# DIMAPUR GOVERNMENT COLLEGE DIMAPUR RESEARCH COMMITTEE

#### REPORT

THREE-DAY REGIONAL CONCLAVE On "Skill Development – A Preparation for Post-Covid-19" Organized by Research Committee, DGC and Sponsored by Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development (RGNIYD), held at Dimapur Govt. College,

Dimapur, Nagaland from 5 – 7 November 2020

The three day conclave on Skill development was successfully conducted with 60 in-person participants and imparted by 5 resource persons stretched over ten (10) technical sessions and the introductory and the valedictory session. The conduct and success of the conclave largely goes to RGNYD for graciously sponsoring the conclave besides taking active participation and showing keen interest throughout the conclave.

The highlight of the conclave was that the entire 3 days conclave was telecast live via facebook page of the college for wider viewership while the Introductory Session and Valedictory session were also done online via Google Meet to enable participation from RGNIYD.

Following were the Resource Persons:

#### 1. Ms. Rozelle Mero

Social Entrepreneur & Managing Director, The People's Channel, Nagaland

## 2. Mr. Alemtemsu

Horticulture Officer, State Horticulture Nursery Dimapur, Government of Nagaland

## 3. Dr. Sosang Longkumer

Director, KONGER AGRITECH Pvt. Ltd., Nagaland

## 4. Dr. Sunep Imchen

Chief Veterinary Officer, Mokokchung, Government of Nagaland

### 5. Mr. Paul Lokho

Director, Pro Rural (NGO) Dimapur

The conclave was organized by the Research Committee of the college comprising of the following members:

1. Chairperson

: Dr. Moanochet Longchar, Principal, DGC

2. Activity Coordinator

: Dr. Yelhi Vero, Asstt. Prof. &

Convenor, Research Committee, DGC

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3. Activity Co-Coordinator : Dr. Benjongkumba, Asstt. Prof., DGC

4. Activity Secretary

: Dr. Asangba Tzudir, Asstt. Tzudir, Asstt. Prof., DGC

5. Member

: Dr. T. Jamedi Longkumer, Asstt. Prof., DGC

6. Member

: Ms. Herali Achumi, Asstt. Prof., DGC

7. Member

: Ms. Imkongmenla, Asstt. Prof., DGC

Day 1: 5th Nov 2020

## **INAUGURAL SESSION**

The inaugural session was Chaired by Convenor of Research Committee and the Activity Coordinator of the Conclave Dr. Yelhi Vero. The Welcome Address was delivered by Principal of the college Dr. Moanochet Longchar who was also the Chairperson of the Conclave. He thanked the Research Committee for organizing the programme and welcomed the participants who were mostly students and encouraged them to attend all the technical sessions during the three days conclave. He also profusely thanked the RGNIYD for financial sponsorship of the conclave and wished for a fruitful conclave. This was followed by the Inaugural Address by Prof. Sibnath Deb, Director RGNIYD, Chennai which delivered via Google Meet. He thanked the organizer for initiating and organizing the programme and inviting well informed resource persons. While highlighting the importance of skills and knowledge dissemination, he hoped that the participants can further the course of knowledge dissemination, and wished the very best for the conclave and also encouraged the participants to give feedbacks. The Keynote Address was delivered by Dr. Sunep Imchen, Chief Veterinary Officer, Mokokchung. He opened with the question - Why skill development? He underscored the fact that academic excellence alone will not help Post covid -19 and thus the relevance of skills and the need to develop skills where a paradigm shift is needed for survival and existence, that, the covid-19 pandemic has opened the pandoras box of the education system. In tune with the changing times and realities he emphasized on the importance of doing a SWAT (Strengths, Weakness, Abilities, Threats) analysis for growth and development, and that work, service and sacrifice as the mantras of success today.

#### **Technical Session I**

The first technical session was chaired by Dr. Vitsosie Vupru, IQAC Coordinator & Asstt. Prof. Deptt. of Economics, DGC. The Resource Person for the session was Ms. Rozelle Mero, who spoke on the Topic Career Development and Economic Independence. She began by highlighting the challenges of being academically educated but finding no space to expose their education, which requires a change of mindset by rebelling against the system that controls us and our growth. The need to multi task and develop skills accordingly and invest one's skills and resources in different possibilities was religiously shared. The covid-19 pandemic has made people realize more that the farmers are the ones who have served and feed us. In developing ones career, it is important to know the difference between job and career while keeping in mind that no experience is a bad experience and that all the experiences will one day help one reach a

realistic goal. For Economic independence she emphasized on the ability to develop, control and earn from one's own resources, and put it plainly that integrity is key to success

# **Technical Session - II**

The session was **chaired by Ms. Meripeni Ngully,** Assoc. Prof. & Head, Deptt. of History, DGC. The **Resource Person Mr. Alemtemsu**, Horticulture Officer, State Horticulture Nursery Dimapur who spoke on the topic Prospects of Horticulture in Economic Development. He gave a detailed status and scenario of the hortiscope in Nagaland by dwelling specifically on the SWOT of horticulture in Nagaland drawing on the prospects and scope, marketing and business opportunities and ways to exploit horticulture post covid-19 period.

## **Technical Session – III**

The session was **chaired by Mr. Lhipe Naro**, Asstt. Prof. & Head, Deptt. of Sociology, DGC where the **Resource Person Mr. Alemtemsu**, took off from the last session by engaging on the Practical Aspects of Horticultural Farming where he demonstrated the process of planting and nurturing various important crops including control of pests, climatic conditions, preservation of seeds, and tissue culture.

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## Technical Session - IV

The session was chaired by Ms. Imkongmenla Longkumer, Asstt. Prof., Deptt. of Commerce, DGC. The Resource Person Dr. Sunep Imchen spoke on the topic Livestock farming in Economic Development. He began by stating the interdependence of man on animals for food chain, manure, and ecosystem where livestock farming has become an integral source for security and survival. In the game of survival it is only the smart people, those who think smart will survive and for which life ethics and survival ethics are integral to survival. Dwelling on the importance of animal husbandry, he reiterated that meat has become a primary diet which is a source of good and healthy food. He discussed the various forms of knowledge associated with rearing animals and also the various preventive measures for healthy growth of animals.

## Technical Session - V

The session was **chaired by Dr. Tainla Mar**, Asstt. Prof., Deptt. of Education, DGC. **Resource Person Dr. Sunep Imchen** started from where he left in the last session taking on the Practical Aspects of Livestock Farming where he discussed the methods and measures of breeding various animals starting from chicken to pigs. Besides technical knowledge, he emphasized that there was no substitute to hard work, responsibility and accountability for achieving success.

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The session was chaired by Ms. Herali Achumi, Asstt. Prof., Deptt. of Sociology, DGC. The Resource Person for the session was Mr. Paul Lokho who elucidated on the topic Agri-Business Value Chain – An Opportunity for Economic Development. With the growing number of unemployed youths in the state it has become very pertinent to address the various job scopes especially post covid. Highlighting on the value chain, he emphasized on Agribusiness value chain, Vegetable value chain, Piggery value chain, scientific breeding, and also the viable value chain commodities in Nagaland.

## Technical Session - VII

The session continued with Mr. Paul Lokho on the topic *Micro-Finance and Peer Venture in Entrepreneurial Development*. Drawing on the Entrepreneurial climate in Nagaland he brought into focus Micro finance and micro financing, micro credit, and its functions. With available opportunities of micro, medium and macro loans through NABARD, SEDBI and NEDFI he exhorted to exploit the opportunities in the areas of Agriculture and allied; Animal Husbandry Sector etc so that the capital is circulated in the state.

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## **TECHNICAL SESSION – VIII**

The session was chaired by Ms. Vipinuo Kehie, Asstt. Prof., Deptt. of Tenyidie, DGC with Junior scientist Dr. Sosang Longkumer as the resource person who spoke on Mushroom Cultivation as an Economic Development Venture in Post Covid19: Theory and Practice –I. In the session, he gave a theoretical exposition on Shitake mushroom in Nagaland elaborating on the aspects like the types of trees that are suitable for growing mushroom; the process of preparing the wood; preparation of the shetaki fungus. He also discussed about Oyster mushroom cultivation in Nagaland and its associated economies.

## **TECHNICAL SESSION – IX**

For this session **chaired by Ms. Bokali Kibami**, Asstt. Prof., Deptt. of Pol. Science, DGC, the participants had the privilege of being taken for a trip to the resource persons own mushroom farming site for a practical demonstration on the various process of mushroom farming by Dr. Sosang Jamir. The participants got hands on knowledge on the various process of growing oyster mushroom.

## Technical Session - X

The last technical session was **chaired by Dr. Benjongkumba**, Asstt. Prof., Deptt. of Education, DGC where the **Resource Person Ms. Rozelle Mero** spoke on the topic **Soft Skills and Business Etiquette.** On the soft skills she emphasized on people skills, social skills, Communication skills, character and personality, and Emotional behavior where one has to be observant, empathetic and proactive. On the business etiquette she dwelt on Business Rules and

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tools towards building character, moral worthiness and responsibility, body language, dress code, communications in the work place, and finally telephonic conversation etiquettes.

# Valedictory Session

The valedictory session was chaired by Dr. T. Jamedi Longkumer, Asstt. Prof., Deptt. of Philosophy, DGC. The Valedictory Speech was delivered by Prof. Vasanthi Rajendran, Centre for Training, Orientation and Capacity Building, RGNIYD, Chennai via Google Meet. She reflected on all the technical session topics and encouraged the students on how to become successful in life taking from what was learnt during the conclave. She also stressed on the National Youth Policy which is aimed at achieving their full potential by dwelling on the objectives and the priority areas, and finally culminating in the goals of sustainable development. Throwing a challenge on the youths of Nagaland, she exhorted to make a sincere and honest assessment about how far Nagaland has progressed and how much is still lacking as well as lagging. She emphasized on the need to develop strategies to work on improving the poor developing indices in Nagaland and to take Nagaland from being a performer to an achiever.

Finally, the vote of thanks was pronounced by Ms. Kezhaleu Hesso, Vice Principal, DGC. While pronouncing the vote of thanks she thanked everyone who had contributed towards the success of the programme, and made special mention of the resource persons who were key to giving new knowledge, perspectives, insights and challenges, and finally thanked the sponsors RGNIYD for not only the financial help but showing keen interest and participating in the proceedings and also ensuring the successful conduct of the conclave.

Overall it was a very enriching experience, and with its broad objectives fulfilled as shared by the participants, the curtains were lowered down on the three-day Conclave.

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