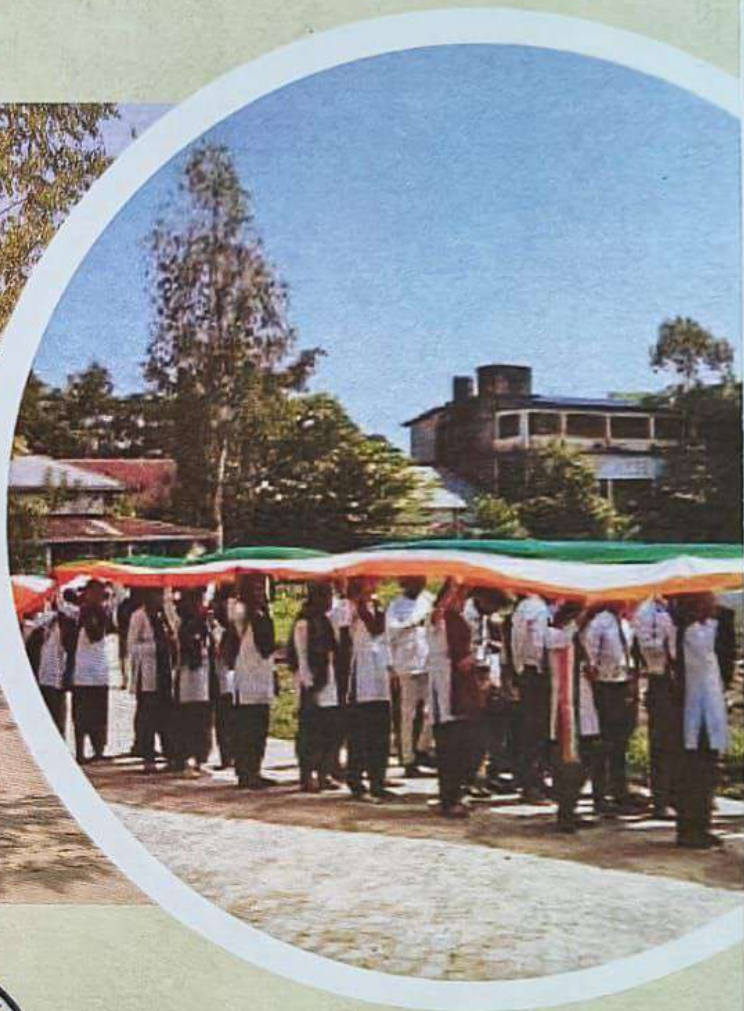


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Message from the Principal i/c



It gives me immense pleasure to see that the Editorial Team of Janata College, Kabuganj Newsletter (in short: JCK Newsletter) is going to publish the second issue of its newsletter after a long break. This newsletter chronicles the events or programmes which have been conducted by different cells or departments of the college in the year 2022. The documentation of all the events and observations of Janata College, Kabuganj in the newsletter will definitely make it an easy guide for all the stakeholders to catch the spirit of the college. To put idea into action is an essential exercise to transmit the values towards the future generations. I convey my good wishes for the successful completion of this venture and offer my heartfelt gratitude to the Editorial Team of the JCK Newsletter.

Mrs. Sujata Palit
Principal i/c

From The Editorial Team.....

“Success is not final; failure is not fatal; it is the courage to continue that counts.”

-- Swami Vivekananda

Internalizing this strong message of Swami Vivekananda, Janata College, Kabuganj, has taken

up endeavour to revive different activities of the college which had been put in silence due to the devastating constraints of the Covid-19 pandemic. Releasing the newsletter is one of such activities that itself asserts coming back of the college in its normal functioning. It is the second issue that is designed to display the different pursuits of the college and especially to showcase societal, literary and cultural performances. It is an endeavour to reflect the values and qualities that as an educational institution the college upholds. It has encompassed almost all the activities held both within and outside the college premises under the supervision of different faculties and cells. It is the collective efforts of both the teachers and students that make the dream come true. We fondly acknowledge the kind support we have received from Lalit Printing Works, Silchar to publish the newsletter. This small venture is definitely not without shortcomings, but we assure for a better one than this in the future years.

With warm welcome!

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International Mother Language Day 2022



Department of Bengali organised the *International Mother Language Day 2022* on February 21. This is the annual observance event held worldwide to promote awareness of linguistic and cultural diversity and of the importance of multilingualism. *International Mother Language Day* recognises all languages and believes that multilingualism can advance inclusive and sustainable development leaving no one behind. This year it is observed everywhere with the theme "Using Technology for Multilingual Learning: Challenges and Opportunities" that has emphasised the potential of technology in facilitating the multilingual learning in education. Dr. Alauddin Mandal, Associate Professor of the Department of Bengali, Assam University, Silchar was invited as the Chief Guest of the programme.

International Women's Day 2022



International Women's Day (IWD) is a global event celebrated annually on March 8. It is held to raise awareness and attention to issues affecting women such as gender equality, reproductive rights, violence and abuses against women. IWD with the theme "Gender Equality for

Sustainable Tomorrow" is celebrated on March 8, 2022 by the Assam College Teachers' Association (ACTA) Unit of this college with deliberation of lectures by the teachers and presentation of Martial Arts by our students. Lectures basically focusing on gender sensitization, the status of women since the Vedic period to the present time, domestic violence, etc. were delivered to make students aware of the varied conditions of women in India.

World Environment Day 2022



World Environment Day, also called Environment Day, is celebrated annually on 5th June across the globe for creating worldwide awareness and collective efforts to protect and preserve the pristine environment. *Carbon footprints* that we create during our lifetime pollute the environment and degrade it. Understanding how serious the pollution of environment could be, the United Nations (UN) in its *Conference on the Human Environment* held in Stockholm during June 5-16 in 1972 successfully emerged with the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) as a permanent wing that calls for leadership and climate actions to care the environment. Henceforth, World Environment Day, which has been celebrated annually since 1973, is the biggest global event for environmental outreach.

National Service Scheme (NSS), National Cadet Corps (NCC) along with Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of Janata College, celebrated World Environment Day 2022 in a befitting manner with plantation drive in college premises. Keeping this year's campaign slogan—*Only One Earth* with focus on "Living Sustainably in Harmony with Nature" in mind, NSS volunteers and NCC cadets along with teaching and non-teaching staffs planted good number of saplings. Everyone participated enthusiastically to make the day a special one.

5 Days Yoga Shibir



National Service Scheme (NSS) and Extension Activities Cell under the aegis of Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of Janata College, Kabuganj conducted a *5 Days Yoga Shibir*, held from 17–21 June, 2022 on the occasion of 8th International Day of Yoga with long training sessions. International Day of Yoga (IDY), also called Yoga Day, has been celebrated across the world annually on June 21 since 2015 following its inception in the United Nations General Assembly in 2014. Students as well as teaching staffs of the college participated at the training sessions. Over 40 participants attended the training sessions daily. A team of trained experts led by Mr. Sajal Kumar Deb from Bharat Swabhiman Nyas (Trust), Cachar, were invited to train the participants. However, the last two days of said yoga camp couldn't be held due to the occurrence of heavy rainfall causing flood in entire Cachar district.

Flood Relief Response



NCC cadets of Janata College, Kabuganj, took active participation in the flood relief activities initiated by the Sanatan Unnayan Sangstha (SUS), a Non-Governmental Organisation (NGO) located at Nutan Bazar, Cachar. It was a special social work for providing relief materials to the people of flood-affected areas in the Barak Valley. NCC cadets actively worked for packaging the relief materials meant for the affected people on 10th July, 2022 in the college premises. The SUS took the noble initiative of distributing relief materials to more than 1000 families when several parts of Barak valley remained under water during June-July of 2022. NCC cadets selflessly took part in packaging a huge lot of materials and successfully completed their assigned task. This activity was monitored and coordinated by Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of the college.

HAR GHAR TIRANGA



National Service Scheme (NSS) Unit of Janata College, Kabuganj, campaigned for *Har Ghar Tiranga* on 12th August, 2022 in a befitting manner with distributions of National Flags especially to the houses of the underprivileged section of the society. *Har Ghar Tiranga* is a campaign that encourages every household to hoist and salute the National Flag at their homes from August 13–15 to be a part of 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav'—a grand celebration envisioned to mark the 75 years of independence of our country. Teaching staffs and students of the college took participation at the said campaign enthusiastically. Over one hundred flags were distributed at Nagdirgram Pt-III village and adjoining villages and the campaign was a grand success.

The students took out a procession with a 250 metre long Tiranga



Martyr's Day on August 13, 2022



Martyr's Day is observed on August 13 annually to mark respect on the death anniversary of Bir Tikendrajit Singh who was a great patriot and prince of Manipur. He was the commander of Manipuri army and the man behind *Anglo-Manipur War* of 1891 against the British regime. He was executed on 13th August, 1891 by the British. Department of Manipuri of this college observes *Martyr's Day* on August 13 every year to acknowledge his act of valour, love for his motherland and sacrifice of his life during India's struggle for independence. S. Manjor Singha, Retd. Headmaster, Bantarapur High School, Cachar was the invited guest in the said observation.

Manipuri Language Day 2022



Department of Manipuri celebrated *Manipuri Language Day* on 20th August 2022 with a colourful programme and fanfare. This day is celebrated by the Manipuri people living across the states of the country because it is on this day in the year 1992, the Manipuri language was recognised and included in the Eight Schedule of the Constitution of India. Dr H. Nani Kumar Singha, Professor & Head of the Department of Manipuri, Assam University, Silchar, attended the said programme and shared his views on Manipuri language and literature.

Sharadiya Utsav, 2022



Sharadiya Utsav—the autumn festival was celebrated by the Department of Bengali on 30th September 2022 to mark the preparation for the arrival of *Goddess Parvati* from the Mount Kailash. With the advent of autumn, a genuine note of happiness can be discerned both within and without. It is as if the entire cosmos partakes in welcoming *Goddess Durga*, the divinity in female form. For Bengalis, *Goddess Durga* is not just a divine mother figure, she is also a daughter who comes to stay in her parents' home for four days. Every year Bengali Department of the college celebrates the coming of this divine mother and 'daughter' absorbed in the image of *Goddess Durga* by organizing a cultural programme with the participation of both teachers and students.

400th Birth Anniversary of Lachit Barphukan



The 400th birth anniversary of Lachit Barphukan, who is regarded as an icon of valour and patriotism was celebrated across the entire state of Assam from 19th-24th November, 2022. Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of Janata College, Kabuganj celebrated the event in a grand way. A long series of programme including essay writing competition, students' seminar, plantation drive, etc. had been held for four days in the college campus. A students' seminar on *The Life of Lachit Barphukan* was held on 21st November, 2022. A large number of students participated in the said seminar and made the programme a successful one. Teaching staffs' active co-ordination attracted participation of large number of students in the celebration. Prize distribution ceremony was held on 24th November, 2022. Animesh Roy of first semester (English Honours) won the first prize in the essay writing competition.

Book Release



Sri Arjun Ram Meghwal, Minister of State for Culture, Govt. of India, released a book titled *Partition of India and Its Root and Legacy: Memory and Trauma on the Eastern Corridor*, edited by Dr. Munni Deb Mazumder, Assistant Professor, Department of English, Janata College, Kabuganj on 2nd September 2022 in a National level Workshop on "Implementation Strategies of the Vision of NEP 2020: Challenges and Opportunities for Higher Education Institutions" held at Rajiv Bhavan, Silchar. The book is composed of the various articles presented in the National Seminar held on 5th and 6th October 2018 in Janata College, Kabuganj jointly organised by the Department of English, Janata College, Kabuganj and Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Institute of Asian Studies (MAKAIAS), Kolkata. The edited book is

published by EBH Publishers (India) on behalf of MAKAIAS. Prof. Sujit Kr. Ghosh, Chairman, MAKAIAS, Sri Mihir Kanti Shom (MLA), Prof. Niranjana Roy, Department of Economics, Assam University, eminent writer Dr. Amalendu Bhattacharjee, Prof. Anup Kumar Dey, Assam University, Sri R. K. Jha (IAS), Deputy Commissioner as well as Sri Numal Mahatta (APS), Superintendent of Police of Cachar and many other dignitaries attended the book release function.

Workshop held on Biological Diversity Act, 2002



Central Library of Janata College, Kabuganj, organised an *Awareness generation workshop on Biological Diversity Act, 2002: Roles of BMC and importance of conserving indigenous rice varieties for posterity* on 21st September, 2022. It was a special workshop for the nearby communities to create awareness on the importance of conserving biological diversity available in the region. Almost fifty participants, mostly progressive farmers who are aiming towards agripreneurship, attended the workshop with enthusiasm. The functions of Biodiversity Management Committee (BMC) at local level and the importance of conserving the indigenous rice varieties were discussed in the said workshop. The various rice varieties were also preserved as well as displayed in the North East Archival Corner of the college library. Resource persons viz., Dr. Nikhil Chandra Das, SDO, Sub-divisional Agriculture Office, Sonai, Dr. Oinam Sunanda Devi, Scientific Officer, Assam State Biodiversity Board, Dr. Joydita Purkayastha, PBR-Consultant, Assam State Biodiversity Board, and Mr. Swapan Asangbam, Social Entrepreneur and Farmer delivered lectures and shared the views with the participants.

Vocational Guidance & Career Counselling



A *Vocational Guidance & Career Counselling Programme* under the Skill, Employment & Entrepreneurship, Govt. of Assam, was organised on 19th November, 2022 by Model Career Centre, District Employment Exchange, Cachar. Shri Manoj Kanu, Dy. Director, District Employment Exchange, Cachar and Shri Ranjan Sahani, Mahatma Gandhi National Fellow, Assam Skill Development Mission, attended and conducted the programme. Over one hundred students participated and made the programme a successful one. Departments of Economics and Political Science jointly coordinated the programme.

Guest Lecture Programme



Department of English organised a *Guest Lecture Programme* on 14th November, 2022 in the college premises. Dr. Saugata Kumar Nath, Associate Professor of the Department of English, Assam University, Silchar delivered the lecture on the topic "*Modern European Drama*". The lecture has been delivered on the said topic for two hours with special reference to all the five modern

European dramas prescribed for the 5th semester honours students under Assam University. All odd semester honours students of the department attended the session with active interactions.

Lecture Programme by Department of Bengali



A *Guest Lecture Programme* was organised by the Department of Bengali on 17th November, 2022 in the college premises. Dr Pronoy Brahmachari, Assistant Professor of the Department of Bengali, G.C. College, Silchar delivered the lecture on the topic "*Bangla Sishu Sahitya*". Students of Bengali Department attended the lecture programme enthusiastically.

The department also conducted another *Guest Lecture Programme* on 20th December, 2022 in the college premises. Dr Anamika Chakrabarty, Associate Professor and Head of the Department of Bengali, G.C. College, Silchar delivered the lecture on the topic "*Adhunik Geeti Kabita (Modern Lyrical Poem)*". Topic covered in the lecture programme has relevance with the syllabus meant for the undergraduate course in Bengali literature. Students of Bengali Department attended the lecture programme enthusiastically and made it a grand success.



Special Lecture Programme conducted by Department of History



A *Special Lecture Programme* was organised by the Department of History on 20th December, 2022 in the college premises. Dr. Debosree Dutta, Associate Professor & Head of the Department of History, Women's College, Silchar delivered the lecture on the topic "Sources of Ancient Indian History". Students of the Department of History attended the lecture programme enthusiastically.

Lecture Programme by Philosophy Department



To enlighten students about the Indian philosophy, the Department of Philosophy arranged a *Special Lecture* programme on 5th December, 2022 at the college campus. Dr. Sushmita Roy, Associate Professor, Department of Philosophy, Karimganj College, Karimganj was the invited expert. She delivered lecture on the topic "Non-Vedic Schools of Indian Philosophy" focusing on the three non-Vedic schools viz., Carvaka, Buddha, and Jaina.

Lecture Programme by Political Science Department



Department of Political Science organised a *Special Lecture* programme on 9th December, 2022 in the college premises, for the benefit of both honours as well as pass course students. Mrs. Nandini Singha, Associate Professor & Head, Department of Political Science, M.C.D. College, Sonai was the invited resource person. She delivered lecture on the topic "Philosophical Views of Aristotle on Citizenship".

Departmental Seminars (Manipuri)



Department of Manipuri organised *Departmental Seminars* on 2nd, 5th and 8th December, 2022 for T.D.C. students. The seminar was held on the topic 'Pre-war Manipuri Poetry' for the 1st semester students on 2nd December whereas the seminar for T.D.C. 3rd semester students took place on 5th December focusing the theme of "Manipuri Linguistics". The seminar for the 5th semester, held on 8th December, was concentrated on the topic 'Eastern Criticism'. These seminar programmes were aimed to evaluate the students' level of clarity on the given topics, and to develop

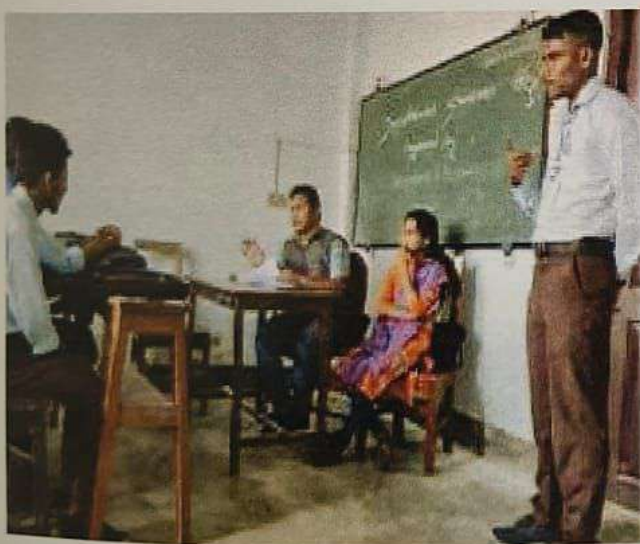
their communication skills on presentation. Students actively participated and exchanged their views in all the three sessions.

Departmental Seminars (Political Science)



Department of Political Science organized a two-days *Departmental Seminar* on 9th & 10th December, 2022 for all the T.D.C. odd semester honours course as well as the 5th semester pass course students. This seminar programme is aimed at grooming the students to develop their presentation as well as the communication skill.

Departmental Seminars (Economics)



Department of Economics held a *Departmental Seminar* on 20th December, 2022 for all the T.D.C. honours courses as well as the 5th semester pass course students. Students presented papers on diverse themes of Indian economy having special focus on the entrepreneurship and start-ups. Each presentation in this departmental seminar was followed by the qualitative questions-answers session. This seminar programme is primarily aimed at enhancing the students' presentation skills,

confidence in communicating with their peers and ability to be comprehensible to others.

Departmental Seminars (Bengali)



Department of Bengali organized a *Departmental Seminar* on 14th December, 2022 for both the T.D.C. Odd semester honours courses and the 5th semester pass course students. This seminar programme is aimed at grooming the students to develop their presentation skills and enhance their spirit of enquiry.

Achievement of an NCC cadet



Rasmi Nath, a cadet of Janata College, 62 Assam (G) Bn attended the All-India Adventure Camp and Rock-Climbing Training Camp (SW) 2022-2023 conducted by 3 MP Girls Bn NCC from 2nd to 11th December, 2022 held at Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh.

Farewell to Final Semester/Year Students



A Farewell programme was held on 1st December, 2022 to bid farewell to the students of both H.S. final year and the T.D.C. 6th semester. Students' Union Body of the college conducts this event for the outgoing students every year. This type of programme is envisioned to develop the affective domain of the students as it provides platform for the students to share their thoughts, emotions and experiences. Such program makes the exit of the outgoing students graceful with warm wishes for their future endeavours.

Freshers' Meet 2022



Freshers' Meet - a colourful programme for welcoming the newly admitted students of H.S. 1st year and T.D.C. 1st semester was held on 3rd December, 2022. This is the annual event that gives a platform for formal introduction among the students and showcasing their talents as well.

Students' Union Election



Janata College Students' Union election for the session 2022-2023 was held on 23rd December, 2022 in the college premises from 10 A.M. to 1 P.M. Mr. Y. Prafullo Singha, as a Returning Officer, conducted the entire election process

smoothly. Jahangir Alam and Sanjoy Singha of T.D.C. 1st semester contested for the post of General Secretary (GS), and Shradha Devi and Aksadul Alam contested for the post of Assistant General Secretary (AGS). The election was nicely conducted with 51 percent voter turnout. Sanjoy Singha and Shradha Devi are declared elected to the posts of GS and AGS respectively. The rest of the posts of Students' Union were filled up uncontested.



Farewell to a Teaching Staff



Janata College fraternity bid farewell to their beloved teacher Dr. Amal Kanti Sinha on 30th September, 2022 upon his superannuation. After completion of his Master of Arts (M.A.) in History from Gauhati University in 1988, he joined this college as a Lecturer of History in the year 1992. He did his Ph.D. from Assam University, Silchar in the year 2013. He served this college for thirty years. He retired as the Principal in charge of the college and was in this capacity post for almost two years. College fraternity shall always remember his invaluable services rendered to the society.

Farewell to a Non-teaching Staff

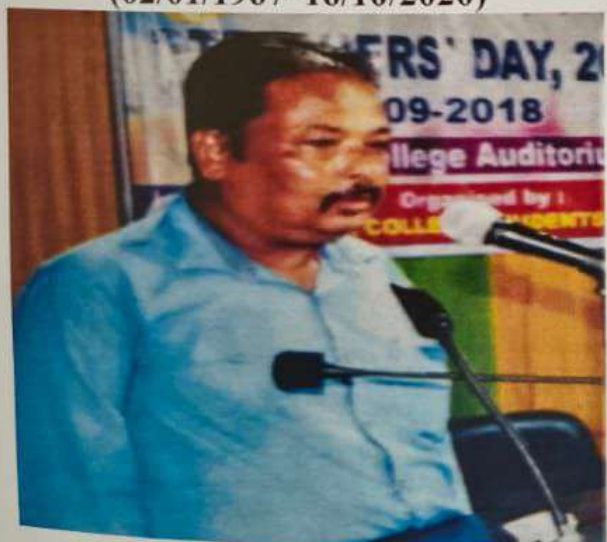


Janata College fraternity bid farewell to Mrs. Ratna Chakraborty, fondly called *Ratnadi*, a non-teaching staff (Gr. IV) on 31st October, 2022 upon her superannuation. She joined this college in 1994 as a Grade IV staff and served the college for long 28 years. She performed her assigned duties with sincerity and diligence. She was always punctual to her duty. College fraternity shall always remember her contributions and assistance given in smooth functioning of the college.

OBITUARIES

Dr Biswajit Nath

(02/01/1967–16/10/2020)



Dr. Biswajit Nath, Associate Professor in the Department of Economics unexpectedly expired on 16th October, 2020 at Silchar. He obtained his Master of Science in Economics from Gauhati University and had a successful career as a Lecturer

in this college since 11th January, 1992. He did his Ph.D degree from V.B.S. Purvanchal University, U.P. in the year 2010. He was a man of jovial nature with a strong sense of humour and spiritual inclination. He was also involved in many social activities. The college fraternity badly miss his cheerful presence in the college. He is survived by his wife and a daughter.

Bimal Chandra Nath

(24/09/1974 – 17/11/2021)



Fondly called *Bimalda*, a non-teaching staff (Gr. IV) expired on 17th November, 2021 at Silchar Medical College & Hospital due to an unexpected road accident. He joined in the service on 24th March, 2012. He is deeply missed by colleagues and all who knew him. He is survived by his wife and a son.

New Principal (i/c) assumes office



Upon superannuation of Dr. Amal Kanti Sinha, Mrs. Sujata Palit, senior most teacher and Head of the Department of Political Science took charge as the Principal (i/c) of the college on 1st October, 2022.

