Readers : S.Jawaid, M.A. (Brook), Ph.D. (Aig.)
C.Lalkima, M.A. (Osm.), Ph.D. (Gauh).

Lecturers : Lalrintluanga, M.A./M.Phil. (NEHU)
Kalpana Das, M.A./M.Phil. (Utkal)

Student Intake :

a. Enrolment Capacity : M.A. 50

b. Actual Admission : 50

	SC/ST	Genl.	Male	Female	Total
M.A.	50	-	26	24	50
Ph.D.	2	-	2	-	2

Degrees Awarded :

Ph.D. : F.Lalhmingsanga, "State Enterprises in Mizoram : Administrative and Managerial Dimensions", supervisor, Prof. R.N. Prasad.

Courses Conducted :

M.A : Fundamentals of Public Administration, Indian Administration: Structure & Processes, Public Personnel Administration with reference to Britain, U.S.A. & France, Economic & Financial Administration in India. Development Administration in India, Environmental Administration of India, Theories of Bureaucracy, Government & Politics of the Hill Areas of North East India. Administrative Thought, Public Policy Analysis, Political Theory, Indian Govt. & Politics : social Structure & Process. Comparative Public Administration, International Administration, Theory & Practice of Local Government, Social Administration in India.

M.A. *Via diploma* : Fundamentals of Public Administration Indian Administration : Structure & Process, Public Personnel Administration with Reference to Britain, U.S.A. & France, Economic & Financial Administration in India, Development Administration in India, Environmental Administration in India, Theory of Bureaucracy, Govt. & Politics of the Hill Areas of North East India.

After passing out I & II Semester of the P.G. Diploma eligible candidates will join M.A. III & IV Semester with full time students of M.A. Course structure.

Seminars/Conferences :

Organised :

The Department organised Lecture-Meetings in collaboration with IIPA, Mizoram Regional Branch. In addition, the Department organises General Seminars on Various course subjects on every Saturday.

Attended :

Professor R.N. Prasad. : (i) delivered two lectures on (a) *Conflicts Arising out of Contradictions in Indian Political System - Their Implication for Internal Security.* (b) *Women's Participation in Politics and Decision-Making : Problems and Prospects at the*

145th Internal Security Course for Deputy Superintendents of Police, Assistant Commandants for CPO's, SDM's and Army Officers (upto Major Ranks) at *Internal Security Academy, Central Reserve Police force, Mount Abu, Rajasthan* on 2,4 August, 1997 and also presented papers. (ii) presented a paper on *Constitution (Seventy Third) Amendment Act, 1992, relating to Panchayats : Prospect of their Applicability in Mizoram* at the Workshop on *Perspective on Development Studies for Mizoram*, sponsored by IASSI, New Delhi and NEHU, Shillong organised by Department of Economics, NEHU, Mizoram Campus, Aizawl on 28 June, 1997. (iii) Paper on *our Goals for Twenty First Century : (a) Economic (b) Social and (c) Administrative - Some suggestions* presented at the prelude Seminar at IIPA, New Delhi theme on *Our Goals for Twenty Century : (a) Economic (b) Social and (c) Administrative* (for 41st IIPA Annual Members Conference, 1997), organised by IIPA, Mizoram Regional Branch, Aizawl on 7.10.1997. (iv) Participated and Presented a paper on *Mizoram and the Constitution (Seventy Thrid) Amendment Act, 1992, Relating to Panchayats* at the National Seminar on *Panchayats* organised by Rajiv Gandhi Foundation, New Delhi-110 001 on 22-23 December 1997.

Publications

Lalkima, C. : *Social Administration in a Tribal State : A Case Study of Mizoram*, Published by the United Publisher, New Delhi, Guwahati, 1997.

Prasad, R.N. "Retregression of Insurgency : A Conceptual Analysis", Published in B. Pakem (Ed), *Insurgency in North-East India*, New Delhi, Omsons Publications, 1997.

----"Administration Justice in Meghalaya" in *Dynamics of Public Administration*, Bi-Annual Journal of Department of Public Administration, University of Lucknow, Vol.2, No.1, January-June, 1997.

----"Analysis of the Frame Work and Operation of the Sixth Schedule to the constitution of India" in L.S.Gassah (Ed.) *Autonomous District Council*, New Delhi, Omsons Publications, 1997.

----"Prospects of Coalition Government in India" in Mizoram legislative Assembly *Silver Jubilee Souvenir 1972-97*, Published by Mizoram Legislative Assembly, Aizawl, 1997.

Study Tour/Field Trips of Students :

40 students and five faculty members of the Department of Public Administration visited the Cultural Centre at Falkawn which is 20 Kms. away from NEHU, Mizoram Campus, Aizawl. The Cultural Centre is constructed and maintained by the Department of Art and Culture, Government of Mizoram. The Centre depicts and essential components of a Mizo typical village like Zawlbuk called Bachelors' den, the houses of village chief, village blacksmith, and the house of *Thangchhuah*, who was a man decorated by his deeds and valours in the village. The study of Zawlbuk institution and the village traditional Administrative set up as depicted in centre was of great interest and beneficial to the students.

Thrust Area :

North-East India/Regional Studies/Government & Politics and Issues in Indian Administration.

DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY

The Department came into existence in 1983. The faculty strength today is four.

Head : Dr. L. N. Singh.

Faculty :

Reader : Dr. L.N.Singh, M.Sc/Ph.D (Ban.)

Lecturer: Dr.Zokaitluangi, M.A.(NEHU), M.Phil (Delhi),Ph.D (NEHU)

Student Intake :

- (a) Enrolment capacity : M.A - 10
 (b) Actual Admission : 10

M.A.	SC	ST	Genl	Male	Female	Total
		10		2	8	10

Degrees Awarded :

Ph.D : 1

Courses Conducted :

Learning and Memory, Research Methods and Statistics, Social Psychology, and Practicals. Cognitive Processes, Attention and perception, Advanced Correlation Methods, Physiological Foundations of Behaviour, and Practicals. Psychology of Personality, Theories of Human Development, Psychopathology and Practicals. Clinical Psychology-I, Clinical Psychology-II, Psychodiagnosis and Psychological Therapies, Neuropsychology/Dissertation, and Practicals.

Study Tour/Field Trips : Tour programme is a part of curriculum in the Fourth Semester for providing practical exposure to the students at specialized Institutions of National importance, rendering professional services in the applied fields of psychology.

Thrust Area : Experimental Psychology/Cross-cultural Psychology.

Other Activities : Psychological services to persons referred from Psychiatry Department : Civil Hospital, Government of Mizoram.

Johny Lalbiaklian : "The Zou customary Laws: Continuity and Change", Supervisor Professor M.N. Karna.

Aldila Marie Mawlong : "Aspects of Change in the Family system among the Khasis", Supervisor Dr. P.M. Chacko.

Ph.D :

L.Yapang Longchar : "The Naga Village Council: A Sociological Study", Supervisor Dr. I. Lanu Aier.

Course Conducted :

Sociology of Kinship; Sociological Theories I; Social Stratification in India; Methodology of social Research; Sociological Theory II; Methodology of Social Research II; Sociology of Religion; Urban Sociology; Polity and Society; Economy and society; Tribal Movement; Industrial Sociology; Social Change; Sociology of Movement; Sociology of entrepreneurship and Management; Theories of Social Anthropology.

Seminars/Conferences :

Dr. P.M.Chacko : (i) presented a paper on "Indian Society: A Futuristic Perspective" organised by All Indian Sociological Conference, Hyderabad on December, 1997. (ii) presented a paper on "Future of Indian Society, XXV All Kerala Sociological Conference, Trichur, January 1998. (iii) presided over a session in Seminar on Women and Development, Department of Social Welfare, Meghalaya, Shillong November 1997.

Dr. I. Lanu Aier : (i) International Seminar on "Christianity Tribes and Change" organised by Eastern Theological College, Jorhat, November 1997. Paper presented titled "Christianity and Weak Ethnic: An observation of tribal society". (ii) Naga Students seminar on "Nationalism" organised by Naga students Federation, Kohima, Nagaland, October 1997. Paper presented "Musing on Nationalism".

Professor M.N.Karna. (i) Presided a session at the seminar on 'Drug Abuse' organised by the State Resource Centre, NEHU, Shillong on 22 April, 1997. (ii) Presented a paper and presided a session at the seminar on 'Liberation, Ethnic Identity and Economic Development in India's North East', St. Anthony's College, Shillong on 25-26 April, 1997. (iii) Delivered a series of lectures at the Department of Sociology, Panjab University, Chandigarh, between 9-22 January 1998. (a) Changing Political Scenario in Bihar and the Role of Caste. (b) Ethnic Scenario in North East : Understanding North East; Ethnic Conflict, and Socio-Economic Process in North East. (c) Caste and class violence in Bihar: A Social Science Perspective. (d) Peasant Movements in Bihar : Ideological Diversities and New Issues. (e) Voluntary Initiatives in India's Literacy Programme.

Dr. C.L. Imchen (i) Presented a paper, "Integration and Pluralism: Conflicting Paradigms in Nation Building" in Subhash Chandra Bose Birth Centenary Commemoration Seminar on Nationalism, Regionalism and Philosophy of National Integration, Department of Philosophy, NEHU, Shillong, 11-18 1997 to 13-8 1997. (ii) Presented a paper "Ballad, Folklore and Myth: Structural Dimensions and Legitimacy of Tribal Reality", in Translation with emphasis on Regional, Tribal Folklore and Literature organised by Central Institute of English and Foreign Languages, Shillong on September 8-12, 1997. (iii) Attended and gave a talk on "The NEHRU-ELWIN Doctrine and tribal identity" in the Sixth Indira Gandhi International Conference on Post Colonial World Inter Dependence and Identities. New Delhi, 19-22 November 1997.

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