

131st Birth Anniversary Celebration



Bharat Ratna Dr. B.R. Ambedkar

(14th April 1891 - 6th December 1956)

131st Birth Anniversary of Bharat Ratna Baba Saheb Dr. B.R. Ambedkar was celebrated as a part of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav (an Amrit Mahotsav initiative of the Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Govt. of India) in the campus of Tezpur University on 14th April 2022. As the pious occasion coincides with the auspicious Rangali Bihu, it adds fervour and gaiety in the context of Tezpur University being located in Assam. Amid the celebration of Bihu in the campus, a short program was organised on the day, however the plan of extended celebration continued in the form of sensitization program (drawing competition & elocution) which was held on 23rd April 2022 at Carmel Convent School, Harigaon, Tezpur.

A short program of floral tribute and distribution of the sweets was organised by Dr. Ambedkar Chair, TU. The program began at 09:30 a.m., as was scheduled, in the office of Dr. Ambedkar Chair by the Registrar of the university, Dr. Biren Das in the august presence of different faculty members, scholars, and staff of the university. At the outset, Dr. D.R. Gautam welcomed everyone with the greetings and wishes for the occasion and requested Dr. Biren Das to extend his support by motivating the present audience through leading the floral tribute. The registrar paid his homage through floral tribute, and the gesture was followed by the present dignitaries. Immediately after the floral tribute, he shed the light about the importance of Babasaheb whom he considered as the 'God' especially for those belonging to the disadvantaged sections. According to him, he was a true nation-builder whose philosophy of equality is well reflected in the letter and spirit of Indian Constitution, the document largely authored by him. The constitution of India, according to him, presents the perfect blending of rich diversity prevailing in India and

acts as a guide to ensure political, social and economic equality. Highlighting the need for awareness about Babasaheb inside and outside the campus, he requested Dr. Ambedkar Chair, JU (Prof. Kedilezo Kikhi) to be instrumental in organising more programs such as lecture, talks, discussion, movies, etc. for students as well as fraternity of the university. To spread his joy and happiness, he marked the day by inaugurating the distribution of sweets. The process of floral tribute and distribution of the sweets continued till 11:00 a.m. where it was noticed that in total sixty-seven persons could manage to come physically in the office-room to share their happiness on the 131st birth anniversary of Babasaheb.



The celebration was extended in the form of drawing competition and elocution held on 23rd April 2022 at Carmel Convent School, Harigaon, Tezpur. As consented by the principal (Sr. Jency), the program started at 11:00 a.m. in the dedicated two classrooms, one each for drawing competition and elocution. The drawing competition was held for the students belonging to classes 3 – 6 on the theme 'Life of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar' while participation in the elocution was restricted to students belonging to classes 7 – 10 on the theme 'Role of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar in the Indian National Movement'. Enthusiasm among the students could be noticed through the sheer number of participants which was thirty for drawing competition and ten for the elocution. Both the competitions were held

on the spot in the time slot from 11:10 a.m. to 12:00 noon, and the performances were evaluated by the two judges for each where two faculty members from Tezpur University and the other two from the school. The program culminated with the message by Dr. Gautam (on behalf of Dr. Ambedkar Chair, TU) highlighting about Dr. Ambedkar and acknowledging the support received from the school through felicitation of the Principal & Judges. This was followed by the announcement of the prize winners for each category while participation certificate and refreshments were served to all the participants and supporting faculty/staff from the school.


