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Cultural Day – “Exploring Traditions: Delving into the Roots”

On 25th April 2024, the Salesian College of Higher Education, Dimapur, celebrated its annual Cultural Day on the college campus under the theme “Exploring Traditions: Delving into the Roots.” The event was graced by the presence of GB Kahuto Chishi Sumi, the Chief Guest, and also by the presence of students from Pranabananda Women’s College, Cornerstone College, and Salt Christian College.



Drawing inspiration from the Biblical narrative of Cain and Abel, Mr. Kahuto Chishi addressed the students in his speech, exhorting them to live life with conviction and to recognize their responsibility towards themselves and society at large. He emphasized the importance of education as a means for personal growth and rendering service to the society, rather than a merely pursuit for degrees, certificates, and careers.

The festivities of the event commenced with a mesmerizing attire runway, where students belonging to different tribes paraded in their traditional attire. The different tribes also performed a cultural display of folklore songs and dances. The students also participated in traditional competitions, such as War Cry, Rice Cleaning, and Fire Making. These events were not only meant for competition and entertainment, but they also showcased the ancestral practices that define the identity of each tribe and culture. The day highlighted the college’s readiness and commitment to not only preserving but also revisiting the ancestral traditions that define and enrich the people’s tribes and cultures.





International Seminar

On April 26-27, the Bosco College of Teacher Education and Salesian College of Higher Education in Dimapur hosted a 2-day International Seminar on "Equity and Inclusivity in School Education with Reference to NEP 2020," sponsored by ICSSR, New Delhi.

The seminar featured keynote speakers, including Prof. Buno Liegise and Professor GN Tiwari, who emphasized the importance of equity and inclusivity in education aligned with NEP 2020 objectives. Keynote speaker Professor (Dr.) Sr. Marion Mathew C.J provided a comprehensive overview of NEP 2020 and insights into achieving equity and inclusivity in school education. Dr. Esaya Britto Raphael led a plenary session on skill development and best practices in the classroom, emphasizing the importance of flexibility in curriculum frameworks. The seminar also included research paper presentations by scholars and speakers covering various aspects of inclusive education. The valedictory speech by Dr. M Rajendra Nath Babu highlighted challenges in implementing inclusive education and the need for specialized teacher training in North East India. Prof. (Dr.) Sr. Marion Mathew C.J commended the collaborative efforts of the seminar and urged participants to continue advocating for marginalized communities to promote equity and inclusivity in education through collective action.

One Day National Seminar

On May 1, 2024, eight students and two teachers from Salesian College of Hr. Education attended a seminar at North Eastern Christian University on exploring languages and literatures for evolving pedagogical practices. The seminar included a keynote address on the importance of language and three resource sessions:

- North East Indian Literature: Dr. Temsurenla Ozukum discussed the themes and issues explored by writers



from the North Eastern region of India and emphasized the need for critical analysis and appreciation of this literature.

- Teaching English in the Age of AI: Dr. M.S. Xavier Pradheep Singh explored the potential of Artificial Intelligence (AI) tools in language education, such as chatbots, language learning apps, and automated grading systems.

- ELTAI and the India Reads Movement: Dr. Nizara Hazarika explained the role of the English Language Teachers Association of India (ELTAI) and the India Reads Movement, which promotes reading culture in India. She emphasized the importance of reading for leadership and suggested initiatives like "Drop Everything And Read" (DEAR) to encourage reading.

The seminar concluded with a panel discussion that provided an opportunity for further exploration of the discussed themes.

Gratitude Day: Farewell Programme for 2021-2024 Batch

The Salesian College of Higher Education, Dimapur, celebrated Gratitude Day in honour of the outgoing batch of 2024 in the college Auditorium hall on 1st May 2024. On behalf of the Principal, Fr. Maria Anthuvan SDB thanked the outgoing students for their contributions and dedication towards the well-being of the College.



Fr. Anthuvan exhorted the students to uphold the value of hard work and being good citizens to contribute to the development of the nation. The event was made memorable through various items performed by both students and teachers. Miss Lily, assistant professor of English Department, gave a farewell speech on behalf of the teaching faculties, advising the students to “never stop excelling in everything.” On behalf of the outgoing students, Peter Khing expressed gratitude to the College, the faculties and the students for their unwavering support and guidance during the past three years. Similarly, Vijobi Sangtam, the College General Secretary, thanked the College faculties and students and also his forum members for their cooperation and coordination. The felicitation programme ended with a vote of thanks proposed by Sir Avibou Nagi, HOD of Sociology Department. The day ended with friendly football and basketball matches played between the outgoing students and the College team.



Cultural Day Celebrations

