

ICSSR Sponsored National Seminar
On
Cooperatives for Economic Development of North East India
Organized by
Department of Economics
Pub Kamrup College
Sept, 21-22, 2022

Programme

Registration & Breakfast	8:30 a.m.-09:30 a.m.	
Inaugural Session	09:30 am -11:00 am	Venue: Auditorium
<p>(i) Lightening of the Lamp: Sjt. Mahananda Kumar Pathak, Associate Professor of Mathematics, Pub Kamrup College</p> <p>(ii) Chorus: By the students of Department of Economics</p> <p>(iii) Felicitation: By Organizing Committee</p> <p>(iv) Chairperson: Dr Bhupen Kr. Sarma, Principal, Pub Kamrup College.</p> <p>(v) Welcome Address: Dr. Bhupen Kr. Sarma, Principal, Pub Kamrup College and Sjt. Nilotpal Gohain, Assistant Registrar of Cooperative Societies</p> <p>(vi) Inaugural Speech: Prof. Ratul Mahanta, HoD, Economics; Gauhati University</p> <p>(vii) Keynote Address: Prof. Manjit Das, HoD, Economics; Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences; Bodoland University</p> <p>(viii) Speech by Chairperson :</p> <p>(ix) Vote of Thanks : Mr Narayan Goswami, Vice-Principal cum Chairperson, organizing committee</p>		
TEA BREAK: 11:00 -11:15 AM		
<p>Day-1, 21-09-2022 Technical Session—I Time: 11:15 a.m.-1:15 p.m. Venue: Auditorium</p>		
Name of Paper Presenter	Title of Paper	
Smriti Rekha Singha, Rajshree Bedamatta	The Role of Village-Level Credit Cooperative Societies in Supply Management of PDS in Assam	
Aparupa Sarma & Gultaz Begum	Role of Cooperative Banks in promoting financial inclusion among rural households in India.	

Parthapratim Choudhury	Role of Cooperatives in Handicrafts Industry in Assam: A Case study of Bell Metal Industry of Sarthebari
Banasree Goswami	Educational aspects for the success of Cooperatives
Pulin Saikia & Bhaskar Shikha Saikia ;	A Comparative study on traditional and modern cooperative practices for economic development in Assam
Ishanu Kalita	The Economic impacts of Cooperative Societies in Assam
LUNCH BREAK: 1:15-2:00 PM	
Day-1, 21-09-2022 Technical Session—II Time: 2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. Venue: Auditorium	
Name of Paper Presenter	Title of Paper
Dr. Pallabi Deka & Mr. Longkiram Phangcho	Role of Cooperatives for Commercial Production of Pineapples in West Karbi Anglong
Dr Rechilungle Riame & Ms. Mridusmita Deka	Cooperatives for Empowering the Poorer Sections of Society: With Special reference to Women in Rural Kamrup.
Manju Lahari & Sangita Baishya	The Bodo Tribe of Assam and the Rich Tradition of Rice Beer- A way ahead through Cooperatives
Jayanta Barooah ; Dr. Santosh Kumar Upadhyay & Dr. Rabinjyoti Khataniar	Role of Cooperatives in Improving Livelihood on Sustainable basis
Trishamani Deka	Prospects and Challenges of the cooperatives in North-east India
Dhiren Deka,	An Overview of Different Cooperative Societies of Darrang District of Assam
Dr Trailokya Deka	Formation of Voluntary Socio-economic Group and Rural Development: A case study of Assam
Rani Deka & Milan Rajbongshi	A study on Educational Aspects for the Success of Cooperatives
Dr. Jayashree Sarma	Role of Cooperative Bank in Economic Development of Assam
Day-2, 22-09-2022 Technical Session—I Time: 09:30 a.m.11:15 a.m. Venue: Auditorium	
Breakfast from 8:30am to 9:30 am	
Name of Paper Presenter	Title of Paper
Benudhar Kalita	Importance of Cooperative Farming to increase agricultural Production in Baksa District
Sujata Hati Baruah	Food Security through Public Distribution System in India: Role of the Consumer Co-operatives

Bipul Kr. Das & Karabi Barman	Cooperatives for Empowering the Poorer Section of the Society
Dr. Bhanu Hazarika,	Need of Cooperative for the Development of Rural Industries (A case study of Northern part of Kamrup district (Assam).
Kirti Chowdhury	Promises, Prospects and Reality in Handloom Industry: A Case Study of Machkhowa Block Level Cluster, Assam (India)
Mrs. Prasanna Das Baishya,	Co-operatives for promoting Rural Entrepreneurship
Dr. Jayashree Chowdhury and Ms. Gitu Bhattacharyya	Cooperatives and Northeast India: Problems and Prospects
Dr. Shashwati Nath	Livelihoods and Nature of Works: Cooperatives & its Digital Implications for Human Resource Management in North-East India
Tea Break	11:15-11:30 am

Day-2, 22-09-2022
Technical Session—II
Time: 11:30 a.m.-1:15 p.m.
Venue: Auditorium

Name of Paper Presenter	Title of Paper
Ms. Riweu Kenye & Dr. J. Suresh Kumar	Cooperatives and Financial Inclusion in Nagaland.
Bandita Kakati	An Economical Status of Rural Women- Issues, Challenges and Prevention
Hemanta Das,	Development of Micro Food Processing Enterprise in Rural Areas through Cooperative Set-up: Prospects and Challenges in Assam
Dr. Pallavi Deka	Dairy Cooperative and the State Of White Revolution in Assam
Mr. Sanjeeb Kalita	Significance of Cooperatives in Tackling Climate Change
Parinita Sharma	Role of Cooperatives in Tourism and Economic Development of North-East India with special reference to Assam
Dr. Shastri Ram Kachari	Cooperatives and its role in development of rural agro-base economy: An analysis.
Dipak Kumar Baro & Kalpana Basumatary	Bodo Women & Rural Development
Launch Break	1:15pm to 2:00 pm

Day-2, 22-09-2022
Technical Session—III
Time: 02:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.
Venue: Auditorium

Name of Paper Presenter	Title of Paper
Dr. Hemasri Devi	Consumer Cooperatives: An Overview
Manab Jyoti Gogoi	An Overview of the Role of Cooperatives in the development of Agricultural Sector in India

Indrani Deka & Imdad Ali Ahmed	Historical Review of the Impact of Co-operative Movement in Rural India with Special Reference to North East India.
Rashna Kalita & Dr. Banalata Kalita	Role of Women in Rural Development
Kangkana Goswami & Kalpana Bhagawati	Cooperatives and Gandhian Economic Ideas
Dr. Pankaj Kumar Baro	Agricultural Farm Mechanism and the role of Cooperatives
Saraju Kalita & Dulal Ch. Sarma	Women Empowerment Through Microfinance
Valedictory session	3:30 pm to 4:30 pm

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Short summary of the Proceedings of the ICSSR Sponsored National Seminar on
“Cooperatives for Economic Development of North East India”

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Details of Inaugural Session:

The Inaugural Session of the two day National seminar was started on 21st September, 2022 at 9:30 am with the lightening of lamp by Mahananda Kumar Pathak, Associate professor of Mathematics, Pub Kamrup College. After that a Chorus “Aaji Bande ki Chande” written by Kalaguru Bishnu Rabha was sung by the students of the department of Economics, Pub Kamrup College. In the inaugural meeting, Dr. Bhupen Kumar Sarma, the principal, of the College delivered welcome address to all the participants and dignitaries. The seminar was inaugurated by Prof. Ratul Mahanta, Department of Economics, Gauhati University. In the inaugural speech, Prof. Mahanta emphasized upon the need of reviving cooperative sector, as it can play a vital role in a village based economy of North East India. The Key-note address was given by Prof. Manjit Das, Head of the Department of Economics and Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences, Bodoland University, Kokrajhar, Assam. Prof. Das mentioned about the Hati-Punji System of Barpeta District of Assam. According to him the Hati-Punji System, prevalent from ancient times, is similar to the cooperative system. He advises the researchers that there are immense scope as well as need for research upon cooperative systems including different dimensions. Nilotpal Gohain, Assistant Registrar of Cooperative Societies, one of the dignitaries of the dice, also delivered lecture. He mentioned about the origin of cooperatives along with present day importance. Vote of thanks was given by Mr. Narayan Goswami, Chairperson of the Seminar Organizing Committee. The inaugural meeting was ended at 11:00 am.

Objectives of the Seminar:

Under the different important aspects, this seminar has been organized to address the prospects and challenges of cooperatives for rural development along with the Government’s policy initiatives to promote cooperatives. The main objective of the seminar is to chalk out policies and strategies for the development of the North-East Indian economy through the development of cooperatives. The national Seminar attempts to provide a common platform to scholars, researchers, teachers, academicians, etc., to explore their ideas and thoughts.

About the Technical Sessions:

There were four technical sessions. The first technical session was chaired by Prof. Manjit Das, Head of the department of Economics and Dean, faculty of Social Sciences of Bodoland University. Mr. Nilotpal Gohain, Assistant Registrar of Cooperative Societies, Guwahati, Govt. of Assam Contributed as Resource Person of the first technical session. In this session, 3 papers were presented by Smiriti Rekha Singha, Banasree Goswami and Ishanu Kalita respectively. The second technical session was chaired by Dr. Brajen Saikia, Principal of Rangia College. Dr. Pranab Baishya, Faculty, Institute of Cooperative Management, Guwahati, was the resource persons. A total of 4 papers were presented by different participants. The third technical session was chaired by Dr. Suranjan Sarma, Principal of Damdama College and Dr. Anup Kumar Das, Assistant professor of Economics of Rajiv Gandhi University; Arunachal Pradesh contributed as Resource person. A total of 13 papers were presented by different participants of different fields. The fourth technical session was chaired by Dr. Basanta Kalita, Principal of Nalbari Commerce College and Dr. Angana Baruah, Associate Professor of Economics, Pandu College, Guwahati, Assam acted as Resource Persons. In this technical session, a total of 5 papers were presented by the participants.

Major Findings of the Seminar:

The different papers presented in the seminar, views of the resource persons and chairpersons highlights the following findings of the seminar.

- (i) Cooperatives can play a vital role in economic development of North-East India.
- (ii) Cooperatives can play a major role in accumulating small savings and in capital formation.
- (iii) Cooperatives can promote entrepreneurial motivation among the poor people.
- (iv) Cooperatives can promote large scale farming by consolidating small size of land holdings.
- (v) Small scale or tiny industries may also be set up through cooperative efforts.
- (vi) Consumer Cooperative can strengthen the food security under public distribution system.
- (vii) Cooperatives can promote livelihoods of the poor people and working condition.
- (viii) Cooperatives can promote micro food processing industries, diary farming, etc.
- (ix) It can play active role in promoting rural tourism.
- (x) Cooperatives can increase the rate of financial inclusion.
- (xi) The financial scenario of the present day cooperatives are not encouraging.
- (xii) The government's effort to uplift the cooperative sectors is also not encouraging.

Major Recommendations of the Seminar:

- (i) More awareness and training programme should be provided to the Cooperative Societies.
- (ii) Cooperative societies should be trained about the credit management system.

- (iii) Cooperative Societies should be encouraged to generate more savings and for entrepreneurial motivation.
- (iv) A linkage system should be developed between producer cooperatives and marketing cooperatives.
- (v) More incentives should be provided by the governments to the cooperatives to strengthen their credit structure.
- (vi) Government should initiate policies to empower the cooperatives in line with the self help groups or in line with other voluntary groups.
- (vii) Bank should give priority to the cooperatives in case of lending by designing proper recovery policy.
- (viii) The govt should take steps to promote rural tourism through cooperatives.
- (ix) More research study should be conducted upon the cooperative sectors in the region.
- (x) The government may allow some small industries to the domain of cooperative system for development.

Names of Important participants including Resource Persons:

Sl. No	Name	Address
1	Prof. Manjit Das (Key- note Speaker)	HoD, Economics & Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences, Bodoland University, Kokrajhar, Assam
2	Nilotpal Gohain, (Resource Person)	Assistant Registrar of Cooperative Societies, Kamrup, Guwahati -5, Govt. of Assam
3	Dr Brajen Saikia, (Chairperson)	Principal, Rangia College, Rangia, Assam
4	Dr. Pranab Baishya (Resource Persons)	Faculty Member, Institute of Cooperative Management, Guwahati, Assam
5	Dr Suranjan Sarma (Chairperson cum Resource Person)	Principal, Damdama College, Assam
6	Dr. Anup Kr. Das (Chairperson cum Resource Person)	Assistant Professor, Dept. of Economics, Rajiv Gandhi University, Arunachal Pradesh
7	Dr. Basanta Kalita (Chairperson)	Principal, Nalbari Commerce College, Assam
8	Dr Angana Barua (Resource Person)	Associate Professor, Dept. of Economics, Pandu College, Guwahati Assam
9	Jayanta Barooah	Research Scholar, Dept. of Management, Assam down town University, Assam
10	Ms. Riweu Kenye	Research Scholar, St. Joseph University, Nagaland
11	Dr. Hemasri Devi	Assistant Professor of Political Science, Pub Kamrup College
12	Dr. Pallavi Deka	Assistant Prof; Political Science, Handique Girls College

13	Kirti Chowdhury	Research Scholar, Dept. of Geography, Gauhati University
14	Dr. Shashwati Nath	Assistant Prof; Geography, Saraighat College
15	Sujata Hati Baruah	Assistant Prof; Dept. of Political Science, Puthimari College
16	Sarifuddin Ali Ahmed	<i>Research Scholar, Dept. of Sociology and Social Work, Barkatullah University, Bhopal, MP</i>
17	Dr. Bhanu Hazarika	Assistant Prof; Dept. Geography, Saraighat College
18	Manab Jyoti Gogoi	<i>Assistant Professor, Dept. of Business Administration</i>
19	Dr. Jayashree Sarma	<i>Asstt. Prof., Dept. of Economics, Rangia College</i>
20	Manju Lahari	<i>Assistant Professor, Dept. of Bodo, Patidarrang College</i>
21	Rani Deka	<i>Assistant Prof. & HoD of Education, Patidarrang College</i>
22	Smriti Rekha Singha,	Research Scholar, Development Studies, HSS Dept., IIT Guwahati
23	Ishanu Kalita	<i>Research Scholar, Department of Economics, Gauhati University</i>
24	Mrs. Prasanna Das Baishya	HoD cum Assistant Professor, Dept. of Economics, Manabendra Sarma Girls College
25	Dr. Jayashree Chowdhury	Assistant Prof; Dept. of Economics, Handique Girls College
26	Mr. Sanjeeb Kalita	Assistant Prof. & HoD; English, PNGB Govt. Model College
27	Bandita Kakati	Student, Dept. of Education, Cotton University
28	<i>Parinita Sharma</i>	<i>Ex Student, Dept. of Economics, Gauhati University</i>
29	Indrani Deka	Ad-hoc Lecturer, History, Pub Kamrup College
30	Benudhar Kalita	Assistant Prof, Dept. of Economics, Swahid Smriti Mahavidyalaya
31	Dr. Sastri Ram Kachari	Assistant prof. of Economics, Sipajhar College, Darrang Assam
32	Dr. Pankaj Kumar Baro	Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Pub Kamrup College,


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CERTIFICATE

This is to certify thatof
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Rapporteur in the technical sessions of the ICSSR sponsored National Seminar on "Cooperatives for Economic Development of North East India", organized by the Department of Economics, Pub Kamrup College, in collaboration with the Office of the Assistant Registrar of Cooperative Societies, Guwahati on 21st & 22nd September, 2022.

We wish him/ her all success.

(Dr B K Sarma)
Principal

(Mr Narayan Goswami)
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SANCTION ORDER

Subject: National seminar on "Cooperatives for Economic Development of North East India"

Dear Sir,

Sanction of the ICSSR North Eastern Regional Centre is hereby accorded to the payment of an amount of Rs. 80,000/- (Eighty Thousand only) to meet the expenditure on the above mentioned seminar to be organized by Dr Khagen Das, Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Pub Kamrup College on 28-29 September 2022.

The financial assistance should be utilized for the purpose for which it has been sanctioned. No part of the grant is to be utilized for publication of the proceedings of the seminar.

The amount sanctioned herein is to be utilized on the proposed seminar only within the stipulated period. Any amount of the assistance remaining unspent during the current financial year shall be refunded to the ICSSR-NERC immediately after completion of the seminar. If the Institute fails to utilize the grant, the Institute will be required to refund the amount of the grant with interest thereon @ 10% per annum from date of its sanction.

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To
The Principal
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Subject: Release of 2nd Installment of 2 days National Seminar on “Cooperatives for Economic Development of North East India”

Dear Sir,

With reference to the above mentioned subject, it may be informed that the payment of **Rs.16,000/-** (Rupees Sixteen thousand) only towards the 2nd Installment of **2 days National Seminar on “Cooperatives for Economic Development of North East India”** to be held on 21-22 September 2022, sanctioned to Dr Khagen Das, Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Pub Kamrup College, Assam has been released through PFMS on 13 December, 2022 through SBI, NEHU Branch, Shillong – 793 022, as per the following details:

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- i. Cooperatives for promoting Rural Entrepreneurs.
- j. Cooperatives for Rural Industrialization.
- k. Cooperatives and the development of Agriculture and Allied Sectors.
- l. Digital Implications in Cooperatives.
- m. Any other topic relevant to the main theme.

Call for paper:

We cordially invite research papers from academicians, teachers, research scholars, students, social activists, members of cooperative societies, NGOs and from other persons interested in this field. Papers should be focused on any one of the themes written in either English or Assamese within 3000 words clearly mentioning the Title, Sub theme, Objective, Methodology, Findings and Conclusion. The paper should be neatly typed in MS-word, Times New Roman, Font size 12 with 1.5 spacing on A4 size paper. The abstract should be within 300 words. Authors are requested to submit the abstract and full paper through email id pkseminareconomics@gmail.com. The presentation of the papers should be on PPT mode. The authors are requested to mention their email-id, mobile (whatsapp) number and institutional affiliation.

Mode of Seminar

The Seminar will be in Offline Mode. However, there will be a provision for online presentation and participation for the participants from outside Assam. The details for online presentation will be given in time.

IMPORTANT DATES

- Date of Seminar: 21st and 22nd September, 2022.**
Last date of Abstract Submission: 25th August, 2022.
Last Date of full paper submission: 10th September, 2022.

Registration Fee (Non-Refundable)

Participation with papers

- (a) Faculty: Rs. 1200/-
- (b) Research Scholars: Rs. 800/-
- (c) Students: Rs. 500/-

Participation without paper : Rs 500/-

The registration fee can be remitted by way of demand draft in favour of the Principal, Pub Kamrup College payable at Baihata Chariali (Kamrup), Assam or can be deposited the money through NEFT using the account details mentioned below.

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Invitation

Respected Sir/Madam,

We are pleased to let you know that the Department of Economics, Pub Kamrup College is going to organize a national level seminar on "Cooperatives for Economic Development of North East India", sponsored by Indian Council of Social Science Research, North-East Regional Centre on 21st and 22nd September, 2022. The Seminar intends to provide a forum for scholars, researchers and academicians to interact and exchange views on this topic.

We therefore cordially invite you to actively participate and contribute research paper in the seminar and to make it grand success.

With regards-

Dr. Bhupen Kumar Sarma
Principal
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Mr Narayan Goswami
Chairman

Dr Khagen Das
Convener

ABOUT THE COLLEGE

Pub Kamrup College, located at Baihata Chariali, Kamrup, Assam is a premier institution of higher education affiliated to Gauhati University and Assam Science and Technology University. It is surrounded by Kamalpur Development Block, Bezera Development Block and Bihdia-Jajikona Development Block under the Kamrup District, Assam. Established in 1972 with the faculty of Arts, the college later introduced the faculty of science and at present it has also been offering vocational courses (B. Voc. in Food Processing and Quality Management, Software Development and System Administration) along with M.Sc. programmes in Physics, Zoology, Bio-physics, Computer Science and M. Voc (Food Processing and Quality Management) and some other professional courses like BBA, BCA. The college has already completed 2nd cycle of NAAC accreditation with CGPA 2.67 score.

LOCATION OF PUB KAMRUP COLLEGE

The college is about 27 km away from Jalukbari, Guwahati. It is situated at Baihata Chariali-Goreswar Road, 650 mtr away from the Baihata Chariali traffic point, the junction point of 31 and 52 no National Highways. The LGB International Airport is at a distance of 35 km from the college premises. As for railway conveyance, it is 20 km and 30 km away respectively from Rangiya and Kamakhya Junctions.

ABOUT THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

The department of Economics was established with the inception of the college on 21st August, 1972 with an objective of building up an atmosphere of higher education in Economics and to contribute in the process of social upliftment. The department was started with the introduction of two years Pre-University Course. The two years degree course was introduced from 1974. Thereafter Three Years Degree Course was introduced from 1985 under the guidelines of Gauhati University. The honours (major) in the subject was introduced in 1976. The department has started to offer courses under Choice based Credit System (CBCS) from 2019-20. Some remarkable achievements of the department are securing top position in B. Sc. (Economics) under Gauhati University, NET, SET and JRF as well as getting placement as cadres of Assam Govt.'s Civil services, Assistant Professors, Teachers etc., by alumnus in recent period.

ABOUT THE OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT REGISTRAR OF COOPERATIVE SOCIETIES, KAMRUP

The office of the Assistant Registrar of Cooperative Societies, Guwahati is a Sub-Divisional level office under the Cooperation Department, Govt. of Assam. The Office basically deals with organization and registration of different types of Cooperative Societies as per Assam Cooperative Societies Act, 2003 and conducts election of Board of Directors of these Cooperative Societies as per Assam Cooperative Election Rules, 2003. The office looks after the management and functioning of all types of cooperative societies and provides necessary guidelines from time to time. The office conducts awareness programme in the Sub-Division to form Cooperative Societies for self employment of local entrepreneurs. The office also issues money lender license to persons involved in money lending activities as per Assam Money Lending Act, 1934.

ABOUT THE SEMINAR

Formation of cooperatives may be considered as a potent tool for bringing about development at the grass-root level in a country like India where a majority of the population lives in rural areas with massive level of poverty and unemployment. As democratic organization and their economic orientation, cooperatives enable the poor and marginalized segments of the economy to participate in the process of translating the latent potential in to an actuality.

In a country like India, development has to be equitably spread. It justifies the development of the North Eastern Region at par with other developed states. However, experiences show that the North Eastern economy is still backward due to poor rate of capital formation and investment, lack of financial inclusion, small size of landholdings,

lack of entrepreneurial motivation, etc. Removal of these constraints has been considered as significant for the development of the North Eastern Region. The cooperative approach can surely be one way of collective action to overcome these constraints.

Cooperatives can play effective role in economic development by accomplishing the different developmental tasks. Shortage of credit is one of the important reasons for slow development of different sectors of the region. In North-East India, along with the other parts of the country, credit cooperative can be efficient tool for financial inclusion by distributing not only agricultural credit but also industrial credit. Cooperative is one of the nongovernmental reliable methods for accumulation of financial capital and work forces to set up industries.

Small size of landholdings or fragmented landholdings is an important reason behind traditional agriculture in North-East India. It results low productivity and growth. Cooperative farming may remove this bottleneck through consolidation of landholdings and scientific cultivation. Cooperatives can play effective role in industrial development and more especially in the development of rural agrobased industries not only by supplying industrial inputs but also by providing marketing opportunities. Cooperatives can play a great role in the development of fishery, horticulture and sericulture of the region.

Though North-Eastern region of India was the pioneer in cooperative movement, the contribution of cooperatives to the development of the region is far from satisfactory. It signifies the need to study the prospects and challenges of cooperatives with special reference to North-East India. Such type of study is sure to be effective for the policy makers to prepare the development strategies for the development of the region.

OBJECTIVES OF THE SEMINAR

This seminar has been organized to address the prospects and challenges of cooperatives for rural development along with the Government's policy initiatives to promote cooperatives. The main objective of the seminar is to chalk out policies and strategies for the development of the North-East Indian economy through the development of cooperatives.

MAIN THEME OF THE SEMINAR

Cooperatives for Economic Development of North East India

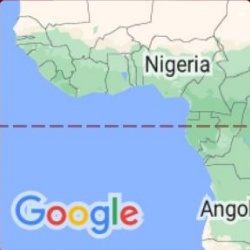
SUB THEMES

The Seminar papers are invited on the following sub themes-

- Philosophical Relevance of Cooperative in the context of Rural Development.
- Historical Review of the of the impact of Cooperative Movement in Rural Development



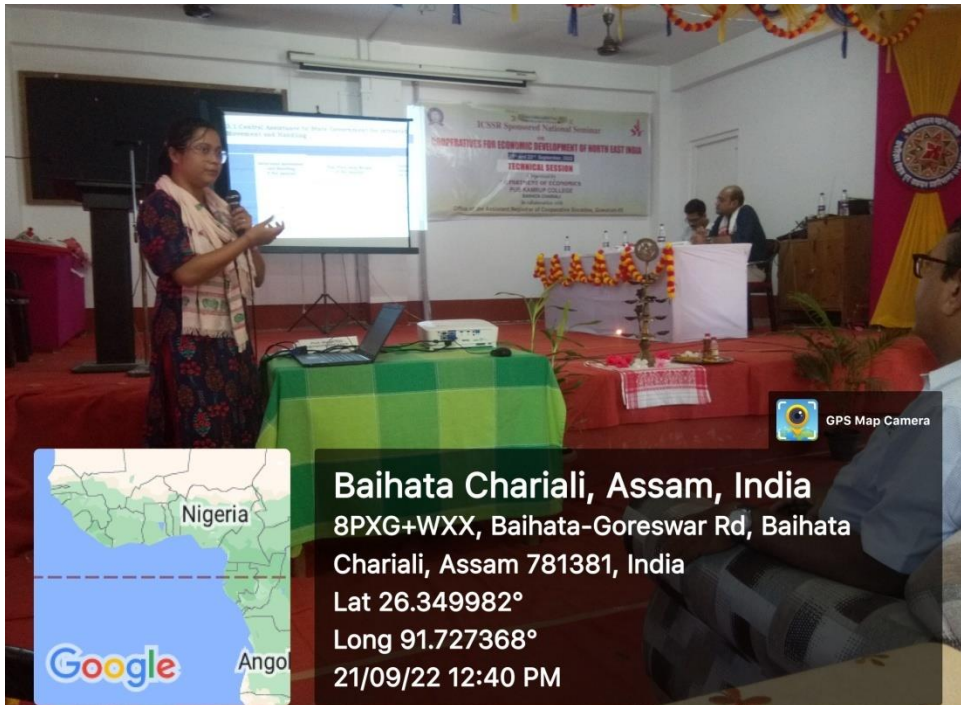




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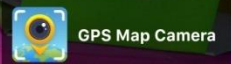
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