



## ***DIMAPUR GOVERNMENT COLLEGE***

### ***ECONOMICS CLUB***

***MOTTO: INSPIRE, MOTIVATE, EQUIP***

On 16<sup>th</sup> of March 2024, Saturday, the Class Representatives, Department representatives, the officials of Economics Club and the faculty of Economics Department visited an old Age Home called 'House of Friendship' near the college at Hill View Colony as an extension service that is deliver by the department every year.

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

- Professor : Mrs. Anungla Aier, Associate Professor, HOD  
: Dr. Moakala Jamir, Associate professor  
: Mrs. Pudezono Rose, Assistant Professor  
: Dr. Vinyuhu Lhongu, Assistant Professor
- 2nd semester : 2 students
- 4<sup>th</sup> semester : 4 students
- 6<sup>th</sup> semester : 4 students

#### **ACTION ITEMS:**

The programme was chaired by Chubatola, General Secretary and started off at 10: 15 AM.

1. The programme was started by Mrs. Anungla Aier with an introduction. She started with the introduction of the Professors of the department. She delivered a short speech on how we should take care of our parents when they are alive and urge all of

the people present to inculcate moral values. She then informed them about the purpose of the visit about how this kind of community services are offered by the department each year as an extension services.



**Mrs. Anungla Aier delivering the introduction**

2. Followed by Mrs. Anungla Aier was Mrs. Akokla Pongen, a social activist who runs the visited retirement home. She expressed gratitude to the visitors and the Almighty God making the programme a possible one. She runs a short background of herself and is a recipient of a cooperative award. Tells us that the organization was started in 2016 and registered with the govt in 2017. She introduced all the inmates of the house with the oldest being 90 plus years. She gave a brief on how well the house is furnished. She tries to break the nagas' mindset on how sad it is to live in an old age home not surrounded by the love ones. She breaks this by saying that the inmates in old age home spend a joyful and happy lives and gets to learn and do a lot of activities. She thanked the visitors, college students, donors, well-wishers and other organisations for their visits and donations that helps her to run the Old Age Home.
3. The second item on the programme was taken by Miss Taksangla Pongen of BA 4<sup>TH</sup> semester where she presented a special song.



**Miss Chubatola delivering a short speech**

4. The third item was a short speech delivered by Miss Chubatola of BA 6<sup>TH</sup> semester. In her speech, she talked about what old age means to her, she started with the average life expectancy in India and that many inmates of this house have passed the average life expectancy age. She expressed that today's generation

won't get to live too long because of environmental crisis and the unhealthy food they consume. She tells them to love their body and ended up with a quote 'age gracefully'.

4. The next item was sharing, and firstly, it was shared by Dr. Vinyuhu Lhongu. He started with an expression of gratitude to Mrs. Apokla Pongen for her noble works and the facilities provided to the old people in the society. He acknowledged the caringness and knowledge of her on how old people should be served, and look after when they are facing health issues. He reminded that it is our responsibility to look after our elderly in the society and not only our parents. Further, he points that the achievement of this House is bringing people near to God seeing that many inmates were baptized. He asks the House to pray for the students and teachers likewise, we would also pray for them.



**Dr. Vinyuhu Lhongu taking up the time of sharing**

5. After him, another sharing was taken up by the inmates of the old age home. He advised the youths to always keep God at their heart. He shared on how he has experienced a lot of ups and downs in life but God never left



his side. God showed him the path and addressed all the people gathered here that one day everyone will go through his stage – old, weak body, frail- faced with many setback but he will never faith in God. He said that the youngsters gathered here have so much to look forward in life and advised not to break faith in God. He ended up with a saying ‘it’s not your life’, it is God’s life.

- In the sharing time, time was taken to hand a small gift or token of appreciation to all the inmates of the house.

6. The programme was wrapped up by a mass prayer



Sharing his life



ECONOMICS CLUB MEMBERS WITH THE INMATES OF THE OLD AGE HOME

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