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Title of Event: *World Anthropology Day, 2025*

Date: 20-02-2025

Time: 11:00 AM **Venue:** Madhusudan Ojah Memorial Conference Hall, G-Block

Names of Guest of Honour with designations and affiliations: Prof. Mini Bhattacharyya Thakur, Department of Anthropology, Gauhati University

Names of Invited Guests with designations and affiliations: Dr. Manoj Kumar Mahanta, Principal; Dr. Nandini Sarmah, Vice Principal; Dr. Chitralkha Baruah, Independent Consultant and faculty members from various departments of Pragjyotish College

No. of Participants: Faculty members: **16** Students: **54**

Brief description of the activity/ event: The Department of Anthropology celebrated World Anthropology Day on 20th February, 2025 with two invited talks and different programmes. The programme started with the Lightening of the lamp followed by felicitation of the guests. The Inaugural Address was delivered by Dr. Manoj Kumar Mahanta, Principal; followed by the Welcome Address by Dr. Mayuri Borkataky, Head, Department of Anthropology. The programme was graced by Dr. Nandini Sarmah, Vice Principal who congratulated the department on the celebration. Prof. Mini Bhattacharyya Thakur from Gauhati University was felicitated as the prominent Anthropologist for her contribution towards the field of Anthropology especially towards Urban Anthropology. She delivered the talk on '*Urban Anthropology, it's Significance and Future Prospects*' which was wonderfully crafted with information from the inception of Urban Anthropology up to emerging developments in the field in the 21st century.

The second talk was delivered by Dr. Chitralkha Baruah, an alumnus of Cotton College and Gauhati University who is currently engaged as Independent Consultant on Gender and Development. She spoke about Feminist Anthropology, Feminist Anthropologist and their contributions. It was a thought provoking talk with engagements from inception to current research works.

The Department also organized Extempore Speech and Spot Drawing Competitions among the students of the Department on 19th February, 2025 as a pre-event to the Celebration. 19 students participated in the Extempore Speech Competition and 18 students participated in the Spot Drawing Competition. The winners were awarded with Prizes and Certificates and E-certificates were given to the participants.

The day also saw celebration through singing of the Anthropology Song by the students of the Department, playing of the video prepared by the students and dance performance by the girls of the department.



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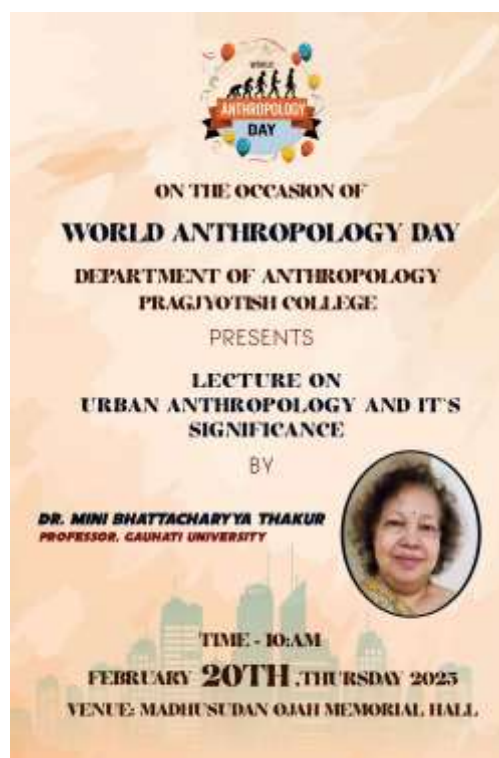
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Mrs. Pankhi Sarma delivered the vote of thanks for the programme which was anchored by Dr. Gangotri Bhuyan

Outcome of the activity/ event: World Anthropology Day is celebrated every year on the 3rd Thursday of February to celebrate the discipline of Anthropology, to share anthropology with the world, to honour the works of anthropologists and to promote understanding and diversity.

With the Theme of the Year being 'Celebrating Anthropology', the department of Anthropology tried to engage the students and the faculty members of the College into understanding the discipline, its significance and future prospects through the Invited Talks. The students participated in various competitions as well interacted with the Invited speakers to get information about the discipline and its prospects. The students were benefitted and inspired to take forward the works of the earlier Anthropologists and pave way for new research.

Photo 1: Brochure of the Event





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Photo 2: Brochure of the Competition



Photo 3: Inauguration of the Program





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Photo 4: Glimpses of the Program



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**SPOT DRAWING
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