

CHRONICLES 2019

- A group of 32 Bcom 6th Semester students escorted by Prof Mridul Barman and Prof. Mridul Chandra undertook an industrial visit to Kolkatta, Pune and Mumbai from January 6 – January 19, 2019. While staying in Pune, the students attended the motivational sessions in Pune Institute of Management (PIBM). They visited Lavasa Group of Industries, Narayangan Society, Mapro Company, Bisleri Company etc. Moreover, they also participated in the interactive sessions conducted by Prof. David of Pune Institute of Management. In Mumbai, they visited Don Bosco International School and Don Bosco Technical College at Kurla. The industrial visit was helpful to the students to understand the industrial working conditions and various sections within the industry.
- The NCC cadets of Don Bosco College undertook the work of cleaning the Cenotaph of Garo Labour Corps at Lower Babupara in Tura on 14 January 2019. The cleanliness campaign was supervised by Prof. Sengprang Sangma, NCC CTO (SD) of the college. The aim is to develop character with spirit of comradeship, discipline and secular outlook.
- A total number of 27 students of the fourth and sixth semester BA escorted by Prof Biman Tesil Sangma and Prof Rubitha Sangma went for a 12 - day *Study Tour* on the 18th of January to 30th January 2019 and visited Jodhpur, Jaisalmer, Jaipur, Delhi and Agra. It was a combined study tour initiated by the department of Education and Geography and the purpose of conducting the tour was to give the opportunity to the students to visit places of other states and to learn about different cultures and to give insight about man's adaptation in different environment, as in this case, that of lifestyles in the desert.
- The student of Don Bosco College, Dorang Dekamra M. Sangma participated in the State Youth Parliament held at the Old Guest House, NEHU, Shillong on 28 January 2019 and bagged the 2nd position in the competition. The best participants were shortlisted from the District Youth Parliament and competed on the four given topics. The inaugural session was attended by the Chief Guest, Lahkmen Rymbui, Minister of Education, Shri Charles Pyngrope, MLA and Vice Chancellor of NEHU, Prof. Henry Lamin. Dorang Dekamra with one of the participants from

each State/Union Territory will participate in the Youth Parliament to be held in Delhi. each



- Staff Meeting was held in the College Conference Hall on 6 February,2019. The staff got an opportunity to sit together and various important matters were discussed in the meeting.

- In his maiden visit to Garo Hills, the Honourable Governor of Meghalaya, Shri Tathagata Roy inaugurated the *Start Up India Yatra North East* at Don Bosco College on 18 February 2019 in the presence of Shri Ram Singh, Deputy Commissioner, Shri M.G.R. Superintendent of Police, Tura and the college staff. The students welcomed the governor with a beautiful song that goes like '*welcoming you on this glorious day...*'. The words of welcome and felicitation was delivered by the Principal. '*The presence of the governor adds beauty and colour to the college,*' said the Principal. In his short speech, eulogizing the Catholic institutions, the Governor who had been in the teaching profession for 20 years said that he felt elated to be in the midst of students. It is like home coming to him as he himself studied in Catholic institutions and his entire family is grateful to the Catholic institutions; despite the vast country of India with differences in language and diverse backgrounds we are all Indians. He further urged those who present to be proud of being Indian, to become great Indians and great people of North-East. The programme came to a conclusion with a two-minute silence to pay a respect to the CRPF jawans who were killed in Jammu and Kashmir.



● In an effort to keep pace with the changing world, the Department of Physics, Don Bosco College, Tura organized a Seminar on the 18th of February 2019. The seminar was attended by the 4th Semester BSc students. A total number of 42 students took part in the Seminar. The topics of the seminar were- 'Linear Accelerators', 'Cyclotron, Betatron', 'Proton Synchrotron', 'Ionization chamber', 'GM Counter' and 'Scintillation counter'. Dr. Yubaraj Sharma, Assistant Professor of the Physics Department delivered the welcome address which was followed by the Principal's speech who put an emphasis on the need to organize seminars for the benefit of the students. Furthermore, he said that the presentations of the students will help them to prepare and build self-confidence in future. The group of students presented slide shows and at the end of presentation Dr. Arindam Ghosh, Assistant Professor, Head, Department of Physics gave a 'critical analysis' of the presentations. Lastly, the vote of thanks was delivered by Gaurav Biswas, Assistant Professor, and Department of Physics.



● Four faculty members of Don Bosco College, Tura led by Dr Arindam Ghosh, IQAC Co-ordinator visited Ramakrishna Mission School, Zekabari for a one-day Orientation Programme on February 20, 2019. The other faculty members were Prof. Ipshita Roy, Dr Ratan Chakraborty, Prof. Siddhartha Roy. As resource persons they interacted with the teachers and shared their experiences on teaching and learning with the school teachers. The convenor of the programme, Mr. Gaganendra Sanyal in his introductory speech, while giving special emphasis on teaching learning process said that such type of a programme is a requisite to help teachers in uplifting their teaching skills. Various issues concerning mentoring, counseling and home assignments for the students were touched upon in the discussion.

● Don Bosco College, Tura observed *National Science Day* on 28 February 2019 with great fervour. More than 1500 students attended the programme during the assembly where Dr. Madhusudhan Saha, the coordinator of the programme while addressing the gathering highlighted the significance of the National Science Day celebration with the theme of 2019 "*Science for the people and the people for Science*". In the session followed by the inaugural programme Prof Habul Das delivered the welcome note followed by a melodious and befitting opening song for the day presented by the B.Sc 4th semester students. Rev. Fr. Bivan Rodrigues

Mukhim, SDB, Principal of the college in his message appreciated the Science faculties of the college for their contribution and highlighted the life and contribution of Sir C.V. Raman towards the development of Scientific culture in the country. The programme constituted presentation on Sir C.V. Raman and Raman Spectroscopy by Dr. Arindam Ghosh, Humen Calender presentation by Prof. Habul Das, Top Science News and Quiz Competition by Dr. Madhusudhan Saha. Furthermore, the students of B.Sc. 4th Semester presented a Skit on Life and works of A.P.J. Abdul Kalam. Dr. Biswajit Paul of Zoology Department presented the Concluding remark.



● On the 4th of March, 2019, Brigadier P.M. Bali, Group Commandant, NCC accompanied by Colonel Daljit Singh, Commanding Officer, 2nd Meghalaya Battalion, NCC and Colonel Hemant Saroch, Commanding Officer, 61 Meghalaya Girls' NCC visited Don Bosco College and interacted with the students of the college. Others those who present in the programme were Prof. Terence D. Marak, Principal, Tura Government College, Tura, Mr P. Rymskai, Addl Director of School Education and Literacy and In Charge of District School Education Officer, Tura and Mr John Clitzer A. Sangma, DSP, MPS, West Garo Hills and the principals and heads of various schools were also present. Mr. Brigadier P.M. Bali, said that the students are the future builders of society. Furthermore, he spoke on the role and importance of NCC and its cadets. To inculcate spirit of adventure among cadets the NCC conducts two mountaineering courses and camps every year free of cost for the NCC Cadets. "If you don't raise your bar, the best will come out in you," said Mr Brigadier. Mr John Clitzer Sangma, DSP, MPS also spurred the students on maintaining discipline and to serve society in all respects. The NCC and NSS office of the college was also inaugurated by Mr Brigadier concurrently in a solemn manner.



● A three-day Hands-on –Training Programme on *Plant Tissue Culture Techniques* was initiated from the 4th of March to 6th March 2019. The training was organized by the Institutional Biotech Hub and sponsored by the Department of Biotechnology, Ministry of Science and Technology, Government of India. The Guest Professors from Tura Government College, Prof. Shabaree Y. A. Sangma and Prof. Manman A. Sangma attended the programme. Dr. J.C. Dang delivered the theory lecture on Plant Tissue Culture Techniques. The practical sessions were conducted by in the Institutional Biotech Hub by Ms Shayantani Das, Senior Researcher and Prof. Shabaree Y. A. Sangma. On the last day of the programme certificates were distributed to the participants by the Principal of Don Bosco College.



● The *International Women's Day* was observed formally in Don Bosco College, Tura on the 8th of March 2019. Smt. Lutherine R. Sangma, Retd IAS who was the Chief Guest for the occasion spoke on the issues of gender equality and empowerment of women. In her address to the staff and students she stated that women are always soft targets in society; but though victimized they are able to rise and with struggle they will be empowered. The Chief Guest herself was thankful to the Government of India for launching various schemes to help and uplift women such as One Stop Center, Working Women Hostel and the Ministry of women and Child Development to support women entrepreneurs, Self Help Groups and NGOs etc. The Guest of Honour, Smt. Ferline A. Sangma, Retd MCS accentuated on the quality and importance of women that women play a variety of significant roles in society. "There is nothing women cannot do," added Smt Ferline Sangma. The resource persons were Smt. Agatha Christie, MPS, DSP, Tura and Second in

Command, 2nd MLP Battalion, Goeragre, Tura and Dr. David R. Sangma, MD spoke on the topics 'Women-Safety' and 'Women-Health' respectively.



● The Department of Sociology conducted Seminar on March 11, 2019 at the college. About 66 students of the 2nd and 4th Semester participated zealously in the programme by making presentations on various topics which covered the essential pillars of society and human behaviour. The theme for the Seminar was “A Sociological Understanding of Society” and the objective was to ensure that the students would be exposed to different facets of Sociology. The welcome address was delivered by Miss Lakyntiewhun Sohtun, Head of the Department, Sociology who spoke on the need of understanding society as human beings are interconnected. The students were assigned the topics consisting of Society, Culture, Kinship, Social Group, Caste System and Matrilineal Kinship System etc.



● On 13 March, 2019, for the purpose of making students understand and develop their skills which are required to be successful in their future pathway, Don Bosco College, Tura organized *Orientation On Career Guidance* for the 6th Semester BA, BCom and BSc students. Prof. Dr Shibal Roy, faculty, Tata Institute Of Social Sciences (TISS), Guwahati, Mr Rupankar Gogoi, the founder and CEO of a tea brand named Zesty Tea, Ulix Global Pvt. Ltd. accompanied by the two female executives were the speakers of the sessions. The orientation encompassed mainly on how skills play a key role in finding job at the present day especially in the extent of business. Mr Rupankar Gogoi spoke on how he as a businessman remarkably accomplished making profit of the local organic tea by getting selected as a National Tea and which he could sell for Rs 4000

per kg in Dubai. The speakers of TISS urged the students to enroll and register by making avail themselves of the opportunity in the institute.



● In a bid to create health awareness, the Red Ribbon Club of Don Bosco College, Tura organized a one-day *Dental Health and Examination Programme* for the students on March 15, 2019. Dr. Menoketchi D. Sangma, Senior Dental Surgeon, Tura Civil Hospital and Dr. Easter A. Sangma, Dental Surgeon, Selsela Community Health Centre Examined over 90 students and teachers. The surgeons offered some advice on oral health and on practices which are conducive to maintaining the health of gums and teeth. The programme was spearheaded by the Principal with the help of Dr Barbara Sangma and Dr Mueller M. Sangma.



● *World Consumer Rights Day* was observed on 15 March, 2019 by the department of Commerce in order to spread awareness about consumer rights and needs. The programme started with the lighting of the lamp by Dr. K.C. Biswal, the Chief Guest, Professor, Department of Management, NEHU, Rev. Fr. Albert Sangma, Vice Principal of the college and Prof. K. Mahimairaj, Head of the Department, Commerce. The theme of World Consumer Rights Day 2019 was 'Trusted Smart Products'. Students of the 2nd, 4th and 6th Semester Bcom gave presentations on the topics "*Consumer Issues and Challenges on Fast Moving Goods*", "*Misleading Advertisement and its impact on Consumer*" and "*Role of Consumer Education and its Importance on Consumer.*" Dr Kailash Chandra Biswal, the Chief Guest in his talk laid emphasis on how to choose the product and make a decision by himself. He further spoke on

the awareness of products and raw materials which are imported to India in collaboration with foreign countries and companies.



- On 15 March, 2019, Career Guidance Programme was organized by the Don Bosco College Alumni Association in collaboration with District Administration, West Garo Hills, Meghalaya. The programme was attended by the 6th Semester BA, BSc and Bcom students in the B.Ed Seminar Hall. Shri Ram Singh, Deputy Commissioner, the Chief Guest spoke on the importance of career planning and a need to shape their future with foresight which is the ingredient of success. In his speech, he also put emphasis on how to keep abreast with the latest news, ideas and information and he further urged the students to read books and magazines as they prepare for various competitive exams.

- On the occasion of *Farewell Programme* held on 20th March 2019, the staff and students of Don Bosco College bade adieu to Father George Platottam, the Rector and the former Principal of the college. Fr Bivan R. Mukhim, the principal of the college spoke on the contribution of Fr. George to the college who would be going to Manila, Philippines in order to take up media in connection to Federation of Asian Bishops Conference. As a mark of respect he was presented a traditional A.chik *pandra* and thereafter, Jessy T. Sangma, a student read out the farewell address. The staff and students expressed their gratitude to the outgoing Father for having looked after the college as the Principal and as the Rector.



- As part of observing World Water Day 2019, in order to focus on the importance of water, the NCC cadets of Don Bosco College Tura undertook Cleaning Drive at the Eden Bari River

Source on 22nd March, 2019 under the supervision of Prof. Sengprang A. Sangma. The students swept and cleaned the spot by picking up bottles and other solid materials lying near the river to prevent it from entering the river. Hundreds of trash every year end up in the river and streams which is an eyesore and which can contaminate drinking water and threaten life as well.



- On the 25th of March, 2019, The District Maternity and Child Health Office, West Garo Hills, Tura under Rashtriya Kishor Swachta Karyakram in collaboration with the Red Ribbon Club of Don Bosco College, Tura organized a *Session on Non-Communicable Disease* to the students. Dr. Ivonne, the Mother and the Child Officer, in her presentation warned the students that the causes of non-communicable diseases can lead to premature deaths. Smoking and chewing tobacco at a young age which lead to fatality and the detrimental effects of consuming junk food were also touched upon by the officer. After the session teachers who are above thirty years of age were offered free non-communicable disease screening and counseling to avail of the opportunity.



- On 26 March, 2019, a one-day Training Programme on *The Role of Bioinformatics In Understanding Biology* was organized by Bioinformatics Infrastructure Facility (BIF), NEHU, Tura Campus sponsored by DBT, Government of India in a bid to disseminate information among the undergraduate students about Bioinformatics as a course and its application in various areas of biological studies. About 24 Honours students of Zoology Department and Botany accompanied by teachers, Prof. Sanjeev Toijam Lyngdoh and Prof. Chichi Ch. Sangma participated in the programme. Others those who attended the programme were the faculty members of the Department of RDAP and Research Scholars. Dr. Suman K. Nandy, Research Associate, BIF, NEHU, Tura as a resource person gave a lecture on the introductory overview of

Bioinformatics which covered the topics such as genesis of Bio-Technology Information System Network in India, Basic of molecular biology, biological databases and their uses etc. The lecture was followed by a hands-on demonstration on how to utilize web based biological databases for proteome analysis and protein designing.

● Lok Sabha Election Awareness Campaign by the District Election Office was held at the college on 27 March, 2019 in order to help students and voters verify their names in the electoral rolls, register as new voters and to make corrections in their voter identity ahead of Lok Sabha. Smt. Dimseritha A. Sangma, MCS, Assistant Commissioner of Election, urged the students those who have attained 18 years of age to cast their precious vote. She further instructed the students and voters about the electoral process in order to increase awareness and participation in the election.



● In an endeavor to reach out voters and as a platform to engage and connect with voters a Talk Show “*Tura Talks*” was organized at Don Bosco College, Tura on 29 March 2019 under the theme “Empowering the Voter, powering the Nation”. The show was initiated by the Chief Electoral Officer, Meghalaya in collaboration with Don Bosco College, Tura. The 4th Semester Bsc students presented a welcome song and thereafter Shri Ram Singh, Deputy Commissioner, West Garo Hills addressed the gathering who spoke on the role and importance of the Lok Sabha Election. The programme constituted panel discussion of themes connected with elections. The thought leaders, social thinkers, professionals and people from all walks of life eagerly participated in the show.



●About 16 students of the 6th Semester BSc, Zoology Department escorted by the teachers visited the Chibol Lake near Damalgre, West Garo Hills on the 5th of April 2019. The main objective of visiting the place was to study the planktonic diversity in the lake. Using the improvised rafts the students paddled to the middle part of the lake and collected samples from the lake.

●An awareness session on *Soft Skills Training* was conducted on April 8, 2019 in the college hall. Rev.Fr Abhilash Vadakkekara, the Rector of Bosco Mount, Rongkon lent grace and dignity to the occasion as a Resource person for the day. A total number of 167 students of the second semester BA, BCOM and BSc enthusiastically took part in the session. The session opened with the welcome speech delivered by the Principal who spoke on the fierce and relentless competitions predominating in the world today and its tremendous impact on the youth as its major setback. The training kick started with the ice-breaking exercise followed by the discussion on 'Positivity'. Students were urged upon to boost their optimism and to have a positive mindset in every situation. The importance of dreams and desires for the development of their personality and the need to have a passion in life were also touched upon by FrAbhilashVadakkakara.



●*Poll Volunteer* was flagged off at the college by the Principal, Fr. Bivan R. Mukhim on 9 April, 2019. The volunteers consist of mostly from Don Bosco College, Tura Government College, ICAI University, Durama College, Scouts and Guides who will assist voters on the day of voting. The

Principal congratulated the students for willingness to be the poll volunteers. He also reminded them of only helping the voters and not canvassing them.

● *Parents' Meet 2019* was held at Don Bosco College on April 13, 2019 taking it as an opportunity to refine students' learning and performances and to bring out the best in them. The meeting started with a prayer led by Prof. Rubitha A. Sangma and Prof Mueller Buel M. Sangma delivered the presentation on the role and responsibilities of parents for the growth of their children, that the students do better in college whose parents are fully involved with their education. The Principal presented the overview of the college as well as the strength, weaknesses and challenges of the college. Parents' Association was also formed and office bearers were also selected thereafter.



● A Training for the NCC cadets of the college was conducted on 15 April 2019 at Don Bosco College by the NCC jawans of FC DCM, Shillong. The cadets were imparted training on various subjects such as map reading, marching and the basic NCC signals. Moreover, the importance of being an NCC and the benefits they receive from being an NCC cadet were also stressed upon.

● On 23rd of April, 2019, the NCC cadets of Don Bosco College celebrated *Earth Day*. Prof Biman Tesil R. Sangma, Head, Department Of Geography spoke on the importance of keeping the earth clean and green as the earth is the only planet where life is possible till date. The theme of World Earth Day 2019 was *Protect our Species* which mainly focused on preserving species which are on the verge of extinction due to climate change, deforestation, and illegal poaching etc.

● To raise awareness among students that can save lives and improve the health of others by donating blood, the IQAC of Don Bosco College conducted *Blood Donation Camp* in collaboration with Tura Civil Hospital on 24th April, 2019. Fr. Bivan R. Mukhim, the Principal while welcoming the gathering spoke on the need to donate blood which aims to inculcate awareness that blood donation is a humanitarian act. Dr. Semida K. Marak, Pathologist, in Charge of Blood Bank, Tura Civil Hospital spoke on the awareness of blood donation and on the growing need of blood in Tura who also commended the young volunteers for their noble act.

Other staff members those who present on the occasion were Dr.Tamina G. Momin, Senior Medical and Health Officer,Sister Dimse S. Marak, Staff Nurse and Shri June Wesley R. Sangma. There was an overwhelming response as the number of NSS volunteers took part and had turned up to donate blood to show their service to humanity.



●A one-day *Seminar on Career Guidance* was conducted at Don Bosco College,Tura on 26 April,2019.The Seminar was organized by Kaziranga University in collaboration with Don Bosco College,Tura on *Interview Skill Development and Motivation*. About 199 students from the 6th Semester BA,BSc and BCom actively participated in the seminar. Mr.Sajit Pillai, Deputy Manager and his colleague as the resource persons enthused the students to develop the skills needed to find a position and be successful in the workplace. It is also to provide occupational preparation for entry into the world of work.



●Staff Meeting was held on the 26th of April, 2019 and the meeting was headed by the Principal. Various agenda such as Conducting of NEHU Exams, Academic matters and Preparation for NAAC were discussed in the meeting.

●‘A Talk’ on the topic’ *Inclusive Growth in India*’ was organized on the 29th of April 2019 by the department of Economics, Don Bosco College in association with The Central Book Agency Pvt. Ltd, Kolkatta. Prof. Sampat Mukherjee, the author and retired Professor of St.Xavier’s College, Kolkatta was the Resource person of the programme which was attended by the students of the department of Economics and Commerce of Don Bosco College. Prof. Siddhartha Roy in his address remarked about the achievements of Prof. Mukherjee in the field of Economics and expressed his gratitude to Mr. Mayur Tanna of New Central Book Agency Pvt. Ltd for

accompanying him. In his talk, Prof. Mukherjee stressed on the need for economic reforms and equitable development which focuses on the key related elements of growth: agricultural prosperity, reduction in poverty, food security empowerment of women and reduction of regional disparity etc.



● On 29 April, 2019, a one-day *Seminar on Qualitative Diversity of Fishes in Tura Market* was organized at Don Bosco College by the Department of Zoology. The avowed purpose of the seminar is to encourage students to study about the quality fishes available in Tura Market. The programme opened with the introductory speech by the Principal who introduced the dignitaries and spoke on the importance of organizing this type of seminars. The subject expert, Shri Roger Bennister R. Marak was welcomed heartily with a bouquet of flowers and Garo traditional stole. The key address was delivered by Dr. Biswajit Paul, Head of the Department of Zoology. Mr. Roger Bennister Marak, the subject expert, District Fishery Officer in his brief speech, expressed his desire for more studies on a variety of fishes which will enable the department to take necessary measures to benefit the consumers and producers of fish. He further stressed on the importance of prawn culture and non-commercial small fishes which are important aquaculture products. He urged the department to go for more studies in future. . A total number of 16 students presented their findings in their studies of the fishes.

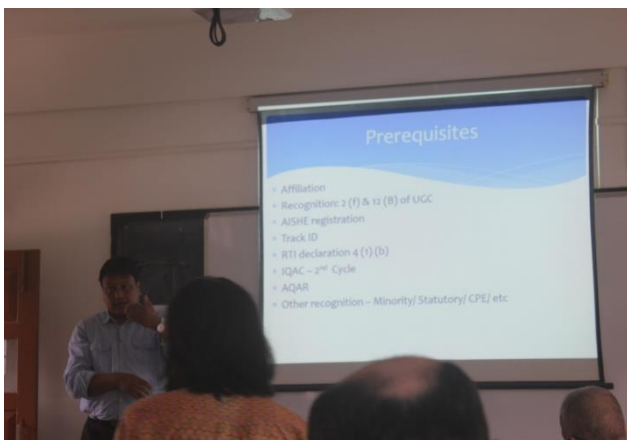


● On 1st May 2019, *Parting Social* was organized for the final year students in a salubrious weather and ambience with renewed gusto. The programme commenced with a special song

performed by the 4th Semester BA students. The Vice Principal, Rev Fr. Albert Sangma in his address offered words of encouragement and wisdom for the final year students and wished good luck in their future endeavours. Another speaker was Prof. Siddhartha Roy who also wished the outgoing students a happy life with great accomplishments. On behalf of the junior students, Wednesbellina Sangma, Cultural secretary, SWA in her farewell address reminded the seniors of the yesteryears of togetherness which created a bond between them. She wished that the senior students would equip themselves with strength and truth to meet the challenges of the world as they embark upon the next phase of their life. On that remarkable day students immersed themselves in vibrant colours and mesmerized all by their dazzling performances as the music reverberated across the amphitheatre. The outgoing students dressed in their finery, while the girls glowed in colourful dresses, boys carried themselves in suits. The day was indeed a fiesta to reminisce joyous moments with friends and teachers.



- NEHU Even Semester Examinations for the 2nd, 4th and 6th Semester students commenced from May 7, 2019.
- The office staff attended the in-service training programme arranged by the college on Computer Application on 22nd May, 2019. Two trainers from National Institute of Electronics and Information Technology (NIELIT) enriched the participants in Microsoft Excel and helped them analyze the spreadsheet. The session was interactive and proved to be a success.
- A one-day Seminar for the Core Team of the IQAC Committee was held on 23rd May, 2019. The Resource Persons for the Seminar were Prof. Gideon Kharkongor, IQAC Coordinator and Prof. Bertrand Dkhar, Department of Computer Science of St. Edmund's College, Shillong. Dr. Arindam Ghosh, the IQAC Coordinator of Don Bosco College briefed the visiting team about the status of the progress of work for the second cycle of the accreditation. At the end of the programme, Prof. Sister Mariola Sequeira, Member of the Core Team IQAC of Don Bosco College thanked the persons on behalf of all present there.



●Life Skill Through Magic,a value education was successfully imparted to the 5th Semester Arts and Commerce students on 28 May,2019.Welcoming Prof. Rajesh Fernando of Garden City University, Bangalore, Fr.Bivan Mukhim,the Principal said that the college was fortunate to get such a renown speaker to impart value education and Career guidance in a very boisterous manner through tricks and illusions of sense.The motivational speaker employed illusions and tricks to teach some hard truths like Fear that hinders fulfilling our dreams, but keeping aside fear one can take bold action or step in the direction of their dreams.The speaker further touched upon designing our dreams and that drive to success depends not on winning but on trying several times.



●The NCC cadets and NSS volunteers of Don Bosco Collge was held with great earnestness observed World Anti-tobacco Day on 31st MAY 2019. The theme for poster writing and essay competition was 'Smoking Kills'. Altogether 30 students participated in both the competitions and showcased their creativity. The students even took pledge to say no to tobacco and to help those who are prone to addictions.



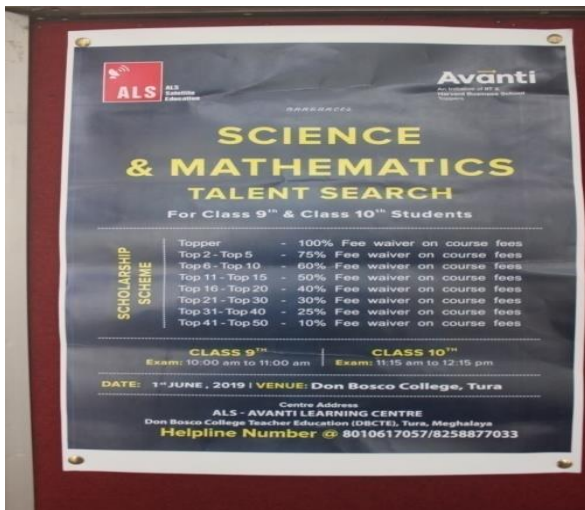
● Entrance Exam for the Arts stream was held at the college on June 6, 2019. About 650 students appeared for the written test. Candidates were given a wide range, nearly 43 subject combinations to choose from the prospective entrants to Don Bosco College, Tura.



● As a part of World Environment Day, a seminar on the global theme, “Air Pollution” was initiated by the IQAC cell of the college on the 6th June instead, 5th being Sunday. IQAC Coordinator, in his welcome address enthused the students to make optimum use of the beautiful college campus to promote their careers and to make a responsible contribution to the society. Anu P James, IFS, Asst. Conservator of Forest, the chief guest of the program said that Garo Hills is fortunate to have a clean and green environment with the least air pollution compared to the rest of India. The NSS volunteers and NCC cadets planted saplings of indigenous plants at the site of Edenbari catchment followed by cleaning drive by the students.



- In collaboration with TISS Guwahati EE, Don Bosco College Tura facilitated TISS MEPS EE 2019 Examination of the Tata Institute of Social Science, Guwahati campus on the 31st May 2019. About 14 students had already registered and availed themselves of the opportunity.
- On 1st June 2019, A Talent Search was held for the students who are enthusiastic about their bright future. About 120 students gave one-hour written test, conducted by Avanti, an initiative of IIT and Harvard Business School toppers.



- As part, in celebration of World Environment Day 2019, the students of Don Bosco College undertook a cleanliness campaign on the 4th of June 2019. The cleanliness campaign was initiated by IQAC cell of the college in collaboration with Geography Department, Campus Committee, Green Club, NSS and NCC Unit of the college.



●On June 14th, 2019, the 1st Semester Zoology students of Don Bosco College took initiative to pursue their passion in building and maintaining the rich biodiversity of the region. The students took the pledge to preserve, protect, and multiply living root bridges. In the program, Morningstar Khongthaw, said that he saw a great scope for eco-tourism in the Living Bridge Foundation of which he is the founder.

●Staff Meeting with Fr.Rev.V.A.Cyriac and Fr. Rev.Januarius took place on 2nd July 2019. Fr. Cyriac who was the former Principal and pioneer of Don Bosco College visited the college in the company of Fr. Cornelius, Asst. Director of Don Bosco College,Diphu. It was a nostalgic moment and fond memories to reminisce for the former principal and for the staff as well. Fr.Rev. Januarius Sangma, Provincial of the Salesian Province of Guwahati taking his time in his well-delivered motivational presentation enthused teachers how to radiate positive energy and to boost team morale by instilling self-confidence in them as leaders. He also drew the attention on having positive influence upon students, gaining respect, building rapport with students and being the knowledge bank as a teacher. The staff had a short meeting with the principal thereafter.



●On the 4th of July 2019, the NCC wing of Don Bosco College participated in the Cleanliness Awareness Programme as part of the Mega Pollution Awareness Pakhwada based on the theme “*Cleanliness is Next to Godliness*”. On the occasion, a painting competition was conducted under the supervision of Prof. Bravewell Mawthoh, CTO in order to create awareness among the students to keep the environment pollution –free and to become aware of their responsibility towards Mother Earth. Thereafter, the paintings of the students were displayed amid corridor wall of the college.



●Orientation Programme for the 1st Semester BA, BCom and BSc students was organized on the 5th and 6th July, 2019. The resource person, Rev. Fr. Cletus Pattamkulam, Director, Don Bosco Socio Technical Institute spoke on the importance of time management in student’s life and how to prepare for their future career by cultivating a career –ready mindset and to make the most of the opportunities that are presented to them. In an effort to make the programme effective the ice breaking activities were conducted in which the students those who came from different backgrounds got energized and motivated in a fun and informal way.



●Inauguration of New Academic Year 2019-20 was held on 8 July 2019 in the presence of Rev. Fr. Januarius S. Sangma, Provincial of the Salesian Province of Guwahati, Fr. Charles Sangma Provincial Council Member and Province Delegate in charge of Garo Hills being the Guest of

Honour and the Chief Guest, Prof. Nikme Ch. Momin, Department of NEHU, Tura Campus. The programme started with a ceremonious lighting of the lamp by the dignitaries on the dais. Rev. Fr. Charles in his speech urged the students to compete nationally and to think globally. Fr. Januarius Sangma, Provincial who lent grace and dignity to the programme exhorted the students to prioritize time and how to fix their failures. Lastly, he wished all the best to the Principal and to all the teachers as well. The Chief Guest, Prof. Nikme Ch. Momin started her speech with a moral physical exercise through fun thereby making the programme come alive. She focused her speech on life, goal of life and on purpose of life. Furthermore, she said that life is an opportunity to do well and that you will achieve only when you live a life with purpose. On that remarkable day the outstanding students were also felicitated.



- On 11 July, 2019 in an effort to heighten awareness about the impact of population explosion and to highlight the importance of family planning, gender equality, poverty, maternal health and human rights, the Department of Economics of the college observed *World Population Day*. As a mark of observation poster writing competition was conducted on the effects of population growth followed by a Seminar for Economics Honours students. Prof. Siddhartha Roy, Head, Department of Economics, in his short speech spoke on the importance of the day and on Population and Associated Issues in the country. Others those who present were Fr. Albinus Dhanwar, Vice Principal and Prof. Salkam Leezar Momin. The 5th Semester students presented papers on the causes and effects of population growth, relation between population growth and sustainable development and policies framed by the Government of India.

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●Staff Meeting with Fr. Rev. V. A. Cyriac and Fr. Rev. Januarius took place on 2nd July 2019. Fr. Cyriac who was the former Principal and pioneer of Don Bosco College visited the college in the company of Fr. Cornelius, Asst. Director of Don Bosco College, Diphu. It was a nostalgic moment and fond memories to reminisce for the former principal and for the staff as well. Fr. Rev. Januarius Sangma, Provincial of the Salesian Province of Guwahati taking his time in his well-delivered motivational presentation enthused teachers how to radiate positive energy and to boost team morale by instilling self-confidence in them as leaders. He also drew the attention on having positive influence upon students, gaining respect, building rapport with students and being the knowledge bank as a teacher. The staff had a short meeting with the principal thereafter.



●On the 4th of July 2019, the NCC wing of Don Bosco College participated in the Cleanliness Awareness Programme as part of the Mega Pollution Awareness Pakhwada based on the theme “Cleanliness is Next to Godliness”. On the occasion, a painting competition was conducted under the supervision of Prof. Bravewell Mawthoh, CTO in order to create awareness among the students to keep the environment pollution –free and to become aware of their responsibility towards Mother Earth. Thereafter, the paintings of the students were displayed amid corridor wall of the college.



●Orientation Programme for the 1st Semester BA, BCom and BSc students was organized on the 5th and 6th July, 2019. The resource person, Rev. Fr. Cletus Pattamkulam, Director, Don Bosco Socio Technical Institute spoke on the importance of time management in student’s life and how to prepare for their future career by cultivating a career –ready mindset and to make the most of the opportunities that are presented to them. In an effort to make the programme effective the ice breaking activities were conducted in which the students those who came from different backgrounds got energized and motivated in a fun and an informal way.



●Inauguration of New Academic Year 2019-20 was held on 8 July 2019 in the presence of Rev. Fr. Januarius S. Sangma, Provincial of the Salesian Province of Guwahati, Fr. Charles Sangma Provincial Council Member and Province Delegate in charge of Garo Hills being the Guest of Honour and the Chief Guest, Prof. Nikme Ch. Momin, Department of NEHU, Tura Campus. The programme started with a ceremonious lighting of the lamp by the dignitaries on the dais. Rev. Fr. Charles in his speech urged the students to compete nationally and to think globally. Fr. Januarius Sangma, Provincial who lent grace and dignity to the programme exhorted the students to prioritize time and how to fix their failures. Lastly, he wished all the best to the Principal and to all the teachers as well. The Chief Guest, Prof. Nikme Ch. Momin started her speech with a moral physical exercise through fun thereby making the programme come alive. She focused her speech on life, goal of life and on purpose of life. Furthermore, she said that life is an opportunity to do well and that you will achieve only when you live a life with purpose.



●In a four-day NCC Training Seminar, the two NCC CTOs of Don Bosco College, Prof. Bravewell Mawto and Miss Tangre Ch. Marak attended the sessions from 9 July to 12 July, 2019. The Seminar was organized by the NCC Group Headquarters, Shillong, Meghalaya in collaboration with the State Education Department, Meghalaya, at the DGAR Records Conference Hall, Laitmukrah. At the Inaugural session, Shri Lahkmen Rymbui, Education Minister of Meghalaya lent grace and dignity to the occasion by his presence. Others those present included the principals and the heads of the institutions, Vice Chancellor of NEHU, Prof. S. K. Srivastava and Additional Director General of NCC, Major General Bipin Bakshi.



●A number of thirteen, 5th Semester Physics Honours Students of the college took part in the Workshop on 'Innovative Physics Experiments for Garo Hills Regions' from 10 July to 12 July 2019, at Rongkhon, Tura. The workshop was organized by the State Council of Science, Technology and Environment, Education, Rongkhon in collaboration with the College of Teachers Education, Tura. The resource persons were Prof. B. K. Tyagi, a Scientist, Vigyan Prasara and Dr. Manish Kumar. The workshop was well-attended and consisted of six sessions.

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- The NCC organised Tree Plantation on 31st July, 2019 in Sampalgre area of Tura, West Garo Hills under the direction of Sir Bravewell Mawthoh, CTO,NCC. Around 50 cadets of the college undertook the plantation drive as responsible citizens of the state and the country. The principal encouraged the cadets to continue taking care of the saplings.
- On 1st August 2019, the NSS unit of Don Bosco College Tura inaugurated Swachhta Pakhwada. The programme was inaugurated by Shri Ram Singh IAS, the Deputy Commissioner of West Garo Hills. He exhorted the students to be environment conscious people and love the environment. Dr. Jadambe Momin, Registrar for Birth and Death, Tura Municipal Board (TMB) delivered a message on cleanliness, hygiene and its impact on human health. The Action Plans which included cleaning of the college campus, cleaning of Tura TB hospital, awareness programme for the people of the locality, visit to the adopted village and the declaration of a Green College on 15 August were discussed during the inaugural programme. Prof. Sanjeev Taijom Lyngdoh, Programme Officer proposed the vote of thanks.



●An Awareness Programme was conducted by the NSS Unit of the college on the importance of cleanliness for the students of Don Bosco High School, Tura. Dr. Madhusudhan Saha, Department of Chemistry in his lecture on Solid Waste Management and Environment Enrichment made the students aware of the proper usage of different waste bins. The NSS functionaries also educated the students how to make India open defecation free and Tuberculosis free country.



●On the 1st August, 2019, another milestone has been added in the history of the college when the two BSc students brought laurels to the college clinching two positions in the NEHU UG Examinations. Anmol Kumar Lohar, Bsc Mathematics Honours and Samina Sultana, Botany Honours bagged the 1st and 9th positions respectively in the NEHU UG Examinations.

●The NSS volunteers undertook the Cleanliness Drive at Babadam, the adopted village of the college which is about 32 kms from the college. The array of activities undertaken by the volunteers include cleaning of the Babadam market, the stream, the community playground, the road leading to PHC and providing essential care to the saplings planted during the previous tree plantation drives.

●On the 10th of August 2019, Parents' Meet was held for the 1st, 3rd and 5th Semester BA students at the college in order to uplift students' academic progress and social behaviour. The programme started with a prayer followed by the welcome speech by Mr. Subir Ghosh, President, Parents' Association of Don Bosco College. In his welcome address he accentuated the contributions of the college to the society. A talk on the importance of mental health was also delivered by Miss Narbecca Momin, Clinical Psychologist, Tura Civil Hospital. Others those spoke on the occasion were Dr. Barbara Sangma, Head, Department of English and Fr. Bivan R. Mukhim, Principal of the college. During the open discussion some of the parents expressed their satisfaction over the college's endeavour towards excellence. The vote of thanks was proposed by Mrs. Bharoti R. Sangma, Vice President, Parents' Association.



●Some of the students of Don Bosco College partook in the District Level Youth Exchange Programme held on the 13th of August, 2019 at the SMELC, Building, Dakopgre, Tura and won accolades clinching the First Prize in Folk Dance and the Second Prize in Debate Competition. The programme was organized by the Directorate of Sports and Youth Affairs, West Garo Hills, Meghalaya.

●On 13 August, 2019, the NSS volunteers of the college undertook the Cleanliness Drive at the District T.B.Hospital, Tura under the supervision of the Programme Officers. The volunteers were highly extolled by the staff of the District T.B.Hospital for their noble task.

●On the occasion of the 73rd Independence Day Celebration, the NCC girls and boys of the college participated in the Independence Day Parade held in the P.A.Sangma Stadium, Tura on 15 August, 2019 and won accolades grabbing the second and the third prizes respectively in the march-past.

●Don Bosco College observed the 204th Birth Anniversary of St. John Bosco on the 16th of August, 2019. The principal, the Vice Principal, the staff and the students were present for the occasion. The culmination of the programme started at 9.30 am with the Scripture reading by Barcelica K. Marak followed by a brief talk on Don Bosco by Wandisha Sangma. Thereafter, the staff and the students paid a befitting homage to Don Bosco. At the conclusion of the programme a group of students presented the song 'We thank you Lord for Don Bosco' with grateful hearts.



●Tobacco and Drugs Awareness Programme was organized by the IQAC of the College jointly with Alumni Association, Red ribbon Club and Rashtriya Kishor Swasthya Karyakram (RKSK) on 19 August 2019. Dr. Ivonne M. Sangma, Senior Medical and Health Officer, Mother and Child Hospital was the resource person. In her message, she made the students aware of the bad habits of consumption of tobacco and drugs that the abusers are mostly college and school going students because of peer pressure. The students of St. James Memorial School, Sampalgre also avidly attended the programme.



●The Department of Political Science organized a Seminar on the 20th of August, 2019 on the theme "Reorganization of States with Special Reference to North-East India." In his brief speech, Fr. Bivan R. Mukhim, Principal motivated the students that this kind of activities will help them to prepare themselves for future endeavours and in paper presentations. The 5th Semester Political Honours Students presented papers on the formation of Nagaland, Manipur, Tripura, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Arunachal Pradesh and Sikkim as constituent states of the Indian Union.



● The Outreach Programme for Rural Children on Career Counseling and Personality Development was organized by the college in collaboration with Dalu Bengali Higher Secondary School on the 21st of August, 2019. The sessions were conducted by Prof. Madhusudhan Saha, Department of Chemistry, Don Bosco College and Fr. Bivan R. Mukhim, Principal, Don Bosco College on Personality Development and Career Guidance for the under-privileged students from class viii to class xii in Dalu Bengali Higher Secondary School. About 300 students including teaching staff and managing committee members attended the programme.

●On the 23rd of August, 2019, the Department of English held Annual Intra-Elocution Competition in a bid to make students understand the concepts of Articulation and Voice Modulation. Dr. Barbara Sangma, Head of the English Department introduced the judges: Prof. Lakyntiewhun Sohtun, Department of Philosophy and Prof. Yankitina Sangma, Department of English to the gathering. The event was culminated with a few words of encouragement by the Principal who extended his gratitude to the English Department and expressed his profound praise to the participants for their efforts in presenting eloquent speeches. Thereafter, the poem, 'The Love Song of Alfred J. Prufrock' by T.S. Eliot was enacted by the

5th Semester English Honours Students which gave them an opportunity to exhibit a wide range of expression. Kasaan Chokchim M.Sangma, the 5th Semester English Honours and Nathalie G. Momin, from the 1st Semester won the 1st Prizes jointly while the second and the third prizes were grabbed by Raj M. Marak and Lepchi M. Sangma respectively.



●The Department of Education organized a two-day Symposium on the topic “Integration of Social Media into Education” on 27 and 28 August, 2019. At the outset of the programme, Dr.Meuller Sangma delivered the welcome address followed by a speech by Dr.Arindam Ghosh, IQAC Coordinator, who spoke on the importance of social media in students’ life and in daily teaching learning process. Dr. Uma Bhowmick, Head of the Education Department exhorted the students to make use of social media mindfully and wisely which can be beneficial for students’ career.



●Blood Donation Camp was organized successfully on 28 August 2019, in Don Bosco College in collaboration with the District Blood Bank, Tura Civil Hospital. A number of willing students came to donate their blood. Dr.Semida K.Marak, in charge of Blood Bank,Tura Civil Hospital in her talk accentuated the benefits of blood donation that a regular blood donor has a less chance of cancer as the iron in blood keeps changing. The principal welcomed the team of doctors and encouraged students to donate blood to save lives and to be a part of a noble cause.



- The NSS Unit of Don Bosco College observed Fit India Movement on 29 August 2019. While addressing the gathering, the Principal of the college urged the students and staff to maintain good health condition and fitness regime on daily basis. He further encouraged the students to take part in various sporting activities conducted by the college. A total number of 73 NSS Volunteers, teachers and Non-teaching staff of the college participated in the run which started from the college to Sampalgre L,P.School.

- A Lecture on Periodic Table of Chemical Elements for Human Welfare was organized on 30th August 2019 in commemoration of the 150th Anniversary of Periodic Table by the Chemistry Department. About 250 Science students and faculty members took part in the programme with great fervor. Dr.Madhusudhan Saha, Coordinator of the programme in his deliberation spoke on the overview of the history and development of the periodic table. Furthermore, he outlined how these elements contribute and are being used for Human Welfare and towards supplement of energy requirement. This was followed by Quiz Competition for the students on Periodic Table conducted by Prof.Dhiraj Kumar Rabha. The exciting programme came to a conclusion with the vote of thanks proposed by Miss Albina Sangma, 5th Semester Chemistry Honours student.



- In an effort to make the office staff competent in the electronic world, a one-day training programme was organized at the college for the office staff on the 30th of August 2019 by the National Institute of Electronics and Information Technology (NIELIT), Tura, Centre. The resource person, Shri Salnang Sangma, Computer Engineer and IT faculty NIELIT, Tura Centre conducted the training programme on e- governance and Microsoft Programme.



●Parents' Meet for The 1st, 3rd and 5th BSc and BCom students was organized on 31st August, 2019. About 105 parents attended the meeting. The animation talk was delivered by Rev.Fr. Zachary Varickasseril SDB, Principal, Don Bosco College of Teacher Education, Tura on the roles and responsibilities of the Parents towards their children. The Principal of the college expressed his gratitude towards the parents for their trust in the college and wished that the parents would continue to support the college in its future undertakings. Dr.Madhusudhan Saha and Dr. Arindam Ghosh also spoke on the occasion. The programme came to an end with the thank you note proposed by Dr. Lily Bell Marak.



●A group of Physics Honours students escorted by the faculty members of the Department undertook a field visit to the All India Radio (AIR) on 3rd September 2019. The students and faculty were warmly welcomed by Mr.Amit Kumar Ghosh, Programme Executive, AIR, Tura. Mr. Amal Das, Engineering Assistant, AIR, Tura. While interacting, Mr.Amal Das introduced the history and importance of radio stations in general and importance of radio stations in general and the Tura Station in particular. They also discussed on various theoretical and practical aspects of the working of a radio station.



● In honour of the teachers, on the 5th of September 2019, Teachers' Day was celebrated cheerfully in Don Bosco College. The teachers were welcomed by the Principal, Vice Principal and were escorted and ushered to the college amphitheatre by the two NCC cadets. This year, on Teachers' Day, the whole college was immersed in an atmosphere of gaiety and gusto. The teachers' day cake was also cut on the stage. The students performed a scintillating cultural show on that joyful occasion to denote their respect and appreciation to the teachers. The event ended with the happy note that the students took great effort to make teachers enjoy every minute of it.



● The Alumni Association of Don Bosco College organized the Health Camp at the adopted village, Matchikol, at the outskirts of Tura on 10 September, 2019 in collaboration with Matchakolgre UHC, National Health Mission (NHM), MMU, NOHP, NMHP, NPCB. Dr. Ivonne M. Sangma, District Maternal Child Health Officer, West Garo Hills who is also an alumna of the college spoke on the importance of regular check-up and the commitment of Don Bosco College Alumni Association on undertaking this kind of programmes. The Principal of the college extended his gratefulness towards the District Maternity Child Health Office and all the doctors for making the health camp a great success. About 207 villages registered in the health camp and medicines were also distributed during the camp.

●A Public Awareness Programme on Road Safety was organized by the Alumni Association of Don Bosco College jointly with the IQAC of Don Bosco College on 12 September, 2019. At the outset of the programme, Prof.Susan M.Sangma, Coordinator, Alumni Association, Don Bosco College welcomed the gathering. The resource persons were Mr. Netra Rai, In charge of Traffic Branch, Tura, Mr. Bainedy D.Sangma, ABSI, Tura and Mr. Kejinberth Sangma, Constable. They gave the information to the students on do's and don'ts while driving roads,the process of getting a driving license, importance of wearing helmet, traffic signals. They further explained on the rules and fines for defaulters and reckless underage driving under the influence of alcohol, drugs and sedatives which contribute to unsafe driving and fatal accidents on the road.



●The Student Satisfaction Survey, a hands-on training for the students of Bcom and BSc was conducted on 12 and 16 September,2019. Dr.Madhusudhan Saha,Coordinator,Student Satisfaction Survey reminded the students of their cooperation for the NAAC re-accreditation of the college. Furthermore, he made the students understand that they are the beneficiaries of NAAC that it is more beneficial if they pass out from the NAAC Accredited College in terms of admission for higher studies and in their future career. Dr.Arindam Ghosh,IQAC Cordinator also while welcoming the students implored them to support for the welfare of the college.



●The inauguration of Don Bosco College Canteen was held on 16 September 2019.The canteen was inaugurated by Rev.Fr.Januarius Sangma,Salesian Provincial, Province of Guwahati in the presence of Staff Members, the Principal of the college and the Headmaster of Sherwood School,Mr.Tyrone D' Brass.



●CM's E-Challenge Seminar was held on 23rd September, 2019 in collaboration with the District Administration, West Garo Hills. The 1st, 3rd and 5th Semester BCom Students actively participated in the Seminar. The session and presentations were taken up by V. Valentine Hembrom, DPM-IBDLP/Megha-LAMP, West Garo Hills and Shri Brian Silkam, Assistant Manager,i/c MIE (Meghalaya Institute of Interpreneurship),Tura. The Principal of the college exhorted the students to take up responsibility for 'Start-Up Programme'. He further reminded them that four of them were selected in the Start-Up Meghalaya Programme. The avowed objective of the programme was to tap potential entrepreneurs and to assist them by providing knowledge support on various aspects of entrepreneurship for small and medium enterprises.



●In an effort to help students excel in career path and manage things very well, the Soft Skill Programme on Personal Development was organized in the college for the 5th Semester Bsc, BCom and BA Economics and Sociology students on 26 September 2019.Prof.B.N.Sangma, eminent faculty of IIT Kharagpur was the resource person who lent grace and dignity by his presence on the occasion. In his dynamic presentation, Prof. Singh educated the students to realize their true potentials and make full use of their talents. He further helped students providing tips how to face interviews confidently instead of being a nervous wreck. While welcoming the gathering, the principal extended his words of gratitude towards Prof. Singh for making himself available for the programme and helping students to discover themselves.



●The Departmental Cleanliness Drive was organized under Swachh Bharat Abhiyan by the Department of Physics on 27 September 2019 in an attempt to raise awareness among students on cleanliness, hygiene, health and absence of offensive odour. The students picked up brooms and started dusting the Physics staff rooms and Physics laboratories for about two hours. Every nook and corner of the rooms, equipments, instruments and window panes were cleaned by the Physics Honours students wholeheartedly. At the end of the work, students were given light refreshment and were happy to be a part of the great drive.



●The IQAC Meeting with External Members was held on 28th September 2019. At the outset of the meeting, Fr. Bivan R. Mukhim led a short prayer and welcomed the members for making themselves available for the meeting despite busy schedules. Dr. Arindam Ghosh highlighted the events undertaken by IQAC and presented the NAAC timeline to the members through PPT Presentation after which Dr. Madhusudhan Saha also gave information on the Student Satisfaction Survey that has been conducted.



●World Heart Day was observed by the NAAC Unit of the college on 28 September 2019. The celebration comprised of Poster Writing Competition and display of posters in which altogether 33 cadets avidly took part. The main objective of celebration is to educate the students how to fight against Cardiovascular diseases which are the biggest cause of death.

●The Meghalaya Board of School Education (MBOSE) conducted the Selection Examination for the recruitment of staff on 28 September 2019. Over 120 candidates made use of the computer labs of the college.



●Condolence Service for Late Domesa P. Marak, 1st Semester BA Philosophy Honours was held on 30th September 2019 by the College Community who passed away on 29 September 2019 after a brief illness. In his condolence message, Fr. Bivan Rodriques Mukhim, Principal said that the tragic and untimely demise of Late Domesa P. Marak was a shock to the entire college community and the college was sorry to have lost such a young student. Thereafter, the staff and the students observed a minute of silence as a mark of respect for the departed soul.



●On 1st October 2019, the Department of History, Don Bosco College conducted Seminar in which the 5th Semester History Honours students presented papers on various topics such as Origin and Migration of the Garos, Religion of the Garos, Land of the Spirits, Nokpante, Dress, Ornaments and Ceremonies of the Garos. The theme for the Seminar was 'The History and Culture of the Garos'. Prof. Kalyan Ch. Momin, Head of the Department delivered the welcome address and the vote of thanks was proposed by Prof. Sangra A. Sangma.



●The NSS Unit of Don Bosco College organized the 'Fit India 2km Plogging' on 2nd October 2019 which aims at spreading the latest work-out trend of plogging and to increase concern about plastic pollution. About 140 participants registered in the programme. The programme was flagged off by Shri Ram Singh, IAS, Deputy Commissioner, West Garo Hills. While addressing the volunteers he said that the event was to mark the 150th Anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi, the Father of the Nation. By taking part in the plogging himself he further put emphasis on the need to reduce the carbon footprint by avoiding the use of vehicles for a short distance by the students. The programme was sponsored by the Lions Club and commenced with a short prayer led by the Principal of Don Bosco college.



●The NCC Unit of Don Bosco College,Tura observed Swachh Bharat and Mega Pakhwada on the 2nd October 2019 which is an attempt to bring about an improvement in the general quality of life by promoting cleanliness, hygiene and eliminating open defecation. The programme was attended by Shri Ram Singh,IAS,Deputy Commissioner ,West Garo Hills, Dr.Raghavendra Kumar ,SP, West Garo Hills ,Mr. Zenithsky Sangma ,ADC,West Garo Hills, Mrs. Rejia Sangma,CEO,Tura, Municipal Board. The students performed the street play and a dance conveying the message of cleaner Tura in particular and cleaner India in general. The rally was flagged off by the Principal.

●The Department of Sociology went on an excursion to Shillong from the 3rd to 5th October 2019 in a bid to escape from the strictly organized hectic activities. A total number of 21 students escorted by Prof. Lakyntiew Sohtun and Prof. Bikki Sangma visited various places in Shillong. Their visit to ‘Arwah Cave’,indigenous village and ‘Nohkalikai Falls’ were delightful experience for all. Besides, they also visited Don Bosco Museum at Mawlai and ‘Rilang’,a shelter home for destitute kids wherein they deeply interacted with the children, sang a few songs, played games thereby motivating the children. In the evening they headed back to Tura.The trip enthralled the students to such an extent and restored their fatigued spirits.

●On the 14th of October, 2019, Don Bosco College community condoled the death of Archbishop Jala,SDB,DD,Archbishop of Shillong and Rev.Fr. Mathew Vellankal in the US on 10 October, 2019. In his Condolence message,Rev. Fr Bivan R.Mukhim, the Principal of the college gave a talk on the contribution of Archbishop Dominic Jala when he was the Provincial of the Salesian Province of Guwahati and the chairman of the college. He also fondly remembered Fr.Mathew as a great contributor to the welfare of the Youth of the North-East and started the Don Bosco Youth and Education Services (DBYES)



●The Department of Mathematics conducted the Seminar on 14 October, 2019 in order to generate more interest among the Mathematics Honours Students and to inspire them to walk in the footsteps of the great Mathematician, Srinivasa Ramanujan. The entire programme was coordinated by Prof. Habul Chandra Das, Associate Professor, Department of Mathematics and the welcome address was delivered by Miss Poonam Kumari, the 3rd Semester Student. On the occasion, Prof. Anil Kumar, Head of the Department appreciated the Mathematics students for their arduous efforts. Prof. Habul Das, in his speech laid emphasis on the need to celebrate the National Mathematics Day in commemoration of the Birth Anniversary of the great Mathematician, Srinivasa Ramanujan.



●On 18 October,2019, the 3rd Semester Botany Honours Students escorted by Dr. Ratan Chakroborthy, Dr.Jiten Dang,Prof.Chichi Ch.Sangma and Miss Tangre Ch. Marak went on a field trip to the Horticulture Hub, the Areng Tea Industry at Rongram and Chibrage at Rongkhon. The patent purpose of the trip was to help students understand the botanical facts in the natural environment, to gain better concept with regard to the theoretical knowledge, the life and habitation of different species found growing in the areas.

●A number of 15 BCom students of Don Bosco College attended the ‘Explore,Transform and Embrace’ Programmed held at SMELC,Tura on 18 and 19 October 2019.The programme aimed at helping the participants to explore themselves and to know themselves in a better way, to transform their lives and to listen to the inner voice. The students actively attended the sessions on sharing life experiences, putting down ideas and on deep listening. The programme was enriching and motivating for the students.

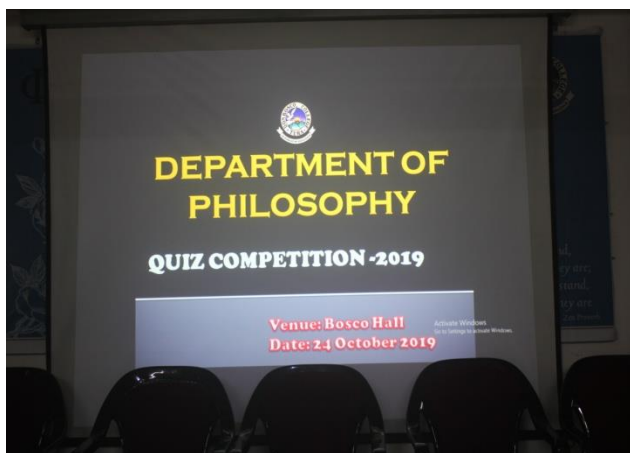
●The Department of Philosophy organized the Seminar on19 October,2019. Dr. Wanphai Mary K.Japang,Head of the Department warmly welcomed the gathering and the participants were introduced by Prof. Ferick Salnang D. Sangma. The theme of the Seminar was “Religious Perspectives on the Problem of Suffering and Liberation”. The 5th Semester Honours Students presented papers on the concept of different religions such as Christianity, Hinduism, Buddhism and Jainism.



●A one-day Workshop on Mathematics was conducted on the 22nd of October, 2019 at the college. The theme of the Workshop was ‘Extra Edge of Mathematics’ organized with an effort to create interest in Mathematics among students. About 91 Physical Science students of Don Bosco College and 35 from various institutions took part in the programme.The workshop was coordinated by Prof. Habul Chandra Das,Associate Professor, Department of Mathematics and the resource person for the workshop was Prof.S.S.Khare, Former, Pro-Vice Chancellor, NEHU, Tura Campus.



●On the 24th of October, 2019, the Department of Philosophy organized the Quiz Competition. In his talk, the principal motivated the students that the quiz is one of the informative ways of learning. He further urged the students to avail the new means of learning provided by the college. Welcoming the gathering, Karbush Momin, the 5th Semester student expressed his gratitude and joy that the quiz Competition would enhance the knowledge of each and every student. The Competition comprised of four teams having six members each. At the end of the competition, Team B bagged the First Prize followed by the Team A in the Second Place and the Team C and D secured the third place.



●The Department of Botany held Seminar on 26 October 2019. The theme of the Seminar was “Economic Importance of Plants”.



●The Annual College Week 2019 got underway from the 28th to 31st October, 2019. The opening programme was inaugurated by the Principal with the unfurling of the College Week Flag. The house flags were also planted by the house captains. In the four-day college event the students showcased their wide array of talents in various activities such as games and sports, literary and cultural etc. On the last day, to mark the end of the enriching college week, the college week flag was lowered down by Smt. Rikse R.Marak, Chief Guest,MCS, Director (Administrative and Accreditation).The Guest of Honour for the occasion was Dr. Binu Mathew, Department of Rural Development and Agricultural Products(RDAP).Speaking on the occasion, Dr Binu put emphasis on the attitude and motivation. He shared his memories that during his childhood he was passionate about football and they used to play football with Pomelo due to lack of facility. But in today's time in order to provide the best possible help and support to sportspersons there have been increase in sports facilities. Smt. Rikse R.Marak, Chief Guest, MCS also said that she felt elated to be in the prestigious college. While appreciating the students' laudable performances she urged them upon being passionate about achievements and striving hard towards their goals.She further spoke on having an imagination and turning it into reality that imagination makes your goals and dreams come to life. On that occasion, the winners of various events were awarded certificates, medals and trophies.



●Along with the rest of the country, Don Bosco College observed Rashtriya Ekta Divas, the Unity Run on the 31st of October,2019.Fr. Zachary Varickasseril,Principal,Don Bosco College of Teacher Education flagged off the Unity Run.Over 200 students took part in the run which started from Don Bosco College Higher Secondary Section via Chandmary, Ringrey, Hawakhana,Tetengkol and concluded at the Higher Secondary Section. During the flagging programme, Fr. Zachary spoke on the need to create awareness on unity despite vast disparities among us, there can still be a sense of belongingness to our country.The Principal of the college also stressed on the preservation of the uniqueness of the country and every citizen is accountable for that especially the young students.

●The Inaugural Programme of the five-day 'Residential NSS Capacity Building of Youth in Leadership and Personality Development through Life Skill' was held on the 4th of November 2019 at Don Bosco College,Tura. Altogether 50 NSS Volunteers from various colleges of Garo Hills took part in the programme. The NSS volunteers of Don Bosco College presented the welcome song. Shri Ramakrishna Chitturi,IAS,ADC, West Garo Hills,was the Chief Guest for the occasion. In his high-powered speech, he

exhorted students to distinguish between Emphaty and Symphaty. Prof. C.P.Suresh, Head, Department of Horticulture, NEHU, Tura Campus spoke on being an entrepreneur and developing one's skill for it. He further shared life experiences on how young people have become successful after starting their own business. Others those present included Prof.Terence D.Marak, Principal,Tura Government College,Tura.Programme Officers (Pos) of Tura Government College and Durama College.



- The five- day ‘Residential NSS Capacity Building of Youth on Leadership and Personality Development Through Life Skills’programme came to an end on the 8th of November 2019. Shri Ram Singh,IAS,Deputy Commissioner,West Garo Hills attended the programme as the Chief Guest for the occasion in the presence of Mr Dipak Kumar, Regional Director of NSS, Programme Officers and NSS volunteers. Speaking on the occasion, Shri Ram Singh rhapsodized over the endeavours made by the college in organizing the programme of this kind. Furthermore, he said that the NSS programme helps many college students to be aware of their responsibilities to the society. He wished that the volunteers through skill training imparted on them during the last 5 days could make a difference. Mr Dipak Kumar, Regional Director of NSS also wished that the youth of the North East would become an asset to the society. The NSS Volunteers of Tura Government College presented the NSS theme song while the NSS Volunteers of Capt. Williamson College presented the welcome song.

- On 16 November,2019, Don Bosco College conducted Mock Drill Test on the lines of the Union Public Services Commission in collaboration with the District Administration,West Garo Hills and Don Bosco Academy. About 70 aspirants appeared for the mock test. In his brief speech, Shri Ram Singh, Deputy Commissioner, West Garo Hills said that the Meghalaya Government aims at spurring youths in the state to excel in the Civil Services exams conducted by the Union Public Services Commission. He also wished that as many students as possible from Garo Hills could appear for the UPSC and other allied Examinations.



● On the occasion of World Aids Day that is on the 1st December 2019, The Red Ribbon Club of the college was honoured by Dr. Harsh Vardhan, Union Health and Family Welfare Minister. Dr. Vardhan appreciated the activities of the Red Ribbon Club for effectively conducting awareness programmes for the noble practice of donating blood. He further said that every individual should donate blood at least twice in a year.



● The Meeting of the Governing Body of the college was convened on the 4th of December, 2019 at 4 pm. Rev. Fr. Januarius S. Sangma, Provincial and the Chairman of the Governing Body of the college welcomed the members, in particular NEHU representatives, Prof.(Dr) Nikme S.C.Momin and Dr.Jova C. Marak and the new representatives of the college, Dr Uma Roy Bhowmick and Dr. Sabindra Rajbongshi. The agenda or list of matters were brought up at a meeting and discussed.

