

One North East Music Festival

8 Bands from 8 NE States performed for Peace, Unity & Harmony on Founder's Day 2024



USTM hosted a spectacular celebration of music, unity, and cultural harmony with OneNorthEast-1.0, a grand musical festival on 30th November 2024 to mark the university's Founder's Day. The event brought together eight exceptional bands from the eight northeastern states of India, creating a mesmerizing symphony of cultural integration. Organized by Mawjam Event Network, Shillong, under the visionary leadership of legendary pop-rock icon Dr. Lou Majaw, the festival celebrated the themes of love, peace, and togetherness, delivering a powerful message of unity across the region.

The participating music bands were The Eternal Triangle (Assam), Techi (Arunachal Pradesh), Even Flow (Mizoram), Roll Heads (Sikkim), Rewben Mashangva (Manipur), Aseno Metha (Nagaland), Pillow Records (Tripura) and Lou Majaw & The Electric Garden (Meghalaya).

Dr. Lou Majaw highlighted the festival's significance thus: "The concept of 'One North East' is crucial. Despite our differences, we must remain united. Events like this demonstrate the strength of coming together to inspire peace, harmony, and progress in society." The OneNorthEast Music Festival will be an annual event and is poised to become a defining cultural event, showcasing the northeastern region's vibrant musical heritage and shared aspirations for a united future.



NMC Grants Approval to PIMC with 150 MBBS Seats Intake

USTM achieved a significant milestone in its educational journey with the nod from the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India and National Medical Commission (NMC) approving the PA Sangma International Medical College (PIMC), a joint venture of USTM and the Government of Meghalaya.

In this context, a press conference was addressed on 6th October 2024 by Shri Mahbubul Hoque, Founder Chancellor USTM; Prof GD Sharma, Vice Chancellor USTM; Padma Shri Dr Sarbeswar Sahariah, Pro VC USTM; Dr RK Sharma, Advisor USTM; Prof Dr Biraj Kumar Das, Principal, PIMC; and Dr Rashna Dass Hazarika, Medical Superintendent PIMC.

Addressing the media, Shri Mahbubul Hoque said, "This is a historic achievement for USTM and a crucial step in our journey to contribute meaningfully to the healthcare sector of the region and the nation. From now onwards patients and students need not go outside the region for healthcare services." Speaking to the media, Padma Shri Dr Sarbeswar Sahariah said, "PA Sangma International Medical College and Hospital is also planning a super specialty hospital within the premise of USTM. This would be a 1000-bed hospital which would cater to the need of the patients from the entire North East and other parts of the country." The college will offer a competency-based curriculum designed to foster the development of medical professionals who are equipped to meet the healthcare needs of society.



ERDF Barak Talent Fest 2024 Commences to Foster Science & Tech Among Rural Students

Talent Fest & Space and Drone Tech Exhibition for Rural Children at ERDF Founder's Day-2024

The ERD Foundation Guwahati launched the Barak Talent Fest 2024 as part of its Founder's Day celebrations, aiming to ignite interest in science and technology among rural students. This three-day festival, hosted by ERDF institutions across the Barak Valley from 27th to 29th November, featured a unique Space and Drone Technology Exhibition—a first for the region—alongside a host of talent competitions and the Fit India Marathon 2024, engaging students, parents, and educators.

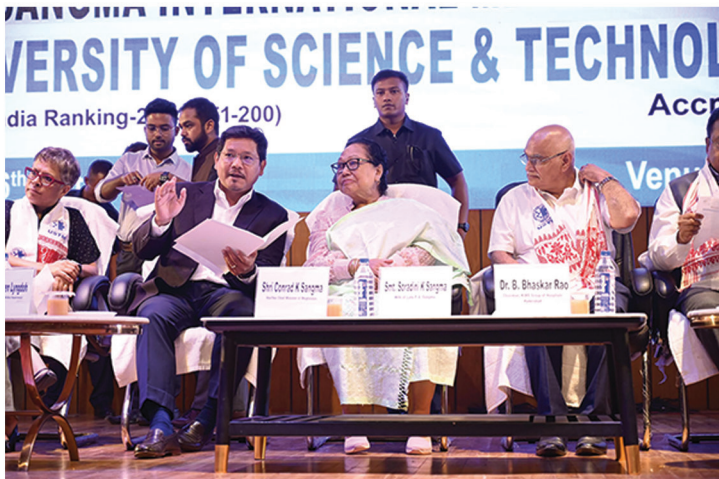


The event at Central Public School Patharkandi (CPSP) on 28th November was graced by eminent dignitaries, including Prof. Satyadeo Poddar, Vice Chancellor of Maharaja Bir Bikram University, Tripura; Prof. Manabendra Dutta Choudhury, Vice Chancellor of Rabindranath Tagore University; along with Shri Mahbubul Hoque, Founder Chancellor of USTM and Chairman of ERDF; Prof. G.D. Sharma, Vice Chancellor of USTM and Dr RK Sharma, Advisor USTM. On 29th November, the event witnessed inspiring addresses by Prof. GD Sharma, Vice Chancellor of USTM, Dr. Bibhas Deb, Principal of Guru Charan College, Silchar, and Mr. Hilal Uddin Laskar, Principal of SS College, Hailakandi. The highlight of the event was the dynamic and motivational speech delivered by Shri Mahbubul Hoque.

During the Founder's Day celebration, the ERDF institutions in Barak Valley including CPSP, CPSB, KNB Women's College Badarpur, and Allama TR College of Pharmacy Badarpur organized the Barak Talent Fest 2024. Activities in the two schools included inter-school debates, science model competitions, Quiz competitions, arts and crafts exhibitions, essay writing, poem and song composition and presentation, cultural performances, among others. Winners were felicitated with attractive cash prizes and trophies by the esteemed delegates. The event also featured the presentation of the Founder's Excellence Award 2024, honoring outstanding teachers from both schools.

Another key feature of the celebration in the two schools is the Fit India Marathon, organized as part of the 6th edition of Fit India Week under the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports. Barak Talent Fest 2024 sets the tone for what promises to be a remarkable journey into ERDF's silver jubilee year 2025 and beyond, reinforcing its legacy of building a brighter future for rural students and communities.

Meghalaya CM joins Celebration at USTM



The USTM family proudly celebrated the approval of the first private medical college in Meghalaya, PA Sangma International Medical College & Hospital—by the NMC on 26th October 2024. The grand event was graced by Chief Minister Conrad K Sangma, along with his mother Soradini K Sangma, wife of Late PA Sangma, and other esteemed guests. The event was also joined by Dr. M Ampareen Lyngdoh, Minister of Health & Family Welfare; Shri Rakkam A Sangma, Minister of Education, GoM; and Shri Abu Taher Mondal, Minister of Power, GoM. The occasion was further honored by the presence of Prof. Ved Prakash, Former UGC Chairman, New Delhi; Mr B. Bhaskar, Chairman, KIMS Group of Hospitals, Hyderabad and many more dignitaries.

USTM-IAMC Celebrates 2nd Foundation Day

The second Foundation Day of the IA Ayurvedic Medical College (IAMC) at USTM was celebrated on 2nd November 2024 where Dr. Ashok Puranik, Executive Director of AIIMS Guwahati was the chief guest. The Foundation Day celebrations marked IAMC's successful first year since receiving approval from the National Commission for Indian System of Medicine under USTM.



The program began with a traditional lamp-lighting ceremony, attended by dignitaries including Dr. Puranik, Dr. Swapan Kr. Chakraborty, former Head of the Department of Rog Nidan at Government Ayurvedic College, Guwahati; Prof. G.D. Sharma, Vice Chancellor of USTM; Padma Shri Dr. Sarbeswar Sahariah, Pro Vice Chancellor of USTM; Dr. B.K. Das, Principal of PIMC; Dr. Rama Kanta Sharma, Principal of IAMC, and Prof. Dr. Anil Kumar Sharma, Advisor of IAMC

ISRO Scientist Dr Sundara Murthy enlightens students at USTM workshop

Dr. T.K. Sundara Murthy, a prominent figure in India's space research community visited USTM to address a workshop titled "Recent Achievements of ISRO in Space Physics" organized by the University's Physics Department. Dr Murthy was accompanied by Mrs S Bharathi Murthy and Mr. Pranesh Debnath, Vyomika Space (ISRO Space tutor). The workshop aimed to enlighten students about ISRO's significant contributions to space physics and to inspire the next generation of researchers in the field.



Dr Murthy provided an engaging overview of ISRO's historical developments, recent missions, highlighting notable successes such as Chandrayaan, Gaganyaan among others. It can be mentioned here that Dr. T K Sundara Murthy has dedicated over 40 years of his service to ISRO's development. As Mission Director he acted as the main architect for the design and successful commissioning of communication satellites namely EUTELSAT, HYLAS and AVANTHI.

During the interaction session at USTM, Dr Murthy addressed the queries, encouraging students to consider potential research topics and opportunities within the field. The audience, comprising undergraduate and postgraduate students, actively engaged with Dr Murthy during the Q&A session.

Workshop on Design and Development of Quality Online Courses



USTM successfully organized a two-day workshop on "Design and Development of Quality Online Courses" for faculty members, held on the 4th and 5th of October 2024. The workshop, organized by the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of USTM, was conducted as part of the functional Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Sangam University, Rajasthan.

The event featured two distinguished resource persons, Prof. Manas Ranjan Panigrahi, Pro Vice Chancellor and Dean of Academics, and Prof. Vinesh Agarwal, Director of Student Affairs and the International Cell, both from Sangam University, Rajasthan. The workshop also featured a hands-on training session on Moodle, a popular learning management system, where participants were guided through the platform's functionalities and its application in course development.

International Day of Radiology



International Day of Radiology was celebrated at the Department of Radiology, at the PA Sangma International Medical College & Hospital, USTM on 8th November 2024. Principal IA Ayurvedic Medical College, Dr RK Sharma, Dr Kabita Bujar Baruah HOD Department of Radiology, Dr Anil Kr Sharma, Advisor IAMC, UHAN, Er Debashish Saha Director Operations USTM was present during the program. Other senior doctors like Dr. Rabin Saikia, Dr GS Ahmed, Dr TN Sonowal and the technical staff and students also attended the event.

3rd Meghalaya Chemistry Olympiad at USTM



The 3rd Meghalaya Chemistry Olympiad (MCO-24) was held on 24 October 2024, across various centers in Meghalaya, including Jowai, Shillong, Nongpoh, and USTM. The Olympiad was organized by the Department of Chemistry, USTM and is proudly supported by the Royal Society of Chemistry, UK, one of the most prestigious organizations in the field of chemistry. This year, the Olympiad had seen tremendous enthusiasm, with over 1,100 students registering to participate a record-breaking number that underscores the event's growing significance among students passionate about science. The Meghalaya Chemistry Olympiad aims to foster scientific curiosity, promote academic excellence, and provide a platform for students to demonstrate their potential. The award ceremony for the Meghalaya Chemistry Olympiad was successfully held at the USTM campus, witnessing enthusiastic participation by 450 students from across the state on 9th November 2024. A cash prize totaling ₹1 lakh was awarded to the winners. The event was graced by the esteemed presence of Shri Abhilasha Baranwal, IAS, and Prof. Abu T. Khan, adding a touch of inspiration to the celebrations.

National Student Symposium on Physics



USTM hosted the XI IAPT National Student Symposium on Physics (NSSP-2024), a significant gathering for young physicists and academic luminaries from across the nation, organized for the first time in the northeast region by the Department of Physics in association with the Indian Association of Physics Teachers (IAPT), Regional Council 17 from 12th to 14th November 2024. Chief Guest of the Inaugural Session was Prof. B. L. Ahuja, Vice Chancellor of Bodoland University. Other dignitaries who addressed the symposium include Prof. P. K. Ahluwalia, President of IAPT, Prof. G. D. Sharma, VC of USTM, Dr. B. K. Das, Pro-Vice Chancellor of USTM, apart from others. Dr. Ranjita Deka, Coordinator of NSSP-2024 and Vice-President of IAPT East Zone, delivered the welcome address. The program concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by Dr. Nitu Borgohain, Co-coordinator of NSSP-2024 and Head of the Department of Physics at USTM.

IAMC Celebrates 9th National Ayurveda Day



Along with the country and worldwide, the IA Ayurvedic Medical College of USTM celebrated the 9th National Ayurveda Day today on the occasion of Birth Anniversary of Sri Sri Lord Dhanwantari. The event was participated by Chancellor Mahbubul Hoque, Vice Chancellor Prof GD Sharma, Dr. R K Sharma, Principal IAMC, Prof Dr BK Das, Principal PA Sangma International Medical College, Dr RK Sharma, Advisor USTM, while the resource person was Dr. Dhanehwar Kalita, Former Principal, Government Ayurvedic College Guwahati. The program was flagged off with Ayurveda Walkathon Rally. A display of AYUR AHARA MELA (Traditional Food Recipe Fest) was also presented by the students where they displayed various food items in different stalls. Puja was offered to Sri Sri Dhanwantari, the Hindu God of Medicine.

Orientation for 1st MBBS Batch of PIMC Launched



The much-anticipated Orientation Program for the inaugural MBBS batch of PA Sangma International Medical College (PIMC) commenced at the Central Auditorium of USTM. The program spanned over 14 days, marking the beginning of a new chapter in the region's medical education landscape on 11th November 2024.

The event was graced by prominent dignitaries, including Padma Shri Prof. Dr. Seyed Ehtesham Hasnain, National Science Chair, IIT New Delhi, and former Vice-Chancellor of Jamia Hamdard and the University of Hyderabad. Other esteemed speakers included Shri Mahbubul Hoque, Chancellor of USTM; Prof. GD Sharma, Vice Chancellor of USTM; Dr. BK Das, Principal of PIMC; Dr. Jogesh Sharma, Director of Medical Education and Research, PIMC; and Dr. (Prof) Bhabani Prasad Chakravarty, Medical Director of Health City Hospitals. The event witnessed active participation from the Heads of various departments, faculty members, newly enrolled MBBS students, and their parents and guardians.

Workshop on "Change is the Only Constant: Journey of a Non-Conformist Scientist"

A workshop was held at the NKC Auditorium on the theme "Change is the Only Constant: Journey of a Non-Conformist Scientist" on 11th November 2024. The session was led by Padma Shri Professor (Dr.) Seyed Ehtesham Hasnain, National Science Chair at the Indian Institute of Technology, New Delhi, and former Vice-Chancellor of Jamia Hamdard and the University of Hyderabad.



Children's Day celebration at LP School in Byrnihat

The Department of Business Administration celebrated Children's Day at the adopted village Umphere, Byrnihat on 14th November, 2024. The students of the department under the guidance of Dr Rashmi Baruah, HOD Business Administration along with the faculty members visited CTI LP School, Byrnihat and organized drawing and Rhymes competition with the students of the school.



Higher Education in India at a Transitional Crossroad: Prof. GD Sharma

The landscape of higher education in India is undergoing a significant transformation, driven by the opportunities introduced under the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020. This was highlighted by Prof. GD Sharma, Vice Chancellor of the University of Science and Technology Meghalaya (USTM) and Former President, Association of Indian Universities, during a recent workshop on "Internationalisation at Indian Higher Education Institutions – Structures and Services" held in Guwahati. The workshop was organized by the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), New Delhi. The workshop provided a platform to explore academic linkages, especially with European universities, with a particular focus on strengthening ties with German institutions.



Cleanliness Drive

The National Service Scheme (NSS) Cell organized a cleanliness drive at the university campus as part of the celebration of Gandhi Jayanti, under the initiative "Swabhav Swachhata - Sanskar Swachhata." All hostel residents actively participated in the drive on 2nd October 2024.

The program was led by Dr. Nibedita Paul, Project Director, NSS Cell, USTM, Md. Aynul Bari, Assistant Professor, PQH School of Education, USTM, Dr. Zulfiqar Ullah Siddiqui, Associate Professor, Department of Psychology and Dr. Imran Ahmed, Chief Librarian and Associate Professor, Department of Library Science.



World Mental Health Week

In a collaborative effort with the Rotaract Club of South Guwahati, the Department of Psychology at USTM hosted a workshop titled "Look Up! Look Out! Look Forward," marking World Mental Health Week on 5th October 2024. The event saw the active participation of over 200 students from the Education, B.Ed., and Psychology departments. Dr. Jerina Begum and Jamima A. Ahmed delivered impact presentations, addressing the myths surrounding anxiety, stress, and the importance of mental health.



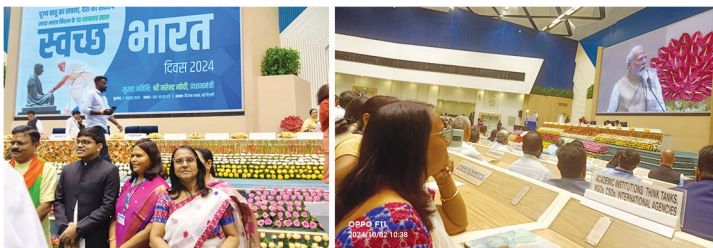
USTM Authorities meet HCM Meghalaya

The Chancellor of USTM, Shri Mahbubul Hoque along with the Vice Chancellor Prof. G D Sharma & Pro VC Padma Shri Dr. S Saharia visited Chief Minister of Meghalaya Shri Conrad K Sangma on 1st October 2024 to formally apprise him of the official nod accorded by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India for the operationalization of the P A Sangma International Medical College and Hospital from the Academic Session 2024 for 150 seats of MBBS.



Swachh Bharat Diwas 2024 in New Delhi

USTM participated in the Swachh Bharat Diwas 2024 celebrations organized by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, Government of India, in New Delhi on 2nd October, 2024. USTM was invited in recognition of outstanding performance in the Swachhata Hi Seva programme. Representing USTM, Dr. Nibedita Paul, Director of Outreach Cell & PD SKP SBM(U) 2.0, attended the prestigious event at Vigyan Bhawan, where some major contributions were highlighted in the Government's bulletin.



Guwahati chapter of Soroptimist International

Dr Mitali Goswami, Head of the Department of English USTM leads the Guwahati chapter of Soroptimist International as its Founder President-- a global volunteer movement with a network in 118 countries advocating for human rights and gender equality. The club collaborated with the English Department of USTM for some of its outreach programs. The Charter Ceremony of the organization was held on 2nd October 2024 in Guwahati.



Workshop on Environment, Sustainability and Ecosystem Services

A workshop titled “Rethinking to Rebuilding: Stepping Towards Environment, Sustainability, and Ecosystem Services” was held at the NKC Auditorium on 16th November 2024. The keynote address was delivered by Dr. Mohammad Latif Khan, Professor of Botany at Dr. Harisingh Gaur Vishwavidyalaya, Madhya Pradesh, and a distinguished recipient of the President’s Award for Research in Biological Sciences. Dr. Khan highlighted the critical



issue of climate change, emphasizing its impact as one of the most significant global environmental challenges affecting ecosystems worldwide. The session concluded with a vote of thanks by Dr. Monalisa B. Deka, Joint Director, IQAC & Research.

Celebration of National Pharmacy Week

The School of Pharmaceutical Sciences, USTM celebrated National Pharmacy Week 2024 in association with Association of Pharmaceutical Teachers of India (APTI) and Association of Pharmaceutical Teachers of India, Women Forum, on the theme ‘Think Health, Think Pharmacy’. A Spot Essay competition on the theme was being conducted for the students. The observation began from 17th November to 23rd November 2024. Guests from Institute of Pharmacy, Guwahati Medical College and Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Dibrugarh University visited the celebration.



FDP of St Edmunds College in association with IQAC, USTM

A five-day online Faculty Development Program was organized by the IQAC of St Edmunds College in association with the IQAC, USTM from 18th November to 22nd November 2024. The Faculty Development Program on NEP 2020 titled “Navigating NEP 2020: Insights for Effective Implementation” provided opportunities for educators to develop meaningful perspectives on the National Education Policy.

The resource persons were USTM Vice Chancellor Prof GD Sharma, Dr Amit Choudhury, Dean School of Technology and Management, USTM, Dr Boski Singh, Assistant Professor for the Centre for Policy Research on Higher Education NEIPA, New Delhi, Dr Pallavi Khedkar Director Academics Parul University, Vadodara, Prof K Pushpanadham, Head Educational Administration, Maharaja Sayaji Rao, University. About 90 faculty members of St Edmunds College participated in this FDP.

Cadaveric Oath Ceremony

On 21st November 2024, the Cadaveric Oath Ceremony is a solemn event held in the Anatomy department, PA Sangma International Medical College marking the beginning of a medical student's journey. It's a time of reverence and gratitude as students pledge to treat the human cadaver, their silent teacher, with utmost respect and dignity. Chancellor M Hoque attended the Cadaveric Oath Ceremony for First-Year MBBS Students (2024-25 Batch) of PIMC, held in the Dissection Hall, Department of Anatomy.



World Antimicrobial Resistance Awareness Week

World Antimicrobial Resistance Awareness Week was celebrated from 18th to 24th November 2024 by the Department of Microbiology, PIMCH. A CME was organized on Antimicrobial Resistance Awareness - "Educate Advocate and Act Now" observing the World Antimicrobial Resistance Awareness Week. The Chief Guest of the CME was



Dr. Bibhash Ch. Goswami, the Founding Former Director of State Cancer Institute, GMCH, a pioneer in the field of Radiation Oncology. The inaugural session was addressed by the Vice Chancellor of USTM Prof. G D Sharma, Pro-Vice Chancellor Padmashree Dr. Sarbeswar Sahariah, Principal of PIMC Dr. B K Das, and MEU Coordinator Dr. Swaroop Baruah.

The resource persons of the Scientific Session were: Dr. G D Sharma, Dr. (Prof) Ajanta Sharma Head of the Department of Microbiology GMCH, Prof. (Dr)Debabrata Goswami, Dr. (Prof) Swaroop Baruah, Department of Medicine, Prof. (Dr) Dipti Devi Head of the Department of Pediatrics, Prof. (Dr) Biraj Kr Das, principal PIMC, Dr. Anita Dakua Associate Professor Department of Pharmacology, PIMC, Dr. Sumit Kar, Professor and Head of the Department of Community Medicine, Dr. Debarati Saha Assistant Professor Department of Microbiology, PIMC.

Constitution Day celebrated



University School of Law and Research organized an insightful session on the topic "Dr BR Ambedkar and the Philosophy of Social Justice in the Indian Constitution" on the occasion of 75th Constitution Day on 26th November 2024. The resource persons for the session were, Senior Advocate Hasibur Rahman, Gauhati High Court and Prof Subhram Rajkhowa, Senior Professor, USLR.

USTM VC Graced AIU North Zone Vice Chancellors' Meet

Vice Chancellor of USTM Prof. GD Sharma attended the AIU North Zone Vice Chancellors' Meet, held on the 5th and 6th of November at Graphic Era University, Dehradun. The event was graced by the Hon'ble Governor of Uttarakhand, Lt. Gen. Gurmeet Singh. The theme of the meet focused on "Technological Integration in Higher Education," exploring ways to enhance the education sector through technology.



Yoga Awareness Program held

Krishna Nayaka, a certified yoga instructor visited USTM on 9th October, 2024 and trained the students from various departments of USTM. Krishna started the theme of Padyatra, a yoga awareness program from his home state, Karnataka. He has completed 13,000 kms till date covering almost 20 states and 2 countries.



International Higher Education Dialogue

Prof G.D Sharma Vice Chancellor USTM was invited to address in International higher education dialogue Pathways to internationalization between Europe and India on 10 and 11 October 2024, organized by Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst German Academic Exchange DAAD. Expert delegates from different universities of India and Germany attended the program held in India International Community Center Yasobhoomi, Dwarka, New Delhi.



MOU between Sangam University and USTM

MOU was signed between USTM and Sangam University, Rajasthan on 5th October, 2024. The agreement was signed by Prof. Manas Ranjan Panigrahi, Pro Vice Chancellor and Dean of Academics at Sangam University, and USTM Vice Chancellor, Prof. GD Sharma. The signing took place in the presence of Prof. Vinesh Agarwal, Director of Student Affairs and the International Cell at Sangam University, USTM Advisor RK Sharma, Registrar Anju Hazarika, and Joint Director of IQAC, Dr. Monalisa Bora Deka.



Tribute to Sir Syed Ahmed Khan

Students of USTM paid tribute to Sir Syed Ahmad Khan on his 207th Birth Anniversary on October 17th, 2024 by dedicating the theme song of AMU "Tarana" in honour of the educationist. The Hostel B of USTM is named after Sir Syed Ahmad Khan. Chancellor M Hoque participated in the program.



Meet and Greet with Lou Majaw

The rock sensation of Northeast Lou Majaw met with the students of USTM and attended a meet and greet session with the students on 17th October 2024. He encouraged the students for a better life and unity among everyone.



Workshop on Entrepreneurship and Innovation as a Career Option

A workshop was organized by the Centre for Innovation, Incubation and Entrepreneurship Centre on 22nd October 2024. During the workshop, Sessions were taken by Raghuveer Kovuru and Sriswetha Kommineni, who are founders of Innokraft, T-Hub Hyderabad.



Training and Interactive Session by PIMC

PA Sangma International Medical College and Hospital hosted a training and interactive session for social healthcare workers from across Meghalaya on 23rd October, 2024. Over 180 healthcare social workers participated, gaining crucial insights into managing various medical emergencies and enhancing patient care.



USTM Freshers' Social 2024

The Freshers' Social of USTM was organized on 25th October 2024 for the new batch of students. The main attraction of the Freshers was the Mr and Miss Freshers. Many other competitions were also held among the students like dance, singing, quiz, debate etc. Ms Kipangwala Lingchar from the Department of Political Science and Mr Tonmoy Sharma from the Department of Physiotherapy won the title of Mr and Miss Freshers. Hitartha Goswami, Loli Achumi and Sanggra D



Sangma secured first, second and third prize respectively in the Solo Singing Competition. Pratiksha Mazumdar, Mourish Sharma, Simran Nasreen Hussain, got the first, second, third prizes in the solo dance competition. In the debate competition, the best debater award went to Abhijit Nath. Lubna Nishat, Pushpanjali Deka and Naweli Dutta secured the first and second runner up. The first prize for the Quiz Competition was secured by team Nasir Hasan Choudhury and Md Ali Raza, Dingku Sarkar and Dunemehi Suchiang got the second prize and Dhanaraj Sahariah and Anwasha Sarma got the third prize.

Session on Indian Navy as a Career Choice

The Training and Placement Division, in collaboration with the Department of Engineering and Technology, USTM, organized an insightful session titled "Indian Navy as a Career Choice" for the B.Tech CSE, EEE, ME & Civil Engineering students on 28th October 2024. Lt Cdr Deepankar Kumar, Executive Officer of the Indian Navy, was invited as the esteemed speaker.



ICIMST-2024



The Department of Computer Science at USTM, in collaboration with the Catholic University of Mozambique, inaugurated the 3rd International Conference on Innovation in Management, Science, and Technology (ICIMST-2024) on 25th October 2024. The two-day event was participated by academic and research institutions worldwide. The inauguration ceremony was graced by Prof. Sushanta Karmakar, from IIT Guwahati, as the Chief Guest. The Guest of Honor for the session was Prof. Doutor Nelson Amade, Vice-Reitor of the Catholic University of Mozambique. Another distinguished guest, Maiden Alfinete, from the Catholic University of Mozambique, also attended the event.

Throughout the two days of the conference, more than 70 research papers will be presented across multiple parallel sessions chaired by prominent dignitaries from reputed institutions such as NIT Rourkela, Chandigarh University, Guwahati University, Cotton University, Shah Jalal University of Science and Technology (Bangladesh), Yuva Manthan Model Students' Parliament USTM in collaboration with the UGC, organized the Yuva Manthan Model Students' Parliament on October 26, 2024. The theme of the event was "Artificial Intelligence and the Democratic Process in India: Prospects and Challenges." A total of 12 students participated in the final session.

School Children's Exposure Visit to USTM

A group of 50 students of Soleman Sahab Adarsha Jatiya Bidyalaya visited USTM along with a group of teachers for an educational excursion on 7th November 2024. The students visited the Department of English and attended a class as a part of their exposure program. The students and the teachers also met Hon'ble Chancellor Mahbubul Hoque at his office. The Chancellor inspired and motivated them to dream big and work hard to achieve their goals.



Exposure Visit to PIMC

A group of 50 enthusiastic students from Jamunamukh HS School, accompanied by 6 teachers, visited P.A. Sangma International Medical College & Hospital on 20th November 2024. The students explored the state-of-the-art smart lecture halls and the well-equipped laboratories of PIMC, gaining insights into our world-class facilities. They also visited the office of the Chancellor, Shri M. Hoque, and engaged in an inspiring interaction with him.



Exposure Visit of Motiur Rahman Memorial Adarsha Jatiya Vidhalaya

A group of 115 enthusiastic students from Motiur Rahman Memorial Adarsha Jatiya Vidyalaya, accompanied by 15 teachers, visited USTM as part of their exposure visit. They also interacted with the Chancellor, Shri Mahbubul Hoque, and engage in an inspiring interaction with him on 21st November, 2024.



USTM Placement Success

The Placement Series 2024-2025 at USTM began on a high note with significant achievements in November. HDFC Life Insurance conducted its recruitment drive for MBA students, where 7 students successfully secured positions, showcasing their skills and readiness for the corporate world. Similarly, ITC Limited's placement drive resulted in the selection of 1 MBA student, marking another success story. The momentum continues in December with drives from ESAF Small Finance Bank and Kotak Life Insurance. January promises an array of opportunities, with renowned organizations like Planet Spark, DMart, Bajaj Allianz Life Insurance, ICICI Prudential, ICICI Bank, Bharti Airtel Ltd, EdiGlobe, and Bandhan Bank recruiting students from various UG and PG programs.

Session on Discover Tax

The Training & Placement Division of USTM, in collaboration with PwC (Price Waterhouse Coopers), organized an engaging session titled "Discover Tax" on 3rd December 2024 for the MBA 1st semester students. The event aimed to provide students with an in-depth understanding of taxation, its applications, and career opportunities in the field. The session was graced by Mr. Puneet Chandel, Manager, Tax Campus Hiring Team, PwC along with two other officials who brought their extensive experience and expertise to the discussion. Mr. Chandel highlighted the Career Opportunities exploring diverse roles in taxation at PwC and the skills required to excel. Another official elaborated on PwC's structured campus hiring programs, mentorship opportunities, and growth prospects in the tax sector.



Social Entrepreneurship through Community Stories

On 7th November 2024 the Training & Placement Division at USTM, in collaboration with Balipara Foundation, hosted an insightful session on "Social Entrepreneurship through Community Stories" for the students of the Departments of Commerce, Economics, Rural Development & Social Work. The guest speaker, Mr. Anuj Sharma, Founder of AISISAR Impact and Co-Founder of Earth Analytics India, brought invaluable knowledge and experience to the event. This session was specifically organized for final-year UG and PG students to inspire and educate them on the real-world impact of social entrepreneurship through authentic community narratives.



Special Appreciation at Tejaswini Ideathon 2024

USTM received a special appreciation as top best 50 innovative ideas at the Tejaswini Ideathon 2024 prize distribution ceremony organized by the Government of Assam at NEDFi. Two ideas were pitched one of which was mentored by Dr. Monalisa Bora Deka, Associate Professor in the Department of Applied Biology, and Co-Mentored by Dr. Sudarshana Borah Khanikor, Vice Principal in the School of Pharmaceutical Sciences, USTM. Another idea was Mentored by Dr. Trishna Thakuria, Director of the Centre for Gender Studies along with Co-mentors Dr. Monalisa B. Deka and Dr. Moutushi Das, Asst. Prof., Dept. of Botany, USTM. The top 50 Best Innovative Ideas received special appreciation by the Govt of Assam on 21st October 2024.



Faculty Achievement

New Plant Species Discovered by USTM Scientist

A new species of flowering plant, *Begonia neisti* B.Hajong, N.Bhat & P.Bharali, has been discovered in the remote Dibang Valley of Arunachal Pradesh, India. This significant botanical discovery was made by Dr. Nazir Ahmad Bhat, Assistant Professor at USTM, in collaboration with Mr. Bipankar Hajong, Ph.D. Scholar at CSIR-North East Institute of Science and Technology (CSIR-NEIST), and Dr. Pankaj Bharali, Senior Scientist at CSIR-NEIST, Jorhat. The discovery was confirmed using advanced molecular phylogenetic analysis, particularly through the ITS2 marker. This genetic analysis revealed close evolutionary relationships with other *Begonia* species, particularly those in the section *Platycentrum* from the Indian subcontinent. The research, published in the *Nordic Journal of Botany* (John Wiley & Sons Ltd), provides comprehensive details of the species' morphology, genetics, and ecological significance.



Global Recognition for Dr. Yugal Kishore Mohanta

USTM proudly announces the prestigious honor awarded to Dr. Yugal Kishore Mohanta, Assistant Professor in the Department of Applied Biology, who received the "Education for Sustainable Development Award" from Edufam International Academy in collaboration with ACE International Private Limited, Singapore. This award was conferred on September 14, 2024, during the Global Leadership Conference held at Al Bustan, Dubai, UAE. Dr. Mohanta also presented his significant contributions to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) through his teaching and research initiatives. In addition to publishing numerous scientific papers on SDGs in esteemed journals, Dr. Mohanta is the author of the book "Sustainable Green Nanotechnology: A Food and Agriculture Paradigm," published by CRC Press. He is actively engaged in a DST-SERB project focused on SDG-2 (Zero Hunger) and SDG-3 (Good Health & Well-being).



Best Performance Award in School Psychology

Ms. Punita Borpujari Deori, Assistant Professor, Department of Psychology, PQH School of Education, USTM, received the Best Performance Award in School Psychology on 24th October 2024. The award was presented by Dr. L. Murugan, Hon'ble Union Minister of State for Information and Broadcasting, Tamil Nadu, during the inaugural ceremony of the 14th InSPA International Conference on Research Prospects in School Psychology at the Central University of Tamil Nadu.



Collaboration with Arab American University of Palestine

Dr. Zulfiqar Ullah Siddiqui, Associate Professor from the Department of Psychology in the PQH School of Education USTM published a research article in collaboration with Arab American University of Palestine, Jenin, Palestine, titled "Unraveling the Impact of Cognitive Test Anxiety on Academic Performance among Adolescents: The Case of Minority and Majority Communities," in the esteemed *An-Najah University Journal for Research - B (Humanities)*, Elsevier and Scopus-indexed journal since 2019. The article was published in November 2024.



Dr. Faizuddin Ahmed



Study on Feral Horses of Dibru Saikhowa

Dr Shamikhu Changmai, Assistant Professor, Department of Earth Science did a study on Feral Horses of Dibru Saikhowa which is the first study on feral horses in India. He published a scientific paper also back in 2021 in the *Journal of Bio-resources* which is a UGC recognized CARE LIST journal. Presently one ISRO funded project on feral horses is being done by him. His study has been able to gain international attention through an article recently published in "Mongabay." This article has referred to his study & used one of his photographs.



Dr. Faizuddin Ahmed from the Department of Physics published 14 papers in top international journals during the months of October & November 2024.

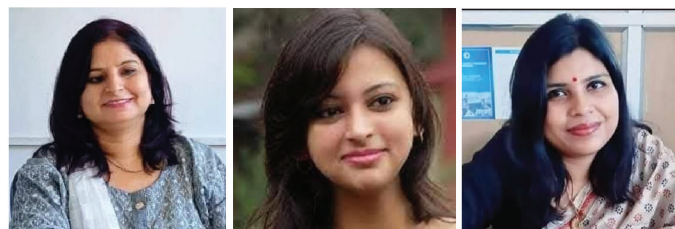
Rabindranath Tagore Hall of Fame Award

Assistant Professor, Dr. Jadab Dutta from PQSE was honored with the prestigious Rabindranath Tagore Hall of Fame Award by The Welred Foundation, West Bengal on 24 October, 2024.



Patent for Plastic Waste Recycling Device

A patent has been granted by the Patent Office, Government of India, to the faculty members Dr. Sony Kumari, Associate Professor, Dr. Tamanna Bhuyan, Assistant Professor, Dr. Madhusmita Borthakur, Assistant Professor from the Department of Applied Biology on 5th November 2024. Their invention titled "A portable device to deform and compact plastic waste at the source for recycling," marks a significant step forward in sustainable waste management.



Design Patent Registered

◆ A research design was registered by the faculty members Mr. Pyrkhatlang Myrboh, Mr. Rudra Prasad Adhikari and Mr. Sumit Dutta, Assistant Professors from the School of Pharmaceutical Sciences on 25th November 2024. The patent has been registered at the Indian Patent Office, Govt. Of India on the work titled 'Digital Ophthalmoscope used for Detection of Glaucoma'.



◆ A research design has been registered by Dr. Sofiqul Mollik, Asst Professor from the School of Pharmaceutical Sciences on 12th November 2024. The patent has been registered at the Indian Patent Office, Govt. of India on his work titled 'Compact and Portable Blood Chemistry Analyser'.



◆ A research design has been registered by Mr. Mostafa Khursid Alam, Asst. Professor from the School of Pharmaceutical Sciences on 21st November 2024. The patent has been registered at the Indian Patent Office, Govt. Of India on his work titled as 'AI-Based Diagnostic Tool For Early Detection Of Fungal Infections'.



◆ An Indian Design Patent entitled Design of a Watershed Based Flood Management System was published on 18th October 2024 in The Patent Office Journal No. 42/2024 by Dr. Eahya Al Huda, Assistant Professor, Department of Earth Science, USTM



Editorial Board Member of Scientific Reports, Nature



The Vice Principal of the School of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Associate Professor Dr Sudarshana Borah Khanikor recently joined as an Editorial Board Member of Scientific Reports, Nature. The Editor in Chief, Dr Rafal Marszalek invited Dr Borah to join the journal, Scientific Reports Nature Publication in the medicine branch of the Pharmacology Section of the journal on 28th October, 2024.

USTM faculty commissioned to Lieutenant rank

Syed Rizaul Karim Ahmed the faculty member from the Department of Zoology has completed the PRCN course after 85 days of rigorous military training at Officers Training Academy, Kamptee earning his commission to the esteemed rank of Lieutenant.

He underwent intensive training in master in drill and ceremonial procedures, physical training and fitness regimes, firing and weapon handling, map reading and navigation and leadership and teamwork skills. As an Associate NCC Officer, Lieutenant Ahmed will now inspire and mentor NCC cadets, sharing his expertise and passion.



Book Released

Chancellor Shri Mahbubul Hoque officially released a remarkable book titled "Convergence of Knowledge: Exploring Multidisciplinary Approaches to Contemporary Challenges" (ISBN: 978-81974244-2-7) on 24th October, 2024. The book was edited by Prof. (Dr.) Gayatree Goswamee, Dean PQHSE, along with Dr. Jadab Dutta, Dr. Pranab Chetia, and Dr. Suresh Rajknawar. The release took place in the presence of Prof. Omar Hussain Mehdi and Prof. Bishnu Charan Dash from the Department of English. This collaborative initiative has been made possible by the Prof. Qoumrul Hoque School of Education, USTM, in partnership with Dikhowmukh College and Nazira College.



Book Published

A book titled World Literature and Environmental Apocalypticism was edited by Dr Sukanya Kashyap faculty from the department of English and Mr Sanjeev Kalita, HoD PNGB Govt Model College, Tinsukia was published. The book offers a profound exploration of humanity's growing confrontation with ecological collapse as depicted in literature.



Capacity Building Programme

Prof. Sanjib Kr. Dutta and Dr. Lilika K. Zhimomi from the Department of Rural Development secured a funding for the Capacity Building Programme (CBP) from ICSSR, New Delhi. The official letter was received on 20th October, 2024.



SPORTS NEWS

Gold in Karate

Abhirupa Kashyap, a BA Psychology student at USTM, has made us proud by winning two gold medals at the All Assam Karate Championship being held at the Dipiyoti Karbi Anglong (Saring Terong Langkung Habe Multi-Purpose Sports Complex) from 23rd to 26th October 2024.



USTM 4th in AIU Basketball

USTM's men's team of Basketball Team secured the 4th position in the prestigious AIU East Zone Basketball Tournament 2024 held at KIIT Campus, where 57 universities participated.



Empowering USTM Girls with Self-Defence Skills

The USTM Sports Forum has kick-started Self-Defence Coaching for girls, featuring a variety of martial arts including Judo, Taekwondo, Jeet Kune Do, Kickboxing, Pansaksilat, Wushu, Mixed Martial Arts.



Bronze in Asian Arm Wrestling

Ms. Ranjita Baruah, a student from the Master in Medical Laboratory Technology (MLT) at USTM, has secured the Bronze Medal in the Asian Arm Wrestling Cup 2024. The championship was held in Nagpur, Maharashtra, from October 22 to 26, 2024, organized by the Maharashtra Arm Wrestling Association. Competing in the 50 kg (women) category.



Football Victory

USTM won the first football match against Cotton University on 11th November 2024 held at the Nagaland University Lumami Campus. Vilibeizo Keditsu was the football coach.



East Zone Inter-University Games 2024-25

The USTM Badminton Team showcased their skills at the East Zone Inter-University Games 2024-25, held at National Sports University, Manipur. The event runs from 6th to 10th November, featuring fierce competition from 48 universities. The team was managed by Chinmoyee Rajkhowa. Tania Tagam from the B.Tech. Electrical Engineering, 5th Sem, Dekam Yomgam from the Political Science, 3rd Sem, Arindam Roy from the MBA, 1st Sem and Raja Babu Yadav MBA, 1st Sem were the team members.



AIU North East Zone Inter-University Football Tournament

A two-day football trial camp for the AIU North East Zone Inter-University Football Tournament (Men) was held on 5th and 6th November, 2024 at the USTM ground. A total of 67 talented students participated, showcasing their skills and determination. After rigorous trials, 18 players have been selected to represent USTM in the tournament.



Badminton Glory

Our students Raja Babu Yadav from MBA and Dekam Yomgam from BAP won in the Badminton Men's Singles against Burdwan University, West Bengal, at the East Zone Inter-University Games 2024-25 held at National Sports University, Manipur on 9th November 2024.



Basketball Victory

The sports team of USTM secured a dominant victory in the first match of the East Zone Inter-University Basketball (Men) Championship 2024 against Dr. Shyama Prasad Ranchi at Biju Patnaik Multi-Purpose Indoor Stadium, Bhubaneswar, Odisha on 23rd November 2024. The event was organized by Kalinga Institute of Social Science (KISS) and supported by the Association of Indian Universities (AIU).



Gold in State Youth Karate

Sarhaan Rasual (BBA) has won the Gold Medal in the 12th UKAA State Youth Karate Championship 2024 held in Guwahati on 9th and 10th November in the U-21 Men's Kumite -75 kg category. Not only did he clinch the top spot, but he has also been selected to represent Assam in the upcoming KIO National Karate Championship 2025!



Sports Event by Arunachal Student Association

The Arunachal Student Association organized a sports event under the Sports Forum of USTM at the USTM campus on 20th October 2024. The event featured a range of competitions, including volleyball, futsal, badminton, tug of war, and arm wrestling.



Volleyball Victory

The Volleyball team from USTM won a semi-final match against NERIM by 2 sets on 2nd October, 2024. The match was organized by All Bodo Students Union under the theme Bodofa Mission for Sustainable Change.



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▶ A Review On the Role of Physical Therapy Interventions in Improving Gait, Balance, And Lower Limb Rehabilitation in Diabetic Neuropathy Patients	High Technology Letters	Dr. Kunal Patowary
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▶	The Impact of National Education Policy 2020 on Teacher Training Institutions	Educational Administration: Theory and Practice	Md. Aynul Bari & Prof. Gayatree Goswamee
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3rd Meghalaya Chemistry Olympiad today

9TH MILE, Khanapara, Ri Bhoi, OCT 23: The 3rd Meghalaya Chemistry Olympiad (MCO-24) will be held tomorrow, Thursday, October 24, 2024, across various centers in Meghalaya, including Jowai, Shillong, Nongpoh, and the University of Science and Technology Meghalaya (USTM). The Olympiad is being organized by the Department of Chemistry, USTM and is proudly supported by the Royal Society of Chemistry, UK, one of the most prestigious organizations in the field of chemistry. This year, the Olympiad has seen tremendous enthusiasm, with over 1,100 students registering to participate—a record-breaking number that underscores the event's growing significance among students passionate about science. Speaking in this regard, Dr Golam Mohiuddin, Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry, USTM and Convener, MCO-

24, said, "The involvement of the Royal Society of Chemistry, UK adds immense value and credibility to the Olympiad, making it a truly remarkable occasion for all participants. We sincerely thank the schools, their principals, teachers-in-charge, and guardians for their unwavering support. Finally, we extend our warmest wishes to all the students taking part in MCO-24. We hope this event will not only be a learning experience but also a chance for them to showcase their talents. Good luck to all the participants!" The Meghalaya Chemistry Olympiad aims to foster scientific curiosity, promote academic excellence, and provide a platform for students to demonstrate their potential. With such enthusiastic participation and the involvement of international organizations, the event promises to be a grand success. NET STAFFER



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Conrad assures full govt support to USTM medical college

● USTM to set up dental college in memory of ex-CM Dr Donkupar Roy

GUARDIAN NEWS BUREAU SHILLONG, OCT 26: Chief Minister Conrad Sangma has assured full support from the Meghalaya government to USTM in establishing the PA Sangma International

bench mark for itself. He extended gratitude to Union Health Minister, J P Nadra and the officials in the Ministry for their support and said that the approval for 150-seat medical college has

Conrad assures full govt support to USTM medical college

Recalling the younger days of Late P A Sangma, the Chief Minister said, "Lives of people like P A Sangma and Dr Don Kupar Roy can inspire younger generations and it is important that the youth today not only remember their legacy but learn from their humble beginnings and their humility and the values and the principles these leaders stood for," he said.

Stating that the health sector in the state is facing several challenges, he said that there has been a significant improvement in the sector.

He also outlined the measures to improve the health sector in terms of infrastructure, services, equipment, human resources and their training and skilling, streamlining the supply and distribution of medicines with the help of technology etc.

Earlier, Chancellor of USTM, Mahbuhul Hoque in his address announced that a dental college would be established in memory of former Chief Minister Late Dr Donkupar Roy.

Also present in the programme were Health & Family Welfare Minister Dr M Ampareen Lyngdoh, Power Minister, A T Mon-



Chief Minister Conrad Sangma, accompanied by his mother Soradini K Sangma, wife of Late P A Sangma, USTM Chancellor Mahbuhul Hoque and others, arrives to a programme to celebrate the approval of National Medical Commission (NMC) to P A Sangma International Medical College and Hospital (PIMC) on Saturday, Guardian Photo

al Medical College & Hospital as one of the best educational and healthcare institution, not only in the North-East India but also on a global level.

This recognition paves the way for the institution to offer a Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS) programme with an intake of 150 students.

Attending a programme at the USTM campus to celebrate the approval of National Medical Commission (NMC) to P A Sangma International Medical College and Hospital (PIMC) today, the Chief Min-

been achieved after a lot of struggle and perseverance.

"I was a part of the process in 2008 when the USTM Bill was passed and the present USTM is a testimony of team work, values and leadership," he said.

"P A Sangma believed in investing on youth and a government can make go for it because the results of such investments are unlimited," he said.

He added that lives of great leaders like Late P A Sangma, Late Dr Don Kupar Roy etc are inspirational because they stood against all odds and difficulties of life.

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USTM & Catholic University of Mozambique inaugurates ICIMST-2024

9TH MILE, Khanapara, Ri Bhoi, OCT 25: The Department of Computer Science, University of Science and Technology Meghalaya (USTM), in collaboration with the Catholic University of Mozambique, inaugurated the 3rd International Conference on Innovation in Management, Science, and Technology (ICIMST-2024) here today. The two-day event is being held on 25th and 26th October 2024, with participation from academic and research institutions worldwide.

The inauguration ceremony was graced by Prof. Sushanta Karmakar, from IIT Guwahati, as the Chief Guest. Addressing the gathering, Prof. Karmakar emphasized the importance of innovation in research and the vital role interdisciplinary collaboration plays in advancing knowledge.

In a significant highlight of the ceremony, a book on the Conference Proceedings of the 2nd International Conference on Innovation in Management, Science, and Technology, and Automation in Sports was offi-

tures the research and discussions from the previous edition of the conference, serving as a valuable resource for scholars and researchers.

The Guest of Honor for the session was Prof. Doutor Nelson Amade, Vice-Rector of the Catholic University of Mozambique, who highlighted the international significance of the

papers will be presented across multiple parallel sessions chaired by prominent dignitaries from reputed institutions such as NIT Rourkela, Chandigarh University, Guwahati University, Cotton University, Shah Jalal University of Science and Technology (Bangladesh), and Excel Engineering College, Tamil Nadu.

Following the inauguration, a workshop on "Advanced Research Methodology, Its Key Concepts and Roles in Research" was conducted, offering valuable insights into research approaches and methodologies for the attendees. The workshop aimed at enhancing the understanding of key research concepts, setting a promising tone for the conference's academic discourse. ICIMST-2024 is set to provide an international platform for scholars, researchers, and practitioners to share their innovative ideas and contributions to the fields of





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Kairos 2024* – Mega students event held at USTM

USTM's Kairos 2024 Breaks Records with Unparalleled Student Engagement Nationwide, Showcasing Talent, Creativity, and Innovation of Youth, Fostering Holistic Development, Academic Excellence, and Industry Partnerships, Cementing University's Position as Leader in Student Events and Innovation, Inspiring Future Generations, and Generating Significant Interest Among Prospective Students and Education Stakeholders. The University of Science and Technology Meghalaya (USTM) successfully hosted Kairos 2024, a mega student event held from September 20 to 27, 2024, drawing participation from over 15 esteemed institutions, including Gauhati University, Assam Don Bosco University, Assam Engineering College, Cotton University, and Tezpur University, among others. The event showcased the incredible talent in cultural performances, technical challenges, and sports, with events like Melodia, the singing competition, and Groove Nation, the dance performance, drawing an array of enthusiastic participants. The event's success was attributed to the tireless efforts of the long connections, the event's success was attributed to the tireless efforts of the organizing committee, comprising faculty members and students, who meticulously planned and executed the event. USTM's commitment to innovation and entrepreneurship was evident throughout the event, with many praising the university's focus on providing a holistic education that nurtures both academic and extracurricular activities, promoting creativity, innovation, and teamwork. The event's impact extended beyond the university campus, with local businesses and communities benefiting from the increased footfall and economic activity generated by the event. The participation of esteemed institutions from across the region added to the event's prestige, and the diverse range of competitions catered to various interests and talents, providing a unique platform for students to showcase their skills and talents. The event's success was a testament to USTM's commitment to providing a holistic education that nurtures both academic and extracurricular activities, promoting creativity, innovation, and teamwork. The event's impact extended beyond the university campus, with local businesses and communities benefiting from the increased footfall and economic activity generated by the event. The participation of esteemed institutions from across the region added to the event's prestige, and the diverse range of competitions catered to various interests and talents, providing a unique platform for students to showcase their skills and talents.

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Workshop on design and development of quality online courses conducted at USTM

9TH MILE, Khanapara, Ri Bhoi, OCT 7: The University of Science and Technology Meghalaya (USTM) successfully organized a two-day workshop on "Design and Development of Quality Online Courses" for faculty members, held on the 4th and 5th of October 2024. The workshop, organized by the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of USTM, was conducted as part of the functional Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Sangam University, Rajasthan. The event featured two distinguished resource persons, Prof. Manas Ranjan Panigrahi, Pro Vice Chancellor and Dean of Academics, and Prof. Anshu Kumar, Director of Student Welfare, Sangam University, Rajasthan. The workshop commenced with a warm welcome address by Prof. G. D. Sharma, Vice-Chancellor of USTM, who highlighted the significance of E-learning in modern education. In the first session, Prof. Manas Ranjan Panigrahi delivered an in-depth presentation covering crucial topics such as "Open Educational Resources (OER) for better learning" and "Designing for better learning". The second day began with a hands-on training session on Moodle, a popular learning management system, where participants were guided through the platform's functionalities and its application in course development. This practical session equipped faculty members with the necessary skills to enhance online teaching efficiency. On the final day, participants explored the process of video content development and the systematic approach to creating courses based on the four-quadrant model proposed by SWAYAM, an initiative by the Government of India. The workshop concluded with a certificate distribution ceremony, recognizing the participants for their active participation and learning.



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PIMC gets approval from Centre, National Medical Commission

GUWAHATI, Oct 7: The University of Science and Technology Meghalaya (USTM) stated that the PA Sangma International Medical College (PIMC), a joint venture of USTM and the Government of Meghalaya, has got the approval of the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India, and the National Medical Commission (NMC), stated a press release. At a press conference held on Sunday, Mahabub Hoque, Founder Chancellor, USTM, said: "This is a historic achievement for USTM and a crucial step in our journey to contribute meaningfully to the healthcare sector of the region and the nation." Other persons who attended the press conference were Professor GD Sharma, Vice Chancellor, USTM; Padma Shri Dr Sarbeswar Sahariah, Pro VC, USTM; Dr RK Sharma, Advisor, USTM; Professor Dr Biraj Kumar Das, Principal, PIMC; and Dr Rashna Dass Hazarika, Medical Superintendent, PIMC. Speaking to reporters, Dr Sarbeswar Sahariah said, "PA Sangma International Medical College and Hospital is also planning a super specialty hospital within the premises of USTM. This would be a 1,000-bed hospital which would cater to the need of the patients from the entire North East and other parts of the country." Professor GD Sharma stated, "This landmark development allows the medical college an intake of 150 students for its inaugural MBBS programme, marking a new chapter in USTM's commitment to providing top-tier education in the field of medicine." Professor Dr Biraj Kumar Das said to achieve excellence, competent healthcare professionals have been engaged from all over the country. Dr Rashna Dass Hazarika said the academic session will start from the last week of October 2024, inviting applications from aspiring doctors from across the country. PIMC will offer various attractive facilities for the MBBS students, Hazarika added.

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Orientation for 1st MBBS batch of PIMC gets underway at University of Science and Technology Meghalaya

GUWAHATI: The PA Sangma International Medical College (PIMC) inaugurated its first MBBS batch with a day-long orientation programme at the Central Auditorium of the University of Science and Technology Meghalaya (USTM), marking a significant milestone in the region's medical education. The event was attended by prominent figures such as Padma Shri Prof. Dr. Sarbeswar Sahariah, Pro VC, USTM, and Prof. Dr. Biraj Kumar Das, Principal, PIMC, and Dr. Rashna Dass Hazarika, Medical Superintendent, PIMC. In his address, Prof. Dr. Sarbeswar Sahariah, Pro VC, USTM, highlighted the future of medical science, discussing advancements in diagnostic medicine, HIV and cancer care, and the role of biomedical research in health. The orientation programme included a welcome address by Prof. Dr. Sarbeswar Sahariah, Pro VC, USTM, and Prof. Dr. Biraj Kumar Das, Principal, PIMC. He expressed his confidence in the PIMC faculty and their commitment to providing a high-quality medical education. Prof. Dr. Rashna Dass Hazarika, Medical Superintendent, PIMC, also addressed the students, emphasizing the importance of a strong foundation in basic sciences and clinical skills. The orientation programme also featured a presentation on the PIMC curriculum, which is designed to provide a comprehensive medical education. The students were also introduced to the PIMC facilities, including the hospital and the library. The orientation programme concluded with a group photo of the students and faculty members.



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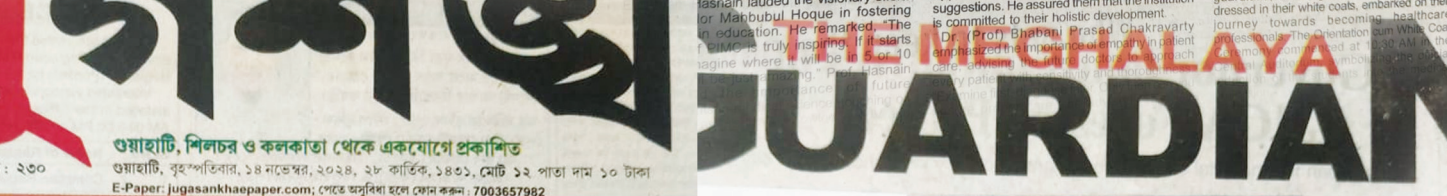
Orientation prog for 1st MBBS batch of PIMC launched

9TH MILE, Khanapara, Ri Bhoi, NOV 11: The much-anticipated orientation program for the inaugural MBBS batch of PA Sangma International Medical College (PIMC) commenced today at the Central Auditorium of the University of Science and Technology Meghalaya (USTM). The program will span over 14 days, marking the beginning of a new chapter in the region's medical education landscape. The event was graced by prominent dignitaries, including Padma Shri Prof. Dr. Sarbeswar Sahariah, National Science Chair, IIT New Delhi, and former Vice-Chancellor of Jamia Hamdard and the University of Hyderabad. Other esteemed speakers included Mahabub Hoque, Chancellor of USTM; Prof. GD Sharma, Vice Chancellor of USTM; Dr. BK Das, Principal of PIMC; Dr. Jogesh Sharma, Director of Medical Education and Research, PIMC; and Dr. (Prof) Bhabani Prasad Chakravarty, Medical Director of Health City Hospitals. The Heads of various departments, faculty members, newly enrolled students, and their parents and guardians were also present. The orientation program was inaugurated by Prof. Dr. Sarbeswar Sahariah, Pro VC, USTM, who expressed his confidence in the PIMC faculty and their commitment to providing a high-quality medical education. He also spoke about the importance of a strong foundation in basic sciences and clinical skills. The orientation program also featured a presentation on the PIMC curriculum, which is designed to provide a comprehensive medical education. The students were also introduced to the PIMC facilities, including the hospital and the library. The orientation program concluded with a group photo of the students and faculty members.

Sharma, Vice Chancellor of USTM, spoke on the holistic development of students, encouraging them to embrace challenges and seize opportunities. "Start dreaming, have a vision, and pursue it relentlessly," he urged the new MBBS students. Concluding the event, Dr. Jogesh Sharma, while delivering the vote of thanks, oriented the students on the demanding yet rewarding journey ahead. "You will become a specialist taking around 10 years, and a super specialist, 15 years. Stay dedicated to your path," he advised. The program also included an oath-taking ceremony led by Dr. Das to instill a sense of responsibility and commitment in the new batch. The day began with an Academic Procession at 10 am, starting from the PIMC Academic Block to the Central Auditorium. The procession, led by faculty members, doctors, parents, and guardians, was a grand affair as students dressed in their white coats, embarked on their journey towards becoming healthcare professionals. The orientation programme concluded with a certificate distribution ceremony, recognizing the participants for their active participation and learning.



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National student symposium on Physics commences at USTM

9TH MILE, Khanapara, Ri Bhoi, NOV 13: The University of Science and Technology Meghalaya (USTM) hosted the XIAPT National Student Symposium on Physics (NSSP-2024), a significant gathering for young physicists and academic luminaries from across the nation, organized for the first time in the northeast region, by the Department of Physics in association with the Indian Association of Physics Teachers (IAPT), Regional Council 17 on 12 November 2024. The symposium commenced with a series of ceremonial and heart-felt events, aimed at fostering scientific discussion and honoring revered figures in physics, which will continue till 14 November. The program began with the traditional inauguration ceremony, celebrating Prof. Baruah's contributions to the field of physics and his role as a mentor to the next generation of scientists. Chief Guest of the Inaugural Session, Prof. B. L. Ahuja, Vice-Chancellor of Bodoland University has inspired the attendees with his words on the evolving landscape of physics and the importance of interdisciplinary studies in addressing global challenges. The program concluded with a Vote of Thanks delivered by Dr. Nitu Borgohain, Co-ordinator of NSSP-2024 and Head of the Department of Physics at USTM, who expressed gratitude to all attendees for their participation and contribution to the success of the event.



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CSIR-UGC NET/ UGC NET/JRF Qualified Students : June 2024

64 USTM Students Cracked UGC-NET

USTM continues to excel in preparing students for national-level competitive exams, and the unique Payback Policy of the University is practically paying back to students in terms of brilliant results and the entire course fee as a reward from the university. As per results declared for exams held in June this year, 64 students from the university have cleared the competitive exams of UGC & CSIR NET & JRF.



Achievement of Specially-Abled Staff Members of USTM



Two of our specially-abled staff members, Mr. Hukeswar Deka and Mr. Monuj Tanti, won gold and silver medals at the 1st North East Para Sports Meet Guwahati 2024 held from 27 to 29 November, 2024. The event was hosted by Udayachal in association with the Paralympic Association of Assam and the Paralympic Committee of India. Mr. Monuj Tanti won the Silver Medal in Table Tennis, securing an impressive 2nd position. Mr Hukeswar Deka brought home a stunning Double Gold Medal He also clinched the first position in both 50m Breaststroke Swimming and Shotput.

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