

Department of Geography Report on Earth Day through the Lens of NEP, 2020







Overview of the program

Name of the Seminar/conference/workshop: Earth Day through the Lens of NEP, 2020

Venue: Academic Gallery, Gargaon College

Date: 22.04.2022

Organized by: Department of Geography in Collaboration with Assam Science Society, Assam

Nature of Activity: Popular Talk, Soft-skills

Name of Resource Person: Dr. Bimal Borah, Ex-Principal, J.B. College, Jorhat, Assam

Number of Participants: 81

Brief report of the program

Gargaon College's Department of Geography, in association with the Assam Science Society, marked World Earth Day with considerable fervor. In celebration of the day, the Department of Geography at Gargaon College hosted a well-attended discussion titled "Earth Day through the Lens of NEP 2020" in conjunction with the opening of the Geoinformatics Laboratory. The Principal of Gargaon College, Dr. Sabyasachi Mahanta, and other distinguished academics launched the Geoinformatics Laboratory. Dr. Mahanta stressed the need to preserve biodiversity, preserve ecosystems, and protect the environment in his inaugural speech. He also discussed the significance of World Earth Day. He gave everyone present a warm welcome and praised the efforts made by the geography department at Gargaon College.

The popular talk was delivered by resource person Dr. Bimal Borah, retired principal of J. B. College (Autonomous), Jorhat. In his deliberation, Dr. Borah highlighted the thrust areas of Earth Day, such as generating awareness among the masses and encouraging people to become a part of the issue so as to provide impetus for positive action. He stated that there was cause for concern not just globally but also in the Indian context with challenges of public health, population growth, shortage of water, etc., which can be improved only with good education and technological developments. He encouraged everyone present to follow the 3 R's—reduce, reuse, and recycle—and stressed that Earth Day was not just a one-day event but a continuous effort. The programme was attended by around 100 students, members of the teaching fraternity from various departments, and staff of Gargaon College.

Rationality of the program

For a half century, since 1970, the world has celebrated Earth Day to honour Mother Nature and to raise public awareness about the environment and inspire people to save and protect it.

There are a number of similarities between Earth Day and our Soft Skills as the Earth is the epitome of soft skills in action. To name a few: communication, resilience, grit, adaptability, creativity, teamwork. Talking about creativity: there are nearly 400,000 species of flowers and over 5.5 million species of insects. NEP will help in this aspect by giving students soft skills, innovative thinking and creative flair. Employability being one of the main focuses of NEP, it aims to provide inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong opportunities for all. In this way NEP can develop technical as well as soft skills among students and make them ready for the future challenges.





Gargaon College celebrates World Earth Day

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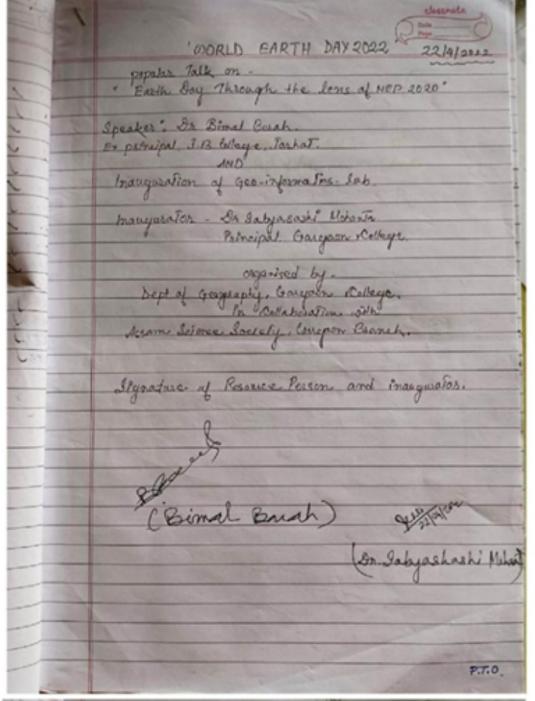
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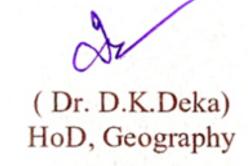
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