

## SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND EDUCATION

The School of Humanities and Education consists of departments of Philosophy, Hindi, Linguistics, Education and the Centre for Supportive Learning. Besides, carrying on teaching and research programmes, the Centre for Supportive Learning system has been organising various extension programmes for the benefit of those who are not regular students of the University.

The Teachers of the School have been very active as could be seen from their academic activities mentioned under the achievements of their respective departments.

### DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH AIZAWL

The Department was established in 1979 with one Lecturer, and is at present functioning with one Reader and one Lecturer. Despite the obvious constraints posed by the shortage of faculty, the Department has through the year, made some modest contribution in research programmes in both the fields of English Language Teaching (ELT) and Literature relevant to the needs of the region.

**Head :** Dr. Margaret Ch. Zama.

#### **Faculty :**

Reader : Margaret Ch.Zama, M.A.,Ph.D.(NEHU)  
Lecturer : Ramhmingthangi Ralte, M.A.,Ph.D.(NEHU)

#### **Student Intake :**

(a) Enrolment capacity :	25				
(b) Actual Admission :	ST	Male	Female	Total	
	28	5	23	28	

### **Courses Conducted :**

Poetry, Fiction, Drama, Prose, Language, Indian Writing in English, Modern Literature, Literary theory & Criticism, Shakespeare, Tragedy, Environment Course.

### **Visiting Professor/Fellows :**

Visit of Professor S.C.Saha, Head of English Department, Assam University, Silchar, conducted valuable lectures for the duration of 1 (one) week in the month of April, 1998.

**Thrust Area of Research :** Modern Fiction.

### **Research Programme/Project :**

Three research scholars have registered under the Department in the field of ELT and Mizo Literature.

## **DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH** **SHILLONG**

The Department of English was the first Department to be established under the North-Eastern Hill University in 1973. The achievements of this department are the many students who have passed out from this department and have become able administrators, teachers and public leaders. Several of our students have successfully competed in the Indian Administrative Services and the Civil Services of all the north-eastern States. They are all doing very well in their respective services. Many other students have acquired M.Phil and Ph.D degrees and have become teachers in Colleges and Universities. A few of our students have moved into the corporate sector while some other have joined mass media both in the region and at the national level. So far, 8(eight) students of the Department have cleared the NET examination.

Quite a few of the faculty as well as the students have distinguished themselves by being awarded prestigious scholarships. Two faculty members and three students were recipients of the Commonwealth Scholarship. Another faculty member was awarded a Fullbright Scholarship. The department also has the distinction of having two members of its faculty as the Visitor's nominee for Central Universities. Another faculty member was appointed as an Adviser in the Selection Board of the UPSC in 1998. The department was also selected as one of the Regional Academic Centres for Katha during 1998. Three members of the faculty are creative writers, who have published volumes of poetry.

**Head :** Professor (Mrs) T. Ao

## Faculty :

- Professors : Noorul Hasan, M.A. (Alld), Ph.D. (Manchester)  
Emmanuel N.Lall, M.A.(Patna), Ph.D. (Southern Illinois)  
T. Ao, M.A. (Gauh.),PGDTE (CIEFL, Hyd.), Ph.D. (NEHU)  
R.P. Sharma, M.A.,Ph.D. (Bihar)
- Readers : S. Satpathy (on leave), M.A. (Samb.), Ph.D. (NEHU)  
K.C. Baral, M.A. (Utkal), Ph.D. (NEHU)  
S.N. Singh, M.A.,Ph.D. (Mag.)
- Lecturers : N. Syiem, M.A. (NEHU), M.Phil. (Delhi)  
E. Syiem, M.A. (Delhi), Ph.D. (NEHU)  
Ng. Robin Singh, M.A. (NEHU)  
N. Ganguly, M.A. (NEHU)

## Student Intake :

- a) Enrolment capacity : 50  
b) Actual admission : SC/ST/Gen. Male/Female Total  
- 33 13 7 39 46

## Degrees Awarded :

### *M.Phil*

Sivasish Biswas, "Rhetoric of Ambivalence : A Study of Thomas Clayton Wolfe's Short Stories". Supervisor, Dr. K.C. Baral.

### *Ph.D.*

Mr. Niu Francis Whiso, "A Study of C.S.Lewis as a Literary Critic". Supervisor, Professor E.N. Lall.

## Courses Conducted :

Poetry-I, Fiction-I, Drama-I, Literary Theory and Criticism-I, Poetry-III, Fiction-III, Literary Theory and Criticism-II.

*Optionals - 1* : Language-I/American Literature-I/Commonwealth Literature.

*M.Phil* : Contemporary Criticism, European Literature, Modern Poetry and Modern Fiction.

*Ph.D.* : Open.

## **Seminar/Conferences :**

### **Attended:**

T. Ao: Participated in the International Workshop in "Theories and Methods in the Study of Folklore" during 4-15th January, 1999 at Tezpur University, Tezpur, Assam and presented a paper.

K.C. Baral: As part of the Katha, Academic Regional Centre's programme conducted two Workshops on Translation for College and University teachers at Shillong and Guwahati during 24-25th September, 98 and 8-9th January, 99, conducted two Certificate Courses on Translation for College and University students at Shillong and Kohima during 7-17th September, 98 and 1-8th November, 98 and conducted sixty Culture-link Workshops for school children during 1998-1999. A volume of translated stories from North-East is under preparation for publication by Katha, New Delhi.

E.N. Lall: Resource person for Katha, Regional Academic Centre at its Workshop on Translation on 24th and 25th August, 1998. Delivered a lecture on Translation at the Certificate Course for College and University students, CIEFL, Shillong on September 7th, 98. Delivered two lectures at the Refresher Course organised by the Academic Staff College, Gauhati University, December, 1998. Delivered a lecture at an Orientation Course for College teachers in North East India, Sponsored by ICSSR, Shillong in October, 1998.

### **Publications :**

Baral., K.C: "Imaging India : Nation and Narration" in N.Malla ed. *Regionalism, Nationalism and Philosophy of National Integration*, New Delhi : Regency, 1998, pp.67-77.

### **Study Tour/Field trips :**

Dr. K.C. Baral escorted the III Semester students on Study Tour to Thiruvananthapuram - Kanyakumari - Pondyicherry - Chennai during 12-30th January, 1999.

### **Thrust Area of Research :**

Modern Literature and Post-Colonial Literatures.

### **Other activities :**

T.Ao : Appointed as Advisor of Katha, Regional Academic Centre, Department of English, NEHU, Shillong.

K.C.Baral : Appointed as Associate Director, Katha, Regional Academic Centre, Department of English, NEHU, Shillong.

K.C. Baral :Prepared an Optional Course on Indian Fiction in Translation for M.A.

English students.

K.C. Baral : Devised a Course in Computer Application for Students of Literature and trained the III Semester students of the Department in collaboration with Library and Information Science, NEHU, Shillong during August-October, 1998.

## DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH TURA

The English Department of NEHU, Tura Campus was established in 1996 with the objective of bringing higher education to the people residing in the remote hilly regions of Meghalaya. From a humble beginning with 1 Lecturer, the department has steadily developed. In the first year we could admit only 11 students, however, the second year could fill up our quota of 25 students. And last year i.e. in 1998, 23 students were admitted. Results of 1996 batch were declared and all 10 students successfully cleared their final examination. Out of 10 students 9 secured second class and 1 simple pass. During the year the department was also involved in extra curricular activities i.e. organising sports activities extension programme etc. The Library an important wing of any academic department has also been developing and it is now able to cater to the need of the students and teachers in Tura Campus.

**Head :** Professor S Ganguly

### **Faculty :**

Professor : S. Ganguly, M.A.(Delhi), Ph.D.(Ranchi)  
Reader : C.K. Naik, M.A.(Utkal), Ph.D.(NEHU).  
Lecturers : K.C. Joseph, M.A.(Patna), Ph.D. (NEHU)  
S. Gurudev, M.A., M.Phil., Ph.D. (NEHU).

### **Student Intake :**

(a) Enrolment capacity : 25 nos.

(b) Actual admission :	SC/ST/Gen.	Male/Female	Total
	1 22	5 18	23

### **Courses Conducted :**

Poetry I, Fiction I, Drama I, Literary Theory & Criticism I, Poetry II, Fiction II, Drama II, Environment Course (part A) & Indian Writing in English (Part B), Poetry III, Fiction III, Literary Theory and Criticism II & I., Shakespeare, Drama III, Literary Theory and Criticism III, Language II.

## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### AIZAWL

Though the North-Eastern Hill University, Shillong is celebrating its Silver Jubilee, the University in the Mizoram Campus is not yet twenty Five Years old. The department of Education was established in 1980 as the department of Educational Research and Studies to provide teaching for one year course leading to Master of Education (M.Ed) degree and to guide Ph.D. level research projects. Most of the students of the department were teacher educators and educational administrators working in different fields of education in the state. The Master's degree course was however replaced by two years full time M.A.(Education) course from 1986.

Besides teaching at Master's degree level, the faculty of the department have been engaged in writing research papers in books and journals of national and international repute.

**Head :** Dr. R.S.Wangu

#### **Faculty :**

Professor : K.P.Nath, M.A., Ph.D. (Gauh.)  
Readers : R.S.Wangu, M.A., M.Ed., Ph.D. (Panj)  
P.K. Gupta, M.Ed. (Delhi), Ph.D. (Meerut)  
R.P. Vadhera, M.A., Ph.D. (Kuruk)  
Lecturers : B.D. Chinara, M.A., Ph.D. (Panj)  
Lalbiakdiki, M.A. (NEHU)

#### **Student Intake :**

(a) Enrolment capacity	: 20			
(b) Actual admission	:	SC/ST/Gen.	Male/Female	Total
		20 -	6 14	20

#### **Ph.D. :**

Mrs Rokhona Khati Iralu under Dr. P.K. Gupta "An Investigation into the problem of Educational wastage and internal efficiency of the system of primary education in Nagaland".

#### **Courses Conducted :**

Advanced Philosophy of Education; Advanced Psychology of Education; Research Methodology and Statistics in Education; Curriculum Development and Instruction; Educational Management and Change; Advanced Sociology of Education; Educational Testing and Evaluation; Environmental Education; Educational Technology; Educational System in a Comparative perspective; Economics of Education; Education of Creative and Gifted Children; Laboratory Practical; Higher Education in India; Early Childhood Education; Education of disabled and backward.

## Seminars/Conferences :

### Attended :

Dr. R.S.Wangu : Attended National Assessment and Accreditation workshop (organised by NAA Council, Bangalore.) at Shillong on 27.5.98. Seminar on Introduction of a Dynamic Local Government in Mizoram organised by Mizoram Public Administration Association on 20.10.98. Panel Discussion organised by Circle for Contemporary Studies in Aizawl on "Sen : Equality and Polity" on 13.11.98 at Press Club Aizawl. Attended and participated in discussion on the Extension Lecture by Mrs. I. Lal on "Consumer Awareness" organised by the department of Economics, NEHU, Aizawl in collaboration with Centre of Adult & Continuing Education, Shillong, on 25.3.99.

Dr. K.P.Nath : Attended an International Seminar on Poverty in SAARC Countries held at the Rajshahi University, Bangladesh on 19-20 April, 1998, and presented a paper titled 'Poverty Alleviation Programmes in Mizoram : An Appraisal'. Attended and participated in the National Seminar on the Influence of *Ramayana* in the North-East India, sponsored by the Bharatiya Itihas Sankalan Samiti (BISS) held at Silchar on 30-31 August, 1998. Attended the VIIIth Annual Conference of the North-East India Education Society, Shillong held at Dr.Bhashi Bhushan Institute of Education, Hailakandi on 26-27 February, 1999 and presented a paper titled 'Rural Development in Mizoram : the Role of Education'. Attended the Inaugural Ceremony of a Week-long National Integration Camp organised by the North-Eastern Regional Council for Socio-Economic-Cultural and Educational Development, Kohima, Nagaland as a Guest of Honour held on 21 March, 1999 at Zamira, Southern Assam.

Dr. P.K.Gupta : Attended the extension lecture on the theme "Consumer Awareness" delivered by Mrs Lal of Centre for Adult and Continuing Education, Shillong on 25.3.99 organised by department of Economics, NEHU (MC) Aizawl.

Dr. R.P.Vadhera : Participation in Panel Discussion : Acted as a Panelist in the Panel discussion on "Sen : Equality and Polity" organised by Circle of Contemporary Studies, NEHU, 13 November, 1998. Acted as a Resource Person and delivered a talk to T. Romana College student on, "Population Explosion : Socio-Cultural Perspectives". Organised by Adult and Continuing Education Centre of NEHU, November 1998.

### Publications :

Nath,K.P., Lalsangzuala, "A Study of the Socio-Educational Background of Juvenile Delinquents in Mizoram", *Journal of the North-East India Education Society*, Shillong, Vol. IV-VI, 1998.

Nath,K.P., Illiteracy, Ignorance, Irrational Beliefs Vis-a-vis Rural Development, *Souvenir of the NEIES VIIIth Annual Conference* (26-27 Feb,1999).

Nath,K.P., Laskar,N.Y., Model Village Narainpur : A Case Study, *Souvenir of the VIIIth NEIES Annual Conference* (26-27 Feb,1998).

Nath,K.P., Chakrabarty,R., Poverty Alleviation Programmes : Their Achievement in Hailakandi District, *Souvenir of the VIIIth NEIES Annual Conference* (26-27 Feb. 1999).

Nath,K.P., Chakrabarty,J., Non-Conventional Energy Generation : Bio-Gas in Perspective. *Souvenir of the VIIIth NEIES Annual Conference* (26-27 Feb,1999).

Gupta,P.K., *Education for Creativity -Theory. Research and Implications*, Cosmo Publications, New Delhi (Accepted for publication).

Vadhera,R.P., "Students Evaluation of Teachers : An Opinion Survey of Teachers", *University News : A weekly journal of Higher Education*, Vol. 36 No. 30, July 27,1998, pp. 7-11.

Vadhera, R.P., "Positive Aspects of Students' Evaluation of Teachers what Teachers Think About them" *University News : A Weekly journal of Higher Education*, Vol.36, No.46, November 16,1998,pp.

Vadhera,R.P., "Students' Evaluation of Teachers : Why and Why Not ?". *The Educational Review*, December 1998, pp. 10-13.

#### **Thrust Area of Research :**

The Thrust Areas of Research in the department are - Drop-outs of Education & Drug Abuse, Pre School Education, Teacher Education, Educational Activities of Christian Missionaries, Standardisation of Psychological Tests

#### **Research Programme/Project :**

The faculty of the department has been guiding the following research projects

Dr.K.P.Nath.- Educational Activities of various Christian Denominations in Mizoram.

Dr.R.S.Wangu.- A Study of Socio-Psychological Factors of the Drop-outs (13-18 years) in relation to Drug Abuse in Mizoram. A Study of Vocational Interests and Occupational Aspirations of Class X students of district Headquarters of Mizoram as related to SES and Academic Achievement. Study of Professional Efficiency of Teacher Trainees in Mizoram in relation to Teacher Attitude. Adjustment and Intelligence.

Dr.P.K.Gupta. - "Construction and Standardisation of a verbal group test of intelligence in Mizo language for school going children of the age group 13+ and 16+ of Mizoram State".

Dr.R.P. Vadhera. - "An Analytical Study of Pre-School Education in Mizoram". "Child Rearing Practices and Parent Child Relationship in Mizo Family".

## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SHILLONG

The department which was established in the year 1976 was offering courses for the degree of M.Ed., which involved teaching for two semesters. From the year 1982 - 83, M.Ed course was discontinued and M.A. Education (4 semester courses) is being offered. Also the department offers M.Phil and Ph.D. programmes in Education. A good number of students belonging to the region who had obtained various degrees from this department (M.A.,M.Phil, Ph.D. ) are employed in various capacities in the Universities, Colleges, SCERT, Schools and in the Administrative jobs including civil services. The department has produced a good number of M.Phil and Ph.D. degree holders who have covered among other areas, various emerging problems of education with special reference to North Eastern Region.

**Head :** Professor R. Bhattacharjee.

**Faculty :**

- Professors :** P.P. Gokulanathan, M.A.,Ph.D (Gauh.)  
 K.S. Lyngdoh, M.A (Gau.), Ph.D.(Bda)  
 M.S. Padma, M.Ed.(B'lore), Ph.D. (Bda)  
 K.K.Sharma, M.A.,M.Ed.(Panj.), Ph.D.(Bda)  
 M.A. Sudhir, M.A.,Ph.D.(Calicut) (on lien)  
 R.Bhattacharjee, M.A.(Gauh.), Ph.D.(NEHU)
- Readers :** P.K.Ganguli, M.Ed.,Ph.D. (Bda)  
 A. Henia, M.A.(Gauh), Ph.D.(J.Nehru)
- Lecturers :** K.M.Warjri, M.Ed.,Ph.D. (NEHU)  
 S.M.Sungoh, M.A.,Ph.D.(NEHU)  
 C.Nongbri, M.A.,Ph.D. (NEHU)

**Student Intake :**

(a) Enrolment Capacity:	M. A. (30)						
	M. Phil (10)						
(b) Actual admission :	SC	ST	Gen.	Male	Female	Total	
	M.A.	-	19	2	1	20	21
	M.Phil	-	5	-	1	4	5

## Degree Awarded

### *M.Phil*

Sangita Baruah. "An Analytical Study of the Functioning of Jawaharlal Navodaya Vidyalaya in upper Assam." Supervisor, P.P.Gokulanathan.

Sukanta Bhattacharjee. "A study of Academic and Socio - Economic Problems of Secondary School Teachers of Greater Shillong." Supervisor, R. Bhattacharjee.

Bonti Duarah. "A study of the Neoliterates in Kamrup District of Assam." Supervisor, P.K.Ganguly.

Elevenstone Synrem. "Environmental Awareness and Attitude towards Environmental Education among the college students in Greater Shillong." Supervisor, P.K. Ganguly.

### *Ph.D.*

Lalthansangi. "A study of Juvenile Delinquency in Mizoram with special reference to causative factors and curative measures."

## **Courses Conducted:**

Advanced Philosophy of education, Advanced Psychology of Education, Research Methodology and Statistics in Education, Curriculum Development and Instruction, Educational Management & Change, Advanced Sociology of Education, Educational Testing and Evaluation, Environmental Education, Educational Technology, Educational System in a Comparative Perspective, Early Childhood Education, Teacher Education, Laboratory Practical, Higher Education India, Educational Guidance & Counselling, Methods of Teaching at Tertiary Level.

## **Seminars/Conference :**

### *Attended*

Bhattacharjee, R. : Participated and attended the 8th Annual Conference of North East India Education Society held at Hailakandi, Assam on 26-27 February, 1999. Participated in the National Workshop on Professional Development of Primary Education Person through Distance Education, organised by Distance Education Programme (DEP-DPEP) held in New Delhi, 22-24 March, 1999. Acted as a Resource Person for the Extended Counselling Programme for Post-Graduate Diploma Course in Higher Education of IGNOU. Conducted by the IGNOU - Regional Centre, Shillong, during October- November, 1998.

Ganguli, P.K. : Participated in the North East Regional Orientation workshop for National Academic Resource group for Lokshala Programme (Elementary Education). Held at Guwahati from 1-3 April, 1998. Participated in the North East Region Orientation workshop for National Academic Resource group for Lokshala programme (Elementary

Education). Held at Guwahati from 1-3 April, 1998. Attended and participated in 'One day Regional Meet' on the theme 'pressure on pre-school children' which was conducted / organised by the Regional Centre of National Institute of Public cooperation and child development held on Gauhati on 26 February, 1999.

Gokulanathan, P.P. : Worked as Resource person in the extended counselling programme for Post graduate diploma course in higher education of IGNOU conducted by IGNOU - Regional Centre, Shillong during the October-November, 1998.

Henia, A. : Participated the "Regional Workshop on Science Popularisation and Communication" held at Shillong on July, 14-15, 1998 organised by the SCSTE- Meghalaya and NCST -New Delhi. Attended and participated the National Conference on "Management education and Expectation of the Indian Industry", organised by the AIMA, India and Ministry of Industry, Govt. of India, held in New Delhi on 23rd December, 1998. Attended and participated the XII International congress and exhibition Focal theme : Research and Development vision -21st century. Held in New Delhi, during 15-16 January 1999. Organised by the Ministry of Science and Technology, Govt. of India. Participated and presented a paper titled 'Higher Education scenario in the 21st century- future and consideration', in the International Conference on 29th Annual Meet of the AIAET. Theme of the conference: educational culture in the 21st century, knowledge, teacher and technology. Held at Guwahati on 29-31 January 1999. Organised by AIAET, Centre for Educational Technology Regional Engineering College, Silchar sponsored by Ministry of Education, Govt. of Assam. Acted as Resource person in the "Extended counselling programme for the post graduate Diploma course in higher education- IGNOU" conducted by the IGNOU North East Regional Centre, Shillong during Oct-November 1998. Was a Resource person in the One Day Meet on pressure on pre-school school of North East Region and presented a paper titled "Need and importance of pre-school Education, Today". Was a Resource person in the Regional Level Training of Trainers in MICRO Enterprise and small business for women" and presented paper titled 'Economic empowerment of women in the North East, Organised by National Institute of Public co-operation and child development -New Delhi and Centre for Science Education, NEHU, held at Shillong during 22-26 March 1999.

Lyngdoh, K. S.: Participated in the Lokshala programme Nongsder, Umshing Block from 4-8 April, 1998. Participated and presented paper titled "Problems of Women in the North-East" in the XV All India Women Conference- Andra Pradesh during 11-12 November, 1998. Participated and attended the Asian Regional Conference on "Learning the Treasure Within". Held in New Delhi during 27-28 January, 1999. Participated and delivered Key note Address for Pre-School Children, IAPE. Held at Shillong on 25-27 February, 1999. Participated and presented a paper titled "Role of Information Technology in the Education of Women in the North-Eastern Region" in the International Conference, held in New Delhi on 26-27 November, 1998.

Nongbri, C.: Participated and presented a paper titled "Decentralised Planning and Management of School Education in Meghalaya" in the National Conference on Management of School Education India. Organised by the National Institute of Educational Planning

and Administration, New Delhi. Participated & presented a paper titled 'Rights of women and women Empowerment' in the International Conference and 29th Annual Meet of the AIAET. Theme of the Conference : 'Educational culture in the 21st century, Knowledge, Teacher & Technology' held at Guwahati, on 29-31 January, 1999. Organised by AIAET, Centre for Educational technology-Regional Engineering College, Silchar, sponsored by the Ministry of Education, Govt. of Assam. Participated and presented a paper titled "Women and Rural Development with special reference to Meghalaya" in the 8th Annual Conference of the NEIES held at Hailakandi-Assam, on 26-27th February, 1999. Acted as Resource Person for "Training Course on Communication skills and Training Methodology". Organised by the State Institute of Rural Development, Nongsder, Meghalaya on 26-30 October, 1998. Attended and participated a "Workshop on Rights of Women Teachers" held at Guwahati during 16-20 November, 1998 organised by National Institute of Public Co-operation and child Development, New Delhi. Acted as Resource person in the Meet on "Effect of Insurgency on Women and Children" and presented a paper on "Analysis of the state of women & children affected by insurgency", held at Guwahati on 18-19 March, 1999, organised by NIPCCD-North East Regional Centre, Guwahati, Assam.

Padma, M. S : Attended and presided over the inaugural session of the IX National Level Conference -98 of the All India Association of Educational Research. Also chaired on academic session of the said conference. Held at Davanagere, May 1998. Participated and presented a paper titled, "In Service training for Improving Quality Education at Primary Level", at the National Workshop on Professional Development of Primary Education Personnel through Distance Education. Held in New Delhi, March, 1999, organised by Distance Education Programme (DEP- DPEP), New Delhi. Was a Resource person in the "Extended Counselling Programme for the Post-Graduate Diploma Course in Higher Education - IGNOU, Conducted by the IGNOU, North East Regional Centre, Shillong during October-November, 1998. Was a Resource person for UGC Sponsored Refresher Course in Education, Guwahati University, March, 1999.

Sharma, K.K. : Was a course coordinator at the extended counselling programme for post graduate diploma in higher education, IGNOU. Conducted by the Regional Centre IGNOU, held at Shillong during 30th October - 8th November, 1998. Acted as Resource person in "Two Day Workshop for the functionaries at Teacher Training centre for primary teachers in NER under joint project of IGNOU and NCERT, New Delhi. Held at North East Regional Institute of Education, Shillong on 27-28 October, 1998. Acted as resource person at workshop for Academic facilitators under National Open School, New Delhi, held at Regional Centre, IGNOU, Shillong through teleconferencing mode. Acted as programme Director in seminar on Yogic systems and also delivered a talk on 'Science of life based on Ashtanga yoga (classical) of petanjali organised by Woman self Action group, Shillong on 28th November, 1998. Acted as resource person at state level children's science congress, organised by Nagaland Institute of Health, Environmental and social welfare held at Kohima (Nagaland) from 24-25 November 1998. Delivered three lectures to teachers at Army school on (i) Motivation (ii) problems of Adolescent children and (iii) Instructional communication held at Shillong on 28th November, 1998. Participated and presented a paper on 'Useful/ Desirability of admission test for pre-school children' at 'one day regional meet on the pre-

school children' at regional meet' on the theme -pressure on pre-school children at Regional Institute of public co-operation & child Development held at Guwahati on February, 26, 1999. Delivered lectures at Academic Staff College Gauhati University for 'Refresher Course for lectures in Education' during refresher course held at Guwahati University, on 10-11 March, 1999. Chaired the Inaugural Session and presented a perspective on women's role in rural development at the regional level training of trainees in MICRO enterprise and small business of women. Organised by NIPCCD - New Delhi and Centre for Science Education, NEHU held during 22-26 March, 1999. (1998): "Leadership Role of University in Creating Peace: A Spiritual Perspective" in Report of Regional meets on Role of Universities for creating Peace in North-Eastern Region in global perspective under UNESCO sponsored Seminar at the Dept. of Education, Nagaland University, Kohima (1997).

Sungoh, S.M.: Participated and presented a paper titled "co-operative Learning - a special application" at the 8th Annual Conference of North East India Education Society held at Hailakandi on 26-27 February, 1999. Acted as Resource person for a Training Course for Secondary Teachers of Khasi and Jaintia Hills District. Organised by Khasi and Jaintia Conference of SDA, during 16-20 November, 1998.

Warjri, K. M. : Attended the Rajiv Gandhi Memorial Lecture series by Professor B. Pakem on the theme "Coalition politics in North East India" held at NEHU - Shillong organised by ICSSR - North East Regional Centre and NEHU on 26th - 28 November 1998.

#### **Publications:**

Bhattacharjee, R. & Paul, S. (1998-'1999) : 'A study of Teacher Attitude of secondary school Teachers of Cachar District of Assam'. *Journal of North East India Education Society* Vol.IV-VI, PP 24-30.

Bhattacharjee, R. (1998-1999) : "Classroom management and Teaching" *Journal of North East India Education Society* Vol.IV-VI, PP 41-43.

Ganguli, P.K. & Syiem, E. (1998-'1999) : "Attitude of college students in Shillong towards Environmental Education", *Proceedings of North East India Education Society Seventh Annual Conference*. PP 80-83.

Gokulanathan, P.P. & Neingtim Kim : (1998-'1999) : 'Non cognitive parameters as desirable outcomes of higher education'. *Journal of North East India Education Society* Vol.IV-VI. PP 54-56.

Gokulanathan, P.P. (1998-1999) : 'Local initiatives as facilitators of development vis-a-vis spread of education in rural areas; A peep into the North East India situation', *Souvenir, NEIES VIII Annual Conference*, PP 12-15.

Gokulanathan, P.P. (1998-1999) : 'A Global face to Indian Higher Education: some reflections'. *Journal of Education, Dibrugarh University*, Sixth Issue.

Henia, A (1998-1999) : 'Women's Empowerment and Education for 21st century in North East India perspectives', *Proceedings of North East India Education Society of the Seventh Annual Conference*. P.P.88-90.

Henia, A.(1998-1999) : Soil Conservation: Need and Education in the Hill areas of North East India' *Journal of North East India Education Society* Vol. IV-VI. PP 1-3.

Henia, A. (January'99) : 'Higher Education scenario in the 21st century-Future consideration', *Conference souvenir; International Conference and the 29th Annual Meet of the AIAET, Guwahati, Assam*. P.P.19-20.

Nongbri, C. (1998) : 'Decentralised Planning and Management of School Education in Meghalaya'. *Management of School Education in India - National Institute Report of Educational Planning and Administration*, New Delhi. P.P.51-59 .

Nongbri, C. (January '99) : "Rights of Women and Women Empowerment", *Conference Souvenir; International Conference & the 29th Annual Meet of the AIAET, Guwahati, Assam*. PP 59.

Nongbri, C. (1998-'99): "The Role of Distance Education Then & Now" *Journal of North-East India Education Society*, Vol. IV-Vi, PP. 57-60.

Padma, M. S. (June 1998) : "Education of Girls : A Social Responsibility" *Journal of All India Association for Educational Research*, Vol-10, Nos. 1&2, March & June, 1998.

Sungoh, S. M.(1998-99): 'Measurement and Evaluation in Higher Education', *Journal of North East India Education Society* Vol.IV- VI. PP.31-37.

### **Study Tour/Field Trips :**

Students of the Department numbering 40, went on study tour to Guwahati-Howrah-Madras-Bangalore-Goa-Bombay under the supervision of Dr. S. M. Sungoh and Dr. C. Nongbri for the period from 2.9th December, 1998 to 24th January, 1999.

### **Thrust Area of Research :**

- (a) Educational Systems in North Eastern Region .
- (b) Environmental Education.

### **Research Programmes/Projects :**

Gokulanathan, P. P : " A Study of the Working and Management of Navodaya Vidyalayas in the North East Region" Final Report in Progress.

## DEPARTMENT OF GARO

This Department established in 1996, caters to the aspirations of students desiring to study Garo Language and Literature at a higher level. The Department is constantly making efforts to impart a sound knowledge of literary and linguistic concepts. Keeping section 4 of the NEHU Act, 1973 in view, the Department has stressed on instruction as well as intellectual advancement and improvement in academic performance and cultural awareness in students, which in turn may be disseminated to the society at large. The first batch of students passed out in 1998 with flying colours. The members of the teaching staff are sparing no efforts to acquire more teaching materials from various sources to supplement what is already available. Efforts are on to involve students in research work and to instil understanding of the Garo culture in order to widen their intellectual horizons.

**Head :** Professor (Mrs) Caroline R. Marak

**Faculty :**

Professor : Caroline R. Marak, M.A. (Gauh), Ph.D. (NEHU)  
 Lecturers : Fameline K. Marak, M.A. (NEHU)  
 Jacqueline R. Marak, M.Ed. (Bhubaneswar).

**Student Intake :**

(a) Enrolment capacity	:	M.A. 25			
(b) Actual admission	:	SC/ST/GENL.	MALE/FEMALE	TOTAL	
		25 —	6 19	25	

**Bridge Course in Garo :**

SC/ST/Gen.	Male/Female	Total
— 11 —	5 6	11

**Courses Conducted :**

M.A. : History of Garo Language & Literature, Poetry I, Drama I Fiction I, Linguistics I, Poetry II, Drama II, Prose I, Linguistics II, Environmental Studies, Literary Theory & Criticism, Modern Poetry (1949-1985), Literature in Translation, Garo Folklore, Tragedy as a Literary Form, Indian Literature in English.

**Seminars/Conferences :**

*Attended :*

C.R. Marak presented a paper titled "Ramayana and the Legend of Dikki" in the National Seminar on Ramayana in the North-East organised by *Bharatiya Itihas Sankalan Samity*,

at Silchar on 30th & 31st August 1998.

**Organised:**

Extension lecture on "The English Language in Education; America and India" on 24.3.1999 by Robbins Burling, Professor of Anthropology, University of Michigan.

**Study Tour/Field Trips:**

Students and staff made field study trip to A'durage village at Arbella on 9-11-98.

**Thrust Area of Research**

Collection of Folklore materials, traditional oral poetry and culture.

**Other Activities :**

Students and staff organised a cultural show for the M.Phil. students and staff of Folklore Research Department of Gauhati University, Assam on 11th March 1999.

C.R.Marak went to Paris in the month of October '98 for research work under Indo-French Cultural Exchange Programme.

## DEPARTMENT OF HINDI

The Department of Hindi, established in 1996, has been offering regular classes at the M.A. level since its inception and attracting students from almost all the states of North-Eastern India. Keeping in mind the broader concept of Hindi literature and language, the Department wants to create awareness among the students in relation to the socio-cultural development of the region. The gradual increase in the number of students in the department is a testimony of the popularity of the subject and its utility and relevance in the North-Eastern region.

The Department is planning to start M.Phil and Ph.D. programmes as well as other research activities in the field of Hindi literature and language along with comprehensive and comparative study of Hindi and other regional languages of North-Eastern India in the near future.

**Head :** Dr. M P Pandey (i/c)

**Faculty :**

Lecturer : Dr. M.P.Pandey, M.A.,Ph.D. (Kashi V)

### Student Intake :

(a) Enrolment capacity : M.A. 30

(b) Actual admission :	SC	ST	Gen.	Male	Female	Total
	1	5	23	10	19	29

### Courses Conducted :

Aadhunik Kavita (Chhayabad Tak) aur Paryavaran parak Kavya, Hindi Gadya - Natak aur Nibandh, Hindi Sahitya Ka Itihas-One (Aadikal aur Bhaktikal), Bhartia Kavya Sastra (I), Chhayavadottar Kavita, Hindi Gadya : Upnyas aur Kahani, Hindi Sahitya ka Itihas (II) (Ritikal aur Aadhunik Kal), Bharatiya Kavya shastra & Smiksha sidhant, Aadhunik Kavya , Hindi Sahitya Ka Itihas, Hindi Nivandha, Bhartiya Kavya Shastra avm Smiksha Sidhanta, Chhayavadottar Kavita, Hindi Sahitya Ka Itihas (Ritikal aur Aadhunik kal), Special Study (Premchand), History of Sanskrit Literature.

### Seminars/Conferences :

A "Gosthi" & 'Kavi-Sammelan' was organised on 21st November 1998 in the Department of Hindi to pay homage to 'Jana Kavi Nagarjun'.

### Visiting Professors/Fellows :

Professor S.K.Mishra, M.A. D.Litt. (Patna)

Professor R.K.Verma, M.A. D.Phil. (Alld.) (upto 31st May 1998)

Professor S.N.Pandey, Ph.D. (BHU) (from 16th November 1998)

## DEPARTMENT OF KHASI

The Khasi Department came into being on the 29th September 1981, when it was formally opened as an Academic Department of the North Eastern Hill University. The first batch of students admitted were 35 (thirty five) in number, of whom 7 (seven) passed in the first Division, 28 (twenty eight) passed in the Second Division.

The core areas of study chosen by the Department were Khasi Literature, Khasi Linguistics and Khasi Culture. However, due to lack of good quality text books, particularly those in literary theory and literary criticism, the first syllabus of the Department had to incorporate a few courses in English Literature and English Literary Theory and Criticism. This was done with the view of making students aware of the great literary traditions of the Western World, particularly those of Greek, Latin and English. For some of these courses, the Department had to depend on the help of teachers from English Department, NEHU.

The Department has been able to hold 5 (five) Refresher Courses for University and College teachers. It has also held various seminars and workshops on the three core areas of study, namely, Khasi Literature, Khasi Linguistics and Khasi Culture.

**Head :** Dr. (Mrs) B.War

**Faculty :**

Professor : B.L.Swer, M.A. (Gau.), Ph.D. (NEHU)  
 Readers : M.B.Jyrwa, M.A. (Gau.), Ph.D. (NEHU)  
               : B.War, M.A. (Delhi), Ph.D. (Lond.)  
 Lecturers : S. Dkhar, M.A., Ph.D. (NEHU)  
               : A.Kharmalki, M.A., M.Phil. (NEHU)

**Students Intake :**

a) Enrolment capacity : M.A. = 33  
 b) Actual admission :     ST   Male   Female   Total  
                                   33    5     28     33

**Degrees Awarded :**

*M.Phil :*

Ms. Ailynty Nongbri "Standardisation of Khasi". Supervisor, Dr. B.War.

Mr. Rockyer L. Nonglait : "A Study of Literary Criticism on the Khasi Novel". Supervisor, Dr. B.War.

Ms. Ibaphimon Liam : "Major Themes in Khasi Drama from 1980-1990 with special reference to R.Nongkynrih's Ka Bniat namar ka Bniat, R. Phankon's U Kiang Nongbah and Mynhynnin mynta Lashai and L.H.Pde's Yn Map?". Supervisor, Dr. B.War.

Ms. Pynhunlang Kharkulia : "Ka Samla Nongkyndong ka Bishar Bniah kum ka Saindur Thymmai". Supervisor, Professor B.L. Swer.

*Ph.D.*

Mr. Sylvanus Lamare, "Linguistics awareness among the Khasi" (Late) Professor H.W.Sten joint Supervisor Dr. M.B.Jyrwa.

**Courses Conducted :**

Linguistics I, Khasi Poetry from 1888-1940, Khasi Literary Criticism, Khasi Fiction I, Linguistics II, Khasi Drama I, Literary Theory to Criticism, Culture in Khasi Literature I, Literature in Translation, Linguistics III, Khasi Fiction II, Khasi Poetry II, Khasi Drama I, Culture in Khasi Literature II, Linguistics IV (Socio-Linguistics) & Environmental Awareness in Khasi

Literature.

### **Seminars/Conferences :**

#### *Organised:*

Dr.B.L.Swer as President of Khasi Authors' Society organised a seminar in collaboration with the Planning Department Meghalaya on "Development of Khasi Language and Literature" on July 1998. "P.R.Pariat : An Unsung Khasi Playwright" Paper presented at the Symposium on "The Life and Words of Khasi Authors" organised by the Directorate of Art and Culture, Government of Meghalaya.

#### *Attended:*

Dr. B.War "Ka Jingpule ia ka ktien bad ka ktien Thoh ha ka Khasi" (Study of Language and Orthography in Khasi) Paper presented at the Seminar on Development of Khasi Language and Literature" organised by Khasi Authors' Society and Planning Department, Government of Meghalaya July 1998. "The Life and Work of Thomas Jones" Paper presented at the Symposium on The Life and Works of Khasi Authors organised by the Directorate of Art and Culture, Government of Meghalaya.

Dr. S. Dkhar (1) Paper presented at the Seminar on "Development of Khasi Language And Literature" on 11.7.98 organised by Khasi Authors Society And Planning Department, Government of Meghalaya, "Ka Kolshor U Khasi Kumba Ka Paw Ha Ki Drama Khasi. Symposium on the Life And Works of Khasi authors organised by the Directorate of Art And Culture, Meghalaya, Shillong on the 3rd & 4th November, 1998. Title of the paper Presented, "R.S.Lyngdoh : His Contribution to Khasi Literature and Politics". National Seminar on women writing In the North East on 11th & 12th March, 1999, organised by the CIEFL, regional centre, Shillong. Title of the paper presented, "Women and Translation in Khasi Literature".

### **Publications :**

War,B. Ka Saia Jingtip (Co-authored) Published by *Syngkhong Kyntiew Ri*. 1998.

Jyrwa,M.B. Ka Saia Jingtip (Co-authored) *Syngkhong Kyntiew Ri*, 1998.

Swer,B.L. Halor Ki Siej Khongpong, Shillong 1998. Ka Saia Jingtip (Co-authored) *Syngkhong Kyntiew Ri*. 1998.

### **Study Tour/Field Trips :**

Field Trip to Mawphlang Sacred Grove on 8th April 1998.

## Thrust Areas of Research :

Khasi Linguistics, Khasi Literature, Khasi Culture and Folkloristics.

**Research Programme :** M.Phil and Ph.D. Programmes.

## DEPARTMENT OF LINGUISTICS

The Department of Linguistics which came into existence in 1988 was located in Kohima, Nagaland, till 1995. The two faculty members taught the Language Courses in the English Department in 1990-1992, with Professor J. War taking charge of the same department during the period. From 1993-95, the department undertook research, on Naga Languages and related issues. When the department shifted to Shillong in 1996 after the establishment of the Nagaland Central University, the M.A Programme was started. The department has been receiving an increasing number of applicants, but lack of infrastructure and staff has hampered research work, expansion and development. However, monographs on 'Language Policy in Education for Nagaland' and 'Language and Society in Nagaland' have been completed. Compiling and editing of 'Aspects of Garo' 'Nongtalang, a dialect of Khasi' 'Word and Sentence List in Naga languages' is underway as the department's contribution to the very limited research and materials on North East languages and related issues.

**Head :** Professor Juanita War

### Faculty :

Professor : Juanita War, Ph.D (Edinburgh)  
Reader : R. Sachdeva, Ph.D ( Pune )

### Student intake:

a) Enrolment capacity	: 30				
b) Actual Admission	:	SC/ST	Gen	Male	Female
		29	1	5	25

### Courses Conducted :

Introduction to Linguistics, Dialectology, Morphology and Introductory Syntax, Phonetics and Phonology, Semantics, Socio Linguistics & Sociology of Language, Psycholinguistics & Language Learning, Language Teaching and Testing, Advanced Syntax, Historical and Comparative Linguistics, South Asia as a Linguistics Area, Linguistics

**Seminars/Conferences :**

Dr. R. Sachdeva participated as a Resource Personnel in the Workshop on Translation Studies organised by KATHA in collaboration with CIEFL, Shillong in Oct, '98. Presented a paper on "Problems of establishing Semantic equivalence in translation"

Dr R. Sachdeva - Seminar on "Anthropology and Allied Disciplines in the North East : last fifty years". Presented a paper on "Language in North East" (26th - 27th March, '99 Department of Anthropology, NEHU, Shillong.).

**Visiting Fellows:**

- 1998 ;
- (1) Professor K.V.Subbarao, Delhi University
  - (2) Dr. G. Sengupta, Hyderabad Central University.
  - (3) Dr. L. Chhange, -do-
  - (4) Mr. R. R. Mantri -do-
  - (5) Mrs T. K. Bamon -do-

**Floating Post:**

- (1) Ms N. S. Mukherji, Lecturer.

**Publications:**

Dr. J. War. The Khasi Concept of Family: Changes in structure and Function. In P. M Chacko ed. Matriliney in Meghalaya; *Tradition and Change*, New Delhi, Regency Publications, 1998- PP. 16 - 30.

**Thrust Area of Research : Tibeto-Burman (Garo)**

**Research Programme/Project :**

Compiling a booklet on Aspects of Garo; 'Nongtalang, a dialect of Khasi' 'Word and Sentence list in Naga Languages'

**Other Activities :**

Professor J. War - Member of panel of Linguistics of (U.G.C).

## DEPARTMENT OF MIZO

The Department of Mizo, NEHU, Mizoram Campus established in 1997, is the first Mizo department in the Universities of the World. The Department was inaugurated by the Vice-Chancellor of NEHU, (Dr. Pakem) on 6th August 1997. It was started with four Guest Lecturers.

The Department aims at imparting to its students not only the ability to study language and literature, but also enable them to take a mature and balanced view of the world with special emphasis on socio-cultural, religions folkloristic, and linguistic excellence. The first regular Reader Dr. Lalitluangliana Khiangte had joined the University on 8th February 1999 to take care of the newly established department.

**Head :** Dr. Lalitluangliana Khiangte (Acting)

### Faculty :

Reader : Lalitluangliana Khiangte, M.A., Ph.D. (NEHU), D.Litt. (I.U.Wash)  
Lecturers : Guest Lecturers - 6

### Student Intake :

(a) Enrolment capacity: M.A. 23

(b) Actual admission :	SC/ST	Gen	M	F	Total
	- 23	-	12	11	23

### Seminars/Conferences :

#### Attended:

Dr. Lalitluangliana Khiangte, Resource person in Writers' Workshop, on June 1-3, 1999 at SCERT Auditorium, organised by Adult Education, Mizoram & State Resource Centre, Shillong. Presented documents in National Tribal Scholars' Workshop at Baroda on 20-21, March 1999, organised by the National Academy of Letters.

### Publications :

Khiangte, Lalitluangliana "*Pasaltha Khuangchera*" (Collection of Plays) : 1997. L.T.L. Publications, Aizawl.

Khiangte, Lalitluangliana. "*Infiamna Khawvel Leh Rawngbawlna*" (Mission & Sports : Text book of Missionary training) 1998 : Synod Mission Board, Aizawl.

Khiangte, Lalitluangliana. "*Mizo Folklore - I : Folktales of Mizoram*", 1997 : Art & Culture Department, Mizoram.

## Other Activities :

Dr.Khiangte's book "Pasaltha Khuangchera" has been judged as the winner of Book of the Year - 1997 (Award). Out of 120 books published in Mizo Language in the year 1997 and was also awarded Doctor of Literature (D.Litt) by the International University, Washington D.C., 1999.

## Thrust Areas :

Mizo Folk Literature & World Literature.

## DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY

The Department of Philosophy, a unit of the School of Humanities and Education came into existence in 1974. The same year it started its M.A. Programme. Only in 1979, the M.Phil Programme was introduced.

The objective of the Department has been to develop the logical and analytical ability of the students to critically reflect on various issues that confront them. The general direction of the Department has been to give, both in teaching and research special attention to such areas of philosophical thought as would facilitate the achievement of an authentic awareness among the students with regard to their own culture and tradition in the broader context of what is usually known as Indian Philosophy, Analytical Philosophy, Moral Philosophy, Logic, Philosophy of Religion and History of Western Philosophy.

The Department has been doing extremely well conducting research in tribal culture and tribal religion. Courses have been offered both at MA and M.Phil level, thereby making the tribal students of North-East appreciate their own tribal heritage.

**Head :** Professor (Mrs) S. Miri

## Faculty :

**Professors :** Mrinal Miri, M.A.(Delhi), Ph.D. (Camb.)  
(on deputation as Director, IAAS, Shimla.)

Mrs. S.Miri, M.A.,Ph.D. (Delhi)  
N. Malla, M.A. (Utkal), Ph.D. (IIT Kanpur)

**Readers :** C.R. Agera, M.A.(Madras), Ph.D. (Delhi)  
Jagat Pal, M.A. (Alld.), Ph.D. (IIT Kanpur)

S.C. Daniel, M.A. (Ann.), Ph.D. (NEHU)

**Lecturers :** X.P. Mao, M.A.(NEHU), M.Phil (Delhi), M.Litt. (Sydney)  
E.R. Tongper, M.A.,Ph.D. (NEHU)  
L. Lenka, M.A. (Utkal), Ph.D.(Hyderabad)

## Student Intake :

a) Enrolment capacity : 50

b) Actual admission :	SC	ST	OBC	Gen	Male	Female	Total
	2	20	1	27	20	30	50

## Degrees Awarded :

### Ph.D.

Mitali Choudhury, "Some Problems in Applied Ethics". Supervisor, Dr. S.C. Daniel.

P.C. Biaksiana, "A Critical Appraisal from the Perspective of the Philosophy of Religion". Supervisor, Dr. C.R. Agera.

Joyanti Paul, "Some Central Problems in Philosophical Logic". Supervisor, Dr. S.C. Daniel.

## Courses Conducted :

Symbolic Logic, Moral Philosophy-I and Environmental Ethics, Philosophy of M.K. Gandhi, Indian Metaphysics, Philosophy of Culture, Aristotle, Analytic Philosophy, Later Philosophy of Wittgenstein.

## Seminars/Conference :

### Attended:

Mrs. S. Miri: Attended a Seminar on "The Shared Social Ecology of the Seven Himalayan Countries" at Bhopal on 26-28 November, 1998.

Jagat Pal: Attended a Conference on "History and Testimony" North-East India History Association Kohima Session from 3rd December to 5th December, 1998.

C.R. Agera: Attended and delivered the key-note address in August, 1998 at the commencement of the Scholastic year of the Sacred Heart Theological College, Shillong.

## Publications :

Malla, N., "Nationalism, Regionalism and Philosophy of National Integration" (ed) Regency Publications, New Delhi (1998).

Agera, C.R.. "Theology and Our Earth" (Address) in the *Diamond Jubilee Souvenir of the Sacred Heart Theological College*, Edt. Dr. Francis Fernandez, pp. 74-79.

Pal, Jagat., "Does the idea of Niskama Karma rest on a mistake?" *Journal of Indian*

Council of Philosophical Research, Vol.32, No.4, December, 1998.

Pal, Jagat., "The Right to Suicide", *Journal of Value Inquiry*, Vol.32, No.4, December, 1998.

Pal, Jagat., "The Concept of Nation" in N. Malla (ed). *Nationalism, Regionalism and Philosophy of National Integration*, Regency Publications, New Delhi, 1998.

Pal, Jagat., "History and Testimony" in the *Proceedings of North-East India History Association*, Kohima Session, 1998.

Tat Tvam Asi : The Universal Message in the Bhagavadgita, *Journal of Indian Council of Philosophical Research*, Vol.XVI, No.2, 1998.

Daniel, S.C., 'Ethnic Identity and Development in India's North-East : A Conspectus' - *In Liberalization and India's North-East* (ed) Gurudas and R.K. Purkayastha, Commonwealth Publishers, New Delhi, 1998, pp. 236-46.

Daniel, S.C., 'Philosophy of National Integration in Indian Context' - *In Nationalism, Regionalism and Philosophy of National Integration* (ed) N.Malla, Regency Publication, New Delhi, pp. 51-59.

Daniel, S.C., 'Emergency Trends in Philosophy : North-East India Scenario' - *in Trends in Social Sciences and Humanities in North East India*, (ed) J.P. Singh, R. Gopalakrishnan, L.S. Gassah, D.R.Syiemlieh, C.J.Thomas, Regency Publication, New Delhi, pp. 76-86.

Daniel, S.C., 'Sri Aurobindo's Theory of History : A Philosophical Investigation' - in *Proceedings of North-East India History Association*, (ed) D.R.Syiemlieh, Kamala Art Press, Wathapbroo, Shillong.

Lenka, L., "Foundationalism beneath Wittgenstein's Private Language Argument" *The Philosophical Quarterly*, Vol.IV, No.3-4, 1998, pp.135-148.

### **Thrust Area of Research :**

Although the Department is cohesive in many ways, it is difficult to say that the faculty is or can be organised around a very specific area of philosophy, particularly in view of the extreme inter-connectedness of the various areas. All that can be said is that there has been considerable work done on the tribal cultures; and on several conventional problem areas of Philosophy. The two projects under the Departmental Research Support Programme might enable us to crystallise a thrust area (s).

### **Other Activities :**

The Department Weekly Seminar (on Wednesday).

## CENTRE FOR SUPPORTING LEARNING SYSTEMS

The Centre for Supporting Learning Systems consists of 3 units namely the Unit for Adult and Continuing Education, established in 1974 as a centre which is engaged in numerous activities not only in the three States of Meghalaya, Mizoram and Nagaland but also in the other North Eastern States as well with a view to bring about a meaningful and closer link between the University and the people of this region. The primary objective of the Centre is to create awareness on important issues at the grass root level with particular reference to overall and diverse learning needs of all segments of the people of the community and sensitise community leaders, administrators, political leaders and elders on issues relating to Adult literacy, Income generation, Status of women and Women studies, Skill Improvement Activities, Population Education, Consumer Protection. Besides, the Centre is also extending academic support in the development of teaching and learning materials pertaining to societal needs. It also organises programmes in collaboration with other sister departments of the University and also with State Government departments and other organisations both at the State and National level.

The other unit as the Unit for Distance Education, came into being in 1985 to organise and introduce Distance Education Programme in the University.

**Head :** Professor M C Pandey

### **Faculty :**

Professors : M C Pandey, M.Sc ( Ranchi), Ph.D ( Minn)  
B. Lyndem Laso, Ph.D. (NEHU)  
Lecturer : H K Synrem, M.A.(Dib), Ph.D (NEHU)  
Project Officers: E Jyrwa, M.A Ph.D (NEHU)  
I Lall, M.A (Patna ), M.S (S.III)

### **Seminars/Conferences :**

#### *Attended:*

B Lyndem Laso : Education for Development CISEMT Seminar delivered a talk on the "Total Literacy Campaign in the NE Region of India." Reading University, London. Attended and presented a paper in the Summer Institute of Linguistics and Mutual Exchange with International Institute of Education at London University in U.K. and Kings College Education w.e.f. 7.5.98 to 27.5.98. Attended 5th Sub Regional workshops on the 'Development of Basic Literacy Learning Materials for Unreached Population in South Asia' held at Tehran, Iran, organised by 'Asia Cultural Centre & UNESCO w.e.f. 5.10.98 to 15.10.98. Attended as a Resource Person for 'Empowerment of Women' organised by Nyuuoung Maoh Women society, Wakching Mon District, Nagaland on 9th -11th January 1999.

E.Jyrwa: Attended the North East Zone meet of the North East Indigenous and Tribal People at the District Library Auditorium, Guwahati on 21st May 1998 and presented a paper

on 'The major ethnic issues in the Khasi and Jaintia Hills District of Meghalaya'. Attended the International conference on Environment and Health organised by the Parisara Vijnana Parishad, (Bangalore) and Karnataka Environment Research foundation, Bangalore at CSIC-IISC on 14th to 16th December, 1998 and presented paper on 'Solid waste Management - a case study of a Hill town Shillong in Meghalaya'.

#### **Organised:**

E.Jyrwa: Role of Women organisers for Rural development in collaboration with the State Institute of Rural Development for all the Seven Blocks of the East Khasi Hills District, Meghalaya at SIRD, Nongsder, Umiam on 16.7.98. Workshop on 'Role of forestry in environment Conservation' in collaboration with the Forestry Department, Aizawl at Forestry Department, NEHU Campus, Aizawl on 25.3.99.

H.K. Synrem : Organised workshop cum Symposium on 'Economic upliftment and Environmental Preservation' at Pomlum High School on 31.07.98. Workshop on 'Skill Improvement and observance of breast feeding week' on 18.8.98 at Kolasib, Mizoram. Workshop on 'the role of women organisers for rural development' in collaboration with the State Institute of Rural Development for the seven blocks of the East Khasi Hills District, Meghalaya at SIRD, Nongsder on 16.7.98.

#### **Research Programmes :**

Literacy & Population Education Project, Financed by Department of Education, Government of India, New Delhi.

#### **Course Conducted :**

Certificate Course on Adult Education : (Regular teaching course of the Centre) First Semester - 1998 (August - December 1998) Number of participants 5 : (Male 0 : Female - 5) ST-4, Others - 1.

Literacy Programme : Keeping in view the aims and objectives of the National Literacy Mission for the eradication of literacy in the State of Meghalaya, the Centre is involved in mobilising people's participation in the literacy programme. The Centre has also established J.S.N. as post literacy programmes. As of now 6 J.S.N. has been opened, 2 in Meghalaya, 2 in Mizoram and 2 in Nagaland.

#### **Population Education Resource Centre :**

The UGC-UNFPA project entered the third stage (Phase - III). The basic objective of Phase - III has been focused on important issues in the service area namely Drug and Drug abuse, AIDS and Environment in relation to growing population. The message will be communicated through Advocacy, awareness through extension lectures and short duration Certificate Course involving B.Ed and M.Ed students in Colleges located in remote areas.

### **Material Development:**

Reading material on Adult Education - A.C.E Series IV, 1999

### **Other Activities:**

Organised Programme on Improved Techniques of Cultivation followed by a Debate Competition at Kyiem, Mawphlang on 25.7.98.

Organised Poster Campaign and Extension Lectures on 'Environment, Drugs and Alcohol' at Laban on the 8.4.98.

Organised Awareness programme on Adolescent Education, Role of women in preservation of Environment at Smit on the 5.8.98.

Organised 'Run for a Cleaner Laban' on the 13.4.98.

### **Educational Tour :**

Dr. M C Pandey attended and participated in the Evaluation of Population Education Programme in higher Education at Phillippines from June 16 to June 26 and Thailand from June 27 to July 2, 1998. The trip was sponsored by UGC-UNFPA. Organised Health and Nutrition Education Programme at Laitjem Village on 5.6.98. Staging of Drama based on a short play ' Ka borbah ki jingbam'. Population and Development at Ramana College, Aizawl, November 5, 1998. AIDS-NEHU-P.G Economics Aizawl, November 6, 1998. Poster painting competition Aizawl North College, Mizoram. Consumer awareness and women empowerment at Aizawl, NEHU Campus, Mizoram on 26.3.1999. Health awareness programme at Mawlyndep on 30.3.99. Health awareness programme at Umsning on 27.3.99. Counselling on Drug addiction, Family problems and alcoholism. Concurrent Evaluation on total Literacy Campaign in Jaintia Hills District, Meghalaya.

The Centre organised short term courses on Adult Education at Tura and Shillong. And also short term courses on Population Education at Jowai, Kolasib, Tura, Aizawl and Shillong.

### **Publications :**

Pandey M C.( 1998) Foodgrain production in the North Eastern Region, *Proceedings of the NEIHA*, 223-229.