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DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

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* I am not a teacher, but an awakener.

- Robert Frost.

* Live as if you were to die tomorrow. learn as if you were to live forever.

- M.K. Gandhi.

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PRINCIPAL'S DESK

I am extremely happy that the department of Economics of our college is going to publish the first issue of Annual News Letter soon. A news letter is a mixed bag of information which reflects the day to day life and invaluable interaction and experience that go on between the students and teachers. Economics department has the distinction of doing a good number of unique activities in their department. I wish all success to the News Letter and extend my good wishes to all teachers and students of the department.

DR.B.B.PANDA

HOD's Speech.....

The Department of Economics was established under the aegis of the pioneer higher educational institution in the south west Kamrup, B.P.Chaliha college, Nagarbera with a holy aim of creating healthy educational atmosphere in this remote area. The department has made its successful beginning since 1972 and has been producing a good number of graduates who are now engaged in different sectors of our country. The department constituted the "ECONOMIC FORUM" in 2003 and since inception it has taken up initiative to cope up with the three dimensions of higher education - teaching, research and extension. The department has taken up various steps to fulfill those dimensions to make the college a bright social institution. Keeping all its objectives in mind the FORUM has been organizing a number of workshops, seminars, popular talks, surveys, educational tours, laboratory visits, Group discussions to impart new ideas and experiences to our main stakeholders, the students. This issue of news letter is giving a simple overview of the forum and its activities. Hereby we would like to offer our thanks to all those villagers, scholars, experts, and informers along with the principal of our college, students and other faculty members who helped us throughout the process of data collection and publication of this letter. We will feel proud if stakeholders can derive at least some benefit from the letter without losing anything. We will appreciate your constructive criticisms and suggestions for improvement of future issues.

*A pen picture of the Department

B.P.Chaliha College one of the premier institutions of south west Kamrup of Assam was established in 1972. The degree course (Under graduate level) was started in 1976, introducing Economics as one of the subject in the college. The college authority introduced honours course in 1979 and govt. concurrence was allotted 1982, since the inception of the honours course the department initiated English language as the medium of instruction and good number of honours graduates have been produced and almost all of them are well placed in different central and state govt. offices like higher education, secondary education, excise, India post, forestry, defense etc.

SPECIAL FEATURES

*The Economic Fom compiled "INFORMATICS" a half yearly display board for providing information of different disciplines (especially economical) for having updated facts and figures to the stakeholders of the institution.

*The Department initiated "BEST PRACTICE" monthly to create an environment for the writing skill upliftment of the students by creative writing on various topics in English.

Departmental activities

- * A socio-economic survey was conducted on "Pottery in Palpara (Goalpara) in 2005.
- *Educational tour to Gangtok(Sikkim) in 2008
- *A socio-economic survey conducted in Sorudoba - Lakhanpur (Kamrup) in 2009.
- *Educational tour to Kolkatta in 2010
- *Educational tour to Shillong and Chera-punjee specially visited National Potato Research Centre and fields of agricultural farming in 2012.



A group of faculties and students are seen when they went for a research laboratory visit in Shillong



Socio- Economic Survey conducted by Economic forum october 2009 at Horidoba Lakshanpur village.

In Campus Promotional Activities of the Department:-

- * Inter department (ECO-MATH-STATS) Seminar on "Mathematical application in Economics"
- * A Popular talk on "Group Discussion" organized in 2011 in the department of Education.(R.Person Mr.N.C.Kalita, Associate Professor)
- * A workshop on "Leadership Building" organized in 2012 in the department of Economics.
(R.Person Dr.B.B.Panda, Education,Asso. Prof.: Mr.N.C.Kalita,Asso. Professor)
- * A workshop on "How to write a seminar paper" organized in 2012 in the department of Economics.(R.Person- Dr.T. Goswami,Zoology,Asso.Prof.;Mr.N.C. Kalita(Eco)Asso.Prof.: Mr.A.Saikia(Eco) Asstt.Prof)

SOCIO ECONOMIC SURVEY CONDUCTED BY THE FORUM:-

A socio- economic survey was undertaken by the students of Economic Forum in the month of September 2009 covering two nearby villages – Sorudoba and Laxanpur under Chamaria development block with a view to find out the different aspects of Socio- Economic status of the villagers. After collecting and analyzing data from the respondents it was summarized that out of 112 households, more than 60% households are lying below the poverty line. As per HDI indicator – literary rate, standard of living, income and occupation etc. are also found miserable. It is also found that due to single dimension occupational source the effectiveness of government schemes are not satisfactory.

WORKSHOP ON FDI

The Forum organized a Workshop on "FDI in retail brand in rural India on 2nd April 2013 where Retd. Prof of department of Economics Utsab Chandra Das delivered a unique lecture on the topic. Around 150 students of our department and a major portion of the college faculties participated in the workshop. The resource person expressed his view about positive and negative implications of FDI on Indian Economy specially the rural India. After his deliberation an attractive interaction was taken place where Dr.B.B.Panda (Principal), Prof. A Hakim (Pol. Science), Prof. N. C. Bhoi (English), Dr. B. Kalita (Geography) participated to expose pros and cons of the concept.



* A Workshop on "FDI in retail brand in rural India" in 2013. R.Person Utsab Chandra Das Ex HOD. Dept. of Economics, BPCC delivering a lecture during a workshop



Nirmal Ch. Kalita, HoD, Economics Dept. delivering a lecture during a popular talk session

OUR PRIDE

Right from the inception the department has produced a good number of graduates who are engaged in different Govt. and Non Govt. disciplines and especially in higher education all over the State. Among those following are the some of the pass out students who have secured higher positions under Gauhati University (last 5 years)-

- * Barnali Das (1st class 8th) 2008
- * Mofidul Hassan (1st class 2nd) 2012
- * Nazneen Ara Hoque (1st class 48th) 2012
- * Dipankar Dey (1st class 66th) 2012

* SEMINAR/WORKSHOP/CONFERENCE ATTENDEND BY THE FACULTIES (last 3years)

Name	International Seminar	National Seminar	National Workshop
N.C.Kalita	02	10	05
F.Ahmed	02	05	02
A.Saikia	02	08	03
A.Hujuri	01	04	02
T.Deka	02	08	03



Inter departmental Seminar

WORKS IN PIPELINE –

The Forum has already proposed a few numbers of important upcoming Projects for the betterment of the department

- * An economic survey is going to be undertaken on PATI MAKING activities in Goalpara District of Assam.
- * An Educational Tour will be organized outside Assam
- * One ISBN book entitled “Comprehensive study on North-East Economy”
- * A National Seminar/Workshop is going to be conducted under the aegis of UGC.

WE OFFER OUR HUMBLE THANKS TO OUR VISITORS

- * Prof. Bhaben Ch. Kalita, Deptt. Maths, GU.
- * Dr. Ramani Barman, UGC- Branch, GU.
- * Dr. Krishna Gopal Bhattacharya, Director, ASC, GU.
- * Dr. Shyam Bhadra Medhi, Retd. Education commissioner, Govt. of Assam.
- * Dr. Bhagirathi Panda, Deptt. of Econ. NEHU.
- * Prof. S.K. Mishra, Deptt. of Econ. NEHU.
- * Prof. K.K. Barman, Deptt. of Econ. GU.

ECONOMIC FORUM

- Advisor: Dr. B.B. Panda, Principal
Chairperson: Mr. Nirmal Ch. Kalita, HoD
Secretary: Mrs. Firoza Ahmed
Teacher Members: Mr. Anshuman Saikia
Mrs. Alaka Huzuri
Mr. Trailokya Deka
Student Members: Faizur Rahman, Bhaskar Das, Kangkan Das.