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GARGAON COLLEGE

# Department of English

## NEWSLETTER

True to the college's mission of promoting continuous educational innovations, creative expressions and artistic productivity by fostering a vibrant knowledge-based atmosphere, the department of English has forged ahead with many notable accomplishments. This newsletter showcases these very attainments reflected in the multifaceted activities of the department and the achievements of its faculty members as well as students.

I congratulate the editorial board for bringing out an impressive newsletter and convey my best wishes for all the future endeavours of the department.

With best wishes

(Dr. Sabyasachi Mahanta)

### Profile of the Department

The Department of English, Gargaon College started functioning with the strength of only one teacher, Dr C. S. Rao, in 1959. A few years later, he was assisted by D.K. Mac Furlong as a part-time lecturer, who worked temporarily for a couple of years. By 1977, there was a total strength of four teachers and major course was introduced. The Department of English from its inception till date continues to nurture young minds towards their holistic development. At present, the total strength of regular teachers is five with two Associate Professors and three Assistant Professors. Three faculty members have Ph.D and four faculty members have M.Phil degree.

### Vision

- To impart holistic knowledge to the students
- To impart quality education to help them cope with the rapid progress of the global scenario
- To improve communication skills of the students

### Mission

- To motivate students to culture the best practices and develop positive attitude
- To provide a platform to the students to exhibit their talents and creativity
- To enrich the knowledge of the students on global issues and make them informative and competitive
- To motivate the students to showcase their literary creativity by way of publication etc.
- Apart from the course syllabus, the department encourages the students to participate in extra-curricular activities.
- To impart employability skills

### Programmes Offered:

- BA English Honours (CBCS) 3 years
- BA English Honours (FYUGP) 4 Years
- MA English 2 Years

**Intake capacity:** 60 (BA English Honours CBCS)  
80 (BA English Honours FYUGP)  
20 (MA in English)

**Skill Based Courses:** Add on Course on Creative Writing in English and Spoken English



### Facilities of the Department

Equipped with qualified, experienced and dedicated faculty members, the department of English provides an ideal environment for academic and extra-curricular aspects of students.

Some of the facilities are:

- Language Lab
- Well-equipped library
- E-resources
- Qualified Faculty
- Mentorship Programme
- Digital classrooms

### EDITORIAL BOARD

Advisor: Dr. Jitu Saikia  
(HoD)

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## FACULTY



**Dr. Jitu Saikia**  
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Specialization: English Language  
Structure



**Rajib Gogoi**  
Associate Professor  
MA  
Specialization: Literature



**Dr. Rashmi Rekha Saikia**  
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MA, M.Phil, Ph.D  
Specialization: Literature



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M.A., M.Phil, Ph.D  
Specialization: English Language Teaching



**Ankita Boruah**  
Guest Lecturer  
M.A., NET  
Specialization: Women's Studies



**Aditya Borgohain**  
Guest Lecturer  
M.A., NET  
Specialization: Indian Writing in English & Women & Literature



**Nirmita Saikia**  
Guest Lecturer  
M.A.  
Specialization: Translation

## ACHIEVEMENTS OF FACULTY MEMBERS



Dr. Rashmi Rekha Saikia was conferred the Women Leadership Award, 2022 on the occasion of International Women's Day by Cultural Assam, an organization based in Guwahati.



Dr. Jitu Saikia acted as a Resource Person in the Three Day Lecture Series on Culture and Traditions of India organized by National Service Scheme, Bangabasi Morning College, Kolkata on 8th September, 2020.



Dr. Shyamolima Saikia acted as distinguished Chairperson at the 18th International & 54th Annual Conference organised by the English Language Teachers' Association of India (ELTAI) from 23rd to 26th October, 2024.



## ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS OF STUDENTS (2019-2024)

### STUDENTS SECURING POSITIONS IN BA HONOURS FINAL EXAMINATION UNDER DIBRUGARH UNIVERSITY



**Nimpi Borgohain**  
1st Class Third, 2019



**Plabita Phukan**  
1st Class Fourth, 2019



**Angkrita Chetia,**  
1st Class Third, 2020



**Rutuja Deori**  
First Class 2nd, 2022



**Upasana Baruah**  
First Class 3rd, 2022



**Masumee Saika**  
First Class 7th, 2024



**Deepanwita Borpatragohain**  
First Class 11th, 2024

## HIGHER EDUCATION AND COMPETITIVE EXAMINATIONS

### STUDENTS QUALIFYING NET/JRF/CIVIL SERVICES



**Janardan Chetia, NET 2021,**  
GATE 2022



**Rutuja Deori, NET 2023**



**Gyandeep Chetia, NET 2022,**  
GATE 2022, JRF 2023



**Angkrita Chetia, NET 2021-22**  
merged cycle



**Plabita Phukan, JRF, 2024**



**Sunita Borah, APSC CCE ,2022**

### STUDENTS SUCCESSFULLY PLACED



**Janardan Chetia, Asst. Professor of Govt. Model**  
Women College, Chenga, Barpeta



**Sunita Borah, Asst. Accounts Officer**



**Purnima Khanikar,**  
SI, Assam Police 2022



**Angkrita Chetia, Assistant Professor of Demow**  
College, 2023



**Abinash Saikia,**  
Sub Inspector of Police, 2022



**Huruj Kumar Phukan Constable (B)**

## EXTRACURRICULAR ACHIEVEMENTS

### EXTENSION ACTIVITIES



Students taking part in outreach programme at school on International Literacy Day, 8th Sept, 2022



Students taking part in Volunteer Teaching Programme



Annaprassana Kashyap of 5th semester of the department of English, Gargaon College was part of the Dibrugarh University Folk Orchestra team securing the 1st position in the 36th Inter University National Youth Festival held at Jain University, Bangalore.



Sukanya Duwarah and Deepanwita Borpatragohain of the department of English received the Best Literary Award as part of the college week 2022-23 & 2023-24 respectively.



Prasurya Plabon Gogoi, MA 3rd semester student of the department of English secured the 3rd position in the Team Event of Inter College Badminton Tournament held at DR College from 28th to 29th September, 2023.



Best Department Award 2021-22




Deepanwita Borpatragohain and Kongkon Bezbaruah of 5th and 3rd semester of the Department of English bagged the 2nd prize in the Inter Department Quiz Competition organized by Gargaon College Teachers' Unit in association with Assam College Teachers' Unit, Sivasagar Zone on 26th August, 2023.



## PROGRAMMES OF THE DEPARTMENT

Special Lecture, 29th August, 2022







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
## Webinar On

### Trends in Contemporary Indian Women's Writing in English






**Host/organiser**  
Dr. Sankaranarayanan Balakrishnan  
Principal, Gargaon College



**Speaker**  
Mrs. Anurupa Bhatia  
Former HOD, Dept. of English & Retd. Vice Principal, JG College (Autonomous), Jorhat



**Speaker**  
Dr. Indu Anand  
Assistant Professor  
Department of English  
Assam University, Jorhat Campus

Organised by  
Department of English, Gargaon College  
in Collaboration with  
IQAC, Gargaon College

**Date: 05/09/2021, Time: 11 AM**

**Platform: ZOOM**

Dr. Rashmi Rekha Saha  
Host & Coordinator

Dr. Anu Saha  
Host

Mrs. Shyamoli Saha  
Co-coordinator

Mr. Binayak Borthome  
Host

Dr. Sarjit Saha  
IQAC, Coordinator

Dr. Pankaj K. Nath  
Technical Co-ordinator

Mr. Rajib Ghose  
Member

Dr. Gombardhat Das  
Technical Co-ordinator

**Registration Link:** <https://forms.gle/Ya7wGP2N3h0vY0Z>     **WhatsApp App Group:** <https://chat.whatsapp.com/Dm7Kx0Uj0uH2F1nSg1uJ>

**NB: The ZOOM link and the YOUTUBE link will be shared in the WhatsApp group on the day of the Webinar.** 9554462421; 9350972623

**National Webinar, 5th July 2021**

Special Lecture, 21st September 2024

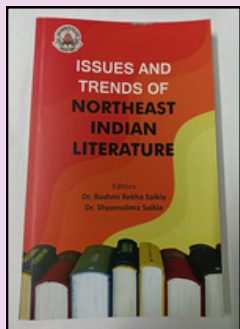


## Popular Talk, 3rd December 2022

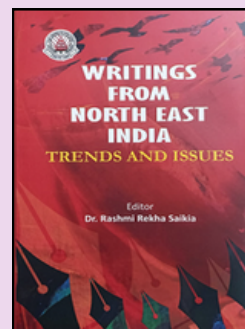
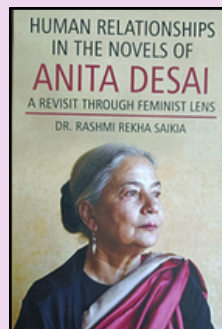
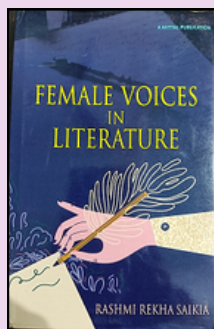




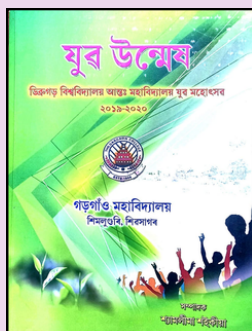
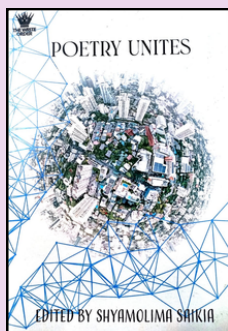
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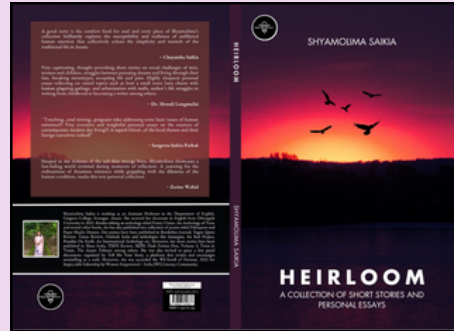
Dr.Rashmi Rekha Saikia & Dr.Shyamolima Saikia



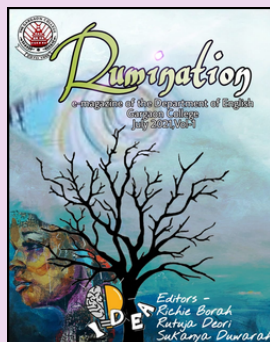
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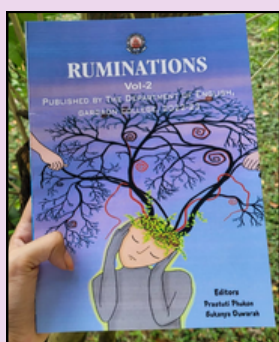
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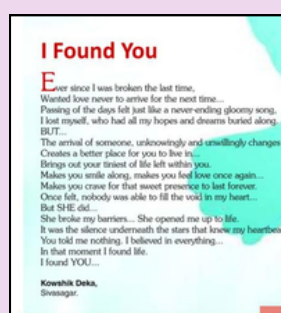
## STUDENTS' PUBLICATIONS



E-Magazines



Wall Magazines



Publications by Students in newspapers

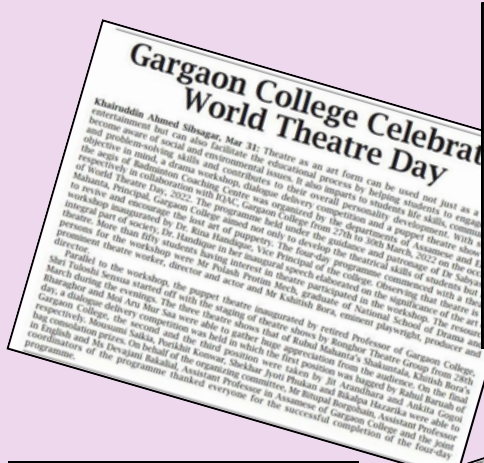
## MA PROGRAMME

- The first batch started in 2022
- The first batch (2022-24) of the MA Programme in English successfully postgraduated from the department in 2024. The Pass Percentage of the first batch was 88.24.
- Aditya Borgohain secured first class 2nd position under Dibrugarh University.

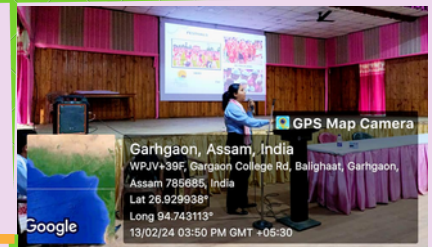




## MEDIA COVERAGE



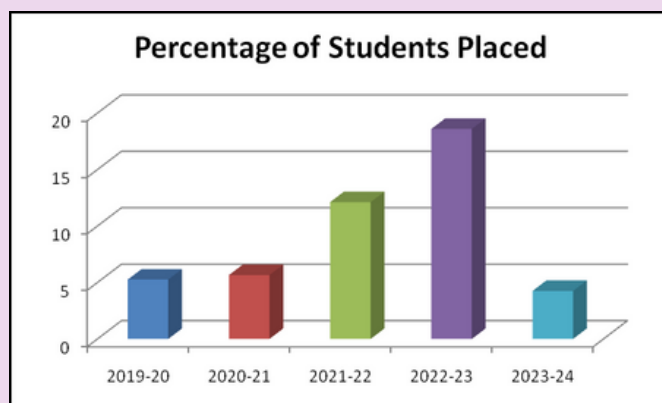
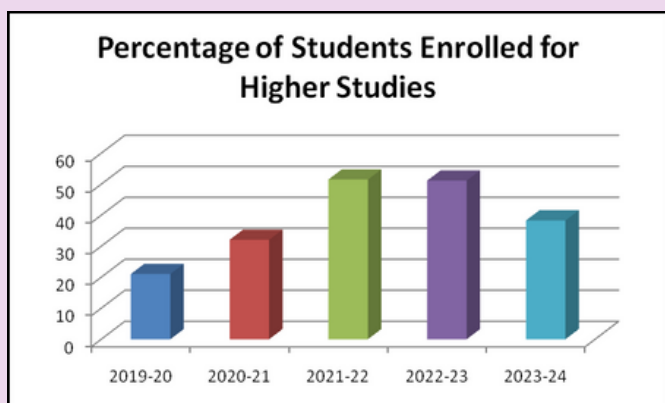
## ALUMNI ENGAGEMENT



## COLLABORATIVE ACTIVITIES



## STATISTICS OF PLACEMENT & HIGHER EDUCATION



## BEST PRACTICES OF THE DEPARTMENT

- Faculty members provide Psychological, Academic and Career counseling to the students.
- Faculty members provide personal books and other reading materials to the students to continue their education.
- Successful Alumni of the department are invited to give invited talks/classes from time to time.
- Students of the department bring out an annual e- magazine besides the wall magazine.

## SWOC ANALYSIS OF THE DEPARTMENT

- **STRENGTHS:** Effective Mentorship, good pass percentage, production of student toppers
- **WEAKNESSES:** Lack of sufficient faculty to meet the demands of teaching large number of students
- **OPPORTUNITIES:** Scope for introducing new courses
- **CHALLENGES:** Students face problems in areas of transportation as well as access to high-speed internet since most of them belong to remote areas.

## FUTURE PLANS OF THE DEPARTMENT

- Organization of Seminars for students from various colleges under Sivasagar district on various topics from their UG course
- Opening of Add-On or Skill Development Courses such as Courses on Business and Scientific/Technical Writing/Writing for Media
- Keeping in focus the relevance of Indian Knowledge System, a Course in Translation is in the pipeline.
- To undertake research projects for students