

ROYAL BULLETIN

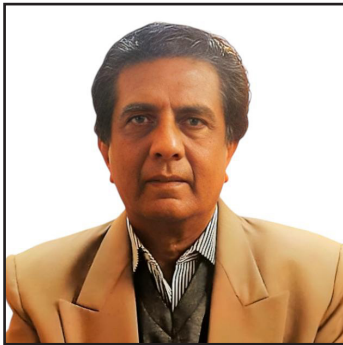
Vol-I, Issue-2 | July - December 2025



Highlights

- Fifth Convocation
- 3 RGU Scientists among World's top 2% Scientists by Stanford University
- Sudhakantha Museum Inaugurated
- SC Judge unveils Gavel on the Campus
- Royal Anna Seva completes five years
- Chief Justice Ashutosh Kumar unveiled Dr. Ambedkar's Bust
- Book & Scholarship on Zubeen Garg
- Achievements, Research, Sports

Ideas & Insights



Dr. Amarjyoti Choudhury, Professor Emeritus and Chair Professor of the Dr. Bhupen Hazarika Centre for Creativity at RGU, outlines here his vision of the Centre.

What was your initial expectation when you joined the Dr. Bhupen Hazarika Centre for Creativity of our University?

I joined the Dr. Bhupen Hazarika Centre for Creativity on June 2, 2025. I informed the university that I would like to pay homage to the statue of Dr. Bhupen Hazarika on the campus prior to joining the university. At the same spot where I paid my tribute to the bard, the university also arranged a colourful function to welcome me. I was overwhelmed. More importantly, I was delighted that the Assam Royal Global University thoughtfully set up this Centre in honour of Dr. Bhupen Hazarika when the centenary celebration of the maestro was just round the corner. I was also grateful that the university decided to record my initial plans and expectations through a thoughtful podcast arranged by Mr. Satyakee D'com Bhuyan. My expectation from the Centre is that with the enormous invaluable creativity of Dr. Bhupen Hazarika, the Assam Royal Global University shall add a new dimension to the study of the creative faculty of the human mind that move the horizon of our civilization to newer trajectories.

What aims did you envision for the Centre?

The Centre has two basic aims. First, it plans to research on the creative ways of the bard as well as on all other creative icons of the state and the region.

Secondly, the Centre also envisages exploration

of human creativity in its multiple dimensions. We thus plan to discover ways for absorbing creativity that enriches and elevates our lives.

Did the Centre envisage any specific structure for carrying out these multidimensional ideas into reality?

When our core group was formed, it opined that it needed an autonomous structure in order to enable it to have creative impacts in all fields of academics. We are grateful that the university authority has lent its support to this recommendation.

How did your activities support the aims you set up?

After paying homage to *Sudhakantha* on the day of joining, we arranged for paying homage to *Kalaguru* Bishnu Prasad Rabha and the poet Hiren Bhattacharya on their death anniversaries. In consonance with our aims, their creative works were critically analyzed. Thereafter, as the birth centenary of *Sudhakantha* approached, we concentrated on setting up a *Museum of Ideas* dedicated to this iconic legend. We also prepared a video where the creativities of the university and Royal Global School fraternities were combined to pay homage to the bard through words and music. Besides, a yearlong Oration Series is being organized creating new insights into the creativity of the bard. We arranged a special celebration of his birth centenary on September 8 where the *Sudhakantha* Museum was inaugurated.

Meanwhile, an idea was floated that the Centre should engage itself in a dialogue with another cultural icon, Zubeen Garg, on his creativity. This was readily agreed. Only a date was to be fixed. On his birth anniversary, we brought out a commemorative book on Zubin Garg. A statue of him too was installed on our campus.

What more activities do you plan to translate your vision to reality?

We have plans to bring out books on our cultural icons like Jyoti Prasad Agarwalla, Bishnu Prasad Rabha and Dr. Bhupen Hazarika as well as on the lost art forms of the region on urgent basis. Meanwhile, the efforts to identify ways of creativity and integrate the same to all branches of academics too shall continue. We trust the

resultant creativity shall facilitate our world in evolving as a happy space of empathy and harmony for one and all.

How do you define creativity within a university space, and why must it extend beyond the arts?

Creativity, in its truest sense, is not confined to artistic expression; it is a way of perceiving the world with freshness and intellectual courage. A university must therefore treat creativity as a foundational habit of mind rather than as a specialized talent belonging only to musicians, writers, or performers. When creativity permeates disciplines such as science, management, technology, and the humanities, it transforms routine learning into discovery-driven inquiry.

At the Dr. Bhupen Hazarika Centre for Creativity, our effort is to cultivate this expansive understanding. Dr. Hazarika himself embodied interdisciplinarity, he was simultaneously a poet, composer, filmmaker, scholar, and social thinker. His life reminds us that creativity flourishes when knowledge refuses to remain compartmentalized. Our goal, therefore, is to encourage students and scholars to approach their fields with imagination, insight, and the willingness to ask unconventional questions. In doing so, the university evolves from being merely a transmitter of knowledge into a generator of new intellectual possibilities.

The Centre places strong emphasis on researching cultural icons. How does this contribute to contemporary academic growth?

Researching cultural icons is not an exercise in nostalgia; it is an act of intellectual continuity. Figures such as Dr. Bhupen Hazarika, Jyoti Prasad Agarwalla, and Bishnu Prasad Rabha were not only creative personalities but also architects of social consciousness. By studying their works critically, we uncover models of thought that integrate artistic excellence with ethical responsibility and public engagement.

For contemporary academia, this is invaluable. Students begin to see that creativity is not detached from society, it can shape collective identity, inspire reform, and deepen democratic sensibilities. When universities engage seriously with such legacies, they root innovation in cultural memory while simultaneously preparing learners to respond thoughtfully to modern challenges.

Your initiatives suggest that creativity can be cultivated rather than merely admired. How can institutions actively nurture it?

Creativity thrives in environments that permit reflection, dialogue, and experimentation. Institutions must therefore design spaces where ideas may cross disciplinary boundaries without hesitation. Our oration series, commemorative projects, museum of ideas, and collaborative artistic endeavours were all conceived with this principle in mind, to create occasions where scholarship and imagination encounter one another.

Equally important is institutional autonomy. When a centre is imbued with intellectual freedom, it can respond dynamically to emerging cultural and academic needs. Creativity cannot be mandated through regulation; it must be invited through atmosphere. Universities that foster such an atmosphere empower their communities to move from competence toward originality.

Looking ahead, what larger role do you envision for creativity in shaping society?

In an age marked by rapid technological advancement and social complexity, creativity is no longer optional, it is civilizationally necessary. It equips individuals with empathy, enabling them to see beyond themselves, and with imagination, allowing them to envision more humane futures.

Our aspiration is that the Centre's work will help integrate creativity into everyday academic practice so that graduates emerge not only as skilled professionals but as sensitive citizens. When creativity informs knowledge, it softens divisions, encourages dialogue, and promotes harmony. Ultimately, a creative society is a compassionate one, and it is toward such a future that our efforts are directed.

In a time marked by rapidly transforming social norms, shifting values, and evolving aspirations, there arises an urgent call for fresh social imagination and renewed creativity. The Centre aspires to become a nurturing space where such imaginations are cultivated, refined, and ultimately transformed into vibrant forms of social creativity that can illuminate new pathways for society and enhance social capacity. ■

Fifth Convocation



The Fifth Convocation of The Assam Royal Global University was held on 31st October 2025 in the presence of a galaxy of eminent dignitaries. 1,967 students were conferred the degrees, out of which 32 were awarded the Ph.D. degree, 777 students the postgraduate and integrated degrees, and 1,093 students were awarded the undergraduate degrees.

Honoris Causa degrees were conferred upon four distinguished personalities—Doctor of Science (D.Sc.) to Dr. Naresh Trehan, Padma Bhushan awardee and Chairman and Managing Director, Medanta; Doctor of Letters (D.Litt.) to Sri Sanjiv Goenka, Chairman, RP-Sanjiv Goenka Group; Doctor of Literature (D.Litt.) to Padma Shri and Sahitya Akademi Awardee Sri Yeshe Dorjee Thongchi, and Doctor of Law (LL.D.) to Sri Mahesh Agarwal, Eminent Advocate and Managing Partner, Agarwal Law Associates, New Delhi.

The Convocation was presided over by Sri Lakshman Prasad Acharya, Hon'ble Governor of Assam and the Visitor of RGU. It was graced by Dr. Sudhanshu Trivedi, Member of Rajya Sabha who delivered the Convocation Address; Sri Bimal Borah, Minister of Industries & Commerce; and Sri Kamakhya Prasad Tasa, Member of Parliament (Lok Sabha). Dr. Ranaj Pegu, Education Minister of Assam, conveyed his congratulatory message to the graduating students, in absentia.

Soon after the Convocation was declared open by RGU Chancellor Dr. A. K. Pansari, the RGU Vice Chancellor Prof. A. K. Buragohain welcomed the august gathering and presented the University Report.

Chancellor's Gold Medals were awarded to Deep Deka, MCA and Tanmayee Devchoudhury, BA English. Five Salvers: Prof Mihir Kanti Chaudhuri



Sri Lakshman Prasad Acharya, Governor, Assam addressing



Dr. Sudhanshu Trivedi delivering the Convocation Address



The Academic Procession

Best Science Graduate Award went to Bhaswati Goswami, MSc Botany; Sanwarmal Modi Award for Excellence in Cultural Activities went to Akhit



Chancellor addressing the Convocation



VC presenting the University Report



A student being awarded PhD degree

Nayan Gogoi, B. Pharma; Gini Devi Pansari Award for Excellence in Literary Activities went to Dhiman Chakraborty, B.Sc. Geology; Basudeo Pansari Award for Excellence in Community Service went to Sagar Kumar Nag, BA Administrative Service; and Suresh Kumar Prithani Award for Excellence in Mentoring went to Bidisha Kashyap, BA Political Science. Apart from this, 56 Gold medals and 58 Silver medals were presented to successful students from

various departments of the university.

The Convocation began with a grand and elegant Academic Procession, led by the Registrar of the University, Academic Council members, members of the Board of Governors, Deans of different Schools, Heads of different Departments, and the award recipients. The Convocation ended with the signing of the National Anthem. ■



D.Sc. conferred on Dr. Naresh Trehan



D.Litt. conferred on Yeshe Dorjee Thongchi



D.Litt. conferred on Sanjiv Goenka



LL.D. conferred on Mahesh Agarwal

Deeksharambh -2025



On 30th July 2025, 'Deeksharambh', a comprehensive 21-day Student Induction Programme for the newly admitted batch of students for the academic year 2025–2026 began. The inaugural ceremony was graced by Sri Bimal Bora, Minister of Industries, Commerce & Public Enterprises and Cultural Affairs, Government of Assam, as the Chief Guest, and eminent Odissi dancer and Sangeet Natak Akademi Awardee, Smti Sujata Mohapatra, as the Guest of Honour.

In his address to the new batch of students, Dr AK Pansari, called upon the students to develop a deep sense of sensitivity towards society—be it human, animal, the underprivileged or the

specialty-abled. He encouraged the students to stay conscious of climate change and remain environmentally aware, emphasizing upon the importance of tree plantation. Dr. Pansari made an appeal to the youth to contribute towards restoring India's lost glory, particularly in these challenging times when global peace is under threat. He also underscored the importance of holistic development for becoming responsible and compassionate individuals.

Sri Bimal Bora, in his speech highlighted upon the importance of discipline, hard work and commitment to the students. Sri Bora reiterated the importance of critical thinking in teaching-learning and research. ■

Session on Art and Interaction

Renowned artists Mr. Shyamal Roy Chowdhury Assistant Professor Sabuj B.Ed. College of West Bengal, and Ms. Somdatta Roy Chowdhury, alumni of Rabindra Bharati University, interacted with students during an engaging session on "Art and Interaction" held at the Royal School of Fine Arts. The artists shared valuable insights from their creative journeys, artistic philosophies, and recent bodies of work. Following the art presentation, an interactive discussion took place in which the artists elaborated on their distinctive styles and contemporary practices. The session concluded with a lively question-and-answer segment, where students actively participated and gained meaningful understanding of contemporary art processes and professional artistic experiences. ■



Professor Mihir Kanti Chaudhuri Memorial Oration

The first Professor Mihir Kanti Chaudhuri Memorial Oration was held on 16th December 2025 in remembrance of the eminent scientist and academician who guided RGU as its Chief Advisor since inception. Professor Chaudhuri passed away on December 13, 2024 after a brief illness.

The memorial oration was delivered by Dr. Binoy Kumar Saikia, Senior Principal Scientist at the Coal and Energy Division, CSIR–NEIST, Jorhat, and a Bhatnagar Prize awardee. During his insightful and in-depth presentation, Dr. Saikia paid rich tribute to Professor Chaudhuri and underscored the critical importance of research in developing alternative and sustainable energy, highlighting the emerging scientific pathways relevant to national development.

Addressing the gathering, Dr. A. K. Pansari, Chancellor, Royal Global University, remembered Professor Chaudhuri as “a towering figure in academics and a guardian whose guidance was instrumental in shaping the growth of RGU.” He said that Professor Chaudhuri remained deeply involved in mentoring the University till the very last day of his life and played a crucial role in strengthening its academic vision and research culture.



Vice Chancellor Prof. A. K. Buragohain said that RGU would continue to honour the legacy of Professor Mihir Kanti Chaudhuri through this memorial oration in the years to come, ensuring that his ideals of academic excellence and scientific inquiry continue to inspire future generations. ■

Professor Dhrubajyoti Borah Joins RGU as the Chief Advisor to the Chancellor & as Author-in-Residence



Distinguished medical professional, educator and litterateur, Professor Dhrubajyoti Borah, former Vice Chancellor of Srimanta Sankaradeva

University of Health Sciences, joined Royal Global University on 28th November 2025 as the Chief Advisor to the Chancellor and as Author-in-Residence.

Professor Borah, a former President of the *Asam Sahitya Sabha*—the apex literary body of Assam, has made exceptional contributions to literature, culture, public life, and academics, particularly in the fields of medical and allied health sciences. His works have been widely translated into several Indian languages. He was honoured with the *Sahitya Akademi Award* in 2009 for his acclaimed novel *Katha Ratnakar*. ■

Cultural Affairs Minister Inaugurates Sudhakantha Museum Chancellor announces grant of ₹1 crore corpus fund for the DBHCC



Sri Bimal Bora, Minister of Cultural Affairs, Assam inaugurated the “Sudhakantha Museum” at RGU on 8th September 2025, while RGU Chancellor Dr. A.K. Pansari launched the Dr. Bhupen Hazarika Centenary Oration Series to honour the timeless legacy of Bharat Ratna Dr. Bhupen Hazarika and inspire the younger generation with his vision and ideals on the auspicious occasion of the birth centenary celebration of the bard of Brahmaputra. Announcing a significant initiative, Dr. Pansari also declared the grant of a ₹1 crore corpus fund for the Dr. Bhupen Hazarika Centre for Creativity at RGU.

The ceremony was graced by Former Asom Sahitya Sabha president and Padma Shri awardee Sri Surjya Hazarika, celebrated Sattriya dancer Ms Mridusmita Das Bora, noted writer Mrs. Anuradha Sarma Pujari, Dr Akashitora Saikia, Professor Rakhee Kalita, and a host of dignitaries and admirers of Dr. Bhupen Hazarika.

The inaugural session of the Centenary Oration Series featured thought-provoking addresses by Professor Amarjyoti Choudhury and Professor Shiela Bora. The series continued with lectures by Dr. P.J. Baruah, Professor Pradip Jyoti Mahanta, Professor Surajit Mukhopadhyay and others. ■



Professor Nandana Dutta joins RGU as Dean Academic

Professor Nandana Dutta, eminent scholar & author, has joined RGU as Dean Academic. With four decades in teaching and leadership at Gauhati University and acclaimed works in literature, identity and culture, Professor Dutta continues to inspire generations. ■



Supreme Court Judge unveils Gavel on the Campus

In a historic event, one of the largest gavels in India has been unveiled on the University campus by Hon'ble Justice Mr. Sandeep Mehta, Judge of the Supreme Court of India on 30th August 2025. Hon'ble Justice Mr. Ashutosh Kumar, Chief Justice of the Gauhati High Court, conveyed his congratulatory message and words of appreciation through a voice note on the installation of the gavel at RGU.

The monumental gavel, crafted with remarkable precision by the students of the Department of Fine Arts of the University, measures 22 feet in length, with an 8-foot hammer and a base circumference of 11 feet 7 inches. Beyond its record-setting scale, the gavel stands as a powerful symbol of law, fairness, and equity—the principles that uphold the foundation of the nation's legal system.

Justice Mehta unveiled this masterpiece in the presence of Dr. A. K. Pansari, Chancellor; Sri A. K. Modi, Pro-Chancellor; and other distinguished delegates,

faculty members and students. The ceremony was graced by eminent dignitaries, including Sri Debojit Lon Saikia, Advocate General of Assam and General Secretary, BCCI; Sri Raktim Duarah, Registrar General, Gauhati High Court, Sri Nayan Shankar Baruah, Registrar (Administration) Gauhati High Court; Sri Nirod Sarma, Joint Registrar, Gauhati High Court; Sri Angshuman Bora, Senior Advocate, Gauhati High Court, among others. ■



State-of-the-Art Animation Lab Inaugurated

The Royal School of Communication and Media inaugurated a state-of-the-art Animation Lab, marking a milestone in creativity and innovation. The event was graced by Prof. Hiren Kumar Deva Sarma, Professor, Department of Information Technology, Gauhati University. The lab will serve as a creative hub for aspiring media professionals. ■



Royal Anna Seva completes five years



The Assam Royal Global University celebrated the completion of five impactful years of its flagship community service initiative *Royal Anna Seva* a noble outreach programme envisioned by Dr. A.K. Pansari, Chancellor of RGU, under the aegis of the Gyan Sagar Foundation. Dr. Ravi Kota, IAS, Chief Secretary, Government of Assam was the Chief Guest on this special occasion on 12th November who also inaugurated a new phase of the *Royal Anna Seva* journey. A street play, titled “*Message Beyond Words*” was performed by students to mark the occasion.

Conceived under the visionary leadership of Dr. Pansari, the initiative began as an effort to serve those in need with dignity and compassion by providing free nutritious meals. Formally inaugurated on 12 November 2020 by the then Chief minister Sri Sarbananda Sonowal, *Royal Anna Seva* has so far distributed more than 200,000 meals making a tangible contribution

towards Sustainable Development Goal 2: Zero Hunger.

Launching the new chapter of the initiative, Dr. Ravi Kota announced that *Royal Anna Seva* will now distribute 50,000 free meals annually, further amplifying its reach and impact. He appreciated the university’s enduring commitment to social responsibility and sustainable community welfare, commending its efforts to combine education with empathy and real-world impact. Reflecting on the milestone, Dr. A.K. Pansari said: “*Royal Anna Seva embodies our university’s core philosophy—education with a purpose, grounded in empathy and social responsibility. It is not just about feeding the hungry, but about nurturing humanity, inspiring our students and community to give back. As we complete five years of this service, I express my heartfelt gratitude to every volunteer and supporter who has carried this mission forward with unwavering dedication.*” ■

Felicitations of the Dean’s Listers

The Felicitations Ceremony of the Dean’s Listers for the Academic Year 2025–26 at The Assam Royal Global University was a grand celebration of academic excellence and dedication. The event honoured the remarkable achievements of our students who have consistently demonstrated hard work, perseverance, and a passion for learning ■



Honour to RGU Chancellor



In a remarkable recognition of his sustained contributions to education, social welfare, and cultural harmony in Northeast India, Dr. A. K. Pansari, Chancellor of The Assam Royal Global University and Chairman of Royal Global School, Guwahati, was conferred the *Education World Extraordinary Achievement in Education Leadership Award 2025–26*. The prestigious honour was presented at a grand ceremony held in New Delhi on 14th October by the Education World in association with the EW India School Rankings Awards (ISRA).

The Education World Extraordinary Achievement Awards celebrate individuals who demonstrate visionary leadership and make outstanding contributions to education in India. This year's ceremony brought together eminent education leaders, policymakers, and institutional heads from across the country, celebrating excellence and innovation in education while emphasizing the role of transformative leadership in nation-building. ■

Scholarship Award Ceremony



Continuing its mission to encourage students to pursue higher education and curb brain drain from Northeast India, The Assam Royal Global University organised the Scholarship Distribution Ceremony on 20th August 2025 for more than 500 newly admitted students across various programmes for the Academic Year 2025–26. In addition, the University conferred the Semester Topper Scholarship upon 72 students for their outstanding performance in the Even Semester Examination 2024–25.

The scholarships were conferred under multiple categories, including Merit Scholarship, Endowment Scholarship, BPL Category Scholarship, Community-based Scholarship, Sports Scholarship, and Scholarship for Wards of Military, Paramilitary, and Police Personnel from the northeastern region. The Scholarship Recipients are entitled to fee waivers to the extent of 100%, 50% and 25%, in recognition of their academic excellence, special achievements, and community contributions. ■

Chief Justice Ashutosh Kumar Unveils Dr. Ambedkar's Bust



In a momentous ceremony held on 24th November at RGU, Hon'ble Justice Mr. Ashutosh Kumar, Chief Justice of the Gauhati High Court, unveiled a bust of Dr. Bhimrao Ramji Ambedkar,

the chief architect of the Indian Constitution. The event marked a significant event ahead of India's Constitution Day on 26th November. Following the unveiling of the bust, the Hon'ble Chief Justice planted a tree on the university campus and addressed the students in a special interactive session.

Addressing the students, the Chief Justice reflected on Dr. B.R. Ambedkar's unwavering dedication and lifelong struggle, and said, *"You must believe in yourselves and reject pessimistic thoughts if you wish to achieve your goals. On 26th November, we honour Dr. B.R. Ambedkar and the Indian Constitution—the mother of all laws."* He further urged the students to keep Dr. Ambedkar's ideals alive in their academic and professional journeys. ■

RGU only Private University in NE having 3 of the World's Top 2% Scientists Ranked by Stanford University



Prof. Amlan Das



Dr. Faizuddin Ahmed



Dr. Mukta Agrawal

The region's scientific community celebrated a remarkable achievement as three faculty members of The Assam Royal Global University were named among the World's Top 2% Scientists for 2025 by Stanford University, USA. The prestigious list was published on 19th September 2025.

The three RGU scientists are: Professor (Dr.) Amlan Das, Department of Microbiology, Associate Dean, Research & Development; Dr. Faizuddin Ahmed, Assistant Professor (Research), Department of Physics; and Dr. Mukta Agrawal, Assistant Professor, Royal School of Pharmacy. It is noteworthy that while Dr. Faizuddin Ahmed

has secured this place on Stanford University's esteemed list of the world's leading scientists for the sixth consecutive year, Dr. Mukta Agrawal has secured this rank for the fourth consecutive year.

Dr. Faizuddin Ahmed's pioneering research is primarily centered on Theoretical Physics, with a particular focus on General Theory of Relativity. Dr. Mukta Agrawal's primary research interests lie in Novel Drug Delivery Systems, Nanoparticles, Brain Targeting, and Nose-to-Brain Drug Delivery for the treatment of Alzheimer's disease. The primary research areas of Prof. Amlan Das include antimicrobial resistance and cancer management. ■

Global Sustainability Leaders, Corporates & Youth Converge at EHNf 2025



Diplomats, entrepreneurs, researchers, students, investors and policymakers from India and abroad gathered at RGU on 10th and 11th December to attend the 13th Eastern Himalayan Naturenomics™ Forum (EHNf) 2025. Envisioned by Sri Ranjit Barthakur and organised by the Balipara Foundation jointly with Royal Global University, IIT Guwahati, Gauhati University, and Cotton University; EHNf 2025 focused on aligning economic development with ecological regeneration in one of the world's most vulnerable mountain systems.

Delivering Leadership Speech, Norway's Ambassador to India, Her Excellency May-Elin Stener, stressed that climate diplomacy must prioritise the mountain regions, describing them as "*water towers for half of humanity*." Speakers



from Google, Coca-Cola, Tata Consumer Products, Tata Power, Tata Electronics, Varun Beverages, Rajasthan Royals, NRL and civil society organisations from across the region participated in the event.

Calling for a reset in business priorities, Sri D. B. Sundara Ramam, Vice President – Corporate Services, Tata Steel India, said industry can no longer afford to treat ecology and economy as opposing forces.

The Chief Secretary of the Government of Assam, Sri Ravi Kota underlined the State's resolve to demonstrate a new development model in the Eastern Himalaya.

Speaking from a frontline ecological perspective, Dr. Sonali Ghosh, Director, Kaziranga National Park, said conservation must be seen as an economic pillar, not an obstacle.

A major highlight of the inaugural was the launch of the Guardians of Eastern Himalaya – a youth volunteer network jointly promoted by Royal Global University, the Balipara Foundation and Assam Investment Advisory Society. ■

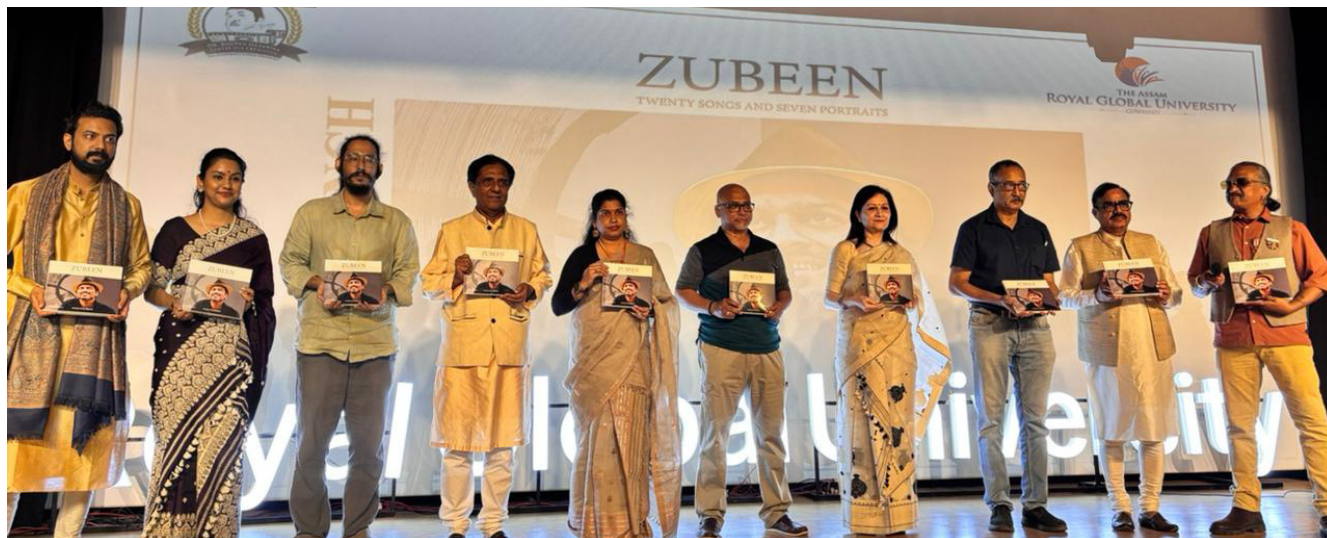
Movers and Shakers Speak at TEDx Royal Global University

RGU hosted a remarkable edition of TEDx on 7th October where creativity, authenticity, and transformative thought converged under the evocative theme "*Original by Nature*." The distinguished line-up of speakers included Ms. Bambi Kevichüsa, acclaimed fashion designer from Nagaland; Mr. Devajit Lon Saikia, Advocate General of Assam and Secretary of the BCCI; Mr. Nise Meruno, internationally renowned concert pianist; and Sri Ranjit Barthakur, noted social entrepreneur and strategist. Each of the speakers made compelling narratives that challenged conventional thought and spotlighted the role of individuality in shaping meaningful change. The Lead Licensee & Curator of TEDxRoyalGlobalUniversity was Mr. Sattyakee



D'com Bhuyan, Deputy Dean of the Department of Student Welfare. ■

Book on Zubeen Garg Released, Scholarship Announced



The Assam Royal Global University paid a soulful tribute to Assam's beloved cultural icon, Zubeen Garg by launching a commemorative book titled "*Zubeen: Twenty Songs and Seven Portraits*", along with a scholarship, a Memoriam and a blood donation camp in honour of the legendary artist. Organized on 18th November 2025 under the aegis of the Dr Bhupen Hazarika Centre for Creativity, the event marked the birth anniversary of the heartthrob whose music continues to inspire millions.

The heartwarming programme was graced by Dr. A.K. Pansari, Chancellor of RGU; Professor Amarjyoti Choudhury, Chair, Dr Bhupen Hazarika Centre for Creativity; Sri Ramanuj Dutta Choudhury, Executive Editor of *The Assam Tribune*; and Dr. Palme Borthakur, sister of Zubeen Garg, among other dignitaries, faculty, staff, and students. The tribute was further elevated by an evocative *Satria Nritya* performance by

the acclaimed dancer Ms. Prerona Bhuyan, along with a nostalgic medley of Zubeen Garg's evergreen classics presented by RGU students.

Edited by Sattyakee D'com Bhuyan, the book includes translations of twenty iconic songs of Zubeen Garg by Sri Arkupal Ra Acharya, an evocative visual gallery drawn from photographs by Stephen Styris and seven essays contributed by Professor Amarjyoti Choudhury, Ms.Mitra Phukan, Dr Rakhee Kalita Moral, Dr Palme Borthakur, Sri Ramanuj Dutta Choudhury, Ms. Banasmita Das and Sri Rahul Karmakar. The book's cover has been designed by Sri Muku Madhav Baishya. The Memoriam titled "*Zubeen: The Road, the Music, the Life Perspectives*" includes nine articles contributed by RGU faculty members and edited by Dr Pronami Bhattacharyya, Associate Professor, Department of English. ■

Freshers' Day

On 21st November the stage buzzed with excitement as participants showcased charm, talent, and enthusiasm at Mr and Miss Freshers 2025. Each round heightened the cheer, creating a joyful and memorable welcome for the new batch of students at RGU. ■



MDP organised by the Royal School of Business

Address by Industry Stalwarts Ravi Kant & Rajesh Srivastava



On 9th September, RGU hosted an impactful Management Development Program titled *“Leading from the Back to Achieve the Impossible”*, featuring distinguished industry leaders Mr. Ravi Kant, Former CEO & Vice Chairman of Tata Motors, and Mr. Rajesh Srivastava, Former President of JK Helene Curtis, Raymond Group.

Through engaging sessions, the eminent speakers emphasized the importance of

cultivating an open mind, one that seeks new opportunities instead of dwelling on the past. The program brought together 30 participants representing leading industries of the Northeast, including Amalgamated Plantations, ITC Limited, Reliance Jio, Datamation, Topcem Cement, and Star Cement. Participants left with a renewed commitment to embracing this transformative leadership style. ■

Legendary Physiotherapist Professor Ali Irani takes Session



audience through the history and origin of physiotherapy, prenatal and postnatal care, sports rehabilitation, and geriatric physiotherapy. The session was further enriched with live demonstrations of techniques such as hamstring release and neck pain relief, which gave participants practical insights into the effectiveness of physiotherapy interventions. ■

The Assam Royal Global University celebrated World Physiotherapy Day 2025 with an enlightening and eye-opening session by Professor Ali Irani, former Physiotherapist of the Indian Cricket Team and Head of the Department of Physiotherapy at Nanavati Max Super Speciality Hospital, Mumbai.

During his session, Professor Irani took the



Life-Size Statue of Zubeen Garg Unveiled



In a moving tribute to Assam's beloved cultural icon Zubeen Garg, a life-size statue of the legendary musician was unveiled on 17th December 2025 at the campus of Royal Global University.

The statue was unveiled by Professor Pradip Acharya—eminent poet, translator, academic, and critic of Assamese and English Literature—in the august presence of Chancellor Dr. A.K. Pansari, and Professor Amarjyoti Choudhury, Chair Professor of the *Dr. Bhupen Hazarika Centre for Creativity* at RGU, Professor Dhruvajyoti Borah, Advisor to Chancellor RGU, Sri Lakhyajit Bora—the sculptor of the 10 feet tall statue, alongside Zubeen Garg's sister Dr Palme Borthakur, distinguished delegates, faculty members, staff, and students.

Welcoming the gathering, Professor Amarjyoti Choudhury said, *"To us the statue appears like a poem in bronze. I am sure it will inspire one and all to pursue the ideals the legend pursued."*

In his address, the chief guest Professor Pradip Acharya said that Zubeen Garg represented the rare confluence of art, conscience, and courage. Describing the musician as *"the wanderer"* he

observed that Zubeen's music was deeply rooted in the soil of Assam while resonating far beyond its geographical boundaries, giving voice to human emotions, social concerns, and the collective aspirations of the people. He lauded Royal Global University for institutionalising remembrance through art and scholarship.

The programme featured a heartfelt musical tribute through a soulful rendition in saxophone by Sri Sanjeev Rabha while Sri Susanta Chowdhury sang few of Zubeen Garg's songs evoking deep emotions among all present. ■



OUTREACH

“Green Day” observed with a Mission of Service and Sustainability



Setting a unique example of service, compassion, and environmental responsibility, the 62nd birthday of Dr. Ashok Kumar Pansari, Chancellor of The Assam Royal Global University was celebrated on 10th October in a way that reflects deep social commitment rather than traditional festivity. There were no cakes, no sweets, and no ceremonial grandeur; instead, the day has been devoted entirely to giving back to society and nature.

To mark the occasion, Dr. Pansari led a plantation drive on the university campus, planting 62 saplings, symbolizing each year of his life dedicated to education, growth, and social upliftment. In addition to the plantation program, Dr. Pansari also donated 62 wheelchairs to physically challenged individuals and organizations in need. The recipients included individuals from underprivileged backgrounds as well as representatives from hospitals and charity organizations. ■

Outreach Focusing on Human–Elephant Conflict



The Department of History, in collaboration with the award-winning organisation *Hati Bondhu*, conducted a meaningful outreach programme at Ronghang village, Nagaon. Focusing on Human–Elephant Conflict mitigation, students studied migration patterns, interacted with local communities, and planted rice paddies for elephants—aligning with SDGs 11 and 15. ■

KinderNova 2025

KinderNova 2025, organized by the Health and Safety Club in association with NSS under the aegis of Student Affairs, Royal Global University, was held at Ila Snehalaya. The initiative brought smiles through health check-ups, fun-filled activities, art sessions, and heartfelt donations. ■



Free Legal Aid & Rights of Women



The Royal School of Law & Administration conducted an Outreach Programme on Free Legal Aid and Rights of Women, in collaboration with the District Legal Services Authority, Kamrup (R), and the Hargila Army. ■

Rangmanch Club celebrates childhood



The Royal Rangmanch Club, along with the Peace Club and Yoga Club, visited Tetelia Bori LP School for an engaging outreach activity celebrating childhood. Food was also distributed under the Royal Anna Seva Scheme. ■

NSS Volunteers united to spread Awareness



RGU participated in the *Nasha Mukta Bharat Abhiyaan (NMBA)*, focusing on its impactful journey toward a drug-free India. In alignment

with the UGC guidelines, the NSS volunteers united to spread awareness about the harmful effect of drug and narcotic substances and to inspire change through mass pledges against these substances.

Extending the mission beyond the university, the NSS team engaged with the adopted villages at Lokhra and Deuchutal, interacting with residents and school students to strengthen awareness and promote healthier choices within the community. ■

Awareness on Conservation of Salamander Habitats



An awareness program on the protection and conservation of salamander habitats was successfully conducted by Dr. Upashna Chettri, Assistant Professor, Department of Botany, The Assam Royal Global University, under the India

Bioscience Outreach Grant 2024–2025. The program was organized in collaboration with the Government of West Bengal on 4th July 2025 at K.N. Memorial School, Sittong, under Kurseong subdivision in Darjeeling district as part of the outreach initiative.

The event was graced by key administrative officials, including the Sub-Divisional Police Officer (SDPO), Divisional Forest Officer (DFO), and Block Development Officer (BDO), whose participation underscored the importance of community-driven conservation efforts in ecologically sensitive areas. ■

Bani Mandir Donation to Dr. Bhupen Hazarika Museum



in the presence of esteemed faculty and members of DBHCC. The formal handover was followed by a meaningful exchange with Prof. Alak Kumar Buragohain, Vice Chancellor, and Sri Ankur Pansari, Executive Vice President, RGU. This generous contribution strengthens our collective mission of preserving and celebrating the extraordinary legacy of the Bard of the Brahmaputra. ■

On 4th September, Bani Mandir, one of Assam's oldest and most respected publishers, gifted nearly 50 rare books and valuable CDs for the upcoming Museum of Ideas and rare artefacts dedicated to Dr. Bhupen Hazarika at RGU.

Sri Utpal Hazarika, proprietor of Bani Mandir, was felicitated by Prof. Amarjyoti Choudhury



The Chemical Extravaganza – Khemia

The Department of Chemistry, RSAPS, hosted its annual event demonstrating the ingenuity and interest of the aspiring chemists. Throughout the presentation, students showcased a variety of chemical experiments, projects, and models that were connected to some intriguing discoveries in chemistry. ■



Sky Observation & Telescope Handling Workshop



Royal Global University successfully organised its second Sky Observation and Telescope Handling Workshop, providing the students with practical exposure to observational astronomy through hands-on learning. ■

Mr. Justice Ujjal Bhuyan of the Supreme Court Addresses RGU Law Students



RGU hosted an inspiring and insightful interactive session on 15th November featuring Hon'ble Mr. Justice Ujjal Bhuyan, Judge, Supreme Court of India. Justice Bhuyan engaged in an impactful discussion on the theme *"From Constitution to Courtroom: Opportunities for the Next Generation of Law Graduates."* The programme was organised by the Royal School of Law and Administration (RSLA) at Jyoti Mancha.



Addressing a packed audience of law students and faculty members, Justice Ujjal Bhuyan traced the Constitutional journey of India and the role of the judiciary in preserving its core values. Speaking on the transformative vision of the Constitution, he said, *"Equality is its central pillar, and we need an independent judiciary that remains insulated from external pressures"*. His detailed recounting of eminent lawyer and jurist, Nani Palkhivala's rise in the legal profession, his brilliant arguments in the *Golak Nath versus State of Punjab case*, *Bank Nationalisation case (R.C. Cooper versus Union of India, 1970)* *Privy Purse Case (1970)* and the historic *Kesavananda Bharati versus State of Kerala Case 1973*, offered the students a rare, insightful look into the evolution of constitutional jurisprudence and the enduring significance of the basic structure doctrine. ■

Intra Moot Court Competition 2025



The Royal Moot Court Society, under the aegis of RSLA, RGU, hosted the Intra Moot Court Competition 2025, strengthening legal reasoning, advocacy skills, and professional ethics. ■

Induction of the New Students' Council



The formal induction of the new Students' Council marked a proud milestone, reaffirming commitment to unity, excellence, and progress. ■

RGU Support to UPSC Aspirants



RGU extended support to "Expectations," a novel initiative of the All Assam Students' Union (AASU) aimed at grooming civil services aspirants from Assam. As part of the initiative, a selection test was conducted by AASU at RGU on 10th August 2025. ■

Awareness Programme on Eye Donation

The Department of Optometry observed Netranjali 2025 – Eye Donation Fortnight on 27th August 2025. The programme commenced with poster making and model making competitions, where students showcased creative and informative presentations on the importance of eye donation, corneal preservation, and the life-changing impact of corneal transplantation. The activities aimed to encourage awareness and inspire students to become advocates for eye donation.

Following the competitions, a guest lecture was delivered by Dr. (Mrs.) Nilotparna Deori, Senior Consultant Ophthalmologist, Arbor Vitae Eye Hospital, on the topic “Understanding Pediatric Eye Diseases and the Role of Corneal Transplantation.” Dr. Deori provided valuable insights into common pediatric ocular conditions, challenges in early diagnosis, and the crucial role that timely corneal transplantation plays in restoring functional vision in affected children. The event concluded with an interactive discussion session, where students engaged with the speaker, followed by a prize distribution ceremony to felicitate the winners of the competitions. ■



Plays Directed & Staged by Students



The stage came alive with depth, emotion, and social reflection as the Confluence Club and Rangmanch Club presented two compelling student productions—“Jagriti” by Afrid Choudhury and “Mai Gandhiji Banunga” by Gaurab Kumar Hazarika—both sensitively directed by Kingshuk Akshaye.

“Mai Gandhiji Banunga”, a gripping one-act play, unfolded in a bustling city setting where nine



destitute beggars, each burdened by personal struggles, become intrigued by the annual Gandhi Jayanti celebrations. Staged on 13th October 2025, the production featured impactful performances by Roselin A. Faruque, Afrid A. Choudhury, Sankardev Nath, Dristi Saikia, Chani Kakati, Bhaskar Deka, Jugasmita Das, Progya Das, and others, whose collective energy and commitment elevated the narrative. ■

Career Counselling by Indian Air Force Officers



The Assam Royal Global University hosted an interactive career counselling session by Indian Air Force officers, who guided students on opportunities, challenges, and the pride of serving the nation. ■

Sitar Recital by Padma Shri Ustad Shahid Parvez Khan



The Assam Royal Global University echoed with timeless melodies as Padma Shri Ustad Shahid Parvez Khan mesmerised the audience with his sitar, accompanied by Subhajyoti Guha on the tabla. Organised in collaboration with SPIC MACAY, the recital celebrated India's classical heritage, leaving the audience spellbound by its depth and discipline. ■

Summer Internship 2025

The Department of Geology successfully conducted *Summer Internship 2025* from 30th June to 4th July, bringing together geology enthusiasts from across the state for a week of experiential learning. The internship included two enriching modules—*Discovering Geology with GIS* and *Metamorphic Lab Secrets: From Hand Specimens to P–T Conditions*—along with a visit to the Royal Observatory. Expert-led sessions, live demonstrations, and guidance enriched the learning experience. ■



DISCOURSES

First International Conference on Smart Systems & Social Management



A three-day long international conference on “Smart Systems and Social Management” was held successfully at The Assam Royal Global University (RGU) from November 6 to 8, 2025. The conference was organised by RGU with support from GR Foundation, India and in collaboration with Springer Nature as publication partner. Sponsored by Drillbit, 2CQR and Libkart, the institutional collaborators of the Conference were: Arya Vidyapeeth College, Paschim Guwahati Mahavidyalaya and Morigaon College. With seven broad research tracks and several themes under each track, the conference had 122 paper presentations in both physical and digital

modes and researchers from across the globe, including USA, UK, Thailand, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh, Morocco, and Croatia participated.

The inaugural session of the conference was graced by Professor Anupam Basu as the Keynote Speaker and Raja Ramanna Chair Professor, Jadavpur University; Dr Nabi Hasan, Central Librarian, IIT Delhi; Dr Lila Kanta Borthakur, Principal, Morigaon College, Dr Manisha Bhattacharyya, Principal, Paschim Guwahati Mahavidyalaya, and academicians from participating higher educational institutions. ■



Expert Session on MSME

The Royal School of Commerce hosted Prof.(Dr.) Samir Baruah on “Formalisation of Micro Sector under MSME,” enlightening students on financial literacy and micro-enterprise integration into the banking system. ■



Forest Man of India Jadav Payeng addresses RGU students



Delivering a talk on “My Journey from a Single Sapling to a Living Forest,” The Forest Man of India, Padma Shri awardee Sri Jadav Payeng inspired the RGU students by sharing his life’s mission of reforestation and ecological restoration. He highlighted how one individual, through consistent effort and dedication, can transform a barren landscape into a thriving forest ecosystem. His story, beginning with a single sapling planted decades ago that has now grown into a vast forest—stood as a powerful testimony to the impact of an individual’s responsibility toward the environment. Sri Payeng

was addressing the students of the Department of Botany in BOTANIQUE 3.0, the annual fest of the Department, on 10th November 2025.

Sri Payeng made a fervent appeal to create a forest in every district of Assam in memory of the late legendary artist Zubeen Garg, who was known for his love and compassion for nature, animals, and humanity. *“If we create a forest in Zubeen’s name in every district, people will breathe oxygen in his memory. It will be an evergreen tribute to the nature-loving artist.”*

The session concluded with an enthusiastic interactive discussion between Sri Payeng and RGU students, where he encouraged them to take small, consistent actions toward creating a greener planet. ■



Workshop on Advanced Nutrition

The Workshop on Advance Nutrition was jointly organised by the North East Nutrition & Dietetics Association (NENDA) and Royal Global University on 7 September 2025 at the University campus. The day-long programme brought together nutrition professionals, academicians, and students for in-depth discussions on emerging trends in clinical nutrition.

The workshop featured eminent speakers including Mrs. Babita G. Hazarika, Dr. Vandana Sinha, Mrs. Shilpa Thakur, Mitali Dowerah Rajkhowa, Sameya Sultana, Jayashree Goswami, and Gitima Saikia with Ms. Dimi Ingtipi as the moderator. Technical sessions focused on carbohydrate counting for diabetes management, practical applications in real-life settings, and diabetes secondary to pancreatic disease. An interactive Q&A session encouraged active participant engagement.

The post-lunch session included a panel



discussion on enteral nutrition and a highlight session on neurocritical nutrition for traumatic brain injury and stroke patients. The workshop concluded with a felicitation ceremony and vote of thanks. ■

AICTE-VAANI/ National Conference



RGU hosted a two-day national conference (15th–16th Sept) in Assamese on “*Resilient Futures: Indian Knowledge Systems for Energy, Sustainability, and Climate Action.*” Chief Guest Dr. Hirak Ranjan Das and eminent scholars engaged participants in insightful sessions and paper presentations. The conference brought together eminent resource persons, including Dr. Lutfa Hanum Salima Begam (Cotton University), Dr. Abhinandan Saikia (TISS, Guwahati), Kamaljit Medhi (Indian Oil Corporation Limited), Dr. Nirmali Gogoi (Tezpur Central University), Dr. Manjil Hazarika (Cotton University), Dr. Bhaskar Kumar Kakati (IIT Jodhpur), agri-entrepreneur Samir Bordoloi, and Retd. IFS officer Abhijit Rabha. Scholars, professionals, and practitioners engaged in insightful sessions and paper presentations over the two days. ■

Lecture Demonstration on Ankiā Nāt



Commemorating the Tirobhav Tithi of Mahapurush Srimanta Sankardev, the Mahabahu Club under the Indian Knowledge Systems Cell organised a lecture demonstration on Ankiā Nāt. The session by Sri Gunakar Dev Goswami highlighted Sankardev’s spiritual vision and cultural legacy. ■

Talk on AI & its Application in Business



A session on “AI and its Application in Business” was conducted on 18th August 2025 by Mr. Pawan Agarwala, CEO of Datamation. He highlighted AI’s growing role in customer relations, predictive analytics, digital marketing, inventory management, and strategic decision-making. ■

Workshop on Fundamentals of Phonetics & Phonology



The Department of English, Royal School of Languages, successfully organised a one-day workshop titled “*Understanding Speech Sounds: The Fundamentals of Phonetics and Phonology*” on 29th August 2025. The session, led by Dr. Amalesh Gope, Department of Linguistics and Language Technology, Tezpur University, enriched participants with insights into the science of speech and language. ■

Curtain-raiser Workshops of Assam Physiocon 2025



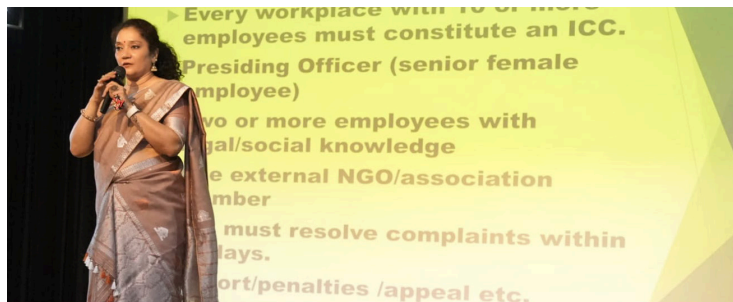
The Department of Physiotherapy successfully hosted two Pre-Conference Workshops on 7th November as a curtain-raiser to the Assam Physiocon 2025—a prestigious national conference organized by the Assam Association

of Physiotherapy from 8th to 9th November 2025. About 200 delegates, including faculty members, postgraduate students, and clinicians from reputed institutions across India, have participated in today's event.

The two parallel workshops provided participants with hands-on experience in advanced manual therapy and neurorehabilitation techniques. The session on “*Craniosacral Therapy*” was conducted by Dr. K. Pearlson, Emeritus Professor, Founder-FIMT, and Director, Shree Saradha Academy, while Dr. Prabhat Ranjan, Physiotherapist, Department of Neurology, AIIMS, New Delhi, conducted a workshop on “*Neurodevelopmental Technique in Hemiplegics*.” ■

Gender Sensitization Programme

A Gender Sensitization Programme was held at RGU on 21st July 2025 to promote awareness, equality, and a safe campus environment. The session was conducted by Advocate Rakhee Sirauthia Chowdhury. Faculty and staff members actively participated, followed by an interactive session. ■



Workshop on Moot Court

The Royal Moot Court Society (RMCS) of the Royal School of Law and Administration organised a Moot-Court Training Workshop on 8th October 2025 for the benefit of law students, particularly those participating in the Moot-Court Competition. The workshop aimed at serving as a preparatory platform to enhance students' courtroom advocacy, legal drafting, and oral argumentation skills. It sought to familiarise participants with the practical nuances of moot court proceedings and professional advocacy.

The session was conducted by Mr. Tawheed Alom Laskar, Advocate, Gauhati High Court, who shared valuable insights drawn from his professional experience. Students actively participated in the interactive session. ■



National Seminar on Regenerative Medicine and Green Pharmaceuticals

Royal School of Pharmacy (RSP), in association with IQAC, RGU organised a two-day National Seminar on “Regenerative Medicine and Green Pharmaceuticals: Sustainable Innovations in Healthcare” from 24th to 25th September. The event was sponsored by ANRF and CSIR.

The keynote speech was delivered by Dr. Ashok Puranik, Director, AIIMS Guwahati. He emphasised on the Regenerative Medicine and Green Pharmaceuticals, AI in healthcare. The Technical Session-I was chaired by Prof. (Dr.) Dipak Chetia, Professor, Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Dibrugarh University.

The keynote speaker for the first plenary lecture was Dr. Subham Banerjee, Associate Professor, Department of Pharmaceutics, NIPER-Guwahati. The second plenary lecture was delivered by Prof. Hemanta Kr. Sharma, Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Dibrugarh University. Prof. Sharma spoke on “Academia-Industry Synergy in Northeast India: A Roadmap Emerging through the Indian Knowledge System (IKS).”

A Poster Session was also held providing participants with an opportunity to present their innovative research work and interact with peers and experts, encouraging exchange of ideas and collaborative learning. ■

Operation Sindoor- Senior Army officer's Interaction with Students



In an engaging and insightful session on *Operation Sindoor* and India's evolving war doctrine, Major General Hartej Singh Bajaj, VSM, Headquarters 4 Corps of the Indian Army, addressed students, faculty members, and other dignitaries of the University on 21st August 2025. The event was attended by Dr. A.K. Pansari, Chancellor, RGU with the Deans, officials, NCC cadets, students, and a delegation of the Indian Army.

Speaking to the students, Maj Gen Bajaj offered a detailed perspective on *Operation Sindoor*, stressing the importance of understanding its

true essence beyond what is reported in the media. *“The right forum to discuss this is with the youth of our country. The underlying message of Operation Sindoor is clear: zero tolerance to terrorism – we will never forget and we will never forgive,”* he stated.

He further stressed that while the Indian Armed Forces are becoming increasingly technology-driven, the role of the nation's youth is more vital than ever. *“Whether you choose to join the Army or not, each of you has a responsibility to contribute to nation building,”* he concluded. ■

Four-Day National Optometry Workshop

The Department of Optometry, under the Royal School of Allied Health Sciences held a four-day National Workshop on “*Advancing Optometry Specialties: Bridging Academia, Clinics, and Industry*” from 14th to 17th October 2025. Dr. Harsha Bhattacharjee, President and Trustee, Sri Sankaradeva Nethralaya, was a Guest of Honour, who delivered an impactful keynote address.

The workshop brought together leading experts and academicians from across India, including delegates from the Regional Institute of Ophthalmology (GMCH), The Assam Downtown University, and PEWS Group of Institutions. Over 350 optometry students and practitioners from RGU and other institutions participated enthusiastically, fostering a collaborative learning environment.

During the four days, participants engaged in high-impact academic and clinical sessions, including Contact Lens Workshops, Corporate Hands-on Training, Low Vision and Rehabilitation, Clinical Case Discussions, and Binocular Vision Workshops. The workshop featured eminent speakers such as Mr. Gagan Sahni, Technical Director, Silverline Laboratory Pvt. Ltd. and Purecon Lenses Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi; Dr. Harsha Bhattacharjee; Prof. (Dr.) Aditya Goyal, Principal, Sankara College of Optometry, Bengaluru; Dr. Sumita Sarma



Borthakur, Senior Ophthalmologist, Namecare Hospital; Dr. Jayanta Kumar Das, Chairman, Netra Jyoti Eye Hospital; and Mr. Muralidhar Attal, CEO, OM Tao Scientific Apparatus. ■

Session by International Award-winning Filmmaker Rima Das

The Royal School of Communication and Media (RSCOM), RGU, had the privilege of hosting an inspiring interactive session with national and international award-winning filmmaker Rima Das. Students gained invaluable insights into the world of cinema, storytelling, and the importance of staying rooted in culture. ■



National Conference on Satatya Business Sustainability



The Student National Conference on “*Satatya: Business Sustainability and Responsible Business Practices*” was successfully organized by RSC on 14th October 2025, bringing together students, researchers, and academicians from institutions across the country. The event was graced by Dr. Teena Bagga, Professor, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi, as Chief Guest, and Dr. R. Murugesan, Director, NIRDPR, Northeastern Regional Centre, Guwahati, as Guest of Honour. The conference witnessed enthusiastic participation from over



40 delegates representing various universities and colleges. ■

Philately Exhibition



A fascinating journey through stamps, stories, and history unfolded at the Philately Exhibition organised by the RGU Museum and Department of History, in collaboration with INTACH Assam Chapter and the Department of Posts (Philately Section, Guwahati). The exhibition showcased rare collections from noted philatelists Sri Binod Jain, Sri Vishal Sanganerla, and Ms Tapasi Barman. A Special Talk on Philately featured insights from Swapnanil Barua, IAS (Retd.) and Prof. Surajit Mukhopadhyay, Dean, RSHS. ■



INTERNATIONAL

Education Delegation from Zimbabwe Explores Collaboration with RGU

A high-level delegation from Zimbabwe's Education Department visited RGU from 1st to 4th July 2025 as part of an exploratory mission to foster international academic collaboration and understand India's higher education ecosystem. The visiting delegation comprised Mr. D.C. Damba, Director, Tertiary Education Program; Ms. E. Chiwandika (Marara), Principal Officer, Higher Education Program; Mr. Magunda, Principal Officer, Tertiary Education Program; and Mr. Mbokochena, Principal Officer, Innovation, Science & Technology, Zimbabwe.

The Zimbabwean delegation participated in an engaging discussion with Prof. Alak Kumar Buragohain, Vice Chancellor, Prof. (Dr.) Diganta Munshi, Registrar; Prof. (Dr.) D. N. Singh, Registrar (Academic); Ms. Gurpreet Kaur Anand, Deputy Director, Office of International Affairs, Deans of various schools, senior faculty members, and other university officials. The interaction focused on mutual interests in innovation, skill-based education, and sustainable higher education practices.

Mr. D.C. Damba, Director of Tertiary Education Program, Zimbabwe, expressed appreciation for the state-of-the-art infrastructure and enriching experience at RGU. *"We are trying to move away*

from a colonial education model. Our focus now is on New Age technology, research and science—areas in which India excels. I have travelled to Russia, China, and France, but what I experienced at RGU is truly unique," he remarked. ■

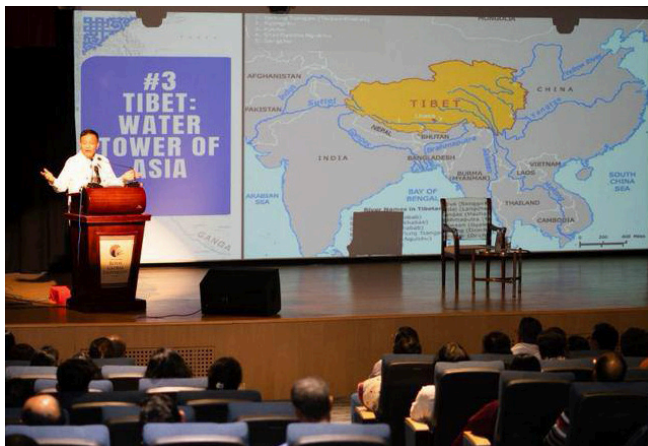


Delegate from Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia Visits RGU

RGU had the privilege of hosting Mr. Atiklit Atnafu Naramo, Third Secretary of the Embassy of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia, for a verification visit and discussions on potential academic collaborations. ■



Central Tibetan Administration President Delivers Tibet Awareness Talk



A special session on “Tibet Awareness” featuring Mr. Sikyong Penpa Tsering, President of the Central Tibetan Administration (CTA), was held on 21st November on the theme “Security and Environment.” The programme sought to inform

and inspire the students by deepening their academic understanding of Tibet’s geopolitical and ecological significance.

Addressing the students, Mr. Tsering said that such awareness initiatives are vital to deepen public discourse on Tibet, highlighting the need to protect its fragile ecosystem and drawing attention to the deteriorating human rights conditions impacting Tibet and the wider Asian region. The Tibetan delegation that visited RGU included besides, Mr. Penpa Tsering, President, Central Tibetan Administration, Mr. Tenzin Tashi, Personal Assistant, Mr. Tashi Dekyi, Coordinator, India Tibet Coordination Office, and Mr. Lobsang Jigme and Mr. Tenzin Chokey, both Journalists from Tibet TV. Sri Basant Chetia and Sri Bicham Kumar Singh accompanied the delegation. ■

Russian Indian Friendship Forest



The Assam Royal Global University hosted delegates from Russia to celebrate the *Russian Indian Friendship Forest*, dedicated to the 180th Anniversary of the Russian Geographical Society. The event beautifully blended the values of cultural harmony, environmental consciousness, and international friendship. ■

Training on AI at Gelephu, Bhutan

A two-day training programme titled “Use of AI in Education – Where Technology Meets Pedagogy” was organised by RGU’s Office of International Affairs at Gelephu Mindfulness City, Bhutan, from 22nd to 23rd August 2025. The program brought together passionate teachers, principals, curriculum designers, and ECCD facilitators from across Bhutan with sessions on AI fundamentals, global trends, hands-on tools, ethics, and school-level AI integration strategies. ■



Fourth India-Bhutan Youth Summit-2025



Participants of the 4th India-Bhutan Youth Summit 2025



Strengthening the bonds of friendship and collaboration between India and Bhutan, the 4th India-Bhutan Youth Summit- 2025 was held from October 22 to 30 at RGU. The Summit was jointly organised by the Centre for Escalation of Peace (CEP), India, the Royal Institute for Governance and Strategic Studies (RIGSS), Bhutan, the India-Bhutan Foundation (IBF), Bhutan, and Pallavan Learning Systems (PLS), India. The broad theme for this year's Summit was "*Gelephu Mindfulness City (GMC) and the Neighbourhood.*"

The Summit brought together 22 student participants—11 from Bhutan and 11 from various parts of India which included RGU student Ms. Ryka Gogoi. Five delegates, namely Choki Wangchuk,

Thupten Tsewang, Hasta Bdr. Rai, Shedha and Choden led the team and congregated in the states of Meghalaya and Assam as well as the Bhutanese border town of Phuentsholing.

On the final day of the Summit, 26th October, participants attended a special lecture by Professor Alak K Buragohain, Vice Chancellor of RGU. His talk explored the themes of *Right Livelihood, Sustainable Development, and Buddhist Economics*. Earlier, on 22nd October, Mr. Choki Wangchuk from CEP delivered the Opening Address, warmly welcoming the delegates from both countries. Mr. Hasta Bdr. Rai from RIGSS, Bhutan, extended gratitude to RGU and the partner organisations for their support and hospitality. ■

Visit by Bhutanese Delegates

Mr. Pelzang, Chief Dzongkhag Education Officer (Pema Gatshel Dzongkhag Administration), and Mr. Dorji Pasang, Chief District Officer & Chief DEO (Wangdue District Education Department), along with other delegates from Bhutan, visited Royal Global University from 16th to 19th July 2025. They were felicitated by Dr. D.N. Singh, Registrar, and Ms. Gurpreet Kaur Anand, Deputy Director, International Affairs. ■



Bhutan Delegation attends Training on Academic & Administrative Governance



A nine-member delegation from JSW Law School Bhutan attended a nine-day training programme on academic and administrative governance of higher educational institutions at RGU. The programme, organized by RGU, commenced on September 13 and concluded on September 21, 2025. The nine-member Bhutanese delegation comprises: Ms. Tshering Pelden, Deputy Chief Quality Assurance Officer; Mr. Karma Choden, Faculty & Program Coordinator (LLB); Mr. Kelden Jamtsho, Chief ICT; Mr. Geden, Senior Planning Officer; Mr. Nima Yoezer, Program Officer; Ms.

Lekshey Lhazeen Dorji, Assistant Research Officer; Ms. Sangay Choden, Assistant Student Service Officer; Mr. Sonam Gyeltshen, Assistant Program Officer; and Ms. Ugyen Sonam Choki, Assistant Program Officer.

The resource persons for this training programme include Prof. Alak Kumar Buragohain, Vice Chancellor, Professor Diganta Munshi, Registrar (Administration) and Director, IQAC, RGU; Professor Bhaben Tanti, Department of Botany, Gauhati University; and Mr. Tirthankar Rakshit, Director Sales, Philips India Ltd, New Delhi. ■

The Drape Studio & Design Lab Inaugurated



The Royal School of Fashion Design and Technology and The Royal School of Design organised the inauguration of *The Drape Studio and Design Lab*. Renowned fashion expert Mr. Shyamant Hazarika graced the occasion as the Chief Guest. ■

RESEARCH

ICMR Awards 3 Start-up Grants worth over ₹1 Crore to RGU Faculty Members



Dr. Chongtham
Sovachandra Singh



Dr. Anuj Kumar
Borah



Dr. Pundarikaksha
Das

RGU has achieved a remarkable milestone as three of its faculty members from the Royal School of Biosciences and the Royal School of Life Sciences have been awarded research grants under the prestigious ICMR Start-up Grant Scheme 2024–25. The awardee faculty members include Dr. Chongtham Sovachandra Singh, Dr. Anuj Kumar Borah and Dr. Pundarikaksha Das along with their co-investigators.

The grants have been sanctioned by the Department of Health Research (DHR), Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, and the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR), Government of India, under the scheme titled “Start-up Grant for Induction into Biomedical & Health Research.” The total sanctioned amount for the three projects exceeds ₹1 crore.

The first sanctioned research project, titled “Multi-Omics Analysis of Securing Overexpression in Raw Areca Nut-driven Tumorigenesis: Mechanistic Insights from a Mouse Model”, is led by Dr. Chongtham Sovachandra Singh from

the Department of Biotechnology, with Prof. Amlan Das from the Department of Microbiology as Co-Investigator. The sanctioned amount for this project is ₹45.06 lakh.

The second project, “*Synthesis of Dilauryl Phosphatidylcholine (DLPC) Enriched-Myricetin Phytosomes for Modulating Intestinal Lipid Digestion, Absorption, and Subsequently Hyperlipidemia*”, is being carried out by Dr. Anuj Kumar Borah of the Department of Biotechnology. The co-investigators for this project are Dr. Biswajyoti Borah from the Department of Animal Biotechnology, CVSc, Khanapara, and Dr. Manas Jyoti Kapil from the Royal School of Pharmacy. This project has received a sanction of ₹38.01 lakh.

The third project, “*Investigating the Role of p53 in Post-Mortem Interval (PMI) Estimation Using Molecular Dynamics Simulations*”, is led by Dr. Pundarikaksha Das, Department of Forensic Science, with Dr. Dharmeswar Barhoi, Department of Zoology, as Co-Investigator. The project has been sanctioned ₹20 lakh. ■

RGU Scientists Decode how Microplastics may Trigger Cancer

Two scientists from The Assam Royal Global University are in a team of 10 scientists from India and the USA who have found how microplastics may trigger cancer. Prof. Amlan Das from the Department of Microbiology and Dr. Rupesh Kumar from the Department of Biotechnology contributed as the corresponding author and co-author, respectively, of a comprehensive research study on how microplastics may act as emerging oncogenic drivers. The study, published in *Molecular Cancer* (Springer Nature;

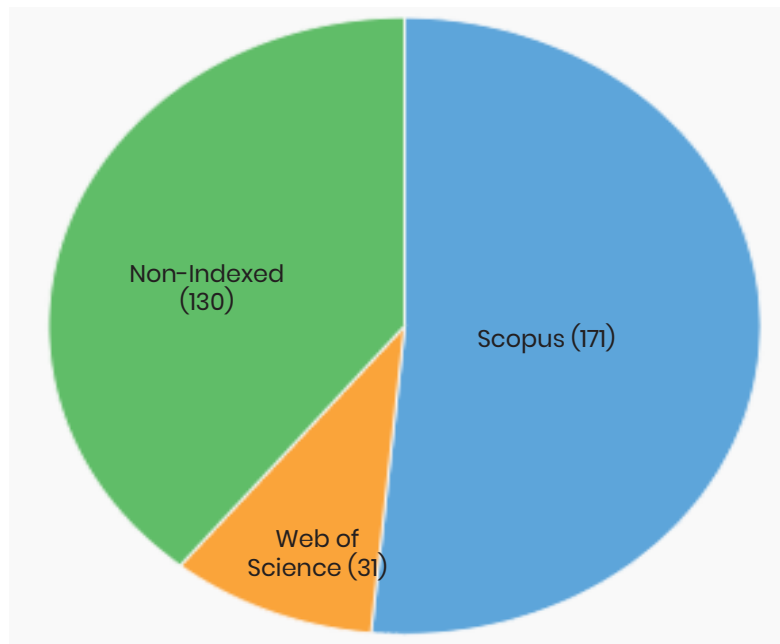
Impact Factor 35.9), one of the world’s top 5% oncology journals, provides a timely synthesis of the mechanisms through which environmental exposure to microplastics could influence cancer initiation and progression.

Researchers from RGU, IISER Tirupati, Nalanda University, Stephenson Cancer Centre, University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Centre and Louisiana State University collaborated on this landmark work. ■

Faculty Research Publications

Indexing wise Distribution
(Scopus, Web of Science and Peer Reviewed)

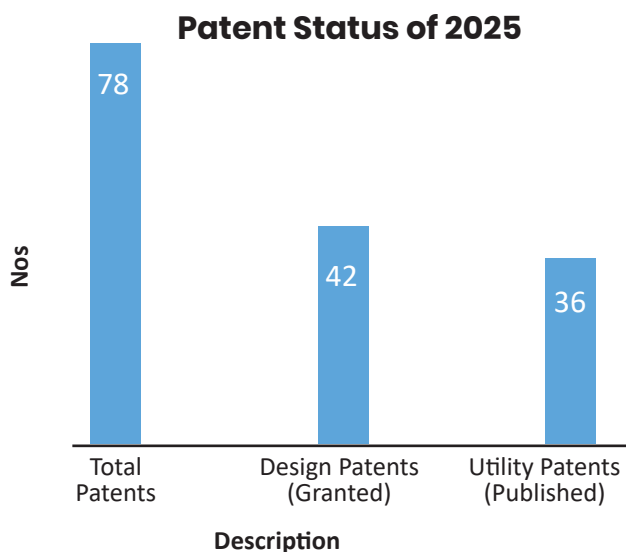
2025 Indexing Distribution



Category	Count
Scopus	171
Web of Science	31
Non Indexed	130
Total	332

Student & Faculty Innovations

Highlights of IPR & IIC-RGU



IIC-RGU Key Achievements (2024-2025)

- Best Innovative Stall – IIC Regional Meet, NEHU Shillong
- 4 Innovations shortlisted under AICTE YUKTI Challenge 2025 (Final Stage)
- 1 Innovation shortlisted under AICTE Productization Fellowship 2025 (Final Stage)
- 98 Activity Reports submitted under IIC 7.0 for Star Rating
- Won 2 prizes at AIU Regional ANVESHAN 2025 (International Competition on Research, Innovation & Technology for Student)

Extramural Research Projects received in 2025

Sl. No.	Project Title	Granted by	Received by (Faculty Name/s)	Duration & Sanctioned Amount
1	Title of the Project: Kaempolin- Herbal ointment for effective treatment of wounds	AIC IISER Pune SEED Foundation	Dr. Ranjan Dutta Kalita	1 year 2,00,000/-
2	Formulation of a mosquito repellent derived from the leaves of Flemingia-strobilifera (Makhiti)	DSIR-PRISM	Dr. SthitiPorna Dutta	1 year 2,00,000/-
3	International Travel Support to attend the 10th International Conference on Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Science (ICPPS 2025), scheduled to be held in the Republic of Korea from 27th June to 30th June 2025 (travel grant)	ANRF International Travel Grant for attending conference	Dr. Suman Kumar	N/A 1,52,000/-
4	International Travel Support to attend the 50th World Chemistry Congress, organized by IUPAC, to be held in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia from July 14-19, 2025 (travel grant)	ANRF International Travel Grant for attending conference	Dr. BINOYARGHA DAM	N/A 44,200/-
5	Investigating the Role of p53 in Post-Mortem Interval (PMI) Estimation Using Molecular Dynamics Simulations	HRD Start-up Grant for Induction into Biomedical and Health Research, DHR, MohFW	Dr. Pundarikaksha Das (PI), Dr. Dharmeswar Barhoi (Co-PI)	3 years 20,00,000/-
6	Multi-Omics Analysis of Securin Overexpression in Raw Areca Nut-Driven Tumorigenesis: Mechanistic Insights from a Mouse Model	HRD Start-up Grant for Induction into Biomedical and Health Research, DHR, MohFW	Dr. Chongtham Sovachandra Singh (PI), Dr. Amlan Das (Co-PI)	3 years 45,06,400/-
7	Synthesis of Dilauroyl phosphatidylcholine (DLPC) enriched-Myricetin phytosomes for modulating intestinal lipid digestion, absorption, and subsequently hyperlipidemia	HRD Start-up Grant for Induction into Biomedical and Health Research, DHR, MohFW	Dr. Anuj Kumar Borah	3 years 38,01,400/-
8	Nano Eco Bond-Development of a sustainable Eco-Friendly Non-Formaldehyde Based Nanomaterial infused Poly Silicate Nano Composite Adhesive for Industrial Products	DBT BIRAC AMRIT	Prof. Rama Ranjan Bhattacharjee	3 years 47,80,000/-
9	Regenerative Medicine and Green Pharmaceuticals: Sustainable Innovations in Healthcare (conference grant)	ANRF Seminar Grant	Prof. Debarupa Dutta Chakraborty	N/A 2,00,000/-

Sl. No.	Project Title	Granted by	Received by (Faculty Name/s)	Duration & Sanctioned Amount
10	RESILIENT FUTURES: INDIAN KNOWLEDGE SYSTEMS FOR ENERGY, SUSTAINABILITY, AND CLIMATE ACTION স্থিতিশীল ভবিষ্যত : শক্তি, স্থায়িত্বতা আৰু জলবায়ু পদক্ষেপৰ বাবে ভাৰতীয় জ্ঞান-পৰম্পৰাৰ দৃষ্টিভঙ্গী	AICTE (AICTE-VAANI Scheme)	Dr Saswati Bordoloi (PI), Dr. Amlan Das (Co-PI)	N/A 2,00,000/-
11	Negotiating Power and Gendered Citizenship: A Sociological Analysis of Political participation and grassroots leadership among SHG women in Panchayati Raj Institutions in selected Districts of lower Assam	Indian Council of Social Science Research	Dr. Tripti Das (PI), Dr. Kuntala Dowarah (Co-PI)	3 years 12,00,000/-
12	Online Faculty Development Program on Seismic Vulnerability Assessment (FDP grant)	AICTE- ATAL	Dr Shwetambara Verma (PI), Mr. Rishikesh Duarah (Co-PI)	N/A 1,00,000/-
13	Regenerative Medicine and Green Pharmaceuticals: Sustainable Innovations in Healthcare	CSIR Seminar Grant	Prof. Debarupa Dutta Chakraborty (convener), Dr. Sudarshana Borah (Co-Convenor) and Dr. Mukta Agrawal (Co-Convenor)	N/A 25,000/-
14	Bridging Communities and Conservation: Outreach for Himalayan Salamanders in Darjeeling Hills	IndiaBioscience, supported by DBT, Govt.of India	Dr. Upashna Chettri	1 year 1,50,000/-
15	Modeling and Simulations of Supercontinuum-Based Sensors using Semiconductor Quantum Wells for Space Applications	ISRO	Dr. Nitu Borgohain	1 year 18,23,568/-
16	International conference on "Transforming Northeast India from Biodiversity Hotspot to Biomanufacturing Hotspot: A BioE3 Perspective"	ANRF (Seminar Grant)	Dr. Debajit Borah (Convener), Dr. Bhaskarjyoti Gogoi (Co-convener)	N/A 3,50,000/-
17	International Travel Grant to attend the IndiREAD workshop and present my paper in Saarbrücken organized by Saarland University, Germany. Title of the paper "Phonological awareness and Reading in Assamese Children from the perspective of Psycholinguistic Grain Size theory" (travel/workshop grant)	European Cooperation in Science and Technology (COST)	Chandni Khaund	N/A 1000 Euros
18	"Advancing Chemistry for a Sustainable Future: Integrating Theory and Practice (conference grant)	Anusandhan National Research Foundation (ANRF)	Dr. Mullah Muhaiminul Islam (PI), Dr. Biplob Borah (Co-PI)	N/A 1,50,000/-

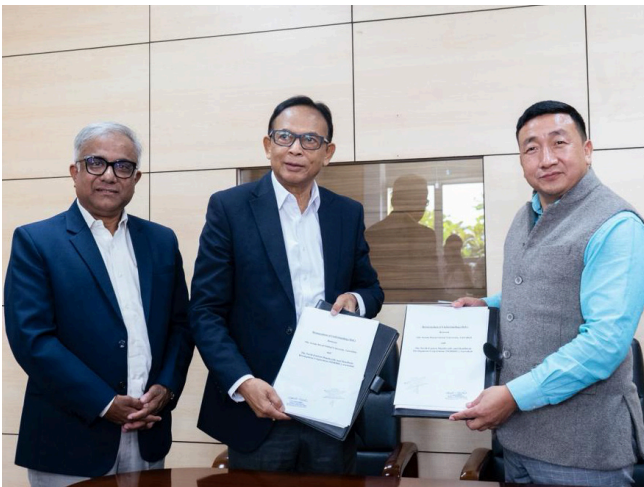
COLLABORATIONS

Srimanta Sankardeva University of Health Sciences



RGU signed a historic MoU with Srimanta Sankardeva University of Health Sciences (SSUHS) on 4th September 2025, paving the way for groundbreaking strides in interdisciplinary research, healthcare education, and academic innovation in Northeast India. ■

Northeastern Handicrafts & Handlooms Development Corporation



Royal Global University signed a five-year Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Northeastern Handicrafts and Handlooms Development Corporation (NEHHDC), Guwahati. The collaboration with the Departments of Fashion Design, Product Design, and Fine Arts aims to promote craft-based learning, innovation, and cultural exchange. ■

MoU for adopting the “Leading from the Back” philosophy



RGU signed MoU for adopting the “Leading from the Back” philosophy, in the presence of Mr. Ravi Kant, Former Vice Chairman & CEO, and Mr. Rajesh Srivastava, Former President of J.K. Helene Curtis Ltd. A step towards inspiring leadership and collective growth ■

Neurospine Physiotherapy & Rehabilitation Centre



RGU signed MoU with Neurospine Physiotherapy and Rehabilitation Centre on 18th August 2025. The centre is renowned for its expertise in neurorehabilitation, pediatric rehabilitation, musculoskeletal, and sports rehabilitation. ■

Ayursundra Superspeciality Hospital



RGU signed an MoU on 29th August 2025 with Ayursundra Superspeciality Hospital, Guwahati—a leading tertiary care institution setting benchmarks in advanced, patient-centric healthcare in Northeast India. ■

PNR Polyclinic

On 1st September 2025, RGU signed a strategic academic-clinical partnership with PNR POLYCLINIC, Guwahati, a healthcare institution renowned for its unwavering commitment to patient-centered care across Northeast India. ■

Matrix Diagnostic Centre



RGU signed an MoU on 22nd August 2025 with Matrix Diagnostic Centre, a unit of Apace Imaging & Diagnostic Centre (P) Ltd. The collaboration will benefit RSMAS students through clinical training, internships, research collaboration, and academic exchange in Radiology and Medical Laboratory Technology. ■

ARHI Hospital



The Assam Royal Global University signed a Memorandum of Understanding with ARHI Hospital, Jorabat, on 31st July 2025, opening avenues for enhanced clinical training, internships, research collaboration, and academic exchange for students and faculty of the Royal School of Medical and Allied Sciences. ■

Eye N Multispeciality Centre



An MoU was signed between The Assam Royal Global University and Guwahati Eye N Multispeciality Centre, Panjabari, on 8th August 2025. The collaboration will facilitate clinical training, internships, research partnerships, and academic exchange for Physiotherapy and Optometry students under the Royal School of Medical and Allied Sciences. ■

GNRC Hospitals Pvt. Ltd.

On 12 November 2025, the Royal School of Medical and Allied Sciences, Assam Royal Global University, entered into a transformative Academic-Clinical Partnership with GNRC Hospitals Pvt. Ltd., Guwahati. ■

ACHIEVEMENTS

RGU Faculty Member Awarded at ICPPS South Korea



Suman Kumar, Assistant Professor at The Assam Royal Global University, has been awarded the Best Oral Presentation Award at the prestigious International Conference on Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences (ICPPS-2025) held in July 2025 at Jeju Island, South Korea. Out of 50+ participants from across the globe, Mr. Kumar proudly represented India, bringing immense pride and recognition to RGU on an international academic stage. Mr Suman Kumar has received financial support from the Anusandhan National Research Foundation (ANRF), Government of India. ■

MBSI Senior Scientist Award 2025



Prof. Amlan Das, a leading microbiologist and Professor in the Department of Microbiology, was honoured with the MBSI Senior Scientist Award – 2025 by the Microbiologists Society, India (MBSI). The MBSI announcement on 19th November 2025 lists Professor Das among this year's distinguished awardees, selected for their significant scientific contributions and national-level impact. He has been recognized under the State Category (Assam) for his extensive work in microbiology, environmental toxicology, and microplastic-associated disease mechanisms. ■

ISRO Grant for Designing High-Sensitivity Optical Sensors



Dr. Nitu Borgohain, Assistant Professor in the Department of Physics, has been awarded a prestigious ISRO research grant of ₹18.24 lakhs in October 2025 for an important project in optical sensor technology. The research project, led by Dr. Borgohain as the Principal Investigator, aims to design and simulate compact semiconductor-based, high-sensitivity optical sensors for critical space operations. These include environmental monitoring, structural health diagnostics, astro-biological exploration, and remote sensing, key areas that contribute to the advancement of India's space exploration capabilities. The project will be supported by Prof. Goutam K. Samanta, Professor, Photonic Sciences Lab, AMOPH Division, PRL, Ahmedabad, as Co-Principal Investigator. ■

RGU Faculty Member at Saarland University, Germany



Chandni Khaund, Assistant Professor, Royal School of Languages, has been awarded a travel grant by the MultiPEYE initiative under the European Cooperation in Science and Technology (COST). She will represent RGU at the IndiREAD Workshop and Conference at Saarland University, Germany, where she will present her research titled "*Phonological Awareness and Reading in Assamese: A Psycholinguistic Grain Size Framework*." ■

RGU Student Selected for Prestigious Programme of CERN, Geneva



Zahid Mamud, an MSc Physics student was awarded selected by CERN—the European Organization for Nuclear Research, one of the world’s leading centres for scientific research for an international training programme. The CERN awarded Mr. Zahid travel support to attend the CAS Course on “*Introduction to Accelerator Physics*”, held in Santa Susanna, Spain, from 21st September to 4th October 2025. A former INSPIRE Fellow, this remarkable opportunity places Zahid among a select group of emerging physicists worldwide, who are contributing to the cutting edge of nuclear research. ■

Alorika Deb, Research Scholar, Department of Economics, won the *Best Paper Presenter Award* at the *Global Conference on IS, Management & Marketing 2025*. Her paper on agricultural risk and uncertainty, guided by Dr. Durba Dutta, Associate Professor, stood out for its academic rigor and relevance. The conference was organised by Confab 360 Degree in collaboration with DY Patil University and the University of Salamanca, Spain. ■



RGU NCC Cadets Shine at YAMS CATC-85 Camp



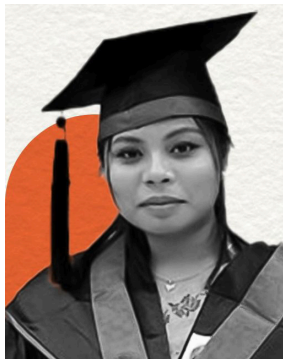
NCC cadets of RGU have brought laurels to the institution by winning multiple awards at the YAMS CATC-85 camp held at the Central Training Institute, Panikhaiti. The camp, organized by the 30 Assam Battalion NCC, witnessed the participation of around 700 cadets from across the Northeastern Region (NER), with all NCC battalions of Assam taking part. Led by NCC Coordinator Dr. KM Sudha, five senior wing (SW) girl cadets from RGU showcased exemplary talent and dedication despite being part of a relatively new NCC unit. Their outstanding performances earned RGU the Best Institute Award for the second consecutive time, along with a rich medal haul across diverse events. Awards won by RGU NCC cadets include Volleyball (SW) – Gold (Girls’ team); Debate – Gold (Cdt. Agnes Newmai & Cdt. Leina Soram); Extempore Speech – Silver (Cdt. Bhamini Kakati); Best Cadet (SW) – Cdt. Agnes Newmai; and Best Institute – Royal Global University ■



Jananjay Deb, a 5th semester B. Tech Computer Science Engineering student, received the *Judge’s Special Award* at the All Assam Inter-University Debate Competition held at Joya Gogoi College, Golaghat, on 15th July 2025. ■



Jananjay Deb (B. Tech CSE, 5th Semester) earned major accolades by securing Best Delegate at the 6th Meghalaya International Model United Nations and Second Runner-Up at the State-Level Debate hosted by Gauhati University. ■



Goyanki Phukan (B.Sc Biotechnology, 2021–2024) began her M.Sc. in International Business at the University of Leeds, UK, earning the prestigious £5,362.5 Masters Programme Scholarship. The programme ranks joint 5th globally (2025 QS International Trade Rankings), reflecting both her excellence and RGU's global impact. ■



Prince Gupta and Souman Dey (B.Tech CSE, 5th Sem) became Google Student Ambassadors, representing innovation and AI education through Google Gemini AI. ■

Student Innovation for the Assam Police, Dhubri

Sankar Das (BCA 5th Sem), **Deepjyoti Dey** (CSE 3rd Sem), and **Rajdeep Karmakar** (BCA 5th Sem) developed a Case Management System for Assam Police, Dhubri, now in active use, and created dhubripoliceinfo.com, earning a Certificate of Appreciation from the SSP, Dhubri. ■



Sahin Amin (B.Des Graphic Design, 5th Sem) and **Deepjyoti Dey** (B.Tech CSE, 3rd Sem) completed the Indian Army Internship Program (IAIP-2025), contributing in Mass Media design and Computer Science domains respectively. ■

RGU shines at Smart India Hackathon in Mumbai



A talented team from Royal Global University qualified for the final round of the Smart India Hackathon 2025 held in Mumbai. Team members Abhijit, Radhika, Tamalina, and Sneha from BCA, along with Nayanjyoti from CSE, showcased innovation, teamwork, and problem-solving skills at the national level. ■

CSE Team Excels at AIU Anveshan 2025



Mr. Shayan Chakraborty, Mr. Partha Pratim Kashyap, Mr. Nileemoy Pathak, and Mr. Ratush Pandit of B. Tech 5th Semester, Department of Computer Science and Engineering, secured the First Runners-up position at AIU Anveshan East Zone 2025 under the “Engineering and Technology” domain, held at Apex Professional University, Pasighat, on 11–12 November 2025. ■



Royal Global University received the “Best Innovation Stall” award at the IIC Regional Meet 2025 organised by MIC at NEHU. A team of RGU students, faculty, and staff demonstrated excellence through IIC Poster Presentations, Training of Trainers, 2nd Stage YUKTI Challenges, 2nd Stage APF, and an outstanding Innovation Stall display. ■

Neelav Kr Das of M.Sc. Botany, 3rd Semester, secured the First Prize (Gold Medal) at AIU Anveshan 2025 – Zonal Round in the Agricultural Science category organised by the Association of Indian Universities. ■



Dhrubajyoti Boro



Dhiraj Mochahary

Dhrubajyoti Boro and Dhiraj Mochahary, B.Tech CSE (5th Sem), successfully completed the Advanced Training Programme on “Semiconductor Fabrication & Characterization” at CeNSE, IISc Bangalore. The fully sponsored initiative by the Ministry of Tribal Affairs (MoTA) (11th–20th Aug 2025) provided in-depth training on clean room practices, device fabrication, and characterization. ■

CELEBRATIONS

Cake Mixing Ceremony



The Cake Mixing Ceremony at Royal Global University, organised by RSHM, blended joy and tradition with laughter, dry fruits, and the festive spirit of Christmas. ■

National Mathematics Day

An insightful invited talk on AI as a Research Partner was delivered by Professor Manoj Kumar Deka, senior Professor, Assam Skill University, highlighting tools, trends, and transformations shaping contemporary research. ■



Halloween on Campus



Royal Global University came alive with spooky cheer as students celebrated Halloween with a Pumpkin Carving Contest, Cosplay Showcase, Haunting Hour, and spirited participation. ■

Winter Carnival 2025



The Winter Carnival 2025, organised on 21st November 2025 as part of the AEEC Course – Event Management offered by the Royal School of Commerce for PG 3rd Semester students from all schools, was a vibrant celebration of creativity, learning and festive enthusiasm. The carnival featured a diverse range of events including Combat & Canvas, a lively blend of games, food and artistic expression; Mindspace, offering mental health screening and an insightful talk show; E-Football, where participants showcased their gaming skills and strategy; and Euphony Evening, a soulful open-mic session that highlighted musical and artistic talent. ■

Bir Lachit Divas observed



On 24th November, the Mahabahu Club in collaboration with the Indian Knowledge Systems (IKS) Cell, organized an enriching Bir Lachit Divas Commemoration Programme to honour the indomitable courage and leadership of *Bir Lachit Borphukan*, the legendary Ahom commander who led Assam to victory in the historic Battle of Saraighat. ■

79th Independence-Day observed



The entire campus of RGU bloomed with the tri-Colour and reverberated with inspiring speeches, patriotic songs and dances celebrating the 79th Independence Day of the nation in a grand manner. The National Flag was unfurled at 8:55 am on the University campus by Dr AK Pansari, Chancellor, Sri A. K. Modi, Pro-Chancellor and Prof. AK Buragohain, Vice Chancellor of the University. The NCC cadets presented the Guard of Honour. Flag hoisting was followed by a spirited Independence Day speech by the Vice Chancellor. The badge conferring ceremony of the NCC cadets by Dr. K. M. Sudha, Officer on charge of the NCC and a faculty member of the Department of History, was another important event on the day. ■

‘Sugandhi Pokhilar Kobi’ Hiren Bhattacharyya Remembered



To honour the legacy of the beloved Assamese poet Hiren Bhattacharyya, fondly remembered as ‘Sugandhi Pokhilar Kobi’, the Dr. Bhupen Hazarika Centre for Creativity, Royal Global University, organized a commemorative programme on his death anniversary on 4th July. The event was a celebration of Bhattacharyya’s poetic genius and his enduring contributions to Assamese literature. ■



RGU Remembers Xudhakantha



RGU observed the 14th death anniversary of Xudhakantha Dr. Bhupen Hazarika on 5th November 2025 with soulful tributes, cultural performances, and the inauguration of the 2nd Oration Series under the Dr. Bhupen Hazarika Centre for Creativity. The programme was inaugurated by renowned academic and scholar Prof. Krishna Barua, who delivered an insightful lecture on *"The Aesthetics of Assamese Music: Bridging the Gap."*

The event's Chief Guest, celebrated singer and composer Manisha Hazarika, paid heartfelt tribute to the bard and commended RGU's initiative in preserving and promoting his artistic vision.

The Department of English also organised another event in association with Sangit Natak Akademi *"Reminiscing Sudhakantha: A Colloquium on His Life and Variegated Contributions"* to commemorate the birth centenary of Dr Bhupen Hazarika. This programme was part of

the Institution's continued association with the Akademi and built upon earlier commemorative initiatives dedicated to the life and legacy of the cultural icon. Held on 15th November, the day-long programme brought together scholars, journalists, authors, and cultural figures from across the region and beyond to reflect upon the multifaceted legacy of the legendary artist, poet, and humanist. Dr Sandhya Purecha, Chairperson of the Sangeet Natak Akademi, joined the gathering virtually.

In the inaugural address, Sri Raju Das, Secretary, Sangeet Natak Akademi underlined Dr Hazarika's enduring role as a cultural bridge-builder who gave voice to the emotions, aspirations, and struggles of the common people through music, cinema, and activism. He also recalled that it was on this very day twenty-five years ago that Satriya dance was accorded classical status, making 15 November a doubly significant date in Assam's cultural calendar. ■

National Legal Services Day Observed

To mark National Legal Services Day (9th Nov 2025), the Royal School of Law and Administration, in collaboration with the District Legal Services Authority, Kamrup (M), organised an Extempore Speech Competition at RGU. The event was graced by Ms Moushumi Dutta and Ms Monalisa Dutta, Legal Aid Defence Counsels, who highlighted the importance of legal awareness and access to justice. ■



EXPOSURE VISITS

RGU Students at INTI International University, Malaysia for Immersion Programme



A group of enthusiastic students from the Commerce Department participated in an enriching Student Immersion Programmed at INTI International University, Malaysia, held from 28th July to 3rd August 2025.

The delegation was led by Dr. Aruna Dev Roy, Associate Professor & Head, Royal School of Commerce, and Associate Dean, Research and Development. The inaugural session was conducted by Prof. Asokan Vasudevan, Director (Research & Development), Director of International Relations and Collaborations, and Director, Centre for Sustainable Business Innovation and CSR, INTI International University.

Throughout the week-long programme, the students were engaged in diverse sessions, including a Business Workshop, Language Class, and Music Class, among others. They also participated in interactive discussions, collaborative activities, and cross-cultural exchanges. Adding a cultural touch to the closing ceremony, RGU student Arundhati Devi Choudhury performed an elegant Indian Classical dance, earning warm appreciation from the audience.

The programme also included educational tours to notable Malaysian landmarks such as Melaka, the iconic Petronas Twin Towers, Petaling Street, and the famous Batu Caves, providing students with an immersive experience of the country's heritage and modernity. ■



Study Tour at Wild Mahseer



Students of the Royal School of Hotel Management and Royal School of Travel & Tourism explored Assam's heritage at Wild Mahseer – Balipara Foundation. From tea-making

at Addabari Tea Estate to the 150-year-old Burra Bungalow, students immersed in culture, history, and traditions, concluding with a certificate ceremony celebrating learning and curiosity. ■



SPORTS NEWS

Lovlina Borgohain awarded Best Sportsperson in the 1st Bhogeswar Baruah National Sports Award 2025

The Assam Royal Global University proudly celebrates its star student, Lovlina Borgohain, Olympic medalist and ace boxer, for being honoured with the prestigious First Bhogeswar Baruah National Sports Award 2025 as the Best Sportsperson (Assam). This remarkable achievement adds yet another jewel to her illustrious career, alongside her historic bronze medal at the Tokyo 2020 Olympics, where she became the first woman from Assam to secure an Olympic medal. Currently pursuing her MA in Political Science at RGU, Lovlina stands as an inspiring example of balancing academic pursuits with sporting excellence. ■



Commonwealth Gold Medalist joins RGU



RGU welcomes Nayanmoni Saikia—Commonwealth Gold Medalist, Arjuna Awardee, and Indian Lawn Bowler—as she begins a new academic journey by enrolling in the B.A. Psychology programme. ■

Arjuna Awardee Joins RGU



Arjuna Awardee and World Champion Archer Jayanta Talukdar joined The Assam Royal Global University, further strengthening its sporting and mentoring ecosystem. ■



Sristhi Sarkar, a BID student (Batch of 2023), Royal School of Design, won the *Silver Medal* in the 13th All Assam Inter-District Sub-Junior & Junior Classic Powerlifting Championship 2024–25 in the 63 kg category. ■



Tushnik Bhuyan, a first-semester Biotechnology student, represented India at the Asian Taekwondo Championship in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam. He also secured Gold at the National Championship in Pune and Silver in Bangalore. ■



Meeraz Hussain, a third-semester Hotel Management student, brought laurels to Royal Global University by winning six medals at the National Finswimming Championship held in Ujjain. ■



Tushnik Bhuyan, Biotechnology (1st Sem), showcased skill and determination at the 4th Senior National Taekwondo Championship, Cuttack, Odisha (31st Aug–2nd Sept), winning a Silver Medal. ■



RGU's BA Sociology student Ashmita Chaliha clinched the Women's Singles Title at the Yonex-Sunrise Badminton Championship, held at Karnail Singh Stadium New Delhi from 4 to 6 September 2025. ■



Jananjay Deb (B.Tech CSE, 5th Sem) & Mujahidul Islam (Mass Com, 5th Sem) won the Best Team Mahindra Nath Saikia Memorial Trophy at CNB College; Mujahidul also bagged the 2nd Best Debater Award. ■

Ashmita wins bronze at the Yonex Sunrise Guwahati Masters

Ashmita Chaliha secured a commendable Bronze at the Yonex Sunrise Guwahati Masters, continuing her strong presence on the international badminton circuit. A South Asian Games champion and pride of Assam, she also finished Runner-up at the India International. ■



Shivangi sets National Record at 28th Speedo Meet Dubai

Shivangi Sharma, MA in Sociology from Royal Global University, delivered an outstanding performance at the 28th Speedo Invitational Short Course Meet, Dubai. She set two Best Indian Records—26.11 in 50m Freestyle and 57.10 in 100m Freestyle—winning Bronze in both events. She also claimed Silver in the 50m Butterfly with a time of 28.10. ■



Mayank Agarwal, a 5th Semester student from the Royal School of Commerce, played a key role in India's bronze medal finish at the Oman Roll Ball Championship held in Muscat from September 11 to 13, 2025 in the playoff match. Representing the nation on an international platform, Mayank showcased his skill, determination, and team spirit, making both the country and the university proud. ■

Intra-University Badminton Tournament



The Assam Royal Global University successfully hosted the Intra-University Badminton Tournament 2025 from 2nd–8th September, organized by the RGU Shuttler Club. In the Men's Singles, Vikuoze secured the top spot, while in the Men's Doubles, the pair of Hukivi & Vizo emerged champions.

On the women's side, Nguluonuo Miachieo clinched the Women's Singles title and, alongside Daisy Choudhury, also lifted the Women's Doubles trophy. The tournament concluded with exciting Mixed Doubles, where Dinesh Shah & Nguluonuo Miachieo triumphed as champions. ■



National Sports Day 2025

The Department of Geology, RGU, with Geological Survey of India (SU: Assam), celebrated the National Sports Day (29th–30th Aug) honouring hockey legend Major Dhyan Chand. Chief Guest Smt. Tayabun Nisha graced the event, where students, faculty, and GSI officials engaged in Tug of War, Badminton, Table Tennis, Balance Race, Goal Shoot-Out, Obstacle Race, and Dodge Ball. ■



AIU NE Zone Inter-University Football Tournament 2025–26

The Assam Royal Global University is set to host the Northeast Zone Inter University Football (Men) Tournament 2025–2026 organised under the aegis of the Association of Indian Universities (AIU). The tournament will be held from January 5 to January 11, 2026, at the RGU campus.

A press meet in this regard was organised by Royal Global University on 23rd December 2025 to brief the media about the preparations, scale, and significance of the tournament, which is one of the most prestigious inter-university sporting events. The press meet was addressed by Prof. AK Buragohain, Vice Chancellor; Prof Amlandeep



Das, Associate Dean Student Affairs; Dr. DN Singh, Registrar Academics; Ms Angira Mimani, Associate Dean, Student Affairs and Mr Hrishikesh Pathak, Sports Officer & Organising Secretary. ■

Eternia '25

Royal Global University showcased remarkable sporting excellence at Eternia '25, the Badminton and Table Tennis Tournament organised by AIIMS Guwahati.

RGU student Suja Daimary secured 1st Prize in Discus Throw (Girls). In badminton, Krishangi Nayana Baruah clinched double Gold in Mixed Doubles and Women's Singles, while Rajkumar Kartik Khuman earned double Silver in Men's Doubles and Men's Singles. Debangshu Hazarika won Gold in Mixed Doubles, Silver in Men's Doubles, and Bronze in Men's Singles. Ayushi Chowdhury claimed Gold in Girls' Table Tennis, and Anugya Sharma Baruah won Silver in Women's Singles Badminton. Daisy Moni Chowdhury, M.Com. 1st Semester, finished as Runners-up in Badminton Doubles at Eternia 2025. ■



Mr. Guwahati 2025



Hirak Jyoti Das, 1st Semester, Nutrition and Dietetics, showcased exceptional strength and discipline by winning Gold at Mr. Guwahati 2025. ■

Compiled & Edited by
Dr. Rani Pathak Das
Public Relations Officer

Published by
The Assam Royal Global University, Betkuchi, N.H. 27, Guwahati – 781035

Follow us on Social Media platforms @rgu     