



# e-Newsletter March

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

It has been a year of challenges, all of a sudden posed by the Pandemic. The routine work of the college went haywire with series of Lock downs declared, yet the teaching faculty took the challenge on its stride, changed their physical classroom teaching to conducting online classes or activity based learning, to deal with the Pandemic. I appreciate the zeal shown by faculty in adjusting to the New Normal and inspiring our students too.

It gives me much pleasure to see the e-Newsletter of the college published by the Convener and members of the Magazine Committee. I congratulate the team to have come up with this idea of publishing the e-Newsletter, after compiling the reports of activities performed during this period and the entire job was done online.

The very purpose of coming up with this e-Newsletter has been the intent of the faculty to inspire and motivate our students to perform, carry on with their academic / sports activities and the college always recognises these and spreads the message even if they are unable to attend classes as per normal schedules.

### M B B COLLEGE STUDENT BRING LAURELS TO THE STATE

Charndrajita Chakraborty (Batch of 2017–2020) brought laurels to the State when she was invited to attend the Republic Day Parade and also be felicitated by the Ministry of Education, Govt. of India on the occasion of Republic Day Celebration 2021 for securing top position at the final of undergraduate examination 2020 in the subject zoology conducted by Maharaja Bir Bikram University.

At the Republic Day Parade, along with other student representatives of different states she was given the honour to share the sitting box with the Prime Minister.



### TWO MBB COLLEGE FACULTIES CONTRIBUTES IN THE FIGHT AGAINST THE COVID

Dr. Pradip Debnath and Dr. Sudhan Debnath, faculties of Chemistry, MBB College co-authored a paper titled "Identification of potential inhibitors of SARS-CoV-2 main protease and spike receptor from 10 important spices through structure based virtual screening and molecular dynamic study" with other three others researchers. Their paper demonstrates how some natural spices can offer protection from the covid virus. The paper was published on 18th September, 2020 in the Journal of Biomolecular Structure and Dynamics (Taylor & Francis).

## COMMENCEMENT OF MUCH DELAYED JUL-DEC ACADEMIC SESSION 2020

The July-December academic session commenced after much delay caused by the many pandemic-effect variables. Classes commenced via online mode in the College from the 9th of October. Although, it was initially restricted to third and fifth semester courses, with the first semester courses admission process being stretched. First semester classes via online mode commenced from the 23rd of November.

After the last students' footfalls of 16th March 2020, the corridors of the College reverberated again on the 7th of December 2020 with the re-opening of the college for students to attend classes physically. The forced long full eight months closure was pandemic driven. The entire college campus was sanitised before the reopening.



## NEW TEACHER'S COUNCIL FORMED

The new Teacher's Council for the academic session 2020-21 was formed on the 19th of October, 2020 to assist the office of the Principal in the the administration of the college.

Dr. Dhruva Charan Hota was selected as the Secretary and Smt. Gouri Kalai and Sri. Nani Gopal Nandi as Joint Secretaries. In addition ten subcommittees were formed each headed by a convener.

## COLLEGE CONDUCTS THE FIRST PANDEMIC ENFORCED ONLINE EXAMINATION

With the pandemic related series of LOCKDOWN disaligning the academic calendar, university examination of the final year students, both honours and general courses were conducted by the college as per the university schedule and guidelines from the 9th to 16th of October, 2020.

Stream Course	Total No. of Students	Total No. of Students	Pass Percentage
B.A. (Pass)	204	201	98.53
B.A. (Hon)	159	159	100.00
B.Sc. Bio (Pass)	42	42	100.00
B.Sc. Bio (Hon)	57	57	100.00
B.Sc. Pure (Pass)	91	89	97.80
B.Sc. Pure (Hon)	108	107	99.07
B.Com (Pass)	116	115	99.14
B.Com (Hon)	40	40	100.00
Grand Total	817	810	99.14

## B.A./B.Sc/B.COM FINAL YEAR RESULT 2020

The college registered a record pass percentage of 99.14 in the B.A./B.Sc/B.Com Final Year Examination 2020 of the MBB University. Out of the total 817 students who had appeared in the examination 810 students has qualified for the examination. BA (Hon), B.Sc Bio (Pass), B.Sc Bio (Hon) and B.Com (Hon) had a pass percentage of 100.



## OBSERVANCE OF THE CONSTITUTION DAY

In observance of the Constitution Day on the 26th of November, 2020, Department of Political Science hosted a program on the occasion in the college. There was also a mass pledge reading out of the Preamble of the Constitution.



## 43rd KOK BOROK DAY RALLY

On the 19th of January 2021, a huge contingent of the college including its students and faculties lead by the Principal participated in the 43rd Kokborok Observance Day Rally held in the city by the Directorate of School Education.



## REPUBLIC DAY FLAG HOISTING

On the 26th of January, 2021 with a great sense of patriotic feeling, Republic Day was celebrated in the college with the hoisting of the National Flag of India by the Principal of the college.



## OBSERVANCE OF STATEHOOD DAY

On the 21st of January, 2021 the college participated in observance of the Statehood Day of Tripura at Rabindra Satabashiki Bhawan, Agartala.



## MBB COLLEGE DECLARED TOBACCO FREE CAMPUS

On the 30th of January 2021, the CMO, Department of Health and Family Welfare, Government of Tripura in his visit to the college visit during NSS Camp 2021 declared MBB College Campus as "Tobacco Free Campus".





## 43rd KOKBOROK DAY PROGRAMME IN THE COLLEGE

On the 22nd of January, 2021 Kok Borok Day was observed in the college. Sri Narendra Debbarma, eminent writer was invited as chief guest and Dr. Milan Rani Jamtia, HoD, Department of Hindi, Tripura University was the guest of honour in the programme. An online quiz was also organised by the Kokborok Department on the occasion.



## INTERNATIONAL MATRI BHASA DIVAS 2021

On the 21st of February, 2021 the college including students and faculties took part in the International Matri Bhasa Divas held at Rabindra Satabashiki Bhawan, Agartala.



## PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST

Department of Geography conducted a Intra-Departmental photography contest on geographical themes on the 10th of Jan. 2021

## NEW VOLUMES AND ISSUES

- ▶ 28th Dec. 2020: Department of Geography came up with its first volume and first issue of its e-newsletter.
- ▶ 16th Jan. 2021: Department of English released new issue of its wall magazine titled "VISION".
- ▶ 18th Feb. 2021: Department of Bengali released its new issue of wall magazine "BATAYON".

## ACHIEVEMENTS

- ▶ Runner-up in an Intra-District Level Volley Ball Tournament: The college volley ball team stood runner-up in tournament hosted by Blood Mouth Club on the 24th of Jan. 2021.

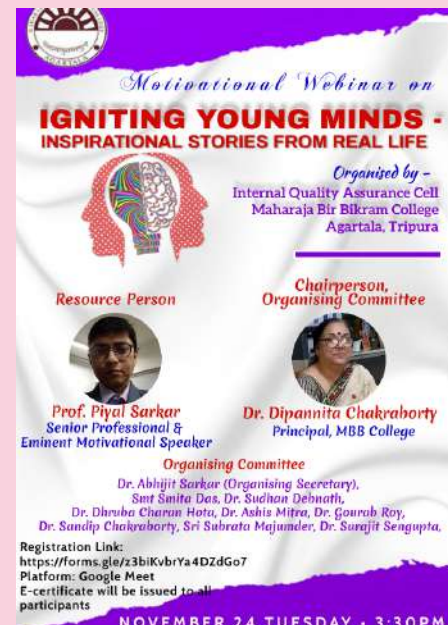
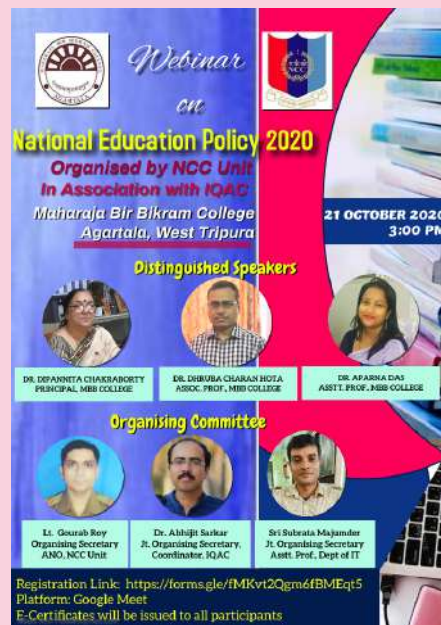


- ▶ Debate Competition: Mr. Khaphuihha Reang, first semester student of the college was awarded first prize in the Debate Competition organised by the MBB University on the 6th of Feb. 2021.
- ▶ Extempore Speech Competition: Mr. Prabal Das and Dipa Deb were awarded 1st and 2nd prize respectively in the Extempore Speech Competition organised by the MBB University.

## OBITUARY

- Dr. Sudhangshu Kr. Bhattacharjee passed away on the 19th of October, 2020. He had served as reader in the Department of Physics, MBB College.
- Prof. Ramgopal Choudhury passed away on the 11th of December, 2020. He had served as senior faculty in the Department of Physics, MBB College.

# WEBINARS



- ▶ 19th Sept. 2020: Webinar on "National Education Policy 2020 – Issues and Challenges in the context of Higher Education" was organised by IQAC, MBBC on Google Meet platform.

Prof. Satyadeo Poddar, VC, MBB University and Dr. Dilip Sarkar, Principal BBM College attended the webinar as Chief Guest and Guest of Honour respectively. Dr. Dipankar Pal, Faculty, Education, MBB College and Dr. Gourab Roy, Faculty, Zoology were the speaker in the programme.

- ▶ 21st Oct. 2020: Webinar on "National Education Policy 2020" was organised by NCC Unit, MBBC in association with IQAC, MBBC on Google Meet Platform.

Dr. Dipannita Chakraborty, Principal, Dr. Dhruba Charan Hota, Faculty, Commerce and Dr. Aparna Das, Faculty, English of the college acted as the speaker in the webinar.

- ▶ 24th Nov. 2020: Motivational webinar on "Igniting Young Minds – Inspirational Stories from Real Life" was organised by IQAC, MBBC on Google Meet Platform.

Prof. Piyal Sarkar, senior professional and eminent motivational speaker was the invited resource person in the programme.

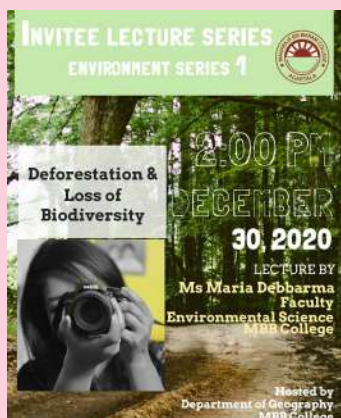


- ▶ 5th Feb. 2021: National Webinar on "What are atomic clocks and why do we need them?" was organized by Department of Physics, MBBC on Google Meet Platform.

Prof. Amitava Sen Gupta, Acting Director (Former), CSIR – NPL, India was the invited speaker in the webinar.



## INVITEE LECTURES



- ▶ 30th Dec. 2020: An invitee lecture series on "Deforestation and Loss of Biodiversity" was hosted by Department of Geography on the Zoom platform. Mrs. Maria Debbarma, Faculty, Environmental Science, MBBC delivered the lecture.
- 27th Jan. 2021: A popular lecture on "Redefining Our Common Future: Futuristic Environmental Frontiers" was organised by MBBC in collaboration with the

Department of Chemistry, MBBC at the Chemistry gallery, MBBC. Prof. Rajesh Kr. Dubey, Director, UGC- HRDC, Jodhpur was the main speaker.

- ▶ 3rd Feb. 2021: An invitee lecture series on "Cultural Entity of Khasis" was hosted by Department of Geography at the smart classroom, NSB, MBBC. Dr. Surojit Sengupta, Faculty, Sociology, MBBC delivered the lecture on the topic.

## WORKSHOPS

- ▶ 20th Nov. 2020: A workshop on "Using MBBC College Web Portal" was organised by IQAC, MBBC at the IT lab. Mr. Ratul Chakraborty, Faculty, Statistics, MBBC acted as the resource person.



- ▶ 4th-6th Feb. 2021: The Central Library, MBBC hosted a workshop on "Computer Basics and e-Granthalaya" organised by Birchandra State Library, Agartala in collaboration with Raja Ram Mohan Roy Library Foundation, Kolkata.



# NCC SECTION

- ▶ Gandhi Jayanti (2nd October): On the occasion of Gandhi jayanti, an online quiz competition was organised in which a total number of 158 participants participated from various institutions and e-certificates were also provided to all the participants.
- ▶ Swachh Bharat Abhiyan (10th Nov. 2020): An online quiz competition was organized on the topic Swachh Bharat Abhiyan in which a total number of 144 participants took part and e-certificates were given to all participants.
- ▶ Constitution Day (24th Nov. 2020): Keeping an eye on the Constitution Day, cadets read the Preamble of the Constitution of India through the Mygov app and took the pledge to abide by the Constitution.



- ▶ Quiz Competition (26th Nov. 2020): An online quiz competition on Constitution Day was organised and a total number of 152 participants participated to whom e-certificates were issued.
- ▶ Armed Forces Flag Day (7th Dec. 2020): On the grand occasion of the Armed Forces Flag Day, cadets took part in the main function that was organised at Post Office Chowmuni, Agartala. In addition cadets also made efforts to collect funds for the Army Welfare Fund.
- ▶ New Admission (30th Dec. 2020): After the reopening of the college due to the covid-19 pandemic, a total number of 30

students took admission in the unit.

- ▶ Republic Day Parade Practice (4th – 23rd Jan. 2021): 16 cadets participated in the parade practice in preparation for the Republic Day.
- ▶ Army Day Celebration (15th Jan. 2021): Observing the Day, a weapon display was organised at the military station in Agartala by the NCC higher authorities in which all the cadets of the unit participated.
- ▶ Republic Day flag hoisting (26th Jan. 2021): National flag was hoisted gloriously celebrating the Day in the college premises sharp at 7.00 am.



- ▶ YEP selection camp (1st to 18th Feb. 2021): One cadet from the unit was selected for the Youth Exchange Programme (YEP) selection camp that took place at the NCC Academy, Jorhat.
- ▶ Combined Annual Training Camp (6th to 10th Feb.): 12 cadets from the unit participated in the 5 days training camp conducted by the 13th Tripura Battalion NCC Unit. The camp had weapon and firing classes.







# NSS SECTION

- ▶ 24th National Youth Festival 2021 (6th–8th Jan. 2021): 10 NSS volunteers from the college participated in the State Level Festival held at Nazrul Kalashetra.



- ▶ NSS Special Camp (25th Jan.–1st Feb. 2021): National Service Scheme Unit, MBB College organised a week long NSS Special Camp.
- ▶ Day 1: The camp started with the Inauguration Programme on 25th January 2021 where Director, Directorate of Higher Education, Government of Tripura was the Chief Guest in the programme and Principal, MBB College as the guest of honour.
- ▶ Day-2: The volunteers have observed the National Republic Day along with other faculty members and students and followed by Campus Cleaning (Swachata Abhiyan).
- ▶ Day-3: In the morning session there was a lecture session by Dr. Gourab Roy, Assistant Professor, MBB College and later in the evening session there was a Campus Cleaning (Swachata Abhiyan).
- ▶ Day-4: In the morning session SP (Special Branch) Department of Home, Government of Tripura have delivered a lecture on Law and Traffic and in the evening session the lecture was delivered by Dr. Sudip Goswami, Assistant Professor, MBB College on

Philosophical Ethics of Life.

- ▶ Day-5: There was a Blood Donation Camp where 29 units of Blood was collected.
- ▶ Day-6: A Lecture on Tobacco/ Drug Awareness Programme was conducted by CMO, Department of Health and Family Welfare, Government of Tripura and also declared MBB College Campus as “Tobacco Free Campus” and in the evening session a lecture was delivered by Dr. Babudhan Tripura, Assistant Professor, Netaji Subash Mahavidyalaya, Udaipur, Gomoti on “Constitutional Rights and Duties”.



- ▶ Day-7: There was a special awareness programme on COVID –19 Vaccine in the adopted village, where many youths had their doubts cleared on vaccination.



- ▶ Day-8: 1st February 2021, the camp was ended by the valedictory function where Secretary, Teacher's Council, MBB College, chaired the programme followed by distribution of certificates to the volunteers.