**Institutional Distinctiveness**

**Margherita College** is a centre of learning for higher education in the Tinsukia District of Assam, affiliated to Dibrugarh University. The mission of the College is the empowerment of the entire locality which extends to the boundary of Arunachal Pradesh including the tribal areas of Tirap, Ketetong and Vitar Powai and the numerous settlements of tea-tribe communities scattered all over this area. Apart from engaging in teaching and learning at the institution, the college also engages with the local communities to create awareness on various matters. The institution is located very close to the Dehing Patkai wildlife sanctuary. The college has organized several activities with local communities creating awareness on environmental sustainability, preservation of wildlife.

Under the Social responsibility, we organize career counselling for students in the locality. One of the off campus academic co-ordination programmes organised by us is the “What after School” programme. The motto of this programme is to generate awareness among both the high school and higher secondary school students. The basic goal of the programme is to inform, motivate and counsel students so that they can choose proper courses and career in future.

Apart for these programmes the college has been trying the utmost to conduct the co-curricular activities to promote the students in their hidden abilities. We at the institutional level also is to motivate students to understand social exclusion and marginalization and instil in them a sense of social responsibility to engage in service to the community. The NSS (National Social Service) cell also plays an active role in this regard. The students are engaged in community service which equip the students with skills, attitudes and knowledge to work with the poor and needy.

The motto of the college is “Knowledge is Power” and the institution has contributed immensely to raise academic, social, economic and philosophical aspects of society. The college is contributing positively in the public and private sector. The academic fraternity of the college organized various academic and non-academic programmes to enrich both the students and the faculties of the institution. Few of those programs organized by the college during the period of 2020-2021 are as follows:

1. World Environment Day is observed at Margheruta college premises on 5.6.2020 at the initiation of SDO (Civil) and District Sports Association in coordination with NSS. All the participants of NSS and ECO Club have taken part in the event. Hon’ble MLA, Mr. Bhaskar Sharma inaugurated the programme and SDPO (Margherita Subdivision was also remained as a part of it.
2. Workshop on **Ecobrick & its Importance** organized by NSS, Margherita College on 19.12.2020 at conference Hall on the theme protect environment by not using plastics. Resource persons were Dr. J.P. Debnath Mr. Proban gogoi & Mr. Biswajit. Teacher particpants 20 students 150
3. **NSS** initiated a Cleanliness Drive inside & outside the college campus on 17.02.21. as a regular practice. The objective of the programme was to generate a sense of responsibility among the volunteers. Participants were around 25, Teacher 03.