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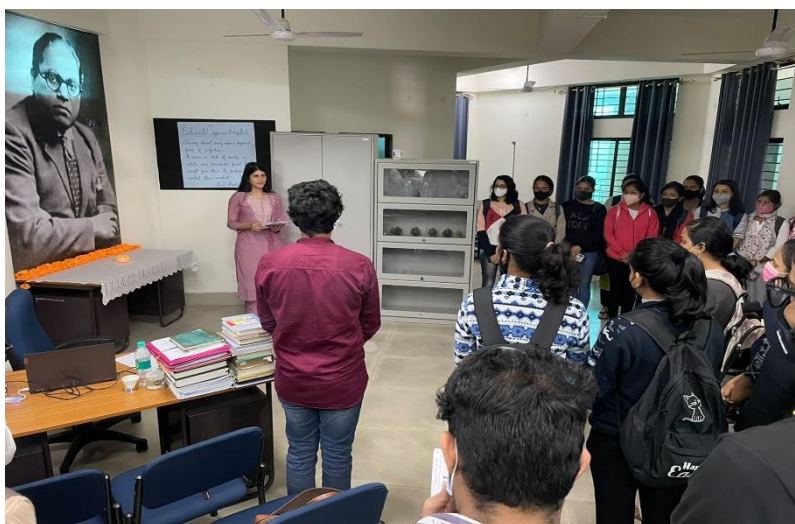


72nd Constitution Day Celebration
**(Preamble Reading, Drawing Competition, Public
Lecture)**

Organised by:
Dr. Ambedkar Chair, Tezpur University
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72nd Constitution Day Celebration @ Tezpur University

As a part of the Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav (an amrit Mahotsav initiative by ministry of social justice & empowerment, government of India), 72nd Constitution Day was celebrated by Dr. Ambedkar Chair, Tezpur University (Assam) on 26th November 2021. The Program began at 09:00 a.m. with the collective preamble reading (in collaboration with Chandraprabha Saikiani Centre for Women Studies, Tezpur University) by a group of 25 people (faculty members and students). Along with the reading of preamble some reflections about the constitution day and contribution of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar were shared by Prof. K. Kikhi (Chair Professor), Dr. Madhurima Goswami (Head- Centre for Women Studies), & Dr. D.R. Gautam (Research Officer).



The collective reading of the preamble of Constitution of India was followed by the activity of Drawing Competition organized at M.V. Napaam School. The drawing competition was held in two groups, one for classes (1-5) while the other group for classes (6-8).

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72nd Constitution Day Celebration
Drawing Competition

- **Classes 1-5:** Theme - Indian Constitution Day Celebration
- **Classes 6-8:** Theme - Indian Constitution and India of My Dreams

Venue: Napam M. V. School
Date: 26th November 2021
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The theme for the groups were 'Indian Constitution Day', and 'Constitution & India of My Dreams' respectively. There were seventy-five (75) student participants who drew their sketch/painting in the premises of the school from 10:30 a.m. till 11:45 a.m.



Their paintings were evaluated for the competition by two judges who were the faculty members of Tezpur University, Dr. Sarmistha Das (Department of Sociology) and Ms. Bipasa Patgiri (Department of English). Six winners for each group were declared that included three consolation prize apart from the first three prize categories. To acknowledge and encourage the spirit of participation, a participation certificate along with the drawing pencil and sketch/wax crayons was given to all the participants while prize was distributed as: 1st Prize (Rs. 1000.00 & Certificate), 2nd Prize (Rs. 600.00 & Certificate), and 3rd Prize (Rs.400.00 & Certificate). The program came to an end with a formal vote of thanks for the kind support and facilitation by the Head of the School along with his team of faculty and staff members in the school.



The last part of the celebration for the 72nd Constitution Day was marked by a public lecture on the theme 'A Reflection on the Indian Constitution & Contribution of B.R. Ambedkar'. The lecture was delivered by Dr. C.J. Thomas, a renowned academician from the northeast and a former director, ICSSR-NERC, Shillong.


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72nd CONSTITUTION DAY CELEBRATION


Public Lecture:
A Reflection on the Indian Constitution & Contribution of B.R. Ambedkar
 26th November 2021, Time- 4:00 P.M.


Google Meet

<https://meet.google.com/vzn-pkgy-uhj>



Dr. C.J. Thomas

(Former Deputy Director, ICSSR-NERC, Shillong)

Dr. C. Joshua Thomas, did his graduation and post-graduation in political science at the Madras Christian College, Chennai and PhD in political science at NEHU, Shillong. He is former Deputy Director, ICSSR North Eastern Regional Centre, & Coordinator, ASEAN Studies Centre, NEHU Campus, Shillong, Meghalaya. Currently a distinguished fellow in international relations at the Centre for Public Policy Research (CPPR) Kochi, Kerala and Adjunct Professor at the Martin Luther Christian University, Shillong and Assam Don Bosco University, Gauhati, Assam. He has done extensive research on India's Northeast and its neighbouring countries.

Introductory Remarks : *Prof. Y.K. Jain (Vice Chancellor, TU)*

Public Lecture : *Dr. C.J. Thomas*

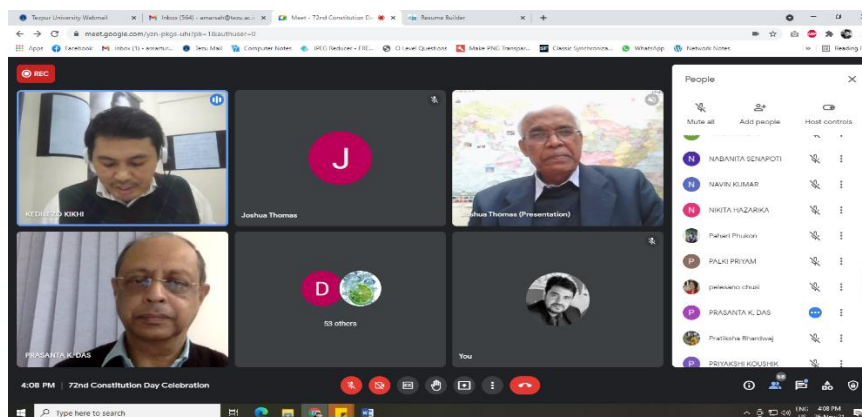
Chairperson : *Prof. Kedilezo Kikhi*

Vote of Thanks : *Dr. D.R. Gautam*

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The online lecture began as per the scheduled time of 04:00 p.m. with the introductory remarks by Prof. P.K. Das, Dean – School of Humanities & Social Sciences, Tezpur University who mentioned need to emphasise Indian constitution while we celebrate democracy in India. The session was chaired by Prof. Kedilezo Kikhi (Chair Professor) who formally introduced the speaker (Dr. C.J. Thomas) for the sake of the present audience.



Dr. C. J. Thomas in an hour-long lecture traced the historicity and evolution of the Indian constitution while explaining the rationale for the key clauses and preamble which is the spirit of the constitution. Through his erudite observations, he successfully attempted to make the audience aware about the primary role played by Dr. B.R. Ambedkar in the drafting of Indian Constitution while making certain amendments as part of constituent assembly debates. Through the space of discussion in the question answer session, Dr. Thomas explained the contribution of Dr. Ambedkar and Indian constitution in the day to day lives of the disadvantaged communities especially those residing in the north-eastern region of the country. The lecture was summed up by Dr. D.R. Gautam (Research Officer) who offered vote of thanks to the guest speaker, dean, faculty members, students, and the audience apart from the administrative and technical support towards the conduct of the program.

