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Wisdom Tree..



Mount Everest is not only the highest peak in the world but an ultimate symbol of challenge and achievement. Everyone knows that the first people to climb Mount Everest were Sir Edmund Hillary and Sherpa Tenzing Norgay. But nobody knows that it was not their first attempt at scaling the world's highest peak. One day he looked at Mount Everest and said "I will come again and conquer you ! Because as a mountain you can not grow but as human I can !

My Faculty Friends, you are superman, being a teacher you are the architect of the society. Why not can we give an honest effort to get USTM in the list of 100 world class universities ? Yes, it is possible if we have a desire to make it. We must be Dreamer to achieve Excellence. Rightly Dr Kalam said "Dream is not that which you see while sleeping, it is something that does not let you sleep. Excellence is a continuous process and not an accident".

Mahbulul Hoque, Chancellor

Vice Chancellor Speaks..

Greetings of the season!

I am happy to inform all concerned, that the University of Science & Technology, Meghalaya, has held its first convocation on 22nd April 2016, 523 UG, PG & Ph.D degrees were awarded along with issue of 60 Gold medals to toppers in various disciplines. The university is trying its best, to achieve excellence in education, by adopting the best practices of the best universities of the world. The university made MoU for academic collaboration with top ranking Universities and institutions in India and abroad. My appeal to all faculty members to work hard and achieve excellence in academic and research taking the guidance of all these institutions. I am glad that Hon'ble Chairman of UGC Prof Ved prakash has visited USTM and addressed all the VC's of North East Universities. Hope in future more such dignitaries will visit USTM.

Dear all let us work together with a mission to make USTM a centre of excellence.

Dr. P.G.Rao, Vice Chancellor



USTM to Sign MoU with the University of Dhaka : A Ray of Hope in Building new corridor for Collaboration....

University of Science & Technology, Meghalaya (USTM) is going to sign a MoU with the most prestigious and oldest universities of Asia, the University of Dhaka, Bangladesh (UDB) on May 12, 2016 at UDB campus.

This MoU will expand the opportunities for both the universities to work jointly for the common interests in developing bilateral relations and convinced that cooperation between institutes of higher education and research contributes to cultural enrichment, scientific progress, and consolidation of friendship between Bangladesh and north eastern region of India. The collaboration will help USTM to take guidance time to time from UDB for overall development of academic, research and work culture. The MoU will be a ray of hope in building new corridors for future collaborations.

Legacy the University of Dhaka

The University of Dhaka is the oldest university in modern Bangladesh. Established during the British Raj in 1921, it has been a significant contributor to the modern history of Bangladesh. Today, it is the largest public university in Bangladesh, with a student body of 33,000 and a faculty of 1,800. It is ranked among one of the top 100 universities in Asia.

The university's distinguished alumni include Fazlur Rahman Khan (pioneer of modern structural engineering), Muhammad Yunus (winner of the 2006 Nobel Peace Prize, pioneer of Microcredit), Muhammad Shahidullah (Famous educator, philologist and linguist), Rehman Sobhan (social democratic economist), Mohammad Ataul Karim (physicist), Abul Fateh (one of the founding fathers of South Asian diplomacy), Buddhadeb Bose (20th century Bengali poet) and Sheikh Mujibur Rahman (the founding father of Bangladesh). It also enjoyed the associations with Satyendra Nath Bose, Vijayaraghavan and Kazi Nazrul Islam.

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Convocation-2016 held successfully

The first convocation of University of Science and Technology, Meghalaya was held on 22nd April, 2016 amidst enthusiasm of students, parents and University fraternity. The convocation was held to confer Graduation, Post-Graduation and PhD degrees to students who had passed out in the years, 2013, 2014, 2015. The convocation was held at the Techno City, USTM.

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Recipients of Gold Medal



Hon'ble Governor of Meghalaya delivering the Convocation Address



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Convocation-2016

The Hon'ble Governor of Meghalaya and Visitor of the University Shri V. Shanmuganathan conferred the degrees and delivered the convocation address. A total of 534 passed out students received their Bachelor's and Master's Degree while lone scholar Shri Siddique Ali Ahmed was awarded PhD Degree in School of Biological Science.

In the first convocation of the University Honorary Doctorate Degrees were awarded to Shri J.M. Lyngdoh, former Chief Election Commissioner of India and Maulana Tayebur Rahman Barbhuiya, Ameer-e-Shariat, North East India in recognition of their outstanding achievement and contribution for greater good of the Society. In the Convocation eighty students were decorated with Gold Medals in recognition of their brilliant performance. The convocation was attended by luminaries from different parts of India and the world.



North East Graduate Congress-2016



Shri R.S. Mooshahary, Former Governor of Meghalaya addressing the participant students

The 3rd North East Graduate Congress, an ERDF initiative and the only graduate congress in the country was participated by more than six thousand five hundred students from more than two hundred colleges of the North Eastern region besides three thousand five hundred students of University of Science and Technology-Meghalaya (USTM) & Regional Institute of Science & Technology (RIST) from 26th to 28th February, 2016. Organised by USTM in association with RIST, these three days programme was aimed to enhance all-round development and bring out capabilities of the future graduates through various life skill processes to bring out their inherent capabilities and expose them to various opportunities.



Inauguration of NEGC-2016

Eminent academicians, internationally acclaimed motivational speakers and distinguished personalities addressed the three days youth congress. The worth mentioning names are, Former Chief Minister of Delhi Smt. Sheila Dikshit, former Governor of Meghalaya, Shri R S Mooshahary, Honourable Vice-Chancellor of National Law University & Judiciary Academy Prof Vijendra Kumar and many more.

Workshop on Initiative Towards Building Model Villages In NE



The University of Science & Technology, Meghalaya and National Institute of Rural development & Panchayat Raj - NERC conducted a 2 days workshop on initiative towards building model villages in NE India which was held at NIRDPR-NERC and USTM respectively on 11th & 12th March 2016.

International Social Work day celebrated



The 'International Social Work Day' was celebrated at University of Science & Technology, Meghalaya (USTM) organised by the Department of Social Work with the daylong colourful event. To mark the day, eminent social workers, Fr Lukose Cheruvalil, Founder Director, Snehalya & Member, JJB, Kamrup and Ms. Hasina Karbhii, Founder Director, IMPULSE Network, Shillong were given the 'Social Work Excellence Award - 2016' by USTM.

International Women's Day



Under the aegis of Women's Cell of University of Science and Technology, Meghalaya (USTM), RIST and ERDF, a rally was organized to create mass awareness to achieve the International Women's Day theme 'Planet 50-50- Stepping up for Gender parity' at Last gate, Guwahati on March 8, 2016.

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The University of Dhaka has a distinct contribution in Indian society. There are noted personalities from India like Shri Ashok Mitra, eminent political leader, Shri Buddadev Basu, a renowned author, Dr Moidul Islam Bora, the first Ph. D of Assam, the famous historian and academician Dr Debobrata Dutta and many other legendary people are the alumni's of this historic university, which has immense contribution in the development of Indian society.

UGC Chairman with VC's of North East India at USTM



The Hon'ble Chairman of University Grants Commission, New Delhi, Prof Ved Prakash had addressed the Vice-Chancellors of Central, State as well as

Private Universities and Principals of few prominent colleges of North East region through an Interactive Session organized by University of Science & Technology, Meghalaya on 11th March, 2016. Prof Ved Prakash remarked that in his entire career it is his first visit to a private university. He expressed his satisfaction by seeing the dedication, vision and growth of USTM and remarked that soon it would be one of the best universities of India.



COLLABORATIONS

Mission USTM in the Path of Progress... Following the footsteps of Institutions of Excellence...

The University of Science & Technology, Meghalaya has a vision to take the University to greater heights and become the centre of academic brilliance. To achieve this goal, USTM is joining hands from time to time with the top ranking national and internationally acclaimed universities of repute for guidance and support. The following are the names of the institutions and universities with whom USTM has MoU's and collaboration.

USTM Signs MoU with Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi

A MoU has been signed between Jamia Milia Islamia University, New Delhi (JMI) and the University of Science and Technology, Meghalaya (USTM). The MoU was signed by Prof. Talat Ahmad, Vice-Chancellor, JMI on behalf of Jamia Milia Islamia University and Shri Mahbubul Hoque, Chancellor, USTM, on behalf of University of Science and Technology, Meghalaya in the Office of the Vice Chancellor JMI, New Delhi on May, 5th 2016



USTM Signs MoU with Tezpur University

A MoU has been signed between Tezpur University and the University of Science and Technology, Meghalaya (USTM) on December 13, 2014. The MoU was signed by Prof. Amarjyoti Choudhury, Pro- Vice Chancellor, TU, on behalf Tezpur University and Dr P G Rao, Vice Chancellor, USTM, on behalf of University of Science and Technology, Meghalaya in presence of high officials of both the universities. Tezpur University recently bagged the "Visitor's Best University Award" and ranked 5th among all Indian Universities in NIRF ranking by Ministry of HRD Govt. of India.

USTM Signs MoU with JNU, New Delhi

A MoU has been signed between Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU) and the University of Science and Technology, Meghalaya (USTM) in New Delhi. The MoU was signed by Prof. S. K. Sopory, Vice-Chancellor, JNU, New Delhi on behalf of Jawaharlal Nehru University and Shri Mahbubul Hoque, Chancellor, USTM, on behalf of University of Science and Technology, Meghalaya in presence of high officials of JNU & Prof Akhtar Siddique, former Chairman, NCTE in the Office of the Vice-Chancellor, JNU on the 25th of January, 2016.



USTM Signs MoU with Gauhati University

A MoU has been signed between Gauhati University (GU), the oldest state University in the North East region of India and the University of Science and Technology, Meghalaya (USTM). The MoU was signed by Dr. Mridul Hazarika, Vice-Chancellor, Gauhati University on behalf of Gauhati University and Shri Mahbubul Hoque, Chancellor, USTM, on behalf of University of Science and Technology, Meghalaya in the Office of the Registrar, Gauhati University on April, 7th 2016.



MoU Signing : Mr. M Hoque, Chancellor USTM & Prof. N V Deshpande, Director of NIT, Silchar in presence of Dr. P G Rao, VC, USTM



MoU Signing : Dr. Tirka Widanti, Sr. Lecturer, UNR-Indonesia and Dr. P.G. Rao, Vice Chancellor, USTM



MoU Signing : Prof. Liaquat Ali, VC Bangladesh University of Health Sciences & Mr. M Hoque, Chancellor USTM



MoU Signing : Dr. Bibhab Kr. Talukdar CEO & Secy. General of Aaranyak & Dr. P.G Rao, VC, USTM



MoU Signing : Dr. R M Pant, Director, NIRDPR-NERC & Dr R K Sharma, Pro Vice Chancellor, USTM



MoU Signing : MoU signed with Dr. S. Sudhakar, Director, NESAC and Dr. R.K. Sharma, Pro Vice Chancellor, USTM



MoU Signing : Dr. S Gangopadhyay, Director, CSIR-CRRI & Mr. M. Hoque, Chancellor, USTM.

Secretary General, Association of Indian Universities visited USTM



Prof. Furqan Qamar, Secretary General of Association of Indian Universities (AIU) had visited USTM on the 2nd of January, 2016 and interacted with the entire faculty members in presence of the high level officials of the University. He was very much pleased to see the rapid growth of USTM within a short span of time. Recently, USTM has been given membership of AIU.

Few Eminent Visitors at USTM in recent past



Dr APJ Abdul Kalam
Former President of India



Shri V. Shanmuganathan
Hon'ble Governor of Meghalaya



Prof Ved Prakash
Hon'ble Chairman,
UGC, New Delhi



Shri Kiren Rijiju
Union Minister of Home
Affairs, India



Shri Jyoti Prasad Rajkhowa
Hon'ble Governor,
Arunachal Pradesh



Shri R.S. Mooshahary
Former Governor of
Meghalaya



Smt. Sheila Dikshit
Former CM, Delhi



Dr. Najma Heptulla
Union Minister
of Minority Affairs



Dr Mukul Sangma
Chief Minister of Meghalaya



Shri Tarun Gogoi
Chief Minister, Assam



Dr. D.D. Lapang
Former CM, Meghalaya



Dr. Donkumar Roy
Former CM, Meghalaya

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Prof. Talat Ahmad
VC, Jamia Millia Islamia



Prof. Mihir Kanti Chaudhuri
VC, Tezpur University



Prof. S.K. Sopory
VC, JNU, New Delhi



Dr. Dhruba J. Saikia
VC, Cotton College State University



Dr. Mridul Hazarika
VC, Gauhati University



Dr. P.K. Goswami
VC, Assam Science & Technology University



Prof. Sanjay Deshmukh
VC, University of Mumbai



Prof. Bolin Kumar Konwar
VC, Nagaland University



Dr. K. M. Bujarbarua
VC, Assam Agri. University



Padmabhusan Dr. Ashish Dutta
Former VC, JNU, New Delhi



Prof. A. K. Buragohain
VC, Dibrugarh University



Dr. U.C. Sarma
VC, SSUHS, Guwahati



Prof. Mushahid Husain
VC, MJP Rohilkhand University



Prof. G. D. Sharma
VC, Bilaspur Vishwavidyalaya Chhattisgarh



Prof. S.K. Srivastava
VC, NEHU, Shillong



Prof. Mohd Istiaque
VC, Magadh University

Governor of Meghalaya presented the Honorary D.Litt



The University of Science and Technology Meghalaya (USTM) awarded the Honorary Degree of D.Litt. to Sri James Michael Lyngdoh, the former Chief Election Commissioner of India & Maulana Tayebur Rahman Barbhuiya, a social reformer and religious leader by the Hon'ble Governor of Meghalaya and Visitor of the University Shri V. Shanmuganathan in the first Convocation of the university on April 22, 2016. The award was ceremonially handed over by the Governor in presence of the distinguished guests like, Prof. Mohammed Istiyaque, VC of Magadh University,



Prof. Sanjay Deshmukh, VC, Mumbai University; Prof SK. Srivastava, VC, NEHU; Prof.G.D Sharma, VC Bilaspur University; Dr. M. A. Lyngdoh, Minister of Science and Technology Meghalaya, Shri Donkumar Roy, the former Chief Minister of Meghalaya, Dr.D.T. Khating, Founding VC, Central University of Jharkhand; Dr. Alexander P. Hansen, Director, German Research Foundation.

Varsity Week - 2016



University of Science & Technology, Meghalaya celebrated the Varsity Week 2016 from 18th April to 22nd April 2016. The inauguration ceremony was conducted in the beautiful Square of the University by hoisting the flag. The honor was done by Dr. P. G. Rao, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, University of Science & Technology, Meghalaya.

The sprawling campus became alive with the cheering of students and participation in various Competitions – Race, Shot Put, Long Jump, Discus Throw, Cricket, Volleyball, Carom, Chess, Table- Tennis, Arm Wrestling, Kabaddi, Football, Tug- of –War, Singing, Dancing, Spot Write Up, Poem Recitation, Debate, Quiz, Photography, Painting, Rangoli and Mehendi. All the faculty members from all the schools of the University volunteered to make the event a great success.

The Former Chief Justice of India addressed the NLGC-2016

The first ever North East Law Graduates' Conclave (NLGC) 2016, an initiative of ERD Foundation and the only law graduate conclave in the country was held on March 16, 2016 organized by the University School of Law and Research(USLR) under the aegis of University of Science and Technology, Meghalaya (USTM) at Techno City campus. During the inaugural session the former Chief Justice of India, Justice AM Ahmadi was present as the Chief Guest along with four former judges of High Court.



Faculty Development Program sponsored by NSTEDB, DST, Govt of India, New Delhi

A Faculty Development Program sponsored by NSTEDB, DST, Govt of India, New Delhi, organized in association with Entrepreneurship Development Institute (EDI) of India was conducted at USTM from March 26, 2016 which will continue till April 9, 2016. Shri K Ahmed, Head Eastern Regional Office, EDI India has inaugurated the program and took interactive sessions for the faculty members of USTM.

Homage to PA Sangma Former Speaker, India

The Honourable Chancellor, USTM and the Chairman, ERD Foundation along with the entire ERDF family consisting of all constituent institutions, express profound grief & shock at the sudden demise of the former Speaker of Lok Sabha P. A. Sangma. Students, Faculties, Deans & high officials of University of Science & Technology, Meghalaya (USTM) & Regional Institute of Science & Technology (RIST), paid homage & prayed to the almighty.

ERD Foundation, Guwahati & NIT, Silchar organizes Mega Science & Innovation Fair

ERDF has taken initiatives to promote innovation and entrepreneurship development amongst the rural students of greater Barak Valley by organizing a mega Science & Innovation Fair in association with National Institute of Technology (NIT) Silchar at Central Public School, Badarpur on 12th of February, 2016. Prof. NV Deshpande, Director, NIT, Silchar addressed the event.



USTM team met PM, Bangladesh



A six member delegation led by Dr Alaka Sarma, Dean Students Welfare, USTM & Prof. ANS Ahmed met the Prime Minister of Bangladesh, Shrimati Sheikh Hasina, with the view to strengthen people to people bonding and clear out misunderstandings among the citizens of two neighboring countries recently at her Gana Bhaban residence in Dhaka.



Cultural Procession during North East Graduate Congress (NEGC) 2016 at USTM

Courses @ USTM

UG COURSES

BSc Electronics
BSc Biotechnology
BSc Food Science *
BA Sociology
BA Social Work
BA English
BA Economics
BA Psychology
BCom
BBA
BCA

B.Ed

Approved by NCTE

BA LLB & LLB

Approved by BCI

PG COURSES

MSc Biotechnology
MSc Chemistry
MSc Zoology
MSc Botany
MSc Env. Science
MSc Electronics
MA English
MA Sociology
MA Public Administration
MA Political Science
MA Rural Development
MA/MSc Geography

MSc Wildlife
MSc Mathematics
MSc Physics
MA Education
MLISc
MCom
MCA
MSW

MBA

Approved by AICTE, New Delhi

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Diploma in Medical Radiographic Technology **
Diploma in Medical Laboratory Technology **

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Union Home Minister Shri K. Rijiju inaugurated the Social Science Block



Shri Kiren Rijiju, the Hon'ble Union Minister of States for Home Affairs had inaugurated the Social Science Block of USTM while on his visit to the university recently. Shri Kiren Rijiju interacted with the students especially the large number students of Arunachal Pradesh studying at USTM and RIST.

Food Science Lab Inaugurated



The Hon'ble Chairman of University Grants Commission, New Delhi, Prof. Ved Prakash on his recent visit at USTM inaugurated the Food Science Technology Laboratory of the university.



Cultural Procession during National Social Service Scheme Festival(NSS) at USTM



Aligarh Muslim University (AMU) has selected USTM as the regional centre of North east India for conducting the entrance examination.

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