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Message from Vice-Chancellor



Dear All,

Presenting the Sikkim University Annual Report for the year 2024- 25 is a great joy for me. In addition to documenting our accomplishments, this report serves as a testament to the perseverance, passion, and commitment of our instructors, staff, and students to the pursuit of excellence.

For our institution, the past year has been one of expansion, innovation, and change. To better prepare our students for the problems of the global community, we have persisted in enhancing academic programs, growing research projects, and encouraging interdisciplinary learning. Through important research, publications, and partnerships, our faculty has made a substantial contribution that has improved the university's standing as a centre of innovation and knowledge.

The National Education Policy (NEP) 2020's implementation has been a major feature of this year. We have implemented changes in curriculum design, transdisciplinary learning, skill development, and credit-based systems, all of which are driven by the goal of comprehensive and adaptable education. In order to ensure inclusivity and accessibility for all students, efforts have been made to include technology, innovation, and research into the teaching-learning process. A learner-centric academic ecosystem that is in line with the goals of the country is being paved by these initiatives.

We will continue to prioritize creating an atmosphere that encourages innovation, critical thinking, and moral leadership as we go forward. I want to express my profound gratitude to every member of the university community whose diligence and commitment have enabled this advancement. With sustained collaboration and dedication, I have no doubt that we will achieve more success in the years to come.

I also congratulate the editorial committee for compiling the year's Annual Report headed by Prof. V. Krishna Ananth, Prof. T.J.M.S. Raju, Dr. Ajay Triapthi, Dr. Bidhan Golay, Dr. Charisma Karthak Lepcha, Dr. Saswati Saha and Mrs. Kunjini Prakash Darnal.

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1. SIKKIM UNIVERSITY: AN OVERVIEW

Sikkim University, established in 2007, is a central university located in Gangtok, the capital city of the North Eastern state of Sikkim, India. The university is renowned for its unique academic approach, which integrates local culture and global perspectives, catering to the needs of the region while preparing students to face global challenges. Situated in a region known for its biodiversity, cultural diversity, and strategic geopolitical location, Sikkim University plays a vital role in contributing to the academic, cultural, and economic development of the North Eastern part of India. The nearest airport and railway station are Bagdogra and New Jalpaiguri, respectively.

Historical Background

The establishment of Sikkim University was a part of the central government's efforts to improve higher education in the North Eastern Region, where educational infrastructure had historically been underdeveloped. The university was set up by an Act of Parliament and functions under the Ministry of Education, Government of India. Its location in Gangtok, amidst the Himalayan mountains, presents a unique environment for both research and learning.

The university began with a few undergraduate and postgraduate courses but has since expanded its academic offerings significantly. From its humble beginnings, it has grown into a full-fledged institution offering a wide array of disciplines, including the natural and social sciences, humanities, and environmental studies. Despite being a relatively young university, Sikkim University has made significant strides in terms of academic development, infrastructure, and student enrolment.

Vision and Mission

Sikkim University envisions itself as an institution that fosters academic excellence through quality teaching, research, and community engagement. Its mission is to promote inclusive development by integrating education with the cultural and ecological richness of the region, particularly focusing on the socio-economic and political challenges of North Eastern India.

The university's goals emphasize addressing the needs of marginalized communities, promoting sustainable development, and preparing students for careers in an increasingly globalized world. Sikkim University aspires to produce graduates who not only excel in their respective fields but also contribute to the betterment of society. The motto of Sikkim University is "Quest Knowledge Wisdom."

Campus and Infrastructure

Sikkim University's campus is currently spread over several locations in Gangtok, with plans underway for a consolidated and modern campus at Yangang, a town located about 50 kilometers from the capital. This new campus is envisioned to be eco-friendly and sustainable, aligning with the state's strong emphasis on environmental conservation and sustainability. The project is expected to significantly enhance the university's capacity to accommodate more students and expand research facilities.

The current temporary campuses are equipped with essential infrastructure, including libraries, laboratories, and hostels. The university's library, although modest, has a growing collection of books, journals, and electronic resources, catering to the academic needs of its diverse student body.

Visitor and Chief Rector

Shrimati Droupadi Murmu, Hon'ble President of India, is the Visitor of the University.

Shri Om Prakash Mathur, Hon'ble Governor of Sikkim, is the Chief Rector of the University.

Academic Programs

Sikkim University offers undergraduate, postgraduate, and doctoral programs in a variety of disciplines. The courses are designed to balance theoretical knowledge with practical applications, ensuring that students are well-prepared for both academic and professional careers. The Sikkim University conducts the academic and research programmes through its 33 Departments of Studies, grouped in 6 schools of studies, as mentioned below:

1. **School of Social Sciences:** This faculty offers courses in Economics, Sociology, Political Science, Peace and Conflict Studies & Management, History, and International Relations. Given Sikkim's location at the intersection of India, China, and Nepal, the study of geopolitics and international relations holds particular significance.
2. **School of Life Sciences:** This school focuses on biological sciences, including Microbiology, Horticulture, Botany, and Zoology. Sikkim's rich biodiversity provides a living laboratory for students and researchers in these fields, making it a key area of study at

the university.

3. **School of Languages and Literature:** The university promotes the study of local languages like Nepali, Lepcha, Limbu and Bhutia, along with English, Hindi, and Chinese languages. This promotes cultural preservation and strengthens the linguistic diversity of the region.
4. **School of Physical Sciences:** This school includes courses in Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics, Computer application, Geology and Environmental Sciences and is offered to foster scientific research and innovation.
5. **School of Human Sciences:** Psychology, Anthropology, and Geography. Human Sciences are integrated into the curriculum to offer insights into human behaviour and society, particularly in the context of the Himalayan region and other parts of the world.
6. **School of Professional Studies:** Commerce, Management, Tourism, Music, Education and Library and Information Science. This school trains students in business administration, accounting, and entrepreneurship, offering them the skills to contribute to the region's economic development.

The university places a strong emphasis on interdisciplinary studies, encouraging students to explore areas that combine scientific, cultural, and social dimensions.

Research and Development

Research is a key focus at Sikkim University, and the institution actively promotes research that addresses local issues while contributing to broader academic debates. Given the state's unique environment, research on topics such as sustainable development, biodiversity conservation, and the impact of climate change is particularly prominent.

Sikkim University has initiated various projects that are funded by national and international agencies. Collaborations with research institutions and universities across India and the world enhance the scope and impact of the university's research initiatives. The university is also in the process of establishing research centres focused on Himalayan studies, environmental conservation, and regional development.

Student Life and Cultural Integration

Sikkim University's student body is diverse, with students hailing not only from Sikkim and the North Eastern states of India but also from other parts of the country. The university fosters a vibrant cultural environment where students from different backgrounds interact, learn, and grow together. Various cultural, academic, and sports events are organized throughout the year to promote holistic development.

The university also provides opportunities for students to engage in community service and outreach programs, which are integral to its mission of fostering inclusive development. Sikkim University encourages its students to work closely with local communities, addressing issues like rural development, health, and education.

Strength of the University:

- Academically qualified faculty members from different parts of the country (more than 21 states). Students from various regions of the country and other countries on competitive basis.
- Several UGC-NET/ICAR-NET/SLET/GATE qualified students
- Team spirit, hierarchy-free, and vibrant work culture, and practicing an e-governance system.
- Well-developed Central Library with 55970 hard books, 3136 e-books, 1178 Braille books, 8954 e-journals, Encyclopedia-306 (e and hard copies), and 569 theses and dissertations.
- Well-equipped science laboratories in schools of Life Sciences and Physical Sciences.
- Average total annual publications of research papers/books/book chapters: 286
- Total number of ongoing research projects: 76 from various funding agencies.
- Region-based Research: Metataxonomic, metagenomics and health benefits of fermented foods, glacier and hot spring microbiology, epidemiological studies on dengue, oral history, customary laws, cross-border trade, medicinal plants, bioresource product development, organic farming, including saffron cultivation, eco-tourism, history of Sikkim and

Darjeeling hills; history of unsung heroes, anganwadi beneficiaries, climate change, policy research, elementary to high educations, etc.

Challenges and Opportunities

While Sikkim University has made significant progress in the years since its establishment, it faces certain challenges, such as infrastructural limitations and the need for further faculty development. The remote location and logistical difficulties of the region can sometimes impede access to resources and opportunities for both students and staff.

However, these challenges are coupled with unique opportunities. Sikkim, being a state rich in natural resources and cultural diversity, provides an ideal setting for research and education in areas like environmental science, sustainable development, and cultural studies. The state's commitment to organic farming and eco-tourism also opens avenues for specialized academic programs and research projects.

The ongoing development of the new campus at Yangang is expected to mitigate many of the current infrastructural challenges. Once completed, this campus will not only enhance the university's capacity but will also help it attract more students, faculty, and research collaborations from around the world.

Sikkim University represents a crucial step in the advancement of higher education in North Eastern India. By integrating global academic standards with a focus on local culture and environment, the university is helping to create a new generation of scholars and professionals who are equipped to address both regional and global challenges.

As it continues to grow and develop, Sikkim University is poised to become a leading centre of academic excellence in the region, contributing to the socio-economic development of Sikkim and its neighboring states. With its focus on sustainability, cultural preservation, and academic rigor, the university is a beacon of hope for the future of higher education in the North Eastern part of India.

AFFILIATED COLLEGES

- 1) **Nar Bahadur Bhandari Degree College**, Tadong, East Sikkim - 737102
- 2) **Namchi Government College**, Namchi, Kamrang, South Sikkim-737126
- 3) **Sikkim Government B.Ed College**, Soreng, West Sikkim- 737121
- 4) **Sikkim Government College**, Burtuk, Gangtok, East Sikkim 737101
- 5) **Damber Singh College**, 6th Mile, Samdur, Tadong-737102
- 6) **Harkamaya College of Education**, 6th Mile Tadong-737102
- 7) **Sikkim Government Law College**, Burtuk, Gangtok, East Sikkim-737102
- 8) **Government College Rhenock, Rungdung, East Sikkim**
- 9) **Sikkim Government College**, Gyalshing, West Sikkim -737102
- 10) **Loyola College of Education**, Namchi, South Sikkim-737126
- 11) **Himalayan Pharmacy Institute**, Majitar, Rangpo, East Sikkim- 737136
- 12) **Sikkim Govt. Science College**, Chakung, West Sikkim
- 13) **Government Vocational College**, Dentam, West Sikkim
- 14) **Namgyal Institute of Tibetology**, Gangtok, East Sikkim
- 15) **Sikkim Institute of Science and Technology**, Chisopani, South Sikkim
- 16) **Government Pharmacy College**, Sajong, Rumtek, East Sikkim
- 17) **Sikkim Government College of Nursing**, Sochakgang, Gangtok, East Sikkim.
- 18) **Government Arts College**, Mangshila, North Sikkim, Mangshia, North Sikkim

COURT OF THE UNIVERSITY

Sl. No.	Functionary	Position
1	Chancellor, Sikkim University	Ex-officio Chairperson
2	Vice-Chancellor, Sikkim University	Ex-officio Member
3	Dr. Sankar Nath Mukhopadhyay, Chancellor, Techno Global University Shillong, Meghalaya	Member
4	Dr. Sujit Kumar Ghosh, Chairman Maulana AbulKalam Azad Institute of Asian Studies Kolkata, W.B.	Member
5	Dr. Padma Subramanyam Director, Nriyodaya Chennai, Tamil Nadu	Member
6	Prof. Tamo Mibang, Vice-Chancellor Rajiv Gandhi University Rono Hills, Arunachal Pradesh	Member
7	Prof. Kailash Chandra Sharma Vice-Chancellor, Kurukshetra University Kurukshetra, Haryana	Member
8	Prof. Adya Prasad Pandey, Vice-Chancellor Manipur University Imphal, Manipur	Member
9	Prof. G.P. Prasain, Professor Department of Commerce Manipur University Imphal, Manipur	Member
10	Maj. Gen. Ashok Kumar Sen Educationist & HRM&D Kolkata, West Bengal	Member
11	Sh. Sukamal Chandra Basu, Former Chairman & Managing Director, Bank of Maharashtra Thane, Maharashtra	Member
12	Prof. Binayak S. Choudhury Professor, Department of Mathematics Indian Institute of Engineering Science and Technology, Shilpur, Howrah, W.B.	Member

13	Dr. Sarup Prasad Ghosh Director, Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Institute of Asian Studies Kolkata	Member
14	Prof. Padmakar Tripathi Former Registrar and Dean, College of Agriculture Acharya Narendra Deva University of Agriculture & Technology Faizabad, U.P.	Member
15	Prof. Achintya Biswas Professor, Department of Bengali Jadavpur University Kolkata, W.B.	Member
16	Prof. Nikhilesh Guha, Former Professor, Department of History Kalyani University Kalyani, W.B.	Member
17	Dr. Pranav Kumar Chatterjee Former Director, Directorate of State Archives Govt. of West Bengal Kolkata, W.B.	Member
18	Prof. Ramesh K. Gautam Professor, Department of Hindi University of Delhi, Delhi	Member
19	Dr. Dhanpat Ram Agarwal Economist & Financial Analyst Kolkata, W.B.	Member
20	Prof. Balvant Jani Former Vice-Chancellor Hemchandracharya North University Rajkot, Gujarat	Member
21	Dr. Nagaraja Rao Havaldar Hindustani Classical Vocalist Sanada Art Foundation Bengaluru, Karnataka	Member
22	Sh. Sonam Lhendup General Secretary Himalayan Buddhist Cultural Association Delhi	Member

23	Dr. Amitabh Mishra Neuro Surgeon & Proprietor Sanjeevani Neuro & Multi Speciality Hospital Siliguri, W.B.	Member
24	Sh. H.B. Kazmi Secretary, Yadgar-E-Husaini Society Allahabad, U.P.	Member
25	Dr. Vishesh Kumar Gupta, Principal Maharaja Harishchandra P.G. College Moradabad, U.P.	Member
26	Dr. M.P. Kharel, OSD Human Resource Development Department Gangtok, Sikkim	Member
27	Dr. Prajna Paramitra Sarkar Associate Professor Department of History Acharya BrijendraNath Seal College Coochbehar, W.B.	Member
28	Dr. Indira Javed, Assistant Professor Department of English Sarojini Naidu Government Girls PG College Bhopal, M.P.	Member
29	Dr. Partha Pratim Paul Assistant Professor, Department of Law Assam University Silchar, Assam	Member
30	Sh. Narayan Sharma Assistant Professor, Department of Nepali Sikkim Government College, Gyalshing, Gyalshing, Sikkim	Member
31	Registrar, Sikkim University	Ex-officio Member-Secretary

2. STATUTORY OFFICERS OF THE UNIVERSITY

Chancellor:

Lt. Gen. (Dr.) D.B. Shekatkar, PVSM, AVSM, VSM (Retd.)

Vice Chancellor:

Prof. Jyoti Prakash Tamang

Pro-vice Chancellor:

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Registrar (I/C):

Prof. Professor Laxuman Sharma

Finance Officer (I/C):

Prof Sudhansu Sekhar Mahapatra

Controller of Examinations:

Dr. S. Murali Mohan

Librarian (I/C):

Dr. Sujit Kujur

3. DEANS OF SCHOOLS

1. Prof. Laxuman Sharma, Dean, School of Life Sciences
2. Prof. Yodida Bhutia, Dean, School of Professional Studies
3. Prof. V. Krishna Ananth, Dean, School of Social Sciences
4. Prof Swarup Roy, Dean, School of Physical Sciences
5. Prof. Satyananda Panda, Dean, School of Human Sciences
6. Prof. Rosy Chamling, Dean, School of Languages & Literature
7. Prof. Sanjay Dahal, Dean of Students' Welfare

4. MEMBERS OF STATUTORY BODIES

1. MEMBERS OF EXECUTIVE COUNCIL DURING 2024-2025

Sl. No.	Functionary	Position
1	Vice Chancellor, Sikkim University	Ex-officio Chairman
2	Dean of Students' Welfare Sikkim University	Ex-officio Member
3	Prof. Sohel Firdos Dean, School of Human Sciences Sikkim University	Member
4	Prof. Sanjay Dahal Dean, School of Physical Sciences Sikkim University	Member
5	Prof. Manesh Choubey, Dean, School of Social Sciences Sikkim University	Member
6	Prof. S.S. Mahapatra Dean, School of Professional Studies Sikkim University	Member
7	Prof. Jyoti Prakash Tamang Senior Professor, Department of Microbiology Sikkim University	Member
8	Dr. Amitabha Bhattacharyya, Associate Professor, Department of Physics Sikkim University	Member
9	Prof. H.C.S. Rathore Former Vice-Chancellor Central University of South Bihar	Member
10	Registrar, Sikkim University	Ex-officio Secretary

2. MEMBERS OF ACADEMIC COUNCIL DURING 2024-25

Sl. No.	Functionary	Designation
1.	Vice Chancellor, Sikkim University	Ex-officio Chairman
2.	Dean of Students' Welfare Sikkim University	Ex-officio Member
<i>Deans of Schools</i>		
3.	Dean, School of Life Sciences Sikkim University	Ex-officio Member
4.	Dean, School of Social Sciences Sikkim University	Ex-officio Member
5.	Dean, School of Professional Studies Sikkim University	Ex-officio Member
6.	Dean, School of Human Sciences Sikkim University	Ex-officio Member
7.	Dean, School of Physical Sciences Sikkim University	Ex-officio Member
8.	Dean, School of Languages & Literature Sikkim University	Ex-officio Member
<i>Heads/Chairpersons of Departments and Centres of Studies.</i>		
9.	Head, Department of Political Science, Sikkim University	Ex-officio Member
10.	Head, Department of History, Sikkim University	Ex-officio Member
11.	Head, Department of Botany, Sikkim University	Ex-officio Member
12.	Head, Department of Microbiology, Sikkim University	Ex-officio Member
13.	Head, Department of Horticulture, Sikkim University	Ex-officio Member
14.	Head, Department of Economics, Sikkim University	Ex-officio Member
15.	Head, Department of Sociology, Sikkim University	Ex-officio Member
16.	Head, Department of Psychology, Sikkim University	Ex-officio Member
17.	Head, Department of Music, Sikkim University	Ex-officio Member
18.	Head, Department of Computer Applications, Sikkim University	Ex-officio Member
19.	Head, Department of Education, Sikkim University	Ex-officio Member
20.	Head, Department of English, Sikkim University	Ex-officio Member
21.	Head, Department of PCS&M, Sikkim University	Ex-officio Member
22.	Head, Department of Geology, Sikkim University	Ex-officio Member
23.	Head, Department of Zoology, Sikkim University	Ex-officio Member
24.	Head, Department of Mathematics, Sikkim University	Ex-officio Member
25.	Head, Department of Hindi, Sikkim University	Ex-officio Member
26.	Head, Department of Anthropology, Sikkim University	Ex-officio Member
27.	Head, Department of Physics, Sikkim University	Ex-officio Member
28.	Head, Department of Commerce, Sikkim University	Ex-officio Member
29.	Head, Department of Law, Sikkim University	Ex-officio Member
30.	Head, Department of Geography, Sikkim University	Ex-officio Member

31	Head, Department of Nepali, Sikkim University	Ex-officio Member
32	Head, Department of Chemistry Sikkim University	Ex-officio Member
33	Head, Department of Chinese Sikkim University	Ex-officio Member
34	Head, Department of Tourism Sikkim University	Ex-officio Member
35	Librarian Sikkim University	Ex-officio Member
36	Controller of Examinations Sikkim University	Ex-officio Member
<i>One Professor and One Associate Professor other than those referred to in items (2), (3), (4) and (5) from each School of Studies, Special Centres by rotation in order of seniority within the School.</i>		
37	Prof. Jyoti Prakash Tamang Senior Professor Department of Microbiology School of Life Sciences Sikkim University	Member
38	Prof. S. S. Mahapatra Professor, Department of Commerce School of Professional Studies Sikkim University	Member
39	Prof. Veenu Pant Professor, Department of History School of Social Sciences Sikkim University	Member
40	Prof. Subir Mukhopadhyay Professor, Department of Physics School of Physical Sciences Sikkim University	Member
41	Prof. Nitish Mondal Professor, Department of Hindi School of Languages & Literature Sikkim University	Member
42	Dr. Krishnendu Dutta Associate Professor Department of Music School of Professional Studies Sikkim University	Member
43	Dr. Amrit Lamichaney Associate Professor Department of Horticulture School of Life Sciences Sikkim University	Member

44	Dr. Gorakh Nath Tiwari Associate Professor Department of Hindi School of Languages & Literature Sikkim University	Member
45	Dr. Rajesh Raj S. N. Associate Professor, Department of Economics School of Social Sciences Sikkim University	
46	Dr. Abdul Hanan, Associate Professor, Department of Geography, School of Human Sciences, Sikkim University	
47	Dr. Nischal Wanjarj, Associate Professor, Department of Geology, School of Physical Sciences, Sikkim University	
<i>Principals of Affiliated Colleges</i>		
<i>Two Principals of the affiliated Colleges to be nominated by the Vice Chancellor; provided the Principal should be a full-fledged as per UGC rule</i>		
48	Dr. Passang D. Phempu Director, Namgyal Institute of Tibetology Deorail, Gangtok	Member
49	Dr. B.B. Pradhan, Principal, Sikkim Institute of Science & Technology, Chisopani, Namchi District	Member
<i>Vice-Chancellor's Nominees</i>		
<i>Two persons, not being employees of the University or of a college or institution by or affiliated to it, to be nominated by the Vice-Chancellor</i>		
50	Prof. D.N. Gupta Professor, Department of Physics and Astrophysics University of Delhi	Member
51	Prof. Suresh C. Sharma Professor, Department of Applied Physics Delhi Technological University	
52	Registrar, Sikkim University	Ex-officio Secretary

3. MEMBERS OF FINANCE COMMITTEE DURING 2024-25

Sl. No.	Functionary	Designation
1.	The Vice-Chancellor, Sikkim University	Ex-officio Chairman
<i>Three persons to be nominated by the Executive Council, out of whom at least one shall be a member of the Executive Council, and</i>		
2.	Prof. Pramod Tandon Chief Executive Officer, Biotech Park, Lucknow and Former Vice-Chancellor, NEHU, Shillong	Member
3.	CMA Dr. Braja B. Mishra, Finance Officer, Tezpur University, Tezpur	Member
4.	Prof. Laxuman Sharma Dean, School of Life Sciences and Member, Executive Council	Member
<i>Three persons to be nominated by the Visitor</i>		
5.	Joint Secretary (CU&L) Ministry of Human Resource Development New Delhi - 110001	Ex-officio Member
6.	Joint Secretary & Financial Adviser Ministry of Human Resource Development New Delhi - 110001	Ex-officio Member
7.	Joint Secretary (CU) University Grants Commission Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg New Delhi - 110002	Ex-officio Member
	Finance Officer, Sikkim University	Ex-officio Secretary

4. MEMBERS OF COLLEGE DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL DURING 2024-25

Sl. No.	Functionary	Designation
1.	The Vice-Chancellor, Sikkim University	Ex-officio Chairman
<i>Two teachers of the Postgraduate Departments, of which one shall be from Sciences and another from Humanities and Social Sciences, to be nominated by the Vice-Chancellor</i>		
2.	Prof. Dhani Raj Chettri Professor, Department of Botany Sikkim University	Member
3.	Prof. Kabita Lama Professor, Department of Nepali Sikkim University	Member
<i>Two Principals of affiliated colleges, of which one shall be from government college and one from private/missionary college by rotation in order of the date of establishment of a college</i>		
4.	Principal, Sikkim Government College Rhenock	Member
5.	Principal, Himalayan Pharmacy Institute Majhitar	Member
<i>Two teachers of the affiliated colleges to be nominated by the Vice-Chancellor</i>		
6.	Dr. B.B. Pradhan Director & Professor Sikkim Government Institute of Science & Technology	Member
7.	Dr. Iyatta M. Upreti Principal & Associate Professor Sikkim Government College Burtuk	Member
8.	Director (Higher Education), HRDD Government of Sikkim, Gangtok	Ex-officio Member
9.	Dean of Students' Welfare, Sikkim University	Ex-officio Member
10.	Finance Officer, Sikkim University	Ex-officio Member
11.	Librarian, Sikkim University	Ex-officio Member
12.	Controller of Examinations	Ex-officio Member
	Registrar, Sikkim University	Ex-officio Secretary

5. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Sikkim University has traversed several major milestones during the year 2024-25, as summarised below.
Sikkim University at a Glance (1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025)

- Total Academic Departments: 33
- Total Centres of Study: 04
- Total number of students admitted in 2023: 724
- Total students in University Under-Graduate Courses: 136 (Girls – 62, Boys – 74)
- Total students in Post-Graduate Courses: 1277 (Girls – 788, Boys – 489)
- Total students in MPhil Research Courses: 26 (Girls – 14, Boys – 12)
- Total students in PhD Research Courses: 494 (Girls - 247, Boys - 247)
- Total number of foreign students: 6 (Girls – 1, Boys – 5)
- Total number of Boys' Hostel: 6
- Total number of Girls' Hostel: 6
- Total number of Regular Faculty members: 174
- Total number of Visiting Professors/Faculty: 09
- Total number of Regular Non-Teaching staff: 115
- Total number of Publications: 391
- Total number of ongoing Research Projects: 81
- Total research Grant received: 434.82 Lakhs
- Number of Books in the Central Library: 57086
- Number of e-Books available for online access at the Central Library: 3252
- Number of Encyclopedia available in Central Library: 306
- Total number of e-Journals: 8954
- Number of total M.Phil. Thesis awarded during 2024-25: 11
- Number of total Ph.D. Thesis awarded during 2024-25: 48
- Number of Colleges affiliated to Sikkim University: 18

ADMISSION, STUDENTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

The general admission notification for all the program was issued on 29.4.2024. The admission to Certificate, UG and PG courses was done based on the CUET score and for PhD it was NET Score except for subject like Bhutia.

During the year, a total of 738 students have been admitted against the intake capacity of 1089 (67.76 %). In total, 56.23% female candidates and 43.76 % of male candidates have been admitted. In the entire admission process reservation policy of central government was strictly followed.

Hostel admission was carried out by the Committee for hostel admission headed by the Provost Dr. Balaram Pandey. The procedure for the admission was followed uniformly for all the allocations. The main criteria for the allocation were:

1. Merit
2. The candidate should not be from the conglomerate of Gangtok municipality.
3. Reservation as per the central government guidelines.
4. UG, PG and research scholars were allocated on the ratio of 3:6:1

A total of 226 candidates [108 male and 118 female] were allocated the hostel.

Sikkim University offers merit cum means scholarships for the students enrolled in the departments in various programmes. Students with an average family income of less than Rs. 60,000/- per annum and receiving no other financial assistance are eligible to apply for this scholarship. Accordingly, in 2024- 25 Sikkim University awarded 35 no. of full fellowship @ Rs 3000/- per month to the students. Similarly, 21 full free-ship and 18 half free-ship were awarded for the needy students. A total of 81.31% of applicants were able to secure one or the other type of scholarship. Sikkim University has elected students' body called Sikkim University Students' Association [SUSA]. It was first constituted on 3rd October 2016 following the election held on 23rd September 2016. Sikkim University successfully conducted 2nd SUSA election on 08.09.2017, third election on 19.09.2018 and 4th election on 27th September 2019. Election could not be held in the academic year 2020 and 2021 due to pandemic and it was decided to form the interim body of the existing executive of SUSA. The 5th election was held on 22nd December 2022. 6th Election was held on 1st December 2023. The election for academic session 2024-25 was held on 9.11.2024.

CENTRAL LIBRARY

The Central Library, Sikkim University has made significant strides in enhancing its resources and services, establishing itself as a vital component of the university's academic environment. Currently the library has four divisions, the Teesta-Indus Central Library, Science Library, Edu-Psy Library in Gangtok and Central Library at Yangang Campus. The Teesta-Indus Central Library has a floor area of about 1000 sq.ft. and is capable of accommodating about 70,000 books. The library boasts a collection of over 54,000 physical books, supplemented by approximately 4000 e-Books from major publishers and access to a vast array of e-journals and databases. This diverse collection supports a wide range of academic disciplines. The library is fully automated, modernized with latest IT Infrastructure such as Integrated Library Automation System (KOHA), Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) for material management and movement, Institutional Repository for management of in-house publication, Thesis and Dissertations, Faculty Publication Profile (IRINS) for showcasing the research strength, Remote Access for accessing resources off campus, and Plagiarism Detection System (PDS). Library is comparable to any other old university library of the country so far as modernization and infrastructure facilities are concerned. This modernization facilities efficient management of library resource and enhances the user experience. The library actively supports research through various services, including remote access to resources, a comprehensive library website, and user-friendly mobile application. These initiatives ensure that students and faculties can easily access necessary materials. As a member of Developing Library Network (DELNET), the library can access a wide range of journals and books from other institutions, further enriching its offerings. The library has implemented a ticket-based query and support service through the "Curious: Ask-a-Librarian" platform, enhancing user engagement and support. The library staff regularly participates in

workshops and training programs to stay updated with the latest trends and technologies in library science ensuring high-quality service delivery.

The collections as of 31.03.2025 are as follow:

• Print Books	:	54238
• Braille Books	:	1178
• Bound Journals	:	3000+
• Electronic Books	:	3997
• Electronic Journals	:	13,000+ (Access Through ONOS)
• Electronic Databases	:	10
• Thesis and Dissertation	:	747

Overall, the central Library's achievements reflect its commitment to providing comprehensive resources and services that support the academic and research needs of its users, fostering an environment conducive to learning and innovation.

ADMINISTRATION

Being a Central Institution, Sikkim University is committed to use Rajbhasha Hindi in its official work as well as to popularize among staff members and students of the university. Sikkim University strictly ensures to issue all notifications, circulars, office orders, sanction orders, financial sanction orders, leave sanction orders, rules & regulations, guidelines, purchase orders, standard forms etc bilingually. Hindi version of Annual Report and Annual Accounts for 2024-25 was prepared by the Hindi section in a very limited time period. Cashless medical facilities have been made available to University students throughout the year at Central Referral Hospital, Gangtok.

The Phase-I; Package-II of the campus construction project at Yangang is under progress at an outlay of ₹314.06 crores. The ongoing construction work comprises of finishing works for Administrative Building, Library Building and one Faculty Building along with new constructions for four Hostels for both Girls and Boys students, One Class Room Block, One Laboratory Block, seven Residential Blocks (70 units) for teaching and non-Teaching staff, Electrical and Water facilities and Roads etc. The work is being executed by M/s ITD Cementation India Ltd. with M/s Hindustan Steelworks Construction Limited as the Authority Engineer to supervise the same. The work was started on 05.01.2022 and is expected to be completed by 31.03.2026.

Also, significant milestones have been achieved in the domain of e-governance and IT management as per details below:

- i) Website revamping work: The official website of the University has undergone major revamping work. The development work of an enhanced and feature rich website is on the final phase of completion and the new website is expected to be launched shortly. The website is being developed in compliance to the Guidelines for Indian Government Website (GIGW).
- ii) ICT Capital Purchase work for 2024-25 fiscal year: The purchase work in compliance to the

Comprehensive Guidelines for Procurement, Allocation and Disposal of Computers has been successfully executed for the financial year 2024-25.

- iii) **SAMARTH ERP Project:** Ministry of Education's SAMARTH ERP Project implementation in Sikkim University has been a great success story. Working in tandem with the SAMARTH team from the very inception days, Sikkim University was among the few pioneering institutions to implement online Admission and Recruitment facility through the SAMARTH platform.

SAMARTH's implementation has gained considerable momentum in the past year and Sikkim University has undergone significant digital transformation in the Administrative and Academic management of the University.

From streamlining Academic processes like Admissions, Program Management, Students Life Cycle and various works of the Examination department to Administrative management functionalities of the University encompassing Human Resource related services, Employee lifecycle, Payroll management, IT Service Desk etc., SAMARTH has immensely helped Sikkim University move towards an integrated and streamlined digital mode of governance. This has helped Sikkim University in truly living the Ministry of Education's vision for a digitally equipped higher education sector in India which is ready to meet the demands of a digital 21st century.

Onboarding of a vast number of students and employees, who are now seamlessly navigating their academic and professional journeys within the SAMARTH's digital framework have also played a crucial part in the successful implementation of SAMARTH in Sikkim University. Excluding a few modules which are currently not applicable to Sikkim University, the University aims to achieve absolute and complete implementation of SAMARTH in the coming years. With the help of a robust system and responsive technical support from the SAMARTH's side, Sikkim University is confident to achieve complete implementation of the project within a short time in the future ahead.

Sikkim University extends sincere appreciation and gratefulness for the SAMARTH project. The digital transformation achieved through the project is unparalleled bringing unprecedented levels of efficiency, transparency and user satisfaction across various critical operations of the institution. Sikkim University further commits to actively participate in the evolvement of the SAMARTH project and provide all necessary support and assistance required for the same.

- iv) **E-Tender Cell:** The E-Tender Cell at Sikkim University plays a crucial role in streamlining and enhancing the transparency of all procurement activities undertaken by the institution. Aligned with best practices in public procurement, the e-Tender Cell leverages digital platforms to ensure efficiency, fairness, and accountability in the acquisition of goods, services, and works. The cell is responsible for publishing all official tender notices on the GeM and Central Public Procurement (CPP) Portal, making them easily accessible to a wide range of potential bidders. It ensures strict adherence to all government procurement rules, regulations, and university policies, promoting a fair and transparent bidding environment. It maintains a digital audit trail of all tender

activities. Further the e-tender Cell also provide guidance and support to university departments and potential bidders on navigating the e-tendering portal and understanding the digital procurement process.

During the Financial Year 2024–25, the e-Tender Cell successfully published 23 bids on the GeM portal and 14 bids on the CPP portal, in addition to facilitating 100 procurements through Direct/L1 purchase on the GeM portal.

By centralizing and digitizing the tendering process, the E-Tender Cell at Sikkim University aims to attract a broader pool of qualified vendors, achieve competitive pricing, and uphold the highest standards of integrity in all its procurement endeavours.

FINANCE

The Finance Department of Sikkim University provides a comprehensive overview of the department's financial status, staff structure, and ongoing research projects for the Financial Year 2024-25. For the Financial Year 2024-25, the total funds available amounted to Rs. 19151.02 Lakhs. However, the expenses incurred during this period reached Rs. 18778.94 Lakhs, resulting in an overall balance of Rs. 372.08 Lakhs. In addition to managing the University's accounts and overall finances, the Finance Department also looks after seven endowment or earmarked fund accounts, ensuring that the funds allocated for specific purposes are utilized appropriately. Moreover, the University is actively engaged in research and academic development, with 81 No. of ongoing research projects in progress during the Financial Year 2024-25, highlighting the institution's commitment to fostering research activities, the Finance Department is also responsible for preparing the Budget Estimates (BE) and Revised Budget Estimates (RBE) and carrying out budgetary control exercises in coordination with all departments of the University. This involves adhering to statutory financial regulations, including those related to Income Tax and Goods and Services Tax (GST), ensuring that all legal financial obligations are met in a timely manner. One of the significant responsibilities of the Finance Department in the submission of the Annual Accounts to the Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG) for the conduction of audits. Compliance with the observations made by the auditors, as well as ensuring the timely receipt of the Separate Audit Report (SAR), are critical functions of the Department.

EXAMINATION

The Examination Department manages all examination works pertaining to the 18 Affiliated Colleges and University Departments, namely implementation of exam regulations, student registrations, pre-examination activities, results declarations and issue of marksheets/ certificates. As part of the implementation of NEP 2020, the Department has uploaded the Academic Bank of Credits to the Digilocker platform to facilitate access of academic records by the students. A total of 16997 students have been registered and 52008 academic credits have been uploaded in the digilocker platform as on date. The Department has been ensuring timely declaration of results and issue of grade cards/certificates to the students.

EXTENSION ACTIVITIES

NSS Co-ordinator: Dr Manju Rana

NSS Program Officers:

Dr Rachana Rai (Gangtok Campus)

Dr Pradip Tripathi (Gangtok Campus)

Mr Migma Ongmoo Lepcha (Yangyang Campus)

NSS, Sikkim University, organizes various activities to encourage students to participate in social activities. During the academic year 2024-25, the following activities/programs were organized by the NSS cell:

1. With the theme 'Yoga for Self and Society,' the NSS cell, Sikkim University, celebrated 'International Yoga Day' on June 21, 2024. The session was arranged for students, faculty, and staff members of Sikkim University to participate physically and online.
2. On July 7, 2024, the NSS conducted a 'Plant a Tree' drive on Yangyang Campus and planted saplings around the university campus.
3. 'Peace March' was conducted on August 15, 2024, in celebration of the 78th Independence Day.
4. An orientation program for new NSS volunteers was held on August 28, 2024, to educate them on NSS objectives and NSS volunteer duties.
5. The NSS cell organized a one-day 'Mental Health Workshop' on September 6, 2024, focusing on the issues faced by youth and special students.
6. The NSS celebrated 'Swachhata Pakhwada' from September 1 to September 15, 2024, followed by 'Swachhata Hi Seva' from September 17 to October 2. NSS volunteers, along with other University students, cleaned the university premises, including the administration building, library, and hostels on both campuses. Along with this, a number of other activities were organized to increase awareness regarding the drive.
7. On September 24, the NSS volunteers celebrated 'NSS Day' and took a pledge of selfless service to society to build a strong Nation.
8. In association with the Drama Club, Sikkim University, on October 2, 2024, NSS volunteers performed Munshi Premchand's famous story 'Kafan' and commemorated Mahatma Gandhi and Lal Bahadur Shastri on their birth anniversaries.
9. On November 26, 2024, the NSS volunteers celebrated 'Constitution Day'. Volunteers participated in elocution and slogan writing competitions.
10. The NSS cell of Sikkim University commemorated International Women's Day on March 8, 2025, with a program dedicated to honouring women in academia, art, and sports. The event highlighted the achievements of girl students across various disciplines.
11. In association with Saksham Bharati (an LG initiative) and the STNM team, the NSS cell of Sikkim University organized a 'Blood Donation' camp on March 24, 2025, at Cauvery Hall, 5th Mile. Approximately 100 donors participated in the camp.

6. ACADEMIC SCHOOLS AND DEPARTMENTS

(i) SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF BUDDHIST STUDIES

Head/In-charge: Dr Tsewang G. Bhutia

1. Introduction

The Masters Programme in Buddhist Studies was the follow up of the direction of Culture Department, Govt. of India, to introduce a Buddhist Research Centre in Sikkim University (SU). Due to the unavailability of infrastructure and resource persons, Sikkim University had signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Namgyal Institute of Tibetology (NIT) for introduction of a two year Post-Graduate Programme in Buddhist Studies from the academic session 2023 at the Namgyal Institute of Tibetology. This new department functions directly under SU with NIT arranging the classrooms and teachers. In the starting academic year (2023-24), 08 (eight) students had enrolled for the course. However, in the current academic year (2024-25) only 03 (three) students are enrolled in the course.

MA Buddhist Studies Programme is currently functioning under the Department of History, SU. Since the inception of the course, the Department has successfully organised 02 (two) National Seminars and published the proceedings of the seminars. Besides this, the Department has held regular Guest Talks, Workshops, etc. The faculty members of the MA Buddhist Studies, have also formulated the syllabus for the upcoming Under-Graduate Buddhist Studies Programme, under the NEP guidelines. Of the seven teachers, two are Guest Faculty and five adjuncts drawn from the Department of Buddhist & Tibetan Studies, NIT.

2. Thrust Area

The MA Buddhist Studies Programme has primarily focussed on preservation and dissemination of Buddhist philosophy, history, culture, language and application. It has also focussed on ethics and moral values, environmental awareness, gender equality for the betterment of society. Besides the regular academic curriculum, faculties and students are also encouraged to participate in community service as an application of their classroom studies. As a unique practice of pedagogy, students are also trained in Buddhist meditation, and moral and ethical values. Students have a rare opportunity to study Buddhist philosophy and logic, in English medium. The curriculum embraces regional language, culture, and history to enhance the contextual knowledge of our students.

3. Number of students enrolled during 2024-25: 03 (three).

Name of Teaching Course	Semester					
	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Girls	Boys
UG (if any)						
PG	03				1	2
MPhil (if any)						
PhD						
Post-doc/Research Associate (if any)						
UGC/CSIR/ICAR-NET-JRF						

4. FACULTY PROFILE:

Sl.	Name	Degree (MA/MSc/M.Com MPhil/PhD/Post-doc)	Designation	Date of Joining (Regular)	Publications (number only) and H-index of Google Scholar still date (if any)	Supervisor of Ph.D. Students (number only)	Extra-mural Research Projects (number only)
REGULAR FACULTY MEMBERS							
1							
2							
3							
4							
5							
6							
7							
VISITING PROFESSOR							
1		NA				NA	NA
GUEST FACULTY							
1	Norbu Guring	MA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2	Tenzing Longsel Barphungpa	MA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
SUPPORT STAFF							
	Name	Qualification	Designation	Date of joining (regular)	Not Applicable		
1					NA	NA	NA
2					NA	NA	NA

5. DETAILS OF PUBLICATIONS (from 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025)

A: RESEARCH PAPERS IN JOURNAL

Name of Faculty Member:

Sl. No.	Publication list	UGC-CARE List Journal Number	Impact Factor, if any	Publisher	ISSN
1.					
2.					

B: BOOK/S

Faculty Member	Publications with ISBN
Norbu Guring	Gurung, N. (2024). <i>The Reasons & Benefits of Observing the Buddha's Major Festivals & the Guru's Tenth Day Celebration</i> . Gangtok: Namgyal Institute of Tibetology. ISBN: 978-81-981805-8-2 Gurung, N. (2024).

C: BOOK CHAPTERS

Faculty Member	Publications
Norbu Gurung	Gurung, N. (2024). Exploring the Concept of Peace in Nalanda Buddhist Teachings: Its Application & Challenges in the 21 st century. <i>Him-Nalanda: International Journal of Nalanda Buddhism</i> . New Delhi: Indian Himalayan Council of Nalanda of Buddhist Tradition. ISBN: 978-81-969456-6-4.

6. PAPER PRESENTATION AT NATIONAL /INTERNATIONAL SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING DURING 2024-25

Faculty Member/Research Scholar	Name of Conference/ Seminar/Workshop	Place and Date	Invited Speaker/ Resource Person/Paper Presenter	Title of Presentation in the published Proceeding, if any

7. RESEARCH PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN DURING 2024-25:

Faculty Member	Project Title	Funding Agency	Project Duration	Total funds received	Number of Project Personnel (Project Fellow/JRF/SRF/RA)

8. SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING PROGRAMMES ORGANISED BY THE DEPARTMENT DURING 2024-25 (provide only one picture of each programme) :

Sl. No.	Programme Title	National or International	Funding Agency	Date	Number only		Name of Coordinator/Convener
					Resource Persons	Participants	
	<i>50 years of Buddhism in Sikkim: History, Culture and Challenges</i>	National	Sikkim University, Namgyal Institute of Tibetology, State Bank of Sikkim	8-9 March 2025	3	30	Faculty Members of MA Buddhist Studies

9. PURCHASE/INSTALLATION OF LABORATORY EQUIPMENT DURING 2024-25 (*Only for Lab-based Departments, if any*):

Sl. No.	Equipment Details	Date of Acquisition	Cost (Rs.)	Funding Agency	Purpose	Approx. Usage (%)
						Eg. 85% during 2019-20

10. MPhil AWARDS (if any) DURING 2024-25 (*only successfully awarded*):

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award

11. Ph.D. AWARDS DURING 2024-25 (*only successfully awarded*):

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award

12a. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF FACULTY MEMBER (*Permanent only*) 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)

12b. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF STUDENTS IN 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)

13. STUDENTS QUALIFYING IN UGC-NET/UGC-JRF/ICSSR/CSIR/CAR-NET/SLET/GATE/CAT/UPSC/IAS/IPS etc. DURING 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name of Student	Gender	Fellowship/Award/Service

14. CONSULTANCIES OFFERED BY DEPARTMENT DURING 2024-25, if any:

Consultancy Project/ Programme/Service	Organisation seeking Consultancy	Project/Programme Dates & Duration	Consultancy Funding/Service Fee Received

15. STUDENT PLACEMENTS DURING 2024-25:

Name of Student	Semester	Organisation where placement is made	Place (City and Country)

16. Our Alumni Activities (if any)

17. Student and Alumni in the spotlight (if any)

18. Outreach programme and Engaging Communities (if any) by Department/Centre/University

Three-days Educational Tour to Dzongu, North Sikkim

19. Welfare Activities and Philanthropy (if any) by Department/Centre/University

- ↳ Donation to Government Primary School, Burfok

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

Head/In-charge: Prof. Manesh Choubey

1. Introduction

Established in 2010, the Department of Economics at Sikkim University offers a comprehensive exploration of economic theories. The department provides rigorous academic programs, including Master's and Doctoral degrees in Economics.

2. Thrust Area

Key areas of research within the department include Macroeconomics, Financial Economics, Informal Sector, Microfinance, Public Finance, Efficiency and Productivity Analysis, Poverty and Inequality, International Economics, Experimental Economics, Environmental Economics, Industrial Economics, Agriculture Economics, Labor Economics, and Development Economics. In addition to specialized research, the department also offers General Elective courses open to all postgraduate students, aligning with the National Educational Policy and Choice Based Credit System. This ensures a well-rounded understanding of economic principles for students across various disciplines.

3. Number of students enrolled during 2024-25:

Name of Teaching Course	Semester				Girls	Boys
	First	Second	Third	Fourth		
UG (if any)						
PG	22		24		25	21
MPhil (if any)						
PhD	Nil					
Post-doc/Research Associate (if any)	Nil					
UGC/CSIR/ICAR-NET-JRF						

4. FACULTY PROFILE:

Sl.	Name	Degree (MA/MSc/M Com MPhil/PhD/Post- doc).	Designation	Date of Joining (Regular)	Publications(<i>number only</i>) and H-index of Google Scholar still date (<i>if any</i>)	Supervisor of Ph.D. Students (<i>number only</i>)	Extra- mural Research Projects (<i>number only</i>)
REGULAR FACULTY MEMBERS							
1	ProL. Manesh Choubey	PhD	Professor	1 st May 2012		2	1
2	Komol Singha (on lien)	PhD	Professor				
3	Rajesh Raj S.N	PhD	Associate Professor	24-06- 2014		2	
4	Ruma Kundu	PhD	Assistant Professor	27.02.2012		3	
5	Pradyut Guha	PhD	Assistant Professor	06/03/2012	0	3	0
6	Dr. Rangalal Mohapatra	PhD	Assistant professor	13/08/2012	01	03	01
VISITING PROFESSOR NA							
1					NA	NA	NA
GUEST FACULTY							
1			NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2			NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
SUPPORT STAFF							
	Name	Qualification	Designation	Date of joining (<i>regular</i>)	Not Applicable		
1					NA	NA	NA
2					NA	NA	NA

5. DETAILS OF PUBLICATIONS (from 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025)

A: RESEARCH PAPERS IN JOURNAL

Name of Faculty Member:

Sl. No.	Publication list	UGC-CARE List Journal Number	Impact Factor, if any	Publisher	ISSN
1	Prasad Smriti and Choubey Manesh (2024) Factors influencing micro-entrepreneurship among women SHG members of Sikkim: a propensity score matching approach International Journal of Social Economics Vol. 51 No. 6, 2024 pp. 741-756 0306-8293 DOI 10.1108/IJSE-01-2023-0070	Scopus		©Emerald Publishing Limited	
2	Prasad Smriti and Choubey Manesh (2025) Catalysing change: unveiling the impact of livelihood training on entrepreneurial skills of women SHG members in Sikkim. International Journal of Social Economics © Emerald Publishing Limited e-ISSN: 1758-6712p-ISSN: 0306-8293, DOI 10.1108/IJSE-01-2024-0100	Scopus		©Emerald Publishing Limited	
3	Christopher Tirkey, Rajiv Gurung, and Manesh Choubey, Growth and Instability of Organic Maize Crop in the Eastern Himalayan State of Sikkim, India," has been accepted for publication in INDIAN JOURNAL OF HILL FARMING (IJHF)	UGC-CARE		Indian Journal of Hill farming	
4	Mohapatra, R., B. Lama, (2024) <i>An Analysis of the Determinants of Productivity of Assam Tea Growers</i> . <i>SN Business Economics</i> 4(152) https://doi.org/10.1007/s43546-024-00744-0	Scopus		Springer	Electronic ISSN:2662-9399

B: BOOK/S

Faculty Member	Publications with ISBN

C: BOOK CHAPTERS

Faculty Member	Publications
<u>Rutima Kundu</u>	Kundu, R., & Lepcha, K. (2024). <i>Yes We Can: Female Led Entrepreneurship in North</i> : IIP: ISBN: 978-93-6252-199-6
Sabitri Chhetri and Rangalal Mohapatra	A Study on School Dropout among Boys and Girls in India in the book Gender, Equity, and Sustainable development by Archana Bhattacharya and Vaneela Rani Das. (ISSN-9788194821779)

6. PAPER PRESENTATION AT NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING DURING 2024-25 (only Papers presented by permanent faculty members and PhD students. Mere participation should not be mentioned).

Faculty Member/Research Scholar	Name of Conference/ Seminar/Workshop	Place and date	Invited Speaker/ Resource Person/Paper Presenter	Title of Presentation in the published Proceeding, if any
Prof. Manesh Choubey	Brainstorming Seminar on Futuristic Economics: Promoting Sustainable Development and Welfare	College of Agricultural Engineering Campus- a constituent institution of CAU, Gangtok, Sikkim, India. March 11-12, 2025	Invited speaker	Agricultural Market Integration in Wholesale Markets of India
Prof. Manesh Choubey	State Level Seminar on Organic Farming in Sikkim: Prospects and Challenges	College of Horticulture, CAU, Bermeyok, Namchi District, Sikkim, 24 th July 2024	Invited speaker	Organic Product, Premium Pricing and Strategies
Prof. Manesh Choubey	National Seminar on Globalisation, Self and Lifeworld.	Department of Sociology, Sikkim University, 10th 11 March, 2025		Globalisation and Indian Society: Challenges and Strategy
Prof. Manesh Choubey	"Time Series and Panel Data Analysis," scheduled to take place from February 24 to February 26, 2025.	Mahatma Gandhi Central University, Motihari	Guest of Honor	Time Series and Panel Data Analysis," scheduled to take place from February 24 to February 26, 2025.
Prof. Manesh Choubey	Hindi Cell, NIT Shillong, 23-24 September, 2024.	Commission For Scientific & Technical Terminology (Ministry of Education) Department of Higher Education, GOI	Resource person	Terminology in Economics
Prof. Manesh Choubey	18th November, 2024	Nar Bahadur Bhandari Government Degree College, Tadong, Gangtok	Special Lecture	Data Analysis Through Software
Dr. Ruma Kundu	National seminar on "Vision Viksit Bharat @ 2047 through Sustainable Development Goal 7", organised by the Department of Economics, PSGR Krishnammal College for women	Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu, 30.01. 2025	Paper Presenter	Determinants of Financial Inclusion among Street Vendors in Sikkim.
Dr. Ruma Kundu	1st International conference on Smart Technology for Emerging Problems (STEP 2K25)" at GMIT, Kolkata	Kolkata, 21st to 22 nd March, 2025	Paper Presenter	Bridging the Digital Divide: E-Government in Asia.

Dr. Ruma Kundu	1st International conference on Smart Technology for Emerging Problems (STEP 2K25)* at GMIT, Kolkata	Kolkata, 21 st & 22 nd March, 2025	Paper Presenter	Socio-Economic Impact of Networking on the Growth of Microenterprises of Sikkim
Dr. Pradyut Guha	ICSSR NERC Sponsored National Workshop, Challenges of NEP 2020 for Teachers & Researchers in Higher Educational Institutions in the Region	Guwahati, Assam 18/12/2024	Invited Speaker	Challenges of NEP 2020 for Teachers and Researchers in Higher Educational Institutions in NE Region.
Dr. Pradyut Guha	ICSSR NERC Sponsored National Seminar on Tracking Progress of SDG with a Focus on North Eastern Region	Nagaon, Assam 23/12/2024	Invited Speaker	The Progress of SDG in Indias North East
Dr. Pradyut Guha	IHEPA Winter School	Department of Economics, Tripura University, Agartala, Tripura 21/02/2025	Invited Speaker	Dealing with Health Economics Project and Financing
Dr. Rangalal Mohapatra	International Conference on Multi-Disciplinary Social Studies, Anthropology, History and Philosophy	National Institute of Engineering and Research, Guwahati, 07/12/2024	Paper Presenter	Share Of Spending and Inequality in Spending Across Flood Zones of Assam
Dr. Rangalal Mohapatra	National Seminar on Viksit Bharat @2047: Progress in Motion	S.B.M.S college, Sualkuchi, Assam. 24-25/01/2025	Paper Presenter	Bell metal production and Non-Economic Challenges: A Study of Assam
Dr. Rangalal Mohapatra	National Seminar on Society and Transformation: Contemplation on the Epoch-making Events in the Journey of mankind	IQAC B.H College, Howly, Assam. 5-6/04/2024	<u>Paper Presenter</u>	Competition and Innovation: A Study on Bell Metal Firms of Assam

7. RESEARCH PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN DURING 2024-25:

Faculty Member	Project Title	Funding Agency	Project Duration	Total funds received	Number of Project Personnel (Project Fellow/JRF/SRF/RA)
Prof. Manesh Choubey (PI)	XVI Finance Commission: Evaluation of the State Finance of Sikkim	Finance Commission	From June 24 to March 2025	6.5 lakhs	Two
Dr. Rangalal Mohapatra (Co-PI)	XVI Finance Commission: Evaluation of the State Finance of Sikkim	Finance Commission	From June 24 to March 2025	6.5 lakhs	Two

8. SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING PROGRAMMES ORGANISED BY THE DEPARTMENT DURING 2024-25 (provide only one picture of each programme):

Sl. No.	Programme Title	National or International	Funding Agency	Date	Number only		Name of Coordinator/Convener
					Resource Persons	Participants	

9. PURCHASE/INSTALLATION OF LABORATORY EQUIPMENT DURING 2024-25 (Only for Lab-based Departments, if any):

Sl. No.	Equipment Details	Date of Acquisition	Cost (Rs.)	Funding Agency	Purpose	Approx. Usage (%)
		Eg. 85% during 2019-20				

10. MPhil AWARDS (if any) DURING 2024-25 (only successfully awarded):

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award

11. Ph D. AWARDS DURING 2024-25 (only successfully awarded):

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award
1	Smriti Prasad	Micro-enterprise Development through Training of Self-Help Groups in Sikkim Supervisor:	Prof. Manesh Choubey	09/05/2024	23.08.2024
2	Kishore Kumar Takri	Economic Evaluation of Public Distribution System in Kalahandi-Bolangir-Koraput (KBK) Districts of Odisha: Implications for Food Security	Prof. Manesh Choubey	12/12/2024	17.03.2025
3	Bivek Tamang	The Economics of Geographical Indications: Evidence from the Indian Tea Industry	Rajesh Raj S N	26 June 2024	10.02. 2025

12a. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF FACULTY MEMBER (*Permanent only*) 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)

12b. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF STUDENTS IN 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)

13. STUDENTS QUALIFYING IN UGC-NET/UGC-JRF/CSSR/CSIR/ICAR-NET/SLET/GATE/CAT/UPSC/IAS/IPS etc. DURING 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name of Student	Gender	Fellowship/Award/Service

14. CONSULTANCIES OFFERED BY DEPARTMENT DURING 2024-25, if any:

Consultancy Project/ Programme/Service	Organisation seeking Consultancy	Project/Programme Dates & Duration	Consultancy Funding/Service Fee Received

15. STUDENT PLACEMENTS DURING 2024-25:

Name of Student	Semester	Organisation where placement is made	Place (City and Country)

16. Our Alumni Activities (if any)

17. Student and Alumni in the spotlight (if any)

18. Outreach programme and Engaging Communities (if any) by Department/Centre/University

19. Welfare Activities and Philanthropy (if any) by Department/Centre/University

DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

Head/In-charge: Prof. V.K. Thangellapali (from 27.03.2024-31.08.2024),
Prof. Veenu Pant (from 01.09.2024 to 28.02.2025), and
Prof. Ambika Dhaka (Since 03.03.2025).

1. Introduction

The Department of History was established in 2013 to provide quality and advanced knowledge of history to students in the region. Starting with just two faculty members, it reached its full strength of seven faculty members in the academic year 2023-24.

The faculty members are actively engaged in research, regularly publishing papers in national and international journals, presenting at prestigious conferences, and undertaking various research projects, including collaborative initiatives with foreign scholars. Many faculty members have also organized national and international conferences, further enhancing the department's academic profile.

Since its inception, the Department has offered MA, MPhil, and PhD programs. The two-year MA program provides a diverse range of courses designed to equip students with knowledge and analytical skills to understand historical processes across different regions of the world. The program follows a choice-based credit system (CBCS) and includes a dissertation based on primary sources as part of its curriculum, enabling students to develop essential research skills. The MA syllabus has been revised twice to incorporate advancements in historical research.

From the academic year 2023-24 onwards, the Department has implemented the National Education Policy (NEP). The pedagogical approach emphasizes not only classroom teaching but also active student engagement through debates, discussions, presentations, and seminars. This holistic approach ensures that students are well-prepared for academic and professional challenges while contributing meaningfully to historical scholarship.

2. Thrust Area

The Department of History at Sikkim University primarily focuses on research across diverse aspects of history, including political, social, economic, cultural, gender, environmental, philosophical, and religious dimensions. The MA curriculum emphasizes various historiographical debates and themes relevant to each course, enabling students to develop research skills through engagement with these topics. Many students have concentrated their dissertation research on different facets of Sikkim's history.

The core courses in the MA History syllabus are designed to provide a comprehensive understanding of historical processes. Additionally, students have the flexibility to choose from a wide range of electives according to their interests. The curriculum includes a course on Methods in Historical Research in the third semester and a dissertation in the fourth semester, both of which equip students with essential research methodologies and skills.

3. Number of students enrolled during 2024-25:

Name of Teaching Course	Semester				Girls	Boys
	First	Second	Third	Fourth		
UG (if any)	-	-	-	-	-	-
PG	30	23	29	29	35	17
MPhil (if any)						
PhD	03				03	
Post-doc/Research Associate (if any)	-	-	-	-	-	-
UGC/CSIR/CAR-NET-JRF					1	2

4. FACULTY PROFILE:

Sl.	Name	Degree (MA/MSc/M. Com MPhil/PhD/Post- doc)	Designation	Date of Joining (Regular)	Publications (<i>number only</i>) and H-index of Google Scholar still date (<i>if any</i>)	Supervisor of MPhil/Ph.D. Ph. D. Students (<i>number only</i>)	Extra- mural Research Projects (<i>number only</i>)
REGULAR FACULTY MEMBERS							
1	Prof. Ambika Dhaka	Ph.D	Professor	30.03.2023	1	00	
2	Prof. V. Krishna Ananth	Ph.D	Professor	09.03.2012		05	
3	Prof. T. Vijay Kumar (superannuated)	Ph.D	Professor	02.05.2014- 31.08.2024		04	
4	Prof. Veenu Pant	Ph.D	Professor	04.09.2017	1	08	1
5	Dr. Sangmu Thendup	Ph.D	Assistant Professor	29.03.2012		05	
6	Dr. Anira Phipon Lepcha	Ph.D	Assistant Professor	01.05.2014		05	
7	Dr. K. Renuka Devi	Ph.D	Assistant Professor	04.12.2015		02	
VISITING PROFESSOR							
1		NA			NA	NA	
GUEST FACULTY							
1	Dr. Jeena Tamang	PhD	Guest Faculty	7/4/2024 to 9/7/2024 and 28/8/2024 to 9/12/2024			
2	Mr. Jigme Dorjee Bhutia	M.A., MPhil	Guest Faculty	03.02.2025 to 31-03- 2025			
SUPPORT STAFF							
	Name	Qualification	Designation	Date of joining (regular)	Not Applicable		
1	Bishnu Maya Karki	10 th Pass	MTS	19 August 2010 (Contractual)	NA	NA	NA
2					NA	NA	NA

5. DETAILS OF PUBLICATIONS (from 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025)

A: RESEARCH PAPERS IN JOURNAL

Name of Faculty Member:

Sl. No.	Publication list	UGC-CARE List Journal Number	Impact Factor, if any	Publisher	ISSN
1	Dhaka, Ambika. 2024. Exploring 15 th Century Sculptural Art at Chittorgarh Fort: A Few Observations.	UGC Care List, Referred UGC S.No. 335:47957	--	Purattatva, Indian Archaeological Society, New Delhi,	09702105
2	Dhaka, Ambika. 2024. Sant Sahitya ke Adhunik Manishi: Acharya Nand Kishor Pandey.	UGC Care Listed	--	Sankalya, Hindi Academy	2277-9264
3	Dhaka, Ambika. 2025. Unique early Shivalingas from Rajasthan	Peer reviewed, referred	--	Bharati, Bulletin of The Department of Ancient Indian History, Culture & Archaeology, BHU Press, varanasi	0523-1302
4	Lepcha Mayalmit, Lepcha Phipon Anira (2024): Indigenous Bamboo Technology Promoting the Socio-Cultural life of the Lepcha in Sikkim: with special reference to Dzungu, A Lepcha Reserve in African Journal of Biological Sciences. doi: 10.48047/AFJBS.6.14.2024.4864-4872	Q1 Scopus journal	0.133 in 2024	African Science Publication	2663-2187
5	Rai Sushma and Phipon Lepcha Anira (2024) Revisiting the Role of the Two Nepali Women in the Nepali Language Movement: Maya Devi Chhetry and Dil Kumari Bhandari, Journal of People's History and Culture, Garia Society for Studies of Marginal People Vol.10, No.2. (Dec.2024)	UGC Care Listed since July 2022		Garia Society for Studies of Marginal People	2395-7379

B: BOOK/S

Faculty Member	Publications with ISBN

C: BOOK CHAPTERS

Faculty Member	Publications
Prof. Ambika Dhaka	Dhaka, Ambika, 2025, "Tracing Cultural Heritage of Sikkim Through Folklores, Myths and Legends in Historical Context", Memory, History, and Culture in Medieval South Asia, Ed. Umesh Kadam, Springer Nature, International Peer Reviewed, ISBN 978-981-97-9319-8 ISBN 978-981-97-9320-4 (eBook), https://doi.org/10.1007/978-981-97-9320-4pp.189-214 , 2025

6. PAPER PRESENTATION AT NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING DURING 2024-25 (only Papers presented by permanent faculty members and MPhil/PhD students. Mere participation should not be mentioned).

Faculty Member/Research Scholar	Name of Conference/ Seminar/Workshop	Place and Date	Invited Speaker/ Resource Person	Title of Presentation in the published Proceeding, if any
Prof. Ambika Dhaka	International Seminar organized by Centre for Historical Studies, JNU, New Delhi and International Society for Regional History (ISRH)	New Delhi, 4 th - 6 th November, 2024	Paper Presenter	'Cultural Landscape Practices: Indigenous Lifeways, Knowledges and Learning among Lepchas of Sikkim'
Prof. Ambika Dhaka	National Seminar organized by Department of History, Ranchi University, and Akhil Bhartiya Itihas Samkalan Yojna	Ranchi, 11 th -12 th January, 2025	Paper Presenter	Bhartiya Kala me Matrishakti ke Vibhinna Swarupon ka Nirupan
Prof. Ambika Dhaka	International Women's Day organised by Directorate of Archaeology, Art, Culture and Youth, Patna, Govt. of Bihar	Patna, 8 th March, 2025.03.2025	Invited Speaker	Portrayal of Women in Ancient Indian Sculptural Art Form
Dr. Sangmu Thendup	ICPR Sponsored one day international Seminar to Celebrate the International Day of Yoga-2024	Kalimpong College, West Bengal.	Resource Person	Yoga in the Ancient Indian Sources: A Historical Perspective
Dr. Sangmu Thendup	Educators for Climate Justice and Just Transition Conference at Education International Asia Pacific	Bangkok, Thailand 17-19 April 2024	Resource Person	Climate Change and Threats: A case of Sikkim
Dr. Sangmu Thendup	NEP 2020 and History Curriculum in Higher Educational Institutions -A Pathway	ICHR & Gautam Buddha University, Noida 6-7 February, 2024	Resource Person	History of North East Bharat
Anira Phipon Lepcha	Varāhamihira Multidisciplinary Institute, a component Asiatic Society for Social Science Research, New Delhi	August 25th and 26th, 2024, New Delhi, online mode	Resource Person	History of Sikkim: From Tibetan Kingdom to Indian States. A Glimpse Into the Handloom and Handicraft Sector of Sikkim.
Anira Phipon Lepcha	Puducherry World History Congress (PWHC)	September 14 th - 15 th 2024, Hyderabad	Resource Person	Pondicherry World History Congress: Exploring the interplay of People, Handloom and the Handicraft in Sikkim: Uncovering the depth of Cultural Connectivity.

Anira Phipon Lepcha	International Conference on Eastern Himalayas through Times: History, People, Culture, Beliefs, Identity- With special reference to North Bengal and Sikkim	March 28-29, 2025, Kalimpong	Resource Person	Navigating the research work in the department of History, Sikkim University, with special reference to Local and Regional History.
Anira Phipon Lepcha	Visays Vimara Programme, Khangchendzonga State University, Sikkim	13 th March 2025	Resource Person	A History of the Place Names in Sikkim: A Perspective.
Anira Phipon Lepcha	Black Cat Division Tibetology Cadre	February 5 th till 24 February	Resource Person	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ethnic Communities Of Sikkim (Part 1 And Part 2) 2. Kings Of Sikkim (Part 1 and Part 2) 3. Coronation Of the First King 4. Dubdi Monastery 5. Bhutanese Invasion in Sikkim 6. Invasion of Sikkim by Nepal 7. Grand Deed 1835 8. Dzunsha System 9. Treaty of Tumlong 10. Younghusband Mission 11 Other Imp. British Expeditions 12. Review of the Documentary 'The Sun Behind The Cloud'

7. RESEARCH PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN DURING 2024-25

Faculty Member	Project Title	Funding Agency	Project Duration	Total funds received	Number of Project Personnel (Project Fellow/JRF/SRF/RA)

8. SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING PROGRAMMES ORGANISED BY THE DEPARTMENT DURING 2024-25 (provide only one picture of each programme):

Sl. No.	Programme Title	National or International	Funding Agency	Date	Number only		Name of Coordinator/Convener
					Resource Persons	Participants	

9. PURCHASE/INSTALLATION OF LABORATORY EQUIPMENT DURING 2024-25 (Only for Lab-based Departments, if any):

Sl. No.	Equipment Details	Date of Acquisition	Cost (Rs.)	Funding Agency	Purpose	Approx. Usage (%)
						Eg. 85% during 2019-20

10. MPhil AWARDS DURING 2024-25 (only successfully awarded):

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award
1	Sheetal Khawas	Colonial Intervention and Agricultural Conditions in Kalimpong Region under the British Rule (1865-1936)	Dr Anira Phipon Lepcha	20/07/2023	8 th May 2024
2	Pema Choden Sherpa	The Minimal Lifestyle of the Monks and Nuns in the <i>Vinaya Pitaka</i>	Dr. Sangmu Thendup	20/07/2023	19 June 2024
3	Tenzing Dolkar Bhutia	Sacred Geography of the Buddhist Monasteries in Sikkim	Dr. S. Jeevanandam	20/07/2023	19.06.2024

11. Ph D. AWARDS DURING 2024-25 (only successfully awarded):

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award
1.	Mayalmit Lepcha	Indigenous knowledge systems and social change among the Lepchas of Sikkim during the Namgyal Dynasty	Dr. Anira Phipon Lepcha	19 th August 2014	17.12. 2024
2.	Ruksana Sharma Pokhrel	Locating the Emancipatory Potentials in the Bhakti and Sufi movements: A Study on their strengths and the Limitations	Prof. V. Krishna Ananth	24.10.2024	10.03.2025

12a. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF FACULTY MEMBER (Permanent only) 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)

12b. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF STUDENTS IN 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)

13. STUDENTS QUALIFYING IN UGC-NET/UGC-JRF/ICSSR/CSIR/ICAR-NET/SLET/GATE/CAT/UPSC/IAS/IPS etc. DURING 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name of Student	Gender	Fellowship/Award/Service
1.	Sabina Chhetri	Female	UGC-NET
2.	Sonam Choda Bhutia	Male	UGC-NET
3.	Sidharthpal Dev	Male	UGC-NET

14. CONSULTANCIES OFFERED BY DEPARTMENT DURING 2024-25, if any:

Consultancy Project/ Programme/Service	Organisation seeking Consultancy	Project/Programme Dates & Duration	Consultancy Funding/Service Fee Received

15. STUDENT PLACEMENTS DURING 2024-25:

Name of Student	Semester	Organisation where placement is made	Place (City and Country)

16. Our Alumni Activities (if any)

17. Student and Alumni in the spotlight (if any)

18. Outreach programme and Engaging Communities (if any) by Department/Centre/University

19. Welfare Activities and Philanthropy (if any) by Department/Centre/University

DEPARTMENT OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS

In-Charge: Phairembam Newton Singh

1. Introduction

The Department of International Relations was started in Sikkim University in 2008. The core focus of the Department is to provide post-graduate and research programmes in International Relations and Area Studies. The Department aims at providing a sound understanding in an interdisciplinary approach of study in its focal areas. It also emphasizes on inter-state relations, relations of States and non-state actors, globalization and the changing dynamics of economic, political, cultural and social interconnections that exist among States. The Department has implemented the NEP curriculum from the Even Semester, 2023

2. Thrust Area

Considering the geo-strategic importance of the region, the Department has the advantage of addressing issues directly related to the region and the immediate neighbouring countries viz. China, Nepal, Bhutan, Bangladesh and other Southeast Asian countries. The Department strives towards enabling students to engage with issues like environment, border, migration and refugees, trade, water, gender and human rights which are specific to the region. Towards this objective, the department aims at involving students at the ground level through field research, thereby exposing them to a broad understanding of theoretical concepts through application of relevant case studies and exchange of ideas.

3. Number of students enrolled during 2024-25:

Name of Teaching Course	Semester				Girls	Boys
	First	Second	Third	Fourth		
UG (if any)						
PG	20		23		24	19
MPhil (if any)						
PhD						
Post-doc/Research Associate (if any)						
UGC/CSIR/CAR-NET-JRF						

4. FACULTY PROFILE:

Sl.	Name	Degree (MA/MSc/M.Com MPhil/PhD/Post-doc)	Designation	Date of Joining (Regular)	Publications(number only) and H-index of Google Scholar still date (if any)	Supervisor of Ph.D. Students (number only)	Extra-mural Research Projects (number only)
REGULAR FACULTY MEMBERS							
1	Dr.Ph. Newton Singh	PhD	Assistant Professor	27 th Feb. 2012		04	
2	Dr. Dipmala Roka	PhD	Assistant Professor	18 th Sept. 2017	01	03	
3	Dr. Maheema Rai	PhD	Assistant Professor	16 th Nov. 2023		02	
GUEST FACULTY							
1	N. Ramesh Chandra	Post-Doc	NA	30 th Jan., 2025	NA	NA	NA
2	Binita Rai	MPhil	NA	30 th Jan., 2025	NA	NA	01
3	Sangay Lachenpa	PhD		30 th Jan., 2025	03		
SUPPORT STAFF							
	Name	Qualification	Designation	Date of joining (regular)	Not Applicable		
1	Indra Dhungel		MTS		NA	NA	NA
2	Suren Gurung	Class X	MTS	2013	NA	NA	NA

5 DETAILS OF PUBLICATIONS (from 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025)

A: RESEARCH PAPERS IN JOURNAL

Sl. No.	Publication list	UGC-CARE List Journal Number	Impact Factor, if any	Publisher	ISSN
1.	Roka, Dipmala, <i>The Rise of India as a Responsible Nuclear Power</i>	317		Indian Political Science Association	0019-5510
2.	Lachenpa, Sangay (2024). The South Lhonak Lake, Sikkim Glacial Lake Outburst Flood: Impact on the Agro-pastoral Practice and Local Responses.			Centre for Excellence for Himalayan Studies, Issue Brief, 2.	
3.	Lachenpa, Sangay (2024). China's Development Model in Tibet: Positioning Shifts in Its Strategy.			Tibet Policy Journal, 11 (2): 193-224.	
4.	Devendra Kumar and Sangay Lachenpa (2025). China's Mega Dam in Tibet: A Technocratic Logic.			Centre of Excellence for Himalayan Studies, Commentary.	

6. PAPER PRESENTATION AT NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING DURING 2024-25 (only Papers presented by permanent faculty members and PhD students. Mere participation should not be mentioned).

Faculty Member/Research Scholar	Name of Conference/Seminar/Workshop	Place and Date	Invited Speaker/Resource Person/Paper Presenter	Title of Presentation in the published Proceeding, if any
Sangay Lachenpa	Czech Academy of Sciences, Shifting Border in the Himalayas, Prague, Czech Republic.	Czech Republic	Paper presenter	Border Securitisation and Development Policies in the Chinese Borderlands: Implications on the Border Population.
Sangay Lachenpa	Tibet Policy Institute, 6th Young Indian Scholars Conference on Tibetan Studies.	Dharainsala, Himachal Pradesh.	Paper presenter	China's Development Model in Tibet: Positioning the Shift in its Strategy
Sangay Lachenpa	Multispecies Migration in the Climate Changed Himalayas.	ICIMOD and Royal Thimphu College.	Paper presenter	Entangled Life World in the Sikkim Highlands: The Dzumsa, Climate Change and the Sacred Spaces

Shreyash Pradhan and Silvita Saha	International Conference organised by School of Humanities and Social Sciences, Girijananda Chowdhury University	Girijananda Chowdhury University, Assam on 21-22 January 2025	Paper presenter	The Economic Significance of the Strait of Malacca
Shreyash Pradhan and Jatin Sarmah	Young Scholars' Meet Globalising North East India Through Act East Policy: A Socio- Political and Economic Perspective. Organised By Department of Political Science, Handique Girls' College, Guwahati, Assam-781001	Handique College, Assam on 7 th , March 2025	Paper presenter	India-Myanmar-Thailand Trilateral Highway; A Path to Better Connectivity
Saillika Chamling	National Seminar organized by Centre for South Asian Studies, School of International Studies, JNU and Asia Foundation.	JNU, New Delhi, 20th April, 2024	Paper presenter	Hydro Diplomacy on the Brahmaputra River: Issues and Contestations among the Riparian States
Saillika Chamling	International Conference organised by Department of Political Science and Department of Nepali, St. Joseph's College, Darjeeling.	St. Joseph's College, Darjeeling, 22nd -23rd November, 2024	Paper presenter	Water Hegemony on the Brahmaputra: China's Strategy as an Upper Riparian
Zenith Das	International Conference organised by School of Humanities and Social Sciences, Girijananda Chowdhury University	Girijananda Chowdhury University 22 nd January, 2025	Paper presenter	Indigeneity, Claims and Cultural Conflicts: A Study of Inter-Community Relations in Manipur
Aditya Raj Kanaujia	International Conference organised by School of Humanities and Social Sciences, Girijananda Chowdhury University	Girijananda Chowdhury University, 22 nd January, 2025	Paper presenter	Diaspora and Migration Policies in Asia: Challenges of Integration and Identity Preservation
Zenith Das	International Seminar organised by Bhawaiya Sangeet Academy & Parishad Barokodali, Cooch Behar	Cooch Behar, 14-16 th January, 2025	Paper Presenter	Save Shola Crafts: A Cultural and Environmental Imperative
Zenith Das	National Seminar	27 th -28 th Feb, 2025 Nagaland University	Paper presenter	The education pipeline in Northeast India: Disparities between rural and urban regions
Jubin Gogoi	ICSSR sponsored National Seminar on "Empowering the Health of Women Tea Labours: Fostering Well Being in The Path Towards Viksit Bharat", Dibrugarh University, Assam,	6th January, 2025	Paper presenter	Small Tea Garden Workers in Assam: A Case Study Rongagora and Bhadoi Gaon Panchayat
Jubin Gogoi	ICSSR- NERC sponsored National Seminar on:	Dalgaon, Darrang, Assam	Paper presenter	"Social Media, Artificial Intelligence, and Indian

	"Influence of Artificial Intelligence in Shaping Political Behaviour of Citizens". Organized by PDUAM, Dalgaoon, Darrang, Assam	, 10th and 11th February 2025		Politics
Jubin Gogoi	ICSSR sponsored National Seminar on "Breaking the Silence: Mental Health and Well-Being in The Modern Society" Organized by Moran Mahila Mahavidyalaya, Dibrugarh, Assam	Dibrugarh, Assam (27th & 28th March 2025)	Paper presenter	Social Media Influence in Teenagers Mental Health

7. RESEARCH PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN DURING 2024-25:

Faculty Member	Project Title	Funding Agency	Project Duration	Total funds received	Number of Project Personnel (Project Fellow/JRF/SRF/RA)

8a. Ph D. AWARDS DURING 2024-25 (only successfully awarded):

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award
1	Namrata Rai	Cross Border Institutional Cooperation on Environmental Protection in Eastern Himalayan Region	Dr. Sebastian N.	2023	September, 2024

8b. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF STUDENTS IN 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)

9. STUDENTS QUALIFYING IN UGC-NET/UGC-JRF/ICSSR/CSIR/ICAR-NET/SLET/GATE/CAT/UPSC/IAS/IPS etc DURING 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name of Student	Gender	Fellowship/Award/Service
1	Kongniu	Female	UGC JRF

10. CONSULTANCIES OFFERED BY DEPARTMENT DURING 2024-25, if any:

11. STUDENT PLACEMENTS DURING 2024-25:

Name of Student	Semester	Organisation where placement is made	Place (City and Country)
Tapashya Rasaily	PhD, VI	Sikkim Government	Gangtok, Sikkim, India

12. Our Alumni Activities (if any)

13. Student and Alumni in the spotlight (if any)

14. Outreach programme and Engaging Communities (if any) by Department/Centre/University

15. Welfare Activities and Philanthropy (if any) by Department/Centre/University

DEPARTMENT OF LAW

Head/In-charge: Prof. (Dr.) Praveen Mishra

1. Introduction

The Department of Law offers two years LL.M and Ph.D. programmes.

2. Thrust Area

The Department of Law was offering Post- Graduate specialisation of two years LL.M In Business Laws until the Academic year 2022-2023. However, from the Academic year 2023-2024 the Department of Law is offering Post- Graduate specialisation of two years LL.M in Human Rights Law.

3. Number of students enrolled during 2024-25:

Name of Teaching Course	Semester					
	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Girls	Boys
UG (if any)		-	-	-	-	
PG		11		11	12	10
MPhil (if any)		-	-	-	-	
PhD		-	-	-	-	
Post-doc/Research Associate (if any)		-	-	-	-	
UGC/CSIR/ICAR-NET-JRF		-	-	-	-	

FACULTY PROFILE:

Sl.	Name	Degree (MA/MSc/M.Com MPhil/PhD/Post-doc)	Designation	Date of Joining (Regular)	Publications (number only) and H-index of Google Scholar still date (if any)	Supervisor of Ph.D. Students (number only)	Extra-mural Research Projects (number only)
REGULAR FACULTY MEMBERS							
1	Prof. (Dr.) Praveen Mishra	LL.M., D.Phil	Professor	02.12.2015		5 + 2 (Co-supervisor)	
2	Dr. Denkila Bhutia	LL.M, Ph.D	Assistant Professor	01.05.2012	1	4 + 2 (Co-supervisor)	
3	Dr. Sonam Yangchen Bhutia	LL.M, Ph.D	Assistant Professor	08.05.2014		4 + 1 (Co-supervisor)	
4	Dr. Pramita Gurung	LL.M, Ph.D	Assistant Professor	25.07.2022		2 + 1 (Co-supervisor)	
VISITING PROFESSOR							
1		NA			NA	NA	

GUEST FACULTY							
1	Mr. Paresh Shaw	LL.M	NA	03.10.2024		NA	NA
2	Mr. Satish Kharwar	LL.M	NA	07.10.2024	NA	NA	
3	Ms. Omni Tiwari	LL.M	NA	03.03.2025		NA	NA
SUPPORT STAFF							
	Name	Qualification	Designation	Date of joining (regular)	Not Applicable		
1	Miss Elizabeth Sherpa	B.A. (Political Science)	Office Attendant	01.01.2024	NA	NA	NA
2	Mr. Sonam Tshering Bhutia	High School (10 th)	MTS	30.08.2017	NA	NA	NA

4. DETAILS OF PUBLICATIONS (from 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025)

A: RESEARCH PAPERS IN JOURNAL

Name of Faculty Member:

Sl. No.	Publication list	UGC-CARE List Journal Number	Impact Factor, if any	Publisher	ISSN
1.	Denkila Bhutia, Hema Committee Aftermath: Me Too and Sexual Harassment in Film Industry: Dec 2024-Jan 2025, Vol. II, No. 26	Group-I		Inclusive, Kolkatta Centre for Contemporary Studies	2278-9758
2.	Dr. Pramita Gurung (2024) Issue of Ownership in Artificial Intelligence Generated Work Under the Copyright Act. Army Institute of Law Journal vol. XVII, 2024, 188 (2024)	Group-I		The Army Institute of Law, Mohali Punjab.	0975-8208

B: BOOK/S

Faculty Member	Publications with ISBN

C: BOOK CHAPTER/S

Faculty Member	Publications

5. PAPER PRESENTATION AT NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING DURING 2024-25 (only Papers presented by permanent faculty members and PhD students. Mere participation should not be mentioned).

Faculty Member/Research Scholar	Name of Conference/ Seminar/Workshop	Place and Date	Invited Speaker/ Resource Person/Paper Presenter	Title of Presentation in the published Proceeding, if any
Dr. Denkila Bhutia	Criminal Justice in India; Shifting Paradigms	21.03.2025 Gangtok, Sikkim &	Paper Presenter	<i>Ensuring Justice For Transgender Persons: Impact Of New Criminal Laws In India.</i> Paper presented at the Conference "Criminal Justice in India: Shifting Paradigms", Gangtok, Sikkim.
Dr. Denkila Bhutia	Chronicles of the State Election Commission-Sikkim: Since the Post Merger With Union Of India Organised by State Election Commission, Sikkim	12.12.2024	Resource Person	Status of State Election Commission: A Constitutional Perspective
Dr. Denkila Bhutia	Four Day Workshop on Research Methodology, Publication & Its Various Components from 23rd-26 th September 2024, Organised by Sikkim Government Institute of Higher Nyingma Studies (Sheda)	23.09.2024	Resource Person	Plagiarism and UGC Care
Dr. Sonam Yangchen Bhutia	National Conference on Criminal Justice in India; Shifting Paradigms	Confrence Hall, Tourism & Civil Aviation, Govt Of Sikkim 20 th -21 st March 2025	Paper Presenter	<i>Assessment of Criminal Laws of 2023 to Fight Hijacking of Civil Aircraft.</i> Criminal Justice in India: Shifting Paradigms", Gangtok, Sikkim.
Dr Sonam Yangchen Bhutia	Trishakti Corps Tibetology Cadre 2	Human Resource Development Centre, 17 Mountain Division, (Black Cat Division) Deorali Gangtok 19/02/2025	Resource Person	Judicial System in Tibet

Dr. Sonam Yangchen Bhutia	Trishakti Corps Tibetology Cadre 2	Human Resource Development Centre, 17 Mountain Division, (Black Cat Division) Deorali Gangtok 08/02/2025	Resource Person	Human Rights Violations in TAR
Dr. Sonam Yangchen Bhutia	Trishakti Corps Tibetology Cadre 2	Human Resource Development Centre, 17 Mountain Division, (Black Cat Division) Deorali Gangtok 08/02/2025	Resource Person	Cultural Suppression in TAR
Dr. Pramita Gurung	One-Day Workshop on Legal Research Writing organized by the Literary Committee Sikkim Government Law College.	Sikkim Government Law College, Burtuk, Gangtok 18 th October, 2024	Resource Person	Drafting a Legal Research Proposal
Dr. Pramita Gurung	Online Two Week Interdisciplinary Refresher Course in Advance Research Methodology	26 th April-09 May 2024	Participant	

6. RESEARCH PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN DURING 2024-25:

Faculty Member	Project Title	Funding Agency	Project Duration	Total funds received	Number of Project Personnel (Project Fellow/JRF/SRF/RA)

7. SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING PROGRAMMES ORGANISED BY THE DEPARTMENT DURING 2024-25 (provide only one picture of each programme):

Sl. No.	Programme Title	National or International	Funding Agency	Date	Number only		Name of Coordinator/Convener
					Resource Persons	Participants	
1.	Criminal Justice in India: Shifting Paradigms	National	Sikkim University in collaboration with Sikkim National Law University	20 th – 21 st March, 2025	4	More than 250	Prof. (Dr.) Praveen Mishra

8. PURCHASE/INSTALLATION OF LABORATORY EQUIPMENT DURING 2024-25 (Only for Lab-based Departments, if any):

Sl. No.	Equipment Details	Date of Acquisition	Cost (Rs.)	Funding Agency	Purpose	Approx. Usage (%)

9. MPhil AWARDS (if any) DURING 2024-25 (only successfully awarded):

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award

10. Ph.D. AWARDS DURING 2024-25 (only successfully awarded):

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award
1	Ms. Sharmista Sigdel	Assessment of Narco Analysis from Human Rights Perspective: A Comparative Study of India, USA and UK	Dr Sonam Yangchen Bhutia	7 th May 2024	17 th September 2024
2	Mr. Pritam Subba	Exercise of the Pardoning Power by the President and the Governor under the Constitution of India- A Critical Study'	Prof. (Dr.) Praveen Mishra	27 th September 2024	3 rd October 2024

11a. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF FACULTY MEMBER (Permanent only) 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)

11b. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF STUDENTS IN 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)

12. STUDENTS QUALIFYING IN UGC-NET/UGC-JRF/CSSR/CSIR/ICAR-NET/SLET/GATE/CAT/UPSC/IAS/IPS etc. DURING 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name of Student	Gender	Fellowship/Award/Service
1.	Sulochana Tamang	Female	UGC- NET & JRF

13. CONSULTANCIES OFFERED BY DEPARTMENT DURING 2024-25, if any:

Consultancy Project/ Programme/Service	Organisation seeking Consultancy	Project/Programme Dates & Duration	Consultancy Funding/Service Fee Received

14. STUDENT PLACEMENTS DURING 2024-25:

Name of Student	Semester	Organisation where placement is made	Place (City and Country)

15. Our Alumni Activities (if any)

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16. Student and Alumni in the spotlight (if any)

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17. Outreach programme and Engaging Communities (if any) by Department/Centre/University

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18. Welfare Activities and Philanthropy (if any) by Department/Centre/University- NIL

DEPARTMENT OF PEACE AND CONFLICT STUDIES AND MANAGEMENT

Head/In-charge: Professor Nawal K. Paswan

1. Introduction

The Department of Peace and Conflict Studies and Management is among those established in 2008 since university began its operations. It offers programs at the postgraduate (MA) and Ph. D levels blending traditional academic and new approaches with region-specific studies and newly emerging areas of studies along with conventional as well as non-conventional disciplines. Until the implementation of New Education Policy, 2020 (NEP 2020), the department used to offer M.Phil program also.

The department aims to equip students with both theoretical knowledge and practical skills for managing and resolving conflicts, contributing to intellectual, academic, and cultural development in the region. The department's interdisciplinary approach draws from political science, sociology, anthropology, management studies and so forth. It examines conflicts at various levels - interpersonal, societal, national, and international -while emphasizing sustainable peace processes. The conglomeration of the various areas of studies align with the department's mission to provide a critical understanding of peace and conflict issues while fostering research and practical skills relevant to the unique socio-political and ecological landscape of the region. So far, department has awarded more than 150 of MA, M.Phil and PhD degrees.

2. Thrust Area

The Department of Peace and Conflict Studies and Management, Sikkim University focuses on a range of interdisciplinary themes: It aims at understanding and addressing conflict dynamics, peace-building, and management strategies. At regional level, it puts emphasis on various penetrating issue and conflicts in the context of South Asia and the Eastern Himalayas with special focus to India's North East. The key areas that department investigate into are conflict Analysis and Resolution, Peace-building and Post-Conflict Reconstruction, Geopolitics and Border Studies, Ethnic Identity and Social Conflicts, Human Security and Development, and Globalization and Inequality.

3. Number of students enrolled during 2024-25: 09

Name of Teaching Course	Semester				Girls	Boys
	First	Second	Third	Fourth		
UG (if any)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
PG	8		09			
MPhil (if any)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
IBh.D 07						
Post-doc/Research Associate (if any)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
UGC/CSIR/ICAR-NET-JRF						05

4. FACULTY PROFILE:

Sl.	Name	Degree (MA/MSc/M. Com MPhil/PhD/Post- doc)	Designation	Date of Joining (Regular)	Publications(<i>number only</i>) and H-index of Google Scholars till date (<i>if any</i>)	Supervisor of Ph.D. Students (<i>number only</i>)	Extra- mural Research Projects (<i>number only</i>)
REGULAR FACULTY MEMBERS							
1	Prof. Nawal K. Paswan	MA/MPhil /PhD	Professor	05/03/2012		07	NA
2	Dr. Dinesh K. Ahirwar	MA/MPhil /PhD	Assistant Professor	18/10/2017		05	NA
3	Dr. Rakesh K. Yadav	MA/MPhil /PhD	Assistant Professor	24/11/2023		02	NA
4	Dr. Vimal Khawas (On Lien)	Ph.D.	Associate Professor	21/08/2017	35; H-index-08	6 (PhD) + 1 (PhD Co-supervisor)	
5							
6							
7							
VISITING PROFESSOR							
1			NA			NA	NA
GUEST FACULTY							
1	Dr. Tikendra K. Chhetry	PhD	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2	Dr. Roshan Gurung		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
SUPPORT STAFF							
	Name	Qualification	Designation	Date of joining (<i>regular</i>)	Not Applicable		
1					NA	NA	NA
2					NA	NA	NA

5. DETAILS OF PUBLICATIONS (from 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025)

A: RESEARCH PAPERS IN JOURNAL

Name of Faculty Member:

Sl. No.	Publication list	UGC-CARE List Journal Number	Impact Factor, if any	Publisher	ISSN
1.	Ahirwar, Dinesh Kumar (2025) Exploring the Concept of Harmony in Chinese History: A Search for the Peace in International Journal For Multidisciplinary Research, Volume 7, Issue 1, January-February 2025, DOI: https://doi.org/10.36948/ijfmr.2025.v07i01.37817		Impact Factor: 9.24	UMR	E-ISSN: 2582-2160

B: BOOK/S

Faculty Member	Publications with ISBN

C: BOOK CHAPTERS

Faculty Member	Publications

6. PAPER PRESENTATION AT NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL SEMINARS/ CONFERENCES/ WORKSHOPS/ TRAINING DURING 2024-25 (only Papers presented by permanent faculty members and PhD students. Mere participation should not be mentioned).

Faculty Member/ Research Scholar	Name of Conference/ Seminar/ Workshop	Place and Date	Invited Speaker/ Resource Person/Paper Presenter	Title of Presentation in the published Proceeding, if any
Nawal K. Paswari	Korea-India Forum for Northeast Region Development (KIF-NRD)	Korea Institute for International Economic Policy (KIEP), Delhi office in India Habitat Centre, New Delhi on 01 Oct. 2024.	Invited speaker	Exploring Potential Areas of Cooperation between Northeast India and Korea

Nawal K. Paswan	Workshop of Trishakti Corps Tibetology Cadre	Human Resources Development Centre, 17 Mountain Division (Black Cat Division), Deorali, Gangtok (6 to 27 th Feb, 2025).	Invited resource person	Contemporary Issues on Tibet (16 lectures)
Nawal K. Paswan	Special talk on India's National Safety and security Strategies: A Fresh Perspective	Department of Chinese, School of Languages and Literature, Sikkim University, Gangtok on 19 March 2025.	Invited speaker	India's National Safety and security Strategies: A Fresh Perspective
Nawal K. Paswan	Geography in Everyday Practices	Department of Geography, School of Human Science, Sikkim University, Gangtok on 29 March 2025.	Invited speaker	Border Management: Challenges & Opportunities
Nisha Chettri (Research Scholar)	A Bilingual international conference on Dynamics of Cultures, Languages, and Literatures: Exploring the Eastern Himalayan Region	North Point College, Darjeeling November 22, 2024	Paper Presenter	Border fencing and its socio-economic impact on Assam's border villages along the Indo-Bangladesh Border
Shreya Tamang (Research Scholar)	A Bilingual international conference on Dynamics of Cultures, Languages, and Literatures: Exploring the Eastern Himalayan Region	North Point College, Darjeeling November 22, 2024	Paper Presenter	Exploring the Geo-Politics of North-East India in 2015 Land Boundary Agreement
Situshna Rai (Research Scholar)	A Bilingual international conference on Dynamics of Cultures, Languages, and Literatures: Exploring the Eastern Himalayan Region	North Point College, Darjeeling November 22, 2024	Paper Presenter	Conflict Resolution Mechanisms within Traditional Institutions: A Study of Dorbar Shnong in Meghalaya

7. RESEARCH PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN DURING 2024-25:

Faculty Member	Project Title	Funding Agency	Project Duration	Total funds received	Number of Project Personnel (Project Fellow/JRF/SRF/RA)

8. SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING PROGRAMMES ORGANISED BY THE DEPARTMENT DURING 2024-25 (provide only one picture of each programme):

Sl. No.	Programme Title	National or International	Funding Agency	Date	Number only		Name of Coordinator/Convener
					Resource Persons	Participants	

9. PURCHASE/INSTALLATION OF LABORATORY EQUIPMENT DURING 2024-25 (Only for Lab-based Departments, if any):

Sl. No.	Equipment Details	Date of Acquisition	Cost (Rs.)	Funding Agency	Purpose	Approx. Usage (%)
						Eg. 85% during 2019-20

10. M.Phil AWARDS (if any) DURING 2024-25 (only successfully awarded):

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award
01.	Gitishimita Das	Promoting peace through people-to-people trade between India and Bangladesh: A Study on Balat- Dalora Border Haat.	Prof. Nawal K. Paswan	December 23, 2023	October 28 2024

11. Ph.D. AWARDS DURING 2024-25 (only successfully awarded):

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award
01	Navin Rai	Hydropower Climate Change and Emerging Conflict: A Study of Teesta River Basin	Dr. Vimal Khawas	March 2, 2024	September 26, 2024

12a. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF FACULTY MEMBER (*Permanent only*) 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)

12b. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF STUDENTS IN 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)
		1.

13. STUDENTS QUALIFYING IN UGC-NET/UGC-JRF/ICSSR/CSIR/ICAR-NET/SLET/GATE/CAT/UPSC/IAS/IPS etc. DURING 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name of Student	Gender	Fellowship/Award/Service
01.	Thering Dadul Bhutia	M	UGC-NET
02.	Hari Chandra Chettri	M	UGC-NET
03.	Nihal Sarkar	M	UGC-NET
04.	Passang Tsering Lepcha	M	UGC-NET
05.	Kabindra Sharma	M	UGC-NET
06.	Rupen Karki	M	UGC-NET

14. CONSULTANCIES OFFERED BY DEPARTMENT DURING 2024-25, if any:

Consultancy Project/ Programme/Service	Organisation seeking Consultancy	Project/Programme Dates & Duration	Consultancy Funding/Service Fee Received

15. STUDENT PLACEMENTS DURING 2024-25:

Name of Student	Semester	Organisation where placement is made	Place (City and Country)
Sumnima Linkhim	MA passed	International NGO	New Delhi
Santoshi Rai	MA passed	School Teacher	Sikkim
Situshna Rai	Ph.D	School Teacher	West Bengal
Ainie Mary Gurung	Ph.D	School Teacher	West Bengal

16. Our Alumni Activities (if any)

17. Student and Alumni in the spotlight (if any)

18. Outreach programme and Engaging Communities (if any) by Department/Centre/University

19. Welfare Activities and Philanthropy (if any) by Department/Centre/University

POLITICAL SCIENCE

Head/In Charge: Professor Durga P Chhetri

1. About the Department

Established in 2012, the Department of Political Science is one of the new departments of Sikkim University. The department has been established with a mission to impart quality higher education and to strive to develop students with knowledge, skills, and character leading to societal transformation and national development.

Among other things, the Department strives to achieve the following:

- i. To contribute to the advancement and dissemination of knowledge through teaching, research, and publications;
- ii. To provide guidance in higher education by imparting quality knowledge;
- iii. To develop aptitude and skills of students to equip them to face the challenges;
- iv. To inculcate values of equality, unity, and justice to create a just and human society where the dignity of the human person is upheld.

2. Thrust Areas : The Department of Political Science currently offers M.A. and Ph.D. programmes. UGC Regulation, notified in November 2022, discontinued the MPhil programme following the implementation of National Educational Policy 2020. The Department offers training in five substantive subfields: Political Theory, Public Administration, Comparative Politics, State Politics and Democracy, and International Relations. Faculty regularly teach courses in each of these subfields that expose students to both the current research topics and the foundational work in these fields. The department and the teachers have the flexibility to introduce new programmes and courses, and improve and modify the existing course content and syllabus in tune with the changing needs of the industry and society.

3. Number of students enrolled during 2024-25:

Name of Teaching Course	Semester				Girls	Boys
	First	Second	Third	Fourth		
PG	28		24		30	22
PhD	03	-	-	-	03	-
UGC/CSIR/CAR-NET-JRF	-	-	-	-	-	-

4. FACULTY PROFILE:

Sl.	Name	Degree (MA/MSc/M.Com MPhil/PhD/Post-doc)	Designation	Date of Joining (Regular)	Publications(number only) andH-index of Google Scholarstill date (if any)	Supervisor of Ph.D Students: (number only)	Extra-mural Research Projects (number only)
REGULAR FACULTY MEMBERS							
1	Dr. Durga P Chhetri	MA, MPhil, PhD	Professor	15.05.2014	-	10	-
2	Dr. Bidhan Golay	MA, MPhil, PhD	Assistant Professor	19.03.2012	-	-	-
3	Dr. Budh Bahadur Lama	MA, PhD	Assistant Professor	02.06.2014	-	-	-
4	Ms Swastika Pradhan	MA, MPhil	Assistant Professor	23.11.2015	-	-	-

VISITING PROFESSOR							
1	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
GUEST FACULTY							
1	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
SUPPORT STAFF							
	Name	Qualification	Designation	Date of joining (regular)	Not Applicable		
1	Indra Kamal Sharma	BBA	MTS	NA	NA	NA	NA
2	Suren Gurung	Class VII	MTS	NA	NA	NA	NA

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Name of Faculty Member:

Sl. No.	Publication list	UGC-CARE List Journal Number	Impact Factor, if any	Publisher	ISSN
1	Golay, Bidhan (2024) The 'Brave' Gurkha: A Study of the Colonial Discourse on 'Martial' Race	South Asian Journal of Socio-Political Studies, Vol No.XXIV, June, 2024			0972-4613
2	Pradhan, S (2024) Teesta River Water Management through an Integrated Approach. Sarcouncil Journal of Arts humanities and social sciences, 3(4), https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.10913086		4.1	SARC	2945-3488
Research Scholar					
1.	R, Sujith. (2025). India's foreign policy and Strategic Autonomy in a Changing Global Order. Journal of the Oriental Institute. 74(1), 306- 313. https://journaloi.com/index.php/JOI/article/view/660	-	5.1	Journal of the Oriental Institute	0030-5324
	R, Sujith. (2025). Navigating Global Shifts: India's Foreign Policy Adjustments. Journal of East- West Thought. 15(1), 342-350. https://jetjournal.us/index.php/journals/article/view/210	-	7.665	Journal of East- West Thought	2168-2259
	R, Sujith. (2025). India's G20 Presidency: Leading the Charge Towards a Multi-Polar World and a Viksit Bharat. Journal of East- West Thought. 15(1), 324-330. https://jetjournal.us/index.php/journals/article/view/207	-	7.665	Journal of East- West Thought	2168-2259
	R, Sujith. (2024). India's G20 Presidency: The Emerging Multi- Polar World Order and Great Power Politics. Journal of Research and Studies., Special Edition, 145-150. https://www.aurobindo.du.ac.in/newsletter.php	-	N/A	Journal of Research and Studies	2455-5401

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Faculty Member	Publications with ISBN

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Faculty Member/Research Scholar	Name of Webinar/Conference/Seminar/Workshop	Place and Date	Invited Speaker/ Resource Person	Title of Presentation/Title of presentation in the published Proceeding, if any
Durga P Chhetri	International Conference on Sustainable Development in Asia	25-27 October 2024, DIU-SANPA-IOM, Dhaka, Bangladesh.	Invited Speaker	Leave No One Behind: "Invisible Minority" and Sustainable Development Goals in India
Durga P Chhetri	International Conference on Public Administration and Development in Russia	22-24 May 2024, RANEP, Moscow, Russia	Invited Speaker	Pandemic Governance in South Asia: Exploring the potentials of collaborative governance for public administration
Durga P Chhetri	61st IPSA Seminar & International Conference on Viksit Bharat	MGS University, Bikaner, Rajasthan 18-19 October 2024	Keynote Speaker	Representation in contemporary democratic theory
Durga P Chhetri	61st IPSA Seminar & International Conference on Viksit Bharat	MGS University, Bikaner, Rajasthan 18-19 October 2024	Resource Person	Decentralisation without devolution: An exploration of the realities of devolution in India
Dr. Bidhan Goyal	Bilingual International Conference on Dynamics of Cultures, Languages and Literatures: Exploring the Eastern Himalayan Region	St. Joseph's College, Darjeeling, 22 nd - 23 rd November, 2024	Paper Presenter	Postcolonial Darjeeling and the Making and Unmaking of Pravash at Home

Dr. Bidhan Golay	Two Day International Conference on Media, Populism and Democracy	Department of Political Science and Centre for Southeast Asian Studies, Nagaland University, 27 th -28 th March, 2025	Paper Presenter	Populism and Governmental Subjects: Some Observations on Electoral Politics in Sikkim
Dr. Budh Bahadur Lama	National Seminar on VISION VIKSIT BHARAT @2047: PIONEERING DIGITAL INTEGRATION AND RURAL TRANSFORMATION	Hindustan Institute of Technology and Science, Rajiv Gandhi Salai (OMR), Padur, Chennai. March 6-7, 2025	Paper Presenter	Financial Inclusion for Rural Women: A Study in India
Dr. Budh Bahadur Lama	National on Contemporary Relevance of Gandhiji	Vidyasagar University, West Bengal, October 2, 2024	Resource person	Gandhi's Vision of Rural Reconstruction and its Relevance in Modern India
Dr. Budh Bahadur Lama	National Seminar on Bridging Borders, Building Bridges- Exploring Connections between North East India and South East Asia	Maulana Abul Kalam Azad Institute of Asian Studies (MAKAIAS), Kolkata and Department of Political Science, Assam University, Silchar 12th and 13th March, 2025	Paper presenter	Bridging Borders: Strategic Imperatives of Bangladesh for Northeast India.
Dr. Budh Bahadur Lama	National Seminar on Democracy and Civil Society in South Asia: Challenges and Prospects	Department of Political Science, Vidyasagar University West Bengal, March 25, 2025	Resource Person	Conceptualizing Democracy and Civil Society in South Asia: A Comparative Perspective with Western Models
Dr. Budh Bahadur Lama	International Conference on Sustainability and AI in a VUCA World (An Interdisciplinary Approach towards Viksit Bharat)	St. Xavier's College Jaipur, Rajasthan, 8-9 February, 2025	Paper Presenter	Navigating Neo-liberal Policies and Sustainable Development: Insights from Sikkim and Arunachal Pradesh

Research Scholar				
Ms. Tenzing Doma Bhutia	Two Days National Seminar on Globalisation, Self and Lifeworld, organised by Department of Sociology, Sikkim University, in collaboration with ICCSR-NERC & RC 28 Sociology of Everyday Life of the Indian Sociological Society.	Sikkim University. 10 th -11 th March, 2025.	Presenter	Globalisation, Democratisation and Challenges of Institutional Building process in Sikkim.
Ms. Tenzing Doma Bhutia	10 Days NEP 2020 Orientation & Sensitisation Programme under Malaviya Mission Teacher Training Programme of Ministry of Education, Govt of India.	Malaviya Mission Teacher Training Centre, Shri Ram College of Commerce, University of Delhi. 19 th September- 28 th September.	Trainee	-
Monica Lakandri	Two-Day IHG International Conference on Human Security and Global Governance	(online) Delhi. 30 th September and 1 st October, 2024	Paper Presenter	Understanding the Role of State in the Empowerment of Women: A Study of Sales Girls in Sikkim
Monica Lakandri	Two-Day National Conference on Indian Democracy Challenges and Opportunities in New Millenium'	Coochbehat, West Bengal. 22 nd August, 2024	Paper Presenter	Disempowerment of Women as a Challenge to the Democracy in India through the lenses of Naila Kabeer
Monica Lakandri	Two Day online National Seminar on Gender Issues: Challenge, Strategies and Solutions	(online) Garhwal, Uttarakhand. 15-16 October, 2024	Paper Presenter	Empowerment and Movement: Twin Mothers of Empowerment of Women in India
Monica Lakandri	Two-Day National Conference on "Democracy and Women: Landscape of Indian Politics	Coochbehat, West Bengal. 11-12 March, 2025	Paper Presenter	Women and Electoral Politics: Role of Cash Incentive Schemes
R. Sujithi	61 st All India Political Science Conference and the International Seminar on "Viksit Bharth @ 2047	Maharaja Ganga Singh University, Bikaner, Rajasthan. 18 th 10/2024 to 19 th 10/2024	Paper Presenter	Navigating Great Power Politics of 21 st Century: India's Quest for Strategic Autonomy in a Multi Polar World Order.

7. RESEARCH PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN DURING 2024-25:

Faculty Member	Project Title	Funding Agency	Project Duration	Total funds received	Number of Project Personnel (Project Fellow/JRF/SRF/RA)

8. SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING PROGRAMMES ORGANISED BY THE DEPARTMENT DURING 2024-25 (provide only one picture of each programme):

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					Resource Persons	Participants	

9. PURCHASE/INSTALLATION OF LABORATORY EQUIPMENT DURING 2024-25 (Only for Lab-based Departments, if any):

Sl. No.	Equipment Details	Date of Acquisition	Cost (Rs.)	Funding Agency	Purpose	Approx. User (%)
	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

10. MPhil AWARDS DURING 2024-25 (only successfully awarded):

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award

11. Ph.D AWARDS DURING 2024-25 (only successfully awarded):

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date & Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award
1.	Dhanraj Rai	Democracy, Decentralisation and Citizen Participation A Study of East and West Districts of Sikkim	Professor Durga P Chhetri	18.05.2023	01.04.2024
2.	Tenzing Doma Bhutia	Democratic Transition, Institutional Crating and Constitutionalism: A Study of Sikkim	Professor Durga P Chhetri	17.05.2024	07.02.2025

12a. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF FACULTY MEMBER (Permanent only) 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)
	NA	NA

12b. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF STUDENTS IN 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)
	NA	NA

13. STUDENTS QUALIFYING IN UGC-NET/UGC-JRF/ICSSR/CSIR/ICAR-NET/SLET/GATE/CAT/UPSC/IAS/IPS etc. DURING 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name of Student	Gender	Fellowship/Award/Service
1.	Amisha Subba	F	UGC NET
2.	Rajnish Kumar	M	UGC NET
3.	Jatin Sharma	M	UGC-NET
4.	Namgyal Lepcha	M	UGC-NET
5.	Tashi Chong Sherpa	F	UGC-NET
6.	Binita Chettri	F	UGC-NET
7.	Manisha Thami	F	SLET

14. CONSULTANCIES OFFERED BY DEPARTMENT DURING 2024-25, if any:

Consultancy Project/ Programme/Service	Organisation seeking Consultancy	Project/Programme Dates & Duration	Consultancy Funding/Service Fee Received

15. STUDENT PLACEMENTS DURING 2024-25:

Name of Student	Semester	Organisation where placement is made	Place (City and Country)
NA	NA	NA	NA

16. Our Alumni Activities (if any)

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17. Student and Alumni in the spotlight (if any)

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18. Outreach programme and Engaging Communities (if any) by Department/Centre/University

Nil

19. Welfare Activities and Philanthropy (if any) by Department/Centre/University

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY

Head/In-charge: Prof. Dr Sandhya Thapa

1. Introduction

The Department of Sociology, erstwhile the Department of Social Systems and Anthropology, was started in 2008 as one of the first departments in the then newly established Sikkim University. With the larger vision for the development and welfare of the state's people, the Department of Sociology has played a major role in inculcating sociological imagination and teaching the value of sociological inquiry to students, many of whom are the first generation to enter higher education. A major part of our work is to encourage interdisciplinary learning, to explore and develop knowledge by taking cognizance of peoples' lived realities, and to debate and link those with the theoretical traditions of the discipline.

The diverse courses offered make the MA and PhD programs in Sociology rewarding and stimulating for the students.

2. Thrust Area

Sociological Theories, Research Methodology, Gender Studies, Religion, Inequality, Ethnicity, Cultural Studies, Migration, Education, Social Movement and Regional studies

3. Number of students enrolled during 2024-25:

Name of Teaching Course	Semester				Girls	Boys
	First	Second	Third	Fourth		
UG (if any)						
PG		17		20	27	10
PhD					07	03
Post-doc/Research Associate (if any)						
UGC/CSIR/CAR-NET-JRF				07	07	0

4. FACULTY PROFILE:

Sl.	Name	Degree (MA/MSc/M. Com MPhil/PhD/Post- doc)	Designation	Date of Joining (<i>Regular</i>)	Publications (<i>number only</i>) and H-index of Google Scholar still date (<i>if any</i>)	Supervisor of MPhil/Ph.D.Ph.D. Students (<i>number only</i>)	Extra- mural Research Projects (<i>number only</i>)
REGULAR FACULTY MEMBERS							
1.	Prof. Sandhya Thapa	Ph.D.	Professor	15.05.2014		5- Ph.D.	N.A
2.	Prof. Swati A. Sachdeva	Ph.D.	Professor	20.10.2008		2- Ph.D.	N.A
3.	Dr. Khangembam Indira	Ph.D.	Assistant Professor	28.03.2012		3- Ph.D.	N.A
4.	Mr. Shankar Narayan Bagh	MPhil	Assistant Professor	08.12.2015		N.A	N.A
5.	Dr. Sona Rai	Ph.D.	Assistant Professor	16.09.2016		N.A	N.A
6.	Mr. Binod Bhattra	M.Phil	Assistant Professor	13.10.2017		N.A	N.A
VISITING PROFESSOR							
1		NA				NA	NA
GUEST FACULTY							
1	Dr N G Thorii	Ph.D.	Guest Faculty	NA		NA	NA
SUPPORT STAFF							
	Name	Qualification	Designation	Date of joining (<i>regular</i>)	Not Applicable		
1	Tashi Doma Sherpa	Class X Passed	MTS	01.02.2019 (Outsource)		N.A	N.A
2	Radha Devi Chettri	Graduate BA	Administrative Staff (LDC)	19.03.2019 (Outsource)		N.A	N.A

5. DETAILS OF PUBLICATIONS (from 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025)

A: RESEARCH PAPERS IN JOURNAL

Name of Faculty Member:

Sl. No.	Publication list	UGC-CARE List Journal Number	Impact Factor, if any	Publisher	ISSN
1.	Sachdeva, S. A. and Dukpa, L.T. (2024) Self as an Interpreter of Stigma: The Everyday Life Agony of the Hijras of North Bengal.	Social Trends		Journal of the Department of Sociology of North Bengal University Vol. 11	ISSN: 2348-6538.

B: BOOK/S

Faculty Member	Publications with ISBN
Pant. V and Sachdeva, S.A. (2025)	Democratic Traditions Among the Janjati of North East India; in <i>Mother of Democracy-India</i> (ICHR Publication) and ICHR and National Book Trust of India. ISBN935743156

C: BOOK CHAPTER/S

Faculty Member	Publications
Yankeela Bhutia	A discourse on cooking as a Gendered responsibility in the everyday life of the Professors in West Medinipur district in <i>Shifting Paradigms Gender in contemporary society</i> . SUNBEAM Rupnagar Guwahati. JUNE 2024

6. PAPER PRESENTATION AT NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING DURING 2024-25 (only Papers presented by permanent faculty members and MPhil/PhD students. Mere participation should not be mentioned).

Faculty Member/Research Scholar	Name of Conference/ Seminar/Workshop	Place and Date	Invited Speaker/ Resource Person	Title of Presentation in the published Proceeding, if any
Prof. Sandhya Thapa	Trishakti Corps Tibetology Cadre	Human Resource Development Centre, Black Cat Division, Gangtok, 2 nd February 2025	<u>Invited Speaker</u>	Society in Tibet: An Exploration of Tibetan Socio- Cultural Aspects
Prof. Sandhya Thapa	Trishakti Corps Tibetology Cadre	Human Resource Development Centre, Black Cat Division, Gangtok, 13 th February 2025	<u>Invited Speaker</u>	Political Institutions in Tibet
Sachdeva, S. A. and Dukpa, L.T. (2024)	49th All India Sociological Conference, organized by BML Munjal University	Gurugram 22 nd -24 th December, 2024.	<u>Presenter</u>	The Case of Sikkim's Declining Fertility: A Mixed Methods Assessment of Social Perceptions and Responses Apropos Low Fertility in the State.
Prof. Swati A Sachdeva	Trishakti Corps Tibetology Cadre	Human Resource Development Centre, Black Cat Division, Gangtok, 2 nd February 2025	<u>Invited Speaker</u>	Social institutions (Marriage family and Kinship in Tibetan Society)
Prof. Swati A Sachdeva	Trishakti Corps Tibetology Cadre	Human Resource Development Centre, Black Cat Division, Gangtok, 13 th February 2025	<u>Invited Speaker</u>	Role of Religion in Tibetan Society
Prof. Swati A Sachdeva	Trishakti Corps Tibetology Cadre	Human Resource Development Centre, Black Cat Division, Gangtok, 13 th February 2025	<u>Invited Speaker</u>	Suicide prevention among Army Personnel: A Sociological Assessment and Suggestions.
Khawas, A. Paul, A. and Sachdeva, S.A. (2025)	National Seminar on 'Globalisation, Self and Lifeworld'	Department of Sociology, Sikkim University 10 th & 11 th March, 2025	<u>Presenter</u>	Stigma in Digital Mental Health Interventions – A Scoping Review. National Seminar on Globalisation, Self and Lifeworld

Sachdeva, S. A. and Dukpa, L.T. (2025)	National Seminar on 'Globalisation, Self and Lifeworld'	Department of Sociology, Sikkim University 10 th & 11 th March, 2025.	<u>Presenter</u>	Globalization and the Making of Lifeworld's - Exploring the Transgender Urban and Rural Life-worlds in India
Binod Bhattarai	National Seminar on 'Globalisation, Self and Lifeworld'	Department of Sociology, Sikkim University, 10 th and 11 th March 2025	<u>Presenter</u>	Navigating Parenthood in a Shrinking Society: A Sociological Reflection on Sikkim's Population Decline
Dr. Khangembam Indira	A training programme for the secondary teachers of N.E. States on teaching vocational subjects.	SCERT, Govt. of Sikkim, Gangtok, 25--29 Nov. 2024.	<u>Resource person</u>	Entrepreneurship --A brief introduction, for the secondary teachers of N.E. States on teaching vocational subjects, SCERT, Gangtok
Dr. Khangembam Indira	National Seminar on Globalisation, Self and Lifeworld	Department of Sociology, Sikkim University, 10 th -11 th March, 2025		Globalization, Lifeworld and Waste Management in Sikkim.
Racheal D Sangma & K Indira	National Seminar on "Indian Knowledge System" organized	Demow College, Assam, 19 th - 20 th February, 2025	<u>Presenter</u>	The Vital Role of <i>Chariteps</i> : Female Shamans and the Preservation of Karbi Indigenous Knowledge System.
Mr. Shankar Narayan Bagh	The Role of History in Conflicts and Peace: Focus on the Northeast	NESRC, Guwahati, 15-16 November, 2024	<u>Presenter</u>	Peace-Making in Sikkim: Significance of Blood-Brotherhood Treaty.
Mr. Shankar Narayan Bagh	Culture of the Street: Reappropriating Territoriality in Deterritorialized Odisha	Woxsen University, Hyderabad, 13-14 February 2025		From Community Ritual to Village Festival: Journey and Transformation of Toki Parab in Kalahandi, Odisha.
Shunami A. Lepcha (Ph.D. Scholar)	49 th All India Sociological Conference	School of Liberal Studies, BML Munjal University 22-24, December 2024	<u>Presenter</u>	Understanding the Crossroads of Tourism and Everyday Life
Shunami A. Lepcha (Ph.D. Scholar)	National Seminar on Globalization, Self and Lifeworld	Department of Sociology, Sikkim University 10 th -11 th March 2025	<u>Presenter</u>	Changing Self and Lifeworld of Women Homestay Operators

Sonam Choden (Ph.D. Scholar)	One Day State Level Seminar to Commemorate International Women's Day	Nar Bahadur Bhandari Government College, Tadong 10 th March, 2025	Speaker	Raising Awareness on the Misuse of Women-Centric Laws
Sonam Choden (Ph.D. Scholar)	National Seminar On Globalisation, Self and Lifeworld	Department of Sociology, Sikkim university 10 th -11 th March, 2025	Presenter	Tibetan Lifeworld in Exile: Continuity and Changes
Viveka Gurung (Ph.D. Scholar)	International Seminar on <i>Landscape and Lifeworld: Interface between North East India and its Neighbouring Countries</i>	Department of Sociology, Manipur University 9 th -10 th August, 2024	Presenter	Understanding Nepali migration in Sikkim: The Indo-Nepal Friendship Treaty versus the Sikkim Subject Regulation Act
Viveka Gurung (Ph.D. Scholar)	National Seminar On Globalisation and Lifeworld	Department of Sociology, Sikkim university 10 th -11 th March, 2025	Presenter	Migration and Agency: The case of Nepali labour migration in Sikkim
Sunaina Rai (Ph.D. Scholar)	49 th All India Sociological Conference	BML Munjal University 22 nd -24 th December, 2024	Presenter	Intraspecting the Gendered Body through Women's Everyday Experiences and Bargain with the Body Ideal
Sunaina Rai (Ph.D. Scholar)	National Seminar on Globalisation, Self and Lifeworld	Department of Sociology, Sikkim University 10 th -11 th March 2025	Presenter	The Intersection of Body as a Social Construct and Subjective Self Formation: A Theoretical Exploration
Sunaina Rai (Ph.D. Scholar)	National Seminar on Existential, Ethical and Aesthetic Concerns in Everyday Life	Department of Sociology, North Bengal University 20 th -21 st March 2025	Presenter	The Restructured Notion of Body: A Study on Women of Kirat Rai Community in Sikkim
Arnit Khawas (Ph.D. Scholar)	International Seminar on Displacement Justice:	Indian Institute of Legal Studies, Siliguri 5 th May 2024	Presenter	Exploring The Intersection Of Displacement Mental Health, Legal Protections, And Children Wellbeing – A Systematic Review

Racheal D Sangma (Ph.D. Scholar)	National Seminar on "Commercializing Culinary Heritage: Exploring the Indigenous Food and Beverages offerings of various communities in Assam, India"	Sivasagar, Girls' College, Assam 3th -4 th May, 2024	Presenter	Exploring Ethnic Thalis in Guwahati City and Looking into the Role of Social Media Influencers in Boosting Culinary Tourism.
Racheal D Sangma (Ph.D. Scholar)	49 th All India Sociological Conference	Gurugram, 22-24 December, 2024	Presenter	Exploring Significance of Myths among the Karbi Tribe of Assam.
Priya Sharma (Ph.D. Scholar)	International Seminar on Transforming Conflict. Understanding Identity Through Peace Building: Issues, Challenges and Prospects	Department of History &Sociology, Kamakhya Pemton College, Hyanthang, Manipur (29 th -31 st October, 2024)	Presenter	Analysing State Failure in Peacekeeping: Causes, Consequences and Lesson Learned

7. RESEARCH PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN DURING 2024-25:

Faculty Member	Project Title	Funding Agency	Project Duration	Total funds received	Number of Project Personnel (Project Fellow/JRF/SRF/RA)

8. SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING PROGRAMMES ORGANISED BY THE DEPARTMENT DURING 2024-25 (provide only one picture of each programme):

Sl. No.	Programme Title	National or International	Funding Agency	Date	Number only		Name of Coordinator/Convener
					Resource Persons	Participants	
	Globalisation, Self and Lifeworld	National	SU/ ICSSR- NER	10 th and 11 th March 2025	04	105	Prof Sandhya Thapa / Prof. Swati A Sachdeva (Co coordinator)

9. PURCHASE/INSTALLATION OF LABORATORY EQUIPMENT DURING 2024-25 (*Only for Lab-based Departments, if any*):

Sl. No.	Equipment Details	Date of Acquisition	Cost (Rs.)	Funding Agency		Purpose	Approx. Usage (%)
							Eg. 85% during 2019-20

10. MPhil AWARDS DURING 2024-25 (*only successfully awarded*):

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award

11. Ph.D. AWARDS DURING 2024-25 (*only successfully awarded*):

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award
1					
2					

12a. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF FACULTY MEMBER (*Permanent only*) 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)

12b. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF STUDENTS IN 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)

13. STUDENTS QUALIFYING IN UGC-NET/UGC-JRF/CSSR/CSIR/ICAR-NET/SLET/GATE/CAT/UPSC/IAS/IPS etc. DURING 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name of Student	Gender	Fellowship/Award/Service
1	Timsong Lepcha	F	NET (December,2024)
2.	Roopashna Rai	F	NET (December 2024)
3	Merisa Narzari	F	NET (June, 2024)
4	Anisha Chetry	F	NET (December 2024)
5	Priyanka Rauth	F	NET (December 2024)
6	Pragya Hangma Subba	F	NET (December 2024)
7.	Tshering Yangchen Bhutia	F	NET (December 2024)

14. CONSULTANCIES OFFERED BY DEPARTMENT DURING 2024-25, if any:

Consultancy Project/ Programme/Service	Organisation seeking Consultancy	Project/Programme Dates & Duration	Consultancy Funding/Service Fee Received

15. STUDENT PLACEMENTS DURING 2024-25:

Name of Student	Semester	Organisation where placement is made	Place (City and Country)
Sherap Palmu Bhutia	Passed out-- 2024	Sikkim Manipal University	Gangtok, Sikkim

16. Our Alumni Activities (if any)

17. Student and Alumni in the spotlight (if any)

18. Outreach programme and Engaging Communities (if any) by Department/Centre/University

19. Welfare Activities and Philanthropy (if any) by Department/Centre/University

(ii) SCHOOL OF HUMAN SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF ANTHROPOLOGY

Head/ In-charge: Prof. K. R. Rama Mohan

1. Introduction

The Department of Anthropology, Sikkim University was established in 2013. It was envisaged to cater to the educational needs and aspirations of students from the region and beyond. It aims to be a leading centre for anthropological research particularly in Sikkim and in India's Northeast. It provides students with rigorous knowledge and skills in Anthropology in accordance with the curriculum framework of the National Education Policy (NEP 2020). Both Masters and Ph.D. programmes are designed to give students a strong foundation in core Anthropology subjects as well as specialized and applied knowledge. The Masters programme at our department covers a broad range of topics in basic and applied Anthropology, allowing students to tailor their higher education to their interests, needs, and career goals. Students have the flexibility and options from a wide range of electives in various and/or related areas of Anthropology. The Master's program is equipped with a fieldwork and research component in which students stay in a village for three weeks under faculty supervision. Students who complete the M.A./M.Sc. Anthropology courses will have in-depth knowledge and skills in Anthropology, as well as the ability to apply this knowledge to solve complex problems in their own lives, communities, and a variety of human society-related fields at large. The Department has a well-developed Physical Anthropology Laboratory as well as an Archaeological Laboratory cum Ethnographic Museum.

2. Thrust Area(s)

The Department of Anthropology specializes in all four branches of anthropology, i.e. Social and Cultural Anthropology, Physical Anthropology, Archaeological Anthropology, and Linguistic Anthropology. The different areas of research includes ethnicity, identity, tribe, religion, food, indigenous knowledge, organic farming, urban anthropology, cyber anthropology, material culture, visual anthropology, entrepreneurship, prehistory, growth and nutrition, obesity, public health, women's health. Scholars are encouraged to conduct ethnographic fieldwork for at least one agricultural cycle and provide empirical evidence for their research. Third semester PG students also take part in an intensive fieldwork for 21 days in different villages across India.

3. NUMBER OF STUDENTS ENROLLED DURING 2024-2025

Name of Teaching Course	Semester				Total Students	
	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Girls	Boys
UG (if any)						
PG	11	11	12	16	16	11
MPhil (if any)						
PhD	4				3	1
Post-doc/Research Associate (if any)	1				1	0
UGC/CSIR/ICAR-NET-JRF						

4. FACULTY PROFILE

SN.	Name	Degree (MA/MSc/M.Com/MPhil/PhD/Post-doc)	Designation	Date of Joining (Regular)	Publications (number only) and H-index of Google Scholar still date (if any)	Supervisor of Ph.D. Students (number only)	Extra-mural Research Projects (number only)
REGULAR FACULTY MEMBERS							
1	Prof. K. R. Rama Mohan	PhD	Professor	05.05.2014	30 H-index 3	06	
2	Prof. Nitish Mondal	PhD	Professor	16.10.2024	83 H-index 24	05	02
3	Dr. Maibam Samson Singh	PhD	Assistant Professor	24.04.2014	20 H-index 3	02	
4	Dr. Charisma K. Lepcha	PhD	Assistant Professor	28.04.2014	17 H-index 4	02	01
5	Dr. James V. Haokip	PhD	Assistant Professor	23.08.2017	2 -	02	01
6	Dr. Garima Thakuria	PhD	Assistant Professor	25.08.2017	8 H-index 1	03	
VISITING PROFESSOR							
1			NA			NA	NA
GUEST FACULTY							
1	Rongnyoo Lepcha	PhD	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
SUPPORT STAFF							
	Name	Qualification	Designation	Date of joining (regular)	Not Applicable		
1	Shri. Sudip Biswas	BSc Diploma in Regenerative Medicine	Technical Assistant	02.12.2015	NA	NA	NA

5. DETAILS OF PUBLICATIONS

A: RESEARCH PAPERS IN JOURNAL

Name of Faculty Member:

Sl. No.	Publication list	UGC-CARE List Journal Number	Impact Factor, if any	Publisher	ISSN
1.	Bandopadhyaya, S, Mohan, K.R.R and Sil, P. (2025) Crafting an Indigenous Flute: The <i>Puntongpult</i> of Lepchas in Sikkim Himalayas. <i>Journal of Anthropological Survey of India</i> , Vol,74 Issue,1 pp 1-14. DOI: 10.1177/2277436X251314243	UGC-CARE/Scopus	0.60	Sage	2277-436X
2.	Thapa, N. and Mohan K.R.R (2024) Ambivalence and Resurgence of Identity among Limbus of Sikkim Himalayas, <i>// Polo</i> , Vol 2, Issue. 3 Pp 71-100.	Scopus		Instituto Geografico, Polare, Italy	0032-3667
3.	Roy, S. S., & Mondal, N. (2024). Composite index of anthropometric failure and conventional anthropometric indices of undernutrition among children in India—a systematic review and meta-analysis. <i>European Journal of Clinical and Experimental Medicine Eur J Clin Exp Med</i> 2024; 22 (4): 934–953 doi: 10.15584/ejcem.2024.4.23	Scopus	0.94	Wydawnictwo UR 2024	2544-1361
4.	Bharali, N., Singh, K. N., & Mondal, N. (2025). Validity of Mid-upper Arm Circumference for Identify Undernutrition and Overweight-obesity Among Reproductive Women of Flood-affected Region in Assam, Northeast India. <i>Journal of the Anthropological Survey of India</i> , 2277436X251314239.	Scopus; UGC care	0.60	Sage Publication	2632-4369
5.	Gogoi P, Singh MS. (2024) Health and Socio-Economic Conditions of Mother Among the Adivasi Children of Jorhat District of Assam. <i>Online J Health Allied Scs</i> 23(1):1-4. https://www.ojhas.org/issue89/2024-1-1.html	UGC-CARE list		Light House Polyclinic, Mangalore	0972-5997

B: BOOK/S

Faculty Member	Publications with ISBN

C: BOOK CHAPTERS

Faculty Member	Publications
Mohan, K.R.R.	(2024). 'More than a Thousand Miles: Many Steps in my Anthropological Journey' In <i>Inside Out: A Collection of Autobiographies by Indian Anthropologists</i> in P.C. Joshi and V.K. Srivastava (eds.), Concept Publishing Company, New Delhi. ISBN 978-93-6344-655-7

6. PAPER PRESENTATION AT NATIONAL/ INTERNATIONAL SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING DURING 2024-25

Faculty Member/ Research Scholar	Name of Conference/ Seminar/ Workshop	Place and Date	Invited Speaker/ Resource Person/ Paper Presenter	Title of Presentation in the published Proceeding, if any
Prof. K. R. Rama Mohan	Special Lecture Series; Department of Limbu, Khangchendzonga State University	Department of Limbu, Khangchendzonga State University, Gangtok 01 March 2024	Resource Person	Becoming and Being a <i>Phendangma</i> among Limbus in Sikkim
Prof. K. R. Rama Mohan	Special Lecture Series; CSSI, Andhra University	CSSI, Andhra University, Visakhapatnam 18 October 2024	Invited Speaker	The Paradoxical situation of Social Inclusion: Reflections from North East India
Prof. K. R. Rama Mohan	Music of the Mountains: Melodies and the Socio- Cultural Dimensions	Department of Music, Sikkim University 13 November 2024	Invited Speaker	Forms of Musical Expressions among communities.
Prof. K. R. Rama Mohan	One Day Seminar on '50 Years of Statehood: Tracing Sikkim's Electoral Legacy' Sikkim State Election Commission, Gangtok	Sikkim State Election Commission, Gangtok 12 December 2024	Invited Speaker	Perspectives on Community Participation and Electoral Process
Prof. K. R. Rama Mohan	Indian Anthropology Congress 2025 Anthropological Survey of India	Anthropological Survey of India, Kolkata, 23-25, February 2025	Invited Speaker	Reflection on Ethnic Communities and activism for Scheduled Tribe Status in Sikkim
Prof. Nitish Mondal	Two Days Workshop on Scientific Writing, Publishing and Securing Funding for Research	Sikkim University, Gangtok 17-18 March 2024	Resource Person	Creating Effective Research Proposals for Funding
Dr. Charisma K. Lepcha	"Biographies of Excess" Workshop	University of Copenhagen, Denmark 3-4, October 2024	Paper Presenter	Bothersome Blessings: Khatags as Excess in Sikkim Himalaya
Dr. Garima Thakuria and Parishmita Kashyap	World Anthropological Union Congress 2024	Johannesburg, South Africa 11-15 November 2024	Paper Presenter	Doing Anthropological Fieldwork in Sikkim: Challenges and Opportunities
Munmun Chutia and Pradipta Roy	World Anthropological Union Congress 2024	Johannesburg, South Africa 11-15 November 2024 (presented online)	Paper Presenter	Keeping Up with the Pace: Changes in Anthropological Fieldwork
Ayushi Nirola	London Himalayan Short Film Festival.	Brunel University, London United Kingdom 6-7 April 2024	Selected Film/Presented	Sherpas Amidst the Mist

Yogel Lepcha	Crops and their Humans: Vegetal Perspectives on Agricultural Mobilities	Leibniz Zentrum Moderner Orient (ZMO), Berlin, Germany 16-17 May 2024 (presented online)	Paper Presenter	Growing, Adapting and Marketing Millet among Lepchas in Sikkim
Anshuman Hazarika	International Seminar on Cultural Heritage of India: Reflection on Society and Literature	Department of Bengali, Lumding College, Lumding, Assam 11 February 2025	Paper Presenter	Marriage Rituals as Heritage of Deori tribe of North Lakhimpur district, Assam
Sushma Gurung	National Seminar Globalisation, Self and Lifeworld	Department of Sociology, Sikkim University 10-11 March 2025	Paper Presenter	Sociocultural Understanding and Implication of Healthcare-Seeking Behaviour of Tuberculosis in Sikkim
Rebeka Rai	National Seminar Globalisation, Self and Lifeworld	Department of Sociology, Sikkim University 10-11 March 2025	Paper Presenter	Reproductive Health Consequences among Sherpa Women of West Sikkim, Northeast India

7. RESEARCH PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN DURING 2024-25:

Faculty Member	Project Title	Funding Agency	Project Duration	Total funds received	Number of Project Personnel (Project Fellow/JRF/SRF/RA)
Prof. Nitish Mondal	An Interventional Study to Strengthen and Develop Continuum Care for Common Mental Health Disorders	ICMR	3 years	8.91 lakh	02
Prof. Nitish Mondal	Evaluating the Impact of Digital Intervention versus WHO PEN Approach in Non-Communicable Disease Prevention and Control in Resource-Limited Settings: A Quasi-Experimental Study	ICMR	3 years	15.16 lakh	04
Prof. Nitish Mondal	Impact Assessment of Vatsalya Scheme	Govt. of Sikkim	1 year	1.5 lakh	01
Dr. Charisma K. Lepcha	Barriers and Facilitators of Hypertension Control Programs in Sikkim	ICSSR	1 year	24 Lakh	01
Dr. James V. Haokip	Medicinal forest products of Sikkim and north Bengal: an ethnographic study of Lepcha indigenous knowledge system	Sikkim University	1 year	1 Lakh	01

8. SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING PROGRAMMES ORGANISED BY THE DEPARTMENT DURING 2024-25

Sl. No.	Programme Title	National or International	Funding Agency	Date	Number only		Name of Coordinator/ Convener
					Resource Persons	Participants	
1.	International Museum Day 2024	University Level	Sikkim University	16.05.2024	Dr. Rukshana Zaman	60	Department of Anthropology
2.	8 th Prof. Sameera Maiti Memorial Lecture	University Level	Maiti Family Fund	07.11.2024	Prof. B.V. Sharma	60	Department of Anthropology
3.	Jan Jatiya Gaurav Diwas	University Level	Tribal Research Institute, Sikkim University	25.11.2024	Prof. K R Rama Mohan	55	Department of Anthropology
4.	World Anthropology Day	University Level	Sikkim University	20.02.2025	Prof. Nitish Mondal	50	Department of Anthropology

9. PURCHASE/INSTALLATION OF LABORATORY EQUIPMENT DURING 2024-25

Sl. No.	Equipment Details	Date of Acquisition	Cost (Rs.)	Funding Agency	Purpose	Approx. Usage (%)
	NIL					

10. MPhil/ Ph.D. AWARDS (if any) DURING 2024-25

M.Phil

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award
1.	Ms. Shiyani Ghosh	Substance Use Disorders and Related Morbidities in Ghaziabad District, Uttar Pradesh: An Anthropological Study of Rehabilitation Centres	Prof. Nitish Mondal	30.10.2023	09.07.2024
2.	Ms. Nijara Banskota	Morbidity Pattern among the Inhabitants of the Coal Mining area of Margherita, Assam	Prof. Nitish Mondal	27.10.2023	09.07.2024
3.	Ms. Parishmita Kashyap	Putalaa Naach: An Anthropological Study of Puppetry in Lower Assam	Dr. Garima Thakuria	03.11.2023	16.05.2024

Ph.D.

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award
1.	Tenzing Langmu Lepcha	Ethnohistory and Identity Assertions of Rai Community in Sikkim	Prof. K.R.Rama Mohan	15.03.2024	24.08.2024
2.	Rakcha Rana	Mapping Rituals among Ma(n)gar community of Sikkim and Nepal	Prof. K.R.Rama Mohan	08.12.2024	18.03.2025
3.	Samiksha Rai	Lifestyle and Prevalence of Obesity among Bhutia, Lepcha and Nepali Communities of Gangtok, Sikkim	Dr. Maibam Samson Singh	13/12/2023	07/06/2024

11. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF FACULTY MEMBER 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)

12. STUDENTS QUALIFYING IN UGC-NET/UGC-JRF/ICSSR/CSIR/CAR-NET/SLET/GATE/CAT/UPSC/IAS/IPS etc. DURING 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name of Student	Gender	Fellowship/Award/Service
1.	Parishmita Kashyap	F	UGC NET
2.	Sayani Dey	F	UGC NET PhD
3.	Satyabrata Sahoo	M	UGC NET JRF in Folk Literature

13. STUDENT PLACEMENTS DURING 2024-25:

Name of Student	Semester	Organisation where placement is made	Place (City and Country)

14. Alumni Activities (if any)

1. Dr. Mongfing Lepcha worked as Senior Research Fellow in Sikkim Field Unit under the Pan India Study on "Diet and Biomarkers Survey in India (DABS-I) funded by ICMR.
2. Dr. Samiksha Rai worked as Senior Research Fellow in Sikkim Field Unit under the Pan India Study on "Diet and Biomarkers Survey in India (DABS-I) funded by ICMR.
3. Dr. Duka Devi Chhetri is working as Project Support/ Assistant in the ICMR project titled, 'An Interventional Study to Strengthen and Develop Continuum Care for Common Mental Health Disorders'.
4. Sukhmit Lepcha is working as a Research Assistant in the ICCSR funded project titled, 'Barriers and Facilitators of Hypertension Control Programs in Sikkim'.
5. Pasangkit Lepcha is working as Language Teacher at Eklavya
6. Lakpa Dorjee Sherpa is working as Survey Enumerator/ Field Investigator at the National Statistical Office, Gangtok.

15. Student and Alumni in the spotlight (if any)

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16. Outreach programme and Engaging Communities (if any) by Department/Centre/University

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17. Welfare Activities and Philanthropy (if any) by Department/Centre/University

DEPARTMENT OF GEOGRAPHY

Head/ In-charge: Prof. Sohel Firdos

1. Introduction

The Department of Geography was established in 2010. It strives for blending theoretical knowledge with empirical analysis, anchoring itself in strong field-based research, especially on Eastern Himalayas. The Department houses a high end GIS laboratory for exposing the students to the art of spatial analysis. We offer M.A./M.Sc. in Geography and run a Ph.D. programme. Ten research scholars have defended their doctoral thesis successfully covering a wide range of topics on sustainable livelihoods in North Sikkim, brick kiln industries and environmental change, water resources of South Sikkim, Indigenous knowledge for disaster management, changing nature of glaciers, importance of Yaks in mountainous regions, water supply in Darjeeling, transport networks in Dooars and organic farming in Sikkim. The faculty members are enthusiastic to share their understanding of the cryosphere, interactions between environment, society and economy, political geography of North-east India, social-spatial exclusions, urban governance and tourism geography. The Department has completed two major pan-Indian research projects as a part of consortium of Central universities, the first one on Cryosphere, funded by DST while second one focussed on opportunities of livelihood to check migration from the hills, funded by Niti Aayog and UGC. The Department has also hosted a number of international and national academic events to stimulate discussions on climate change, environmental change and sustainability of mountain areas.

2. Thrust Area(s)

The thrust areas of the Department are sustainable urban development, livelihood issues, migration, spatial dimensions of socioeconomic transformation of tribal women, borderlands, animal geography, tea plantations, transport geography, fluvial geomorphology, water resources management and evidence based policy formulation with a strong focus on the Indian Himalayan Region.

3. NUMBER OF STUDENTS ENROLLED DURING 2024-25:

Name of Teaching Course	Semester				Total Students	
	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Girls	Boys
UG (if any)						
PG	26		17		34	9
MPhil (if any)						
PhD	9				3	6
Post-doc/Research Associate (if any)						
UGC/CSIR/ICAR-NET-JRF					1	1

4. FACULTY PROFILE:-

Sl.	Name	Degree (MA/MSc/M. Com MPhil/PhD/Post- doc)	Designation	Date of Joining (Regular)	Publications(<i>number only</i>) and H-index of Google Scholar still date (<i>if any</i>)	Supervisor of Ph.D. Students (<i>number only</i>)	Extra- mural Research Projects (<i>number only</i>)
REGULAR FACULTY MEMBERS							
1	Prof. Sohel Firdos	PhD	Professor	27.02.2012	44 H-Index 4	8	
2	Dr. Abdul Hamran	PhD & Post- Doctorate	Associate Professor	29.03.2012	22 H-Index 3	3	
3	Dr. Uttam Lal	PhD	Assistant Professor	27.02.2012	18 H-Index 3	4	
4	Dr. E. Ishwarjit Singh	PhD	Assistant Professor	01.03.2012	15 H-Index: Nil	4	
5	Dr. Rajesh Kumar	Ph.D	Assistant Professor	06-10-2020	38 H-Index:12	4	
6	Dr. Anant Gautam	PhD	Assistant Professor	19-12-2023	10 H-Index: 5	Nil	01
VISITING PROFESSOR							
1		NA				NA	NA
GUEST FACULTY							
1	Dr. Shikha Subba	PhD	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2			NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
SUPPORT STAFF							
	Name	Qualification	Designation	Date of joining (regular)	Not Applicable		
1	Shri Tuls Sharma	M.Sc. Geography	Laboratory Assistant	03.05.2012	NA	NA	NA
2	Shri Satyajeet Singh	B.A.	Laboratory Attendant	08.03.2021	NA	NA	NA

5. DETAILS OF PUBLICATIONS

A: RESEARCH PAPERS IN JOURNAL

Name of Faculty Member:

Sl. No.	Publication list	UGC-CARE List Journal Number	Impact Factor, if any	Publisher	ISSN
1.	Rai, P., Firdos, S. (2025) Exploring the Trends, Patterns, and Prevalence of Alcohol Consumption in Sikkim: Insights from the National Family Health Survey (NFHS). <i>Global Social Welfare</i> . https://doi.org/10.1007/s40609-025-00386-6	UGC CARE List Group II WoS	1.3	Springer	2196-8799
2.	Adhikari, R., & Firdos, S. (2024). Sustainable Waste Management in Rural India: A Case Study of Yangang, Sikkim. <i>Indian Journal of Spatial Science</i> , 15(3) (Autumn), 18–23. https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.13834245	Not Listed	0.98	Indian Society of Spatial Scientists	22493921
3.	Latika, B. and Firdos, S. (2024) Population Distribution and Educational Status of Santals in Jharkhand, 1961-2011. <i>ANNALS of the National Association of Geographers India</i> 44 (2): 321-336.	UGC CARE Listed		National Association of Geographers India	0970-972X
4.	Basak, S., & Hannan, A. (2024). Urban informal economies and patterns of livelihoods in Gangtok, Sikkim. <i>Society & Change</i> , XVIII–XVIII(No.3), 59–61.		235	OSDER	1997-1052 (Print), 2227-202X (Online)
5.	Sen, H., Hannan, A. & Das, S. (2024). Exploring the Space Relations of Human-Wildlife Interactions in the Dooars of West Bengal, India. <i>Indian Journal of Spatial Science</i> , 15(3), 24-32.		0.97	Indian Society of Spatial Scientists	2249-3921 (Print); 2249-4316 (Online)
6.	Golay, D., & Hannan, A. (2025). Labour Market and Livelihood Practices in the Closed Tea Gardens of Darjeeling Hills, West Bengal. <i>International Journal of Rural Management</i> , 21(1), 7-24. https://doi.org/10.1177/09730052241261492			Sage	0973-0680
7.	Sherpa, P., Lal, U. , Kumar, R. (2024) Landslide Susceptibility Mapping in Darjeeling Hills. <i>Disaster & Development</i> 13 (2), 1-27. https://nidm.gov.in/journal/PDF/Journal/NIDMJOURNAL_JulDec2024/NIDMJOURNAL_JulDec20241.pdf	UGC CARE list	N.A.	NIDM, New Delhi	0973-6700
8.	Rai, N & Lal, U (2024). Trajectories of Yak Herding in the West Sikkim Highlands. <i>The Deccan Geographer</i> Vol.62, No.8	UGC CARE Listed	N.A	The Deccan Geographical Society of India.	0011-7269

9.	Rai, N & Lal, U (2025) Yak Pastoralism in Transition: Changes and Challenges in Yak rearing practices in Lhonak Valley, Sikkim. <i>Nomadic Peoples</i> , Vol. 29, No 1 https://doi.org/10.3828/whprp.63837646691064	WoS Listed	1:1	The White Horse Press (hosted on University of Liverpool Press)	1752-2366
10.	Gautam, A., Rai, S.C. (2024) Groundwater zoning and sustainable management strategies for groundwater resources in the Bist-Doab region of Punjab, India. <i>Environ Develop Sustain</i> , 26(4):8421-8442. https://doi.org/10.1007/s10668-023-03053-y	Scopus Listed	4.7	Springer	1573-2975
11.	Singha, A.K. and Elangbam, I. (2025) Hydro-dynamics of the Teesta River and its Implication on Riparian villages in Duars Region, West Bengal. <i>Spixiana</i> , 9(3). DOI: 14.4016. spixiana .2025.9.3.018	Scopus Index	0.6	Verlag Dr. Friedrich Pfeil	0341-8391
12.	Singh, E.I., Rai, S., Khan, M. and Khan, K.U. (2024) Geographies of Urban Solid Waste Management In India. <i>Gradus</i> . 11 (1). https://doi.org/10.47833/2024.1.AGR.005	NA	NA	John von Neumann University, Hungary	2064-8014

B: BOOK/S

Faculty Member	Publications with ISBN
Rajesh Kumar	Pandey, P.C., Kumar, R., Pandey, M., Giuliani, G., Sharma, R.K., Srivastava, P.K. (eds.) (2024). <i>Geo-information for Disaster Monitoring and Management</i> . Switzerland: Springer Cham. Hardcover ISBN: 978-3-031-51052-6. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-031-51053-3

C: BOOK CHAPTERS

Faculty Member	Publications
Sohel Firdos	Firdos, S. (2025). Urban Sustainability in the Indian Himalayan Region (IHR): Policy Issues and Solutions. In Nautiyal, A., Nautiyal, S., Maikhuri, R.K., Sundriyal, R.C., Kuniyal, J.C. and Rawat, N. (eds) <i>Indian Himalayan Region: Towards a Sustainable Future</i> . Bishan Singh Mahendra Pal Singh, Dehradun. ISBN 978-93-6028-091-8.
Abdul Hannan	Hannan, A., Golay, D., Pradhan, S. (2024). Geo-Economy, Working Conditions and Alternative Livelihoods in Temi Tea Estate, Sikkim. In: Rai, S.C., Mishra, P.K. (eds) <i>Sacred Landscapes: Indigenous Knowledge, and Ethno-culture in Natural Resource Management. Advances in Geographical and Environmental Sciences</i> . Springer, Singapore. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-981-97-4206-6_16 .
Rajesh Kumar	Pandey, P.C., Pandey, M., Sharma, R.K., Kumar, R., Srivastava, P.K., Giuliani, G. (2024). Concepts of Disasters and Research Themes: Editorial Message. In: Pandey, P.C., Kumar, R., Pandey, M., Giuliani, G., Sharma, R.K., Srivastava, P.K. (eds.) <i>Geo-information for Disaster Monitoring and Management</i> . Springer, Cham. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-031-51053-3_1

6. PAPER PRESENTATION AT NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING DURING 2024-25

Faculty Member/ Research Scholar	Name of Conference/ Seminar/Workshop	Place and Date	Invited Speaker/ Resource Person/Paper Presenter	Title of Presentation in the published Proceeding, if any
Prof. Sohel Firdos	National Workshop on Economic Valuation of Spring-shed Management in Indian Himalayan Region: Assessing effectiveness for restoration and enhancing climate resilience	National Institute of Himalayan Environment, Almora, Uttarakhand 6-7 August, 2024	Resource Person	
Prof. Sohel Firdos	Faculty Induction Program (FIP)	UGC MMTC, HNB Garhwal University September 2, 2024.	Resource Person	Teaching and Research Nexus: Concept and Practice
Prof. Sohel Firdos	National Seminar on Climate Change, Agricultural Practices and Food Security	Dept. of Geography, Patna University, 27-28 October 2024	Resource Person	Agricultural Land as a Site of Conflict for Urban Expansion in India.
Prof. Sohel Firdos	International Seminar on Innovative Approaches in Geographical Research (IAGR): Exploring New Dimensions for Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)	Rampurhat College, 29-30 November 2024	Resource Person	Population Growth, Socio-Economic Equity and Urban Sustainability in the Indian Himalayan Region : Reflecting on Critical Connections.
Prof. Sohel Firdos	Habitable Conference	Nairobi, 4-5 December 2024	Invited Speaker	Climate Change and Migration in Eastern Himalayas
Prof. Sohel Firdos	45th Annual Meet of the Institute of Indian Geographers (IIG) and International Conference on Mapping the Future: Geography for a Better World, Celebrating 100 years of Geography in India	NEHU, Shillong, 19-21 December, 2024	Resource Person	Urban Sustainability in the Indian Himalayan Region (IHR): Policy Issues and Solutions.
Prof. Sohel Firdos	Refresher Course on Environment and Disaster Management	UGC MMTC, NBU 09.01.2025	Resource Person	Environmental Protection, Disaster Risk Reduction and Sustainable Development.
Prof. Sohel Firdos	Refresher Course on Environment and Disaster Management	UGC MMTC, NBU 10.01.2025	Resource Person	Disaster and Development.

Prof. Sohel Firdos	ICSSR Sponsored Two Days National Seminar on "Geographical Indication (GI) as a Tool for Regional Development: An Investigation of Different Types of Products Across the Districts of West Bengal"	Department of Geography, University of North Bengal, 12-13 February, 2025	Resource Person	Harnessing Natural Resource Capital for Sustainable Livelihoods and Prosperous Communities.
Dr. Abdul Hannan	200 Years of Tea: Plantation Economy in Assam: Problems and Prospects	OKDISCD Guwahati, 24-25 June 2024	Resource Person	Political Economy of Smallholders in Tea Plantations of Assam and North-East.
Dr. Abdul Haman	Research Capacity Building Programme on Plantations and Development	CDS Trivandrum, Kerala 4-13 November, 2024	Invited Speaker	Small Tea Growers in North and N.E. India.
Dr. Abdul Hannan	International Workshop on Small Tea Plantations in Assam: Land, Labour, Production, Rural Change & Sustainability	Gauhati University, 28 February-1 March, 2025	Invited Speaker	Economy and Governance of Small-Scale Teas: Questioning Sustainable Business and Livelihoods.
Dr. Abdul Hannan	South Asian Peasants' Conference, SAPPE Nepal	Kathmandu Nepal, 20-21 March 2025	Invited Speaker	Smallholders in South Asia's Tea Sector: Challenges, Opportunities and Strategies for a Just Future.
Dr. Anant Gautam	46th Indian Geography Congress	Hyderabad, 27-29 Dec 2024	Paper Presenter	Impact of climate change on agriculture system in Kumaun Lesser Himalaya.
Dr. Uttam Lal	Building a South Asian Perspective on Bioregionalism	Bhopal, 6-7 Sept 2024	Invited Speaker	Multi-Hazard Mapping in the Teesta River Basin . South Asia Bioregionalism Working Group., Kaiprviiksh.
Dr. Uttam Lal	Pluralism and Inclusion Dialogue workshop by Heinrich Boll Stiftung, India.	Karjat, Maharashtra: 25-27 Sept. 2024	Resource Person	Himalaya on a quest of its Substantive Democracy
E. Ishwarjit Singh	8 th International West Asian Congress on Tourism and Research	8th IWACT Simak, Turkey 25-27 April 2024	Paper Presenter (Online)	Restructuring Border Villages into eco smart villages through rural tourism in Sikkim.
E. Ishwarjit Singh	National Webinar on: Tourism 2024: New Perspectives and Pathways	LVH Arts, Science and Com. College, Nashik, Maharashtra 28 Sept 2024	Key Note Speaker	New Perspectives and Pathways
Abhishek Kumar	National Workshop on Geography in Everyday Practices	Sikkim University, 25 - 27 March, 2025.	Paper Presenter	Assessment of Groundwater Suitability for Drinking and Irrigation Purposes: A case of Jalpaiguri District of West Bengal.

Anjuli Gurung	National Workshop on Geography in Everyday Practices	Sikkim University, 25 - 27 March, 2025.	Paper Presenter	Emerging Issues of Organic Farming in Sikkim.
Dixchen Golay	National Workshop on Geography in Everyday Practices	Sikkim University, 25 - 27 March, 2025.	Paper Presenter	Understanding Tea Labour in Darjeeling: Variations in Livelihood System and Work Realities.
Gaurav Kumar	National Workshop on Geography in Everyday Practices	Sikkim University, 25 - 27 March, 2025.	Paper Presenter	Identification and Conservation of Water Resources in Eastern Himalaya.
Jayanta Barman	National Workshop on Geography in Everyday Practices	Sikkim University, 25 - 27 March, 2025.	Paper Presenter	Spatio-temporal Analysis of Landslides.
Kabita Basak	National Workshop on Geography in Everyday Practices	Sikkim University, 25 - 27 March, 2025.	Paper Presenter	Geo-spatial Analysis of Erosion and Accretion Dynamics and Evaluation of the EPR and LRR method to Predict Future Bankline of a Meandering River Baia.
Kessang C Sherpa	INET-YSI Doctoral Scholars' Conference Understanding India's Northeast from Emerging Perspectives	Guwahati 11-12, March 2025	Paper Presenter	Role of Road Connectivity in Shaping Rural Settlements and Development in Sikkim.
Lakpa Tamang	National Workshop on Geography in Everyday Practices	Sikkim University, 25 - 27 March, 2025.	Paper Presenter	Monitoring dynamics of High Altitude Wetland in Sikkim Himalaya.
Mohan Sharma	National Workshop on Geography in Everyday Practices	Sikkim University, 25 - 27 March, 2025.	Paper Presenter	Converting a Hunting Landscape into a Conservation Landscape: a study of Idu-Mishmi Landscape in Arunachal Pradesh.
Ninchhen D. Tamang	National Workshop on Economic Valuation of Spring-shed Management in Indian-Himalayan Region: Assessing effectiveness for restoration and enhancing climate resilience	National Institute of Himalayan Environment; Almora; Uttarakhand 6-7 August, 2024	Paper Presenter	Economic Valuation of Springshed Management: Framework and Case Study from Sikkim.
Ninchhen D. Tamang	Second Quarterly Dialogue on "Springshed Management" for the State of Sikkim; convened by Central Ground Water Board Eastern Region, Kolkata	Govt. Of Sikkim, Gangtok, Sikkim, 20 September 2024	Paper Presenter	Economic Valuation of Springshed Management: Case Study from Sikkim Himalaya.
Previshika Rai	2nd International Seminar on Innovative Approaches in Geographical Research (IAGR): Exploring New Dimensions for Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)	Rampurhat College, 29-30 November 2024	Paper Presenter	Gender disparities in the prevalence of non-communicable diseases in Sikkim.

Previshika Rai	45th Annual Meet of the Institute of Indian Geographer's (IIG) and International Conference on Mapping the Future: Geography for a Better World, Celebrating 100 Years of Geography in India.	Department of Geography, North-Eastern Hill University, Shillong, 19-21 December, 2024		Exploring Rural Women's Engagement in Community Health: A Case Study of Self-Help Groups in Sikkim, India.
Prishni Khanikar	National Workshop on Geography in Everyday Practices	Sikkim University, 25 - 27 March, 2025.	Paper Presenter	Demographic analysis of the Sikh community of India with special reference to Assam.
Priya Protushi Buragohain	45th Annual Meet of the Institute of Indian Geographer's (IIG) and International Conference on Mapping the Future: Geography for a Better World	Department of Geography, North-Eastern Hill University, Shillong, 19-21 December 2024	Paper Presenter	Intra-Municipality Variation in Demographic Attributes and Development: A case study in Jorhat Municipality of Assam, India.
Priya Protushi Buragohain	National Workshop on Geography in Everyday Practices	Sikkim University, 25 - 27 March, 2025.	Paper Presenter	Recurring Floods in Assam: An Analysis of Past and Present Flood Scenarios.
Rebika Chettri	National Workshop on Geography in Everyday Practices	Sikkim University, 25 - 27 March, 2025.	Paper Presenter	Landslide Inventory of Namchi District, Sikkim.
Ranjana Adhikari	2nd International Seminar on Innovative Approaches in Geographical Research (IAGR): Exploring New Dimensions for Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), Department of Geography, Rampurhat College, West Bengal.	Rampurhat College, West Bengal. 29-30 November, 2024	Paper Presenter	Gender disparities in the prevalence of non-communicable diseases in Sikkim.
Ranjana Adhikari	45th International Conference on Mapping the Future: Geography For A Better World	North Eastern Hill University, Shillong, Meghalaya; December 19 - 21, 2024.		Shaping Spaces and Changing Times: Spatial and Temporal Shifts in Women's Main Workers' Engagement in Sikkim (1991-2011).
Rupmalin Teronpi	National Workshop on Geography in Everyday Practices	Sikkim University, 25 - 27 March, 2025.	Paper Presenter	Problem and Prospect of Rural Tourism in Karbi Anglong.
Sankar Oraon	45th Annual Meet of the Institute of Indian Geographer's (IIG) and International Conference on Mapping the Future: Geography for a Better World	North-Eastern Hill University, Shillong, Meghalaya; December 19 - 21, 2024.	Paper Presenter	Decomposing the Rural-Urban gap in Undernutrition Among Reproductive Aged Women (15-49 years) in India: Evidence from National Family Health Survey (2019-21).

Sathi Nandi	45th Annual Meet of the Institute of Indian Geographer's (IIG) and International Conference on Mapping the Future: Geography for a Better World	North-Eastern Hill University, Shillong, Meghalaya; December 19 - 21, 2024.	Paper Presenter	
Sathi Nandi	National Workshop on Geography in Everyday Practices	Sikkim University, 25 - 27 March, 2025	Paper Presenter	Trends and Patterns of Women's Workforce Participation in HHI in India with special references to Assam (1991-2011).
Sourav Basak	National Workshop on Geography in Everyday Practices	Sikkim University, 25 - 27 March, 2025	Paper Presenter	The Idea of Borderland: Governance and the Region.
Sunidhi Tamang	National Workshop on Geography in Everyday Practices	Sikkim University, 25 - 27 March, 2025	Paper Presenter	Concentration of Urban Population in India: An Inter-State Analysis.
Vishal Kumar	National Workshop on Geography in Everyday Practices	Sikkim University, 25 - 27 March, 2025	Paper Presenter	Springs in the Himalayas: A Review of Existing Studies.

7. RESEARCH PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN DURING 2024-25:

Faculty Member	Project Title	Funding Agency	Project Duration	Total funds received	Number of Project Personnel (Project Fellow/JRF/SRF/RA)
Dr. Anant Gautam	Evaluating the Impact of the Jal Jeevan Mission on Rural Communities: A Study of the Gangetic Plain and Himalayan Regions of India	ICSSR	1 Year	Rs. 9,00,000	00

8. SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING PROGRAMMES ORGANISED BY THE DEPARTMENT DURING 2024-25 (provide only one picture of each programme):

Sl. No.	Programme Title	National or International	Funding Agency	Date	Number only		Name of Coordinator/Convener
					Resource Persons	Participants	
1.	National Workshop on Climate Smart Governance	National	DST, Govt. of India through NIPA, New Delhi	10-12 March 2025	06	25	Prof. Sohel Firdos and Dr. Syamli Singh (NIPA)
	National Workshop on "Geography in Everyday Practices"	National	Sikkim University	25-27 March 2025	02	65	Dr. Anant Gautam

9. PURCHASE/INSTALLATION OF LABORATORY EQUIPMENT DURING 2024-25

Sl. No.	Equipment Details	Date of Acquisition	Cost (Rs.)	Funding Agency		Purpose	Approx. Usage (%)
1.	Workstation Computer (HP Z8 G5 Tower)	02.09.2024	13,10,442		Sikkim University	Teaching and Research in the Laboratory	Eg. 85% during 2019-20

10. MPhil/ Ph.D. AWARDS DURING 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of PhD Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award
1.	Chetraj Sharma	Dynamics of Organic Farming and Rural Livelihood in Sikkim	Prof. Sohel Firdos	15.07.2024	18.11.2024

11a. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF FACULTY MEMBER (Permanent only) 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)

11b. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF STUDENTS IN 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)
1	Previshika Rai	Young Geographer Award 2024 Awarded on 21st December, 2024 by Institute of Indian Geographers (IIG) at 45th Annual Meet held in North Eastern Hill University, Shillong.

12. STUDENTS QUALIFYING IN UGC-NET/UGC-JRF/CSSR/CSIR/CAR-NET/SLET/GATE/CAT/UPSC/IAS/IPS etc. DURING 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name of Student	Gender	Fellowship/Award/Service
1.	Jayanta Barman	M	UGC-NET
2.	Rebika Chettri	F	UGC-NET
3.	Sourav Adhikari	M	UGC-NET
4.	Chandan Bhujel	M	UGC-NET
5.	Radali Rajbangshi	F	UGC-NET

13. STUDENT PLACEMENTS DURING 2024-25:

SN	Name of Student	Semester	Organisation where placement is made	Place (City and Country)
1.	Sanu Hangma Subba	Batch of 2018-20	Education Department, Government of Sikkim (PGT-Geography)	Sikkim, India
2.	Kunjani Rai	Batch of 2018-20	Education Department, Government of Sikkim (PGT-Geography)	Sikkim, India
3.	Zigme Topzer Sherpa	M.Phil Batch of 2019-2021	Education Department, Government of Sikkim (PGT-Geography)	Sikkim, India
4.	Phur Doma Sherpa	Batch of 2018-20	Education Department, Government of Sikkim (PGT-Geography)	Sikkim, India
5.	Premkala Pradhan	Batch of 2015-17	Education Department, Government of Sikkim (PGT-Geography)	Sikkim, India
6.	Jhama Poudyal	Batch of 2019-21	Education Department, Government of Sikkim (PGT-Geography)	Sikkim, India
7.	Bivek Subba	Batch of 2016-18	Education Department, Government of Sikkim (PGT-Geography)	Sikkim, India
8.	Lamu Tshering Bhutia	Batch of 2014-16	Education Department, Government of Sikkim (PGT-Geography)	Sikkim, India
9.	Benam Shanker	Batch of 2015-17	Education Department, Government of Sikkim (PGT-Geography)	Sikkim, India
10.	Tshering Paden Bhutia	Batch of 2017-19	Education Department, Government of Sikkim (PGT-Geography)	Sikkim, India

14. Our Alumni Activities (if any)

15. Student and Alumni in the spotlight (if any)

16. Outreach programmes and Engaging Communities (if any) by Department/Centre/University

The Department of Geography took the students of M.A./M.Sc. 3rd semester for a field work to Dhorimana, near Barmer in Rajasthan. The students were engaged in discussion with local population in understanding the problems they are facing in the daily lives. As the residents of this small town complained about dumping of garbage in the middle of the town, the students accompanied by a faculty member raised this issue through the local news channels. Consequently, the local authorities took steps to clean the garbage from the town. The local residents were thankful to our students for raising this pressing issue and get it resolved through local administration.

17. Welfare Activities and Philanthropy (if any) by Department/Centre/University

DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHOLOGY

Head/ In-Charge: Prof. Snehlata Jaswal

1. INTRODUCTION

The Department of Psychology is among the most popular ones in the university with over hundred students pursuing undergraduate, post graduate and doctoral programs, recently revamped under the aegis of NEP 2020. The aim is to create curiosity for new and emerging areas of psychology, and expertise and excitement for applying psychology in diverse areas of life. It is expected that the students will become aware, alert, and active citizens who will contribute in meaningful ways to the cultural context of Sikkim and the larger society.

2. THRUST AREA(S)

The focus of the department has diversified from Clinical Psychology to incorporate recent trends such as Cognitive Psychology, Neuroscience, Organizational Psychology, etc. The broad focus of the curricula is in keeping with the interdisciplinary thrust of the NEP 2020.

3. NUMBER OF STUDENTS ENROLLED DURING 2024-25:

Name of Teaching Course	Semester						PhD	Girls	Boys
	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Fifth	Sixth			
UG (if any)	18	18	11	11	19	19		34	14
PG	20	20	20	20	--	--		28	12
PhD	6	0	3	0	0	2	2	11	2
UGC NET-JRF (in PhD)	2	--	--	--	--	2	4	0	

4. FACULTY PROFILE

Sl.	Name	Degree (MA/MSc/M.Com MPhil/PhD/Post-doc)	Designation	Date of Joining (Regular)	Publications (number only) and H-index of Google Scholar till date (if any)	Supervisor of MPhil/Ph.D.Ph.D. Students (number only)	Extra-mural Research Projects (number only)
REGULAR FACULTY MEMBERS							
1	Prof. Snehlata Jaswal	MPhil & PhD	Professor	22.6.2018	20 H-Index:10	PhD = 5.5	Nil
2	Prof. Satyananda Panda	MPhil & PhD	Professor	27.2.2012	60 H-Index: 5	PhD = 06	03
3	Dr. Sumnima Rai	MPhil & PhD	Assistant Professor	7.10.2020	08 H Index -2	PhD = 4	
4	Mr. Sanam Raj	M.A.	Assistant Professor	10.5.2023	-	-	-
VISITING PROFESSOR							
1			NA			NA	NA

GUEST FACULTY							
1	Ms. Nirmिताsha	NET qualified	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2	Mr. Pranaw Chettri	NET qualified	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
3	Ms. Jyoti Chahlija	NET qualified	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
4	Ms. Swarnima Bhandari	NET qualified	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
SUPPORT STAFF							
	Name	Qualification	Designation	Date of joining (regular)	Not Applicable		
1	Annu Kumari	B Sc	Laboratory Attendant	30.08.2017	NA	NA	NA
2	Yogesh Rai	M Sc	Lab Technician	NA	NA	NA	NA

5. DETAILS OF PUBLICATIONS (from 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025)

A: RESEARCH PAPERS IN JOURNAL

Sl. No.	Publication list	UGC-CARE List Journal Number	Impact Factor, if any	Publisher	ISSN
1.	Kashyap, K., & Panda, S. (2024). Social vulnerability for polysubstance use: Exploring substance use initiation and pattern among children with cumulative trauma. <i>Journal of Indian Association for Child and Adolescent Mental Health</i> , 1–10. DOI: https://doi.org/10.1177/09731342241264629	Yes	0.6	Sage Publications	973-1342 (Print) 2754-6349 (Online)
2.	Kashyap, K., Panda, S., & Bhuyan, B. (2024). Surviving the Storm: Exploring lives through personal stories of childhood trauma. <i>Indian Journal of Psychological Medicine</i> , 1–9. DOI: https://doi.org/10.1177/02537176241228032	Yes	2.8	Sage Publications	0253-7176 (Print) 0975-1564 (Online)
3.	Sharma, G., & Rai, S. (2025) Mindfulness- A Practice towards Mental Well-being <i>Journal of Indian Academy of Applied Psychology</i> 51 (No. 1), 289-306	Yes		Indian Academy of Applied Psychology	0019-4247

B: BOOK/S: NIL

Faculty Member	Publications with ISBN
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C: BOOK CHAPTERS:

Faculty Member	Publications
Sharma, A., & Panda, S. (2024).	Changes in sleep quality among military personnel and its management. In: Sandeep & Rohit Kumar (Ed.), <i>Introduction to Military Psychology</i> , Indu Book Services Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi. ISBN: 978-81-19907-07-6.
Sharma, A., & Panda, S. (2024).	Role of information and communication technology in the implementation of National Education Policy 2020 in India. In: B.C. Swain (Ed.), <i>National Education Policy 2020: Opportunities and Challenges</i> . Page: 64-70. Kunal Books Publishers, New Delhi. ISBN: 976-93-69224-54-2.
Sharma, A., & Panda, S. (2024).	Women's empowerment through psychological patterns and behavioral implications with cultural determinants and indicators. In: Singh, A., Bhadouria, R., Tripathi, S., Modi, R., & Gupta, S. (eds). <i>Empowering Indian Women Through Resilience: Recent Developments and Future Perspective</i> . Page: 133-150. Springer, Singapore. Print ISBN: 978-981-96-0985-7; Online ISBN: 978-981-96-0986-4; DOI: https://doi.org/10.1007/978-981-96-0986-4_7
Sharma, A., & Panda, S. (2025).	Skills enhancement in sports psychology. In: Sandeep & Rohit Kumar (Ed.), <i>Introduction to Military Psychology</i> . Indu Book Services Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi. ISBN: 978-81-19907-07-6.

6. PAPER PRESENTATION AT NATIONAL/ INTERNATIONAL SEMINARS/ CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING DURING 2024-25:

Faculty Member/Research Scholar	Name of Conference/ Seminar/Workshop	Place and Date	Invited Speaker/ Resource Person	Title of Presentation in the published Proceeding, if any
Prof. Snehlata Jaswal	Pre- PhD Coursework, Maa Shakumbhari University, Saharanpur, U.P.	Online 18 May 2024	Resource Person	Structural Equation Modelling
Prof. Snehlata Jaswal	CCS University, Meerut, U.P.	Online 30 November 2024	Invited Lecture	Factor Analyses
Prof. Snehlata Jaswal	Refresher Course in Research Methodology, UGC-MTC, Punjabi University, Patiala	Online 24 February 2025	Resource Person	Introduction to multivariate analyses, factor analyses, discriminant analyses
Prof. Snehlata Jaswal	Refresher Course in Research Methodology, UGC-MTC, Punjabi University, Patiala	Online 24 February 2025	Resource Person	Structural Equation Modelling— Concept, Software, Applications
Prof. Snehlata Jaswal	29th International and 60th National Conference of IAAP (Indian Academy of Applied Psychology)	Nagaland University, 28 February 2025	Paper Presentation	Psycho-cultural factors in Pro- Environment Behaviors

Prof. Snehlata Jaswal	3rd International Conference and IVth Indian Congress of Industrial and Organizational Psychology at GIUST, Hisar	Hisar 26 March 2025	Paper Presentation	Promoting Pro-Environment Behaviors In Organizations
Prof. Satyananda Panda	International Conference on Addiction among Youth: Issues, Challenges, Management & Prevention	Gauhati University, Assam India (30-31 January 2025).	Paper presenter	Risk and Resilience: Understanding the dynamics of substance-abuse among street children
Prof. Satyananda Panda	Faculty Development Programme on "Indian Knowledge System: Integral Epistemology and Integrative Approaches"	Amity School of Languages, Amity University, Raipur, Chhattisgarh, 23 June 2024	Resource Person	Indian Knowledge System and Mental Health
Dr. Sumnima Rai	The 15th Asian Conference on Psychology & the Behavioral Sciences	Japan 24-29 March 2025	Paper Presenter (Online)	Projective techniques (Rorschach inkblot test and Thematic Apperception test)
Dr. Sumnima Rai	Elder Well-Being in India: Contributing to India's Vision @2047	Haryana 24-25 March 2025	Paper Presenter (Online)	Understanding Stress and Coping Mechanisms: Strategies for Student Well-Being

7. RESEARCH PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN DURING 2024-25:

Faculty Member	Project Title	Funding Agency	Project Duration	Total funds received	Number of Project Personnel (Project Fellow/JRF/SRF/RA)
Satyananda Panda (Co-PI)	An Interventional Study to Strengthen and Develop Continuum of Care for Common Mental Health Disorders	Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR), New Delhi	3 Years	Rs.27,49000/-	02

8. SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING PROGRAMMES ORGANISED BY THE DEPARTMENT DURING 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Programme Title	National or International	Funding Agency	Date	Number only		Name of Coordinator/Convener
					Resource Persons	Participants	

9. PURCHASE/INSTALLATION OF LABORATORY EQUIPMENT DURING 2024-25

Sl. No.	Equipment Details	Date of Acquisition	Cost (Rs.)	Funding Agency	Purpose	Approx. Usage (%)

10. M.Phil/ Ph.D. AWARDS DURING 2024-25

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/ Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award
1.	Tejoswita Gogoi	Mapping shame and guilt among adolescents and elderly in Assam.	Prof. S. Panda/ Dr. Namrata/ Prof. N.S. Thingujam	2023	01.04.2024
2.	Jeshmeen Deb Barman	Relationship Sustainability: Exploring and Evaluating the Determinants of Happy Marriages	Dr. Saurabh Maheshwari	2024	11. 08. 2024
3.	Parvati Varma	Cheating in Dating: Examining the Nature and Process of Infidelity in Dating Relationships	Dr. Saurabh Maheshwari	2024	01.10. 2024

11a. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF FACULTY MEMBER (*Permanent only*) 2024-25: Nil

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)

11b. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF STUDENTS IN 2024-25: Nil

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)

12. STUDENTS QUALIFYING IN UGC-NET/UGC-JRF/CSSR/CSIR/ICAR-NET/SLET/GATE/CAT/UPSC/IAS/IPS etc. DURING 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name of Student	Gender	Fellowship/Award/Service
1.	Rishu Sharma (PhD candidate)	Female	UGC JRF in December 2024
2.	Shubham Sagar (PhD candidate)	Male	UGC NET for Assistant Professor in December 2024
3.	Kirenyala Jamir (PG Sem 4 student)	Female	UGC NET for Assistant Professor in June 2024
4.	Arenlila Jamir (PG Sem 4 student)	Female	UGC NET for Assistant Professor in December 2024
5.	Aayush Khobragade (PG Sem 4 student)	Male	UGC NET for PhD admission in December 2024
6.	Amrita Borah (PG Sem 2 student)	Female	UGC NET for Assistant Professor in December 2024
7.	Kanika Sethi (PG Sem 4 student)	Female	GATE in February 2025

13. STUDENT PLACEMENTS DURING 2024-25:

Name of Student	Semester	Organisation where placement is made	Place (City and Country)

14. Our Alumni Activities (if any)

15. Student and Alumni in the spotlight (if any)

16. Outreach programme and Engaging Communities (if any) by Department/Centre/University

17. Welfare Activities and Philanthropy (if any) by Department/Centre/University:

(iii) SCHOOL OF LANGUAGES AND LITERATURE

DEPARTMENT OF BHUTIA

Head/In-charge of the Department: Yeshey Namgyal Bhutia

1. Introduction

The Department of Bhutia at Sikkim University was established on August 1, 2016, as part of the University's commitment to promoting and preserving the languages and culture of the region. Since its inception, the department has been dedicated to advancing excellence through various programs and initiatives. In 2021, the department expanded its academic offerings by introducing a PhD program, allowing for deeper research and scholarship in Bhutia language and culture. This initiative reflects the department's ongoing efforts to enhance higher education opportunities and contribute to the academic landscape of Sikkim. Additionally, the Department of Bhutia actively engages in a range of workshops, seminars, and other academic activities, fostering a vibrant learning environment. These initiatives not only support student development but also promote cultural awareness and appreciation within the broader community. Through these efforts, the department aims to cultivate a rich academic culture that honours the linguistic and cultural diversity of Sikkim.

2. Thrust Area

The Department of Bhutia at Sikkim University is dedicated to advancing knowledge and understanding of the Bhutia community's cultural heritage, religion, and folklore. Our research endeavours aim to:

- **Preserve and Promote Cultural Heritage:** Delve into the rich cultural traditions, customs, and practices of the Bhutia community, ensuring their preservation for future generations.
- **Examine the Intersections of Religion and Folklore:** Investigate the intricate relationships between Buddhism, folklore, and the Bhutia way of life, shedding light on the community's history, values, and beliefs.
- **Unravel the Stories of the Past:** Explore the stories, myths, and legends that have been passed down through generations, providing insights into the community's cultural identity and heritage.

Through our research, we aim to:

- Contribute to the academic discourse on Bhutia studies
- Inform policy, practice, and community development
- Foster a deeper understanding and appreciation of Bhutia culture

By pursuing these research areas, the Department of Bhutia strives to become a leading centre for interdisciplinary scholarship, community engagement, and cultural preservation.

3. Number of students enrolled during 2024-25: 06

Name of Teaching Course	Semester				Total Number of Students	
	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Girls	Boys
UG (if any)						
PG	06				5	1
MPhil (if any)						
PhD	01				01	
Post-doc/Research Associate (if any)						
UGC/CSIR/CAR-NET-JRF						

4. Faculty Profile:

Sl.	Name	Degree (MA/MSc/M. Com MPhil/PhD/Post-doc)	Designation	Date of Joining (Regular)	Publications (number only) and H-index of Google Scholar still date (if any)	Supervisor of Ph.D. Students (number only)	Extra-mural Research Projects (number only)
Regular Faculty Members							
1	Yeshey Namgyal Bhutia	(M.A) in Buddhist Philosophy (M.A) in Bhutia	Assistant Professor	5 th of October 2020			
2	Dr. Kunzang Namgyal	M.A PhD	Assistant Professor	01.05.2023	07 H-index 2	01	
3	Shri Bhaichung Tshering Bhutia	(M.A) in Buddhist Philosophy	Associate Professor (On contractual)	1 st of August 2016			
Visiting Professor							
Guest Faculty							
1	Mickey Dorjee Lepcha		19.09.2022				
2	Neydup Bhuita						
Support Staff							
	Name	Qualification	Designation	Date of joining (regular)	Not Applicable		

5. Details Of Publications (from 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025)

A: Research Papers in Journals:

Sl. No.	Publication list	UGC-CARE List Journal Number	Impact Factor, if any	Publisher	ISSN

B: Book/s

Faculty Member	Publications with ISBN

C: Book Chapter/s

Faculty Member	Publications

6. Paper Presentation at National/International Seminars/Conferences/Workshops/Training During 2024-25:

Faculty Member/Research Scholar	Name of Conference/ Seminar/Workshop	Place and Date	Invited Speaker/ Resource Person/Paper Presenter	Title of Presentation in the published Proceeding, if any
Dr. Kunzang Namgyal	Aspects of Drenjongke Grammar, A workshop on small Languages of Asia, Africa and Australasia (AAA)	Sogang University Seoul, South Korea, 18 th Nov 2024	Resource Person	
Dr. Kunzang Namgyal	Field Elicitation on the Drenjongke Bhutia Language	Seoul National University, Department of Linguistics 20 th Nov. 2024	Resource Person	
Dr. Kunzang Namgyal	Translating Children's Tales from Sikkim, Co-creation, critique and Collaboration	School of Languages and Literature, Sikkim University, 03-07 2024	Resource Person	
Dr. Kunzang Namgyal	Usage of Different terminologies and technical terms in the Bhutia Language and anthropological research methods,	School of Languages and Literature, Khangchendzonga State University, Sikkim 26 th March 2025	Resource Person	
Dr. Kunzang Namgyal	The Religious, Cultural, and Historical value of Rikzing Sokdup Manuscript of Sikkim,	Department of Sanskrit, Gauhati University collaboration with the National Mission for Manuscripts, Ministry of Culture, Govt. of India 28 th – 30 th March 2025	Paper Presenter	
Dr. Kunzang Namgyal	Confidential workshop	Organised by NTA, New Delhi 12 th Dec 2024 28 th March 2024 5 th March 2025	Paper Presenter	
Yeshey Namgyal Bhutia	Translating Children's Tales from Sikkim, Co-creation, critique and Collaboration	School of Languages and Literature, Sikkim University, 03-07 2024	Resource Person	
Yeshey Namgyal Bhutia	Gongsa Thuripn: a semiotic analysis of Lhopo test	St. Joseph's College Darjeeling, Bilingual International Conference on Dynamics of Cultures Languages & Literature Exploring the Eastern Himalayan Region 22-23 November, 2024	Paper Presenter	

Yeshey Namgyal Bhutia	Critical Examination of 18 Chapters of Sikkimese Bhutia Folksongs	Namgyal Institute of Tibetology Department of Buddhist Studies, Tow-Day National Seminar on 50 years of Buddhist in Sikkim: History, Culture, and challenges.6 th -7 th March 2025	Paper Presenter	
Yeshey Namgyal Bhutia	The contribution of Arya Asanga to Buddhist Philosophy	Multi Lingual National Seminar on "The contribution of the Indian scholars and Siddhas to Buddhist philosophy". Organised by Department of Buddhist Philosophy in collaboration With Research Cell on 25 th of October 2024. SGIHNS (Sheda), Pangthang, Taktse, East Sikkim	Paper Presenter	

7. Research Projects Undertaken During 2024-25:

Faculty Member	Project Title	Funding Agency	Project Duration	Total funds received	Number of Project Personnel (Project Fellow/JRF/SRF/RA)

8. Seminars/Conferences/Workshops/Training Programmes Organised by the Department During 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Programme Title	National or International	Funding Agency	Date	Number only		Name of Coordinator/ Convener
					Resource Persons	Participants	
1	One-Day International Seminar on Lepcha, Limbu and Bhutia: Cultural Discourse	International	Sikkim University	24 th March 2025			Bhutia, Lepcha Limbu Department

9. Purchase/Installation of Laboratory Equipment During 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Equipment Details	Date of Acquisition	Cost (Rs.)	Funding Agency	Purpose	Approx. Usage (%)

10. M.Phil. Awards During 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award

11. Ph.D. Awards During 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award

12a. Outstanding Achievements of Faculty Member 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)

12b. Outstanding Achievements of Students In 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)

13. Students Qualifying in UGC-NET/ UGC-JRF/ ICSSR/ CSIR/ ICAR-NET/ SLET/ GATE/ CAT/UPSC/ IAS/ IPS etc. during 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name of Student	Gender	Fellowship/Award/Service

14. Consultancies Offered by the Department During 2024-25, if any:

Consultancy Project/ Programme/Service	Organisation seeking Consultancy	Project/Programme Dates & Duration	Consultancy Funding/Service Fee Received

15. Student Placements During 2024-25:

Name of Student	Semester	Organisation where placement is made	Place (City and Country)
Pema Choki Bhutia	IV	High Court of Sikkim	Gangtok, East Sikkim

16. Our Alumni Activities (if any):

17. Student and Alumni in the spotlight (if any):

18. Outreach programme and Engaging Communities (if any) by the Department:

19. Welfare Activities and Philanthropy (if any) by the Department:

DEPARTMENT OF CHINESE

Head/In-charge of the Department: Dr. Dhriti Roy

1. Introduction:

The Department of Chinese under the School of Languages and Literature, Sikkim University is the first and only such department in the whole of the Northeast of India which offers the following full-fledged Degree programme in Chinese; namely, Four Year Undergraduate Program (Honors and Honors with Research, under NEP 2020), Two Year Postgraduate Program (NEP 2020) and Doctoral Program.

Founded in July 2010, the Department of Chinese has since run a comprehensive academic programme in intensive Modern Chinese language training as well as in Chinese Studies. The courses offered here are well-tailored to suit the academic and professional requirements of universities, institutions, and think tanks, both at the national and global level.

2. Thrust Area

The thrust area of the department is Sinological Studies (Study of the Ancient, Modern and Contemporary History, Philosophy and Literature of China, and Classical Chinese) along with special focus upon modern Mandarin language teaching and training in skill development for high-end translation and interpretation activities. Following the implementation of NEP 2020, since the last one year, the department has also prepared curricula and has implemented courses on vocational training in Mandarin for technical and business translation and interpretation to cater to the growing market demands.

3. Number of students enrolled during 2024-25:

Name of Teaching Course	Semester				Total Number of Students	
	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Girls	Boys
UG (if any)	23	20	23	16	23	21
PG	07	07	00	00	NA	NA
MPhil (if any)						
PhD	00	00	00	01	00	01
Post-doc/Research Associate (if any)						
UGC/CSIR/ICAR-NET-JRF						

4. Faculty Profile:

Sl. No.	Name	Degree (MA/MSc/M.Com MPhil/PhD/Post-doc)	Designation	Date of Joining	Publications and H-index of Google Scholar still date	Supervisor of Ph.D. Students	Extra-mural Research Projects
Regular Faculty Members							
1	Dr. Dhriti Roy	MA, PhD	Associate Professor	27.02.2012	35	Total 04 02 ongoing 02 awarded	00
2	Mr. Moromti Baroowa	MA, MPhil	Assistant Professor	29.04.2014	00	00	00
3	Mr. Irfan Ahmad	MA, MPhil	Assistant Professor	08.12.2015	06	00	00
4	Dr. Snehal Ajit Ulman	MA, M.Phil, PhD in Chinese [Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi], UGC NET JRF in Chinese	Assistant Professor	18.02.2021	06	00	00
5	Dr. Aditya Kumar Pandey	MA, M.Phil, PhD	Assistant Professor	08.12.2023	06	00	00
Visiting Professor							
Guest Faculty							
1	Ms. Snumit Targain	MA		01.07.2014			
Support Staff							
	Name	Qualification	Designation	Date of joining (regular)	Not Applicable		
1	Ms. Elizabeth Thapa	Bachelor of Arts	UDC	01.01.2024			
2	Mr. Sorjam Tshering Bhutia	Class XII pass	Support Staff	30.08.2017			

5. Details of Publications (from 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025)

A: Research Papers in Journals:

Faculty Members:

Sl. No.	Publication list	UGC-CARE List Journal Number	Impact Factor, if any	Publisher	ISSN
1.	Roy, Dhriti. (January 2025). "Anomie and Alienation: A Glimpse into the Dilemma of Chinese Identity" in <i>The Calcutta Journal of Global Affairs</i> . Volume 9; Issue: 1, ISSN: 2582-2241, pp.23-38.	UGC-CARE Group I Arts and Humanities Citation Index; Sl. No. 437	NA	Research Centre for Eastern and North Eastern Regional Studies, Kolkata (CENERS-K)	2582-2241
2.	Roy, Dhriti. (November 2024). "Avalokite Svava as Guanshiyin: The Bodhisattva Cult Journeying Beyond the Confines of Space and Time" in <i>Dharmadoot</i> , 2567 B.E., Vol.90, ISSN: 2347-3428, pp. 52-71.	UGC-CARE Group I Arts and Humanities Citation Index; Sl. No. 81	NA	Maha Bodhi Society of India, Anagarika Dharmapala International Institute of Pali & Buddhist Studies, Sarnath, Varanasi (U.P), India	2347-3428
3.	Roy, Dhriti. (September 2024). "Devotionalism, Symbolism, Syncretism: A Brief Overview of the Defining Features of Chinese Pure Land Buddhism" in <i>The Maha Bodhi. The International Buddhist Journal</i> , 2568 B.E., Vol. 133, No. 2, ISSN: 0025 0406, pp. 35-49.	UGC-CARE Group I Arts and Humanities Citation Index, Sl. No. 444	NA	Maha Bodhi Society of India, Sri Dharmarajika Chetiya Vihara, Kolkata, India	0025-0406
4.	Pandey, A. K. (2024). Book review: Janet Y Chen, <i>The Sounds of Mandarin: Learning to Speak a National Language in China and Taiwan, 1913-1960</i> . <i>China Report</i> , 6(4), 452-455. https://doi.org/10.1177/00094455241297254 (Original work published 2024)		0.5	SAGE	0009-4455 (print) and 0973-063X (online)

PhD Scholars:

Sl. No.	Publication list	UGC-CARE List Journal Number	Impact Factor, if any	Publisher	ISSN
1.	Lepcha, Reebur Seba Gowloog. (September 2024), "The Politics of Religion: Few Critical Observations on the State of Buddhism in Contemporary China", in <i>The Calcutta Journal of Global Affairs</i> , Volume 8, Issue 3, ISSN: 2582-2241, pp.305-326.	UGC-CARE Group I Arts and Humanities Citation Index, Sl. No. 437	NA	Research Centre for Eastern and North Eastern Regional Studies, Kolkata (CENERS-K)	2582-2241
2.	Dutraj, Subham. (January 2025), "Confucianism as in Oblivion, Confucianism as in Practical Implementation: A Study of Paradoxes in the Context of China", in <i>The Calcutta Journal of Global Affairs</i> , Volume 9, Issue 1, ISSN: 2582-2241, pp.95-112	UGC-CARE Group I Arts and Humanities Citation Index, Sl. No. 437	NA	Research Centre for Eastern and North Eastern Regional Studies, Kolkata (CENERS-K)	2582-2241
3.	Dutraj, Subham. (November 2024), "Xuanzang's Encounter with Emperor Harsha: A Historical Perspective on 7 th Century India", in <i>The Research Journal of Environment, Culture and Development</i> , Volume 10, Issue 6, ISSN: 2349-3313.	NA	4.8	International Scientific Research Solution, Philippines and India	2349-3313

B: Book/s:

Faculty Member	Publications with ISBN

C: Book Chapter/s:

Faculty Member	Publications

6. Paper Presentation at National/International Seminars/Conferences/Workshops/Training During 2024-25:

Faculty Member/Research Scholar	Name of Conference/ Seminar/Workshop	Place and Date	Invited Speaker/ Resource Person/Paper Presenter	Title of Presentation in the published Proceeding, if any
Dr. Dhriti Roy	Five-Day National Translation Workshop on Translating Children's Tales from Sikkim, Co-creation, Critique and Collaboration	School of Languages and Literature, Sikkim University in collaboration with ICSSR-NERC (03-07 December, 2024)	Resource Person	Translation, Both as Faithful and Unfaithful Rendition: Few Glimpses of Chinese Translation through History

Dr. Aditya Kumar Pandey	International Conference on AI and Digital Media in Foreign Language Pedagogy	Department Of Foreign Languages Faculty Of International Studies Aligarh Muslim University, (September 25-26, 2024)	Paper Presenter	Leveraging AI and Digital Media in Teaching Chinese Literary Texts: Bridging the Cultural Gap
Dr. Aditya Kumar Pandey	International Conference on "The Ideas of Human Rights in Ancient Chinese Classics"	Yuelu Academy, Hunan University, Changsha, P.R. China, (17-21 November 2024)	Paper Presenter	Intercultural Dialogue on Human Rights in Journey to the West: The Convergence of Indic and Chinese Moral Traditions

7. Research Projects Undertaken During 2024-25:

Faculty Member	Project Title	Funding Agency	Project Duration	Total funds received	Number of Project Personnel (Project Fellow/JRF/SRF/RA)

8. Seminars/Conferences/Workshops/Training Programmes Organised By The Department During 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Programme Title	National or International	Funding Agency	Date	Number only		Name of Coordinator/ Convener	
					Resource Persons	Participants		
1.	1	Special Talk on India's National Safety and Security Strategy: A Fresh Perspective	National	Sikkim University	19 March 2025	02	110	Dr. Dhriti Roy

9. Purchase/Installation of Laboratory Equipment During 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Equipment Details	Date of Acquisition	Cost (Rs.)	Funding Agency	Purpose	Approx. Usage (%)

10. MPhil Awards During 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award

11. Ph.D. Awards During 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award
1.	Reebur Seba Gowloog Lepcha	The Role of Chinese Buddhist Monastic Institutions in Tang Politics: A Critical Study with Special Focus on Empress Wu Zhao's Reign Period (690-704 C.E.)	Dr. Dhriti Roy	2 December 2024	18 March 2025

12a. Outstanding Achievements of Faculty Member 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)

12b. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF STUDENTS IN 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)
01.	Ms. Sudipta Das (Graduated MA IV Semester)	Awarded the Ministry of Education (MOE) Taiwan Scholarship to pursue the International Doctoral Program in Asia Pacific Studies, April 2024 onwards
02.	Mr. Nitish Raj (Graduated BA VI Semester)	Awarded One Year Chinese Government Scholarship by the Government of the People's Republic of China for intensive training in Mandarin at Beijing Normal University, Peking, China, September 2024

13. Students Qualifying In UGC-NET/UGC-JRF/CSSR/CSIR/ICAR-NET/SLET/GATE/CAT/UPSC/IAS/IPS etc. during 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name of Student	Gender	Fellowship/Award/Service

14. Consultancies Offered by Department During 2024-25:

Consultancy Project/ Programme/Service	Organisation seeking Consultancy	Project/Programme Dates & Duration	Consultancy Funding/Service Fee Received

15. Student Placements During 2024-25:

Name of Student	Semester	Organisation where placement is made	Place (City and Country)
Md. Zeeshan	BA VI (Final)	Sutherland Global Services	Chennai, India
Khushi Kumari	BA VI (Final)	Sutherland Global Services	Chennai, India
Somnath Mal	BA VI (Final)	Good Hope Clearing & Forwarding Pvt. Ltd.	Kolkata, India

16. Our Alumni Activities:

17. Student and Alumni in the spotlight:

18. Outreach programme and Engaging Communities by the Department:

19. Welfare Activities and Philanthropy by the Department:

20. Activities related to implementation of New Education Policy:



Dr. Snehal Ajit Ulman as Subject Expert for designing the Maharashtra State Board Textbook Syllabus of Chinese Language for Standard VI to Standard X, January 2025.



Dr. Dhriti Roy as Resource Person at the Five-Day National Translation Workshop on Translating Children's Tales from Sikkim, Co-creation, Critique and Collaboration, organized by



Dr. Aditya Kumar Pandey as Paper Presenter at the International Conference on "The Ideas of Human Rights in Ancient Chinese Classics", Yuelu Academy, Hunan University, 17-21 November 2024.SLL in collaboration with ICSSR, NERC, 3-7 December 2024.

DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH

Head/In-charge of the Department: Prof. Rosy Chamling

1. Introduction

The Department of English, Sikkim University was established in the year 2012. The department is currently offering Postgraduate and PhD programmes. There are 6 permanent faculty members and 1 guest faculty at the department. The student intake for the MA programme is 35 in each academic year. The admission is based on merit in CUCET exam. The department encourages an interactive teaching-learning environment and is becoming a hub for academic discourse through international and national conferences and workshops. The department strives to foster a dynamic academic network with other international/national educational institutions and associations. The department offers a democratic space for the cultivation of multidisciplinary disciplinary approach to English studies in the Eastern Himalayas. The department has established a literary society that organizes programs related to enactment of cultural activities like plays, essay writing, debate competition etc for the students. A departmental library and research scholar's room is separately created for overall development of the students and faculty.

2. Thrust Area

The Department of English, Sikkim University promotes a vibrant teaching-learning atmosphere both inside and outside the classrooms to equip students for critical thinking and research aptitude. The department organizes study tours for the students along with workshops, conferences and interactions with eminent academics and litterateurs. The thrust areas of study at the department, in line with the directives of NEP 2020, include cultural studies, indigenous literary studies with a special focus on Northeast India, translation studies, postcolonial studies, postmodern studies, environmental studies to name a few. The skill based papers offered orient the students for the job market

3. Number of students enrolled during 2024-25:

Name of Teaching Course	Semester				Total Number of Students	
	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Girls	Boys
UG (if any)						
PG		27		29	44	12
MPhil (if any)						
PhD	03				02	01
Post-doc/Research Associate (if any)						
UGC/CSIR/ICAR-NET-JRF	02				01	01

4. Faculty Profile:

Sl.	Name	Degree (MA/MSc/M. Com MPhil/PhD/Post- doc)	Designation	Date of Joining (Regular)	Publications (number only) and H-index of Google Scholar till date (if any)	Supervisor of Ph.D. Students (number only)	Extra- mural Research Projects (number only)
Regular Faculty Members							
1	Prof. Dr Rosy Chamling	Ph. D	Professor	14.01.16	Publication:30 H-Index: 2	01	01
2	Dr. Nipun Chaudhary	Ph.D.	Associate Professor	22.03.2023	Publication:40 H-Index: 2		
3	Dr Ram Bhawan Yadav	MA, Ph. D	Assistant Professor	28.04.2014	Publication: 21 H-index: 2		
4	Dr Saswati Saha	MA, M. Phil, Ph. D	Assistant Professor	08.05.2014	Publication:10 H-index: 1	03	
5	Dr Abrona Lee Pandi Aden	MA, Ph. D	Assistant Professor	08.05.2014	Publication:12 H-Index: 1	04	
6	Dr Parvinder Kaur	MA, M. Phil, Ph. D	Assistant Professor	22.08.2017	04		
Visiting Professor							
Guest Faculty							
1	Mr. Sabin Pandey	MA, UGC, NET					
Support Staff							
	Name	Qualification	Designation	Date of joining (regular)	Not Applicable		
1	Radh Devi Chettri	Graduate (BA)	Administrative Staff	19.03.2019 (Outsource Contract)			
2	Tashi Doma	CL-X Pass	MTS	01.02.2019 (Outsource Contract)			

5. Details Of Publications (from 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025)

A: Research Papers in Journals

Faculty Members:

Sl. No.	Publication list	UGC-CARE List Journal Number	Impact Factor, if any.	Publisher	ISSN
1.	Chamling, Rosy and Tenzin Nyima Bhutia (2024). "Philosophy of Universal Human values through Tibetan Buddhist Iconography". Studies in Humanities and Social Sciences (SH&SS), Vol. XXXI, No.2, Winter 2024.	UGC Care Listed in Group I	NA	Indian Institute of Advanced Study (IIAS), Govt. of India, Shimla.	ISSN: 0972-1401.
2.	Chaudhary, N. (2024). Discovering Kāvya in the Indian Knowledge System: "Kirātārjunīya" Epitomizing Connection Between Ancient India and Sikkim. <i>Research Reinforcement Journal</i> , 12(2), Nov. 2024. (Peer Reviewed)	N.A.	N.A.	Maya Memorial Foundation, Jaipur	2348-3857
3.	Chaudhary, N. (2024). Identity at the crossroads: Exploring Leslie Marmon Silko's Ceremony and August Wilson's Gem of the Ocean. <i>IIS University Journal of Arts</i> , 13(4), 454-465. (UGC Care)	N.A.	N.A.	IIS (Deemed to be University), Jaipur	2319-5339
4.	Yadav, Ram Bhawan (2024) Lord Ram in Modern English Literature: A Timeless Archetype for Contemporary Narratives. (06) <i>Tareekh E Adab E Urdu</i> , 337-347. (UGC Care)	NA	NA	Dr Md Yahya Saba, University of Delhi	2582-1229
5.	Yadav, Ram Bhawan (2024) Ageing and Critical Medical Humanities. <i>Sanshodhak</i> , 215-220 (UGC Care)	NA	NA	Itlhasacharya V.K. Rajvade, Sanshodhan Mondal, Maharashtra	2394-5990
6.	Yadav, Ram Bhawan (2024) Contemporaneity of Ambedkar's Annihilation of Caste: A Reading in between and beyond. <i>Naman</i> , (July 31), 171-177. (UGC Care)	NA	NA	Vasudev Singh Smriti Nayas, Varanasi, UP	2229-5585
7.	Yadav, Ram Bhawan (2024) Broken Bodies and Shattered Minds: The Upsurge of Naga Conflict and Writings of Tamsula Ap. <i>Anhadlok</i> , (Jan-June, 2024) 33-40. (UGC Care)	NA	NA	Vanjana Art and Culture Society, Prayagraj, UP	2349-137X

Research Scholars:

Sl. No.	Publication list	UGC-CARE List Journal Number	Impact Factor, if any	Publisher	ISSN
1.	Khaund, Krishna Kamal and Jalendra Phukon (2024). "Gender Narratives and Representation of Women: Re-reading <i>Tejmola</i> ": <i>Indian Journal of Natural Sciences</i> ; 15 (85).				0976 – 0997
2.	Singh, Rohini. "Dynamics of Caste in Marriage: A Study of Select Indian Nepali Dalit Short Stories." <i>The Criterion: An International Journal in English</i> , 16 (1), pp- 52-64. February 2025.				0976-8165
3.	Singh, Rohini. "Interrogating Purity Versus Pollution: A Study of Select Indian Nepali Dalit Short Stories." <i>Literary Herald: An International Journal in English</i> , 10 (4), pp-93-97. December 2024.				2454-3365
4.	Debnath, Partha. "The Importance and Challenges of Literary Translation: A Case Study of a Bengali Novel and Its Translation". <i>Journal Caravéti, a Peer-Reviewed and Refereed Biannual International Journal</i> . VII (2), pp- 35-42. June 2024. (UGC Care Listed)				2456-9690
5.	Ekka, Francis. "Becoming 'Bagania': Contested Identity in Regina Marandi's <i>Becoming Me</i> " <i>Antarmukh: Bilingual Research Journal Subjective to Literature, Society and Culture</i> , 4 (2), pp- 151-159. 2024. (UGC CARE Listed).				2249-3751
6.	Limbu, Manoj Kumar and Parvinder Kaur. "Awakening Social Consciousness: A Study of <i>Uphavaal</i> and <i>Dweepa</i> ". <i>Drishti: the Sight</i> , XIII (II), pp-102-105. November 2024. (UGC CARE Listed)				2319-8281
7.	Qureshi, Mohd Aleem. "Gendered Trajectories, Dissident Dreams: Re-reading <i>Lihaf</i> and <i>Khagazi Hal Fairahan</i> in Postcolonial Context." <i>Urdu Studies</i> , 4 (1). Pp-155-168. August, 2024.				2583-8784
8.	Roy, Arpita. "Decolonizing Disability Studies: Identities, Epistemologies and Global South Perspectives". <i>The Creative Launcher</i> , 9 (6), pp. 70-81. Dec. 2024. doi:10.53032/tcl.2024.9.6.07.				2455-6580
9.	Bhutia, Tenzin Nyima. "Nyungne in the Eastern Himalayan Region of India: Historical Evolution, Local Variations and Community Cohesion." <i>Salesian Journal of Humanities and Social Sciences</i> . XV(1). pp-27-42. May 2024.				0976-1861

B: Book/s

Faculty Member	Publications with ISBN
Rosy Chamling & Abrona Lee Pandi Aden	Chamling, R., & Aden, L. P. Editors. (2024). <i>Folktales from Sikkim</i> . Kolkata: Writer's Workshop. ISBN: 978-81-979136-4-8.

C: Book Chapter/s:

Faculty Member	Publications
Rosy Chamling	Chamling, Rosy (2024) Re-telling The Story of Teesta and Rangit: The Whispering Mountains Ed. By Namita Gokhale & Malashri Lal. India: Penguin Random House. ISBN: 978-0-143-47022-9
Ram Bhawan Yadav	Yadav, Ram Bhawan (2024) Paradigm of Neo-suba Iternity: The Question of History via National Consciousness and Resistance in Kiran Desai's <i>The Inheritance of Loss</i> . Ibidem-Verlag, Hannover, Stuttgart (University of Columbia) ISBN- 978-81932449-4-4

6. Paper Presentation at National/International Seminars/Conferences/Workshops/Training During 2024-25:

Faculty Member	Name of Conference/ Seminar/Workshop	Place and Date	Invited Speaker/ Resource Person/Paper Presenter	Title of Presentation in the published Proceeding, if any
Rosy Chamling	International Conference on Comparative Literature and Translation: Mapping Milestones, Tracing Trajectories.	Jadavpur University in association with Comparative Literature Association of India, 23 rd July 2024	Invited Speaker (Plenary Talk)	The 'Translational Turn' in the Northeast
Rosy Chamling	Five-day National Translation Workshop titled "Translating Children's Tales from Sikkim: Co-creation, Critique and Collaboration organized by the School of Languages and Literature, Sikkim University in collaboration with Indian Council of Social Science Research, North-Eastern Regional Centre (ICSSR-NERC) Gangtok	3-7 December, 2024	Panel Discussant	Translations from Sikkim
Rosy Chamling	SPARC Dissemination Workshop organized by The Centre for Translation of Indian Literature, Jadavpur University in association with University of East Anglia,	17 th to 19 th March 2025	Resource Person	Translations of Indian Nepali Short Stories

Chaudhary, N.	4 th International Conference on <i>Contemporary Perspectives in English Language, Literature and Cultural Studies (ICCPE-2024)</i>	Chandigarh University, Punjab from 13-14 September 2024.	Paper Presenter	Reimagining Doodi's Post-Colonial Womanhood in <i>Draupadi</i> : Navigating the Challenges of Contemporary Feminism
Chaudhary, N.	Refresher Course (English)	Central University of South Bihar Gaya on 09 December 2024.	Invited Speaker	Reflections of Fame: Exploring Celebrity and Social Media Culture in Contemporary Literature
Chaudhary, N.	International Conference on <i>Indigenous Knowledge Systems And Sustainable Development</i>	Shaikshik Foundation, Delhi from 09-10 March 2025.	Paper Presenter	Human Intellectual Tradition v/s. Artificial Intelligence: The Impact of Modernity on Society
Chaudhary, N. and Tamang, M.	National Seminar on <i>Globalization, Self and Lifeworld</i>	Department of Sociology, Sikkim University, Sikkim from 10-11 March 2025.	Paper Presenter	A) Reshaping the Globalized Lifeworld: Human Intellectual Tradition and the 'New Normal'
Chaudhary, N.	International Conference on <i>Reimagining Existence: Emerging Perspectives in World Literature and Language</i>	XIM University, Odisha on 10-11 March 2025.	Resource Person	Session Chair
Ram Bhawan Yadav	Multidisciplinary national seminar on media, society and literature	27 th November, 2024, GMRD College, Mohanpur, Samastipur, Bihar	Resource Person	Media, Society and Literature
Ram Bhawan Yadav	Research Methods in Interdisciplinary Studies	Two Day Workshop on Research Method in Human Sciences, Numismatic Society of India, Banaras Hindu University, Banaras... 11-12 October, 2024	Dr. Ram Bhawan Yadav	Research Methods in Interdisciplinary Studies

Dr Saswati Saha	Faculty Development Programme on "Shiksha 3.0- Unleashing the latent potential of an Educator in Higher Education Institutions (HEIs)" organized by AIU-SSU-AADC, Sri Sri University	Cuttack 27 th June, 2024	Resource Person	Academic Writing
Dr Saswati Saha	CLAI International Conference on "Comparative Literature and Translation: Mapping Milestones, Tracing Trajectories" organized by the Department of Comparative Literature, Jadavpur University in collaboration with the Comparative Literature Association of India	Kolkata 23-25 July, 2024	Invited Speaker (Plenary)	Discoursing Collaborative Translation: Some Notes from a Translation Workshop at the Sikkim University
Dr Saswati Saha	Five-day National Translation Workshop titled "Translating Children's Tales from Sikkim: Co-creation, Critique and Collaboration" organized by the School of Languages and Literature, Sikkim University in collaboration with Indian Council of Social Science Research, North-Eastern Regional Centre (ICSSR-NERC)	Gangtok 3-7 December, 2024	Invited Talk/ Resource Person	Collaborating in Translating Children's Literature: Issues and Challenges
Dr Saswati Saha	Special Lecture organized by Department of English, Utkal University	Bhubaneswar 8 th January, 2025	Invited Talk	From Reading to Listening: Some Notes on Translating Indigenous Literature from Sikkim
Dr Saswati Saha	One-Day National Level Students Seminar titled "Narratives of an Era: Exploring Victorian Cultural, Philosophical and Literary Landscape" organized by Dwijendralal College, Krishnagar	Krishnanagar, West Bengal 17 th March, 2025	Invited Speaker	Victorian Literature in Colonial India: Circulation, Reception and Assimilation

Abrona Lee Pandi Aden	Knowing India: Academic Social Responsibility and the Humanities Centre for Translation of Indian Literatures (CENTIL), Department of Comparative Literature, Jadavpur University in association with the Humanities in India Partnership Programme, University of East Anglia	Jadavpur University 3 rd July, 2024	Invited Speaker	Negotiating Identities, Oral Narratives and Academic Spaces in India's Northeast: Perspectives from Sikkim.
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Research Scholar	Name of Conference/ Seminar/Workshop	Place and Date	Invited Speaker/ Resource Person/Paper Presenter	Title of Presentation in the published Proceeding, if any
Krishna Kamal Khaund	Two-Day International Seminar (Blended Mode) On Literature, Culture and Media: An Interface	Department of English, Bodoland University, Kokrajhat, Assam in Collaboration with The Department of English, Nagaland University, Kohima Campus, Meriema, Nagaland. 28th & 29th March, 2025	Paper Presenter	Bhaona as traditional Knowledge: Children's Performance, Development and its Significance
Krishna Kamal Khaund & Himangshu Raj Borah	2ND International Young Folklorist Conference Sustaining the Folk: An Introspection into Preserving and Reviving the Lore for Future	Centre for Folklore Studies and Research (CFSR) In Collaboration with Centre for Folk Culture Studies (CECS) University of Hyderabad 30 th March, 2025	Paper Presenter	Burha Dangoria: The Guardian Of Naam Ghars And The Embodiment Of Assamese Identity Through Folklores And Collective Belief System
Krishna Kamal Khaund & Manoj Kumar Limbu	Two-day International Conference on Gender Based Violence- Intersectionality & Interdisciplinary Space (Revisiting Literature, Media & Society)	Department of English REVA University, Banglore, India in association with Lakehead University, Ontario, Canada. December 05 th and 06 th , 2024	Paper Presenter	Beyond Conventional Spaces: A Feminist Perspective on Lumer Dai's Bride Price and Mamang Dai's The Black Hills and Legends of Pensam

Dhananjay Mahaldar	Two-day International Seminar on Dramatic Tradition of India	Department of Bengali, Tripura University (A Central University), in collaboration with Tripura Theatre Journal 29 & 30 November 2024	Paper Presenter	Navigating Folk Performance: Unveiling Gambhira in Indian Tradition and Cultural Practice
Dhananjay Mahaldar	One-Day International Seminar on 'Language, Literature & Culture: Tradition & Legacy	Departments of Bengali, English & Sanskrit & the IQAC of Buniadpur Mahavidyalaya, in collaboration with 'Hitaisi' - Philanthropic & Literary Organization, at Buniadpur Mahavidyalaya. 11th January 2025	Paper Presenter	Celebrating Aesthetic Tradition: Traversing through the Cultural Hi(story) of Gambhira Folklore
Dhananjay Mahaldar	International Seminar on Literature, Culture and Media: An Interface	Department of English, Bodoland University, Kokrajhar, Assam, in Collaboration with Department of English, Nagaland University, Kohima Campus, Meriema, Nagaland 28th & 29th March, 2025	Paper Presenter	Gambhira Folk Theatre in the Age of Digitalization: Its Emergence as a Popular Culture of West Bengal
Dhananjay Mahaldar	International Seminar and Workshop on Indian Drama Society, Culture, Tradition, and Heritage International Seminar & Workshop	Ateswartala Sanskritik Manch, Radhakantapur, Raidighi, South 24 Parganas, West Bengal in collaboration with Department of Bengali, Vidyasagar University, Paschim Medinipur and Jana Sanskriti, Centre for the Theatre of the Oppressed. 29-30 March, 2025	Paper Presenter	(Re) Presentation of Bengali Culture and Tradition: Prevailing through Gambhira Folk Theatre
Jalendra Phukon	Two-Day International Seminar (Blended Mode) On Literature, Culture and Media: An Interface	Department of English, Bodoland University, Kokrajhar, Assam In Collaboration with The Department of English, Nagaland University, Kohima Campus, Meriema, Nagaland 28th & 29th March, 2025	Paper Presenter	Exploring Cultural Marginality and Gender in <i>Sonam</i> and <i>The Bride Price</i>

Jalendra Phukon	Two Days International Seminar on Dramatic Tradition of India	Department of Bengali, Tripura University 29th & 30th November, 2024	Paper Presenter	Locating Consciousness of Subalterns in Datta Bhagat's <i>Routes and Escapes Routes</i>
Priyanka Sharma	Two Day International Conference on Diasporic Literature	St. Joseph's College, Moolamattom, Amakkulam, Idukki Kerala. 30-31 August, 2024	Paper Presenter	Homeland Culture and Body Image in the South Asian Diaspora: A Fat Studies Analysis of <i>There's Something About Sweetie</i> and <i>Fatty Fatty Boom Boom</i>
Priyanka Sharma	2nd International Conference on English Language and Literature (DIDE 2024)	Dogus University, Istanbul Turkey 18-20 September 2024	Paper Presenter	Fat and Fiction: Deconstructing Stereotypes in 21st Century English Literature.
Himangshu Raj Borah	ICSSR Sponsored National Seminar on Exploring Shankardeva's Influence on Modern Assamese Literature	Jhanji Hemnath Sarma College, Sivsagar in association with Sankardev Study Centre, JHNSC 2 nd and 3 rd September, 2024	Paper Presenter	Contemporary Perspectives and Interpretations: Examining Gender Dynamism in Srimanta Shankardeva's <i>Ankiya Naat</i> Performances.
Himangshu Raj Borah	XVII Biennial International Conference of the Comparative Literature Association of India	University of Delhi 10 th to 12 th September, 2024	Paper Presenter	Challenging Traditional Binaries: <i>Ankiya Naat</i> and <i>Bhaona</i> Practices in Assamese Culture
Himangshu Raj Borah	International Conference on Stories Matter: (RE)-Thinking Narratives, Aesthetics and Human Values	Benares Hindu University 6 th and 7 th December, 2024	Paper Presenter	Crafting Gender: Narratives, Handicrafts and the Role of <i>Mukhas</i> (Masks) in <i>Ankiya Bhaona</i> Performances within Assamese <i>Naam Ghars</i>
Francis Ekka	ICSSR sponsored National Seminar on "Exploring Indigenous Knowledge Systems in India: Trends, Issues and Challenges.	Department of English, Gauhati University 28-29 November 2024	Paper Presenter	Voicing the Reality: Poetic Activism in Jacinta Kerketta's <i>Land of the Roots</i>

Francis Ekka	International Seminar held on Society, Literature and Culture of North East India	Department of Bengali, S.S. College, Hallakandi in collaboration with Office of the Internationalization of Higher Education, Assam University, Silchar 12 th & 13 th November, 2024	Paper Presenter	Becoming 'Baganiya': Contested Identities in Regina Marand's <i>Becoming Me</i>
Mohd. Aleem Qureshi	Two-day International Conference	EFLU 16-17 May 2024	Paper Presenter	Embodied Cognition in Artificial Intelligence: Multimodal Approaches in Literature and Language
Arpita Roy	5th International e-conference on "Bridging Realms: Exploring Intersections in Humanities and Social Sciences"	Department of History, Humanities and Society, University of Rome, Tor Vergata, Italy & Department of English, Central University of Karnataka, India 4 th -5 th October, 2024	Paper Presenter	Disability to Ability: Critical Reading of This Kid Can Fly: It's about Ability (Not Disability) Through the Lenses of Disability Studies
Arpita Roy	5th IDSC International Conference on "Crip Encounters: Disability and Contemporary Conversations"	The Indian Disability Studies Collective in association with the Department of English, Cotton University, Guwahati and Centre for Women's Studies, Cotton University, Guwahati 6-7 March, 2025	Paper Presenter	Inclusive Education Triumphs: The Story of Emily's Journey through Kathleen McDonnell's <i>Emily Included</i>
Tenzin Nyima Bhutia	International Research Scholar's Conference: 'Connectivity' in the Eastern Himalayas	Salesian Research Centre & IQAC, Salesian College, Siliguri and Sonada 3-4 May 2024	Paper Presenter	Nyungne in the Eastern Himalayan Regions of India: Historical Evolution, Local Variations and Community Cohesion
Tenzin Nyima Bhutia	6th Young Indian Research Scholars' Conference	Tibet Policy Institute, Sarah, College of Higher Tibetan Studies, Dharamshala 17-18 Oct 2024	Paper Presenter	Scriptural Inspirations in Buddhist Iconographies: From Text to Images

Tenzin Nyima Bhutia	Two Days Bilingual International Conference on Dynamics of Cultures, Languages and Literatures Exploring the Eastern Himalaya Region	St. Joseph's College, Darjeeling 22-23 Nov 2024	Paper Presenter	Sipa Khorlo Aspects of Tibetan Buddhist Thangkas in the Lepcha Tale of Teesta in Sikkim and Kalimpong: An Interwoven Exchange of Mythical Existence
Tenzin Nyima Bhutia	National Seminar on "Exploring Indigenous Knowledge Systems in India: Trends, Issues and Challenges"	Department of English, Gauhati University & ICSSR, New Delhi 28-29 Nov 2024	Paper Presenter	Awakening Indigenous Myths to Meanings Through Narratives of Folk Beliefs: The Role of Storytelling in Deciphering Buddhist Iconographies
Tenzin Nyima Bhutia	International Conference on Stories Matter: (Re)-thinking Narratives, Aesthetics and Human Values	Department of English, Faculty of Arts, Banaras Hindu University 6-7 Dec 2024	Paper Presenter	Narratives and Aesthetics in Thangka Paintings: Reviving Submerged Moral Stories through Storytelling in Tibetan Buddhist Traditions of Sikkim and Kalimpong
Tenzin Nyima Bhutia	International Symposium on Emotions, Beliefs, and Mental Health	Loyola College of Social Sciences (Trivandrum) & Jnana Niketan Institute (Aluva) 1-2 Feb 2025	Paper Presenter	Fierce Protectors of the Dharma: Exploring the Iconographies and Oral Narratives of Dorje Drolo and Palden Lhamo in Tibetan Buddhism
Tenzin Nyima Bhutia	National Seminar on 50 years of Buddhism in Sikkim: History, Culture and Challenges	Department of Buddhist and Tibetan Studies, Namgyal Institute of Tibetology & MA Buddhist Studies, Sikkim University, State Bank of Sikkim 6-7 Mar 2025	Paper Presenter	Sifting Stories of Termas by Rigdzin Godem: the Culture-Feather-Crowned Terton
Tenzin Nyima Bhutia	2nd International Young Folklorists Conference	Centre for Folk Culture Studies (CFCS), University of Hyderabad & Centre for Folklore Research and Studies (CFRS) 28-30 Mar 2025	Paper Presenter	Echoes of the Past, Visions of the Future: Buddhist Sculpture as a Repository of Folk Memory and Ritual Practice

7. Research Projects Undertaken During 2024-25:

Faculty Member	Project Title	Funding Agency	Project Duration	Total funds received	Number of Project Personnel (Project Fellow/JRF/SRF/RA)
Rosy Chamling	Reconceptualizing Indigenous Knowledge and Women's Health in tribal Communities of Sikkim: Practices and Implications	Indian Council of Social Science Research	Two Years	19,00,000/-	02

8. Seminars/Conferences/Workshops/Training Programmes Organised by the Department During 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Programme Title	National or International	Funding Agency	Date	Number only		Name of Coordinator/Convener
					Resource Persons	Participants	
1	A Five-Day Translation Workshop on "Translating Children's Tales from Sikkim: Co-Creation, Critique and Collaboration" at the Department of English, Sikkim University in collaboration with ICSSR-NERC, Shillong.	National	School of Languages and Literature, Sikkim University & ICSSR-NERC, Shillong	3 rd -7 th December, 2024	12	40	Prof. Rosy Chamling and Dr. Abrona Lee Pandi Aden
2	Bharatiya Bhasha Utsav	National	School of Languages and Literature, Sikkim University and Bharatiya Bhasha Samiti, Ministry of Education, New Delhi.	11 th December 2024	06	50	Prof. Rosy Chamling and Dr. Saswati Saha
2	Poets' Conclave: Sikkim Chapter	National	Department of English, Sikkim University	21 th March, 2025	04	80	Dr. Saswati Saha and Dr. Abrona Lee Pandi Aden, Department of English, Sikkim University

9. PURCHASE/INSTALLATION OF LABORATORY EQUIPMENT DURING 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Equipment Details	Date of Acquisition	Cost (Rs.)	Funding Agency	Purpose	Approx. Usage (%)

10. M.Phil. Awards During 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award

11. Ph.D. Awards During 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award
1.	Ghunato Neho	"History, Conflict and Identity: A Study of a Ao's Select Writing"	Professor Rosy Chamling	08.07.2024	04.03.2025

12a. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF FACULTY MEMBER (*Permanent only*) 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)

12b. Outstanding Achievements of Students in 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)
1	Roshni Basfor	2 Gold Medals in Open Asia Powerlifting Championship 2025 organized by United Powerlifting India, World Raw Powerlifting Federation and Surat City Police

13. Students Qualifying in UGC-NET/UGC-JRF/ICSSR/CSIR/ICAR-NET/SLET/GATE/CAT/UPSC/IAS/IPS etc. during 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name of Student	Gender	Fellowship/Award/Service
1	Girish Pangeljam	Male	UGC NET
2	Menuka Tamang	Female	UGC NET
3	Mamoni Pegu	Female	UGC NET
4	Ugen Lepcha	Male	UGC NET
5	Sonam Wangmo	Female	UGC NET
6	Ugen Lepcha	Male	UGC NET
7	Nikita Burogohain	Female	UGC NET
8	Aman Nobeng	Female	UGC NET
9	Shashanka Sekhar Bhattacharjee	Male	UGC NET

14. Consultancies Offered by Department During 2024-25:

Consultancy Project/ Programme/Service	Organisation seeking Consultancy	Project/Programme Dates & Duration	Consultancy Funding/Service Fee Received

15. Student Placements During 2024-25:

Name of Student	Semester	Organisation where placement is made	Place (City and Country)
Fenzin Nyima Bhutia	PhD Research Scholar	Assistant Professor, Department of English, Sikkim Manipal University	Majhitar, Sikkim

16. Our Alumni Activities:

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17. Student and Alumni in the spotlight:

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18. Outreach programme and Engaging Communities by the Department:

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19. Welfare Activities and Philanthropy by the Department:

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DEPARTMENT OF HINDI

Head/In-charge of the Department: Prof. Pradeep K. Sarma

1. Introduction

The Hindi Department at Sikkim University was established in 2013. Although the Department started its journey with just 2-3 students in the postgraduate programme, it has grown gradually and now offers PhD programme too. The department has evolved into a full-fledged entity with five faculty members. Notably, since Hindi is not offered at the college level in Sikkim, the department introduced an undergraduate program in Hindi too with the expectation that this will attract many students interested in studying Hindi in Sikkim and the neighbouring states.

2. Thrust Area

The department specializes in Hindi Katha Sahitya, Functional and Communicative Hindi, Comparative Literary Studies in Hindi, Contemporary Hindi Poetry, with a special focus on the Hindi literature emerging from Sikkim and the Northeast as a whole.

3. Number of students enrolled during 2024-25:

Name of Teaching Course	Semester				Total Number of Students	
	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Girls	Boys
UG (if any)	06		01		02	05
PG	01		07		00	08
MPhil (if any)						
PhD	04				04	00
Post-doc/Research Associate (if any)						
UGC/CSIR/ICAR-NET-JRF					01	00

4. Faculty Profile:

Sl. No.	Name	Degree (MA/MSc/M. Com MPhil/PhD/Post-doc)	Designation	Date of Joining (Regular)	Publications (number only) and H-index of Google Scholar still date (if any)	Supervisor of Ph.D. Students (number only)	Extra-mural Research Projects (number only)
Regular Faculty Members							
1.	Prof. Pradip K. Sarma	D. Lit	Professor	17.04.2023	-	03	
2.	Dr. Gorakh Nath Tiwari	Ph. D	Associate Professor	30.03.2023	07	03	
3.	Dr. Dinesh Shahu	Ph. D	Assistant Professor	23.04.2014	01	04	
4.	Dr. Chukey Bhutia	Ph. D	Assistant Professor	05.12.2014	03	03	
5.	Dr. Pradip Tripathi	Ph. D	Assistant Professor	30.08.2017	05	04	
Visiting Professor							

Guest Faculty					
1	Dr. Saroj Lama	Ph.D	Guest Faculty		
Support Staff					
	Name	Qualification	Designation	Date of joining (regular)	Not Applicable

5. Details Of Publications (from 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025)

A: Research Papers in Journals:

Sl. No.	Publication list	UGC-CARE List Journal Number	Impact Factor, if any	Publisher	ISSN
1.	Sarma, P. K (2024) Assam Mein Vaishnav Bhakti Kavita. <i>Apni Maati</i> , 50, 90-91	Sl-1		Rajasthan	E-ISSN 2322-0724
2.	Tiwari, G. N. (2024) Andher Nagari; vivekhinta Aur Nirankush Shasan Vyvstha Ko Khuli Chunaoti. <i>Sankalya</i> 52:02, 217-222.	Sl-1		Hindi Akadami, Hyderabad	2277-9264
3.	Tiwari, G. N. (2024) Vivek Dwivedi Krit 'Rohini Raag' Mein Samajik Samasyayen. <i>Dwibhashi Rashtrasevak</i> , 74:02, 21-26	Sl-1		Assam Rashtrabhasha Prachar Samiti, Guwahati	2277-9264
4.	Tiwari, G. N. (2024) Bbadalte Garw Ka Yatharth Aur 'Namami Gramam, <i>Hindustani</i> , 85:03, 101-105	Sl-1		Allahabad	0378-391X
5.	Tiwari, G. N. (2024) Prem Aur Saundrya Ki Apratim Kriti: Aashad Ka Ek Din. <i>Hindi Anuseelan</i> 66:04,108-113.	Sl-1		Bharatiya Hindi Parishad, Paryagraj	2249-930X
6.	Tiwari, G. N. (2024). Tulsī Ki Bhakti Bhawna (RamcharitManas Ke Vishesh Sandarbh Mein. <i>Samvet</i> 12:24,36-42.	Sl-1		Udaipur, Rajasthan	2321-6131
7.	Tiwari, G. N. (2025) Malla Aanchal Mein Varnit Gramin Yatharth. <i>Bishwa Bharati Patrika</i> 90:03,122-132.	Sl-1		Shantiniketa, West Bengal	2348-4977
8.	Tiwari, G. N. (2025) Stree Shoshan, Utpidan Aur Sangharsh Ka Dastavej Chirnmasta. <i>Sankalya</i> 53:01,224-230.	Sl-1		Hindi Akadami, Hyderabad	2277-9264
9.	Shahu, D. (2024) Bishnu Prasad Rabha Ki Rachanaon Mein Swatantrata Ki Chetna. <i>Sankalya</i> 52:02,181-185.	Sl-1		Hindi Akademi, Hyderabad	2277-9264
10.	Bhutia, C. (2024) Tejendra-Sharma ki Beghar Aankhen kahani sangrah ki Samvedana evm Shilp ka adhyayan. <i>Pravasi Jagat</i> 7:3, 25-33	Sl-1		Kendriya Hindi Sansthan, Agra	2581-6985
11.	Bhutia, C. (2024) Sikkim Mein Baudh Dharma. <i>Sankalya</i> 52:03, 131-134	Sl-1		Hindi Akadami, Hyderabad	2277-9264

12.	Tripathi, P. (2024). Swa ka Jagaran aur Britishkalin Pratibandhit Geet. <i>Lamahi</i> 332-342	SI-1		Lucknow Uttar Pradesh	2278- 554X
13.	Tripathi, P. (2025). Bhattiya Gyan Parampara mein Mahakumbh ki Sanskriti. <i>Hindustani</i> 224-227	SI-1		Allahabad Uttar Pradesh	0378- 391X
14.	Tripathi, P. (2025). Poorvottar Bharat Ki Hindi Kavita ka Sthaniya Swar. <i>Bhasha</i> 109-117	SI-1		New Delhi	0523- 1418
15.	Tripathi, P. (2024). Hindi Cinema mein Poorvottar Bharat ka pratinidhitwa evam sambhavnaen. <i>Apni Maati</i> 57-63	SI-1		Rajasthan	E-ISSN 2322- 0724

B: Book/s

Faculty Member	Publications with ISBN
Prof. Pradeep K Sarma	Sarma, P.K., K. Mukesh (2024), Shodh Pravidhi, New Delhi: Vikas Book Company. ISBN: 978-93-94628-65-6

C: Book Chapter/s

Faculty Member	Publications
Dr. Pradip Tripathi	Tripathi, P. (2024). Purna Yonjan ki kavitaon mein khoobsurat duniya ka swapna. SPECTRUM: A Bilingual Multidisciplinary Volume (Etd Dr. Jonali Boruah). New Delhi: Serials Publications PVT. LTD. Pg. 267-275.
Dr. Chukey Bhutia	Bhutia, C. (2024) Sikkim Ki Lakkathoon Mein Manaviya Chetna Ke Vividh Rang (Ed. Dr. Raghunath Pandey). Sangrah Times Publication. ISBN 978-93-83315-96-0/6. Pg58-62

6. Paper Presentation at National/International Seminars/Conferences/Workshops/Training During 2024-25:

Faculty Member/Research Scholar	Name of Conference/Seminar/Workshop	Place and Date	Invited Speaker/Resource Person/Paper Presenter	Title of Presentation in the published Proceeding, if any
Prof. Pradeep K Sarma	Five-day National Translation Workshop	School of Language & Literature, Sikkim University & ICSSR, New Delhi 3 rd - 7 th July 2024	Resource Person	
Prof. Pradeep K Sarma	International Regional Hindi Conference	Indian embassy, Port of Spain, Trinidad & Tobago, 6 th -8 th September, 2024	Resource Person	Sarma, P.K. (2024, September), Bharatiya Janjivan Mein Ramkavya, Port of Spain, Trinidad & Tobago, 6 th -8 th September, 2024
Prof. Pradeep K Sarma	Hindi Rajbhasha Seminar	College of Horticulture, Bermiok, Sikkim, 28 th September, 2024	Resource Person	Sarma, P.K. (2024, September), Rajbhasha ke Badhate Kadam, Bermiok, Sikkim

Prof. Pradeep K Sarma	Hindi Rajbhasha Seminar	RBI, Gangtok 25 th October, 2024	Resource Person	Sarma, P.K. (2024, October), Vartaman Samay Mein Hindi Ki Chunautiyan. RBI, Gangtok
Prof. Pradeep K Sarma		CSTT & Mizoram University 11 th – 12 th November, 2024	Resource Person	Sarma, P.K. (2024, November), Assamiya Bhasha Ke Vikas Mein Pradyoukiki ka Yogdan. CSTT & Mizoram University
Prof. Pradeep K Sarma	Hindi Aur Purvottar Ki Bhashayen : Sampark Bhasha Se Takniki Proudyotiki Vikas Tak Ki Samvahika	Dept. of Hindi, Sikkim University 21 st - 22 nd March, 2025	Subject Expert	Sarma, P.K. (2025, March), Bhasha Ke Vikas Mein Anuvad Ki Mahatwa. Sikkim University
Dr. Gorakh Nath Tiwari	Sahitya Ke Madhyam Se Kaushal Vikash (Dakshin Bharat Ke Vishesh Sandarbh Mein)	Dept. of Hindi, Cochin University 16 th - 18 th December, 2024	Subject Expert	Tiwari, G. N. (2024, December), Sahitya Ke Madhyam Se Kaushal Vikash (Dakshin Bharat Ke Vishesh Sandarbh Mein) Cochin University
Dr. Gorakh Nath Tiwari	Hindi Aur Purvottar Ki Bhashayen : Sampark Bhasha Se Takniki Proudyotiki Vikas Tak Ki Samvahika	Dept. of Hindi, Sikkim University 21 st - 22 nd March, 2025	Subject Expert	Tiwari, G. N. (2025, March), Hindi Aur Sikkim Ki Sthaniya Bhashayen. Sikkim University
Dr. Dinesh Shahu	Sant Shankardev Ka Sahitya Aur Assam Ki Samaj Sanskriti	Nagaon College, Assam 25 th October, 2024	Invited Speaker	Shahu, D. (2024, October), Shreemanta Shankardev ke Bargeeton mein Abhivyakta Assamiya Sanskriti, Nagaon College, Assam
Dr. Dinesh Shahu	Swadhinta Aandolan Aur Hindi Patrakarita	Nav Nalanda Mahavihar, Nalanda, Bihar 28 th & 29 th October, 2024	Invited Speaker	Shahu, D. (2024, October) Bharatiya Swadhinta Aandolan Mein Dwivedlyugin Hindi Patrikarita ka Yogdan, Nav Nalanda Mahavihar, Nalanda
Dr. Dinesh Shahu	Nalanda Gyankumbh 2024	Nalanda Vishwavidyalaya, Rajgir, Nalanda, Bihar 16 th & 18 th November, 2024	Invited Speaker	Shahu, D. (2024, November) Bharatiya Gyan Prampara Aur purvottar ki Bhashayen, Nalanda Vishwavidyalaya, Rajgir, Nalanda, Bihar
Dr. Dinesh Shahu	Transdisciplinary Aspects of Research in Global Perspective	Annada College, Hazaribag, 18 th and 19 th December 2024,	Invited Speaker	Shahu, D. (2024, December) Swatantryottar Hindi Kahani aur Dalit Yimarsh, Annada College, Hazaribag,
Dr. Dinesh Shahu	Hindi Upanyason Ki Kathabhumi	Varanasi, UP 14 th to 15 th January, 2025	Resource Person	Shahu, D. (2025, January) Premchand ke Upanyason Ki Kathabhumi, Vidyashri Nyas, Varanasi, UP

Dr. Dinesh Shahu	Nai Shiksha Niti: Chunaotiyan Aur Sambhawnayen	Malbazar, West Bengal 24 th February, 2025	Resource Person	Shahu, D. (2025, February) Nai Shiksha Niti ki Sambhawnayen, Parimal Mitra Smriti Mahavidyalaya, Malbazar, West Bengal
Dr. Chukey Bhutia	Bang Pradesh Ka Pahadi Anchal: Ek Sanskritik Adhyayan	Kalimpong, West Bengal 28 th September, 2024	Invited Speaker	Bhutia, C. (2024, September) Bang Pradesh Ke Pahadi Anchal ki Sanskritik Chetna, Kalimpong, West Bengal
Dr. Chukey Bhutia	Purvottar Lok Sahitya ka Bhashik Evm Sanskritik Prasat	Nagaland University, Kohima, 25 th March, 2025	Invited Speaker	Bhutia, C. (2025) Purvottar Lok Sahitya ka Bhashik Evm Sanskritik Prasat (Sikkim Ke vishesh Sandarbh Mein). Nagaland University, Kohima.
Dr. Pradip Tripathi	Rajbhasha ke pragami prayog	Gangtok 21/03/2024	Resource Person	Tripathi, Pradip. (2024, March). <i>Rajbhasha hindi: Mahattva evm Anuprayog</i> , Gangtok.
Dr. Pradip Tripathi	Hindi Pakhvada	Gangtok 30/09/2024	Resource Person	Tripathi, Pradip. (2024, September). <i>Hindi ka Mahattva</i> . Gangtok.
Dr. Pradip Tripathi	Climate Change & Socio-cultural Dynamics	Bermink, Sikkim 06/ 09/2024	Resource Person	Tripathi, Pradip. (2024, September). <i>Addressing Nature and Environmental Issues: An Action Plan for Literary Scholars and Scientists</i> . Gangtok.
Dr. Pradip Tripathi	Associate of the UGC Inter University Centre of Humanities and Social Sciences at IAS, Shimla	IAS, Shimla, 26/09/2024	Paper Presenter	Tripathi, Pradip. (2024), <i>Purvottar Bharat Ki Hindi Kavita ka Samkalpa Paridrishtya</i> . Shimla.
Dr. Pradip Tripathi	Rajbhasha Hindi ke prayog	Gangtok, 19/09/2024	Resource Person	Tripathi, Pradip. (2023, Sept). <i>Sarkari kamaj mein rajbhasha hindi ke prati jagrukata tatha danik jivan mein hindi ka mahattva</i> , Gangtok.
Dr. Pradip Tripathi	Bang Pradesh ka Pahadi Anchal: Ek Sanskritik Virasat	Kalimpong 28/09/2024	Resource Person	Tripathi, Pradip. (2024, September), <i>Bang Pradesh ka Pahadi Anchal aur Bhartiya Nepali Sahitya</i> . Kalimpong.
Dr. Pradip Tripathi	Hindi Vibhag Rajat Jayanti Samaroh	Arunachal Pradesh 26/09/2024	Invited Speaker	Tripathi, Pradip. (2024, September). Sikkim mein hindi: Ateet, Vartman evam bhavishya. <i>Arunachal Pradesh</i> .

7. Research Projects Undertaken During 2024-25:

Faculty Member	Project Title	Funding Agency	Project Duration	Total funds received	Number of Project Personnel (Project Fellow/JRF/SRF/RA)

8. Seminars/Conferences/Workshops/Training Programmes Organised by the Department During 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Programme Title	National or International	Funding Agency	Date	Number only		Name of Coordinator/Convener
					Resource Persons	Participants	
1.	Hindi Aur Purvottar Ki Bhashayen : Sampark Bhasha Se Takniki Proudtyotiki Vikas Tak Ki Samvahika	National	Sikkim University	21 st 22 nd March, 2025	06	80	Coordinator Prof. P. K Sarma Co- Coordinator Dr. G. N. Tiwari Dr. D. Shahu Dr. C. Bhutia Dr. P. Tripathi
2.	Cinema Adhyayan evam Kaushal Samvardhan	National	Bhartiya Hindi Pradhyapak Parishad	16 th 20 th October, 2024	05	120	Dr. Pradip Tripathi (Organizing Board member)

9. Purchase/Installation of Laboratory Equipment During 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Equipment Details	Date of Acquisition	Cost (Rs.)	Funding Agency	Purpose	Approx. Usage (%)

10. M.Phil. Awards During 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award
1	Sagar Chetry	Hindi Ke 'Marang Goda Neelkanth Hua' Aur Asamiya Ke 'Iyat Ekhon Aranya Asil Upanyason mein Pryavaran Chetna : Ek Tulnatmak Adhyayan	Dr. Dinesh Shahu	1 st November, 2023	03 rd July, 2024
2	Mr. Nitin	Mahamari kendrit hindi kavita: samvedana aur swaroop (Vishesh Sandarbh kavita sanchayan: 'TIMIR MEIN JYOTI JAISE')	Dr. Pradip Tripathi	01,02/2024	10/05/2024

11. Ph.D. AWARDS DURING 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award

12a. Outstanding Achievements of Faculty Member 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)

12b. Outstanding Achievements of Students in 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)

13. Students Qualifying in UGC-NET/UGC-JRF/ICSSR/CSIR/CAR-NET/SLET/GATE/CAT/UPSC/IAS/IPS etc. during 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name of Student	Gender	Fellowship/Award/Service
1.	Pushpika Chetry	Female	UGC NET

14. Consultancies Offered by the Department During 2024-25:

Consultancy Project/ Programme/Service	Organisation seeking Consultancy	Project/Programme Dates & Duration	Consultancy Funding/Service Fee Received

15. Student Placements During 2024-25:

Name of Student	Semester	Organisation where placement is made	Place (City and Country)

16. Our Alumni Activities:

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17. Student and Alumni in the spotlight:

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18. Outreach programme and Engaging Communities by the Department:

19. Welfare Activities and Philanthropy by the Department:

DEPARTMENT OF LEPCHA

Head/In-charge of the Department: Ms. Rinchen Ongmoo Lepcha

1. Introduction

Sikkim University is the first university to start the Post Graduate programme in Lepcha from 2016. M.A in Lepcha provides a significant platform for the students to work on the development of Lepcha language and Literature. In the initial stage, Department was run by one Associate Professor and two Assistant Professors, appointed on contractual basis. However, in the year 2020 two permanent Assistant Professors were appointed. At present, the total strength of department comprises of one Associate Professor, 3 Assistant Professor and 2 Guest Faculties. The department provide a comprehensive education experience that empowers the students with knowledge and prepares them for a successful and fulfilling future. The academic programme offers an in-depth understanding of Lepcha language, literature, history, literature, culture, traditions, and folklore etc. The department of Lepcha is located at the Yangang Campus, South Sikkim.

2. Thrust Area

In the M.A Programme, the Department of Lepcha offers courses in Linguistic, Folkloristics, Comparative Literature, Criticism, Research Methodology, Namthar-Lepcha Manuscript, Translation studies, Journalism, Children Literature, Literary Theories, Cyber Security and the main components of Lepcha Literature. It also includes a dissertation paper which is based on research undertaken by the students of the final semester for developing research skills and techniques necessary for conducting research in the future.

In the year 2021, Sikkim University has started PhD Programme in the Department of Lepcha. Sikkim University is the first and only university that offers PhD programme in Lepcha. The PhD programme provides opportunity to the upcoming scholars to undertaken research in the areas of Lepcha Language and Linguistics, Literature, Culture, Folklore Studies etc.,

3. Number of students enrolled during 2024-25:

Name of Teaching Course	Semester				Total Number of Students	
	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Girls	Boys
UG (if any)						
PG	12	-	14	-	18	08
MPhil (if any)						
PhD						
Post-doc/Research Associate (if any)						
UGC/CSIR/CAR-NET-JRF						

4. Faculty Profile:

Sl.	Name	Degree (MA/MSc/M.Com/MPhil/PhD/Post-doc)	Designation	Date of Joining (Regular)	Publications (number only) and H-index of Google Scholar still date (if any)	Supervisor of Ph.D. Students (number only)	Extra-mural Research Projects (number only)
Regular Faculty Members							
1	Ms. Rinchen Ongmoo Lepcha	MA(Lepcha)B.Ed.	Assistant Professor	15.10.2020	3	-	-
2	Mr. Migma Ongdup Lepcha	MA(Lepcha)B.Ed.	Assistant Professor	11.12.2020	4	-	-
Contractual Faculty Memebers							
1	Mr. Norbu Tshering Lepcha	B.A.	Associate Professor				
2	Mrs. Dukmit Lepcha	MA(Sociology)	Assistant Professor				
Visiting Professor							
Guest Faculty							
1	Mr. Dup Tshering Lepcha	MA(Lepcha)					
2	Mr. Pema Tarbu Lepcha	MA(Lepcha)					
Support Staff							
	Name	Qualification	Designation	Date of joining (regular)	Not Applicable		
1	Mr. Diwas Gurung	X Passed	MTS				

5. Details of Publications (from 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025)

A: Research Papers in Journal

Name of Faculty Member:

Sl. No.	Publication list	UGC-CARE List Journal Number	Impact Factor, if any	Publisher	ISSN
	-	-			

B: Book/s

Faculty Member	Publications with ISBN

C: Book Chapter/s

Faculty Member	Publications

6. Paper Presentation At National/International Seminars/Conferences/Workshops/Training During 2024-25 :

Faculty Member/Research Scholar	Name of Conference/ Seminar/Workshop	Place and Date	Invited Speaker/ Resource Person/Paper Presenter	Title of Presentation in the published Proceeding, if any
Ms. Rinchen Ongmoo Lepcha	45 th Annual Conference of the Linguistic Society of Nepal.	Nepal Academy, Kathmandu 26-27 November 2024.	Invited Speaker	Lepcha, Rinchen Ongmoo. (2024, November). <i>Exploring the Nature in Lepcha Language</i> . 45 th Annual Conference of the Linguistic Society of Nepal. Nepal Academy, Kathmandu.
Ms. Rinchen Ongmoo Lepcha	Two-day Bilingual International Conference on Dynamics of Cultures Languages and Literatures Exploring the Eastern Himalayan Region. St. Joseph's College, Darjeeling.	St. Joseph's College, Darjeeling. 22-23 November, 2024	Invited Speaker	Lepcha, Rinchen Ongmoo. (2024, November). <i>Ancestors, Spirits and Sacred Landscapes: An everyday practice of Coexistence</i> . Two-day Bilingual International Conference on Dynamics of Cultures Languages and Literatures Exploring the Eastern Himalayan Region. St. Joseph's College, Darjeeling.
Ms. Rinchen Ongmoo Lepcha	Five -Day National Translation Workshop Translating Children's Tales from Sikkim organised by School of Languages and Literature in collaboration with ICSSR-NERC	Sikkim, 03-07 December 2024	Language Expert	Five -Day National Translation Workshop Translating Children's Tales from Sikkim, Gangtok.
Ms. Rinchen Ongmoo Lepcha	Two Day National Seminar on the theme deciphering Indian Folk Heritage: revisiting the past and re-evaluating the present to rethink the future, organised by Department of English in collaboration with DHE, Government of Goa, IGNC and CFSR, Kolkata.	Dnyanprassarak Mandal's College and Research Centre, Goa. 07-08 January 2025	Invited speaker	Lepcha, Rinchen Ongmoo. (2025, January). <i>Dissecting Nature in the Lepcha Folktales of Sikkim</i> . Two Day National Seminar on the theme deciphering Indian Folk Heritage: revisiting the past and re-evaluating the present to rethink the future. Dnyanprassarak Mandal's College and Research Centre, Goa.
Ms. Rinchen Ongmoo Lepcha	Two Day National Seminar organised by Department of Hindi, SU in collaboration with Subdha Bharati(Hindi Sansadan Kendra	Bharad Sadan Hall, Gangtok. 21-22 March 2025.	Invited Speaker	Lepcha, Rinchen Ongmoo. (2025, March). <i>Role of Translation in preserving and promoting Lepcha Language</i> . Two Day National Seminar organised by Department of Hindi, SU in collaboration with Subdha Bharati(Hindi Sansadan Kendra, Gangtok.

Ms. Rinchen Ongmoo Lepcha	Confidential Workshop	National Testing Agency, New Delhi. 15-20 December 2024.	Subject Expert (Lepcha)	Confidential Workshop, NTA, Delhi.
Mr. Migma Ongdup Lepcha	45 th Annual Conference of the Linguistic Society of Nepal.	Nepal Academy, Kathmandu 26-27 November 2024.	Invited Speaker	Lepcha; Migma Ongdup. <i>A Sub-Lexical Study of Lepcha</i> . 45 th Annual Conference of the Linguistic Society of Nepal. Nepal Academy, Kathmandu.
Mr. Migma Ongdup Lepcha	Five -Day National Translation Workshop Translating Children's Tales from Sikkim organised by School of Languages and Literature in collaboration with ICSSR-NERC	Sikkim, 03-07 December 2024	Resource Person	Five -Day National Translation Workshop Translating Children's Tales from Sikkim. Gangtok.
Mr. Migma Ongdup Lepcha	Two-day Bilingual International Conference on Dynamics of Cultures Languages and Literatures Exploring the Eastern Himalayan Region. St. Joseph's College, Darjeeling.	St. Joseph's College, Darjeeling. 22-23 November, 2024	Invited Speaker	Lepcha; Migma Ongdup (2024, November). <i>"Lepcha": endonym, exonym and other identities</i> . Two-day Bilingual International Conference on Dynamics of Cultures Languages and Literatures Exploring the Eastern Himalayan Region. St. Joseph's College, Darjeeling.
Mr. Migma Ongdup Lepcha	Confidential Workshop	National Testing Agency, New Delhi. 15-20 December 2024	Subject Expert (Lepcha)	Confidential Workshop, NTA, Delhi.
Mr. Migma Ongdup Lepcha	Bharatiya Bhasa Utsav Organised by School of Languages and Literature, SU.	Cauvery Hall, Gangtok, 11 December 2024.	Invited Speaker	Lepcha; Migma Ongdup; (2024, December). <i>Preservation and Development of Lepcha Language</i> . Bharatiya Bhasa Utsav, Gangtok.
Mr. Migma Ongdup Lepcha	13 th International Conference of the North East Indian Linguistics Society (NEILS) Nagaland University	North East Indian Linguistics Society (NEILS) Nagaland University 6, 7, 8, February 2025.	Invited Speaker	Lepcha; Migma Ongdup. <i>An analysis of Sub-Lexical components of Lepcha Language</i> . 13 th International Conference of the North East Indian Linguistics Society (NEILS) Nagaland University.

7. Research Projects Undertaken During 2024-25:

Faculty Member	Project Title	Funding Agency	Project Duration	Total funds received	Number of Project Personnel (Project Fellow/JRF/SRF/RA)

8. Seminars/Conferences/Workshops/Training Programmes Organised by the Department During 2024-25:

Sl.No.	Programme Title	National or International	Funding Agency	Date	Number only		Name of Coordinator/Convener
					Resource Persons	Participants	
1.	One -Day Seminar on Lepcha, Limbu and Bhutia: Cultural Discourse	International	Sikkim University	24 th March 2025	06	90	Ms. Rinchen Dngmoo Lepcha (Coordinator, Dept. of Lepcha)

9. Purchase/Installation of Laboratory Equipment During 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Equipment Details	Date of Acquisition	Cost (Rs.)	Funding Agency	Purpose	Approx. Usage (%)

10. M.Phil. Awards During 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award

11. Ph.D. Awards During 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award

12a. Outstanding Achievements of Faculty Member 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)

12b. Outstanding Achievements of Students in 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)

13. Students Qualifying in UGC-NET/UGC-JRF/ICSSR/CSIR/ICAR-NET/SLET/GATE/CAT/UPSC/IAS/IPS etc. DURING 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name of Student	Gender	Fellowship/Award/Service

14. Consultancies Offered by Department During 2024-25:

Consultancy Project/ Programme/Service	Organisation seeking Consultancy	Project/Programme Dates & Duration	Consultancy Funding/Service Fee Received

15. Student Placements During 2024-25:

Name of Student	Semester	Organisation where placement is made	Place (City and Country)
Ms. Thendu Lhamu Lepcha	IV	Government of Sikkim	Sikkim

16. Our Alumni Activities:

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17. Student and Alumni in the spotlight:

1.	Our 6 Lepcha students has participated in the National Integration Tour at Dehradun, Rishikesh and Mussoorie organised by Indian Army from 29 October to 07 November 2024.
2.	Mr. Sonam Ongchok Lepcha currently studying at 4 th semester stood 1 st in the Ex-Tempore Competition organised by State Level Tundong Lho Rumfaat Celebration 2024.
3.	Our Lepcha girls students bagged the Winner Trophy in Cricket and Tug of War, Lepcha Boys bagged Winner Trophy in Football in Ramilo SU -Khim Fest 2024.

18. Outreach programme and Engaging Communities by the Department:

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19. Welfare Activities and Philanthropy by the Department:

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20. Activities related to implementation of New Education Policy:

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DEPARTMENT OF LIMBU

Head/In-charge of the Department: Sh. Ash Bahadur Subba

1. Introduction

The Department of Limbu was established in 2016 to offer numerous benefits that enhance the academic and cultural environment of the Sikkim University. In the initial stage, the department began functioning with one Associate Professor, two Assistant Professor (Contract), a Guest Faculty and 20 students and marked the establishment of the first ever Post Graduate Department of Limbu in the country. Presently, the Department has one Associate Professor, two Assistant Professors, and two Guest Faculties. Number of students in both the semesters have subsequently gone down due to the prevailing Roster Point System but since the introduction of NEP2020, the workload has increased for the students as well as for the course teachers:

2. Thrust Area

From its first inception, the Department of Limbu has aimed to promote and develop the Limbu language and take it to new heights. It works on the revitalization and preservation of Limbu language, culture and Limbu Mundhum. The Department is working to streamline Limbu literature and to attempt a comparative study with other languages such as Nepali, Hindi, Lepcha and Bhutia. It offers language courses that not only improves the student's ability to communicate in the language but also instils an awareness regarding the promotion and preservation of it. The Department will focus field-based studies to explore history, folklore, culture and traditions related to Limbu community. As such, the students can explore important places, gain more experience on identifying the artifacts, can analyses and develop the habit of critical thinking. The Department wants to make all the students capable and efficient as there are skilled based courses to emphasize practical skills which are relevant to the job market such as communication, problem solving and team work. Through inter-disciplinary learning, the Department encourages the students to create versatile skill sets. Since the Department is falling short of experienced faculties, it has aimed to organize seminars, conferences, workshops to present their ideas on the particular subject, to motivate students and faculty members particularly on the research and to strengthen the department itself in due courses.

3. Number of students enrolled during 2024-25:

Name of Teaching Course	Semester				Total Number of Students	
	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Girls	Boys
UG (if any)						
PG	13	11	13	11	36	12
MPhil (if any)						
PhD						
Post-doc/Research Associate (if any)						
UGC/CSIR/ICAR-NET-JRF						

4. Faculty Profile:

Sl.	Name	Degree (MA/MSc/M. Com MPhil/PhD/Post-doc)	Designation	Date of Joining (Regular)	Publications (number only) and H-index of Google Scholar still date (if any)	Supervisor of MPhil/Ph D.Ph D. Students (number only)	Extra-mural Research Projects (number only)
Regular Faculty Members							
1	Ash Bahadur Subba	MA (Limbu), MA, MPhil	Assistant Professor	15. 12. 2020			
2	Mugip Hang Limboo	MA (Limbu)	Assistant Professor	23. 03. 2023			
3	Bal Bahadur Subba (Contractual)	BA (Hons), LLB	Associate Professor				
Visiting Professor							
Guest Faculty							
1	Amber singh Limboo	MA (Limbu)					
2	Su Hangma Limbu	MA (Limbu)					
Support Staff							
	Name	Qualification	Designation	Date of joining (regular)	Not Applicable		
1	Dewesh Gurung	Class X	MTS				

5. Details Of Publications (from 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025)

A: Research Papers in Journals

Name of Faculty Member:

Sl. No.	Publication list	UGC-CARE List Journal Number	Impact Factor, if any	Publisher	ISSN

B: Book/s

Faculty Member	Publications with ISBN

C: Book Chapter/s

Faculty Member	Publications

6. Paper Presentation at National/International Seminars/Conferences/Workshops/Training During 2024-25:

Faculty Member/Research Scholar	Name of Conference/Seminar/Workshop	Place and Date	Invited Speaker/Resource Person	Title of Presentation in the published Proceeding, if any
Ash Bahadur Subba	Five Day National Translation Workshop (Translating Children's Tales from Sikkim Co-creation, Critique and Collaboration)	IPR Hall, Tadong 3-7.12.2024	Resource Person	
Ash Bahadur Subba	Banga Pradesh ka Pahadi Anchal: Ek Sanskritik Virasat, Kalimpong College, Kalimpong	28. 09.2025	Paper Presenter	Limbu jati mei Sanskritik Prathayein aur Manyatayein
Ash Bahadur Subba	Two-Day Bilingual International Conference on Dynamics of Cultures Languages & Literatures: Exploring the Eastern Himalaya Region, Darjeeling	22-23.11. 2025	Paper Presenter	Limbu Samsogha: Mundhumma adharit Prakriti, Jiwan ani Mrityu: Ek Adhyayan
Mugip Hang	Five Day National Translation Workshop (Translating Children's Tales from Sikkim Co-creation, Critique and Collaboration)	IPR Hall, Tadong 3-7.12.2024	Resource Person	
Ash Bahadur Subba	Two-Day Seminar on Hindi and Languages of North East India organized by Shabda Bharati, N. Delhi & The Department of Hindi, Sikkim University	21-22.03.2025 Barad Sadan, Tadong	Chaired the Technical Session	
Ash Bahadur Subba	NTA, New Delhi For Setting of PG QPs, CUET, Limbu	17-20.12.2024	Resource Person	
Mugip Hang Limbu	NTA, New Delhi For Setting of PG QPs, CUET, Limbu	17-20.12.2024	Resource Person	

7. RESEARCH PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN DURING 2024-25:

Faculty Member	Project Title	Funding Agency	Project Duration	Total funds received	Number of Project Personnel (Project Fellow/JRF/SRF/RA)

8. Seminars/Conferences/Workshops/Training Programmes Organised by the Department During 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Programme Title	National or International	Funding Agency	Date	Number only		Name of Coordinator/Convener
					Resource Persons	Participants	
1.	Cheyabrung (ke) and Culture: Crafting and Performing the Rhythms of Limbu Community	National	Sikkim University	25-26. 03. 2025	03	29	Ash Bahadur Subba
2.	Lepcha, Limbu and Bhutia Cultural Discourse	National	Sikkim University	24.03.2025	02	80	Ash Bahadur Subba

9. Purchase/Installation Of Laboratory Equipment During 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Equipment Details	Date of Acquisition	Cost (Rs.)	Funding Agency	Purpose	Approx. Usage (%)

10. M.Phil. Awards During 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award

11. Ph.D. AWARDS DURING 2024-25 (*only successfully awarded*):

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award

12a. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF FACULTY MEMBER (*Permanent only*) 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)

12b. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF STUDENTS IN 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)

13. Students Qualifying in UGC-NET/UGC-JRF/ICSSR/CSIR/ICAR-NET/SLET/GATE/CAT/UPSC/IAS/IPS etc. During 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name of Student	Gender	Fellowship/Award/Service

14. CONSULTANCIES OFFERED BY DEPARTMENT DURING 2024-25, if any:

Consultancy Project/ Programme/Service	Organisation seeking Consultancy	Project/Programme Dates & Duration	Consultancy Funding/Service Fee Received

15. STUDENT PLACEMENTS DURING 2024-25:

Name of Student	Semester	Organisation where placement is made	Place (City and Country)
Ms Sabitra Limboo	IV (2024)	Health Department, Government of Sikkim	Gayzing, Sikkim
Ms Sahie Hangma Limboo	IV (2024)	Power Department, Government of Sikkim	Soreng, Sikkim

16. Our Alumni Activities:

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17. Student and Alumni in the spotlight:

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18. Outreach programme and Engaging Communities (if any) by the Department

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19. Welfare Activities and Philanthropy by the Department:

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20. Activities related to implementation of New Education Policy:

DEPARTMENT OF NEPALI

Head/In-charge of the Department: Prof. Kabita Lama

1. Introduction

The Department of Nepali in the School of Languages and Literature commenced with an M.A. Programme in the Monsoon semester of 2011. It is one of the three Nepali departments in India. The Department of Nepali, Sikkim University is modern in its conception, interdisciplinary in its approach, and encompasses a wide range of knowledge domains in its pursuit. The academic programmes offered in the Department are designed to accommodate and address the contemporary issues related to language, literature, societies, communities and cultures, and to promote co-sustenance among them in accordance with the National Education Policy 2020. The Department of Nepali also encourages the study of languages, written and oral literature, cultures; etc. of the region not just to address students' diverse academic interests but also to promote, preserve and document them. The Department of Nepali is located at the permanent campus of the University in Yangang.

2. Thrust Area

In its M.A. programme, the Department of Nepali offers courses on general linguistics, translation, history of literature, research methodology, folkloristics, journalism, creative writing, film studies, and several other such contemporary, relevant, significant areas of study and research along with the core topics in Nepali literature. The courses are designed to include field-based study, oral presentation and preparation of field reports and academic publications as integrated course components. The students write an M.A. thesis which provides academic avenues and prepares them to undertake research in the future.

The Department had initiated M.Phil (2013-022) and Ph.D. programmes from 2015 onwards. The programmes aim not only to develop academic interest, to build capacities among the students but also to promote research, aid policy-making and in developing applications that serve the interests of the languages, societies, cultures, regions and nation, and of humanity at large.

3. Number of students enrolled during 2024-25:

Name of Teaching Course	Semester				Total Number of Students	
	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Girls	Boys
UG (if any)						
PG		33		24	42	15
MPhil (if any)						
PhD					12	07
Post-doc/Research Associate (if any)						
UGC/CSIR/ICAR-NET-JRF					03	01

4. Faculty Profile:

Sl	Name	Degree (MA/MSc/M. Com MPhil/PhD/Post- doc)	Designation	Date of Joining (<i>Regular</i>)	Publications(<i>number only</i>) and H-index of Google Scholar still date (<i>if any</i>)	Supervisor of Ph.D. Students (<i>number only</i>)	Extra-mural Research Projects (<i>number only</i>)
Regular Faculty Members							
1	Prof. Kabita Lama	MA, PhD	Professor	04/04;2012	56	7	
2	Dr. Samar Sinha	MA, MPhil, PhD	Asst. Professor	29/03;2012	43 H-Index: 05	4	1
3	Dr. Dewchandra Subba	MA, PhD	Asst. Professor	12/04;2012	30	4	
4	Dr. Balaram Pandey	MA, MPhil, PhD	Asst. Professor	01/05;2012	31	2	
5	Dr. Aruna Rai	MA, PhD	Asst. Professor	14/09;2017	07	2	
Visiting Professor							
Guest Faculty							
1	Dr. Suman Bantawa	MA, PhD					
2	Dr. Suraj Gurung	MA, MPhil, PhD					
Support Staff							
	Name	Qualification	Designation	Date of joining (<i>regular</i>)	Not Applicable		
1	Priya Thapa	12 pass	MTS	01/02/2019			
2	Hari Maya Rai	10 pass	MTS	01/11/2019			

5. Details Of Publications (from 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025)

A: Research Papers in Journals

Name of Faculty Member

Sl. No.	Publication list	UGC-CARE List Journal Number	Impact Factor, if any	Publisher	ISSN
1.	Lama, Kabita, (2024), Mahila ra Maato: Mithak ra Yathartha, <i>Ashmita International Journal</i>		-	Mahesh Maskey, Upahar Mark, Balutar-4, Kathmandu.	ISSN: 3021-9043
2.	Subba, Dewchandra, (2024), Bharatiya Pariprekcha mei Nepali Matri Bhasa ka Sanghrasha, <i>Sahitya ka Biswa Rang</i> , Vol 6-7		-	Netherlands	3050-4899
3.	Subba, Dewchandra, (2024), Nepali Bhasa ki Samsya Aur Chunawti, <i>Bhasa</i>	SI-1		Central Hindi Directorate, Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Education, Government of India	0523-1418
4.	Gurung, Suraj (2024), Exploring Intonation Patterns in Nepali Speech: A Phonetic and Linguistic Analysis for Text-to-Speech System, <i>Computational Technologies and Electronics</i> .	Springer	Springer		ISSN: 1865-0937

B: Book/s

Faculty Member	Publications with ISBN

C: Book Chapter/s

Faculty Member	Publications
Dr. Samar Simha	<i>A Short note on indigenity of tea in Darjeeling</i> , (2023), sandarbha samvadahanuma ciyabari sahitya, eds. Gokul Sinha, Bimal Rai & Bindya Subba, <i>sucana evanma samskrtika vibhaga</i> , Gorkhaland Territorial Administration: pp. 206-208
Dr. Dewchandra Subba	<i>Green Spirituality: Holistic key to maintaining the Ecological Balance</i> , (2024), Technology and Society in India, Akhand Publication House, Delhi, ISBN 978-93-9807096-7
Dr. Dewchandra Subba	<i>Upasna Kavita: Priya Maunata</i> , (2024). Mounatako Kavyik Upasana, Sabda-Saya, Kathmandu, ISBN: 978993714150

6. Paper Presentation at National/International Seminars/Conferences/Workshops/Training During 2024-25:

Faculty Member/Research Scholar	Name of Conference/ Seminar/Workshop	Place and Date	Invited Speaker/ Resource Person/Paper Presenter	Title of Presentation in the published Proceeding, if any
Prof. Kabita Lama	International Children's Literature Conference	Kathmandu, Nepal 21/09/2024	Paper Presenter	Lama, K. (2024). Sikkimka Nepali Bal Sahityama Paryawaran Chetana. (Eds.) <i>Title of proceedings</i> (page numbers). Kathmandu: Nepali Childrens Society.
Prof. Kabita Lama	5-day National Translation Workshop	Cauvery Hall, Gangtok, Sikkim 03/12/2024 to 07/12/2024	Resource Person	Lama, K. (2024). <i>Nepali Children Literature from the Hills</i> . 5-day National Translation Workshop. Cauvery Hall, Gangtok, Sikkim.
Prof. Kabita Lama	A week-long Research Methodology Workshop	Conference Hall, Khanchendzonga State University, Gangtok. 24/02/2024	Invited Speaker	Lama, K. (2024). <i>An Introduction to Research in Languages and Literature</i> . A week long Research Methodology Workshop. Conference Hall, Khanchendzonga State University, Gangtok.
Dr. Samar Sinha	International Translation Day 2024 Theme: Translation an art worth protecting: Moral and Material Rights for Indigenous Language	Online 21/09/2024	Invited Speaker	Sinha, S. (2024). <i>Ontology: Linguistics Structures, Worldview</i> . International Translation Day 2024 Theme: Translation an art worth protecting: Moral and Material Rights for Indigenous Language, Online.
Dr. Samar Sinha	Two Days Bilingual International Conference, Dynamics of Cultures, Languages and Literatures Exploring the Eastern Himalayan Region	Seminar Hall, St. Josephs College, Darjeeling. 23/11/2024	Plenary Speaker	Sinha, S. (2024). <i>Language Adventures at Z-Crossing</i> . Dynamics of Cultures, Languages and Literatures Exploring the Eastern Himalayan Region, Seminar Hall, St. Josephs College, Darjeeling.
Dr. Samar Sinha	45 th Annual International Conference of The Linguistics Society of Nepal	Linguistic Society of Nepal, Kathmandu, Nepal Academy 26-27 -November, 2024	Invited Speaker	Sinha, S. (2024). <i>Nepali Participle: A (Preliminary) Syntactic Analysis</i> . 45 th Annual International Conference of The Linguistics Society of Nepal, Linguistic Society of Nepal, Kathmandu, Nepal Academy.

Dr. Samar Sinha	A week-long Research Methodology Workshop on Language and Literature.	Research and Development Cell, Sikkim University, 17 – 18 March, 2025	Invited Speaker	Sinha, S. (2025). <i>Basics of Research</i> . A week-long Research Methodology Workshop on Language and Literature, Research and Development Cell, Sikkim University.
Dr. Samar Sinha	Workshop on Scientific Writing, Publishing and Securing Funding for Research	Research and Development Cell, Sikkim University, 17 – 18 March, 2025	Invited Speaker	Sinha, S. (2025). <i>In Pursuits of Truth</i> . A week-long Research Methodology Workshop on Language and Literature, Research and Development Cell, Sikkim University.
Dr. Dewchandra Subba	Climate Chang & Socio-cultural Dynamics	College of Horticulture, Bermoik, Namchi, Sikkim, 06/09 2024.	Invited Speaker	Subba, D. (2024). <i>Jalvaaya Parivartan ra Tyasko Samaj-Sanskritik Prabhav</i> . Climate Chang & Socio-cultural Dynamics, College of Horticulture, Bermoik, Namchi, Sikkim.
Dr. Dewchandra Subba	Two Days Bilingual International Conference, Dynamics of Cultures, Languages and Literatures Exploring the Eastern Himalayan Region	Seminar Hall, St. Josephs College, Darjeeling, 23/11/2024	Paper Presenter	Subba, D. (2024). <i>Literary Spirituality: Ecocriticism</i> . Dynamics of Cultures, Languages, and Literatures Exploring the Eastern Himalayan Region, Seminar Hall, St. Josephs College, Darjeeling.
Dr. Dewchandra Subba	Sahitya Adhyayan ka Samkalin Sidhant ra Prayog	Department of Nepali, North Bengal University 20/12/2024	Paper Presenter	Subba, D. (2024). <i>The Cognitive Study of Literature</i> . Sahitya Adhyayan ka Samkalin Sidhant ra Prayog, Department of Nepali, North Bengal University.
Dr. Balaram Pandey	Feminist consciousness in Indian Literature	Sikkim Government Sanskrit College, Samdong, Sikkim 07-06-2024	Invited Speaker	Pandey, B. (2024). <i>Bharatiya Nepali Sahityama Nagan Chetna</i> . Feminist consciousness in Indian Literature, Sikkim Government Sanskrit College, Samdong, Sikkim.
Dr. Balaram Pandey	One Day Seminar, Nepali Language and Literature.	Daramdin Sahtya Sadan, Daramdin, West Sikkim 20/08/2024	Invited Speaker	Pandey, B. (2024). <i>Nepali Bhasa ani Yasko Manakikaranako Prakriya</i> . One Day Seminar, Nepali Language and Literature, Daramdin Sahtya Sadan, Daramdin, West Sikkim.
Dr. Balaram Pandey	45 th Annual International Conference of The Linguistics Society of Nepal	Linguistic Society of Nepal, Kathmandu, Nepal Academy 26-27 -November, 2024	Paper Presenter	Pandey, B. (2024). <i>Sikkimka Lepcha Bhasa: Prasangajat Bhed</i> . 45 th Annual International Conference of the Linguistics Society of Nepal (LSN Linguistic Society of Nepal, Kathmandu, Nepal Academy.

Dr. Balaram Pandey	One day conference, Khas History and Culture	Akhil Sikkim Khas Chhetri Bahun Kalyan Sangh, Kyongsa, Geyzing, West Sikkim 26/02/2025	Invited Speaker	Pandey, B. (2025). <i>Khas jaatiko lllhas ani Sanskriti</i> . One day conference, Khas History and Culture, Akhil Sikkim Khas Chhetri Bahun Kalyan Sangh, Kyongsa, Geyzing, West Sikkim.
Dr. Balaram Pandey	One Day Panel Conference, Responsible Writing	Harkamaya College of Education, Gangtok Press Club of Sikkim 22/03/2025	Invited Speaker	Pandey, B. (2025). <i>Responsible Writing</i> . One Day Panel Conference, Responsible Writing, Harkamaya College of Education, Gangtok Press Club of Sikkim.
Guest Faculty				
Dr. Suraj Gurung	Two Days Bilingual International Conference, Dynamics of Cultures, Languages and Literatures Exploring the Eastern Himalayan Region	Seminar Hall, St. Josephs College, Darjeeling. 23/11/2024	Paper Presenter	Gurung, S. (2024). <i>A study of society depicted in the short stories of Darjeeling-Sikkim through the lens of Digital Dementia</i> . Bilingual International Conference, Dynamics of Cultures, Languages and Literatures Exploring the Eastern Himalayan Region, St. Josephs College, Darjeeling.
PhD Students				
Albina Rai	Two Days Bilingual International Conference, Dynamics of Cultures, Languages and Literatures Exploring the Eastern Himalayan Region	Seminar Hall, St. Josephs College, Darjeeling. 23/11/2024	Paper Presenter	Rai, A. (2024). <i>Sikkimka Sthan Naamharuko Parichayatmat Adhyayan</i> . Two Days Bilingual International Conference, Dynamics of Cultures, Languages and Literatures Exploring the Eastern Himalayan Region, Seminar Hall, St. Josephs College, Darjeeling.
Albina Rai	45 th Annual International Conference of The Linguistics Society of Nepal	Linguistic Society of Nepal, Kathmandu, Nepal Academy 26-27 -November, 2024	Paper Presenter	Rai, A. (2024). <i>Sikkimka Kehi Sthanharuko Lok Bihasparak Adhyayan</i> . Two Days 45 th Annual International Conference of the Linguistics Society of Nepali (LSN Linguistic Society of Nepal, Kathmandu, Nepal Academy,
Ashika Sunuwar	Two Days Bilingual International Conference, Dynamics of Cultures, Languages and Literatures Exploring the Eastern Himalayan Region	Seminar Hall, St. Josephs College, Darjeeling. 23/11/2024	Paper Presenter	Sunuwar, A. (2024). <i>Luptapraya Sunuwar Bhasa ra Punaruthan Yojana</i> . Bilingual International Conference, Dynamics of Cultures, Languages and Literatures Exploring the Eastern Himalayan Region, St. Josephs College, Darjeeling.

Ashika Sunuwar	45 th Annual International Conference of The Linguistics Society of Nepal	Linguistic Society of Nepal, Kathmandu, Nepal Academy 26-27 -November, 2024.	Paper Presenter	Sunuwar, A. (2024). <i>Sunuwar-Bhasako Karak byavastha-45th Annual International Conference of the Linguistics Society of Nepali (LSN Linguistic Society of Nepal, Kathmandu, Nepal Academy.</i>
Bijay Moktan	Two Days Bilingual International Conference, Dynamics of Cultures, Languages and Literatures Exploring the Eastern Himalayan Region	Seminar Hall, St. Josephs College, Darjeeling. 23/11/2024	Paper Presenter	Moktan, B. (2024). <i>Parivesh vimarshaka drishtile 'Prithvika Suskeraharu' Katha Sangraha: Ek Adhyayan</i> Bilingual International Conference, Dynamics of Cultures, Languages and Literatures Exploring the Eastern Himalayan Region, Seminar Hall, St. Josephs College, Darjeeling.
Bijay Moktan	Sahitya Adhyayanka Samkalin Siddhanta – Padhdhati Ani Prayog	Department of Nepali, North Bengal University. 20/12/2024	Paper Presenter	Moktan, B. (2024). <i>Sanskritik Pansthitikika Pariprekshyama 'Raatbhari Huri Chalyo' ra 'Jayamaya Aafu matra Lekhapani Aipugi' Kathaharuko Adhyayan</i> ,Sahitya Adhyayanka Samkalin Siddhanta – Padhdhati Ani Prayog, Department of Nepali, North Bengal University.
Chandra Prakash Rai	Two Days Bilingual International Conference, Dynamics of Cultures, Languages and Literatures Exploring the Eastern Himalayan Region	Seminar Hall, St. Josephs College, Darjeeling. 23/11/2024	Paper Presenter	Rai, C.P. (2024). <i>Purbottar Bharatiya Nepali Kathama Cyber Samudaya: Ek Adhyayan</i> . Two Days Bilingual International Conference, Dynamics of Cultures, Languages and Literatures Exploring the Eastern Himalayan Region, Seminar Hall, St. Josephs College, Darjeeling.
Chandra Prakash Rai	Feminist consciousness in Indian Literature	Sikkim Government Sanskrit College, Samdong, Sikkim 07-06-2024	Paper presenter	Rai, C.P. (2024). <i>Bhartiya Nepali Kathama Cyber Shaniko Prasanga: Ek Adhyayan</i> . Feminist consciousness in Indian Literature, Sikkim Government Sanskrit College, Samdong, Sikkim.
Gayatri Thapa	Two Days Bilingual International Conference, Dynamics of Cultures, Languages and Literatures Exploring the Eastern Himalayan Region	Seminar Hall, St. Josephs College, Darjeeling. 23/11/2024	Paper Presenter	Thapa, G. (2024). <i>Yudhaharu' Natakma Bhashik Bibhittako Adhyayan</i> . Bilingual International Conference, Dynamics of Cultures, Languages and Literatures Exploring the Eastern Himalayan Region, St. Josephs College, Darjeeling.

Gayatri Thapa	Sahitya Adhyayanka Samkalin Sidhanta: Padhati ani Prayog	Department of Nepali, North Bengal University 20/12/2024	Paper Presenter	Thapa, G. (2024). <i>Natyashilpako Nirmanma-Geetko Bhumika: Sandarbama Ani Dewralai Runcha Natak</i> . Sahitya Adhyayanka Samkalin Sidhanta: Padhati ani Prayog, Department of Nepali, North Bengal University
Kapil Tamang	Feminist Consciousness in Indian Literature	Sikkim Government Sanskrit College, Samdong, Sikkim 07-06-2024	Paper Presenter	Tamang, K. (2024). <i>Matilda Rai ka Katha ma Laingik Vivedh</i> . Feminist Consciousness in Indian Literature. Sikkim Government Sanskrit College, Samdong, Sikkim.
Kapil Tamang	Two Days Bilingual International Conference, Dynamics of Cultures, Languages and Literatures Exploring the Eastern Himalayan Region.	Seminar Hall, St. Josephs College, Darjeeling, 22/11/2024	Paper Presenter	Tamang, K. (2024). <i>Laingikta ka Dristi le Nepali Nari Kathakar ka Katha haru ko Adhyayan</i> . Bilingual International Conference, Dynamics of Cultures, Languages and Literatures Exploring the Eastern Himalayan Region, St. Josephs College, Darjeeling.
Men Prasad Sharma	Feminist consciousness in Indian Literature	Sikkim Government Sanskrit College, Samdong, Sikkim 07-06-2024	Paper Presenter	Sharma, M. P. (2024). <i>Bharatiya Nepali Kathama Nari Hinsa</i> . Feminist consciousness in Indian Literature. Sikkim Government Sanskrit College, Samdong, Sikkim
Men Prasad Sharma	Two Days Bilingual International Conference, Dynamics of Cultures, Languages and Literatures Exploring the Eastern Himalayan Region	Seminar Hall, St. Josephs College, Darjeeling. 23/11/2024	Paper Presenter	Sharma, M. P. (2024). <i>Bharatiya Nepali Naridura likhit Kathama Bal Hinsa ko Sandarva</i> . Bilingual International Conference, Dynamics of Cultures, Languages and Literatures Exploring the Eastern Himalayan Region, St. Josephs College, Darjeeling.
Men Prasad Sharma	45 th Annual International Conference of The Linguistics Society of Nepal	Linguistic Society of Nepal, Kathmandu, Nepal Academy 26-27 -November, 2024.	Paper Presenter	Sharma, M. P. (2024). <i>Bharatiya Nepali Kathama Prayukta Bal Patradwara Boline Bhasa</i> . 45 th Annual International Conference of the Linguistics Society of Nepal (LSN Linguistic Society of Nepal, Kathmandu, Nepal Academy.
Men Prasad Sharma	Sahitya Adhyayanka Samkalin Sidhanta: Padhati ani Prayog	Department of Nepali, University of North Bengal 19 December 2024	Paper Presenter	Sharma, M. P. (2024). <i>Bindya Subbaka Kathama Prayukta Bal Patraharuma Avighath Chintan</i> . Sahitya Adhyayanka Samkalin Sidhanta: Padhati ani Prayog, Department of Nepali, University of North Bengal

Menuka Bhujel	Feminist consciousness in Indian Literature	Sikkim Government Sanskrit College, Samdong, Sikkim 07-06-2024	Paper Presenter	Bhujel, M. (2024). <i>Sanjay Bistaka kathama naribadi chintan</i> . Feminist consciousness in Indian Literature, Sikkim Government Sanskrit College, Samdong, Sikkim.
Pritam Ghatani	Feminist consciousness in Indian Literature	Sikkim Government Sanskrit College, Samdong, Sikkim 07-06-2024	Paper Presenter	Ghatani, P. (2024). <i>Reena Subbakrit 'Parivartit Anuhar' Upanyasma Naaribadi Bhasako Adhyayan</i> Feminist consciousness in Indian Literature, Sikkim Government Sanskrit College, Samdong, Sikkim
Pritam Ghatani	Two Days Bilingual International Conference, Dynamics of Cultures, Languages and Literatures Exploring the Eastern Himalayan Region	Seminar Hall, St. Josephs College, Darjeeling, 23/11/2024	Paper Presenter	Ghatani, P. (2024). <i>'Simanta' Upanyasma narivaadi Bhasako Prayog</i> . Bilingual International Conference, Dynamics of Cultures, Languages and Literatures Exploring the Eastern Himalayan Region, St. Josephs College, Darjeeling.
Roshni Bhujel	Two Days Bilingual International Conference, Dynamics of Cultures, Languages and Literatures Exploring the Eastern Himalayan Region.	Seminar Hall, St. Josephs College, Darjeeling, 23/11/2024	Paper Presenter	Bhujel, R. (2024). <i>Jatiya sangharsh ka drishti le chinari ko khoj upanyasko bisheshantmak adhyayan</i> . Conference, Dynamics of Culture, Languages and Literature Exploring the Eastern Himalayan region. Seminar Hall, St. Josephs College, Darjeeling.
Pritika Sundas	45 th Annual International Conference of the Linguistics Society of Nepali (LSN)	Linguistic Society of Nepal, Kathmandu, Nepal Academy 26-27 -November, 2024.	Paper Presenter	Sundas, P. (2024). <i>Sikkimka Nepali Lokgeetko bhasik Adhyayan</i> . 45 th Annual International Conference of the Linguistics Society of Nepali (LSN Linguistic Society of Nepal, Kathmandu, Nepal Academy.
Sabina Rana	45 th Annual International Conference of the Linguistics Society of Nepali (LSN)	Linguistic Society of Nepal, Kathmandu, Nepal Academy 26-27 -November, 2024.	Paper Presenter	Rana, S. (2024). <i>Sikkimka Magar Jatiako Samaj Bhasik Adhyayan</i> . 45 th Annual International Conference of the Linguistics Society of Nepali (LSN Linguistic Society of Nepal, Kathmandu, Nepal Academy.
Sabina Rana	Academic Conference on Magar	Linguistic Society of Nepal, Kathmandu, Nepal Academy 26-27 -November, 2024.	Paper Presenter	Rana, S. (2024). <i>Magargong Lok Smriti Ani itihaz</i> . 45 th Annual International Conference of the Linguistics Society of Nepali (LSN Linguistic Society of Nepal, Kathmandu, Nepal Academy.

Nawraj Chhetri	Two Days International Seminar on theme: Dynamics of Cultures Language and Literature exploring the Eastern Himalayan Region	Seminar Hall, St. Josephs College, Darjeeling. 23/11/2024	Paper Presenter	Chhetri, N. (2024). <i>Bharitya Nepali Bhasa Abhilekh Pahelo Nepali Bible ko Adhyayan</i> . Bilingual International Conference, Dynamics of Cultures, Languages and Literatures Exploring the Eastern Himalayan Region, St. Josephs College, Darjeeling.
Nawraj Chhetri	45 th Annual International Conference of the Linguistics Society of Nepal	Linguistic Society of Nepal, Kathmandu, Nepal Academy 26-27 -November, 2024.	Paper Presenter	Chhetri, N. (2024). <i>Bharitya Nepali Chhetri, N. (2024). Abhilekhma Fi-feachar tatha vama vinyasako Adhyayan</i> . 45 th Annual International Conference of the Linguistics Society of Nepal (LSN Linguistic Society of Nepal, Kathmandu, Nepal Academy.
Sapna Bardewa	Two Days Bilingual International Conference, Dynamics of Cultures, Languages and Literatures Exploring the Eastern Himalayan Region	Seminar Hall, St. Josephs College, Darjeeling. 23/11/2024	Paper Presenter	Bardewa, S. (2024). <i>Samakalin kimbadanti Ani Baba Harbhajan Singh pratiko Lok Biswas</i> . Two Days Bilingual International Conference, Dynamics of Cultures, Languages and Literatures Exploring the Eastern Himalayan Region, Seminar Hall, St. Josephs College, Darjeeling
Sapna Bardewa	45 th Annual International Conference of the Linguistics Society of Nepal	Linguistic Society of Nepal, Kathmandu, Nepal Academy 26-27 -November, 2024.	Paper Presenter	Bardewa, S. (2024). <i>Sikkim ka samakalin kimbadanti ko sanketik vishleshan</i> . 45 th Annual International Conference of the Linguistics Society of Nepal, Linguistic Society of Nepal, Kathmandu, Nepal Academy

7. Research Projects Undertaken During 2024-25:

Faculty Member	Project Title	Funding Agency	Project Duration	Total funds received	Number of Project Personnel (Project Fellow/JRF/SRF/RA)
Dr. Samar Sinha	Sunuwar & Kagate Language/Mother Tongue (SPPEL-SK Project)	SPPEL, CIIL, Mysuru	Total One year	Rs. 17,07,832:-	4

8. Seminars/Conferences/Workshops/Training Programmes Organised by the Department During 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Programme Title	National or International	Funding Agency	Date	Number only		Name of Coordinator/Convener
					Resource Persons	Participants	

9. Purchase/Installation of Laboratory Equipment During 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Equipment Details	Date of Acquisition	Cost (Rs.)	Funding Agency	Purpose	Approx. Usage (%)

10. MPhil Awards During 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award

11. Ph.D. Awards During 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award
1	Manita Rasaily	Nepali Balakhyanna Samaj Chitran	Prof. Kabita Lama	16/08/2024	20/02/2025
2	Hemlata Rai	Bharatiya Nepali Kathama Pragatibadi Chintan	Prof. Kabita Lama	16/08/2024	24/03/2025
3	Bhim Kumar Sharma	नेपाली भाषामा काल्प, प, भाव र पञ्जीकरणको अन्तर्सम्बन्धको अध्ययन (A Study of Interrelationship between Tense, Aspect, Mood and Polarity in Nepali)	Dr. Samar Sinha	23.10.23	10.07.2024
4	Manoj Limbu	Darjeelingka Nepali Pathyapustak Nirman Parampara ra	Dr. Aruna Rai	08/12/2023	17/08/2024

12a. Outstanding Achievements of Faculty Member 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)

12b. Outstanding Achievements of Students in 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)

13. Students Qualifying in UGC-NET/UGC-JRF/CSSR/CSIR/ICAR-NET/SLET/GATE/CAT/UPSC/IAS/PS etc. during 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name of Student	Gender	Fellowship/Award/Service
1	Nawaraj Chhetri	Male	UGC-NET
2	Bindhya Rai	Female	UGC-JRF
3	Martha Rai	Female	UGC-JRF
4	Phunchok Ongmu Bhutia	Female	NET

14. Consultancies Offered by Department During 2024-25:

Consultancy Project/ Programme/Service	Organisation seeking Consultancy	Project/Programme Dates & Duration	Consultancy Funding/Service Fee Received

15. Student Placements During 2024-25:

Name of Student	Semester	Organisation where placement is made	Place (City and Country)
Bishnu Bhujel	PhD	Government College, Burtuk	Sikkim
Anu Darjee	Passed out	Government of Sikkim	Sikkim
Anu Tamang	Passed out	Government of Sikkim	Sikkim
Kalpana Chhetri	Passed out	Government of Sikkim	Sikkim
Rashika Rana	Passed out	Government of Sikkim	Sikkim
Uttam Gurung	Passed out	Government of Sikkim	Sikkim

16. Our Alumni Activities:

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17. Student and Alumni in the spotlight:

18. Outreach programme and Engaging Communities by the Department:

19. Welfare Activities and Philanthropy by the Department:

(iv) SCHOOL OF LIFE SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT BOTANY

Name of the Head/In-charge: Dr. Arun Chettri

1. Introduction

The Department of Botany at Sikkim University was established in July 2011 as the Department of Ethno-Botany and Social Medicine Studies and was later renamed in 2013. It focuses on studying plant diversity in the Eastern Himalayas, emphasizing the region's rich biodiversity and cultural heritage. The department offers Master's and Ph.D. programs in Botany, combining modern theoretical and practical education with subjects such as ecology, ethnobotany, climate change, and genetic diversity. It aims to validate traditional knowledge, identify economic plants, and transfer technology to practical use. Notably, it was the first department at the university to secure an extramural research project and FIST support from the Department of Science and Technology, Government of India.

2. Thrust Area

1. Documentation, survey, and validation of plants from Sikkim and the adjacent regions.
2. Population and habitat assessment, ecological niche modelling of important medicinal plant species, and development of suitable conservation strategies for these species.
3. Validation of traditional medicinal knowledge of plants using scientific methods, focusing on anti-rheumatoid arthritis, anticancer, antidiabetic, and immunomodulatory plants.
4. Study of agriculturally, pharmaceutically, and industrially important microorganisms (AIM, PIM, IIM), endophytes, PGPR, PGPF, and BCA.
5. Identification and analysis of the biological activity of Himalayan entomophagous fungi.
6. Studies on carbon dynamics of forests and agroforestry systems, soil microbial biomass and properties, and nutrient cycling in terrestrial ecosystems.
7. Characterization, documentation and population studies of landraces of rice from the Sikkim Himalaya.

3. Number of students enrolled during 2024-25:

Name of Teaching Course	Semester				Total Students	
	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Girls	Boys
UG (if any)						
PG		18		22	29	11
MPhil (if any)						
PhD	1					1
Post-doc/Research Associate (if any)						
UGC/CSIR/ICAR-NET-JRF						

4. FACULTY PROFILE:

Sl.	Name	Degree (MA/MSc/M. Com MPhil/PhD/Post- doc)	Designation	Date of Joining (<i>Regular</i>)	Publications (<i>number only</i>) and H-index of Google Scholar still date (<i>if any</i>)	Supervisor of MPhil/Ph.D.Ph.D. Students (<i>number only</i>)	Extra- mural Research Projects (<i>number only</i>)
REGULAR FACULTY MEMBERS							
1	Dr. Arun Chettri	Ph.D.	Associate Professor	23.04.2014	Publication 35; H-index-09	02, 06 Ongoing	07 01 ongoing
2	Dr. Santosh Kumar Rai	Ph.D.	Assistant Professor	29.03.2012	Publication 31; H-index-7	2 (Awarded 1)	03
3	Dr. N Bijayalaxmi Devi	Ph.D.	Assistant professor	22.04.2014	Publication: 22 H index-11	05	04
4	Dr. Arun Kumar Rai	Ph.D.	Assistant Professor	17.11.2015	Publication 37; H-index-12	04	03 01 ongoing
VISITING PROFESSOR							
1							
GUEST FACULTY							
1	Dr. Soibam Purnima Devi	Ph.D.	Guest Faculty	NA	Publication: 07 h-index: 05	NA	NA
2	Dr. Vijeta Rai	Ph.D.	Guest Faculty	NA	Publication:07 h-index: 02	NA	NA
3	Dr. Preeti Mangar	Ph.D.	Guest Faculty	NA	Publication: 04 H-Index-04	NA	NA
SUPPORT STAFF							
	Name	Qualification	Designation	Date of joining (<i>regular</i>)	Not Applicable		
1	Dr. Deepak Chettri	PhD	Technical Assistant	17.05.2012	Publication: 05 H-index-03	NA	NA
2	Roshan Rai	B.Sc MA	Laboratory Assistant	24.08.2017	NA	NA	NA

5. DETAILS OF PUBLICATIONS (from 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025)

A: RESEARCH PAPERS IN JOURNAL

Sl. No.	Publication list	UGC-CARE List Journal Number	Impact Factor, if any	Publisher	ISSN
1.	Dutta, R, Mangar, S, Bora, D, Rai, A. and Chettri A. GLOBBA SCHOMBURGKII (ZINGIBERACEAE) – An Addition to the flora of Sikkim, India. JETB, 48(4): 181-183. (2024). https://doi.org/10.61080/JETB/V48/I4/2024/181-183	Web of Science Group	nil	Scientific publishers	0250-9768
2.	Chettri, S, Chettri, A and Rai, A.K. Plant diversity assessment of Sikkim University campus at Upper Yangang in Sikkim, Eastern Himalaya, India. TANZ Research Journal, 11(3): 351-374. (2025), DOI:10.6084/doi.25.11.3.TANZ220034	Scopus	0.1	https://tanzresearch.com	1869-7720
3.	Chettri, A and Rai, A.K. <i>Debaromyces hansenii</i> . Harnessing its signification in Kumaun Himalaya's Traditional meatproducts. TANZ Research Journal, 11(3): 327-350. (2025), DOI:10.6084/doi.25.11.3.TANZ220034	Scopus	0.1	https://tanzresearch.com	1869-7720
4.	Sharma, H, Chettri, A and Rai, A.K. Antifungal potential of Volatile organic compounds of endophyte <i>Penicillium citrinum</i> associated with <i>Swertia chirayita</i> J. Mycopathol. Res. 62(3) : 607-613.	UGC Carelist-01	Nil	Kolkata: Indian Mycological Society	ISSN : 0971-3719 (Print), 2583-6315 (Online). (2024).
5.	Devi, N.B., Singh, L.I., Yadava, P.S., Khan, M.R. (2024). Shift in microbial biomass, soil and microbial stoichiometry in different land uses of Northeast India. The Microbe 3,100085. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.microb.2024.100085 .	Scopus and Web of Science index	Nil	Elsevier	2950-1946
6.	Hazarika, A.; Nath, A.J.; Pandey, R.; Pebam, R.; Devi, N.B.; Das, A.K.(2024) Climate change vulnerability of tribe managing Piper agroforestry systems in the Indian sub-Himalayan region. Agric. Syst. 2024, 216, 103914. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.agry.2024.103914	Scopus and Web of Science index	6.6	Elsevier	0308-521X
7.	Dutta, R, Mangar, S, Bora, D, Rai, A. and Chettri A. GLOBBA SCHOMBURGKII (ZINGIBERACEAE) – An Addition to the flora of Sikkim, India. JETB, 48(4): 181-183. (2024), https://doi.org/10.61080/JETB/V48/I4/2024/181-183	Web of Science Group	Nil	Scientific publishers	0250-9768
8.	Chettri, S, Chettri, A and Rai, A.K. Plant diversity assessment of Sikkim University campus at Upper Yangang in Sikkim, Eastern Himalaya, India. TANZ Research Journal, 11(3): 351-374. (2025), DOI:10.6084/doi.25.11.3.TANZ220034	Scopus	0.1	https://tanzresearch.com	1869-7720

9.	Chettri, A and Rai, A.K. <i>Debaromyces hansenii</i> . Harnessing its signification in Kumaun Himalaya's Traditional meatproducts. TANZ Research Journal, 11(3): 327-350. (2025). DOI:10.6084/doi.25.11.3.TANZ220034	Scopus	0.1	https://tanzresearch.com	1869-7720
10.	Sharma, H, Chettri, A and Rai, A.K. Antifungal potential of Volatile organic compounds of endophyte <i>Penicillium citrinum</i> associated with <i>Swertia chirayita</i> . J. Mycopathol. Res. 62(3) : 607-613. (2024)	UGC Carelist-01	nil	Kolkata: Indian Mycological Society	ISSN : 0971-3719 (Print), 2583-6315 (Online). (2024).
11.	Rai, A.K. (2024). Tiny Giants Endophytes in Sustainable Agriculture: Trends and Prospects. IJFMR, Volume 6, Issue 2, March-April 2024. https://doi.org/10.36948/ijfmr.2024.v06i02.17686 . E-ISSN: 2582-2160	Peer-reviewed Open accessed	9		E-ISSN: 2582-2160
12.	Madhusudhan Khanal, Shuvadip Sarkar, Kingsuk Sarkar, Prakash Chhetri, Santosh Kumar Rai, Devendra Kumar & Sandeep Rawat. 2024. <i>Gastrodia indica</i> (Orchidaceae: Gastrodieae): a new completely cleistogamous holomycotropic species from India. <i>Phytotaxa</i> 663 (1):026	Web of Science	1.1	Magnolia Press, New Zealand	1179-3163 (online) 1179-3155 (print edition)
13.	Madhusudhan Khanal, Shuvadip Sarkar, Santosh Kumar Rai, Devendra Kumar & Avishek Bhattacharjee. 2024. <i>Cheirostylis tortilacina</i> C.S.Leou (Orchidaceae): a new record from India and its typification. <i>Feddes Reportorium</i> 2024. 00	Scopus	0.57	Wiley-VCH GmbH, Weinheim	1522-239X (online) 0014-8962 (print)
14.	Madhusudhan Khanal, Santosh Kumar Rai & Shuvadip Sarkar. 2024. Orchids diversity of Rey river valley, Gangtok: an unexplored treasure trove of Sikkim. <i>Science of Eastern Himalaya Journal</i> 4(1):24	Nil	Nil	High Altitude Research Center- Quality Control Laboratory, Govt. of Sikkim	2583-4169
15.	Madhusudhan Khanal, Shuvadip Sarkar, Rohit Dutta, Santosh Kumar Rai, Devendra Kumar, Sandeep Rawat, & Dinesh Kumar Agrawala. 2024. <i>Didymoplexiella siamensis</i> (Gastrodieae, Orchidaceae): a new generic record for the flora of India. <i>Feddes Reportorium</i> 2024.; 001:1	Scopus	0.57	Wiley-VCH GmbH, Weinheim	1522-239X (online) 0014-8962 (print)
16.	Ghosh D, Mangar P, Choudhury A, Kumar A, Saha A, Basu P et al. (2024) Characterization of a hemolytic and antibiotic-resistant <i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i> strain S3 pathogenic to fish isolated from Mahananda River in India. <i>PLoS ONE</i> 19(3): e0300134. https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0300134	Crossref, PubMed, PubMed Central, Scopus, and Web of Science	2.9	PLOS ONE	1932-6203

B: BOOK/S

Faculty Member	Publications with ISBN

C: BOOK CHAPTERS

Faculty Member	Publications
Dr. Arun Chettri	Dutta, R; Chettri, P, Bora, T.N, Tamang, M, Rai, A.K; Chettri, A. (2025). Zinc Oxide (ZnO) Nanoparticles (NPs) from plant extracts and its common applications- A Review. Emerging Paradigms in Biological Sciences. National Press Associates, New Delhi. ISBN: 978-93-48843-76-0; https://www.researchgate.net/publication/388315590 .
Dr. Arun Chettri	Gogoi, B, Gurung, R, Gurung, S.A, Subba, Rai, A.K and Chettri, A (2025). Biological Prospecting of Microorganisms for Metal Recovery. In book: Extraction of Precious Metals from Industrial Waste Using Microbial Technology. Ed. Maulin P. Shah. Environmental Science and Engineering. Springer Nature Switzerland AG: Gewerbestrasse 11, 6330 Cham, Switzerland. ISSN 1863-5520 ISSN 1863-5539 (electronic). ISBN 978-3-031-83622-0 ISBN 978-3-031-83623-7 (eBook). https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-031-83623-7 .
Dr. Arun Kumar Rai	Dutta, R; Chettri, P, Bora, T.N, Tamang, M, Rai, A.K, Chettri, A. (2025). Zinc Oxide (ZnO) Nanoparticles (NPs) from plant extracts and its common applications- A Review. Emerging Paradigms in Biological Sciences. National Press Associates, New Delhi. ISBN: 978-93-48843-76-0; https://www.researchgate.net/publication/388315590 .
Dr. Arun Kumar Rai	Gogoi, B, Gurung, R, Gurung, S.A, Subba, Rai, A.K and Chettri, A (2025). Biological Prospecting of Microorganisms for Metal Recovery. In book: Extraction of Precious Metals from Industrial Waste Using Microbial Technology. Ed. Maulin P. Shah. Environmental Science and Engineering. Springer Nature Switzerland AG: Gewerbestrasse 11, 6330 Cham, Switzerland. ISSN 1863-5520 ISSN 1863-5539 (electronic). ISBN 978-3-031-83622-0 ISBN 978-3-031-83623-7 (eBook). https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-031-83623-7 .
Dr. Arun Kumar Rai	Sharma, H., Gurung, S.A., Gogoi, B., Gurung, R., Subba, Y. and Rai, A.K. (2024). Microbial Biological Degradation of Polymers: Recent Trends . In book: Advanced Strategies for Biodegradation of Plastic Polymers. Springer Nature Singapore Pte Ltd: Singapore. ISBN, 978-3-031-55660-9. 10.1007/978-3-031-55661-6_13 .

6. PAPER PRESENTATION AT NATIONAL /INTERNATIONAL SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING DURING 2024-25 :

Faculty Member/Research Scholar	Name of Conference/ Seminar/Workshop	Place and Date	Invited Speaker/ Resource Person	Title of Presentation in the published Proceeding, if any
Ms. Rabina Gurung	Contribution of Microbial Science for societal Development	Gangtok 5 th March 2025	Invited Speaker	Antifungal activity of Actinomycetes isolated from the rhizosphere of <i>Artemisia vulgaris</i> of the Sikkim Himalaya.
Ms. Rabina Gurung	International Conference on "Emerging frontiers in Biological Sciences: Focus on change, agrotechnology and Entrepreneurship"	Assam 15-17 th May 2024	Invited Speaker	Isolation of actinomycetes from the rhizosphere of <i>Artemisia vulgaris</i> L. and its antifungal activity.

	(ICEFBS-2024)			
Ms. Dharmit Lepcha	National seminar on biodiversity for sustainable future with special focus on Plant Taxonomy	Gauhati University; 27 & 28 th September 2024	Invited Speaker	Molecular phylogeny and conservation status of a recently rediscovered <i>Primula cooperi</i> , a lant species earlier presumed to be extinct from Sikkim Himalaya.
Ms. Tutu Moni Das	"Bio-economy from Bio-resources: Promoting Traditional Resources of NER for Viksit Bharat"	Gangtok 15-16 th November 2024	Invited Speaker	Ethnobotanical documentation and phytochemical exploration of anti-hypertensive plants of Sikkim Himalaya, India.

7. RESEARCH PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN DURING 2024-25:

Faculty Member	Project Title	Funding Agency	Project Duration	Total funds received	Number of Project Personnel (Project Fellow/JRF/SRF/RA)
Dr. Arun Kumar Rai	"Harnessing Endophytes and Arbuscular Mycorrhizal Fungi from Citrus Microbiome for plant and Soil Health Management in North East India"	DBT	3years	1,13,35,464 cr	01

8. SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING PROGRAMMES ORGANISED BY THE DEPARTMENT DURING 2024-24 :

Sl. No.	Programme Title	National or International	Funding Agency	Date	Number only		Name of Coordinator/Convener
					Resource Persons	Participants	
1	National Seminar on "Recent Research Advances in Biological Sciences"	National	Sikkim University	07/03/2025	5	90	Dr. Arun Chettri

9. PURCHASE/INSTALLATION OF LABORATORY EQUIPMENT DURING 2024-25 (Only for Lab-based Departments, if any):

Sl. No.	Equipment Details	Date of Acquisition	Cost (Rs.)	Funding Agency	Purpose	Approx. Usage (%)
1.	u controller based UV-VIS spectrophotometer (2 nos) Make: Systronics Model: 117 TS	23.09.2024	4,95,600.00	Sikkim University	Measurement of absorbance or transmittance in the UV-VIS spectrum	80 %
2	u controller based VISIBLE spectrophotometer Make: Systronics Model: 166	23.09.2024	76,500.00	Sikkim University	Measurement of absorbance or transmittance in the VIS spectrum	50 %
3	u controller based VISIBLE spectrophotometer Make: Systronics Model: 168	23.09.2024	1,70,000.00	Sikkim University	Measurement of absorbance or transmittance in the VIS spectrum	50%
4	750 Watt Mixer Grinder (2 nos) Make: Crompton	28.03.2025	7500.00	Sikkim University	Grinding of plant sample for laboratory analysis	20%

10. MPhil AWARDS DURING 2024-25 :

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award
1.					
2.					

11. Ph.D. AWARDS DURING 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award
1	Ms. Raksha Mukhia	Bioprospecting for L-myo-inositol-1-phosphate synthase from cold resistant flora of the Sikkim Himalayas; partial purification and biochemical characterization of the enzyme from <i>Hippophae salicifolia</i> D. Don*	Dr. Dhani Raj Chhetri (Retd.)	19.02.2024 - 03.05.2024	

12a. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF FACULTY MEMBER (*Permanent only*) 2022-23:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)

12b. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF STUDENTS IN 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)

13. STUDENTS QUALIFYING IN UGC-NET/UGC-JRF/ICSSR/CSIR/ICAR-NET/SLET/GATE/CAT/UPSC/IAS/IPS etc. DURING 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name of Student	Gender	Fellowship/Award/Service
1.	Palzor Thendup Lepcha	Male	CSIR-NET (JRF)
2.	Dupjang Lepcha	Male	CSIR-NET (JRF)

14. CONSULTANCIES OFFERED BY DEPARTMENT DURING 2024-25, if any:

Consultancy Project/ Programme/Service	Organisation seeking Consultancy	Project/Programme Dates & Duration	Consultancy Funding/Service Fee Received

15. STUDENT PLACEMENTS DURING 2024-25:

Name of Student	Semester	Organisation where placement is made	Place (City and Country)
Mr. Rupesh Subba	2024 passed	Government of Sikkim	Gangtok, Sikkim, India
Ms. Pernita Chettri	2024 passed	Government of Sikkim	Gangtok, Sikkim, India
Ms. Yangchen Denika Bhutia	2024 passed	Government of Sikkim	Gangtok, Sikkim, India
Ms. Premika Rai	2024 passed	G.B. Pant National Institute of Himalayan Environment & Sustainable Development, Sikkim	Gangtok, Sikkim, India
Mr. Resheb Basnet	2024 passed	G.B. Pant National Institute of Himalayan Environment & Sustainable Development, Sikkim	Gangtok, Sikkim, India

16. Our Alumni Activities (if any)

17. Student and Alumni in the spotlight (if any)

18. Outreach programme and Engaging Communities (if any) by Department/Centre/University

19. Welfare Activities and Philanthropy (if any) by Department/Centre/University



Fig. National Seminar organized by Department of Botany, Sikkim University on "Recent Research Advances in Biological Sciences" held on 7/3-2025.

DEPARTMENT OF HORTICULTURE

Name of the Head/In-charge : Prof. Niladri Bag (01/04/2024 to 31/01/2025),
Dr. Sujata Upadhyay (01/02/2025 to 31/03/2025)

1. Introduction

Department of Horticulture was established in 2009 as one of the foremost professional course departments of Sikkim University. Department offers Masters and PhD degrees in Horticulture with four specializations viz. Fruit Science, Vegetable Science, Floriculture and Plantation, Spices, Medicinal and Aromatic crops. Department has designed its curriculum as per NEP and ICAR revised syllabi for post graduate programme. The department aims to develop it as a centre of excellence in teaching and horticulture research focusing mainly on the local crop germplasm, production technologies, organic farming, crop improvement and post-harvest management. The department strives to establish synergy and good linkage with state and central government institutes/ organisations to achieve the common goal of increasing production and productivity of horticultural crops in the region.

2. Thrust Area

- Organic farming- production and insect, pest and disease management
- Improvement in horticultural crops production and improvement
- Conservation and value addition of local horticultural crops

3. Number of students enrolled during 2024-25:

Name of Teaching Course	Semester				Total Students	
	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Girls	Boys
UG (if any)		-	-			
PG	12		16		03 + 06 = 09	09 + 10 = 19
MPhil (if any)						
PhD	04	-	-	-	03	01
Post-doc/Research Associate (if any)						
UGC/CSIR/ICAR-NET-JRF						

4. FACULTY PROFILE:

Sl.	Name	Degree (MA/MSc/M. Com MPhil/PhD/Post- doc)	Designation	Date of Joining (Regular)	Publications(<i>number only</i>) and H-index of Google Scholar till date (<i>if any</i>)	Supervisor of Ph.D. Students (<i>number only</i>)	Extra- mural Research Projects (<i>number only</i>)
REGULAR FACULTY MEMBERS							
1	Prof. Laxuman Sharma	Ph.D	Professor	23.06.2014	102; H index: 17	06	03
2	Prof. Niladri Bag	Ph.D	Professor	10.02.2016	48; H index : 15	05	03
3	Dr. Sujata Upadhyay	Ph.D	Associate Professor	17.03.2023 (Associate Professor) 29.03.2012 (Assistant Professor)	60; H index: 6	03	-
4	Dr. Amrit Lamichaney	Ph.D	Associate Professor	26.12.2023	70; H index: 15	-	01
5	Dr. Manju Rana	Ph.D	Assistant Professor	29.03.2012	20; H-index-5	02	01
6	Dr. Karma Diki Bhutia	Ph.D	Assistant Professor	23.05.2014	28; H- index 7	02	-
7	Dr. Rajesh Kumar	Ph.D	Assistant Professor	08.12.2015	30; H-index: 8	03	04
8	Dr. Anamika Gurung	Ph.D	Assistant Professor	23.11.2023	19; H index: 4	-	01
VISITING PROFESSOR							
1		NA			NA	NA	
GUEST FACULTY							
1	Dr. Kabita Gurung	Ph.D	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
SUPPORT STAFF							
	Name	Qualification	Designation	Date of joining (regular)	Not Applicable		
1	Ms. Oma Gurung	B.Sc.	Lab attendant	20.01.2021	NA	NA	NA

5. DETAILS OF PUBLICATIONS (from 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025)

A: RESEARCH PAPERS IN JOURNAL

Sl. No.	Publication list	UGC-CARE List Journal Number	Impact Factor, if any	Publisher	ISSN
1.	Singh AK, Pal P, Sahoo UK, Sharma L , Pandey B, Prakash A, Sarangi PK, Prus P, Paşcalău R, Imbrea F (2024) Enhancing Crop Resilience: The Role of Plant Genetics, Transcription Factors, and Next-Generation Sequencing in Addressing Salt Stress. <i>Int. J. Mol. Sci.</i> 25(23): 12537. https://doi.org/10.3390/ijms252312537		4.9	MDPI	1422-0067
2.	Limbu S, Sharma L , *, Kumar R, Rana M, Upadhyay S. 2024. Evaluation of hybrids of eggplants (<i>Solanum melongena</i> L.) under organic cultivation conditions <i>Eco. Env. & Cons.</i> 30 (July Suppl. Issue) pp. 5275-5283	Scopus Web of Science		EM International, Pune	0971-765X
3.	Neizohunuo and Sharma L *. 2025. Physico-chemical characterization of kiwifruit grown in different parts of India. <i>J. Appld. Hort.</i> 27(1): 89-93, DOI: https://doi.org/10.37855/jah.2025.v27i01.17	Scopus			0972-1045
4.	Bamaniya B.S., Sherpa T.L., Ashajyothi M, Bhutia L.D., Kumar R., Rana M., and Bag N (2025) <i>Ralstonia solanacearum</i> isolated from diseased brinjal and tomato: A potential threat to vegetable cultivation in Sikkim, India. Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, India Section B: Biological Sciences. https://doi.org/10.1007/s40011-025-01692-x		-	Springer	2250-1746
5.	Gurung K., Dasila K., Bamaniya B.S., Pandey A. and Bag N . (2025) <i>Colletotrichum fructicola</i> , a major pathogen causing leaf blight in large cardamom (<i>Amomum subulatum</i> Roxb.) grown in Sikkim, India. <i>Vegetos</i> , https://doi.org/10.1007/s42535-025-01177-2		-	Springer	2229-4473
6.	Bamaniya B.S., Das T., Sherpa T.L., Tare K., Rana M. and Bag N . (2024) Bacterial wilt caused by <i>Ralstonia solanacearum</i> : A potential threat to brinjal cultivated in Sikkim, India. <i>Natl. Acad. Sci. Lett.</i> https://doi.org/10.1007/s40009-024-01449-6		1.2	Springer	2250-1754
7.	Lamichaney A , Tewari K, Katiyar PK, Parihar AK and Pratap A (2024). Implications of Exposing Mungbean (<i>Vigna radiata</i> L.) Plant to Higher CO ₂ Concentration on its Growth and Yield (2024) <i>National Academy of Science Letters</i> 47(2): 195-198 doi: 10.1007/s40009-023-01340-w		1.2	Springer	0250-541X

8.	Parihar AK, Hazra KK, Lamichaney A. <i>et al.</i> (2024) Multi-Location Evaluation of Field Pea in Indian Climates: Eco-Phenological Dynamics, Crop-Environment Relationships, and Identification of Mega-Environments. <i>Int. J. Biometeorol.</i> 68: 1973–1987 doi: 10.1007/s00484-024-02720-7		3.0	Springer	0020-7128
9.	Tyagi V, Lamichaney A and Parihar AK, Dixit GP (2024) Relationship Between Seed Coat Colour and Seed Vigour in Cowpea (<i>Vigna unguiculata</i> Walp (L.). <i>Journal of Food Legumes</i> 37(3): 278-284 doi: 10.59797/jfl.v37.i3.207			Indian Society of Pulses Research and Development	0970-6380
10.	Bhargav DK, Hazra KK, Chandra A, Sujayanand GK, Lamichaney A and Rachana RR (2025). Diversity and Dynamics of Insect Fauna in Summer Mungbean [<i>Vigna radiata</i> (L.) Wilczek]. <i>National Academy Science Letters</i> 48:7-11. doi:10.1007/s40009-024-01587-x		1.2	Springer	0250-541X
11.	Parihar AK, Hazra KK, Lamichaney A et al. (2025) Eco-Phenological Drivers of Black Gram [<i>Vigna mungo</i> (L.) Hepper] Productivity in Diverse Environments and Their Implications for Crop Improvement. <i>Field Crops Research</i> 322: 109756. doi: 10.1016/j.fcr.2025.109756		5.6	Elsevier	0378-4290
12.	Parihar AK, Hazra KK, Lamichaney A et al. (2025) Adaptive Responses of Large-Seeded Lentils Across Diverse Indian Climates. <i>Heliyon</i> 11: e42184. doi: 10.1016/j.heliyon.2025.e42184		3.4	Cell Press	2405-8440
13.	Parihar AK, Hazra KK, Lamichaney A et al. (2025) Spatial Variation and Adaptive Responses of Tall-Type Field Peas (<i>Pisum sativum</i> L.) Across Indian Subcontinent. <i>Plant Cell and Environment</i> 1-17 doi: 10.1111/pce.15450		6.1	Wiley	0140-7791
14.	Bhattacharai, B., & Rana, M. (2025). <i>In vitro</i> Regeneration of Wild <i>Begonia palmata</i> D. Don from the Sikkim Himalayas. <i>Environment and Ecology</i> , 43(1A), 275-281.	Scopus		MKK Publication, W.B.	0970-0420
15.	Kumar, V., Kumar, R., & Rana, M. (2025). Assessment of genetic diversity in <i>Nelumbo nucifera</i> genotypes. <i>Journal of Environmental Biology</i> , 46(1), 28-38.	Scopus Web of Science	0.6	Triveni Enterprises, Lucknow, U.P	Online ISSN: 2394-0379 Print ISSN: 0254-8704
16.	Kumar, V., Kumar, R., & Rana, M. (2024). Genetic Diversity of Lotus (<i>Nelumbo nucifera</i> Gaertn.) Genotypes Assessed by Random Amplified Polymorphic DNA Markers. <i>National Academy Science Letters</i> , 1-5.	Scopus Web of Science	1.2	Springer	2250-1754

17.	Banjah, K., Rana, M., & Sharma, L. (2024). Ethnobotanical Insights into the Medicinal, Agricultural, and Veterinary Applications of <i>Artemisia vulgaris</i> in the Sikkim Region. <i>Environment, Ecology and Conservation</i> , 30(4), 1780-1784	Scopus Web of Science		EM International, Pune	0971- 765X
18.	Kumar, V., Rana, M., Kumar, R. and Yadav, A.K. (2024). Multivariate Analysis for Genetic Diversity Estimation in Lotus (<i>Nelumbo nucifera</i> Gaertn.) Genotypes. <i>Agricultural Science Digest</i> , 1-6. DOI: 10.18805/ag.D-6021.	Scopus Web of Science	0.4	Agricultural Research Communication Centre, Karnal, Haryana	Online ISSN: 0976- 0547 Print ISSN: 0253- 150X
19.	Yadav A, Bhutia KD, Kumar R, Kumar V, Tamang A and Yadav K (2025) Impact of sowing time and organic manure on quality traits of cluster bean (<i>Cyamopsis tetragonoloba</i> L.) cv. Pusa Navabhar under organic regime of Sikkim. <i>Eco. Env. & Cons.</i> http://doi.org/10.53550/EEC.2025.v31i01.043	Scopus Web of Science		EM International, Pune	0971- 765X
20.	Sharma L., Kumar, R., Tare, K. and Lamichaney, S. (2025). Assessment of genetic diversity and population structure analysis in Himalayan garlic genotypes from Sikkim using SSR markers. <i>Mol. Biol. Rep.</i> 52: 38. https://doi.org/10.1007/s11033-024-10142-2	Scopus, Web of Science	2.6	Springer	1573- 4978
21.	Rai Obadiya, Upadhyay Sujata (2025). Evaluation of farmer's perception on plant protection practices in Sikkim mandarin (<i>Citrus reticulata</i> Blanco). <i>Ecology, Environment and Conservation</i> . 31(February Suppl. Issue): S163-S169 DOI: 10.53550/EEC.2025.v31i02s.024	Scopus Web of Science	NAAS rating 5.05	EM International, Pune	0971- 765 X
22.	Chettri Umesh, Upadhyay Sujata, Sharma Laxuman, Manivannan S. (2025). Off-season Seedling Production of Sikkim Local Cucumber (<i>Cucumis sativus</i>) under Poly tunnel of Different Heights. <i>Environment and Ecology</i> . 42(4B):1958-1966. https://doi.org/10.60151/envec/PGQB3117	Web of Science	NAAS rating 4.87	MKK Publication, W.B.	0970- 0420
23.	Pradhan Sneha Priya, Upadhyay Sujata, Sharma Laxuman, Kumar Rajesh (2024). Effect of Organic Manure and Biofertilizer on Growth and Yield of Brown Mustard (<i>B. juncea</i> subsp. <i>integrifolia</i> var <i>crispifolia</i>). <i>Environment and Ecology</i> . 42(4): 1562-1569 DOI: https://doi.org/10.60151/envec/LOOW5508	Web of Science	NAAS rating 4.87	MKK Publication, W.B.	0970- 0420
24.	Chettri Smriti, Manivannan S., Upadhyay Sujata, Shalini T. (2024). Propagation of Some Wild Edible Ferns for Environmental Sustainability and Nutritional Security in Sikkim Himalaya. <i>Ecology, Environment and Conservation</i> . 30 (May Suppl. Issue): S188-S194. DOI No.: http://doi.org/10.53550/EEC.2024.v30i03s.034	Scopus Web of Science	NAAS rating 5.05	EM International, Pune	0971- 765 X

25.	Mibang Lenci, Upadhyay Sujata , Rai Oliadlya, Manivannan S., Muddarsu Venkata Ramana (2024). Discrimination in North-eastern pomelo using ionomic profiling and multivariate statistics. <i>Ecology, Environment and Conservation</i> . 30(2): 14-21	Scopus Web of Science	NAAS rating 5.05	EM International, Pune	0971- 765 X
26.	Pradhan Adharsika, Upadhyay Sujata , Kumar Rajesh, Sharma Laxuman (2024). Effect of various media compositions on Culantro (<i>Eryngium foetidum</i>) under pot cultivation in Sikkim. <i>Ecology, Environment and Conservation</i> . 30 (August Suppl. Issue): 5421-5428	Scopus Web of Science	NAAS rating 5.05	EM International, Pune	0971- 765 X
27.	Bhatrikoty Yabesh, Upadhyay Sujata (2024). Phytochemical screening of Bokay timur (<i>Zanthoxylum alatum</i>) and Sill timur (<i>Lindera neesiana</i>) found in Sikkim Himalaya. <i>The Pharma Innovation Journal</i> . 13(4): 112-118.	Peer Reviewed		The Pharma Innovation, New Delhi	Online ISSN: 2277- 7695 Print ISSN: 2349- 8242
28.	Rai Guddu, Upadhyay Sujata (2025). Tulsi: A Sacred Holy Plant with Diverse Medicinal and Therapeutic Value. <i>The Agriculture Magazine</i> . 4(7, March, 2025): 24-27.	Peer reviewed		The Agriculture Magazine, Jaipur	E-ISSN: 2583- 1755
29.	Rai Guddu, Upadhyay Sujata (2025). Biodiversity Conservation and Sustainable Use of Medicinal Plants. <i>The Agriculture Magazine</i> . 4(6, February, 2025): 14-17	Peer reviewed		The Agriculture Magazine, Jaipur	E-ISSN: 2583- 1755
30.	Rai Guddu, Upadhyay Sujata (2025). Ashwagandha (<i>Withania somnifera</i>): A Versatile Traditionally Used Medicinal Plant. <i>The Agriculture Magazine</i> . 4(5, January, 2025): 28-31	Peer reviewed		The Agriculture Magazine, Jaipur	E-ISSN: 2583- 1755
31.	Rai Guddu, Upadhyay Sujata (2024). Lemongrass: A Potential Aromatic Crop with Diverse Uses. <i>The Agriculture Magazine</i> . 4(4, December, 2024): 49-51	Peer reviewed		The Agriculture Magazine, Jaipur	E-ISSN: 2583- 1755
32.	Rai Guddu, Upadhyay Sujata (2024). Medicinal and Therapeutic Uses of Periwinkle (<i>Catharanthus roseus</i> L.). <i>The Agriculture Magazine</i> . 4(4, December, 2024): 46-48	Peer reviewed		The Agriculture Magazine, Jaipur	E-ISSN: 2583- 1755
33.	Rai Guddu, Upadhyay Sujata (2024). Sea Buckthorn: A Potential Source of Nutraceuticals. <i>The Agriculture Magazine</i> . 4(3, November, 2024): 68-71	Peer reviewed		The Agriculture Magazine, Jaipur	E-ISSN: 2583- 1755
34.	Rai Guddu, Upadhyay Sujata (2024). Application of Liquid Manures in Organic Farming for Sustainable Horticultural Crop Production. <i>The Agriculture Magazine</i> . 4(2, October, 2024): 477-479	Peer reviewed		The Agriculture Magazine, Jaipur	E-ISSN: 2583- 1755

35.	Rai Guddu, Upadhyay Sujata (2024). Stevia: An Important Medicinal Plant and Calorie Free Natural Sweetener for Diabetics. <i>The Agriculture Magazine</i> . 4(2, October 2024): 639-642	Peer reviewed	The Agriculture Magazine, Jaipur	E-ISSN: 2583-1755
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B: BOOK/S

Faculty Member	Publications with ISBN
Dr. Amrit Lamichaney	Lamichaney, A., Parihar, A. K., Bohra, A., Naik, S. S. J., & Varshney, R. K. (2025). <i>Hybrid Seed Production for Boosting Crop Yields: Application, Challenges and Opportunities</i>. Springer, Singapore pp. 568 ISBN 978-98-1960-505-7
Dr. Amrit Lamichaney	Parihar, A. K., Bohra, A., Lamichaney, A. , Mishra, R. K., & Varshney, R. K. (2024). <i>Genomics-Aided Breeding Strategies for Biotic Stress in Grain Legumes</i> Springer, pp. 518 ISBN 978-98-1973-916-5
Dr. Rajesh Kumar	Kumar, R., Sharma, L., Bamaniya, B.S., & Kushwah, J.K. (2024). Biotechnological approaches for bacterial disease management in solanaceous vegetable Crops Book chapter in a book; <i>New Advances in Crop Disease Management</i> . Apple Academic Press; CRC Press (Taylor & Francis Group), Fl. USA. Pages- 99-126.

C: BOOK CHAPTERS

Faculty Member	Publications
Dr. Amrit Lamichaney	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Bohra, A., Parihar, A.K., Lamichaney, A., Mishra, R.K., Varshney, R.K. (2024). Breeding Grain Legumes for Biotic Stress Resistance: Status, Challenges, and Opportunities for Genomics-Assisted Approaches. In: Parihar, A.K., Bohra, A., Lamichaney, A., Mishra, R., Varshney, R.K. (eds) <i>Genomics-aided Breeding Strategies for Biotic Stress in Grain Legumes</i>. Springer, Singapore pp. 1-11. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-981-97-3917-2_1 2. Basavaraja T, Anupam Tripathi, Gurumurthy S, Mahadevaiah C, Lamichaney A, Rahul Chandora, Devindrappa (2024). Genomic-assisted breeding strategies for biotic stress in common bean: progress and prospects. In: Parihar AK, Bohra A, Lamichaney A, Mishra R, Varshney RK (eds) <i>Genomics-aided breeding strategies for biotic stress in grain legumes</i>. Springer, Singapore, pp. 231-275. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-981-97-3917-2_8 3. Bohra Abhishek, Lamichaney Amrit, Parihar AK, Naik SJ, and Karmakar Pradeep (2025) Hybrid Seed Production: Application, Challenges and Opportunities. In: Bohra Abhishek, Lamichaney Amrit, Parihar AK, Naik SJ, and Karmakar Pradeep (eds) <i>Hybrid Seed Production for Boosting Crop Yields - Applications, Challenges and Opportunities</i>. Springer, Singapore, pp. 1-12 https://doi.org/10.1007/978-981-96-0506-4_1 4. Naik SJS, Bohra A, Datta D, Parihar AK, Ghritlahre S, Pushpa HD, Gangashetty PI, Pandey M, Lamichaney A, Mishra RK, and Dixit GP (2025) Systems for Heterosis Breeding and Hybrid Seed Production in Pigeonpea In: Bohra Abhishek, Lamichaney Amrit, Parihar AK, Naik SJ, and Karmakar Pradeep (eds) <i>Hybrid Seed Production for Boosting Crop Yields - Applications, Challenges and Opportunities</i>. Springer, Singapore, pp. 153-176 https://doi.org/10.1007/978-981-96-0506-4_7 5. Kumar S, Lamichaney A, Sripathy KV, Dinni S, and Kamble UR (2025) Modern Molecular Techniques to Support Hybrid Seed Industry in Crop Plants In: Bohra Abhishek, Lamichaney Amrit, Parihar AK, Naik SJ, and Karmakar Pradeep (eds) <i>Hybrid Seed Production for Boosting Crop Yields - Applications, Challenges and Opportunities</i>, Springer, Singapore, pp. 535-557 https://doi.org/10.1007/978-981-96-0506-4_20

6. PAPER PRESENTATION AT NATIONAL /INTERNATIONAL SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING DURING 2024-25 :

Faculty Member/Research Scholar	Name of Conference/ Seminar/Workshop	Place and Date	Invited Speaker/ Resource Person/Paper Presenter	Title of Presentation in the published Proceeding, if any
Prof. Niladri Bag	XI th Pt. Govind Ballabh Pant Popular Lecture	G.B. Pant National Institute of Himalayan Environment (An autonomous institute of MoEF&CC, Govt. of India), Sikkim Regional Centre, Gangtok, Sikkim 10.09.2024	Invited Speaker	<i>In vitro</i> technology for the production of miracle grass (bamboo), golden brew (tea), bird of paradise and bio-control measures to improve cardamom cultivation in organic farming
Dr. Sujata Upadhyay	Invited Talk Series Organized by School of Agriculture, Lovely Professional University, Phagwara (Punjab)	Online mode 26.04.2024	Invited Speaker	Importance of Underutilized Horticultural Species of Sikkim Himalaya
Ms. Trivana Namoijam	National Conference on "Contribution of Microbial Science for Societal Development-II	Cauveri Hall, 5 th Mile, Sikkim University, Gangtok on 5 th March, 2025	Invited Speaker	Studies on plant growth promoting rhizobacteria (PGPR) under different citrus (<i>Citrus reticulata</i> Blanco) based intercropping systems in long term organic farming conditions
Mr. Koushik Baruah and Dr. Manju Rana	Global Approaches in Agricultural, Biological, Environment and Life Sciences for Sustainable Future (GABELS-2024)	Tribhuvan University, Kathmandu, Nepal on 8 th -10 th June, 2024	Oral Presenter	A Review on nettle and their future potential in Sikkim Himalayan region
Mr. Koushik Baruah	National Seminar-Addressing nature and environmental issues: An action plan for literary scholars and scientists	College of Horticulture, Bemiook (CAU, Imphal) On 6 th -7 th September, 2024	Oral presenter	Ethnobotanical studies and qualitative analysis of <i>Artemisia vulgaris</i> L. (titeypati) collected from different parts of Sikkim Himalayan Region
Mr. Koushik Baruah	National Conference on Advances in Food Based Technologies for Food and Nutrition Security-An AAU-ICSSR initiative for Vision Viksit Bharat @2047	Assam Agricultural University, Jorhat on 1 st -2 nd March, 2025	Oral Presenter	Sisnu-The Superfood: Traditional Knowledge and Ethnic Food Systems for Nutritional Security

Ms. Smriti Chettri	National Seminar- Addressing nature and environmental issues: An action plan for literary scholars and scientists	College of Horticulture , Bermiok (CAU, Imphal) On 6 th -7 th September, 2024	Oral presenter	<i>Ex situ</i> Conservation of Wild Edible Ferns for Environmental Sustainability and Nutritional Security in Sikkim Himalaya
Mr. Lomash Sharma	National Seminar- Addressing nature and environmental issues: An action plan for literary scholars and scientists	College of Horticulture , Bermiok (CAU, Imphal) On 6 th -7 th September, 2024	Oral presenter	Population Structure and Genetic Diversity of Garlic: Strategies for Conservation and Climate Adaptation
Ms. Sandhya Lamichaney	National Seminar- Addressing nature and environmental issues: An action plan for literary scholars and scientists	College of Horticulture , Bermiok (CAU, Imphal) On 6 th -7 th September, 2024	Poster presenter	Screening of Bacterial Wilt Resistant Solanaceous Crops: A Sustainable Approach for Sikkim's Organic Farming
Mr. Kime Tare	National Seminar- Addressing nature and environmental issues: An action plan for literary scholars and scientists	College of Horticulture , Bermiok (CAU, Imphal) On 6 th -7 th September, 2024	Poster presenter	Morpho-biochemical Diversity Analysis of Radish Genotypes from Sikkim Himalaya: Strategies for Conservation and Climate Adaptation

7. RESEARCH PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN DURING 2024-25:

Faculty Member	Project Title	Funding Agency	Project Duration	Total funds received	Number of Project Personnel (Project Fellow/JRF/SRF/RA)
Prof. Laxuman Sharma (PI) Dr. Amrit Lamichaney (CO-PI)	Promotion of pulses in Sikkim	ICAR-Indian Institute of Pulses Research, Kanpur	2023-2025	19.50 lakh	-
Prof. Niladri Bag	On farm agro-biodiversity conservation in Sikkim towards food, nutritional and livelihood security	G.B. Pant National Institute of Himalayan Environment, Almora, An autonomous institute of MoEF&CC, Govt. of India	03 years	Rs. 17,77,120/-	JRF/ SRF: 01
Anamika Gurung	Comprehensive Assessment of Marigold Genotypes from Sikkim	University Research Fund Award, 2024	1 year	Rs.1.0 Lakh	Nil

8. SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING PROGRAMMES ORGANISED BY THE DEPARTMENT DURING 2024-25 :

Sl. No.	Programme Title	National or International	Funding Agency	Date	Number only		Name of Coordinator/Convener
					Resource Persons	Participants	

9. PURCHASE/INSTALLATION OF LABORATORY EQUIPMENT DURING 2024-25 (Only for Lab-based Departments, if any):

Sl. No.	Equipment Details	Date of Acquisition	Cost (Rs.)	Funding Agency	Purpose	Approx. Usage (%)
1.	Mettler Toledo Microprocessor Based Manual or automatic with ATC probe pH meter	24.03.2025	50,000.00	Sikkim University (Departmental Purchase)	For determining pH of samples	3%
2.	amiciSense Aluminium Grade Soil Moisture Sensor NA	18.03.2025	3,900.00	Sikkim University (Departmental Purchase)	For determining soil moisture content	3%
3.	Canon Dslr/Compact/Handheld Camrecorder or Video Cameras Still DSLR APS Format Type	18.03.2025	48,998.59	Sikkim University (Departmental Purchase)	For record of photos and videos of departmental activities	4%
4.	Bio-Rad Single Moulded Horizontal Electrophoresis system	18.03.2025	85,500.12	Sikkim University (Departmental Purchase)	It separates DNA and RNA molecules by size, mass of electrical charge. It is being used in molecular biology laboratory	5%
5.	Mitutoyo Display Callipers	26.03.2025	13,292.39	Sikkim University (Departmental Purchase)	For measuring small objects	3%
6.	Hanna instruments Handheld Refractometer	30.03.2025	34,999.99	Sikkim University (Departmental Purchase)	For measuring Total soluble salts	2%
7.	ZEBRONICS Bluetooth Speakers Splash Proof and LED indicator and LED Display and Headphone Jack and Mic and MP3 and FM and Memory Slot Main Speaker Warranty 1 year	28.03.2025	5,993.00	Sikkim University (Departmental Purchase)	For departmental purpose	2%

8.	Dinesh Scientific Bench Top Microprocessor Rotary Shaker	30.03.2025	44,140.08	Sikkim University (Departmental Purchase)	For shaking/ mixing chemicals and cultures	2%
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10. MPhil AWARDS (if any) DURING 2024-25 :

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award

11. Ph.D. AWARDS DURING 2024-25 :

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award
1.	Pema Sherpa Reg. no. 16/Ph.D/HOR/03, dated 19.05.2017	Study of microhabitats and <i>in vitro</i> multiplication of <i>Nardostachys grandiflora</i> DC [Dipsacales Valerianaceae] of Sikkim	Dr. Manju Rana	07.05.2024	07.10.2024
2.	Suren Limbu Reg. No. 16/Ph.D/HOR/05, dated 19.05.2017	Heterosis and combining ability analysis for yield, quality and their attributing traits in Eggplant (<i>Solanum melongena</i> L.)	Prof. Laxuman Sharma	14.08.2024	18.10.2024
3.	Smriti Chettri Reg. no. 16/Ph.D/HOR/04, dated 19.05.2017	Standardization of Propagation Method and Elucidation of Nutritional Behavior and Secondary Metabolites in Wild Edible Ferns	Dr. Sujata Upadhyay (Supervisor) Prof. S. Manivannan (Co-Supervisor), Central Univ. of TamilNadu	16.05.2024	12.12.2024
4.	Vijay Kumar Reg. no. 21/Ph.D/HOR/05, dated 18.07.2023	Morpho-molecular diversity and biochemical analysis in lotus (<i>Nelumbo nucifera</i> Gaertn.)	Dr. Manju Rana	17.12.2024	18.02.2025
5.	Bahadur Singh Bamaniya Reg. no. 17/Ph.D/HOR/01, dated 16.05.2018	Introgression of the Bacterial Wilt Resistance Gene into an Elite Eggplant (<i>Solanum melongena</i> L.) cultivated in Sikkim	Prof. Niladri Bag	10.12.2024	03.03.2025
6.	Divya Rai Reg. no. 17/Ph.D/HOR/02, dated 16.05.2018	Morphological, Biochemical and Molecular Characterization of <i>Houttuynia cordata</i> Thunb Found in Sikkim Himalayas	Prof. Laxuman Sharma	31.12.2024 17.03.2025	

12a. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF FACULTY MEMBER (*Permanent only*) 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)

12b. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF STUDENTS IN 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)
1.	Mr. Koushik Baruah (Ph.D scholar)	Second best oral presentation award in National Conference on Advances in Food Based Technologies for Food and Nutrition Security-An AAU-ICSSR initiative for Vision Viksit Bharat @2047, held on 1 st -2 nd March, 2025 at Assam Agricultural University, Jorhat and delivered on "Sisnu-The Superfood: Traditional Knowledge and Ethnic Food systems for Nutritional Security"
2.	Ms. Sandhya Lamichaney (Ph.D scholar)	Received first prize in poster presentation in National Seminar on Addressing nature and environmental issues: An action plan for literary scholars and scientists held at College of Horticulture , Bemiook (CAU, Imphal) on 6 th -7 th September, 2024 and delivered on "Screening of Bacterial Wilt Resistant Solanaceous Crops: A Sustainable Approach for Sikkim's Organic Farming"

13. STUDENTS QUALIFYING IN UGC-NET/UGC-JRF/ICSSR/CSIR/ICAR-NET/SLET/GATE/CAT/UPSC/IAS/IPS etc. DURING 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name of Student	Gender	Fellowship/Award/Service

14. CONSULTANCIES OFFERED BY DEPARTMENT DURING 2024-25, if any:

Consultancy Project/ Programme/Service	Organisation seeking Consultancy	Project/Programme Dates & Duration	Consultancy Funding/Service Fee Received

15. STUDENT PLACEMENTS DURING 2024-25:

Name of Student	Semester	Organisation where placement is made	Place (City and Country)
Ms. Snehapriya Pradhan	M.Sc. (Horticulture) degree completed	Krishi Sevak, Agriculture,Horticulture Department, Govt. of Sikkim	Sikkim
Mr. Prayash Rai	M.Sc. (Horticulture) degree completed	Krishi Sevak, Agriculture,Horticulture Department, Govt. of Sikkim	Sikkim
Ms. Diki Chomu Bhutia	M.Sc. (Horticulture) degree completed	Krishi Sevak, Agriculture,Horticulture Department, Govt. of Sikkim	Sikkim
Ms. Dharmaya Sharma	M.Sc. (Horticulture) Degree completed	Krishi Sevak, Agriculture,Horticulture Department, Govt. of Sikkim	Sikkim

16. Our Alumni Activities (if any)

17. Student and Alumni in the spotlight (if any)

18. Outreach programme and Engaging Communities (if any) by Department/Centre/University

Department of Horticulture, Sikkim University is actively involved in promotion of pulse crops in Sikkim with an initiative to support local agriculture, boost nutritional standards, and ensure sustainable farming practices under a scheme i.e. promotion of pulses in North Eastern Region funded by ICAR-Indian Institute of Pulses Research, Kanpur. Under this programme, Department of Horticulture is involved in conducting on farm training in various aspects of pulse crop cultivation, input distribution, on-farm demonstration of technologies etc. The department has conducted training at Bermiok (Geyzing) on 23.11.2024, Tumin (Gangtok) on 15.12.2024, Maniram (Namchi) on 22.03.25.

19. Welfare Activities and Philanthropy (if any) by Department/Centre/University



DEPARTMENT OF MICROBIOLOGY

Name of the Head/In-charge: Dr. Nagendra Thakur

1. Introduction

The Department of Microbiology at Sikkim University is the first department, which was established in 2008. Currently department has 6 faculty members (1 Professor, 1 Associate Professor and 4 Assistant Professor) one guest faculty and two technical staff. The Department aims to focus on the next level research of the current thrust areas in the domains of extreme environment microbiology, food microbiology exclusively fermented food technology, industrial microbiology and antibiotic potentiating effects of plant extracts and phytochemicals against drug resistant clinical pathogens. The department is offering M.Sc and Ph.D programme. Department of Microbiology has framed the syllabus for MSc and PhD course as per the guidelines of NEP-2022 and implemented the new syllabus from 2023. The Two-Year Master of Science programme in Microbiology aims to impart conceptual clarity on both the fundamental and applied areas of the subject namely Environmental, Food and Industrial Microbiology. Over the last five years, the Department has published more than eighty research articles in reputable journals with a good impact factor, along with over twenty reviews and ten book chapters. Faculty members have also received prestigious awards from esteemed institutes and organizations such as FNA, FNASc, FNAAS, Senior Scientist Awards, and DBT Travel Grants for seminars.

2. Thrust Area

Food Microbiology, Environmental Microbiology including Extreme Microbiology, Industrial Microbiology and Agriculture Microbiology.

3. Number of students enrolled during 2024-25:

Name of Teaching Course	Semester				Total Students	
	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Girls	Boys
UG (if any)						
PG	17		16		21	12
MPhil (if any)						
PhD	2				1	1
Post-doc/Research Associate (if any)						
UGC/CSIR/CAR-NET-JRF						

4. FACULTY PROFILE:

Sl.	Name	Degree (MA/MSc/M Com MPhil/PhD/Post- doc)	Designation	Date of Joining (<i>Regular</i>)	Publications(<i>number only</i>) and H-index of Google Scholar still date (<i>if any</i>)	Supervisor of Ph D. Students (<i>number only</i>)	Extra- mural Research Projects (<i>number only</i>)
REGULAR FACULTY MEMBERS							
1	Prof. Dr. Jyoti Prakash Tamang	PhD & Post-doc	Senior Professor	12.04.2012	200; 55	9	1
2	Dr. Nagendra Thakur	PhD & Post-doc	Associate Professor	23.04.2014	47; 18	5	1
3	Dr. Buddhiman Tamang	PhD	Assistant Professor	27.12.2012	23; 14	03	0
4	Dr. Bimala Singh	PhD	Assistant Professor	27-02-2012	09; 4	2	
5	Dr. Anil Kumar Verma	PhD	Assistant Professor	23.01.2018	62; 15	02	01
6	Dr. Vijay Shankar Singh	PhD	Assistant Professor	22.11.2023	17; 6	0	1
VISITING PROFESSOR							
1		NA			NA	NA	
GUEST FACULTY							
1	Miss Sonia Tamang		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
SUPPORT STAFF							
	Name	Qualification	Designation	Date of Joining (<i>regular</i>)	Not Applicable		
1	Radha Kri Basnett	MSc (Microbiology)	Technical Assistant	07/05/2012	N.A	N.A	N.A
2	Pukar Bishwakarma	B. Com	Lab Assistant	28/08/2017	N.A	N.A	N.A

5. DETAILS OF PUBLICATIONS (from 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025)

A: RESEARCH PAPERS IN JOURNAL

Sl. No.	Publication list	UGC-CARE List Journal Number	Impact Factor, if any	Publisher	ISSN
1.	Dixita Chettri, Ashwani Kumar Verma and Anil Kumar Verma (2024) Nanotechnology as an Emerging Innovation: Sources, Application in a Sustainable Agriculture and Environmental Analysis. <i>BioNanoScience</i> Springer https://doi.org/10.1007/s12668-024-01526-6		3	Springer	2191-1630
2.	Dixita Chettri, Aruna Rani, Bhaskar Sharma, Manickam Selvaraj, Mohammed A. Assiri, and Anil Kumar Verma (2024) Antimicrobial Peptides: Source, application and recent developments. <i>Process Biochemistry</i> https://doi.org/10.1016/j.procbio.2024.07.002		3.75	Elsevier	1873-3298
3	Dixita Chettri, Manisha Chirania, Deepjyoti Boro, and Anil Kumar Verma (2024) Glycoconjugates: Advances in modern medicines and human health <i>Life Sciences</i> , Elsevier, p 122689. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.lfs.2024.122689 .		5.2	Elsevier	0024-3205
4	Dixita Chettri, Verma, Deepjyoti Boro, Manisha Chirania, Anil Kumar Verma (2024) Integrating biochar production in biorefineries: towards a sustainable future and circular economy. <i>Biofuels, Bioproducts and Biorefining</i> , Wiley doi: 10.1002/bbb.26779 .		3.2	Wiley	1932-1031
5	Dixita Chettri, Ashwani Kumar Verma, Manisha Chirania, and Anil Kumar Verma (2024) Metagenomic approaches in bioremediation of environmental pollutants; <i>Environmental Pollution</i> , Elsevier, 125297. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.envpol.2024.125297		7.6	Elsevier	0269-7491
6	Deepjyoti Boro, Manisha Chirania, Ashwani Kumar Verma, Dixita Chettri, and Anil Kumar Verma . (2025) Comprehensive approaches to managing emerging contaminants in wastewater: identification, sources, monitoring and remediation. <i>Environmental Monitoring and Assessment</i> , Springer 197, no. 4 : 1-29. https://doi.org/10.1007/s10661-025-13809-w		2.9	Springer	0167-6369
7	Dixita Chettri, Manswama Boro, Anoop Anand Malik, and Anil Kumar Verma . (2024) Nanotechnology for a greener future: sustainable energy and biofuel advances. <i>Biofuels</i> , 1-16 https://doi.org/10.1080/17597269.2024.2440207		2.1	Taylor & Francis	1759-7277
8	Limboo KH, Singh B. (2024) Antibiotic potentiating effect of <i>Bauhinia purpurea</i> L. against multidrug resistant <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> . <i>Front Microbiol</i> , Apr 16;15:1385268. doi: 10.3389/fmicb.2024.1385268.		4.0	Frontiers Media SA	1664-302X
9	Rai S, Singh VS , Gupta P and Tripathi AK (2024) Identification and functional characterization of a fructose-inducible phosphotransferase system in <i>Azospirillum brasilense</i> Sp7. <i>Applied and Environmental Microbiology</i> (https://doi.org/10.1128/aem.00828-24)		3.9	American Society for Microbiology (ASM)	0099-2240

10	Jaiswal LK, Singh RK, Nayak T, Kakkar A, Kandwal D, Singh VS and Gupta A (2024). A comparative analysis of mycobacterial ribonucleases: Towards a therapeutic novel drug target. <i>Infection, Genetics and Evolution</i> (https://doi.org/10.1016/j.meegid.2024.105645)		3.2	Elsevier	1567-1348
11	Singh DN, Pandey P, Singh VS and Tripathi AK (2024) Evidence for high-risk pollutants and emerging microbial contaminants at two major bathing ghats of the river Ganga using high-resolution mass spectrometry and metagenomics. <i>Gene</i> (https://doi.org/10.1016/j.gene.2024.14899)		3.5	Elsevier	0378-1119
12	Rohit Das, Buddhiman Tamang , Ishfaq Nabi Najat, Mangam Bam, Prabal Khesong Rai (2024). Probiotic yeast characterization and fungal amplicon metagenomics analysis of fermented bamboo shoot products from Arunachal Pradesh, northeast India. <i>Heliyon</i> , 10 (20): e39500. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.heliyon.2024.e39500		3.4	Cell Press	2405-8440
13	Rohit Das, Anil Bhattarai, Rohit Karn, Buddhiman Tamang (2024). Computational investigations of potential inhibitors of monkeypox virus envelope protein E8 through molecular docking and molecular dynamics simulations. <i>Scientific Reports</i> , 14 : 19585, https://doi.org/10.1038/s41598-024-70433-3		3.8	Nature Portfolio	2045-2322
14	Tamang, S., Sharma, P., Kumar, S., and Thakur, N. (2024). Bacterial community structure, adaptations and prevalence of antimicrobial resistance in bacteria from Antarctica: A review. <i>Polar Science</i> , 40 ,101034. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.polar.2023.101034	32476	1.5	Elsevier	18739652
15	Mondal, K., Sharma, P., Najat, I.N. Mondal, S., Kumar, S., Tamang, S., Haldar, S.K., Thakur, N. , Mondal, K.C. Cloning, expression, and characterization of thermostable α -amylase of a thermophilic bacterium isolated from hot-spring of Sikkim and sustainable immobilization on coconut coir. System Microbiology and Biomanufacturing (2024). https://doi.org/10.1007/s43393-024-00271-x		Not available	Springer Link	2662-7663
16	Najat, I.N., Sharma, P., Das, R., Mondal, K., Singh, A.K., Tamang, S., Hazra, P., Thakur, N. , Bhanwaria, R., Gandhi, S.G., Kumar, V. (2024). In search of poly-3-hydroxybutyrate (PHB): A comprehensive review unveiling applications and progress in fostering a sustainable bio-circular economy. Food and Bioproducts Processing , 148 , 11-30. ISSN 0960-3085. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.fbp.2024.08.011		3.5	Science Direct	1744-3571
18	Sharma, p., Mondal, k., Tamang, s., Kumar, s., Najat, I. J., Das, S., Mondal, K.S., Thakur, N. (2025). <u>A malto-oligosaccharide forming thermostable acidic α-amylase from <i>Bacillus stercois</i> YSP18 isolated from sediment of Sikkim hot spring: heterologous expression and characterisation</u> . <i>Systems Microbiology and Biomanufacturing</i> , 5 (1): 185-202.		Not available	Springer Link	2662-7663

19	Todorovic, S., Alpınar, A., Assunção R, Băf C, Bavaro SL, Berkel Kasıklı M, Domínguez-Soberanes J, Capozzi V, Cotter PD., Doo, E.H., Gu nduzErgün B, Guzel, M., Harsa HS, Hastaoglu E, Humblot C, Hyseni B, Hosoglu Ml, Issa A, Karakaş-Budak, B., Karakaya S, Kesenkas H, Keyvan E, Künili IE, Kült M-L, Laranjo M, Louis S, Mantzouridou FT, Matalas A, Mayo B, Mojsova S, Mukherjee A, Nikolaou, A., Ortakci, F, Paveljs'ek D, Perrone G, Pertziger E, Santa D, Sar T, Savary-Auzeloux I, Schwab C, Starowicz M, Stojanovic M, Syropas, M., Tamang, J.P. , Yerlikaya, O., Yilmaz, B., Malagon-Rojas, J., Salminen, S., Frias, J., Chassard, C. and Vergeres, G. (2024). Health benefits and risks of fermented foods—the PIMENTO initiative. <i>Frontiers in Nutrition</i> 11:1458536. doi: 10.3389/fnut.2024.1458536	A3380	4.0	Frontiers Media SA	2296-861x
20	Das, M. and Tamang, J.P. (2024). Revealing the metagenome-assembled genomes in <i>bemerthu</i> : an Indian fermented soybean food for health benefits. <i>Food Bioscience</i> 62: 105280. doi.org/10.1016/j.fbio.2024.105280.	A3274	4.8	Elsevier	2212-4291
21	Rai, A., Lama, S., Das, S., Thatal, B. and Tamang, J.P. (2024). Potential probiotic yeasts isolated from <i>idli</i> and <i>sefoti</i> , Indian ethnic fermented cereal-based foods. <i>Current Probiotics</i> 1, e26666499321746, 47-61. doi: 10.2174/0126666499321746240809073632			Bentham Science	2666-649
22	Tamang, J.P. , Das, S., Lama, S., Utama, G.L., Safitri, R., Balia, R.L. and Thapa, N. (2025). Analysis of meta-transcriptomics and identification of genes linked to bioactive peptides and vitamins in Indonesian <i>tempe</i> . <i>Food Research International</i> 202: 115757. doi.org/10.1016/j.foodres.2025.115757 (Impact Factor: 7.0).	A3288	7.0	Elsevier	0963-9969
23	Das, M., Saha, S., Lahon, J., Gurung, K., Kharnaor, P. and Tamang, J.P. (2025). Screening of probiotic lactic acid bacteria from naturally fermented vegetable products of Sikkim, India. <i>Microbiology</i> 94(1): 91-108. doi:10.1134/S0026261724605839	A6773	1.3	Springer	0026-2617
24	Retnakumar, R.J., Chetri, P., Lamtha, S.C., Sivakumar, K.C., Dutta, P., Sen, P., Biswas, S., Agarwal, N., Nath, A.N., Devi T.B., Thapa, N., Tamang, J.P. and Chattopadhyay, S. (2025). Genome-wide accumulations of non-random adaptive point mutations drive westward evolution of <i>Helicobacter pylori</i> . <i>BMC Microbiology</i> 25, 229. https://doi.org/10.1186/s12866-025-03944-2	A1397	4.0	BMC	1471-2180

B: BOOK/S

Faculty Member	Publications with ISBN
Prof. Jyoti Prakash Tamang	Tamang, J.P. (2024). <i>Microbiology and Health Benefits of Traditional Alcoholic Beverages</i> . Elsevier Science Publishing Co Inc., London, UK. ISBN: 9780443133220

C: BOOK CHAPTERS

Faculty Member	Publications
Dr. Anil Kumar Verma	Dixita Chettri., Manisha Chirania, Deepjyoti Boro, Mahamab Saha, and Anil Kumar Verma (2024) "Molecular Approaches to Microbial Identification of Industrially Significant Strains." In <i>Industrial Microbiology and Biotechnology: An Insight into Current Trends</i> , pp. 129-152. Singapore: Springer Nature Singapore. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-981-97-1912-9_7 .
Dr. Anil Kumar Verma	Manisha Chirania, Deepjyoti Boro, Dixita Chettri and Anil Kumar Verma (2024) Current Innovations in Wastewater Treatment, Pollution Detection, and Solid Waste Management for Sustainable Practices <i>Industrial Microbiology and Biotechnology: A New Horizon of the Microbial World</i> , pp. 841-867. Singapore: Springer Nature Singapore. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-981-97-6270-5_28
Dr. Anil Kumar Verma	Dixita Chettri, Ashwani Kumar Verma, Manisha Chirania and Anil Kumar Verma (2024) Optimization Strategies for Enhanced Production of Microbial Production <i>Industrial Microbiology and Biotechnology: A New Horizon of the Microbial World</i> , pp. 465-487. Singapore: Springer Nature Singapore. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-981-97-6270-5_15
Dr. Anil Kumar Verma	Ashwani Kumar Verma, Dixita Chettri and Anil Kumar Verma (2024) Potential of Genetic Engineering Methods for Enhanced Biofuel Production, <i>Industrial Microbiology and Biotechnology: A New Horizon of the Microbial World</i> , pp. 381-403. Singapore: Springer Nature Singapore. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-981-97-6270-5_12
Prof. Jyoti Prakash Tamang	Tamang, J.P. (2024). History of Ancient Alcoholic Beverages of the World. In: <i>Microbiology and Health Benefits of Traditional Alcoholic Beverages</i> (Ed. Tamang, J.P.), p. 1-25, Elsevier, Academic Press, London
Prof. Jyoti Prakash Tamang	Ray, M., Mondal, K.C. and Tamang, J.P. (2024). Asian Amylolytic Starters and Cereal-based Alcoholic Beverages: Microbiology and Health Benefits. In: <i>Microbiology and Health Benefits of Traditional Alcoholic Beverages</i> (Ed. Tamang, J.P.), p. 241-260, Elsevier, Academic Press, London
Prof. Jyoti Prakash Tamang	Das, S. and Tamang, J.P. (2024). Microbiology and Health Benefits of Fermented Palm Drink of the World. In: <i>Microbiology and Health Benefits of Traditional Alcoholic Beverages</i> (Ed. Tamang, J.P.), p. 311-335, Elsevier, Academic Press, London.

6. PAPER PRESENTATION AT NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING DURING 2024-25:

Faculty Member/Research Scholar	Name of Conference/ Seminar/Workshop	Place and Date	Invited Speaker/ Resource Person/Paper Presenter	Title of Presentation in the published Proceeding, if any
Dr. Anil Kumar Verma	11 th Convention of the Society for Ethnopharmacology (SECON 2024) & International Conference on "Bioeconomy from Bioresources: Promoting Traditional medicine & Medicinal Plants of NER for Viksit Bharat" Organized by Institute of Bioresources and Sustainable Development (IBSD) and the Society for Ethnopharmacology, India (SFE-India)	November 15-16, 2024 Chintan Bhavan, Gangtok, India.	Invited Speaker	Dixita Chettri and Anil Kumar Verma, (2024, November, Page 13)Unravelling the potential of yak dung microflora in the conversion of lignocellulosic waste into bioenergy and associated value-added products - a sustainable approach'. 11 th Convention of the Society for Ethnopharmacology (SECON 2024) & International Conference on "Bioeconomy from Bioresources: Promoting Traditional medicine & Medicinal Plants of NER for Viksit Bharat. Organized by Institute of Bioresources and Sustainable Development (IBSD) and the Society for Ethnopharmacology, India (SFE-India)
Research Scholar: Dixita Chettri	National Conference "Contribution of Microbial Science for Societal Development-II" Organized by Department of Microbiology, Sikkim University (Central University)	5 th March, 2025, Raapjor Cauveri hall, 5th Mile Tadong, Gangtok, India.	Paper presenter	Biochemical, structural and functional characterization of recombinant <i>BsCelGH5</i> from <i>Bacillus</i> sp. YE16 isolated from Yak dung
Dr. Binsala Singh	Two- day workshop on "AI Tools for Teaching and Assessment in Higher Education" organized by the SWAYAM Committee of Sikkim University	Sikkim University 20 th & 21 st June 2024.		
Research Scholar Ms. Pranita Pradhan	National Conference on Contribution of Microbial Science for Societal Development – II.	5th March 2025. Cauvery Hall, 5 th Mile, Tadong, Sikkim University	Invited Speaker Paper presentation	Pranita Pradhan and Bimala Singh*(2025, March), Antibacterial potential of methanol bark extract from <i>Terminalia arjuna</i> (Roxb. ex DC.) Wight & Arn against clinical isolates of multidrug-resistant <i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i> .

				National Conference on Contribution of Microbial Science for Societal Development – II, Cauvery Hall, Sikkim University, Sikkim.
Research Scholar Mr. Kundhey Hang Limboo	National Conference on Contribution of Microbial Science for Societal Development – II.	5th March 2025, Cauvery Hall, 5 th Mile, Tadong, Sikkim University	Invited Speaker Paper presentation	Limboo, K.H. and Singh, B. (2025, March). Antibiotic potentiating effect of <i>Baulimia purpurea</i> L. against multidrug resistant <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> . "National Conference on Contribution of Microbial Science for Societal Development- II. Cauvery Hall, Sikkim University, Gangtok, India.
Dr. Buddhiman Tamang	National Seminar on Microbial Technology for Health and Environment	Department of Microbiology, Vidyasagar University, Midnapore, West Bengal, March 7-9, 2025	Invited Speaker	Health-Promoting Bacteria in Fermented Bamboo Shoots of Northeast India: Insights from Culture-Based and Culture-Independent Studies.
Dr. Nagendra Thakur	National Seminar on Microbial Technology for Health and Environment	Department of Microbiology, Vidyasagar University, Midnapore, West Bengal, March 7-9, 2025	Invited Speaker	Recombinant Production and Functional Analysis of a Novel Alpha-Amylase (AmyO2) from <i>Anoxybacillus rupiensis</i> isolated from Sikkim Hot Spring
Prof. Jyoti Prakash Tamang	8th International Conference on "Exploring the Microbial World: From Human Health to Environmental Sustainability" organised by Department of Zoology, Delhi University, Delhi	Delhi University, Delhi; 2 nd to 5 th April 2024	Key-note Speaker	Fermented Foods as Medicine
Prof. Jyoti Prakash Tamang	Reframing Food Futures: Making Foresight Transformative: The 4th Global Foresight4Food Workshop, organised by the Food and Planning and Monitoring Unit (FPMU) of the Ministry of Food, Bangladesh and Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition (GAIN), Dhaka, Bangladesh	Global Alliance for Improved Nutrition (GAIN), Dhaka, Bangladesh; June 3 - 7, 2024	Resource Person	Foresight Transformation of the Himalayan healthy foods

Prof. Jyoti Prakash Tamang	First academic exchange meeting of the agricultural product quality and safety meeting of the International Mountain Agricultural Science and Technology Innovation Alliance (IMASTIA), organised by Sichuan Academy of Agricultural Sciences (SAAS), Chengdu, China	Sichuan Academy of Agricultural Sciences (SAAS), Chengdu, China; 19-21 July 2024	Key-note Speaker	Fermentation of Himalayan agricultural products: functional microorganisms, health benefits, and safety
Prof. Jyoti Prakash Tamang	The India International Science Festival (IISF) 2024 on "New Frontiers of Science & Technology for Viksit Bharat 2047 - Pragya Bharat", organized by Ministry of Science & Technology and Ministry of Earth Science, Government of India at IIT-Guwahati	IIT-Guwahati; 1 st December 2024	Key-note Speaker	Beneficial Microorganisms and their Health Benefits in Some Indian Fermented Foods: Omics Approaches

7. RESEARCH PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN DURING 2024-25:

Faculty Member	Project Title	Funding Agency	Project Duration	Total funds received	Number of Project Personnel(Project Fellow/JRF/SRF/RA)
Dr. Anil Kumar Verma	Bioprospecting of rice straw for production and application of functional oligo-glycans in bioenergy and nutraceuticals using the synergistic effect of recombinant enzyme cocktail formulated from the Yak dung isolate <i>Bacillus</i> sp. YE16	Anusandhan National Research Foundation(ANRF)	3 years	27.77,000.00	One JRF
Dr. V S Singh	Developing Probiotic Consortium for Enhancing Sustainable Agricultural Production at Himalayan Region of Sikkim State"	NHMS	3 Years	18 lacks	1 Field Assistant
Prof. J.P. Tamang	Technological innovations for development of functional foods from ethnic fermented foods of the Indian Himalayas (Himalayan Bioresource Mission)	Department of Biotechnology, Govt	2023-2026 (On-going)	16.53 lakhs	2 JRF
Dr. Nagendra Thakur	Ecological and Physiological roles of microorganisms of glaciers of North Sikkim, India for impact assessment on climate change	Department of Biotechnology, Govt	2023-2026 (On-going)	92.49 Lakhs	1 RA

8. SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING PROGRAMMES ORGANISED BY THE DEPARTMENT DURING 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Programme Title	National or International	Funding Agency	Date	Number only		Name of Coordinator/Convener
					Resource Persons	Participants	
1	<i>Contribution of Microbial Science for Societal Development – II</i>	National	Sikkim University	5 th March 2025	12	90	Dr Nagendra Thakur, Dr Buddhiman Tamang

9. PURCHASE/INSTALLATION OF LABORATORY EQUIPMENT DURING 2024-25 (Only for Lab-based Departments, if any):

Sl. No.	Equipment Details	Date of Acquisition	Cost (Rs.)	Funding Agency	Purpose	Approx. Usage (%)
1	Sonicator with cabin and support stand with clamp	19.12.2024	2,23,256	Sikkim University	MSc Practicals and Dissertation	> 60%
2	Deep Freezer minus 20	19.12.2024	1,00,300	Sikkim University	MSc Practicals and Dissertation	> 60%
3	Autoclave 180 liter	19.12.2024	2,00,600	Sikkim University	MSc Practicals and Dissertation	> 60%

10. MPhil AWARDS (if any) DURING 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award

11. Ph.D. AWARDS DURING 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award
1	Shri Pynhunlang Khamaiaor	Studies on Microbial Community in Some Naturally Fermented Soybean Foods of the Eastern Himalayas Using Culture-dependent and Metagenomics Approaches	Professor Dr. Jyoti Prakash Tamang	29 th July 2024	8 th October 2024

2	Ms. Priyambada Pariyar	Studies of Poly-glutamic acid (PGA)-producing Bacteria from Some Fermented Soybean Foods of North East India and the Structural Characterization of PGA	Supervisor: Professor Dr. Jyoti Prakash Tamang and Co-supervisor: Dr. Pullakhandam Raghu of NIN, Hyderabad	29 th July 2024	8 th October 2024
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12a. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF FACULTY MEMBER (*Permanent only*) 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)
1	Prof. Jyoti Prakash Tamang	Special Recognition Award for scientific work from the Society for Ethnopharmacology, India on November 15, 2024.

12b. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF STUDENTS IN 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)

13. STUDENTS QUALIFYING IN UGC-NET/UGC-JRF/ICSSR/CSIR/ICAR-NET/SLET/GATE/CAT/UPSC/IAS/IPS etc. DURING 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name of Student	Gender	Fellowship/Award/Service
1	Abantika Biswas	Female	NET-LS
2	Abantika Biswas	Female	GATE
3	Gayatri Ruidas	Female	GATE
4	Madhuchandana Medhi	Female	NET
5	Birun Saha	Male	GATE

14. CONSULTANCIES OFFERED BY DEPARTMENT DURING 2024-25, if any:

Consultancy Project/ Programme/Service	Organisation seeking Consultancy	Project/Programme Dates & Duration	Consultancy Funding/Service Fee Received

15. STUDENT PLACEMENTS DURING 2024-25:

Name of Student	Semester	Organisation where placement is made	Place (City and Country)
Aakash Chettri	M.Sc Completed	Medhavi Skills University	Sikkim, Bermiok
Arijit Dhar	M.Sc Completed	Cmj Breweries	Meghalaya
Sourish Das	M.Sc Completed	Cmj Breweries	Meghalaya
Ajnabi Khawas	M.Sc Completed	Zydus Wellness Ltd	Sikkim, Majitar
Moumita Paul Choudhury	M.Sc Completed	Heba Pharmaceuticals	Sikkim, Marchak Ranipool
Rohit Bauri	M.Sc Completed	Alkem Laboratories	Sikkim, Ranipool

16. Our Alumni Activities (if any)

17. Student and Alumni in the spotlight (if any)

18. Outreach programme and Engaging Communities (if any) by Department/Centre/University

19. Welfare Activities and Philanthropy (if any) by Department/Centre/University

DEPARTMENT OF ZOOLOGY

Name of the Head/In-charge: Dr.Bisu Singh

1. Introduction

Department of Zoology was established in 2013 as one of the important disciplines of life sciences. The Department currently offers MSc and PhD program. Faculty members of Zoology actively undertake research in different disciplines of biology with funding support from various national and state level organizations/departments such as Science and Engineering Research Board, Anusandhan National Research Foundation, Indian Council of Medical Research, National Mission on Himalayan Studies of the Ministry of Environment and Forests, Government of India, Forest and Environment Department, Government of Sikkim, and Department of Biotechnology, Government of India. The department also organizes different events such as workshops, conferences, seminars, trainings and awareness activities from time to time involving scholars, students and faculty members of the University, common citizens and stakeholders as well as scientific fraternity from other institutions of the country. The department is supported under DST-FIST program of the Department of Science and Technology, Government of India in 2019. The department has fully functional laboratories equipped with major and minor equipment to undertake teaching and research in basic and applied areas of Zoology and allied disciplines. Additionally, the department also has a butterfly repository, RS-GIS laboratory and animal house facility. The department gives equal weightage to teaching and research, and students and scholars excel in both which is well reflected in their performances in university examination and national level exam such as NET, GATE, SLET, etc. as well as quality publication in reputed scientific journals.

2. Thrust Area

The main thrust areas of research focus on Ecology, Conservation Biology, Biogeography, Taxonomy, Climate Change, Immunology, Population Genetics, Health Sciences, Ethnomedicine and Parasitology. The department encourage interdisciplinary research involving other disciplines of biological (such as botany, horticulture, agriculture, forestry, medical sciences) as well as socio-ecological sciences.

3. Number of students enrolled during 2024-25: 20(PG) & 4(PhD)

Name of Teaching Course	Semester				Total Students	
	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Girls	Boys
PG	20	20	19	19	27	12
PhD	4	6	3	1	8	6
UGC/CSIR/CAR-NET-JRF	NIL	NIL	2	NIL	2	NIL

4. FACULTY PROFILE:

Sl.	Name	Degree (MA/MSc/M. Com MPhil/PhD/Post-doc)	Designation	Date of Joining (Regular)	Publications (number only) and H-index of Google Scholar still date (if any)	Supervisor of Ph.D. Students (number only)	Extra-mural Research Projects (number only)
REGULAR FACULTY MEMBERS							
1	Prof. Bhoj Kumar Acharya	PhD	Professor	05.05.2014	48 H-index: 16	Awarded: 02 Registered: 05	10 7 Completed 3 Ongoing
2	Dr. Bisu Singh	MSc, PhD	Associate Professor	12.06.2023	28 H-index: 10	05	04
3	Dr. Basundhara Chettri	MSc, PhD	Assistant Professor	02.04.2012	27 H-index: 13	05	06
4	Dr. Sudeep Ghatari	M.Sc., Ph.D.	Assistant Professor	24.11.2015	18 H-index: 11	5	2
5	Dr. Arnab Banerjee	M.Sc., Ph.D.	Assistant Professor	13/07/2023	32 h-index: 11	1	NA
VISITING PROFESSOR							
1			NA			NA	NA
GUEST FACULTY							
1	Dr. Suman Dahal		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2	Dr. Kishor Sharma		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
SUPPORT STAFF							
	Name	Qualification	Designation	Date of joining (regular)	Not Applicable		
1	Bedanta P Saikia	B.Sc	Technical Assistant	2.12.2015	NA	NA	NA
2	Ashesh Sharma	B.Sc	Laboratory Attendant	25.1.2021	NA	NA	NA

5. DETAILS OF PUBLICATIONS (from 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025)

A: RESEARCH PAPERS IN JOURNAL

Sl. No.	Publication list	UGC-CARE List Journal Number	Impact Factor, if any	Publisher	ISSN
1	Thakuri, B. and Acharya, B.K. (2025) Multifunctional high elevation agropastoral ecosystem of Eastern Himalaya complements primary forest in bird conservation. <i>Community Ecology</i> 26: 105-120.	Scopus & WoS	1.2	Springer	Online: 1588-2756 Print: 1585-8553
2	Lepcha, D.T., Dewan, S., Chettri, I.K. and Acharya, B.K. (2024) Understanding life cycle and identification of larval host plant of lesser-known butterfly Truncate Imperial <i>Cheritrella truncipennis</i> from Sikkim Himalaya, India. <i>Journal of Asia-Pacific Entomology</i> 27: 102342	Scopus & WoS	1.1	Elsevier	Online: 1876-7990 Print: 1226-8615
3	Alicia SANCHEZ-MAZAS, José Manuel NUNES, Enrique ALANIS DOMINGUEZ, Pascale GERBAULT, Ndeye Khady FAYE, Wassim ALMAWI, Marco ANDREANI, Esteban ARRIETA-BOLANOS, Danillo G AUGUSTO, Stéphane BUHLER, Natasja G DE GROOT, DÍAZ-PEÑA Roberto, Selma D'SILVA, Valérie DUBOIS, Gehad ELGHAZAU, Clara GORODEZKY, Zorana GRUBIĆ, Ali HAJEER, Jill HOLLENBACH, Hellen C ISSLER, Milena IVANOVA, Dunja JAWDAT, Uma KANGA, Meri KIRUAS, William LEMIEUX, Maria LOGINOVA, Nadia MAHFOUDH, Narinder MEHRA, Delphine MOURON, Martin PETŘEK, Maria Luiza PETZL-ERLER, Lucie RICHARD, Dave L ROELEN, Nicoletta SACCHI, Akanksha SHARMA, Bisu SINGH, Meenakshi SINGH, Yoginder SINGH, Katerina TARASSI, Blanka VIDAN-JERAS, Jean VILLARD. The Most Frequent HLA Alleles Around the World: a Fundamental Synopsis. Best Practice & Research Clinical Haematology. 2024 Jul 8:101559.	NA	2.2	Elsevier	1521-6926 1532-1924 (online)
4	Dependra Chamlagai, Jiwan Gurung, Bisu Singh. Distribution of ABO and Rhesus (D) blood group antigens among the Indian Kami population from the Sub-Himalayan region of West Bengal and Sikkim, India. <i>Asian Journal of Transfusion Science</i> 2024;10-4103.	NA	0.6	Wolters Kluwer	0973-6247
5	Chamlagai Dependra, Jiwan Gurung, Bisu Singh. HLA Association with Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus and Hypertension among the Kami Population from Sub-Himalayan West Bengal <i>Int J Hum Genet.</i> 2024; 24(2): 199-204.	NA	0.1	Kamala Raj Enterprise	0972-3757
6	Dasgupta, D., Banerjee, A.*, Dutta, A., Mitra, S., Banerjee, D., Karar, R., Karmakar, S., Bhattacharya, A., Ghosh, S., Bhattacharjee, P., Paul, M., 2025. Decoding food solicitation techniques applied by free-ranging Hanuman langurs residing in an urban habitat. <i>Animal Cognition</i> 28, 25. https://doi.org/10.1007/s10071-024-01925-y	NA	1.9	Springer Nature	1435-9456

7	Dutta, A., Dasgupta, D., Banerjee, A., Hasnain, S.A., Sen, D., Kuleri, M.S., Bhattacharjee, P., Paul, M., 2024. Left or right: handedness in free-ranging Hanuman langurs, <i>Semnopithecus entellus</i> , residing in an urban ecosystem. Animal Behaviour 210, 409–418. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.anbehav.2024.01.017	NA	2.3	Elsevier	1095-8282
8	Raj, U., Banerjee, A., Ray, S., Bhattacharya, S., 2024. Structure of higher-order interactions in social-ecological networks through Q-analysis of their neighbourhood and clique complex. PLoS ONE 19, e0306409. https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0306409	NA	NA	PLOS	1932-6203

B: BOOK/S

Faculty Member	Publications with ISBN

C: BOOK CHAPTERS

Faculty Member	Publications
Dr. Sudeep Ghatani	Ghatani, S., Tandon, V. (2024). Amphistomes. In: Toledo, R., Fried, B. (eds) Digenetic Trematodes. <i>Advances in Experimental Medicine and Biology</i> , vol 1454. Springer, Cham.

6. PAPER PRESENTATION AT NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING DURING 2024-25 :

Faculty Member/Research Scholar	Name of Conference/Seminar/Workshop	Place and Date	Invited Speaker/Resource Person/Paper Presenter	Title of Presentation in the published Proceeding, if any
Prof. Bhoj Kumar Acharya	Green Skill Development Program	Dept of Biotechnology IPS Academy, Indore 29 April 2024	Invited Speaker	Sustainable Development
Prof. Bhoj Kumar Acharya	60th Annual Meeting of the Association for the Tropical Biology and Conservation (ATBC 2024)	Kigali Conference and Exhibition Village (KCEV), Kigali, Rwanda 14-18 July 2024	Oral Presentation	Socio-ecological landscapes in the Eastern Himalaya complements protected areas in biodiversity conservation

Prof. Bhoj Kumar Acharya	National Level Lecture Series on 'Recent Developments in Biological Sciences for the Sustainability of Environment'	Alipurduar University, West Bengal 28 March 2025	Invited Speaker	Historical perspectives of Indian birds, and current conservation approaches in the Himalaya; integration of scientific study and citizen science
Prof. Bhoj Kumar Acharya	Eastern Himalayan Biodiversity: Bridging Science, Tradition, and Conservation for a Sustainable Future	Kalimpong College, West Bengal 01 March 2025	Invited Speaker	Biodiversity of the Himalaya & current conservation paradigm
Prof. Bhoj Kumar Acharya	Invited Lecture Series	Manipur University 18 December 2024	Invited Speaker	Biodiversity of the Himalaya: patterns and conservation perspectives
Dr. Bisu Singh	In Fifth Science Conclave-cum-NBRCOM 2024 held	1 st to 3 rd December 2024 Organized by All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), Delhi Special Centre for Molecular Medicine (SCMM), JNU, New Delhi under the Aegis of Society of Young Biomedical Scientists, India.	Paper presentation	Role of gene-environment interaction in the etiopathology of depression: A Study Among Patients in Sikkim, India
Dr. Bisu Singh	49 th Annual Meeting of Indian Society of Human Genetics (ISHG 2025) and international conclave on neurogenetics	Department of Human Genetics, NIMHANS, Bengaluru January 20-22, 2025.		An investigation of stress, 5-HTTLPR polymorphism and cytokine in etiopathology of depression: A study among patients in Sikkim, India.
Dr. Basundhara Chettri	10 th World Congress of Herpetology (WCH)	Borneo Convention Centre Kuching (BCKK), Kuching, Sarawak, Malaysia. 05-09 August 2024	Paper presentation	"Snakes along the elevational gradient in the Eastern Himalaya" in the symposium titled "Progress in scientific knowledge of southeast Asian and Australasian snakes"
Dr. Arnab Banerjee	India Biodiversity Meet (IBM) – 2025	Indian Statistical Institute, Kolkata 26 th March 2025	Invited Speaker	Title of Talk: Keystone Species of Priority Groups: Where should we Focus?

7. RESEARCH PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN DURING 2024-25:

Faculty Member	Project Title	Funding Agency	Project Duration	Total funds received	Number of Project Personnel (Project Fellow/JRF/SRF/RA)
Prof. Bhoj Kumar Acharya	The chemical ecology of high L-DOPA containing plants and their interaction with herbivores	Department Biotechnology, Ministry of Science and Technology, Government of India	54 Months	1,23,23,940/-	2
Prof. Bhoj Kumar Acharya	Multidimensional assessment of ecological dynamics and ecosystem health of selected high-altitude wetlands of Indian Himalayan Region (IHR) for effective conservation and management planning	G.B. Pant National Institute of Himalayan Environment (GBPNIHE) under National Mission on Himalayan Studies (NMHS), Ministry of Environment and Forests, Govt. of India	36 Months	24,56,230/-	4
Dr. Bisu Singh	An investigation of gene-environment interaction with special reference to stress, 5-HTTLPR and epigenetic changes in the pathophysiology of depression among the patients of Sikkim	ANRF	42 months	Rs. 35,13,312	Project Fellow-1
Dr. Sudeep Ghatani	Mining the secretome of neglected food-borne zoonotic trematodes for diagnostic targets	ANRF	36	Rs. 33,38,805/-	Project Associate – 1 (One)

8. SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING PROGRAMMES ORGANISED BY THE DEPARTMENT DURING 2024-25 :

Sl. No.	Programme Title	National or International	Funding Agency	Date	Number only		Name of Coordinator/ Convener
					Resource Persons	Participants	
1	Special Lecture on Chemical Ecology and Discussion on Possible Research Prospects	National	Sikkim University	16.5.2024	Prof.R. Sowdhamini, NCBS Bangalore	60	Prof. Bhoj Kumar Acharya
2	One Day Talk on "Mental Health and Wellness": A key to Happy Life	National	Sikkim University	4.9.2024	Dr. Devendra Kumar (Lucknow) & Devdarshan Bastola (Gangtok)	60	Dr. Bisu Singh

9. PURCHASE/INSTALLATION OF LABORATORY EQUIPMENT DURING 2024-25 (Only for Lab-based Departments, if any):

Sl. No.	Equipment Details	Date of Acquisition	Cost (Rs.)	Funding Agency	Purpose	Approx. Usage (%)
1	Power Shot Camera	24.12.24	Rs 1,21,000.00	Sikkim University	PG practicals & Research Work	85%
2	Incubator	13.12.24	Rs 20,502.00	Sikkim University	PG practicals & Research Work	85%
3	Stereo zoom Microscope	23.12.24	Rs 69,990.00	Sikkim University	PG practicals & Research Work	85%
4	Top Lid Cooler	20.12.24	Rs 28,800.00	Sikkim University	PG practicals & Research Work	85%
5	UV Transilluminator	13.12.24	Rs 42,300.00	Sikkim University	PG practicals & Research Work	85%
6	Electrophoresis	23.12.24	Rs 47,672.00	Sikkim University	PG practicals & Research Work	85%
7	Mixer & Grinder	20.12.24	Rs 3,700.00	Sikkim University	PG practicals & Research Work	85%
8	Freezer	31.12.24	Rs 90,403.00	Sikkim University	PG practicals & Research Work	85%
9	-20 Freezer	5.1.25	Rs 1,26,260.00	Sikkim University	PG practicals & Research Work	85%
10	Stereo zoom Microscope	27.12.24	Rs 1,20,360.00	Sikkim University	PG practicals & Research Work	85%
11	Binocular	31.12.24	Rs 57,760.00	Sikkim University	PG practicals & Research Work	85%
12	Electrophoresis	27.12.24	Rs 31,860.00	Sikkim University	PG practicals & Research Work	85%

13	C-DIGIT BLOT SCANNER MAKE : LICOR	8.8.24	Rs 7,98,978.00	DST-SERB (Dr. S.Ghatani Project)	Research Work	60%
14	Sherman Trap	4.9.24	Rs 78,175.00	NMHS (Prof. B.K.Acharya Project)	Research Work	95%
15	Song Micro Meter	4.9.24	Rs 101952.00	NMHS (Prof. B.K.Acharya Project)	Research Work	95%
16	Camera Trap	4.9.24	Rs 3,83,500.00	NMHS (Prof. B.K.Acharya Project)	Research Work	95%
17	Camera Lens	4.9.24	Rs 48,670.00	NMHS (Prof. B.K.Acharya Project)	Research Work	95%
18	Camera	4.9.24	Rs 83,000.00	NMHS (Prof. B.K.Acharya Project)	Research Work	95%

10. MPhil AWARDS (if any) DURING 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award

11. Ph.D. AWARDS DURING 2024-25 :

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award
1	Ms. Tanushree Das	Effect of excessive zinc supplementation on gene expression of antioxidant enzymes and leptin receptor in wistar rats	Dr. Sudeep Ghatani/ Dr. K. Birla Singh	8 th April, 2024	9 th July, 2024
2	Miss. Ananta Rai	Ecology, Distribution, and Phylogeny of <i>Takydromus sikkimensis</i> (Gunther, 1888) (Squamata: Lacertidae) in Northeast India	Dr. Basundhara Chettri	17 th November, 2023	29 th July, 2024
3	Mr. Dependra Chamlagai	"Study of Human Leukocyte Antigen gene complex and ABO system among the Indo-Aryan Kami population"	Dr. Bisu Singh	15th May, 2024	09th September, 2024

12a. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF FACULTY MEMBER (*Permanent only*) 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)
	Prof. Bhöj Kumar Acharya	Selected as Member of National Academy of Sciences (NASI)

12b. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF STUDENTS IN 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)
1	Neera Rawat	DST-INSPIRE 2024 (1/04/2024)

13. STUDENTS QUALIFYING IN UGC-NET/UGC-JRF/ICSSR/CSIR/ CAR-NET/SLET/GATE/CAT/UPSC/IAS/IPS etc DURING 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name of Student	Gender	Fellowship/Award/Service
1	NAYANIKA BORAH	FEMALE	CSIR-JRF
2	DEJI DAS	FEMALE	CSIR-JRF
3	DARSHANA THAPA	FEMALE	GATE-LIFE SCIENCES
4	PARAKHMONI CHUTIA	FEMALE	GATE-LIFE SCIENCES
5	PRIMILA NEOPANEY	FEMALE	GATE-LIFE SCIENCES

14. CONSULTANCIES OFFERED BY DEPARTMENT DURING 2024-25, if any:

Consultancy Project/ Programme/Service	Organisation seeking Consultancy	Project/Programme Dates & Duration	Consultancy Funding/Service Fee Received

15. STUDENT PLACEMENTS DURING 2024-25:

Name of Student	Semester	Organisation where placement is made	Place (City and Country)
Mandira Gurung	PG 2023 Passed out	Government of Sikkim	Gangtok, Sikkim
Khina Maya Dahal	PG 2023 Passed out	SMIT, Majhitar	Majhitar, Sikkim
Himangshu Kalita	PG 2024 Passed out	Guest Faculty, DR College	Golaghat, Assam
Harshita Neog	PG 2024 Passed out	India Post	Dibrugarh, Assam

16. Our Alumni Activities (if any)

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17. Student and Alumni in the spotlight (if any)

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18. Outreach programme and Engaging Communities (if any) by Department/Centre/University

19. Welfare Activities and Philanthropy (if any) by Department/Centre/University

(v) SCHOOL OF PHYSICAL SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY

Name of the Head/In-charge: DR. AKHILESH KUMAR GUPTA

1. Introduction: Not Available
2. Thrust Area: Not Available
3. Number of students enrolled during 2024-25: Fourteen

Name of Teaching Course	Semester				Total Students	
	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Girls	Boys
UG (if any)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
PG	13		18		13	18
MPhil (if any)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
PhD	1		4		1	4
Post-doc/Research Associate (if any)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
UGC/CSIR/ICAR-NET-JRF	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA

4. FACULTY PROFILE:

Sl.	Name	Degree (MA/MSc/M.Com MPhil;PhD/Post-doc)	Designation	Date of Joining (Regular)	Publications (number only) and H-index of Google Scholar still date (if any)	Supervisor of MPhil/Ph.D. Ph D. Students (number only)	Extra-mural Research Projects (number only)
REGULAR FACULTY MEMBERS							
1.	Prof. Sanjay Dahal	PhD and Post-doc	Professor	29.10.2020	31;9	3	2
2.	Dr. Akhilesh Gupta	PhD and Post-doc	Associate Professor	27.07.2021	30;9	MPhil-4 PhD-2	0
3.	Somendra Nath Chakraborty	PhD and Post-doc	Assistant Professor	02.04.2012	19;8	3	0
4.	Dr. Sudarsan Tamang	PhD & Post-Doc	Assistant Professor	07-03-2012	Publications: 26 Index: 15	MPhil-2 PhD-3	3
5.	Dr. Biswajit Gopal Roy	PhD and Post-doc	Assistant Professor	23.04.2014	35;15	MPhil - 7 PhD-7	4
6.	Dr. AnandPariyar	PhD & Post-Doc	Assistant Professor	22-08-2017	Publications:32 Index: 18	MPhil-2 PhD-3	3

VISITING PROFESSOR							
1			NA			NA	NA
GUEST FACULTY							
1	Ms. Sangmu Tshering Bhutia	M.Sc	Guest Faculty	NA	NA	NA	NA
SUPPORT STAFF							
	Name	Qualification	Designation	Date of joining (regular)	Not Applicable		
1	Mr. Binod Chettri	B.Sc, MA(Sociology)	Laboratory Assistant	15.05.2012	NA	NA	NA

5. DETAILS OF PUBLICATIONS (from 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025)

A: RESEARCH PAPERS IN JOURNAL

Sl. No.	Publication list	UGC-CARE List Journal Number	Impact Factor, if any	Publisher	ISSN
1.	Akhilesh Kumar Gupta, Heterocyclic Schiff Base and their Metal Complexes: A Review on Antibacterial and Antifungal Activities, <i>Research Journal of Chemistry and Environment</i> , Vol. 29 (3), March (2025), 133-147.	Scopus indexed	Cite Score = 0.5	World Researchers Associations	0972-0626
2	Bordoloi P., Protim Hazarika, M., Tripathi, A., & Nath Chakraborty, S. (2024). Plasticity and strength of an equiatomic and a non-equiatomic HfNbTaTiZr high entropy alloy during uniaxial loading: A molecular dynamics simulations study, <i>Materials Research Express</i> , 11(9). doi:10.1088/2053-1591/ad7920		1.9	Institute of Physics	2053-1591
3	Protim Hazarika M, Bordoloi P, Tripathi, A., & Nath Chakraborty, S. (2024). Understanding crystallization and amorphization in liquid Ti cooled at different rates: A molecular dynamics simulation study, <i>The Journal of Chemical Physics</i> , 161(23) https://doi.org/10.1063/5.0241054		3.6	American Institute of Physics	0021-9606
4	S. Chettri, D. Sharma, S. Rasaily, B. Gurung, S. Bose, R. Dewan, S. Tamang, and A. Pariyat. Structure-Activity Relationship in CuN4-Catalyzed Reactions: The Exposition of Electronic and Steric Effects on Catalytic Reactivity. <i>ChemCatChem</i> 2025, 17, e202402108.(1-16)	N/A	5.497	2025 Wiley-VCH GmbH	1867-3880 (print); 1867-3899 (online)
5	S. Rasaily, S. Chettri, D. Sharma, K. Baruah, R. Dewan, S. Tamang, and A. Pariyat MOF-Derived Ni/NiO-C Nanocomposites as Bifunctional Electrocatalysts Capable of Driving Both ORR and OER. <i>Inorganic Chemistry</i> , 2024 63, 17846-17855.	N/A	5.436	American Chemical Society	0020-1669 (print); 1520-510X (web)

6	A Direct Visible-Light Mediated Coupling Of Azaarenes with Diversely Functionalized Alkyl Carbons via Organophotocatalytic Sp ³ C—H Bond Activation, J. Basumatary, K. P. Phukan, S. Bhuyan and B. G. Roy, Eur. J. Org. Chem. 2024, 27, doi.org/10.1002/ejoc.202400819	4.30	Wiley	
7	A Versatile Approach to -Fluoroketones from Diversely Substituted Olefins: Step towards Greener Fluoropharmaceuticals, K. Chhetri, S. Bhuyan, K. P. Phukan, and B. G. Roy. Sustain. Chem. Pharm. 2024, 41, 101687. doi:10.1016/j.scp.2024.101687	5.50	Elsevier	
8	Metal-Free Visible-Light Catalytic Deoxygenation of Azaaryl N-Oxides: Harnessing Photons for Efficient Greener Synthesis S. Mandai, K. P. Phukan, J. Basumatary, and B. G. Roy. Chemistry: An Asian Journal, 2024, 19, doi.org/10.1002/asia.202400147	4.10	Wiley	

B: BOOK/S

Faculty Member	Publications with ISBN

C: BOOK CHAPTER/S

Faculty Member	Publications:

6. PAPER PRESENTATION AT NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING DURING 2024-25

Faculty Member/Research Scholar	Name of Conference/Seminar/Workshop	Place and Date	Invited Speaker/Resource Person	Title of Presentation in the published Proceeding, if any
Dr. Akhilesh Kumar Gupta	National Conference	Maharaja Agrasen University, Baddi, HP, 9 and 10 May, 2024.	Invited Speaker,	COMPLEXES OF COBALT(II), NICKEL(II), COPPER(II), MANGANESE(II), IRON(II) AND ZINC(II) WITH SCHIFF-BASES DERIVED FROM SALICYLALDEHYDE AND ACETYLACETONE.
Dr. Anand Pariyar	Chemistry for Sustainability: 2024	University of North Bengal, Siliguri, West Bengal, August 2024	Invited Speaker	<i>Structure Activity Relationship in Catalysis: A Model Study</i>

Dr. Biswajit Gopal Roy	ICRAGCDD-2024	Akal University 4 th -6 th September, 2024	Invited Speaker	
Dr. Biswajit Gopal Roy	One-day Seminar on Current Trend in Chemistry-2025	March 6, 2025	Invited Speaker	
Dr. Sudarsan Tamang	Chemistry for Sustainability: 2024	University of North Bengal, Siliguri, West Bengal, 13-14, August 2024	Invited Speaker	Defect-Tolerant Metal Halide Perovskite and Their Application in Visible Light Photo-Redox Catalysis
Dr. Sudarsan Tamang	HyPe-24, Perovskite India	NISER Bhubaneswar 19-22, December 2024	Invited Speaker	Surface-chemistry of Metal Halide Perovskite Quantum Dots for enhanced Stability and Photocatalytic Efficiency

7. RESEARCH PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN DURING 2024-25:

Faculty Member	Project Title	Funding Agency	Project Duration	Total funds received	Number of Project Personnel (Project Fellow/JRF/SRF/RA)
Dr. Anand Pariyar	MOF-Based Electroactive Materials as Catalyst for Energy Solutions (ANRF/IRG.2024/001195/CS)	ANRF, Govt. of India	3 years	Rs. 65,53,446/-	01
Dr. Biswajit Gopal Roy	Development of Novel Anticancer and Antiviral Therapeutic Lead(s) Through Carbohydrate Based Stereoselective Synthesis of Structurally Diverse Nucleosides analogues and their Bioactivity Assay	SERB	28.03.2024 to 27.03.2027	54 Lakhs	01

8. SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING PROGRAMMES ORGANISED BY THE DEPARTMENT DURING 2024-25

Sl. No.	Programme Title	National or International	Funding Agency	Date	Number only		Name of Coordinator/Convener
					Resource Persons	Participants	
1	"One day seminar on Current Trends in Chemistry"	National	Sikkim University	6th March, 2025	05	70	Dr. Akhilesh Kumar Gupta
2	One Day Seminar on Current Trends in Chemistry	National	Sikkim University	06 th March 2025	05	70	Dr. Anand Pariyar

9. PURCHASE/INSTALLATION OF LABORATORY EQUIPMENT DURING 2024-25 (*Only for Lab-based Departments, if any*):

Sl. No.	Equipment Details	Date of Acquisition	Cost (Rs.)	Funding Agency		Purpose	Approx. Usage (%)
1.	UV-VIS SPECTROPHOTOMETER	13.03.2025	648000.00			Teaching and Research	10% during 2024-25
2.	High vacuum Edwards pump model RV5-E2M28	11-02-2025	268800.00	DST	SERB	For freeze dryer	85% during 2024-2025
3.	WORKSTATION	25-03-2025	277000.00	DST	SERB	Computation calculations	80% during 2024-2025

10. MPhil AWARDS DURING 2024-25

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award

11. Ph.D. AWARDS DURING 2024-25(*only successfully awarded*):

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award
1	Mr. Sudarsan Karki	Molecular Simulation Study of Hydrogen Storage in Porous Materials	Dr. Somendra Nath Chakraborty	15/09/23	24/06/24

12a. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF FACULTY MEMBER 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)
1.	Dr. Biswajit Gopal Roy	Best Publication Award -2024 by Sikkim University

12b. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF STUDENTS IN 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)

13. STUDENTS QUALIFYING IN UGC-NET/UGC-JRF/ICSSR/CSIR/ICAR-NET/SLET/GATE/CAT/UPSC/IAS/IPS etc. DURING 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name of Student	Gender	Fellowship/Award/Service
1.	Kimron Protim Phukan	M	CSIR-NET
2.	Samiran Bordolai	M	CSIR-NET
3.	Doulat Lahon	M	CSIR-NET
4.	Archana Sharma	F	CSIR-JRF
5.	Shikhamoni Borah	F	SLET

14. CONSULTANCIES OFFERED BY DEPARTMENT DURING 2024-25, if any:

Consultancy Project/ Programme/Service	Organisation seeking Consultancy	Project/Programme Dates & Duration	Consultancy Funding/Service Fee Received

15. STUDENT PLACEMENTS DURING 2024-25:

Name of Student	Semester	Organisation where placement is made	Place (City and Country)
Samudra Kashyap	-	Central Bank of India	Assam
Bishal Dutta	-	ADRE	Assam
Priyanka Bagdas	-	SPSC	Sikkim

16. Our Alumni Activities (if any)

17. Student and Alumni in the spotlight (if any)

18. Outreach programme and Engaging Communities (if any) by Department/Centre/University

19. Welfare Activities and Philanthropy (if any) by Department/Centre/University

DEPARTMENT OF COMPUTER APPLICATIONS

Name of the Head/In-charge: Prof. Ratika Pradhan

1. Introduction

The Department of Computer Applications currently offers two courses Master of Computer Application and Doctor of Philosophy in Computer Applications. The curriculum of these two courses has been revised to meet the expectations of the New Education Policy 2020. There are Seven regular faculty members in the department including Two Professor, one Associate Professor and four Assistant Professors. The department also engages adjunct faculty members to meet the curriculum needs. The faculty members actively participate in academics, research and administrative commitments for the holistic growth and prosperity of the university.

2. Thrust Area

Data Science, Machine Learning, Digital Image Processing, Deep Learning, Computational Biology, Optimization Techniques, Remote Sensing and GIS, Artificial Intelligence, Data Mining, Cryptography & Network Security, Cloud Computing, Internet of Things, and Operation Research.

3. Number of students enrolled during 2024-25:

Name of Teaching Course	Semester				Total Students	
	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Girls	Boys
UG (if any)	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
PG	N.A.	19	N.A.	5	N.A.	23
MPhil (if any)	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
PhD	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	5	8
Post-doc/Research Associate (if any)	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
UGC/CSIR/CAR-NET-JRF	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.

4. FACULTY PROFILE:

Sl.	Name	Degree (MA/MSc/M. Com MPhil/PhD/Post- doc)	Designation	Date of Joining (Regular)	Publications (number only) and H-index of Google Scholar still date (if any)	Supervisor of Ph.D. Students (number only)	Extra-mural Research Projects (number only)
REGULAR FACULTY MEMBERS							
1	Swarup Roy	PhD	Professor	05-10-2017	96, h-index: 17	4	1
2	Ratika Pradhan	PhD	Professor	03-07-2023	62, h-index: 14	8	0
3.	Mohan P. Pradhan	PhD	Associate Professor	07-12-2015	44, h-index: 8	6	0
4.	Chunnu Khawas	MTech	Assistant Professor	27-02-2012	5, h-index: 2	0	0
5.	Rebika Rai	PhD	Assistant Professor	03-07-2012	31, h-index: 11	2	0
6.	Mr. Partha Pratim Ray	MTech	Assistant Professor	20-07-2012	176, h-index: 39	0	0
7.	Ms. Lekhika Chettri	MTech	Assistant Professor	12-05-2014	11, h-index: 5	0	0
VISITING PROFESSOR							
1		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
GUEST FACULTY							
1		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
2		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
SUPPORT STAFF							
	Name	Qualification	Designation	Date of joining (regular)	Not Applicable		
1	Keshav Bishunkey	MCA	Laboratory Assistant	15-07-2012	NA	NA	NA

5. DETAILS OF PUBLICATIONS (from 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025)

A: RESEARCH PAPERS IN JOURNAL

Sl. No.	Publication list	UGC-CARE List Journal Number	Impact Factor, if any	Publisher	ISSN
1.	Softya Sebastian, Roy Swarup , and Jugal Kalita, Network-Based Analysis of Alzheimer's Disease Genes Using Integrated Multi-Omics and Graph Diffusion Methods, <i>Journal of Biomedical Informatics</i> , 164, 2025	SCIE	4	Elsevier	1532-0480
2.	Reddy, Dasari Anantha, Roy Swarup , Sanjay Kumar, Rakesh Tripathi, and Neel Prabha, PVEMLPTS: design of an efficient psoriasis and vitiligo detection model through enhanced machine learning and personalized treatment strategies, <i>International Journal of Information Technology</i>	SCOPUS	—	Springer	2511-2104
3.	Gautam, N., Borah, S., Pradhan, R. , & Sharma, K. (2024). Harmony and discord: Unravelling spatial distribution and seasonal dynamics of human-bear (<i>Ursus thibetanus</i>) conflict in Fambonglho wildlife sanctuary, Sikkim Himalaya. <i>Indian Journal of Animal Research</i> , 58(8), 1402-1409.	SCIE	0.4	ARCC Journals	0367-6722
4.	Pradhan, G., Thapa, G., Pradhan, R. , Khandelwal, B., Panigrahi, R., Bhol, A. K., & Barsocchi, P. (2024). Optimized Forest Framework with A Binary Multineighborhood Artificial Bee Colony for Enhanced Diabetes Mellitus Detection. <i>International Journal of Computational Intelligence Systems</i> , 17(1), 194.	SCIE	2.5	Springer	1875-6883
5.	Sasmal, B., Das, A., Dhal, K. G., Saha, R., Rai, R. , Bharasa, T., & Houssein, E. H. (2025). Artificial hummingbird algorithm: Theory, variants, analysis, applications, and performance evaluation. <i>Computer Science Review</i> , 56, 100727.	SCI	13.3	Elsevier	1574-0137 1876-7745
6.	Chettri, L., & Rai, R. (2024). A Perspective Review: State-of-the-Art on m-Health Services. <i>SN Computer Science</i> , 5(5), 480.	Scopus	3.78	Springer	2661-8907
7.	Ray, P. P., "Letter to the Editor regarding 'The Need for Balancing 'Black Box' Systems and Explainable Artificial Intelligence: A Necessary Implementation in Radiology'", <i>European Journal of Radiology Artificial Intelligence</i> , Elsevier, 2025, ISSN: 3050-5771.	-	-	Elsevier	3050-5771
8.	Ray, P. P., "Letter to the editor: Comparing letters written by humans and ChatGPT: A preliminary study", <i>International Journal of Gynecology & Obstetrics</i> , Wiley, 2025, ISSN: 0020-7292.	SCI	2.6	Wiley	0020-7292
9.	Ray, P. P., "Prompting Large Language Models for Inner Gains in Radiology Studies", <i>Clinical Imaging</i> , Elsevier, 2025, ISSN: 1873-4499.	SCI	1.8	Elsevier	1873-4499

10.	Ray, P. P., "Stepping with Caution: Large Language Models for Consulting Infectious Diseases". <i>Clinical Infectious Diseases</i> , Oxford University Press, 2024, ISSN: 1537-6591.	SCI	8.2	Oxford University Press	1537-6591
11.	Ray, P. P., "Large language models in laparoscopic surgery: A transformative opportunity", <i>Clinical Neuroradiology</i> , Springer, 2024, ISSN: 1869-1447.	SCI	2.4	Clinical Neuroradiology	1869-1447
12.	Ray, P. P., "Large language models in laparoscopic surgery: A transformative opportunity", <i>Laparoscopic, Endoscopic and Robotic Surgery</i> , Elsevier, 2024, ISSN: 1878-4046.	Scopus	1.4	Elsevier	1878-4046
13.	Ray, P. P., "Upgrading Academic Radiology with Open-Source Large Language Models", <i>Anatomical Academic Radiology</i> , Association of American Radiology, 2024, ISSN: 1878-4046.	SCI	4.8	Association of American Radiology	1878-4046
14.	Ray, P. P., "Open-Source Large Language Models in Medical Education: Balancing Promise and Challenges", <i>Anatomical Sciences Education</i> , American Association for Anatomy, 2024, ISSN: 1935-9780.	SCI	7.3	American Association for Anatomy	1935-9780
15.	Ray, P. P., "ChatGPT Enigma: Navigating the Jumble of Surgical Generative AI", <i>Indian Journal of Surgery</i> , Springer, 2024, ISSN: 0973-9793.	SCI	0.4	Springer	0973-9793
16.	Ray, P. P., "A Deep Introspection into the Role of ChatGPT for Transforming Hospitality, Leisure, Sport, and Tourism Education", <i>Journal of Hospitality, Leisure, Sport & Tourism Education</i> , Elsevier, 2024, ISSN: 1473-8376.	SCI	3.7	Elsevier	1473-8376
17.	Ray, P. P., "Opening Doors for Open-Source Large Language Models for Radiology Education", <i>Radiologia Brasileira</i> , SciELO, 2024, ISSN: 0100-3984.	Scopus	3.0	SciELO	0100-3984
18.	Ray, P. P., "Generative AI: A Transformative Force in Advancing Research and Care in Metabolic Dysfunction-Associated Fatty Liver Disease", <i>Liver Research</i> , Elsevier, 2024, ISSN: 2542-5684.	Scopus	5.9	Elsevier	2542-5684
19.	Ray, P. P., "Artificial General Intelligence for Neurosurgery and Medicine", <i>Journal of Clinical Neuroscience</i> , Elsevier, 2024, ISSN: 1532-2653.	SCI	2	Elsevier	1532-2653
20.	Ray, P. P., "Letter to the Editor Regarding Depending on Tailor Made Medical Large Language Models for Clinical Setting", <i>World Neurosurgery</i> , Elsevier, 2024, ISSN: 1878-8769.	SCI	2	Elsevier	1878-8769
21.	Ray, P. P., "Embracing the AI Revolution with Open Large Language Models in Anatomy Education", <i>Surgical and Radiologic Anatomy</i> , Springer, 2024, ISSN: 1279-8517.	SCI	1.4	Springer	1279-8517
22.	Ray, P. P., "Letter to Editor Regarding 'Application of the convolution neural network in determining the depth of invasion of gastrointestinal cancer: a systematic review and meta-analysis'", <i>Journal of Gastrointestinal Surgery</i> , Springer, 2024, ISSN: 1873-4626.	SCI	3.2		1873-4626

23.	Ray, P. P., "Addressing Technical Considerations for Implementing Language Models in Postcolonoscopy Patient Management", <i>Gastrointestinal Endoscopy</i> , Elsevier, 2024, ISSN: 1097-6779.	SCI	7.7	Elsevier	1097-6779
24.	Ray, P. P., "Timely Need for Navigating the Potential and Downsides of LLMs in Healthcare and Biomedicine", <i>Briefings in Bioinformatics</i> , Oxford University Press, 2024, ISSN: 1477-4054.	SCI	9.5	Oxford University Press	1477-4054
25.	Ray, P. P., "Integrating AI in Radiology: Insights from GPT-Generated Reports and Multimodal LLM Performance on European Board of Radiology Examinations", <i>Japanese Journal of Radiology</i> , Springer, 2024, ISSN: 1867-108X.	SCI	2.3	Springer	1867-108X
26.	Ray, P. P., "Generative AI in Psychiatry: A Potential Companion in the Current Therapeutic Era!", <i>Asian Journal of Psychiatry</i> , Elsevier, 2024, ISSN: 1876-2026.	SCI	9.5	Elsevier	1876-2026
27.	Ray, P. P., "Generative AI and its Impact on Sugarcane Industry: An Insight into Modern Agricultural Practices", <i>Sugar Tech</i> , Springer, 2024, ISSN: 0974-0740.	Scopus	1.9	Springer	0974-0740
28.	Ray, P. P., Majumder, P., "Re Comment on "The Potential of ChatGPT to Transform Healthcare and Address Ethical Challenges in Artificial Intelligence-Driven Medicine": Author Response", <i>Journal of Clinical Neurology</i> , Korean Neurological Association, ISSN: 1738-6586.	SCI	3.701	Korean Neurological Association	1738-6586
29.	Ray, P. P., "RE: Dr. GAI: Significance of generative AI in plastic surgery", <i>Aesthetic Plastic Surgery</i> , Springer, 2023, ISSN: 1432-5241.	SCI	2.4	Springer	1432-5241
30.	Ray, P. P., "How True is the Role of Large Language Models in Nursing?", <i>European Journal of Cardiovascular Nursing</i> , Oxford Academic, 2023, ISSN: 1873-1953. (Invited)	SCI	2.9	Oxford Academic	1873-1953

B: BOOK/S

Faculty Member	Publications with ISBN
Partha Pratim Ray	Ray, P. P. (2024). <i>A Guide to Indian Knowledge Systems</i> , Rajmangal Publishers, ISBN: 8197782296.

C: BOOK CHAPTER/S

Faculty Member	Publications
Swarup Roy	B Teji, S Roy, P H Guzzi, and D Bhandari, Application of Generative Graph Models in Biological Network Regeneration: A Selective Review and Qualitative Analysis", In Proc. <i>IEEE Int'l Conf on Bioinformatics and Biomedicine (IEEE BIBM 2024)</i> , IEEE, pp., Portugal, 2024.
Ratika Pradhan	Computational models for corridor design for Asiatic black bear in Fambonglho Wildlife Sanctuary, Sikkim—a study. In <i>Advances in Electronics, Computer, Physical and Chemical Sciences</i> (pp. 196-201), CRC Press.
Partha Pratim Ray	Ray, P. P (2025). <i>AI-Enabled IoT for Smart Cancer Care: Plausible Use Cases, Key Challenges and Future Road Map</i> , In: Tuan Anh Nguyen (eds) <i>Blockchain and Digital Twins for the Internet of Medical Things in Smart Hospitals</i> , Elsevier, ISBN: 9780443303005. https://doi.org/10.1016/B978-0-443-34226-4.00020-4
Partha Pratim Ray	Ray, P. P (2024). <i>Federated Learning for intelligent IoT Systems: Background, Frameworks, and Optimization Techniques</i> . In: Pethuru Raj, Amir Masoud Rahmani, Rob Colby, Sunku Ranganath, N. Gayathri, (eds) <i>Model Optimization methods for Efficient and Edge AI: Federated Learning Architectures, Frameworks and Applications</i> . IEEE Wiley, ISBN: 9780443248320. https://doi.org/10.1002/9781394219230.ch13
Partha Pratim Ray	Ray, P. P (2025). <i>An Introduction to Necrobotics: Concept, Architecture, Use Cases, Challenges, Future Directions</i> , In: Hemachanda K, Raul V. Rodriguez, Murugappan M, Sivaramakrishnan Rajaraman, Rajesh Kumar KV(eds) <i>Necrobotics for Healthcare Applications and Management</i> , Elsevier, ISBN: 9780443248320. (Accepted)

6. PAPER PRESENTATION AT NATIONAL /INTERNATIONAL SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING DURING 2024-25

Faculty Member/Research Scholar	Name of Conference/ Seminar/Workshop	Place and Date	Invited Speaker/ Resource Person/Paper Presenter	Title of Presentation in the published Proceeding, if any
Ratika Pradhan	5 th International Conference on Agriculture, Food Security and Safety (AgroFood)	Colombo, Sri Lanka 21st – 22nd August 2024	-	Bear Conservation and Agricultural Sustainability: A Strategy of Strategic Fruit Planting.
Chunnu Khawas	3 rd International Conference on Intelligent Systems, Advanced Computing and Communication, IEEE Conference (ISACC 2025)	Assam University, Silchar 27 th – 28 th February 2025	Paper Presenter	Landsat8-9 Satellite Image Classification with ERDAS for Mapping the Urban Spaces of East Sikkim.
Chunnu Khawas	International Conference on Innovations in Science and Technology: A Perspective of Viksit Bharat @ 2047	Deen Dayal Upadhyaya College, University of Delhi, New Delhi on 19 th - 20 th March 2025	Paper Presenter	A study on temporal changes in LULC using an integrated classification approach. Case study: East District of Sikkim, India.
Rebika Rai	Trajectories Conference 2025	Mexico, March 19-21 st 2025	-	Mango Leaf Disease Classification using Deep Learning: A comprehensive survey

Partha Pratim Ray	Internet of Things (IoT) and Data Analytics (AICTA-2024)	National Institute of Technology (NIT) Raipur, December 15-17, 2024	Paper Presenter	LLMIoT: A Framework for Integration of IoT Devices for Localized Large Language Models.
Partha Pratim Ray	5th International Conference on IoT Based Control Networks and Intelligent Systems (ICICNIS 2024).	T. John Institute of Technology, Bangalore, December 17-18, 2024	Paper Presenter	LLMEdge: A Novel Framework for Localized LLM Inferencing at Resource Constrained Edge

7. RESEARCH PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN DURING 2024-25:

Faculty Member	Project Title	Funding Agency	Project Duration	Total funds received	Number of Project Personnel (Project Fellow/JRF/SRF/RA)
Partha Pratim Ray	IoT-Based Plant Temperature Monitoring Systems	Sikkim University	1 Year	1 Lakh	0

8. SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING PROGRAMMES ORGANISED BY THE DEPARTMENT DURING 2024-25

Sl. No.	Programme Title	National or International	Funding Agency	Date	Number only		Name of Coordinator/Convener
					Resource Persons	Participants	
1	Online Faculty Online Faculty Development Program on LaTeX	National	Participants	24th May to 30 May, 2024	Online (Spoken Tutorial) Course Materials	More than 5	Partha Pratim Ray

9. PURCHASE/INSTALLATION OF LABORATORY EQUIPMENT DURING 2024-25 (Only for Lab-based Departments, if any):

Sl. No.	Equipment Details	Date of Acquisition	Cost (Rs.)	Funding Agency		Purpose	Approx. Usage (%)
1.	Battery for UPS (20 Nos – 65Ah)	31/01/2025	87200.00	SU	-	For UPS supply	100%

10. MPhil AWARDS (if any) DURING 2024-25 :

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award
	NA				

11. Ph.D. AWARDS DURING 2024-25 :

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award
	NA				

12a. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF FACULTY MEMBER (*Permanent only*) 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)
1	Swarup Roy	Elected as Fellow of Institute of Engineers India (FIE)
2	Swarup Roy	Elected as Fellow of Institute of Electronics and Tele Communications Engineers India (FIETE)
3	Partha Pratim Ray	2% scientist by Stanford University Yearly Rank in India: 17 Yearly World Rank: 2278 Career Rank in India: 297 Career World Rank: 54362
4	Partha Pratim Ray	Best Paper Award Recipient in 2nd International Conference on Artificial Intelligence, Computing Technologies, Internet of Things (IoT) and Data Analytics (AICTA-2024) (LNNS Springer) during 15th – 17th November 2024 in National Institute of Technology Raipur.
5	Partha Pratim Ray	Awarded with Publication of Journal in Highest Impact by Sikkim University
6	Partha Pratim Ray	Technical Program Committee Member in 5th IEEE Middle East & North Africa Communications Conference (MENACOMM 2025) from 20-22 February, 2025, Lebanese American University (LAU) in Byblos, Lebanon.
7	Partha Pratim Ray	Technical Program Committee Member in 2nd International Conference on Foundation and Large Language Models (FLLM2024) from 26-29 November, 2024, Dubai, UAE.
8	Partha Pratim Ray	Technical Program Committee Member in The 30th IEEE International Conference on Telecommunications (IEEE ICT) 2024 from 24-27 June, 2024, Deadsea, Jordan.
9	Partha Pratim Ray	Technical Program Committee Member in The IEEE International Conference on Consumer Electronics (IEEE ICCE-TW) 2024 from 9-11 July 2024, Taichung, Taiwan.
10	Partha Pratim Ray	Technical Program Committee Member in The 1st International Conference on Environment and Smart Education (ICENSE) 2024 from 7-8 AUGUST 2024, UNIVERSITAS MUHAMMADIYAH YOGYAKARTA, INDONESIA.
11	Partha Pratim Ray	Invited Track Chair in The 2nd IEEE 43rd International Conference on Consumer Electronics (IEEE ICCE 2025), 11-14 January 2025, Las Vegas, NV, USA.

12b. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF STUDENTS IN 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)
1.	Yogesh Lokhar	Topper 2% NPTEL Online Certification
2.	Tenzin Deckyi Namgyal	Topper 1% NPTEL Online Certification

13. STUDENTS QUALIFYING IN UGC-NET/UGC-JRF/ICSSR/CSIR/CAR-NET/SLET/GATE/CAT/UPSC/IAS/IPS etc. DURING 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name of Student	Gender	Fellowship/Award/Service
1.	Shivam Singh Yadav	Male	UGC-NET
2.	Shuvam Roy	Male	UGC-NET
3.	Doma Tamang	Female	UGC-NET

14. CONSULTANCIES OFFERED BY DEPARTMENT DURING 2024-25, if any:

Consultancy Project/ Programme/Service	Organisation seeking Consultancy	Project/Programme Dates & Duration	Consultancy Funding/Service Fee Received
NA			

15. STUDENT PLACEMENTS DURING 2024-25:

Name of Student	Semester	Organisation where placement is made	Place (City and Country)
Softya Sebastian	PhD Scholar	Assistant Professor, VIT University Chennai Campus, Vandalur- Kelambakkam Road, Chennai - 600 127 Tamil Nadu.	Chennai, Tamil Nadu
Tenzin Deckyi Namgyal	MCA	Software Developer ContextQ Pte Ltd.	Keppel Bay, Singapore
Mausom Jyoti Gogoi	MCA	Faculty Associate, Department of Computer Science, Sibsagar University, Sivasagar, Assam	Sivasagar, Assam

16. Our Alumni Activities (if any)

NA

17. Student and Alumni in the spotlight (if any)

NA

18. Outreach programme and Engaging Communities (if any) by Department/Centre/University

NA

19. Welfare Activities and Philanthropy (if any) by Department/Centre/University

NA

DEPARTMENT OF GEOLOGY

Name of the Head/In-charge: Dr. Rakesh Kumar Ranjan

1. Introduction

Department of Geology at Sikkim University is a premier hub for advanced education and interdisciplinary research in geology and environmental sciences. Nestled in the geologically vibrant Sikkim Himalaya, the department leverages its strategic location to investigate the region's pressing challenges, including climate change impacts, natural hazards, and sustainable resource management. Through its M.Sc. and Ph.D. programs in Geology and Environmental Sciences, the department equips students with a robust theoretical foundation and practical skills to tackle real-world geo-environmental issues.

A cornerstone of its research excellence is the DST-sponsored Centre of Excellence on Water Resources, Cryosphere, and Climate Change, which spearheads innovative studies on Himalayan glaciers, hydrology, and climate adaptation strategies. This center underscores the department's commitment to addressing critical sustainability challenges faced by mountain ecosystems and downstream communities.

Research at the department spans diverse domains, including petrology, geochemistry, geophysics, sedimentology, remote sensing & GIS, glaciology, climate change, disaster risk assessment, and environmental pollution monitoring. The faculty comprises accomplished academics and active researchers who cultivate a dynamic learning environment through interactive lectures, state-of-the-art laboratory training, and immersive fieldwork in the Himalayan terrain.

The Ph.D. program emphasizes ground breaking research on geological processes, water security, climate change, environment pollution, hazard mitigation etc., fostering the next generation of geoscientists and policymakers. By integrating academic rigor with applied research, the department prepares graduates for impactful careers in academia, industry, environmental consultancy, and government agencies. Its holistic approach positions it as a leader in shaping sustainable solutions for the Himalayas and beyond.

2. Thrust Area

Himalayan Geology and Tectonics: In-depth study of the complex geological structures and tectonic processes in the Eastern Himalayas, with a focus on understanding mountain-building mechanisms and seismic activity.

- **Climate Change and Cryosphere:** Research on the impacts of climate change on glaciers, permafrost, and snow cover in the Himalayas, including implications for regional water resources and ecosystem health.
- **Water Resources and Hydrogeology:** Assessment of surface and groundwater resources in the Sikkim Himalaya, focusing on sustainable management and the effects of climate change on water availability.
- **Natural Hazard Assessment:** Study of geological hazards such as landslides, earthquakes, and floods, with the goal of developing risk reduction strategies and enhancing disaster preparedness in the region.
- **Environmental Pollution and Resource Management:** Investigation of pollution sources, environmental degradation, and strategies for sustainable resource management, with an emphasis on mitigating human impact on the fragile Himalayan environment.
- **Remote Sensing and GIS Applications:** Utilization of advanced remote sensing and GIS technologies for geological mapping, natural hazard assessment, and monitoring environmental changes in the Himalayas.
- **Petrology, Geochemistry, and Mineral Resources:** Exploration and analysis of the region's petrology, geochemistry, and mineral resources, contributing to our understanding of the Earth's processes and potential economic deposits.

3. Number of students enrolled during 2024-25:

Name of Teaching Course	Semester				Total Students	
	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Girls	Boys
UG (if any)						
PG	24		15		20	19
MPhil (if any)						
PhD	2				2	
Post-doc/Research Associate (if any)						
UGC/CSIR/ICAR-NET-JRF						

4. FACULTY PROFILE:

Sl.	Name	Degree (MA/MSc/M.Com/MPhil/PhD/Post-doc)	Designation	Date of Joining (Regular)	Publications (number only) and H-index of Google Scholar still date (if any)	Supervisor of Ph.D. Students (number only)	Extra-mural Research Projects (number only)
REGULAR FACULTY MEMBERS							
1	Dr. Rakesh Kumar Ranjan	M.Sc., M.Phil., Ph.D.	Head and Associate Professor	29/03/2012	27,7	05	02
2	Prof. Anil Kumar Misra	MSc., Ph.D.	Professor	29/11/2017	75, 23	2	02
3	Prof. Vikram Gupta	M.Phil., Ph.D., Post Doc., PG Diploma in Disaster Management (CERG) and PG Diploma in Aseismic Design and Construction (CADAC)	Professor	03 Aug 2023	96, 28	01	01
4	Dr. Nishchal Wanjari	Ph.D.	Associate Professor	30/04/2012			
5	Dr. Md. Abdullah Khan	Ph.D.	Assistant Professor	09/04/2012	14, 4	1	
6	Mr. Ananda Ganpati Badekar	Ph.D.	Assistant Professor	15/05/2014			
7	Om Prakash Kaptan	M.Sc.	Assistant Professor	30/11/2015	1, 1		
VISITING PROFESSOR							
1			NA			NA	NA

GUEST FACULTY							
1			NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2			NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
SUPPORT STAFF							
	Name	Qualification	Designation	Date of joining (regular)	Not Applicable		
1	Mr. Bhanu Manger	B.Sc.	Lab. Assistant	11-05-2012	NA	NA	NA
2	Mr. Dinesh Rai	B.Sc	Lab. Assistant	11-05-2012	NA	NA	NA

5. DETAILS OF PUBLICATIONS (from 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025)

A: RESEARCH PAPERS IN JOURNAL

Sl.No.	Publication list	UGC-CARE List Journal Number	Impact Factor, if any	Publisher	ISSN
1.	Shawez, M., Gupta, V. , Gupta, AK., Rawat G (2025) Spatial distribution of landslides in response to the geomorphometric constraints in Darma Valley, Kumaun Himalaya. Journal of Mountain Science, 22(1), 48-70. https://doi.org/10.1007/s11629-024-8983-3		2.3	Springer	Online 1993-0321 Print: 1672-6316
2.	Devi, M., Gupta, V. , and Ram B. (2024). Spatial inter-relationship between Geomorphic indices and Climatic proxies with landslides in the Bhagirathi valley, NW Himalaya, Journal of the Geological Society of India, 100, 11, 1531-1544. https://doi.org/10.17491/jgsi/2024/174013		1.2	Geological Soc. of India	Online 0974-6889 Print: 0016-7622
3.	Devi, M., Gupta, V. , and Sarkar K. (2024) Landslide susceptibility zonation using Integrated Supervised and Unsupervised Machine Learning techniques in the Bhagirathi Eco-Sensitive Zone (BESZ), Uttarakhand Himalaya, India, - Journal of Earth System Sciences, 133, 131. https://doi.org/10.1007/s12040-024-02344-w		1.3	Springer	Online 0973-774X Print: 0253-4126
4.	Kaur, R., Gupta V. , and Choudhury B.S. (2024) Landslide susceptibility mapping and sensitivity analysis using various machine learning models: a case study of Beas valley, Indian Himalaya. Bull of Engineering Geology and Environment, 83:228, https://doi.org/10.1007/s10064-024-03712-y		3.7	Springer	Online 1435-9537 Print: 1435-9529
5.	Jamir, I., Kumar, V., Ojha, A.K., Gupta, V. , Mantha, T.R., Griffiths, D.V. (2024) Evaluating failure regime of an active landslide using instability and rockfall simulation, NW Himalaya "Environmental Earth Sciences", 83:256 https://doi.org/10.1007/s12665-024-11540-2		2.8	Springer	Online 1866-6299 Print: 1866-6280

6.	Kaur, R., Gupta, V. , Malik, K., Chaudhary, B.S. (2024) Geotechnical Characterization and PS-InSAR for risk analysis of Solang landslide in Beas valley, NW Himalaya: a wake-up call. <i>Journal of the Indian Society of Remote Sensing</i> , 52, 1045-1059; https://doi.org/10.1007/s12524-024-01856-8		2.2	Springer	Online 0974-3006 Print: 0255-680X
7.	Yadav S.K, Baruah B, Dutta K, Rai K, Rai A, Rajak R, Gupta A, Misra A K, Wanjari N, Ranjan R K (2025) Exploring the multi-faceted health risks of heavy metals exposure in Sikkim's unique Himalayan ecosystem, India. <i>Environ Monit Assess</i> . 197, 286, https://doi.org/10.1007/s10661-025-13745-9		2.9	Springer Nature	0167-6369 (print); 1573-2959 (web)
8.	Misra AK, Ranjan RK, Wanjari N, Dolui S, Keshare MK, et al. (2025) Geo-electrical characterization and delineation of subsurface fractures to detect in-situ seepage in lake waters. <i>Arabian Journal of Geosciences</i> , 18, 40 https://doi.org/10.1007/s12517-025-12182-9			Springer Nature	Electronic ISSN: 1866-7538. Print ISSN: 1866-7511
9.	Sattar A, Cook KL, Rai SK, Berthier E, Allen S, Rinzin S, Van Wyk de Vries M, Haeblerli W, Kushwaha P, Shugar DH, Emmer A, Haritashya UK, Frey H, Rao P, Gurudín KSK, Rai P, Rajak R, Hossain F, Huggel C, Mergili M, Azam MF, Gascoin S, Carrivick JL, Bell LE, Ranjan RK, Rashid I, Kulkarni AV, Petley D, Schwanghart W, Watson CS, Islam N, Das Gupta M, Lane SN, Bhat SY (2025) The Sikkim flood of October 2023: Drivers, causes, and impacts of a multihazard cascade. <i>Science</i> 387 (6740):eads2659, DOI: 10.1126/science.ads2659		44.7	American Association for the Advancement of Science	1095-9203 (Online)
10.	Gaddam VK, Bhandari S, Ray A, Ele SL, Kulkarni AV, Gullapalli S, Ranjan RK and Björnsson H (2025) Estimates of Glaciers Mass Balance and Volume in Baspa Basin, Indian Himalaya. <i>Journal of the Indian Society of Remote Sensing</i> . 1-29, 53, https://doi.org/10.1007/s12524-024-02107-6		2.2	Springer Nature Link	ISSN: 0974-3006. Print ISSN: 0255-660X
11.	Misra AK, Dutta K, Ranjan RK, Wanjari N and Dhakal S (2024) Determining Dhap Pokhari lake surface dynamics for restoration strategies through geoelectrical mapping. <i>Water Science</i> 38(1) 1-14, https://doi.org/10.1080/23570008.2024.2424132		0.838 (SNIP)	Taylor and Francis Online homepage	
12.	Rajak R, Gupta A, Rai K, Baruah B, Sharma K, Roy A and Ranjan RK (2024) Dynamics of Vulnerable Glacial Lakes in the Sikkim Himalayas Under Changing Climate Scenario. <i>J. Clim. Change</i> 10(4):17-29, https://doi.org/10.3233/JCC240029		0.7	Sage Journals	ISSN 2395-7697 (E)
13.	Gaddam VK, ELE SL, Kulkarni AV, Ranjan R , Bhandari S, Gullapalli S, Björnsson H and Kumar Kusuma S (2024) Mass Balance Assessment Using the "AARTI" Approach in the Baspa Basin, Indian Himalayas. <i>Remote Sens. Earth Syst. Sci.</i> 7(3):236-259, https://doi.org/10.1007/s41976-024-00133-z			Springer Nature Link	Electronic ISSN: 2520-8209. Print ISSN: 2520-8195

14.	Srivastava T, Wanjari N (2024) Copper and its isotopes: a brief overview of its implications in geology, environmental system, and human health, <i>Isotopes in Environmental and Health Studies</i> , 60:6, 642-667; DOI: 10.1080/10256016.2024.2410290		0.470 (2023) SNIP	Taylor & Francis Group	Print ISSN: 1025-6016 Online ISSN: 1477-2639
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B: BOOK/S

Faculty Member	Publications with ISBN

C: BOOK CHAPTER/S

Faculty Member	Publications

6. PAPER PRESENTATION AT NATIONAL /INTERNATIONAL SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING DURING 2024-25 :

Faculty Member/Research Scholar	Name of Conference/ Seminar/Workshop	Place and Date	Invited Speaker/ Resource Person/Paper Presenter	Title of Presentation in the published Proceeding, if any
Om Prakash Kaptan	National Conference on 'Recent Advancements in Earth Sciences' (GIC 2024)	Kolkata, 12/11/2024	Presenter	Kaptan, O.P. (2024, Nov). <i>Arsenic contamination in the groundwater: A case study from the Ballia district, India</i> . Paper presented at the National Conference on 'Recent Advancements in Earth Sciences', Presidency University, Kolkata.
Aparna Gupta	American Geophysical Union 2024	Washington D.C., USA; 09-12-2024 to 13-12-2024	Poster presentation	Gupta et.al., (2024). Assessment of black carbon aerosols in a high-altitude region in Sikkim Himalaya and associated radiative forcing.

7. RESEARCH PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN DURING 2024-25:

Faculty Member	Project Title	Funding Agency	Project Duration	Total funds received	Number of Project Personnel (Project Fellow/JRF/SRF/RA)
Vikram Gupta	Dynamic Risk for cascading Himalayan Hazards	MoES	(2024-28) Four year	29,93,540 (Sanctioned)	01
Rakesh Kumar Ranjan	Mass Size distribution and chemical characteristics of ambient aerosols over Sikkim Himalayas and its impact on the Cryosphere	ANRF	Three Years (2024-27)	67,23,460.00 (Sanctioned)	01
Anil Kumar Misra (PI) and Vikram Gupta (Co-PI)	Assessment of Selected Endangered Lakes and Formulation of Evidence-based Rejuvenation Plans in the South and West Districts of Sikkim	NMHS	Three years (2025-2028)	23,504,160.00 (2.35 Crores) Sanctioned	02

8. SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING PROGRAMMES ORGANISED BY THE DEPARTMENT DURING 2024-25 :

Sl. No.	Programme Title	National or International	Funding Agency	Date	Number only:		Name of Coordinator/Convener
					Resource Persons	Participants	
1	Advanced Capacity Building Program on Water Resource Management, Glacier Monitoring & Climate Change Studies	National	DST	6-25 Feb 2025	9	18	Prof. Anil Kumar Misra, Dr. Rakesh K. Ranjan Dr. Nishchal Wanjari
2	National Conference on "Himalayan Resilience: Cryosphere, Climate Change, and Disaster Risk Reduction"	National	MoES, ANRF, SU	26-27 Feb 2025	06	150	Dr. Rakesh Kumar Ranjan, Prof. Anil Kumar Misra,

9. PURCHASE/INSTALLATION OF LABORATORY EQUIPMENT DURING 2024-25

Sl. No.	Equipment Details	Date of Acquisition	Cost (Rs.)	Funding Agency	Purpose	Approx. Usage (%)
1	Eutech Water Quality Meter/Analyser	19/08/2024	₹ 16,825.42	Sikkim University	Research Purpose	90% during 2024-25
2	Flame Photometer	12/09/2024	₹ 1,59,872.88	Sikkim University	Research Purpose	90% during 2024-25
3	Keldahl Digestion Cum Distillation Assembly Unit	13/09/2024	₹ 10,169.49	Sikkim University	Research Purpose	90% during 2024-25

4	Sound Level Meter	13/09/2024	₹ 1,35,593.00	Sikkim University	Research Purpose	90% during 2024-25
5	Fluoride Tracer Pocketester	24/09/2024	₹ 60,000.00	Sikkim University	Research Purpose	90% during 2024-25
6	Aerospace LCD Display Calipers 0-150 mm	04/11/2024	₹ 6,855.00	Sikkim University	Research Purpose	90% during 2024-25
7	Fluoride Meter	08/01/2025	₹ 41772.00	Sikkim University	Research Purpose	90% during 2024-25
8	Environmental Dust Monitor	16/11/2025	₹ 28,48,196.00	ANRF	Research Purpose	100%

10. MPhil AWARDS (if any) DURING 2024-25 :

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award

11. Ph.D. AWARDS DURING 2024-25 :

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award
1	PAOLENMANG HOOKIP	Hydro-chemical Characterization of Lower and Middle Teesta Basin, Sikkim Himalaya	Dr. Md. Abdullah Khan	7/11/2023	3/10/2024
2	DIPIKA DUTTA	Evaluation, Delineation and Remediation of Bank Erosion of Majuli Island, Assam, India.	Prof. Anil Kumar Misra	20/03/2024	1/10/2024
3	KULDEEP DUTTA	Deterministic Landslide Hazard Analyses and Rainfall Threshold Determination in parts of East Sikkim, India.	Dr. Nishchal Wanjari & Prof. Anil Kumar Misra	12/07/2024	20/11/2024
4	PRIYANKA KUMARI	Qualitative Assessment, Depiction and Remediation of Groundwater Problems in Munger District, Bihar, India.	Prof. Anil Kumar Misra	12/07/2024	05/02/2025

12a. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF FACULTY MEMBER 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academy of Sciences/Social Sciences)
1.	Vikram Gupta	Member - Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) for National Landslide Risk Mitigation Programme (constituted by NDMA, New Delhi)
2.	Vikram Gupta	Member - Multi-disciplinary Task Force (MTF) to address the threat of glacial lake outburst floods (GLOF) in Sikkim (constituted by Home Department, Govt of Sikkim)

12b. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF STUDENTS IN 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academy of Sciences/Social Sciences)

13. STUDENTS QUALIFYING IN UGC-NET/UGC-JRF/CSSR/CSIR/CAR-NET/SLET/GATE/CAT/UPSC/IAS/IPS etc. DURING 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name of Student	Gender	Fellowship/Award/Service
1	Ishan Mohanty	Male	GATE
2	Youngal Sapkota	Male	ICAR AICE JRF 2024

14. CONSULTANCIES OFFERED BY DEPARTMENT DURING 2024-25, if any:

Consultancy Project/ Programme/Service	Organisation seeking Consultancy	Project/Programme Dates & Duration	Consultancy Funding/Service Fee Received

15. STUDENT PLACEMENTS DURING 2024-25:

Name of Student	Semester	Organisation where placement is made	Place (City and Country)
Gouri Sankar Sahoo	Pass out student	Dhorajia projects llp	Maharashtra, India
Youngal Sapkota	Pass out student	Indian Institute of Technology, Madras	Chennai, India
Tanya Srivastava	Pass out Student	Assistant Professor (Contract) Department of Geology, University of Ladakh	Leh, UT of Ladakh, India

16. Our Alumni Activities (if any)

Ms Ankita Malu, M.Sc. Student (2020-20) got PhD position in University of California.

17. Student and Alumni in the spotlight (if any)

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18. Outreach programme and Engaging Communities (if any) by Department/Centre/University

19. Welfare Activities and Philanthropy (if any) by Department/Centre/University

DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS

Name of the Head/In-charge: Prof. Amit Chakraborty

1. Introduction

The Department of Mathematics at Sikkim University aims to provide students rigorous knowledge and skills in mathematics, with significant scholarly contributions in research frontiers. The program is designed to equip students with a solid foundation in core mathematical subjects, as well as specialized knowledge in specific areas of mathematics. The program also emphasizes the development of critical thinking, problem-solving, and research skills. The MSc and PhD Mathematics program covers a range of topics in both pure and applied mathematics that benefit students to tailor their education to their interests and career goals.

2. Thrust Area

Pure and Applied Mathematics with interdisciplinary research applications.

3. Number of students enrolled during 2024-25:

Name of Teaching Course	Semester				Total Students	
	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Girls	Boys
UG (if any)						
PG	18	18	19	19	38	36
MPhil (if any)						
PhD					01	04
Post-doc/Research Associate (if any)						
UGC/CSIR/CAR-NET-JRF						

4. FACULTY PROFILE:

Sl.	Name	Degree (MA/MSc/M.Com MPhil/PhD/Post-doc)	Designation	Date of Joining (Regular)	Publications (number only) and H-index of Google Scholar still date (if any)	Supervisor of Ph.D. Students (number only)	Extra-mural Research Projects (number only)
REGULAR FACULTY MEMBERS							
1	Prof. Amit Chakraborty	PhD and Postdoc	Professor	15.10.2020	35 + 02 books H-index-14	2 (Ongoing) (Awarded 5)	1 (completed)+1 (consultancy)
2	Dr. Rinkila Bhutia	PhD	Assistant Professor	14.05.2014	02	0	0
3	Dr. Namita Behera	PhD and Postdoc	Assistant Professor	19.09.2017	10 H-index-6	2(Ongoing) Awarded-1	0
4	Dr. Alok Kumar Yadav	PhD and Postdoc	Assistant Professor	10.05.2023	04 H-index: 3	0	0

5	Dr. Raj Bhawan Yadav	PhD and Postdoc	Assistant Professor	20.12.2023	7 H-index:3	2 (Ongoing)	0
VISITING PROFESSOR							
1			NA			NA	NA
GUEST FACULTY							
1	Dr. Barsha Pradhan	PhD	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2	Dr. Jhama Tamang	PhD	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
SUPPORT STAFF							
	Name	Qualification	Designation	Date of joining (regular)	Not Applicable		
1					NA	NA	NA
2					NA	NA	NA

5. DETAILS OF PUBLICATIONS (from 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025)

A: RESEARCH PAPERS IN JOURNAL

Name of Faculty Member:

Sl. No.	Publication list	UGC-CARE List Journal Number	Impact Factor, if any	Publisher	ISSN
1.	Avishek Bist and Namita Behera. Vector spaces of linearizations for multivariable state-space systems, <i>Journal of Mathematical Sciences</i> , March, (2025)	Scopus	NA	Springer	1573-8795
2.	Avishek Bist and Namita Behera. Fiedler Linearizations of Multivariable State-Space Systems and its Associated System Matrix, <i>FILOMAT</i> 32, 38 (2024) https://doi.org/10.2298/FIL2432275B	SCI	0.8	Faculty of Sciences and Mathematics, University of Niš, Serbia	2406-0933
3.	M. Choudhuri, G. Faraco, A.K. Yadav. On the distality and expansivity of certain maps on spheres. <i>Dyn. Syst.</i> 39 (2024), no. 1, 166–181.	SCI	0.5	Taylor and Francis	1468-9375
4.	Ghatani Y, Maity S, Roshan T, Limboo MY, Chakraborty A (2023) Film thinning and heat transfer analysis of Casson hybrid-nanoliquid flow over an unsteady permeable stretching sheet in presence of magnetic field. <i>European Physical Journal Plus</i> 138: 732.	SCOPUS	2.8	Springer	<u>2190-5444</u>

B: BOOK/S

Faculty Member	Publications with ISBN

C: BOOK CHAPTER/S

Faculty Member	Publications

6. PAPER PRESENTATION AT NATIONAL /INTERNATIONAL SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING DURING 2024-25:

Faculty Member/Research Scholar	Name of Conference/ Seminar/Workshop	Place and Date	Invited Speaker/ Resource Person/Paper Presenter	Title of Presentation in the published Proceeding, if any
Research Scholar: Dilli Ram Chhetri	International Conference on Pure Mathematics and Its Applications, (ICPMA-2025),	Kolkata 05-07 February. 2025.	Paper Presenter	Dilli Ram Chhetri, Namita Behera and Raj Bhawan Yadav, (2025, February). Arithmetical Structures on Fan Graphs. International Conference on Pure Mathematics and Its Applications, (ICPMA-2025), department of Pure Mathematics, University of Calcutta, Kolkata.
Faculty member: Dr. Alok Kumar Yadav	NCM workshop on Ergodic Theory and Fractals	IIT Tirupati, 9-21 December 2024.	Resource Person	Title of mini course: Ergodic Theory
Faculty member: Dr.Rinkila Bhutia	2-day Madhava Mathematics Competition problem solving camp	NBBGC, Tadong, Gangtok, Sikkim	Resource Person	Mathematics Competition problem solving

7. RESEARCH PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN DURING 2024-25:

Faculty Member	Project Title	Funding Agency	Project Duration	Total funds received	Number of Project Personnel (Project Fellow/JRF/SRF/RA)
Dr.Namita Behera	Arithmetical Structures on Some Graphs	Sikkim University	1 yr	1 Lakhs	1

8. SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING PROGRAMMES ORGANISED BY THE DEPARTMENT DURING 2024-25 :

Sl. No.	Programme Title	National or International	Funding Agency	Date	Number only		Name of Coordinator/Convener
					Resource Persons	Participants	
1	Special Lecture Series on Algebraic Geometry	National	Sikkim University	10-11 September, 2024	1	45+	Cauvery Hall



9. PURCHASE/INSTALLATION OF LABORATORY EQUIPMENT DURING 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Equipment Details	Date of Acquisition	Cost (Rs.)	Funding Agency	Purpose	Approx. Usage (%)

10. MPhil AWARDS (if any) DURING 2024-25 :

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award

11. Ph.D. AWARDS DURING 2024-25 :

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award
1	Rinkita Bhutia	Equivariant Deformation Theory of Lie Triple Systems	Dr. Namita Behera	December 2023	9 th July 2024

12a. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF FACULTY MEMBER 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)
1.	Prof. Amit Chakraborty	Recognized as honorary Research Associate (Title Code 003298/CWR022) from 01/2022 to 31/2024 in School of Natural and Agricultural Sciences, University of California, Riverside, USA.

12b. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF STUDENTS IN 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)

13. STUDENTS QUALIFYING IN UGC-NET/UGC-JRF/ICSSR/CSIR/ICAR-NET/SLET/GATE/CAT/UPSC/IAS/IPS etc DURING 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name of Student	Gender	Fellowship/Award/Service

14. CONSULTANCIES OFFERED BY DEPARTMENT DURING 2024-25, if any:

Consultancy Project/ Programme/Service	Organisation seeking Consultancy	Project/Programme Dates & Duration	Consultancy Funding/Service Fee Received

15. STUDENT PLACEMENTS DURING 2024-25:

Name of Student	Semester	Organisation where placement is made	Place (City and Country)
Tara Prasad Sharma	Passed M.Sc. in 2023	Got selected in 2024 for Ph.D. programme at Texas A&M University	Texas, USA
Ujjal Tirishina	Passed M.Sc. in 2023	Enrolled for Ph.D. programme at IIT Delhi.	Delhi, India
Aarti Sharma	Passed M.Sc. in 2023	Enrolled for Ph.D. programme at NIT Sikkim.	Sikkim

16. Our Alumni Activities (if any)

17. Student and Alumni in the spotlight (if any)

18. Outreach programme and Engaging Communities (if any) by Department/Centre/University

19. Welfare Activities and Philanthropy (if any) by Department/Centre/University

DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICS

Name of the Head/In-charge: Dr Amitabha Bhattacharyya

1. Introduction

Department of Physics opened in Sikkim University in 2009 under the School of Physical Sciences. Beginning with 4 faculty members, 4 students and one programme i.e. M.Sc. in the last 16 years it has grown into a full-fledged department with 6 faculty members, around 35 PG students and 13 research students. 13 students have already been awarded doctoral degree in last 5 years. The Department has developed research laboratories consisting of EPR, SQUID, Raman Spectrometer with integrated AFM and other high-end instruments. In view of the importance of the emerging areas, department has installed High Performance Computational Facility, as well. All these facilities are accessible to any researcher from the North-East region. Our faculty members are constantly engaged in the teaching and research, publishing articles in world renowned journals of high impact factors. Department has received extramural funding under DST-FIST programme and the faculty members are also bringing extramural grants from various funding agencies in India. Students graduated from our departments are employed in various organisations and institutions in India and abroad. We are moving forward to grow into a world class academic institution in near future

2. Thrust Area

The faculty members and the research scholars are working on diverse areas on the frontiers of Physics and allied disciplines. The main thrust areas are as follows :

- Molecular Electronic Structures, Molecular Electronics, Quantum Transport
- Soft Condensed Matter
- Laser Matter Interaction
- Space Physics
- Plasma Physics and Nuclear fusion
- Theoretical High Energy Physics.

3. Number of students enrolled during 2024-25:

Name of Teaching Course	Semester				Total Students	
	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Girls	Boys
UG (if any)						
PG		17		17	09+06	08+11
MPhil (if any)						
PhD	01			01		
Post-doc/Research Associate (if any)						
UGC/CSIR/CAR-NET-JRF						

4. FACULTY PROFILE:

Sl.	Name	Degree (MA/MSc/M. Com MPhil/PhD/Post- doc)	Designation	Date of Joining (Regular)	Publications (number only) and H- index of Google Scholar still date (if any)	Supervisor of Ph.D. Students (number only)	Extra-mural Research Projects (number only)
REGULAR FACULTY MEMBERS							
1	Dr. Amitabha Bhattacharyya	PhD and Post- Doc	Assoc. Professor & Head	30.03.2012	Number 40 H index 11	03 awarded 01 running	0
2	Dr. Subir Mukhopadhyay	Ph.D. and Post doc	Professor	27.2.2012	Publication Number=39; H-index=12	2 Awarded; 3 Ongoing	1
3	Dr. Ajay Tripathi	Ph.D. & Post-doc	Assoc. Professor	27.02.2012	Publication Number = 60 H- Index= 15	4 Awarded 6 Ongoing	
4	Dr. Hemam Dinesh Singh	Ph. D	Asst. Professor	27.02.2012	16 H index 09	01 (awarded) 02 (running)	
5	Dr. Rupak Mukherjee	PhD	Asst. Professor	28.07.2022	Publication: 13 H-index: 6	0	0
6	Dr. Dhurba Rai	Ph.D. & Post-doc	Asst. Professor	30.06.2023	25 (h-index: 11)	02 Awarded 01 running	0
VISITING PROFESSOR							
1		NA			NA	NA	
GUEST FACULTY							
1		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
2		NA	NA	NA	NA		
SUPPORT STAFF							
	Name	Qualification	Designation	Date of joining (regular)	Not Applicable		
1	Mr. N. B. Subba Limboo	B. Sc. MA	Lab. Assistant	09-05-2012	NA	NA	NA
2	Mr. Bikram Thapa	M. Sc	Lab. Assistant	03-05-2012	NA	NA	NA

5. DETAILS OF PUBLICATIONS

A: RESEARCH PAPERS IN JOURNAL

Sl. No.	Publication list	UGC-CARE List Journal Number	Impact Factor, if any	Publisher	ISSN
1.	Tanay K. Dey and Subir Mukhopadhyay (2024) Charged AdS black holes with higher derivative corrections in presence of string cloud, International Journal of Modern Physics A 39 (2024) 25, 2450100, doi: https://doi.org/10.1142/S0217751X24501008 . Published online 30 September 2024	Listed in Web of Science and Scopus	1.4	World Scientific Publishing	0217-751X 1793-656X
2.	Subhadeep Rakshit and Subir Mukhopadhyay (2024) Superconformal blocks for stress-tensor and chiral operators for 4D $N=2$ superconformal field theories, <i>Eur. Phys. J. C</i> 84, 567 (2024), doi: https://doi.org/10.1140/epjc/s10052-024-12903-6 . Published online 04 June 2024	Listed in Web of Science and Scopus	4.2	Springer	1434-6052 1434-6044
3.	<i>MK Chettri, V Shrivastav, R Mukherjee, N Gaur, RP Sharma, HD Singh (2024) Nonlinear Coupling of Kinetic Alfvén Waves and Ion Acoustic Waves in the inner Heliosphere, Research in Astronomy and Astrophysics</i> 24 (10), 105009.		1.8	IOP Publishing	2397-6209
4.	S. Rai and D. Rai, <i>Electric Field Influence on CO Clathrate Hydrates</i> , J. Chem. Phys. A 128, 9596-9605 (2024). https://doi.org/10.1021/acs.jpca.4c05074	NA	2.7	American Chemical Society	1089-5639 (print) 1520-5215 (web)
5.	S. Rai and D. Rai, <i>Probing the electric field response of a water molecule confined in small carbon nanocages: A density functional theory investigation</i> , ChemPhysChem. 25, e202400718 (2024). https://doi.org/10.1002/cphc.202400718	NA	2.3	Wiley-VCH GmbH	1439-4235 (print) 1439-7641 (web)
6.	Ambika Pradhan and Amitabha Bhattacharyya <i>Natural surfactant extract from Juglans regia: extraction, evaluation of surface-activity and interfacial properties and preliminary characterization</i> Colloid and Polymer Science, March 2025. https://doi.org/10.1007/s00396-025-05396-6	Listed in Web of Science and Scopus	2.2	Springer Nature	1435-1536 Print 0303-402X Web
7.	Laden Sherpa, Arun Nimmala, SVS Nageswara Rao, SA Khan, Anand P Pathak, Ajay Tripathi, Archana Tiwari, <i>Refining shape and size of silver nanoparticles using ion irradiation for enhanced and homogeneous SERS activity</i> , <i>Discover Nano</i> , March 2024. https://doi.org/10.1186/s11671-024-03994-x	Listed in Web of Science and Scopus	5.5	Springer Nature	2731-9229

8	Manash Protim Hazarika, Ajay Tripathi, Somendra Nath Chakraborty, <u>Study of phase transition and local order in equiatomic and nonequiatomic mixtures of HfNbTaTi under uniaxial loading from molecular dynamics simulations</u> , <i>Journal of Applied Physics</i> , March 2024, https://doi.org/10.1063/5.0200629	Listed in Web of Science and Scopus	2.7	AIP Publishing	0021-8979
9	Tapan Parsain, Ajay Tripathi, Archana Tiwari, <u>Detection of milk adulteration using coffee ring effect and convolutional neural network</u> , <i>Food Additives & Contaminants- Part A</i> , May 2024, https://doi.org/10.1080/19440049.2024.2358518	Listed in Web of Science and Scopus	2.3	Taylor and Francis	1944-0057
10	P Bordoloi, MP Hazarika, A Tripathi, SN Chakraborty, <u>Plasticity and strength of an equiatomic and a non-equiatomic HfNbTaTiZr high entropy alloy during uniaxial loading: a molecular dynamics simulation study</u> , Sept. (2024), <i>Materials Research Express</i> , 10.1088/2053-1591/ad7920	Listed in Web of Science and Scopus	1.8	IOP	2053-1591
11	Yagnesh Shadangi, Pema Chida Sherpa, Harsh Jain, S Varalakshmi, Sandip Chatterji, Labanya Ghosh, Nilay Krishna Mukhopadhyay, Ajay Tripathi, Archana Tiwari, <u>Nanostructuring of AlSiCrMnFeNiCu High-Entropy Alloy via Cryomilling: Exploring Structural, Magnetic, and Thermoelectric Properties</u> , October (2024), <i>Advanced Engineering Materials</i> , https://doi.org/10.1002/adem.202400487	Listed in Web of Science and Scopus	3.4	wiley	1527-2648
12	Rajesh Rawat, Nicholas P Blanchard, Yagnesh Shadangi, Ajay Tripathi, David Amans, <u>Laser Generation of AlCrCuFeNi High-Entropy Alloy Nanocolloids</u> , November (2024), <i>The Journal of Physical Chemistry C</i> , https://doi.org/10.1021/acs.jpcc.4c04574	Listed in Web of Science and Scopus	3.3	ACS	1933-7425
13	Bibek Kumar Singh, Dipanjan Banerjee, A Mangababu, Yagnesh Shadangi, NK Mukhopadhyay, Rajesh Rawat, AP Pathak, Venugopal Rao Soma, Archana Tiwari, Ajay Tripathi, <u>Structural characterization of AlCuFe icosahedral quasicrystal nanoparticles synthesized using femtosecond laser ablation</u> , October (2024), <i>Journal of Materials Science</i> ,	Listed in Web of Science and Scopus	2.8	Springer	2225-608X
14	Manash Protim Hazarika, Puja Bordoloi, Ajay Tripathi, Somendra Nath Chakraborty, <u>Understanding crystallization and amorphization in liquid Ti cooled at different rates: A molecular dynamics simulation study</u> , December (2024), <i>The Journal of Chemical Physics</i> , https://doi.org/10.1063/5.0241054	Listed in Web of Science and Scopus	4.4	AIP	0021-9606

15	G.K. Balaji, H. Jain, P.C. Sherpa, R.R. Tripathy, Y. Shadangi, V. Shivam, A. Tripathi, Tiwari, A. and N.K. Mukhopadhyay, <u>Phase Evolution, Stability and Magnetic Behavior of Lightweight Al-Fe-Aluminide-Based Nanocomposites Processed by Mechanical Alloying, Cryomilling, and Annealing</u> , March (2025), <i>Advance engineering materials</i> , https://doi.org/10.1002/adem.202402255	Listed in Web of Science and Scopus	3,4	wiley	1527-2648
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B: BOOK/S

Faculty Member	Publications with ISBN

C: BOOK CHAPTERS

Faculty Member	Publications

6. PAPER PRESENTATION AT NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING DURING 2024-25

Faculty Member/Research Scholar	Name of Conference/ Seminar/Workshop	Place and Date	Invited Speaker/ Resource Person/Paper Presenter	Title of Presentation in the published Proceeding, if any
Amitabha Bhattacharyya	National Conference on Liquid Crystals	Surat, 21 st to 23 rd December 2024	Resource Person	Albizia odoratissima bark: A Source of Natural Surfactant Baby Subba, Rahul Borah, Ashit Sharma and Amitabha Bhattacharyya
Umesh Subba	National Conference on Liquid Crystals	Surat, 21 st to 23 rd December 2024	Poster Presented	Umesh Subba, Ambika Pradhan and Amitabha Bhattacharyya, Exploring the Surface Properties of Natural Surfactant extracted from Agave americana
Rupak Mukherjee	International Symposium on Space-Science, Astrophysics and Cosmology	St. Stephen's College, Delhi (Online), November 22, 2025	Paper Presentation	Rupak Mukherjee, (2024, November). <i>An In-house developed open source software to distinguish knots</i> : Paper presented online at the International Symposium on Space-Science, Astrophysics and Cosmology, St. Stephen's College, Delhi, India.

Vivek Shrivastav	National Conference on Trends In Science and Technology	Salesian College, Siliguri, West Bengal, February 28, 2025	Paper Presentation	Vivek Shrivastav, (2025, February). <i>Effect of temperature on growth and saturation of Weibel instability</i> . Paper presented at the National Conference on Trends in Science and Technology, Salesian College, West Bengal, India.
Rupak Mukherjee	Two-Day Workshop on Scientific Computing, Data Visualization, and Writing with LaTeX	Jawahar Nehru College, Pasighat, Arunachal Pradesh (Online), March 27, 2025	Invited Speaker	Rupak Mukherjee (2025, March). <i>Tutorial on Molecular Dynamics using Python</i> . Invited online talk at Two-Day Workshop on Scientific Computing, Data Visualization, and Writing with LaTeX, Jawahar Nehru College, Pasighat, Arunachal Pradesh
Subhadeep Rakshit	STRINGS 2025	NewYork university(NYU), Abu Dhabi, UAE 06 January to 10 January 2025	Paper Presentation	Subhadeep Rakshit, Subir Mukhopadhyay (2024) Superconformal blocks for mixed correlator in 4D Symathcal(N) = 2\$ SCFT, STRINGS 2025, NYU, Abu Dhabi, UAE
Subhadeep Rakshit	Trends in Science and Technology (TIST)	Salesian College, Siliguri Campus 27-28 February 2025	Paper Presentation	Subhadeep Rakshit, Subir Mukhopadhyay, (2024) Superconformal blocks for mixed correlator in 4D Symathcal(N) = 2\$SCFT, Trends in Science and Technology (TIST), Siliguri (Proceedings has not been published yet)
Alisha Gurung	Exploring the cosmos 2025	High Energy and Cosmic Ray Research Centre, University of North Bengal, Siliguri	Paper Presentation	Alisha Gurung, (2025) Application of gauge gravity duality in some condensed matter systems. (Proceedings has not been published yet)
Alisha Gurung	Trends in Science and Technology (TIST)	Salesian College, Siliguri Campus 27-28 February 2025	Paper Presentation	Alisha Gurung, (2025) Application of gauge gravity duality in some condensed matter systems. (Proceedings has not been published yet)
Bibek Kumar Singh	The 7th International Conference on Advanced Nanoparticle Generation and Excitation by Lasers in Liquids (ANGEL)	26th to 30th May, 2024 Place: Charlottesville, Virginia, USA	Oral presentation	Bibek Kumar Singh, Rajesh Rawat, Ajay Tripathi, Structural evolution and Cu-Ni nanoprecipitate formation in Al-rich high entropy alloy Nanoparticles through laser processing
Bibek Kumar Singh	2024 MRS Fall Meeting and Exhibit	1st to 6th December Place: Boston, Massachusetts, USA	Oral presentation	Bibek Kumar Singh, Ajay Tripathi, Femtosecond laser ablation of Decagonal and Icosahedral Quasicrystal: Synthesis and Structural Analysis of Nanoparticles

Sweta Gurung	European Materials Research Society Spring Meeting 2024	May 27-May 31, Strasbourg France	Oral Presentation	Sweta Gurung, Nimmala Arun, Anand P Pathak, Srinivasa Rao Nelamarri, Ajay Tripathi and Archana Tiwari, Thermal and light-induced electrical properties in nanocomposites of reduced graphene oxide and silver nanoparticles
Ajay Tripathi	NWQT-2024	March, 01-01, 2024, Banares Hindu University	Invited	Understanding electromagnetic induced resonances in Rb-87 vapor
Ajay Tripathi	Current Trend in Chemistry	March, 6 th , 2025, Department of chemistry, Sikkim University	Invited	Synthesis of nanoparticle using laser Ablation
Ajay Tripathi	AC2MP-2024	December 8-12, 2024, IIT Patna	Invited	Synthesis of Cu/CuO nanoparticles using laser ablation effect of fluence and solvents
Ajay Tripathi	WINS-2025	Feb. 2025, University of Hyderabad	Invited	Synthesis of Cu/CuO nanoparticles using laser ablation effect of fluence and solvents

7. RESEARCH PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN DURING 2024-25:

Faculty Member	Project Title	Funding Agency	Project Duration	Total funds received	Number of Project Personnel (Project Fellow/JRF/SRF/RA)

8. SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING PROGRAMMES ORGANISED BY THE DEPARTMENT DURING 2024-25 :

Sl. No.	Programme Title	National or International	Funding Agency	Date	Number only		Name of Coordinator/ Convener
					Resource Persons	Participants	
	2 Days conference. Title: "Quantum Mechanics turns 100: Past, Present & Future"	National	Sikkim University	21 st to 22 nd March 2025	14	100	Dr. Amitabha Bhattacharyya

9. PURCHASE/INSTALLATION OF LABORATORY EQUIPMENT DURING 2024-25 (Only for Lab-based Departments, if any):

Sl. No.	Equipment Details	Date of Acquisition	Cost (Rs.)	Funding Agency	Purpose	Approx. Usage (%)
1.	Optical Lab. Research items	19-12-2024	11,80,000	Sikkim University	Research work	70%
2.	AC Milli Voltmeter	02-01-2025	18,862	Sikkim University	Practical Class	100%
3.	Analytical Balance	02-01-2025	1,12,631	Sikkim University	Practical Class	100%
4.	Four Probe Arrangement for DFP LHC	02-01-2025	16,518	Sikkim University	Practical Class	100%
5.	Half Adder Full Adder and Subtractor	02-01-2025	10,196	Sikkim University	Practical Class	100%
6.	Hydrogen Spectrum and Rydberg Constant	02-01-2025	25,233	Sikkim University	Practical Class	100%
7.	Remi Rotor Head	02-01-2025	25,905	Sikkim University	Practical Class	100%
8.	Study of Binary to Octal Decoder	02-01-2025	12,234	Sikkim University	Practical Class	100%
9.	Study of JK Flip Flops	02-01-2025	11,328	Sikkim University	Practical Class	100%
10.	Study of Multiplexer	02-01-2025	11,328	Sikkim University	Practical Class	100%
11.	Study of Seven Segment Display	02-01-2025	5,664	Sikkim University	Practical Class	100%
12.	Ultra-sonicator	02-01-2025	28,117	Sikkim University	Practical Class	100%

10. MPhil AWARDS (if any) DURING 2024-25 (only successfully awarded):

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award
	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

11. Ph.D. AWARDS DURING 2024-25 :

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award
1	Asha Tongbram	"An Experimental Study on Natural Surfactants: Surface Properties, Foaming and Drying Drop Pattern"	Dr. Amitabha Bhattacharyya	19-10-2023	31-05-2024

12a. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF FACULTY MEMBER 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)
1	Ajay Tripathi	Associateship- IUCAA, Pune
2	Rupak Mukherjee	Associateship- IUCAA, Pune

12b. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF STUDENTS IN 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)

13. STUDENTS QUALIFYING IN UGC-NET/UGC-JRF/ICSSR/CSIR/CAR-NET/SLET/GATE/CAT/UPSC/IAS/IPS etc. DURING 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name of Student	Gender	Fellowship/Award/Service
1	Ratul Chakraborty	Male	GATE qualified
2	Britan Singh	Male	GATE qualified
3	Ved Prakash Jaishwal	Male	GATE qualified
4	Bhaskar Jyoti Khanikar	Male	GATE-Qualified

14. CONSULTANCIES OFFERED BY DEPARTMENT DURING 2024-25, if any:

Consultancy Project/ Programme/Service	Organisation seeking Consultancy	Project/Programme Dates & Duration	Consultancy Funding/Service Fee Received

15. STUDENT PLACEMENTS DURING 2024-25:

Name of the student	Semester	Organization where placement is made	Place (City and Country)
Shaniwa Rai	M. Sc. Passed out	Govt. of Sikkim	East Sikkim
Prakash Basnett	M. Sc. Passed out	Govt. of Sikkim	East Sikkim
Padam Bhattarai	M. Sc. Passed out	Govt. of Sikkim	South Sikkim
Mohan C. Sharma	M. Sc. Passed out	Govt. of Sikkim	South Sikkim
Zuben Sherpa	M. Sc. Passed out	Govt. of Sikkim	East Sikkim
Benjamin Balakoti	M. Sc. Passed out	Govt. of Sikkim	East Sikkim
Drishya Rai	M. Sc. Passed out	Govt. of Sikkim	East Sikkim

16. Our Alumni Activities (if any)

17. Student and Alumni in the spotlight (if any)

18. Outreach programme and Engaging Communities (if any) by Department/Centre/University

19. Welfare Activities and Philanthropy (if any) by Department/Centre/University

(vi) SCHOOL OF PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Name of the Head: Prof. A.N. Shankar

1. Introduction

Department of Commerce was set up in the year 2014 with an intake capacity of 25 students at post-graduation level. It introduced Ph.D program in the year 2015. The department has conducted 3 national seminars in collaboration with Sikkim Manipal University, SRM University, Govt. of Sikkim, and Mizoram University. Since then the department has successfully awarded 14 Ph.D degrees. In a time span of 11 years the department has revised its curriculum thrice for Post Graduation and Doctor of Philosophy Program. The last one being to accommodate the provisions of National Education Policy 2020.

The department is committed to foster the domain of knowledge of commerce aligned with local ethos and value system among the aspirants for professional development by actively involving community well-being.

2. Thrust Area(s)

For holistic development of students the department offers PhD in the mosaic of fields ranging from Human Resources Management to Finance, and Accounting. M.Com Students are exposed to real-time environment via computer aided skill based curricula, special lectures and internship. The department hence addresses demands of diversified academic fields within the ambit of Commerce stream.

3. Number of students enrolled during 2024-25: M.Com 25, PhD 3

Name of Teaching Course	Semester				Total Students	
	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Girls	Boys
UG (if any)						
PG M.Com	25				12	13
MPhil (if any)						
PhD	3				3	
Post-doc/Research Associate (if any)						
UGC/CSIR/CAR-NET-JRF	4				3	1

4. FACULTY PROFILE:

Sl.	Name	Degree (MA/MSc/M. Com MPhil/PhD/Post- doc)	Designation	Date of Joining (<i>Regular</i>)	Publications(<i>number only</i>) and H-index of Google Scholar still date (<i>if any</i>)	Supervisor of Ph.D. Students (<i>number only</i>)	Extra- mural Research Projects (<i>number only</i>)
REGULAR FACULTY MEMBERS							
1	Dr. Abhijit Dutta	Ph.D., D. Lit.	Professor	4/12/2015	H Index: 8; (I 10)- Index: 7.	16	2
2	Dr. S S Mahapatra	Ph.D	Professor	4/5/2014		6	1
3	Dr. A N Shankar	Ph.D, B.Ed, Masters in Data Analytics (BA and BI)	Professor	9/3/2012	Publications: 21, H Index: 2	4	
4	Dr. Bivek Tamang	Ph.D	Assistant Professor	30/4/2012	Publications: 2		
5	Mr. Rakesh Basnet	M.Com	Assistant Professor	6/5/2014	Publications: 1		
6	Dr. B Muthu Pandian	Ph.D	Assistant Professor	16/5/2014	Publications: 20, H Index: 1	2	2
7	Dr. Ravi Shekhar Vishal	Ph.D	Assistant Professor	23/12/2014	H Index: 1	4	
VISITING PROFESSOR							
1							
GUEST FACULTY							
1							
SUPPORT STAFF							
	Name	Qualification	Designation	Date of joining (<i>regular</i>)	Not Applicable		

5. DETAILS OF PUBLICATIONS

A: RESEARCH PAPERS IN JOURNAL

Sl. No.	Publication list	UGC-CARE List Journal Number	Impact Factor, if any	Publisher	ISSN
1	Burman P and Shankar A N (2024) Mobile Banking Initiatives in Assam :A WSHG Perspective of Nannatary Village, <i>Management Convergence</i> , 15(2)	Not Listed	NA	Dept. of Management, Mizoram University,	0976-5492
2	Rai, P, Vishal, R. S., & B. Muthu Pandian. (2024). A Cross-sectional Study of Ex-Servicemen Perception and Satisfaction on their Resettlement Institutional Infrastructure in India. <i>Ramanujan International Journal of Business and Research</i> , 9(1), 11–21. https://doi.org/10.51245/rijbr.v9i1.2024.1305	Yes	NA	Ramanujan College, University of Delhi, Delhi, India	2455 - 5959
3	Lama, S., Vishal, R. S., & B. Muthu Pandian. (2024). Does the beneficiaries' Demographic and Socio-Economic Status Influence the Awareness, Technology Adoption, and Knowledge Acquisition: Insights through Agricultural Technology Management Agency (ATMA) in Sikkim. <i>Journal of Social Work and Social Development</i> , 15(1), 144–161.	Yes	NA	Department of Social Work , Visva- Bharati, WB, India	2229-6468
4	Basnet R and Mahapatra S S (2024) Industrial Growth Led Structural Change In The Economy of Sikkim, 2024, 30(5), 7019-7024	NA	NA	Educational Administration: Theory and Practice	2148-2403

B: BOOK/S

Faculty Member	Publications with ISBN

C: BOOK CHAPTER/S

Faculty Member	Publications
Burman P and Shankar A N (2024)	Pradhan Mantri Matsya Sampada Yojana(PMMSY) : Funding Mechanism and Investment Patterns, Ed in Konwar N and Sarma P Commerce Dynamics :A Comprehensive Volume, Pp 22-36. ISBN 978-93-5879-139-6, DOI 10.25215/935879139X, Red Shine Publication , Guwahati, Assam, India.
Burman P and Shankar A N(2024)	Cost Management for Small and Medium Scale Inland Aquaculture Operations, Ed in Konwar N and Sarma P, Accounting and Finance Compendium First Edition 2024 , Pp 46-60. ISBN 978-93-5879-139-6, DOI 10.25215/935879139X, Eureka Publications , Pune, Maharashtra, India.
Dushyant K, S. S. Mahapatra, Dutta: A,	Gender Differences in Entrepreneurial Intentions and perceived Barriers Among Undergraduate Students in Sikkim . Ed In Batthini G , Sixteenth Biennial Conference on Entrepreneurship (63-64) Entrepreneurship Development Institute of India, Ahmedabad and Bookwell, Delhi ISBN: 978-93-86578-79-2

6. PAPER PRESENTATION AT NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING DURING 2024-25:

Faculty Member/Research Scholar	Name of Conference/ Seminar/Workshop	Place and Date	Invited Speaker/ Resource Person/Paper Presenter	Title of Presentation in the published Proceeding. If any
A. N Shankar	10 th Refresher Course, Organised by MMTC Mizoram University	Aizawl, 7 th Dec 2024	Resource Person	Developmental Implications of Commerce Curriculum
A. N Shankar	Vigilance Awareness Week	Office of the Principal Accountant General, Sikkim, 12 th November 2024	Invited Speaker	Systems and Procedures of an Organisation
Prof. S S Mahapatra	16 th Biennial Conference on Entrepreneurship	EDII, Ahmedabad 26-28 February 2025	Paper Presenter	Gender Differences in Entrepreneurial Intentions and perceived Barriers Among Undergraduate Students in Sikkim.
Prof. S S Mahapatra	National Online Refresher Course in Commerce & Management in association with UGC-MMTC,	July 1, 2024, to July 13, 2024 organised by SGTB Khalsa College, University of Delhi	Resource Person	Corporate Accounting and Reporting
B. Muthu Pandian	National Workshop	K R Arts and Science College, Madurai, 1-2 August 2024	Resource Person (Offline) Whole 2 Days Total 04 Session.	Data Analysis Using Jamovi
B. Muthu Pandian	Faculty Development Program	Christ University, Yeshwant Pur, Bangalore on 14 th August 2024	Invited Speaker (Online)	Statistical Analysis in Jamovi Using Free and Open-Source Software (FOSS)
B. Muthu Pandian	UGC Malaviya, Mission, Teacher Training Centre, Refresher Course	Madurai Kamraj University on 26-9-2024	Resource Person (Online)	Data Analysis Using Free and Open-Source Software (FOSS)
B. Muthu Pandian	National Conference on Future of GST in India, Reforms and Global, Perspectives	Shakti College of Arts and Science for Women, Ottanchatram on 7 th - 02 2025	Resource Person (Online)	GST E-Invoice Eco System.
B. Muthu Pandian	International Conference on Role of Entrepreneurs for Sustainable Business Practice Emerging Trends in India	Vallal P. T. Lee Chengalvaraya Naicker Arts and Science College, Chennai on 26-2-2025	Resource Person (Online)	Role of Blockchain and Cryptocurrency for Entrepreneurs towards Sustainable Business Practice Emerging Trends in India
Prof. S S Mahapatra	Workshop on "National Education Policy 2020: Financial	Tripura University (19-20 Dec 2024)	Resource Person	Implications and Resource Mobilization by Higher Education Institutes?

7. RESEARCH PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN DURING 2024-25:

Faculty Member	Project Title	Funding Agency	Project Duration	Total funds received	Number of Project Personnel (Project Fellow/JRF/SRF/RA)
Prof. A Dutta (PI)	Digital India and the Performance of Women - Driven Micro Enterprises-An Impact Evaluation Study on Sikkim	ICSSR	2025-2027	Rs. 17,00,000	NA
Asst. Prof. B Muthu Pandian (Co-PI)		ICSSR	2025-2027	8,50,000	

8. SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING PROGRAMMES ORGANISED BY THE DEPARTMENT DURING 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Programme Title	National or International	Funding Agency	Date	Number only		Name of Coordinator/Convener
					Resource Persons	Participants	

9. PURCHASE/INSTALLATION OF LABORATORY EQUIPMENT DURING 2024-25 (*Only for Lab-based Departments, if any*):

Sl. No.	Equipment Details	Date of Acquisition	Cost (Rs.)	Funding Agency	Purpose	Approx. Usage (%)

10. MPhil AWARDS DURING 2024-25

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award

11. Ph.D. AWARDS DURING 2024-25

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award
1	Sushmita Subba	Financial Market Volatilities for Construction of Composite Risk Index: Evidences from Indian Market	Dr. B Muthu Pandian	17-9-2024	3 December 2024
2	Dewan Rai	Role of Women Self Help Groups Rural Development of Sikkim	Prof. S S Mahapatra	1-7-2024	6 th November 2024
3	Archana Sharma	Merger of Public Sector Banks in India: Evaluation of Financial Performance, Synergy and Prospects	Prof. S S Mahapatra and Prof A Dutta	26-2-2024	27 th September 2024

4	Dngmu Lepcha	Finances of Local Self Bodies in Reference to Finance Commission Recommendation of the North-East States of India ; With Special Reference to Sikkim	Prof. A Dutta	10 -1- 2024	12 th August 2024
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12a. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF FACULTY MEMBER 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)
1	Prof. A. Dutta	Patent on "Motor Life expectancy Stand", Design Number 439659-001: by The Patent Office, Government of India, SI No. 191536. Dated 6 th Dec 2024, Co-patent Holders: Dr. R.D.Sirwiakar, Dr.L.G.David, Dr. Devika, Dr. D. De sai, Dr. Y. Mahajan, Dr.M.Verma

12b. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF STUDENTS IN 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)

13. STUDENTS QUALIFYING IN UGC-NET/UGC-JRF/ICSSR/CSIR/ICAR NET/SLET/GATE/CAT/UPSC/IAS/IPS etc. DURING 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name of Student	Gender	Fellowship/Award/Service
1	Ansha Tamang	Female	UGC-NET
2	Bel Kumari	Female	UGC-NET
3	Sonia Manger	Female	UGC-NET
4	Neeraj Kumar Roy	Male	UGC-NET
5	Sushant Barun Jha	Male	UGC-NET

14. CONSULTANCIES OFFERED BY DEPARTMENT DURING 2024-25. if any:

Consultancy Project/ Programme/Service	Organisation seeking Consultancy	Project/Programme Dates & Duration	Consultancy Funding/Service Fee Received

15. STUDENT PLACEMENTS DURING 2024-25:

Name of Student	Semester	Organisation where placement is made	Place (City and Country)
Om Bahadur Baraily	M.Com Roll No. 17MC 0012	Accounts Officer, Finance Department (HQ) Govt. Of Sikkim	Gangtok Sikkim
Laden Lepcha	21MC0014	East Point Sr Secondary School	Golitar, Singtam

16. Our Alumni Activities (if any)

17. Student and Alumni in the spotlight (if any)

18. Outreach programme and Engaging Communities (if any) by Department/Centre/University

19. Welfare Activities and Philanthropy (if any) by Department/Centre/University

DEPARTMENT OF MANAGEMENT

Name of the Head/In-charge: Dr. Shailendra Kumar (I/C)

1. Introduction

The Department of Management offers MBA and PhD program aiming to provide knowledge, skills and competencies among students and scholars, in compliance with NEP 2020. Department offers two years MBA program with dual specialization in Finance, Human resource and Marketing. Students are groomed in a professional mannerism through classroom discussions, debates and solving case studies. They are further taught to think critically and solve problems in an innovative manner. The department comprises of five regular faculties possessing expertise in their respective research areas and additional visiting faculty are appointed as an when needed. The realm of students taking admission in the Department of Management are from various states, namely, Delhi, Uttar Pradesh, Assam and Bihar. International students from Nepal, Bhutan, Bangladesh, Ghana and Turkmenistan have also graduated from our department. The department has awarded 12 PhD degrees till date. Our alumni are working in various state Government and private jobs. Some are successfully running their own business within Sikkim.

2. Thrust Area

At post-graduate level, the thrust area of department is providing specialization in marketing, finance and human resource management. Industry driven topics such as AI and business ethics are meticulously discussed. Department focuses both on practical and theoretical exposure of students enabling them to be industry ready.

3. Number of students enrolled during 2024-25:

Name of Teaching Course	Semester				Total Students	
	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Girls	Boys
UG (if any)						
PG	18	12	13	17		
MPhil (if any)						
PhD		2	2			
Post-doc/Research Associate (if any)						
UGC/CSIR/ICAR-NET-JRF						

4. FACULTY PROFILE:

Sl.	Name	Degree (MA/MSc/M. Com MPhil/PhD/Post-doc)	Designation	Date of Joining (Regular)	Publications (number only) and H-index of Google Scholar still date (if any)	Supervisor of Ph.D. Students (number only)	Extra-mural Research Projects (number only)
REGULAR FACULTY MEMBERS							
1	Dr. Shailendra Kumar	PhD	Assistant Professor	9-3-2012	Publications: 35 H Index: 7 I 10 index: 6	3	1
2	Dr. Pradip Kumar Das	PhD	Assistant Professor	23-03-2012	Publications: 20 H index: 3	4	1

3	Dr. A Ravi Prakash	PhD	Assistant Professor	01-05-2014	Publications: 11 H index: 3	4	Nil
4	Dr. Rachana Rai	PhD	Assistant Professor	8/12/2015	Publications: 7 H index 3	2	Nil
5	Dr. Shalini Shukla	PhD	Assistant Professor	02/02/2021	Publications: 21 H index: 5	2	1
VISITING PROFESSOR							
1		NA			NA	NA	
GUEST FACULTY							
1	Dr. Sushmita Subba	PhD	NA	NA	NA	NA	
2		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
SUPPORT STAFF							
	Name	Qualification	Designation	Date of joining (regular)	Not Applicable		
1				NA	NA	NA	

5. DETAILS OF PUBLICATIONS (from 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025)

A: RESEARCH PAPERS IN JOURNAL

Sl. No.	Publication list	UGC-CARE List Journal Number	Impact Factor, if any	Publisher	ISSN
1	Patnaik T., Mohapatra I., Das P K., Nanda Nitya Sundar (2024). "Dimensional Analysis of Attrition: A critical Study on select Indian IT Companies". <i>Library Progress International, A Scopus indexed Journal Vol.44 No.3 pp 24732-24741</i>	UGC care Listed Group 2 Journal			0970-1052
2.	Shama A., Das P K (2024). "A study on Drivers of Employees' Performance in Select Sectors of Sikkim" <i>ShodhLash: Journal of Visual and Performing Arts, pp 2859-2864, Vol.5 issue 1 January-June 2024.</i>	UGC care listed journal (at the time of Publication)			2582-7472
3.	Das, P.K., (2024). "Organic farming for the development of Agricultural sustainability: A study on Pakyong and Rhenock area of East Sikkim" <i>Agricultural Science Digest online, 1st issue April.</i>	UGC Care Group 2 Journals		ARCC JOURNALS, An Scopus Elsevier indexed,	0976-0547

4.	Wangchuk S., Murari K., Das P K.,(2024) "Managerial coaching as Antecedents to employee engagement and Organisation Citizenship behaviour: Evidence from India". <i>VILKSHAN XIMB Journal of Management, Vol 21, Issue 2, PP 210-228.</i>	An Emerald UGC Group One Journal		XIMB Journal of Management	0973-1954
5.	Tamang S., Das P K., (2024) "Benefits under social security code 2020 to the workers of Medium scale enterprises" <i>Educational Administration: Theory and Practice, Vol 30 Issue 4 pp 3313-3321</i>	A Scopus Indexed Group 2 UGC Care journal.			2148-2403

B: BOOK/S

Faculty Member	Publications with ISBN

C: BOOK CHAPTERS

Faculty Member	Publications
Jinumoni Nazir and Dr Pradip Kumar Das	<i>The systematic literature review on business intelligence towards entrepreneurial orientation of venture. Applying Business Intelligence and Innovation to Entrepreneurship.</i> IGI Global 2024. ISBN13:2327-3429 E ISSN-2327-3437
Jinumoni Nazir and Dr Pradip Kumar Das	<i>Efficacy of Government initiative on promoting rural development in Assam and how ICT intervenes.</i> ICT and E Governance application in rural development. Akansha publishing, 2024 ISBN: 9788183706711
Bhawana Gurung and Dr. Rachana Rai	<i>Organic Farming and Marketing Status Of Organic Produce in Sikkim: A Review.</i> Sustainability and Innovation in Business Research and Economic Reforms. Walnut Publication, February 2024. ISBN: 978-93-5911-626-6

6. PAPER PRESENTATION AT NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING DURING 2024-2025

Faculty Member/Research Scholar	Name of Conference/ Seminar/Workshop	Place and Date	Invited Speaker/ Resource Person/Paper Presenter	Title of Presentation in the published Proceeding, if any
Bhawana Gurung and Dr. Rachana Rai	3 rd International Marketing Conference (iMarC III): MARKETING TRANSFORMATIONS: REIMAGINE, REALIGN & REWORK	30 th -31 st January 2024	Paper presented	Title: 'The influence of environmental ethics, environmental attitude on pro-environmental consumer behaviour: Sikkim.' (online)

7. RESEARCH PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN DURING 2024-25

Faculty Member	Project Title	Funding Agency	Project Duration	Total funds received	Number of Project Personnel (Project Fellow/JRF/SRF/RA)

8. SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING PROGRAMMES ORGANISED BY THE DEPARTMENT DURING 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Programme Title	National or International	Funding Agency	Date	Number only		Name of Coordinator/Convener
					Resource Persons	Participants	

9. PURCHASE/INSTALLATION OF LABORATORY EQUIPMENT DURING 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Equipment Details	Date of Acquisition	Cost (Rs.)	Funding Agency	Purpose	Approx. Usage (%)

10. MPhil AWARDS (if any) DURING 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award

11. Ph.D. AWARDS DURING 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award
1.	Sonam Wangchuk	Antecedents and Consequences of Performance Management Enactment by Line Managers: An Empirical Study in the Pharmaceutical Industry in Sikkim (India)	Dr. Krishna Murari and Dr. Pradip Kumar Das	1/12/2023	24/09/2024

12a. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF FACULTY MEMBER 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)

b. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF STUDENTS IN 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)

13. STUDENTS QUALIFYING IN UGC-NET/UGC-JRF/ICSSR/CSIR/ICAR NET/SLET/GATE/CAT/UPSC/IAS/IPS etc. DURING 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name of Student	Gender	Fellowship/Award/Service
1	Bhawana Gurung, Ph.D Scholar	Female	ICSSR (order dated December 27 2023) scholarship received from 2024.
2	Bhawana Gurung, Ph.D Scholar	Female	UGC-NET(Assistant Professor) (Management) SEPTEMBER 2024
3	Gaurav Raj, 22MBA002	Male	JRF
4	Pranjal Swapan Baruah, 22MBA011	Male	JRF
5	Mridul Das, 22MBA008	Male	UGC-NET
6	Gouri Gogoi, 22MBA003	Female	UGC-NET

14. CONSULTANCIES OFFERED BY DEPARTMENT DURING 2024-25, if any:

Consultancy Project/ Programme/Service	Organisation seeking Consultancy	Project/Programme Dates & Duration	Consultancy Funding/Service Fee Received

15. STUDENT PLACEMENTS DURING 2024-25:

Name of Student	Semester	Organisation where placement is made	Place (City and Country)
Rangmit Lepcha, 23MBA011	4 th	Government of Sikkim	West Sikkim
Aadarsh Adhikari, 23MBA001	4 th	Hotel Ravangla-Star	South Sikkim

16. Our Alumni Activities (if any)

17. Student and Alumni in the spotlight (if any)

18. Outreach programme and Engaging Communities (if any) by Department/Centre/University

19. Welfare Activities and Philanthropy (if any) by Department/Centre/University

DEPARTMENT OF MASS COMMUNICATION

Head/In-charge: Dr. Jasmine Yimchunger

1. Introduction

The Department of Mass Communication was established in 2010 with the idea of providing skills and knowledge in the field of media and communication and creating job opportunities for the youth as well as contributing to the knowledge base of the region through different research activities. The first batch of the MA programme started with students not only from Sikkim but also from the rest of India.

The Department's integrated M. Phil and Ph.D programmes took off with five scholars in 2012. Subsequently, the research programme transitioned to non-integrated M. Phil and Ph. D programmes in tune with the changed University rules. Five scholars have been awarded their doctoral degrees, and another three are pursuing their research studies. The Department has four regular faculty members, and it takes the service of a host of guest faculty members. The Department today boasts a very well-equipped laboratory with a state-of-the-art infrastructure worth around Rs. one crore. The Laboratory caters to the students' professional training in various areas of media production and editing. During the past few years, there have been quite significant accomplishments by the students and research scholars in the Department that have contributed to positioning not only the Department but also the University on the international map.

2. Thrust Area

At the postgraduate level, the thrust of the Department has been on developing skill sets among the students even as efforts are made to ensure a strong theoretical foundation in the subject. A unique balance of theory and practice thus becomes critical, as reflected in its syllabus. News, Audio-visual production, Advertising, Radio production, Public Relations and Corporate communication, convergent journalism, and filmmaking, among others, constitute the domain skill-based areas of the MA programme, opening up multiple career options and interest areas for the students. As for the Department's research programme, scholars have taken up various studies, including those on video gaming, environment communication, journalism studies, television studies, media-religion studies, and new media and cinema studies, among others. The diversity of study areas reflects the varied research interest of the faculty members in the Department. An overarching thread that ties the different works that research scholars take up is the marginality of the issues that otherwise are significant but have been hitherto muted in the scholarly realms.

3. Number of students enrolled during 2024-25: 11

Name of Teaching Course	Semester				Total Students	
	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Girls	Boys
UG (if any)						
PG	06	06	07	07	09	04
MPhil (if any)						
PhD	05				03	02
Post-doc/Research Associate (if any)						
UGC/CSIR/ICAR-NET-JRF						

4. FACULTY PROFILE:

Sl	Name	Degree (MA/MSc/M. Com MPhil/PhD/Post- doc)	Designation	Date of Joining (<i>Regular</i>)	Publications(<i>number only</i>) and H-index of Google Scholars till date (<i>if any</i>)	Supervisor of MPhil/Ph.D. Ph.D. Students (<i>number only</i>)	Extra- mural Research Projects (<i>number only</i>)
REGULAR FACULTY MEMBERS							
1	Dr. Jasmine Yimchunger	PhD	Assistant Professor	26/03/2012	Publications: 4	02	
2	Dr. Manoj Kumar Das	PhD	Assistant Professor	27/02/2012	Publications: 13	05	01
3	Dr. Nihanika Buragohain	PhD	Assistant Professor	12/06/2014		01	
4	Dr. Pooja Basnett	PhD	Assistant Professor	11/09/2017	Publications: 8; H-index-3	MPhil – 01 (Awarded) PhD – 05	
5	Dr. Silajit Guha	PhD	Associate Professor	29/05/2014	Publication: 18	Nil	
VISITING PROFESSOR							
1							
GUEST FACULTY							
1	Mr. Daoud Md. Khan	MPhil	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2	Ms. Pooja Gupta	MPhil	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
SUPPORT STAFF							
	Name	Qualification	Designation	Date of joining (<i>regular</i>)	Not Applicable		
1	Mr. Dorjee Sherpa	BA, PGDV	Technical Assistant	15.06.2012	NA	NA	NA
2	Mr. Kush Narayan Basnett	BA	Lab Assistant	23.08.2017	NA	NA	NA

5. DETAILS OF PUBLICATIONS

A: RESEARCH PAPERS IN JOURNAL

Sl. No.	Publication list	UGC-CARE List Journal Number	Impact Factor, if any	Publisher	ISSN
1	Das, M.K. , and Das Mollick, S (2025). Filming the environment: lessons from a climate change initiative in Kolkata schools. <i>Development in Practice</i> , 1-13: https://doi.org/10.1080/09614524.2025.2457059	SCOPUS/ WoS indexed	1.00	Taylor and Francis	09614524
2	Chhetri, B., and Das, M. K. (2025). Negotiating 'Prachanda Path': cinematic exploration and ideological contradiction in the film <i>Jaan Yudha</i> (2008). <i>Communicator</i> , 60(1), 110–118.	UGC Care list no:	NA	Indian Institute of Mass Communication	0588-8093
3	Yolmo, U. T. L., & Basnett, P. (2024). Unveiling the Shadows: Exploring the Dark Side of Social Media through Cinematic Lens. <i>Global Media Journal</i> , Indian Edition. 16 (2). 1-35	UGC-CARE List Journal		Manipal Academy of Higher Education	2249-5835
4	Lama Yolmo, U. T., & Basnett, P. (2024). Human-AI Symbiosis: Unveiling the Inherent Limitations of AI through the Sadharanikaran Model of Communication. <i>Bodhi: An Interdisciplinary Journal</i> , 10(2), 20–44. https://doi.org/10.3126/bodhi.v10i2.69678			Kathmandu University	2091-0479
5	Yolmo, U. T. L., & Basnett, P. (2024). Gender Perspectives on Political Awareness and Participation in the Digital Era. <i>Media Watch</i> , 15(3), 367-385. https://doi.org/10.1177/09760911241256323			Sage	ISSN: 0976-0911 Online ISSN: 2249-8818

B: BOOK/S

Faculty Member	Publications with ISBN

C: BOOK CHAPTERS

Faculty Member	Publications
Dr. Pooja Basnett	Thapa, B., & Basnett, P. (Dec 2024). <i>Sikkim's Digital Content Creators: Aspirations, Challenges and Strategies for Success</i> . In Kumar, A., Singh A.M., & Hidangmayum, N. (Eds.), <i>India's Northeast Problems, Conflicts and New Developments</i> . ISBN: 978-93-48059-02-4, 61-71. Bharti Publications.

6. PAPER PRESENTATION AT NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL SEMINARS /CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING DURING 2024-25

Faculty Member/Research Scholar	Name of Conference/ Seminar/Workshop	Place and Date	Invited Speaker/ Resource Person	Title of Presentation in the published Proceeding, if any
Dr. Jasmine Yimchunger	Kyoto conference on arts, media and culture	Kyoto, Japan October 15-19, 2024	Paper presenter	Japanese subculture in Nagaland: NAJ Cosfest, Cosplayers' performativity and collective production
Dr. Pooja Basnett & Smriti Rai	International Conference on Media, Design & Language for Sustainable Future	SRM Institute of Science & Technology (Kattankulathur) Feb 05-06, 2025	Paper Presenter	
Dr. Pooja Basnett	Short Term Course on Journalism	The Press Club of Sikkim Sept 13-15, 2024	Resource Person	
Dr. Pooja Basnett & Ugyal T. Lama Yolmo	2nd International Conference on Building a Self-Reliant India (ICBSRI-2024) Theme: Digital India- The Road Ahead	Amity School of Communication, Amity University, Patna in collaboration with UNICEF Aug 22-23, 2024	Paper Presenter	

7. RESEARCH PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN DURING 2024-25:

Faculty Member	Project Title	Funding Agency	Project Duration	Total funds received	Number of Project Personnel(Project Fellow/JRF/SRF/RA)

8. SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING PROGRAMMES ORGANISED BY THE DEPARTMENT DURING 2024-25

Sl. No.	Programme Title	National or International	Funding Agency	Date	Number only		Name of Coordinator/Convener
					Resource Persons	Participants	

9. PURCHASE/INSTALLATION OF LABORATORY EQUIPMENT DURING 2024-25

Sl. No.	Equipment Details	Date of Acquisition	Cost (Rs.)	Funding Agency	Purpose	Approx. Usage (%)

10. MPhil AWARDS DURING 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award

11. Ph.D AWARDS DURING 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award
1.	Ugyal T. Lama Yolmo	Gender Discourse in News Media: A Study of the Political Awareness, Utilization of Media Platforms, and Participation in the Political Process by the Students of Higher Educational Institutes in Sikkim.	Dr. Pooja Basnett	July 21, 2023	August 12 th , 2024
2.	Smriti Rai	An Analysis on the Portrayal of Identity in Hindi Crime Genre Web Series in India	Dr. Pooja Basnett	July 18, 2023	August 14 th , 2024

12 a. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF FACULTY MEMBER 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)

12b. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF STUDENTS IN 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)
1	Rekha Devi Sharma	1 st Runner Up in the Spot Photography Competition in the 38 th National Inter-University Youth Festival at Amity University, Noida

13. STUDENTS QUALIFYING IN UGC-NET/UGC-JRF/ICSSR/CSIR/ICAR NET/SLET/GATE/CAT/UPSC/IAS/IPS etc. DURING 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name of Student	Gender	Fellowship/Award/Service

14. CONSULTANCIES OFFERED BY DEPARTMENT DURING 2024-25, if any:

Consultancy Project/ Programme/Service	Organisation seeking Consultancy	Project/Programme Dates & Duration	Consultancy Funding/Service Fee Received

15. STUDENT PLACEMENTS DURING 2024-25:

Name of Student	Semester	Organisation where placement is made	Place (City and Country)

16. Our Alumni Activities (if any)

17. Student and Alumni in the spotlight (if any)

1. Susmita Ksawas, Binod Chettri, Sai Priya Tamang have worked as Co-Actor & Assistant Director in the film *Tara: The Lost Star* which was selected for market screening at the Cannes International Film Festival.
2. Current batch students – Anupreeta Roy Chowdhury, Lakpa Tenzing Sherpa, Rekha Devi Sharma, Tulsi Chhetri, Niroj, Katuwal worked with Director Anurag Basu for the film *Aashiqui* 3. Lakpa Tenzing Sherpa has also got chance to act in the film.

18. Outreach programme and Engaging Communities (if any) by Department/Centre/University

19. Welfare Activities and Philanthropy (if any) by Department/Centre/University

DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC

Name of the Head: Dr. Bilambita Banisudha

1. Introduction

The Department of Music at Sikkim University is dedicated to studying and promoting music, with a particular emphasis on the rich cultural heritage of Sikkim and the Eastern Himalayas. This department is a part of the School of Professional studies and offers programs that blend traditional and contemporary Indian music. The department offers undergraduate programs like Bachelor of Performing Arts (BPA) in Music, where students can specialize in various musical forms. Master of Performing Arts (MPA) in Music is available for students seeking advanced knowledge and skills in music. The department also offers PhD programs for students interested in conducting research in musicology, ethnomusicology, and other areas of musical studies. The Music Department encourages research into indigenous musical traditions and the cultural significance of music in Sikkim and the surrounding areas. The department organizes workshops, seminars, and performances to engage with the local community and promote cultural exchange. The Music Department at Sikkim University plays a crucial role in preserving and promoting the musical heritage of the region. It also provides a comprehensive education in both traditional and contemporary music.

2. Thrust Area

The thrust areas of the Department of Music at Sikkim University are key focus points that guide the department's academic and research activities. These areas are designed to align with the university's mission of preserving regional culture and promoting innovative research in music. Research on the indigenous musical traditions of Sikkim and the Eastern Himalayan region, including the study of folk music, ritual music, and the musical practices of various ethnic communities. These thrust areas reflect the department's commitment to preserving the rich musical heritage of the region while also embracing contemporary developments in music education and research.

3. Number of students enrolled during 2024-25:

Name of Teaching Course	Semester			Total Students	
	First	Third	Fifth	Girls	Boys
UG (if any)	8	02	10	07	10
PG	13	8	-	13	08
MPhil (if any)					
PhD	6			01	05
Post-doc/Research Associate (if any)	N/A				
UGC/CSIR/ICAR-NET-JRF	02			1	1

4. FACULTY PROFILE:

Sl.	Name	Degree (MA/MSc/M. Com MPhil/PhD/Post- doc)	Designation	Date of Joining (Regular)	Publications (number only) and H- index of Google Scholar still date (if any)	Supervisor of MPhil/Ph.D.Ph.D. Students (number only)	Extra- mural Research Projects (number only)
REGULAR FACULTY MEMBERS							
1	Dr Krishnendu Dutta	PhD	Associate Professor	10/11/2015	Publications: 05	06	Nil
2	Dr. Bilambita Banisudha	PhD	Associate Professor	8/5/2023	Publications: 03	01	01
3	Dr. Jayanta Barman	PhD	Assistant Professor	27/02/2012	Publications: 01	03	02
4	Dr. Samidha Vedabala	PhD	Assistant Professor	02/03/2012	Publications: 6 H-Index- 3	03	1
5	Dr. Santosh Kumar	PhD	Assistant Professor	28/04/2014	Publications: 4	04	1
VISITING PROFESSOR							
GUEST FACULTY							
1	Anurag Gajmer	PhD	Guest Faculty	NA	NA	NA	NA
2	Sumana Banerjee	PhD	Guest Faculty	NA	NA	NA	NA
3	Sandeep Patel	PhD	Guest Faculty				
SUPPORT STAFF/Accompanist							
	Name	Qualification	Designation	Date of joining (regular)	Not Applicable		
1	Kishore Thapa	AIR Graded Artist(Madal)	NA	NA	NA	NA	

5. DETAILS OF PUBLICATIONS (from 1st April 2024 to 31st March 2025)

A: RESEARCH PAPERS IN JOURNAL

Sl. No.	Publication list	UGC-CARE List Journal Number	Impact Factor, if any	Publisher	ISSN
1	Siddhant Rai, Akash Pradhan, Dr. Krishnendu Dutta , The Impact of Globalization and Modernization on Kirata Khambu-Rai Folk Music-	Group I Volume 12, Issue 03	-	Swar Sindhu	2320-7175
2	Siddhant Rai, Dr. Krishnendu Dutta , Exploring Music of the Kirata Khambu- Rai Community : Dolokupma-	Volume 12; Issue 03	-	Swar Sindhu	2320-7175
3	Banisudha B. (2024), " Caiti Tradition and the Performance: A Study of Song Texts"	Group I Swar Sindhu (National Peer-Reviewed, Refereed Journal of Music) ISSN 2320-7175 (O) UGC-CARE enlisted, volume 13, issue 03, December 2024, pp. 114-126	NA	Pratibha Spandhan	2319-9695
4	Banisudha B. (2024), " The Interplay of Melody and Rhythm in the Jhula Songs of the Monsoon"	Group I Sangeet Galaxy e-Journal UGC-CARE Listed ISSN: 2319-96 Vol.14, No.1 (January 2025) pp. 384-400	NA	Sangeet Galaxy e-Journal	2319-9695
5	The Music of Odisha: A Special Reference to The Diversity of Indigenous Culture In India	UGC care listed peer-review ISSN No-Vol-21 July 2025		Anhad lok	2349-137X
6	Glimpse of 'Jogi' Community and their Tunes in Sikkim-Dr. Jayanta Kumar Barman, Amrit Biswakarma			IJIRT	2349-6002
7	Vedabala (2024) Feminism in the musical landscape of North-East India, Shodhkosh . 5(1). 214-221. doi: 10.29121/shodhkosh.v5.i1.2024.869			Shodhkosh	2582-7472
8	Vedabala, Paul (2024), Ghazal: Structure, Themes and Its Styles, Swarsindhu. 12(1), 214-221			Swarsindhu	2320-7175
9	Vedabala, Tolangi (2024). Percussion Artists in the Musical Landscape of Sikkim, 10(19), 35-41			Anhad Lok	2349-137X
10	Vedabala, Gazmer (2024). Sikkimese Cultural Elements in Christian Music practices among different denomination. swarsindhu. 11(2). 131-139			Swarsindhu	2320-7175

11	Vedabala (2024), Digital Commodification of Indian Classical Music: A Critical Analysis. Inclusive 11(25).1388-1393			Inclusive	2278-9758
12	Vedabala (2024), Elements of Gayaki in Sitar Performance: An Analytical Study. Sangeet Galaxy.13(2).67-77.			Sangeet Galaxy	2319-9695
13	Vedabala (2024), Meend : The Soul of Sitar Playing. Anhadlok.10(20)			Anhad Lok	2349-137X
14	Vedabala (2024). From Tradition to transition: Exploring the Changing Dimension of Folk Music of Sikkim. Special Issue 2: 57-61			STOM	2231-1041
15	Vedabala (2025), Politics and Music: A Study on the Feminist Movement in India, Naad Nartan; journal of Dance and Music.13(1).141-145			Nad Nartan	2349-4654
16	Vedabala (2025). Cultural Hybridity in Indian Music: Blending Tradition and Innovation. Sangeet Galaxy.14(1).			Sangeet Galaxy	2319-9695
17	Dhamala, M., & Kumar, S. (2024). <u>Scope of Indian Classical Music in Gangtok</u> . Sangeet Swar Sindhu. Pratibha Spandhan, Vol. 12, (Issue 01), 182-189	Yes		Pratibha Spandan	2320-7175
18	Dhamala, M., & Kumar, S. (2024). <u>Social Media and Music: A Study in Sikkim</u> . Sangeet Galaxy e-Journal. Sangeet Galaxy Foundation, Vol. 13, No.2, 237-247	Yes		Sangeet Galaxy Foundation	2319-9695

B: BOOK/S

Faculty Member	Publications with ISBN
Samidha Vedabala	Unheard Voices from the Margins: Art, Culture and Exclusion ISBN 978-93-48491-29-9

C: BOOK CHAPTERS

Faculty Member	Publications
Santosh Kumar	Kumar, S. (2024). <u>Bhartiya Swatantrata Ka Amrit Mahotsa</u> . Sangeet evam Bansuri: Ek Vishwshnatmak Lekh, In Priyanshu Ghosh (Ed.), Shilpayan Sangeet Lekh Samooah (pp 77-100). Sharada Sanskrit Sansthan. ISBN: 978-81-956789-7-6.

6. PAPER PRESENTATION AT NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING DURING 2024-25

Faculty Member/Research Scholar	Name of Conference/Seminar/Workshop	Place and Date	Invited Speaker/Resource Person	Title of Presentation in the published Proceeding, if any
Bilambita Banisudha	Virasat 2025 The Rich Heritage Of Indian Music Cultural Traditions And Contemporary Practices	06-07 March 2025	Resource Person	The Portrayals of Woman in Indian Classical Music: Critical Analysis of Sound-Text of Khyal.
Bilambita Banisudha	Negotiating Tradition and Modernity in Musicology and performing Arts Organized by International Congress of Indian Musicology and Performing Arts	18-19 March 2025	Resource Person	Woman in khyal: Cultural Symbolism and Representation
Santosh Kumar	Virasat 2025 The Rich Heritage Of Indian Music Cultural Traditions And Contemporary Practices	06-07 March 2025	Resource Person	An Interdisciplinary Approach To Musical Research

7. RESEARCH PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN DURING 2024-25:

	Project Title	Funding Agency	Project Duration	Total funds received	Number of Project Personnel (Project Fellow/JRF/SRF/RA)
Dr. Samidha Vedabala	Women as Professional Musicians: An Insight from North-East India	ICSSR	1 year	₹ 4,69,333	1
Dr. Santosh Kumar	'Research on the Wind Musical Instruments and its Architectonics in the Cultural Scapes of North Eastern States of India'	Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts (IGNCA)	24 Months	₹ 19.65 Lakh	2
Dr. Jayanta Kumar Barman	'Contribution of Women Artists in Bhawalya Folk Song: A Study on Socio-Cultural Aspect'	ICSSR	1 Year	₹ 5 Lakh	03
Dr. Jayanta Kumar Barman	A study on extinction of the folk songs of Sikkim: Special emphasis on the preservation of lyrics and the melodic structure	(Sikkim University Research Fund)	6 Months	₹ 75,000	0
Dr. Bilambita Banisudha	Monsoon Raga-s in Hindustani music: An analytical study of compositions	(Sikkim University Research Fund)	6 Months	₹ 75,000/-	0
Dr. Bilambita Banisudha	Women in Melodies of Harvest: A Study of Nyāumā Song of Sikkim	ICSSR	1 Year	₹ 6.5 Lakh	3

8. SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING PROGRAMMES ORGANISED BY THE DEPARTMENT DURING 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Programme Title	National or International	Funding Agency	Date	Number only		Name of Coordinator/Convener
					Resource Persons	Participants	
1	Travel Scholars Lecture On English Language Programme	National	University	4 th March 2025	2	40	Dr. Krishnendu Dutta
2	Traveling Lecture on Assamese Music	National	University	21 st March 2025	1	35	Dr. Santosh Kumar
3	Workshop on Flute playing Technique	National	University	02-04 March 2025	1	12	Dr. Santosh Kumar
4	Lecture-Cum-Demonstration on "The Role of Music in Theatre"	National	University	26 Nov 2025	1	60	Dr. Santosh Kumar
5	Music of the Mountains: Melodies and the Socio-Cultural Dimensions	International Conference	University	13-14 Nov 2025	3	45	Dr. Samidha Vedabala
6	Tourism for Community Empowerment: A Sustainable Perspective	International Seminar	University Grant And Yangang Tourism Development Committee	14 th April 2025		20	Dr. Bilambita Banisudha

9. PURCHASE/INSTALLATION OF LABORATORY EQUIPMENT DURING 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Equipment Details	Date of Acquisition	Cost (Rs.)	Funding Agency	Purpose	Approx. Usage (%)

10. MPhil AWARDS DURING 2024-25

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award



Doordarsan Program



International Conference



Rabindra Jayanti



Flute Workshop, SPIC MACAY



Indian Knowledge System



U.S. Government Exchange Program



Book Inauguration



Faculty and students from Department of music performing at the Youth Conclave organized by Department of Tourism, Sikkim University at Yang Yang Campus

11. Ph.D. AWARDS DURING 2024-25 (*only successfully awarded*):

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award
01	Kakali Saha	Music Education in Schools of Sikkim and West Bengal in the Eastern Himalayan Region of India: An Evaluation	Dr. Santosh Kumar	16-06-2024	04-12-2024

12 a. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF FACULTY MEMBER 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)

12b. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF STUDENTS IN 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)
1	Shravan Dhital	Junior Fellowship(06/02/2025) CCRT, Ministry of Culture, Govt. of India
2	Parishmita Phukan	Best Female Singer Nominated, Prag Cine Awards 2025

13. STUDENTS QUALIFYING IN UGC-NET/UGC-JRF/CSSR/CSIR/CAR-NET/SLET/GATE/CAT/UPSC/IAS/IPS etc. DURING 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name of Student	Gender	Fellowship/Award/Service
1	Chinmoyee Stuti Bohar	Female	UGC NET
2	Yadav Sharma	Male	UGC NET

14. CONSULTANCIES OFFERED BY DEPARTMENT DURING 2024-25, if any:

Consultancy Project/ Programme/Service	Organisation seeking Consultancy	Project/Programme Dates & Duration	Consultancy Funding/Service Fee Received

15. STUDENT PLACEMENTS DURING 2024-25:

Name of Student	Semester/ Course	Organization where placement is made	Place (City and Country)
Anshu Pathak	Ph.D	Assistant Teacher, Government of Bihar	U.S.H Paghari Bihar
Madhuparna	Ph.D	Primary Teacher	Kendriya Vidyalaya
Juhi Kumari	Ph.D	Assistant Teacher, Government of Bihar	Bihar
Shradha Suman	MPA	Assistant Teacher, Government of Bihar	Bihar

16. Our Alumni Activities (if any)

17. Student and Alumni in the spotlight (if any)

18. Outreach programme and Engaging Communities (if any) by Department/Centre/University

19. Welfare Activities and Philanthropy (if any) by Department/Centre/University

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Name of the Head: Prof. Yodida Bhutia

1. Introduction

The Department of Education was established in 2014, initially offering a Master of Arts (MA) in Education. Over the years, the department has expanded its academic offerings and currently provides a two-year MA in Education, a two-year Master of Education (M.Ed) program, and a Ph.D. in Education. The department comprises of five regular faculty members, three contractual faculty, and three guest faculty. Faculty members are actively involved in research and publication, contributing to both national and international journals, as well as authoring books and book chapters. The department currently has 32 postgraduate students and 12 Ph.D. scholars. So far, 11 scholars have been awarded with Ph.D. degree by the Department of Education. The student community represents diverse states, including Sikkim, West Bengal, Assam, Bihar, and Meghalaya. Graduates from the department are well-placed in various organizations across different regions. The department is actively engaged in a wide range of academic activities. The curricula for all postgraduate and doctoral programs have been revised in accordance with the National Education Policy (NEP) and the Learning Outcome-Based Curriculum Framework (LOCF). The department regularly organizes national and international seminars, both in offline and online modes, and has taken a leading role in curriculum development and revision in line with LOCF and NEP guidelines. It has also played an important role in the implementation of SWAYAM in the university. Each year, several Ph.D. scholars are awarded their doctoral degrees.

2. Thrust Area

Educational Studies

3. Number of students enrolled during 2024-25: 32

Name of Teaching Course	Semester				Total Students	
	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Girls	Boys
UG (if any)						
PG		MA-14 M.Ed.- 18			11 9	3 9
MPhil (if any)						
PhD	3		1	2		
Post-doc/Research Associate (if any)						
UGC/CSIR/ICAR-NET-JRF		JRF- 1 UGC NET (AP)- 1 UGC NET (PhD)- 5		JRF- 1 UGC NET (AP)-3 UGC NET (PhD)-8	12	07

4. FACULTY PROFILE:

Sl.	Name	Degree (MA/MSc/M. Com MPhil/PhD/Post- doc)	Designation	Date of Joining (Regular)	Publications(<i>number only</i>) and H-index of Google Scholar still date (<i>if any</i>)	Supervisor of Ph.D. Students (<i>number only</i>)	Extra- mural Research Projects (<i>number only</i>)
REGULAR FACULTY MEMBERS							
1	Prof. Yodida Bhutia	Ph.D.	Professor	01.09.2017	6	6	
2	TJMS Raju	Ph.D.	Professor	27-11-2025	4	4	Nil
3	Dr. Aabriti Sharma	Ph.D	Assistant Professor	17.09.2017	2	2	Nil
4	Dr. Anju Verma	PhD	Assistant Professor	28-04-2014	3	2	Nil
5	Dr. Kanagaraj K.	Ph.D. Education	Assistant Professor	25-01-2021	1	2	Nil
6	Dr. Manisha Subba	Ph. D.	Assistant Professor	05.07.2023	1	1	Nil
CONTRACT FACULTY							
1	Dr.RSS. Nehru	Ph.D.	Asst. Professor (Contractual)	25.09.2017	6	NA	NA
2	Mr. Bappaditya Adhikary	MA, M.Ed	Asst. Professor (Contractual)	06/05/2021	NA	NA	NA
3	Dr. Pawan Kumar Ray	Ph.D.	Assistant Professor (Contractual)	07-07-2023	NA	NA	NA
VISITING PROFESSOR							
GUEST FACULTY							
1	Ms. Sanyim Lepcha	MA, M.Ed	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2	Dr. Anupam Pokhrel	PhD	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
3	Ms. Ishering Ongmi Bhutia	MA, B.Ed	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
SUPPORT STAFF							
	Name	Qualification	Designation	Date of joining (regular)	Not Applicable		

5. DETAILS OF PUBLICATIONS

A: RESEARCH PAPERS IN JOURNAL

Sl. No.	Publication list	UGC-CARE List Journal Number	Impact Factor, if any	Publisher	ISSN
1.	Lepcha, M. D & Bhutia Y. (2024). Societal Perspectives on the Challenges faced by Women Students of Sikkim in Higher Education. <i>The Academic International Journal of Multidisciplinary Research</i> , 2(2), 125-146.	-	7.2	The Academic International Journal of Multidisciplinary Research	2583-973X
2.	Subba N & Bhutia Y. (2024). National Education Policy (2020): Introducing the Professor of Practice. <i>International Journal of Advance Research in Multidisciplinary</i> 2(2). 128-131.	-	3.978	International Journal of Advance Research in Multidisciplinary	2583-9667
3.	Chettri, B. & Bhutia, Y. (2024). Eco-pedagogical Practices prevalent among the Manger Community of Sikkim. <i>The Academic International Journal of Multidisciplinary Research</i> , 2(4). 142-157.	-	7.2	The Academic International Journal of Multidisciplinary Research	2583-973X
4.	Kunwar, J. and Bhutia, Y (2024). Psychological Resilience Showed by Secondary School Students during Covid-19 Pandemic: A Study from Dibrugarh District, Assam. <i>Journal of Education in Emerging Indian Society</i> . XIV (6). 1-13	-	3.	Journal of Education in Emerging Indian Society	2394-434X
5.	Pradhan, N & Bhutia, Y. (2024). Scientific attitude and problem-solving ability among senior secondary School students of Namchi, Sikkim. <i>International Journal of Science Academic Research</i> , 05(07), 7920-7924. Retrieved from http://www.scienceijsar.com	-	6.673	International Journal of Science Academic Research	2582-6425
6.	Sunuwar, B. & Bhutia, Y. (2024). Effect of Flute Music on Anxiety of Secondary School Students in Namchi, Sikkim: An Experimental Study. <i>International Journal of Education and Psychological Research</i> , Volume 13, Issue 2, June 2024.	-	3	International Journal of Education and Psychological Research	ISSN: 2349 - 0853, e-ISSN: 2279 - 0179
7.	Chettri, P. and Bhutia, Y. (2025). Revitalizing Higher Education: NEP 2020: <i>National Journal of Education</i> Vol. XXIII No. (1).	UGC-CARE List	6.756	Banaras Hindu University	ISSN 0972-9569, eISSN: 2584-2595
8.	Anupam Pokhrel & TJMS Raju (2024) A Comparative Study on Adjustment amongst Senior Secondary School Students of Sikkim doi: 10.3389/fmicb.2022.914037	-	-	<i>Kishore Vidya Niketanam, Varanasi</i>	0975-6256
9.	Bhutia, P. C., & Kanagaraj, K. (2025). Adapting to the Digital Classroom: College Teachers Experience with Online Teaching during Covid-19. 7(1), 37019. https://doi.org/10.36948/ijfmr.2025.v07i01.37019	-	-	<i>International Journal for Multidisciplinary Research</i>	2582-2160

10	Sambasivarao, R., Nehru, R. S. S., Rajamani, J., & Varahala Dora, R. S. (2024). "Classroom Perspectives: Student Teachers' Views On ICT Integration in Teaching." <i>Educational Administration: Theory and Practice</i> . https://doi.org/10.53555/kurey.v30i11.9345	-	0.8	Educational Administration: Theory and Practice	e-ISSN: 2148-2403 p-ISSN: 1300-4832
11	R.S.S. Nehru, Paredes, S., Roy, S. C., Ton Quang Cuong, & Thanh, T. (2025). Implementing the Revised Bloom's Taxonomy (2001) in AI-Digital and Online Learning Environments: A Strategic Approach. <i>Indian Journal of Educational Technology</i> , 7(1), 173-189. https://journals.ncert.gov.in/IJET/article-view/854	UGC-CARE List	-	CIET, NCERT	ISSN- 2581-8325
12	Ray, P. K and Mishra, L. (2024). Impact of Experiential Learning Approaches on Problem Solving Ability in Pre-Service Teacher Trainees. <i>Indian Journal of Psychology</i> . Volume:3, 2024. (pp.150-162). https://portal.issn.org/resource/ISSN/0019-5553	-	7.67	Indian Journal of Psychology	0019-5553

B: BOOK/S

Faculty Member	Publications with ISBN

C: BOOK CHAPTERS

Faculty Member	Publications
Yodida Bhutia	Manger, N & Bhutia, Y. (2024). <i>Transforming Secondary Education in Sikkim</i> . Mittal Publications, New Delhi. ISBN: 978-93-5999-688-2.
Yodida Bhutia	Mukherjee, S., & Heeralal, P. J. (Eds.). (2025). <i>Reviving ancient wisdom: Weaving the Indian knowledge system into modern India</i> . Y. Bhutia, M. D. N. Sarif, & A. Goon (Associate Eds.), School of Education, Adamas University. ISBN 978-81-967459-8-1
Yodida Bhutia	Mukherjee, S., & Heeralal, P. J. (Eds.). (2025). <i>Revitalizing Indian education: Insights from the Indian knowledge system</i> . Y. Bhutia, M. D. N. Sarif, & A. Goon (Associate Eds.), School of Education, Adamas University. ISBN 978-81-967459-4-3
TJMS Raju & S.N. Rao	The Psychological Problems of youth and their Counselling in Teacher Education. (2024) TJMS Raju & S.N. Rao. <i>Incredible Education in India: Edited by Dr I. Sharon Raju</i> , ISBN: 978-93-93402-40-0
Dr. Manisha Subba	Subba, M. (2024). Rethinking Social Science Pedagogy through an Integrated Approach. In N. Mitra & S. Shaikh (Eds.), <i>Social Science and Education in the Perspective of NEP-2020</i> (pp. 176-184). N. B. Publications. ISBN: 978-93-91550-83-7.
Dr. RSS Nehru	Nehru, R. S. S. (2024). Pedagogies in Indian education: Blending global and local perspectives. In T. S. Raju, M. P. Rao, B. B. P. Devi, & M. Z. Ali (Eds.), <i>Incredible Education India</i> (pp.283-295). Uday Publishing House. ISBN:973-93402-40-0
Dr. RSS Nehru	Nehru, R. S. S. (2024). Reimagining Asian education: Transforming classrooms with EdT, AI assistants, and emerging digital innovations. <i>Digitalisation and Artificial Intelligence: New Prospects for Central Asia</i> , 758-767, ISBN: 978-81-977564-6-7.

6. PAPER PRESENTATION AT NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING DURING 2024-25

Faculty Member/Research Scholar	Name of Conference/Seminar/Workshop	Place and Date	Invited Speaker/Resource Person/Paper Presenter	Title of Presentation in the published Proceeding, if any
Prof. Yodida Bhutia	Eco-pedagogical practices among Bhutia people of Sikkim.	On 16 th May 2024 at William Carey University, Shillong, Meghalaya.	Paper Presenter	Tribal Knowledge System: A Way Forward
Jayashree Prasad & TJMS Raju	National Conference on Teachers and Teaching: Building Professionalism, Critical Thinking and Reflective Pedagogy	Sikkim University 8 th and 9 th April, 2024	Paper Presenters	Examining the Role of Teachers in Developing School Environment among Senior Secondary School Students of Sikkim. National Conference, Sikkim University, Gangtok.
TJMS Raju	UGC Sponsored National Conference on Managing Stress, Anxiety and Depression- to enhance Psychological Capital	Organized by Acharya Nagarjuna University, Nagarjuna Nagar, AP, 6-7 February 2025	Resource Person	Healthy Coping Skills for Anxiety and Depression
Dr. Aabriti Sharma	National Seminar On Empowering Community of Practice-Preparing Teachers for a Changing World	Sikkim Government B.Ed. College, Soreng District 26 th October, 2024	Paper Presenter	Empowering Educators: Integrating Technology into Teacher Training for the 21st Century
Dr. Aabriti Sharma	Two-Day National Seminar on Strategic Implementation of Nep 2020 at Higher Education in North-East India	Sikkim University	Paper Presenters	Bridging the Gap: Opportunities and Challenges of Skill Enhancement Courses Under NEP 2020
Dr. Kanagaraj K.	Implementation of NEP 2020 & its Preparedness	Sikkim Govt. College, Burtuk, 10 th May, 2024	Resource Person	<i>Learning Outcome based Curriculum</i>
Dr. Kanagaraj K.	Capacity Building Programme for SCERT and DIET Faculty on Research Methodology	SCERT, Gangtok, 21-25, October 2024	Resource Person	<i>Action Research</i>
Dr. Kanagaraj K.	National Seminar on Strategic Implementation of NEP 2020 at Higher Education in North-East India	Sikkim University, 6-7, March 2025	Paper Presenter	<i>NEP 2020 and Equitable Access to Higher Education in the North Eastern Region: Prospects and Challenges</i>
Dr. Kanagaraj K.	Dr. K. Venkatasubramanian Endowment Lecture 2024-25	Department of Education, University of Madras, 27-01-2025	Invited Speaker	<i>Understanding the Paradigms of Qualitative Research</i>

Dr. Manisha Subba	Empowering Community of Practice-Preparing Teachers for a Changing World	Soreng, Sikkim October 25-26, 2024	Paper Presenter	Sharma, D. R., & Subba, M. (2024, October). <i>Attitude Towards ICT of Senior Secondary Government School Teachers in Soreng District of Sikkim</i> . Paper presented at the National Seminar (sponsored by RUSA) on Empowering Community of Practice-Preparing Teachers for a Changing World organized by Sikkim Government B. Ed College, Soreng.
Dr. Manisha Subba	Empowering Community of Practice-Preparing Teachers for a Changing World	Soreng, Sikkim October 25-26, 2024	Paper Presenter	Subba, M. (2024, October). <i>Museum Pedagogy: An Innovative and Experiential Learning Approach</i> . Paper presented at the National Seminar (sponsored by RUSA) on Empowering Community of Practice-Preparing Teachers for a Changing World organized by Sikkim Government B. Ed College, Soreng.
Dr. Manisha Subba	Strategic Implementation of NEP 2020 at Higher Education in North-East India	Gangtok, Sikkim March 6-7, 2025	Paper Presenter	Subba, M. (2025, March). <i>Experiential Learning in Teacher Education: Preparing Teachers with a Difference</i> . Paper presented at the National Seminar on Strategic Implementation of NEP 2020 at Higher Education in North-East India organized by ICSSR Research Project Team (Collaborative) Team under Vison Viksit Bharat @2047 at Sikkim University.
Dr. Manisha Subba	Workshop for Faculty on 'Action Research'	Soreng, Sikkim May 2, 2024	Resource Person	Organized by Sikkim Government B. Ed College, Soreng.
Dr. Manisha Subba	Workshop for Students on 'Fundamentals in Crafting Undergraduate Dissertation'	Gangtok, Sikkim March 18, 2025	Resource Person	Organized by Nar Bahadur Bhandari Government College, Tadong.

7. RESEARCH PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN DURING 2024-25:

Faculty Member	Project Title	Funding Agency	Project Duration	Total funds received	Number of Project Personnel (Project Fellow/JRF/SRF/RA)
Prof. Yodida Bhutia	Strategic Implementation of NEP at Higher Education level in Arunachal Pradesh, Meghalaya, Nagaland and Sikkim, a collaborative research under Viksit Bharat@2047 sponsored by ICSSR, New Delhi.	ICSSR, New Delhi.	12 months	₹12 Lakh	01

8. SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING PROGRAMMES ORGANISED BY THE DEPARTMENT DURING 2024-25

Sl. No.	Programme Title	National or International	Funding Agency	Date	Number only		Name of Coordinator/Convener
					Resource Persons	Participants	
1	National Conference on Teachers and Teaching: Building Professionalism, Critical thinking and Reflective Pedagogy	National	ICSSR- NERC	April 8-9, 2024	6	80 approximate (hybrid mode)	Prof. Yodida Bhutia (Chairperson) Dr. Manisha Subba (Organizing Secretary)
2	Workshop on Designing Educational Resources	Department	ICSSR- NERC	April 8-9, 2024	2	M. Ed. Semester II & IV students	Prof. Yodida Bhutia (Chairperson) Dr. Manisha Subba (Organizing Secretary)
5	Colloquium on Discussion and Deliberations on Draft NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2025 in alignment with the NEP 2020	State	Sikkim University	March 13, 2025	1	90 persons	Prof. Yodida Bhutia (Chairperson) Dr. Manisha Subba & Mr. Bappaditya Adhikary (Organizing Secretaries)



Workshop on Designing Educational Resources



Colloquium on Discussion and Deliberations on Draft NCTE (Recognition Norms and Procedure) Regulations, 2025 in alignment with the NEP 2020

9. PURCHASE/INSTALLATION OF LABORATORY EQUIPMENT DURING 2024-25):

Sl. No.	Equipment Details	Date of Acquisition	Cost (Rs.)	Funding Agency	Purpose	Approx. Usage (%)

10. MPhil AWARDS (if any) DURING 2024-25 (only successfully awarded):

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award

11. Ph.D. AWARDS DURING 2024-25 (only successfully awarded):

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award
1	Nabin Mangar	Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA) of Samagraha Shiksha Abhiyan in the State of Sikkim- An Evaluative Study.	Prof. Yodida Bhutia	08.11.2023	06.05.2024
2	Prabin Tamang	Self-concept, Self-esteem and Academic Achievement among Schedule caste Students of secondary Schools of Sikkim.	Dr. Anju Verma	30.09.2024	13.02.2025

12a. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF FACULTY MEMBER (Permanent only) 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)

12b. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENTS OF STUDENTS IN 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name	Distinction Achieved (Awards/Medals/Fellowship of National Academics of Sciences/Social Sciences)

13. STUDENTS QUALIFYING IN UGC-NET/UGC-JRF/ICSSR/CSIR/ICAR-NET/SLET/GATE/CAT/UPSC/IAS/IPS etc. DURING 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Name of Student	Gender	Fellowship/Award/Service
1.	Sudarson Subba	Male	JRF
2.	Tashi Zangmu Bhutia	Female	JRF
3.	Sangita Sharma	Female	UGC NET Assistant Professor & PhD
4.	Niharika Horo	Female	UGC NET Assistant Professor & PhD
5.	Nareepnom Lepcha	Female	UGC NET Assistant Professor & PhD
6.	Aswin Basnet	Male	UGC NET Assistant Professor & PhD
7.	Subecha Pradhan	Female	UGC NET PhD
8.	Mizing Brahma	Male	UGC NET PhD
9.	Tashi Namgyal Sherpa	Male	UGC NET PhD
10.	Sumi Khawas	Female	UGC NET PhD
11.	Aditi Sharma	Female	UGC NET PhD
12.	Manita Chhetri	Female	UGC NET PhD
13.	Anjali Rai	Female	UGC NET PhD
14.	Karan Gautam	Male	UGC NET PhD
15.	Pravin Mangar	Male	UGC NET PhD
16.	Kabita Timsina	Female	UGC NET PhD
17.	Sandeep Tamang	Male	UGC NET PhD
18.	Ritu Moni Das	Female	UGC NET PhD
19.	Sujata Mitra	Female	UGC NET PhD

14. CONSULTANCIES OFFERED BY DEPARTMENT DURING 2024-25, if any:

Consultancy Project/ Programme/Service	Organisation seeking Consultancy	Project/Programme Dates & Duration	Consultancy Funding/Service Fee Received

15. STUDENT PLACEMENTS DURING 2024-25:

Name of Student	Semester	Organisation where placement is made	Place (City and Country)
Karan Gautam	2	Government of Sikkim	Rhenock, East Sikkim India
Sangita Sharma	4	Government of Sikkim	Gyalshing, West Sikkim India
Manita Chhetri	4	Government of Sikkim	Yangang, South Sikkim India
Nareepnom Lepcha	4	Government of Sikkim	Rolep Pakyong East Sikkim India
Suifarson Subba	4	Government of Sikkim	Pakyong East Sikkim India
Terasa Lepcha	4	Government of Sikkim	Pakyong, East Sikkim India
Sudiksha Pourel Sharma	2	Government of Sikkim	Gangtok, East Sikkim India
Sanjay Prasad Koirala	2	Government of Sikkim	Pakyong, East Sikkim India
Suman Rai	2	Government of Sikkim	Namchi, South Sikkim India
Salima Rai	2	Government of Sikkim	Uttarey, West Sikkim India
Nimkit Lepcha	4	Government of Sikkim	Uttarey, West Sikkim India
Reeshab Khatiwara	4	Government of Sikkim	Pakyong, East Sikkim India
Ava Alokya	4	Government of Sikkim	Gyalshing, West Sikkim India
Dili Ram Sharma	4	Government of Sikkim	Namchi, South Sikkim India
Mukund Giri	4	Government of Sikkim	Namchi, South Sikkim India
Shrijana Chettri	4	Government of Sikkim	Gyalshing, West Sikkim India
Parismita Das	4	Central Government	Guwahati, India
Jahida Aktarul Islam	4	State Government	Assam, India

16. Our Alumni Activities (if any)**17. Student and Alumni in the spotlight (if any)****18. Outreach programme and Engaging Communities (if any) by Department/Centre/University****19. Welfare Activities and Philanthropy (if any) by Department/Centre/University**

DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM

Name of the Head: Dr Amit Kumar Singh

1. Introduction

The Department of Tourism, Sikkim University is functional since 2013. It offers Masters in Tourism and Travel Management and PhD in Tourism. The Department has also organized numerous short term courses for the students like Mountaineering, Skiing, Trekking, Rock Climbing etc. as part of the Adventure Tourism course. Exposure trips to places of tourist interest within and outside the state has been a regular feature of the course. The Department has to its credit organized seminars on new trends in tourism like Responsible Tourism, Rural Tourism, Home stay Management and Sustainable Tourism.

2. Thrust Area

The Department of Tourism launched its maiden PhD programme in 2018 and since then two PhD degrees has been awarded and nine is ongoing. However, the area of research is widespread but the major thrust in which the ongoing research is going on is related to Home Stays, Sustainable Tourism, Heritage Tourism, Eco-Tourism, Tourism Planning and Policy.

3. Number of students enrolled during 2024-25:

Name of Teaching Course	Semester				Total Students	
	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Girls	Boys
UG (if any)	NA					
PG	23		18		26	15
MPhil (if any)	Nil					
PhD	3	2			3	2
Post-doc/Research Associate (if any)						
UGC/CSIR/ICAR-NET/JRF						

4. FACULTY PROFILE:

Sl.	Name	Degree (MA/MSc/M. Com MPhil/PhD/Post- doc)	Designation	Date of Joining (<i>Regular</i>)	Publications (<i>number only</i>) and H-index of Google Scholars till date (<i>if any</i>)	Supervisor of Ph.D. Students (<i>number only</i>)	Extra-mural Research Projects (<i>number only</i>)
REGULAR FACULTY MEMBERS							
1	Dr Amit Kumar Singh	PhD	Associate Professor	21/09/2017	Publication: 06	PhD- Awarded 1 Ongoing-1	Nil
2	Dr Jigmie Wangchuk Bhutia	PhD	Associate Professor	05/05/2014	Nil	Ph.D. Ongoing-3	Nil
3	Dr.Akhilesh Kumar Singh	Ph.D.	Assistant Professor	30/08/2017	Publications: 5	M. Phil Awarded- 2 Ph.D. Ongoing-2	Nil
4	Dr Ashi W Pempem	Ph.D	Assistant Professor	01-05-2014	Nil	Nil	Nil
VISITING PROFESSOR							
GUEST FACULTY							
1	Dr Sanjay Karn	PhD	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2	Mr Pawas Chaturvedi	MTTM/NET	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
3	Ms Subecha Chettri	MTTM/NET	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
4	Mr Sonam Gyamtso Bhutia	MTTM/NET (JRF)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
SUPPORT STAFF							
	Name	Qualification	Designation	Date of joining (<i>regular</i>)	Not Applicable		
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5. DETAILS OF PUBLICATIONS

A: RESEARCH PAPERS IN JOURNAL

Sl. No.	Publication list	UGC-CARE List Journal Number	Impact Factor, if any	Publisher	ISSN
1.	Diksha Lama, Akhilesh Kumar Singh, (2024) Understanding Homstays Success In Rural Dajeeling: A Comparative Study Between Lepchajagat And Sittong In Darjeeling Using Garrett Ranking. Library Progress International, 44(3), 19980-19985. https://doi.org/10.48165/bapas.2024.44.2.1			Library Progress International	eISSN: 2320-317X p ISSN: 0970-1052 https://bpasjournals.com/library-science/index.php/journal/issue/view/10

B: BOOK/S

Faculty Member	Publications with ISBN
Dr.Amit Kumar Singh	Singh, A. K., & Singh, P. (2024) AI in Tourism: Indu Book Services Pvt. Ltd. ISBN:978-81-19907-95-3

C: BOOK CHAPTERS

Faculty Member	Publications
Dr.Amit Kumar Singh	Curriculum and textbook development for the job role <i>Guest Service Associate (Front Office)</i> for Grades 11 and 12. Unit 3: Handling Guests in the Front Office for Grade 11
Dr.Akhilesh Kumar Singh	Bhatt, Vaibhav, et al. "A Netnographic Analysis of Tourists' Experiences in the Rural Tourism Village of India." Building Community Resiliency and Sustainability With Tourism Development, edited by Viana Hassan, et al., IGI Global, 2024, pp. 128-147. https://doi.org/10.4018/979-8-3693-5405-6.ch006 .

6. PAPER PRESENTATION AT NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING DURING 2024-25

Faculty Member/Research Scholar	Name of Conference/ Seminar/Workshop	Place and Date	Invited Speaker/ Resource Person/Paper Presenter	Title of Presentation in the published Proceeding, if any
Dr. Akhilesh Kumar Singh	Tourism Management in India : A Developmental Perspective	Sahyadri Commerce and Management College Shivamogga, Karnataka 5 March, 2025.	Paper Presenter	Challenges of Homestays: A Comparative Study of Lepchajagat & Sittong in Darjeeling

Dr. Akhilesh Kumar Singh	Globalisation, Self and Life world	Department of Sociology, Sikkim University, Gangtok-Sikkim. 10-11 March, 2025.	Paper Presenter	Adventure as a Method of Self-Exploration: The Psychological Effects of Extreme Sports on Athletes
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7. RESEARCH PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN DURING 2024-25:

Faculty Member	Project Title	Funding Agency	Project Duration	Total funds received	Number of Project Personnel (Project Fellow/JRF/SRF/RA)

8. SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING PROGRAMMES ORGANISED BY THE DEPARTMENT DURING 2024-25

Sl. No.	Programme Title	National or International	Funding Agency	Date	Number only		Name of Coordinator/Convener
					Resource Persons	Participants	

9. PURCHASE/INSTALLATION OF LABORATORY EQUIPMENT DURING 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Equipment Details	Date of Acquisition	Cost (Rs.)	Funding Agency	Purpose	Approx. Usage (%)

10. MPhil AWARDS (if any) DURING 2024-25 (only successfully awarded):

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award

11. Ph.D. AWARDS DURING 2024-25 (only successfully awarded):

Sl. No.	Candidate	Title of Thesis	Supervisor/Co-supervisor	Date and Year of Submission	Date and Year of Award
1.	Mr. Jeckme Namgyal Bhutia	Sustainable Tourism Planning and Development: A Study of Selected Tourist Destinations of Sikkim	Dr Jigmie W Bhutia	15/04/2024	02/08/2024

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Sl. No.	Name of Student	Gender	Fellowship/Award/Service

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DEPARTMENT OF LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE

Name of the Head/In-charge: Dr. Sarbada Pradhan, Ph. D

1. Introduction

The Department of Library and Information Science has started its academic session from 2022-23 with an intake of 10 seats. The department is running a Master of Library and Information Science (M.Lib.I.Sc.) program focusing on multidisciplinary aspect of the subject. The program is designed in such a way that the students shall be able to learn theoretical concept of library and information and at the same time will be able to practice it in the library environment. The Master of Library and Information Science Program is of Two Years (Four semesters).

2. Thrust Area

The Library and Information Science program is designed in such a way that it incorporates the recommendations of NEP2020. So, the curriculum covers both theoretical and practical components having strong incorporation of Information and Communication Technology. Library Management, Library Automation, Digital Library, Information and Resource Management are the key area of focus. It also has amalgamation of most recent contents like research data management.

3. Number of students enrolled during 2024-25: 06 (Six)

Name of Teaching Course	Semester				Total Students	
	First	Second	Third	Fourth	Girls	Boys
UG (if any)						
PG	06	03	03	06		
MPhil (if any)						
PhD						
Post-doc/Research Associate (if any)						
UGC/CSIR/CAR-NET-JRF						

4. FACULTY PROFILE: The department is running by two Adjunct Faculty and three Guest Faculty members.

Sl.	Name	Degree (MA/MSc/M.Com MPhil/PhD/Post-doc)	Designation	Date of Joining (Regular)	Publications (number only) and H-index of Google Scholar still date (if any)	Supervisor of MPhil/Ph.D.Ph.D. Students (number only)	Extra-mural Research Projects (number only)
REGULAR FACULTY MEMBERS							
1.	Dr. Sujit Kujur (Adjunct Faculty)	PhD	Deputy Librarian and Adjunct Faculty	22.02.2021	Publication: 8; h-Index: 1		
2.	Dr. Sarbada Pradhan (Adjunct Faculty)	PhD	Assistant Librarian and Adjunct Faculty	05.12.2015	Publication: 8		

VISITING PROFESSOR							
GUEST FACULTY							
1	Dr.Dibanjyoti Buragohain	MLIS, NET, PhD	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
2	Mr. Khemraj Karki	MLIS, MPhil, NET	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
3	Mr. Sidhanth Thapa	MLIS, NET	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
SUPPORT STAFF							
	Name	Qualification	Designation	Date of joining (regular)	Not Applicable		

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B: BOOK/S

Faculty Member	Publications with ISBN

C: BOOK CHAPTERS

Faculty Member	Publications
Dr. Sujit Kujur, Deputy Librarian and Adjunct Faculty	"Documentation of Sikkim State Rare Documents: Digital Archiving of Kingdom of Sikkim" published in Role of Libraries in Unveiling Indian Knowledge Systems (RLUIKS-2025), edited by Professor (Dr.) Udayan Bhattacharya and Dr. Nimai Chand Saha; Kolkata: Universal Briefing, 2025, 103-108p.; ISBN - 9788198169525.

6. PAPER PRESENTATION AT NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL SEMINARS/CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/TRAINING DURING 2024-25

Faculty Member/Research Scholar	Name of Conference/Seminar/Workshop	Place and Date	Invited Speaker/Resource Person	Title of Presentation in the published Proceeding, if any
Dr. Sujit Kujur, Deputy Librarian and Adjunct Faculty	The International Seminar RLUIKS-2025	Visva-Bharati Library Network, Visva-Bharati, Santiniketan, 21-22 February 2025	Resource Person	Documentation of Sikkim State Rare Documents: Digital Archiving of Kingdom of Sikkim
Dr. Sujit Kujur, Deputy Librarian and Adjunct Faculty	The International Seminar RLUIKS-2025	Visva-Bharati Library Network, Visva-Bharati, Santiniketan, 21-22 February 2025	Invited Speaker	Necessity to Protect Indian Traditional Knowledge System

7. RESEARCH PROJECTS UNDERTAKEN DURING 2024-25:

Faculty Member	Project Title	Funding Agency	Project Duration	Total funds received	Number of Project Personnel (Project Fellow/JRF/SRF/RA)



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Sl. No.	Programme Title	National or International	Funding Agency	Date	Number only		Name of Coordinator/Convener
					Resource Persons	Participants	
1	Two-Day Workshop on Bibliometrics	National	SU	3-4 March 2025	4	37	Sarbada Pradhan & Sujit Kujur

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19. Welfare Activities and Philanthropy (if any) by Department/Centre/University

7. CENTRES

1. IGNOU STUDY CENTRE- 2024- 2025

1. Name of Study Centre: IGNOU Learner Support Centre (LSC): Sikkim University (Code: 2420)
2. Aims/responsibilities of Centre: The primary responsibility is to provide academic support to the learners in the five activated programmes of IGNOU.
3. Name of the Coordinator: Prof. S.S. Mahapatra
4. Profile (Only Members/Executive Members):

Sl. No.	Name	Portfolio	Date of Assuming Office	Job Assignment
1.	Prof. S.S. Mahapatra	Coordinator	16-10-2017	Coordination of Academic Counsellors, liaison between study centre & Regional centre, financial matters such as payment of honorarium to academic counselling, assignment evaluation etc.
2.	Prof. Satyananda Panda	Asst. Coordinator	01-01-2018	Coordination of practical sessions, Project, Internship, Counselling schedule etc.
3.	Dr. James V. Haokip	Asst. Coordinator	09.03.2023	Coordination and preparation of counselling schedules, Project work etc.
4.	Mr. T.B. Limboo, LDC	Part-time Assistant	01.11.2017	Cash book maintenance, assignments collection, distribution of assignments to evaluators, filling of awards list, bill preparation etc.
5.	Mr. Dewesh Gurung MTS	Part-time Attendant	16.02.2018	Office messenger, providing teaching aids to Academic Counsellor and other works as assigned.
6.	Ms. Kalpana Chettri	Part-time Attendant	15.07.2024	Office messenger, providing teaching aids to Academic Counsellor and other works as assigned.

5. TRAINING/ORIENTATIONS/WORKSHOPS PROGRAMMES ORGANISED DURING 2024-25 (*provide only one picture of each programme*):

Sl. No.	Programme Title	Funding Agency	Date	Number only		Name of Coordinator/ Convener/ Counsellor
				Resource Persons	Participants	
1	Induction Meet (Online)	IGNOU	10-11-2024	03	23	1. Prof. S.S. Mahapatra 2. Prof. Satyananda Panda 3. Dr. Yonah Bhutia
2	Induction Meet (Online)	IGNOU	1-03-2025	02	21	1. Prof. Satyananda Panda 2. Dr. Yonah Bhutia

6. DETAIL ACTIVITIES OF CELL/COMMITTEE/FORUM/ASSOCIATION DURING 01.04.2024 to 31.03.2025 only:

The IGNOU LSC-2420, Sikkim University was established on 15-09-2017. During the Year 2024-25, the LSC offered five programmes namely, MA-Psychology (MAPC), MA-Anthropology (MAAN), MA-Education (MAEDU) M.Com. and BA-Psychology (Hons). It is the only LSC in Sikkim and North Bengal region which offers MA-Psychology and MA-Anthropology and BA-Psychology (Hons) programmes. The LSC conducts Induction programmes, academic Counselling, Practical counselling sessions, etc. for the benefit of learners.

2. CHARAK HEALTH CENTER

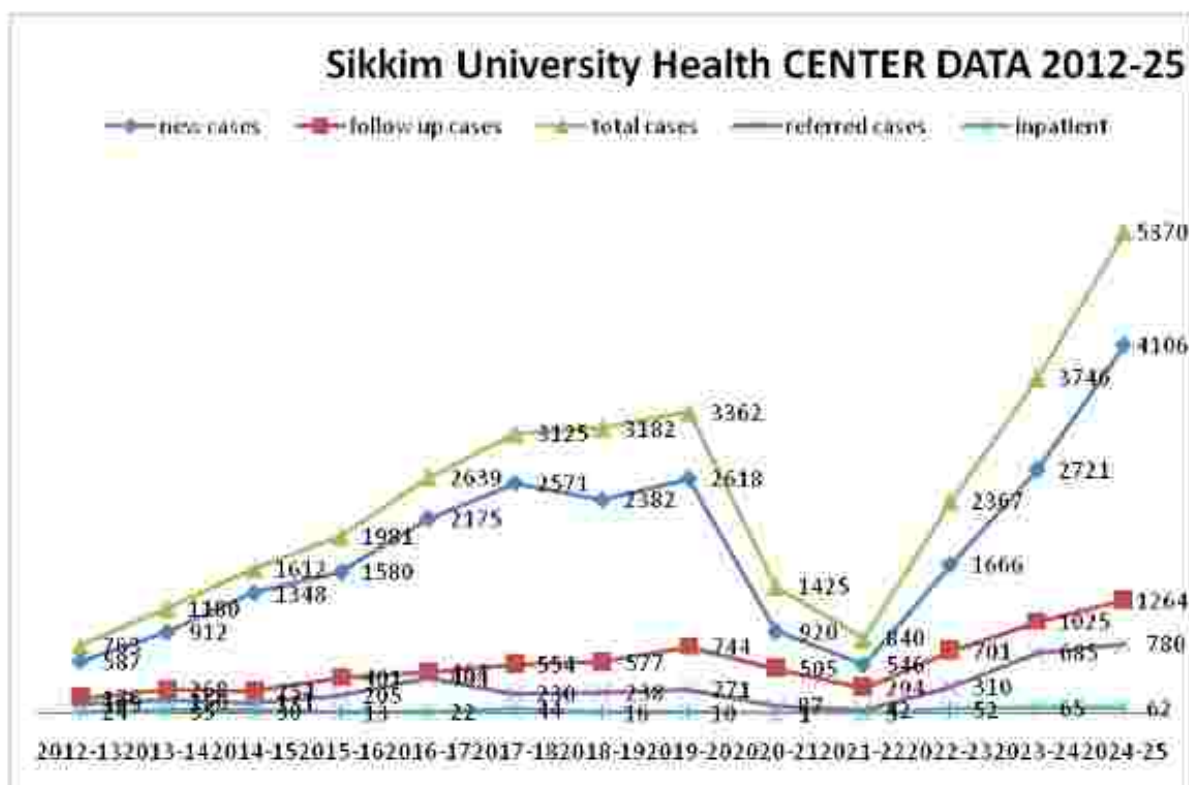
1. Name of Cell: Health Center, Sikkim University (Charak Health Center & Yangyang Campus Health center)
2. Aims/responsibilities of Cell: Public health administration and Patient care
3. Name of the Chief Medical Officer: Dr. Manjushree Thapa Manger
4. Profile:

Sl. No.	Name	Portfolio	Date of assuming Office	Job Assignment
Permanent staffs				
1	Dr. Manjushree Thapa Manger	Chief Medical Officer	4.5.2021	Overall in charge of Health Centre. Consultation and care of the patients.
2	Dr. Lok Bahadur Limboo	Senior Medical Officer	25.07.2021	1.General Physician Posted in Yangyang
3	Mrs. Chungchung Bhutia	Staff Nurse	07.05.2012	1.Patient care
4	Mrs Mingma Angee Sherpa	Pharmacist	18.11.2019	1.Drug dispensing
5	Anjana Bista	Nursing attendant	25.01.21	1.Patient Care
Outsource staff				
6	Ruchita Subba	Staff Nurse	23.08.2022	1.Patient care
7	Pranita Gurung	Staff Nurse	28.11.2022	Patient care posted in yangyang
8	Dipendra Tamang	Ambulance driver	22.07.2022	For day time
Contractual staff				
9	Dr. Durga Mani Dhakal	Medical Officer	11.11.2024	General Physician Posted in Charak Health Center
10	Dr. Serug Rai	Medical Officer	17.3.2025	General Physician Posted in Yangyang
11	Mrs. Jonat Sherpa	MTS	11.10.2014	Cleaning and disinfection

DETAIL ACTIVITIES OF DURING 2012-2025

	new cases	follow up cases	total cases	referred cases	inpatient
2012-13	587	176	763	105	24
2013-14	912	268	1180	150	35
2014-15	1348	254	1612	131	30
2015-16	1580	401	1981	205	13
2016-17	2175	464	2639	404	22
2017-18	2571	554	3125	230	44
2018-19	2382	577	3182	238	16
2019-20	2618	744	3362	271	10
2020-21	920	505	1425	87	1
2021-22	546	294	840	42	5
2022-23	1666	701	2367	310	52
2023-24	2721	1025	3746	686	65
2024-25	4106	2675	5370	780	62

Graphic Representation of the data from 2012-2025



3. HINDI CELL

Name of the Hindi Officer: Jutika Goswami

Being a Central Institution, Sikkim University is committed to use Rajbhasha Hindi in its official work as well as to popularize Hindi among all staff members and students of the university. Sikkim University strictly ensures to issue all notifications, circulars, office orders, sanction orders, financial sanction orders, leave sanction orders, rules & regulations, guidelines, purchase orders, standard forms etc. bilingually. The Hindi version of Annual Report and Annual Accounts for 2024-25 was prepared by the Hindi Cell in a very limited time period. The Sikkim University Hindi Website is being taken care of by the section to ensure uploading all the contents in Hindi.

Quarterly Reports:

Hindi Section prepares Hindi Quarterly report regarding the use of Rajbhasha in the University and sends the report to MHRD, UGC, Dept. of Official Language and Town Official Language Implementation Committee (TOLIC) at the end of every quarter.

Meeting of Official Language Implementation Committee:

University organized four meetings of Official Language Implementation Committee in this year to discuss the quarterly report and to suggest measures to improve the status of Hindi in the University.

Rajbhasha Workshop:

University organized two Rajbhasha workshop during the reporting year. One workshop was organized on 23rd April 2024 on "Hindi Noting: Challenges and Solutions" by the resource person Dr. Rajiv Rawad, Senior Hindi Officer, IIT, Khadagpur. Second workshop was held on 19th November 2024 on "Machine Translation: with a special reference of "Kanthash 2.0" software" by the resource person Mr. Ajayandra Tripathi, Assistant General Manager (OL), UCO Bank, Kolkata.

Hindi Pakhawada-2024:

Sikkim University organized Hindi Pakhawada—2024 from 14th Sep. to 29th September, 2024. During this fortnight seven competitions were organized for both students and employees of the University. Hindi Dictation, Letter writing, Hindi Noting and Drafting and Hindi Extempore were organized for employees. Poetry recitation, Essay writing and Antakshari Competition were organized for students of our University. The closing ceremony of Hindi Pakhawada was held on 27th September, 2024. Prof. Jyoti Prakash Tamang, Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Laxuman Sharma, Registrar (In-Charge) and Dr. S. Murali Mohan, Controller of Examination graced the occasion. Other Statutory Officers, Deans of all School of Studies, faculties of various departments, Officers, staff and students attended the programme. At the closing ceremony, all the winners of various competitions were awarded Cash Prizes and Certificates by the distinguished guests. A colorful cultural program was also held after the closing ceremony.

Some glimpse of various activities of Hindi Cell



Address by Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Prof. Jyoti Prakash Tamang at the closing Ceremony of Hindi Pakhawada 2024 on 27th September 2024 at Cauvery Hall, 5th Mile.



Award received by Shri Gagan Sen Chhetri, UDC for completing 10 thousand words in Hindi Noting.

8. CENTRAL FACILITIES

DEPARTMENTAL INFORMATION FORMAT OF CENTRAL LIBRARY

Name of the Librarian (In-Charge): Dr. Sujit Kujur, Ph.D.

STAFF PROFILE:

Sl.	Name of Staff	Qualification	Designation	Date of Joining	Job Assignment
Permanent Staff:					
1	Dr. Sujit Kujur	PhD	Deputy Librarian	22-02-2021	Administrative Activities, Staff Management, Duty Roster Acquisition and Interdepartmental Liaisoning Adjunct Faculty, DUS
2	Dr. Sarbada Pradhan	PhD	Assistant Librarian	07-12-2015	Electronic Resource Management Research Support Students Services Correspondence with the Departments Coordinator - User Awareness Programs Classification of thesis Assistance to Librarian and Deputy Librarian
3	Avijit Rai	MA, MLISc	Assistant Librarian	21-08-2017	Looks after acquisition of print and e-books, circulation related issues, Verification and issue of no dues, Users assistance Assigning work to the subordinate staff and trainees Correspondence with the vendors Giving orientation to the new users (Circulation) Maintaining users' statistics of library visitors Classification of books Management of Collection in DSpace Maintaining records of expenditure and stock

4	Manish Soni	BE, BLISc, MBA	Information Scientist	25-01-2016	<p>Management of remote access server and application.</p> <p>University Coordinator /Nodal Officer for Shodhganga, Shodhsudhi (Plagiarism application) and IRINS application.</p> <p>Management of Digital Repository and Library Management server.</p> <p>ICT Infrastructure development.</p> <p>Patron registration and ID Card</p> <p>Any other relative work assigned by the University.</p>
5	Pradeep Kumar Tamang	MA	PS to Librarian	12-03-2012	<p>Act as a first point contact, dealing with correspondence.</p> <p>Take notes or dictation and put up issues very promptly and meticulously.</p> <p>Keep an accurate list of engagements, meetings schedule including convening / organizing meetings and appointments.</p> <p>Drafting of general correspondences / notes</p> <p>Maintain the filing system of the department.</p> <p>Maintain Leave record of Library staff.</p> <p>Assist for administrative and financial related matters.</p> <p>Assist for annual budget preparation and procurement related issues.</p> <p>Any other works as & when assigned by the Librarian</p>
6	Madhuri	M.Com, B.Ed, MLISc	Professional Assistant	04-12-2015	<p>Managing subscription of periodicals and other e-resources</p> <p>Cataloguing of thesis in Dspace and Shodhganga</p> <p>Updating current content of the journals in DSpace</p> <p>Sorting and keeping records of journals for binding</p> <p>Keeping record of complementary journals</p>
7	Rinku Tamang	MA, MLISc	Professional Assistant	09-11-2015	<p>Looks after circulation of Education- Psychology & Science Library</p>

9	Sukanta Deb	MSc Computer Science	Sr. Technical Assistant	23-11-2015	Management of Digital Repository and Library Management Software. Development and Management of various Softwares used in the Central Library. Management of remote access server and application. Management of Servers and other peripherals in the Central Library. Feeding and updating contents on digital signage and library website*.
8	Manju Subba	MLISc	Semi-Professional Assistant	10-11-2015	Looks after circulation of Education-Psychology
10	Pinkey Raj	MA, MLISc	Semi-Professional Assistant	22-06-2023	Classification 1. Cataloguing 2. Ordering of books 3. Processing of new books and bills 4. Maintaining expenditure records of books and imprest money, newspapers 5. Printing of library cards 6. Processing of Online Books. 7. Attained New book Suggestions from the Students and Staff. 8. Taking Care of Project Books.
11	Pawan Lama	BLISc	Library Assistant	29-03-2012	9. Shelving 10. Verification of books 11. Labelling and pasting of spine labels and RFID tags 12. Collection of fine and maintaining records 13. Scanning
12	Kuntal Pramanick	MLISc	Library Attendant	07-12-2015	14. Shelving 15. Cataloguing including e-books. 16. Works related to Koha including generation of different reports 17. Assisting in processing of books
13	Kesang Tamang	MA, M.LIS	LDC	21-11-2023	18. Shelving 19. Works related to printing 20. Preparing & pasting code labels for bound journals & dissertations 21. Assisting in processing of books

14	Srijana Chettri	BA, B. LIS	Library Attendant	20-11-2019	22. Shelving 23. Stamping and Accessioning 24. Cataloguing including Thesis Entry 25. Data entry in DSpace 26. Assisting in processing of books 27. GB Books Entry 28. D.Space Entry
15	Kumar Manger	Senior Secondary	MTS	10-11-2015	29. Cleaning 30. Dispatch & receiving of letters/parcels etc 31. Lamination of book covers 32. Photocopying & Scanning

WORKSHOPS/TRAINING ATTENDED DURING 2024-25

Name of Staff	Name of Workshop/Training	Place	Date and duration	Name of Organiser/Sponsor
Dr. Sujit Kujur	1. RajBhasha Sangosthi	Gangtok	23,06/2023	Sikkim University
	2. Two-Days National conference on Evidence Based Library Transformations: Quality	Visakhapatnam	24-25 January	Indian Institute of Petroleum and Energy (IPIE)
	Services for NextGen Users - EBLL – 2024		2024	
Madhuri	1. Open Access and Scholarly Communication 2. Celebrating Global Librarianship: Strengthening Connections, Collaborations and Competencies 3. Create Educational Videos using Open Broadcaster Software (OBS) 4. Natural Language Processing (NLP) : Humanizing Information Retrieval 5. Best Practices to Protect against Ransomware Attacks	Online	31 October 2023	DELNET-Developing Library Network -AISSMScoe Pune
		Online	17 April 2023	DELNET-Developing Library Network
		Online	31 May 2023	DELNET-Developing Library Network
		Online	28 July 2023	DELNET-Developing Library Network
		Online	16 June 2023	DELNET-Developing Library Network

TRAINING/ORIENTATIONS/WORKSHOPS PROGRAMMES ORGANISED BY THE DEPARTMENT DURING 2024-25: Nil

DETAIL OF LIBRARY COLLECTION DURING 2024-25:

Please mention in details of the Library including the following status:

Library Status	Numbers only	
	During 01.04.2023 to 31.03.2024	TOTAL Collection till 31.03.2024
Books in the Central Library	808+308 (Gifted Books)	57086
e-Books available for online access	116	3252
e-Journals	8954	8954
Magazines	17	17
Encyclopaedia	1	306
PhD Thesis	46	218
MPhil Thesis	24	421
Online Database	9	9

ABOUT THE LIBRARY

Central Library

The Central Library, Sikkim University has made significant strides in enhancing its resources and services, establishing itself as a vital component of the university's academic environment. Currently the library has four divisions, the Teesta-Indus Central Library, Science Library, Edu-Psy Library in Gangtok and Central Library at Yangang Campus. The Teesta-Indus Central Library has a floor area of about 1000 sq.ft. and is capable of accommodating about 70,000 books. The library boasts a collection of over 54,000 physical books, supplemented by approximately 4000 e-Books from major publishers and access to a vast array of e-journals and databases. This diverse collection supports a wide range of academic disciplines. The library is fully automated, modernized with latest IT Infrastructure such as Integrated Library Automation System (KOHA), Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) for material management and movement, Institutional Repository for management of in-house publication, Thesis and Dissertations, Faculty Publication Profile (IRINS) for showcasing the research strength, Remote Access for accessing resources off campus, and Plagiarism Detection System (PDS). Library is comparable to any other old university library of the country so far as modernization and infrastructure facilities are concerned. This modernization facilities efficient management of library resource and enhances the user experience. The library actively supports research through various services, including remote access to resources, a comprehensive library website, and user-friendly mobile application. These initiatives ensure that students and faculties can easily access necessary materials. As a member of Developing Library Network (DELNET), the library can access a wide range of journals and books from other institutions, further enriching its offerings. The library has implemented a ticket-based query and support service through the "Curious: Ask-a-Librarian" platform, enhancing user engagement and support. The library staff regularly participates in workshops and training programs to stay updated with the latest trends and technologies in library science ensuring high-quality service delivery.

The collections as of 31.03.2025 are as follow:

- Print Books : 54238
- Braille Books : 1178
- Bound Journals : 3000+
- Electronic Books : 3997
- Electronic Journals : 13,000+ (Access Through ONOS)
- Electronic Databases : 10
- Thesis and Dissertation : 747

Overall, the central Library's achievements reflect its commitment to providing comprehensive resources and services that support the academic and research needs of its users, fostering an environment conducive to learning and innovation.

9. ADMINISTRATION SECTION

Being a Central Institution, Sikkim University is committed to use Rajbhasha Hindi in its official work as well as to popularize among staff members and students of the university. Sikkim University strictly ensures to issue all notifications, circulars, office orders, sanction orders, financial sanction orders, leave sanction orders, rules & regulations, guidelines, purchase orders, standard forms etc bilingually. Hindi version of Annual Report and Annual Accounts for 2024-25 was prepared by the Hindi section in a very limited time period. Cashless medical facilities have been made available to University students throughout the year at Central Referral Hospital, Gangtok.

The Phase-I; Package-II of the campus construction project at Yangang is under progress at an outlay of ₹314.06 crores. The ongoing construction work comprises of finishing works for Administrative Building, Library Building and one Faculty Building along with new constructions for four Hostels for both Girls and Boys students, One Class Room Block, One Laboratory Block, seven Residential Blocks (70 units) for teaching and non-Teaching staff, Electrical and Water facilities and Roads etc. The work is being executed by M/s ITD Cementation India Ltd. with M/s Hindustan Steelworks Construction Limited as the Authority Engineer to supervise the same. The work was started on 05.01.2022 and is expected to be completed by 31.03.2026.

Also, significant milestones have been achieved in the domain of e-governance and IT management as per details below:

- i) Website revamping work: The official website of the University has undergone major revamping work. The development work of an enhanced and feature rich website is on the final phase of completion and the new website is expected to be launched shortly. The website is being developed in compliance to the Guidelines for Indian Government Website (IGIW).
- ii) ICT Capital Purchase work for 2024-25 fiscal year: The purchase work in compliance to the Comprehensive Guidelines for Procurement, Allocation and Disposal of Computers has been successfully executed for the financial year 2024-25.
- iii) SAMARTH ERP Project: Ministry of Education's SAMARTH ERP Project implementation in Sikkim University has been a great success story. Working in tandem with the SAMARTH team from the very inception days, Sikkim University was among the few pioneering institutions to implement online Admission and Recruitment facility through the SAMARTH platform.

SAMARTH's implementation has gained considerable momentum in the past year and Sikkim University has undergone significant digital transformation in the Administrative and Academic management of the University.

From streamlining Academic processes like Admissions, Program Management, Students Life Cycle and various works of the Examination department to Administrative management functionalities of the University encompassing Human Resource related services, Employee lifecycle, Payroll management, IT Service Desk etc., SAMARTH has immensely helped Sikkim University move towards an integrated and streamlined digital mode of governance. This has helped Sikkim University in truly living the Ministry of Education's vision for a digitally equipped higher education sector in India which is ready to meet the demands of a digital 21st century.

Onboarding of a vast number of students and employees, who are now seamlessly navigating their academic and professional journeys within the SAMARTH's digital framework have also played a crucial part in the successful implementation of SAMARTH in Sikkim University. Excluding a few modules which are currently not applicable to Sikkim University, the University aims to achieve absolute and complete implementation of SAMARTH in the coming years. With the help of a robust system and responsive technical support from the SAMARTH's side, Sikkim University is confident to achieve complete implementation of the project within a short time in the future ahead.

Sikkim University extends sincere appreciation and gratefulness for the SAMARTH project. The digital transformation achieved through the project is unparalleled bringing unprecedented levels of efficiency, transparency and user satisfaction across various critical operations of the institution. Sikkim University further commits to actively participate in the evolution of the SAMARTH project and provide all necessary support and assistance required for the same.

- iv) E-Tender Cell: The E-Tender Cell at Sikkim University plays a crucial role in streamlining and enhancing the transparency of all procurement activities undertaken by the institution. Aligned with best practices in public procurement, the e-tender Cell

leverages digital platforms to ensure efficiency, fairness, and accountability in the acquisition of goods, services, and works. The cell is responsible for publishing all official tender notices on the GeM and Central Public Procurement (CPP) Portal, making them easily accessible to a wide range of potential bidders. It ensures strict adherence to all government procurement rules, regulations, and university policies, promoting a fair and transparent bidding environment. It maintains a digital audit trail of all tender activities. Further the e-tender Cell also provide guidance and support to university departments and potential bidders on navigating the e-tendering portal and understanding the digital procurement process.

During the Financial Year 2024–25, the e-Tender Cell successfully published 23 bids on the GeM portal and 14 bids on the CPP portal, in addition to facilitating 100 procurements through Direct/L1 purchase on the GeM portal.

By centralizing and digitizing the tendering process, the E-Tender Cell at Sikkim University aims to attract a broader pool of qualified vendors, achieve competitive pricing, and uphold the highest standards of integrity in all its procurement endeavours.

10. EXAMINATION SECTION

Contoller of Examinations: Dr. Suresh Kumar Gurung

The Examination Department manages all examination works pertaining to the 18 Affiliated Colleges and University Departments, namely implementation of exam regulations, student registrations, pre-examination activities, results declarations and issue of marksheets/certificates. As part of the implementation of NEP 2020, the Department has uploaded the Academic Bank of Credits to the Digilocker platform to facilitate access of academic records by the students. A total of 16997 students have been registered and 52008 academic credits have been uploaded in the digilocker platform as on date. The Department has been ensuring timely declaration of results and issue of grade cards/certificates to the students.

Staff Profile: Permanent/Contractual

Sl. No.	Name	Qualification	Designation	Date of assuming Office	Job Assignment
1	Shri Sonam Wangchuk	1)Electronics and Communication Engineering. 2)Master of Management. 3)PhD (Management)	Assistant Registrar	05/02;2015	All Examination matters for University Departments and Affiliated Colleges.
2	Shri Vishal Tamang	B. Com (Hon.)	Section Officer	18/12/2013	All matters pertaining to MPhil-PhD, student applications for issue of mark sheets/certificates and other works as may be assigned.
3	Ms. Dakshata Lawar	MBA	Assistant	01/04.2013	Central Evaluation, Appointment of experts, faculty profile update and other related work.
4	Mrs. Christina Rai	MA (Sociology)	Assistant	14/01;2020	Student enrolment and College/ Department Matters
5	Shri Bisulal Subba	B.Com.	UDC	01/09;2016	1.Dealt with Finance related works viz, Payment of remuneration for Evaluations. 2.Transportation & Accommodation to External Examiners. 3.Coordinating for Flying Quad Teams 4.Imprest
6	Shri Sudeep Gurung	Matriculation	UDC	01/04;2013	Student applications, printing and other exam duties as assigned.

7.	Shri Samson Manger	B. Com, MBA	LDC	18/10,2015	Revaluation and exam software related work, student academic verification and other exam duties as assigned.
8.	Shri Diwas Rai	M.Sc (Economics)	LDC	16/10,2015	Stationeries and supplies, results ledger and other exam works as assigned.
9.	Shri Rakesh Paswan	BA and BSC IT	LDC	20/11/2015	Performing exam software related work, non regular student enrolment, registration, convocation and other exam duties as assigned.
10.	Shri. Thub Gan Tamang	B. Sc (General)	LDC	16/11,2023	Examination Software maintenance.
11.	Shri Dorjee Pintso Lepcha	Matriculation	Driver	22/08,2017	Driver
Contractual Staff					
1	Ms. Seema Chettri	Higher Secondary	MTS	29/09,2012	Printing of various certificates and other examinations works.
2.	Shri Kamal Darjee	Matriculation	MTS	10/08,2010	Reception and multi tasking staff.
3.	Shri Abhishek Rai	Matriculation	MTS	18/08,2016	Dak and multi tasking staff and other examinations work as and when required
4.	Shri Amrit Gurung	Matriculation	MTS	19/08,2013	Cleanliness of office premises, Dak and other misc works

10. TRAINING/ORIENTATIONS/WORKSHOPS PROGRAMMES ORGANISED DURING 2024-25 (provide only one picture of each programme).

Sl. No.	Programme Title	Funding Agency	Date	Number only		Name of Coordinator/Convener
				Resource Persons	Participants	
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DETAIL ACTIVITIES OF EXAMINATION SECTION DURING 2024-2025

The department performed the following activities during 2024-25

1. The Department successfully conducted all pre and post examination works pertaining to all 18 affiliated colleges and 33 University departments and declared timely results.
2. Successfully implemented new Samarth Examination module starting from the 2024 batch and declared timely results for Odd Semester 2024.
3. Uploaded previous five years online degree certificates and mark sheets in the Digilocker portal under the NAD programme of the UGC for easy access of students.
4. As part of implementation of Academic Bank of Credits for NEP 2020, the Exam Department undertook the activity to mobilise students to register in the ABC portal. Accordingly, a total of 16997 students have been registered and 52008 academic credits have been uploaded in the digilocker platform as on date.
5. Dissertation evaluation, viva-voce and subsequent result declaration were successfully conducted for PhD scholars.
6. Registration was successfully performed for all new students (2024 admissions) of affiliated colleges. A total of 4137 students of Affiliated Colleges (2024 Batch) were successfully registered.

11. FINANCE SECTION

The Finance Department of Sikkim University provides a comprehensive overview of the department's financial status, staff structure, and ongoing research projects for the Financial Year 2024-25. For the Financial Year 2024-25, the total funds available amounted to Rs. 19151.02 Lakhs. However, the expenses incurred during this period reached Rs. 18778.94 Lakhs, resulting in an overall balance of Rs. 372.08 Lakhs. In addition to managing the University's accounts and overall finances, the Finance Department also looks after seven endowment or earmarked fund accounts, ensuring that the funds allocated for specific purposes are utilized appropriately. Moreover, the University is actively engaged in research and academic development, with 81 No. of ongoing research projects in progress during the Financial Year 2024-25, highlighting the institution's commitment to fostering research activities; the Finance Department is also responsible for preparing the Budget Estimates (BE) and Revised Budget Estimates (RBE) and carrying out budgetary control exercises in coordination with all departments of the University. This involves adhering to statutory financial regulations, including those related to Income Tax and Goods and Services Tax (GST), ensuring that all legal financial obligations are met in a timely manner. One of the significant responsibilities of the Finance Department is the submission of the Annual Accounts to the Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG) for the conduction of audits. Compliance with the observations made by the auditors, as well as ensuring the timely receipt of the Separate Audit Report (SAR), are critical functions of the Department.

3. **Name of Finance Officer:** Shri Pratap Keshari Dash till 04.06.2024 and Prof. S.S. Mahapatra from 05.06.2024

4. **Staff Profile:** Permanent/Contractual

11. DETAIL ACTIVITIES OF EXAMINATION SECTION DURING 2024-2025

Sl. No.	Name	Qualification	Designation	Date of assuming Office	Job Assignment
1	Mrs. Punam Chettri	B. Com/MBA/M. Com/PGIB	Asst. Registrar (F)	09.01.2014	Supervising Accounts Department
2	Mr. Lakpa T. Sherpa	BA/MA	Private Secretary	04.04.2012	Secretarial work
3	Mr. Bijay K. Chettri	B. Com/MBA(Fin)	UDC	19.11.2015	File processing Annual Accounts Budgeting Project Provision
4	Miss. Hissey-Gurung	B. Com/MCom	LDC	10.11.2015 till 07.08.2024	Payment Processing PFMS management Investments IT for vendors
5	Mr. Arun K. Thapa	XII	UDC	22.11.2010	Academic Matters File Processing Student Matters
6	Mr. Pema O. Sherpa	BA/MA	LDC	02.02.2021	Payment Processing PFMS management
7	Mrs. Pooja Khilingay	B. Com/M. Com	LDC	23.11.2015	Salary and Staff matters Income Tax matters NPS matters Guest Faculty
8	Mr. Kishor Chettri	B. Sc (IT)/M. Tech (IT)	Technical Assistant	07.12.2015	Student Matters Scholarships File processing

Contractual / Outsourced Staff:

9.	Mr. Pranabendra Narayan Chowdhury	Cost Accountant/ CA (Intermediate)/ BCom Honours	Manager (Finance)	7.11.2023 till 06.11.2024	SAMARTH entries and updations GST/TAX Related matters
10	Miss. Rita Chettri	B. Com/M. Com/B. Ed.	DEO-I	23.04.2018	Major ; Minor Research Project matters ICSSR Doctoral Fellowship
11.	Mr. Pravin Chettri	Diploma in Mech. Engg.	DEO-III	02.03.2021	Salary and Staff matters;Implementation Salary in SAMARTH Portal
12.	Mr. Bhim K. Raj	B. Com/M. Com/PDCA/Tally	DEO-II	20.01.2021	Major ; Minor Research Project matters Project SAMARTH entries and updations
13.	Mr. Sandip Mukhia	X	DEO-IV	20.01.2020	Maintenance of File / Documents Movement Register

TRAINING/ORIENTATIONS/WORKSHOPS PROGRAMMES ORGANISED/ATTENDED DURING 2024-25:

Sl. No.	Programme Title	Funding Agency	Date	Number only		Name of Coordinator/Convener
				Resource Persons	Participants	
1.	Administrative Management Skills Group A Officials (online mode)	Registration Fee paid by the University	09.09.2024 – 04.10.2024	University of Delhi	Mrs. Purnam Chettri, Asst. Registrar (F)	University of Delhi
2.	Onboarding of Non-Teaching Staff on iGOT mission Karmayogi Platform.		01.03.2025 - 31.03.2025	DoPT, Gol	Mr. Lakpa T. Sherpa, PS to Finance	DoPT, Gol
3.					Mr. Bijay K. Chettri, UDC (F)	
4.					Mr. Arun K. Thapa, UDC (F)	
5.					Mr. Kishor Chettri, TA (F)	
6.					Mrs. Pooja Khilingay, LDC (F)	
7.	Mr. Pema O. Sherpa, LDC (F)					

1. OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT OF THE STAFF: NA

2. DETAILS OF GRANT POSITION:

****(i) Audited Financial position for the FY. 2024-25 is as under:

(Rs. in Lakhs)

Sl. No	Particulars	Unspent Balance	GIA Received	Other Income	Total Fund Available	Exp. Incurred	TSA Refund	Unspent Balance
1	Salary	-797.31	6050.00	0	5252.69	5214.50	0.00	38.19
2	Recurring	123.45	3050.00	378.85	3552.30	3346.93	0.00	205.37
3	Capital	346.03	10000.00	0	10346.03	10217.51	0.00	128.52
	TOTAL	327.83	19100.00	378.85	19151.02	18778.94	0.00	372.08

1. Research Projects (****) Provisional

- Total No. of Ongoing Research Projects - 81
- Grants received during the Year -Rs. 347.09 Lakhs
- The financial status of the Projects is available in Schedule 3 A of the Balance Sheet

12. NO. OF FINANCE COMMITTEE HELD DURING THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2024-2025

Sl. No.	Date of Meeting	Remarks
1.	39 th FC meeting held on 29.05.2024	Through offline mode at Indian National Science Academy (INSA), New Delhi - 110002
2.	40 th FC meeting held on 22.11.2024	Through offline/ Video conferencing at Office of Vice-Chancellor, Sikkim University

12. DEAN STUDENTS' WELFARE

Name of Committee/Cell/Forum/Association: Office of the Dean, Students' Welfare

Aims/responsibilities of Committee/Cell/Forum/Association: Admission, Scholarships, Discipline amongst students, data management of students and any other job related to students' welfare

Name of the Chairperson/Coordinator/In-charge/President: Prof. Sanjay Dahal/Prof. Nawal K. Paswan

Profile (only Members/Executive Members):

Sl. No.	Name	Portfolio	Date of assuming Office	Job Assignment
1	Prof. Sanjay Dahal	Dean, Students' Welfare	1.2.2022 – 31.1.2025	Admission, Scholarships, Discipline amongst students, data management of students and any other job related to students' welfare
2	Prof. Nawal K. Paswan	Dean, Students' Welfare	31.1.2025 – till date	do

13. TRAINING/ORIENTATIONS/WORKSHOPS PROGRAMMES ORGANISED DURING 2024-25

Sl. No.	Programme Title	Funding Agency	Date	Number only		Name of Coordinator/Convener
				Resource Persons	Participants	
1	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL

1. DETAIL ACTIVITIES OF CELL/COMMITTEE/FORUM/ASSOCIATION DURING 01.04.2024 to 31.03.2025 only:

Admission is one of the major activities carried out by the office. A working committee for admission was constituted to execute the admission with following members:

1	Dr. Maheema Rai (Department of IR)
2	Dr. Rakesh Kumar Yadav (Department of Peace and Conflict)
3	Ms. Sonu Rai (Dept. of Sociology)
4	Mr. Bidhan Golay (Dept. of Political Science)
5	Dr. Pradyut Guha (Dept. of Economics)
6	Dr. Pramita Gurung (Dept. of Law)
7	Dr. Anil Kumar Verma (Dept. of Microbiology)
8	Dr. Arnab Banerjee (Dept. of Zoology)
9	Dr. Anamika Gurung (Dept. of Horticulture)
10	Dr. Bisu Singh (Dept. of Zoology)
11	Dr. Pooja Basnett (Dept. of Mass communication)
12	Dr. Manisha Subba (Dept. of Education)
13	Dr. Sarbada Pradhan (Dept. of Library and Information Science)

14	Dr. Akhilesh Kumar Singh (Dept. of Tourism)
15	Dr. Aruna Rai (Dept. of Nepali)
16	Sh. Mugip Hang Limboo (Dept. of Hindi)
17	Dr. Aditya Kr. Pandey (Dept. of Chinese)
18	Dr. Saswati Saha (Dept. of English)
19	Sneha! Ajit Ulman (Dept. of Chinese)
20	Mr. Partha Pratim Ray (Dept. of Computer Applications)
21	Dr. Badikar Ananda Ganapati (Dept. of Geology)
22	Dr. Raj Bhawan Yadav (Dept. of Mathematics)
23	Dr. Rupak Mukherjee (Dept. of Physics)
24	Dr. Maibam Samsong Singh (Dept. of Anthropology)
25	Dr. Satyanand Panda (Dept. of Psychology)
26	Dr. Anant Gautam (Dept. of Geography)
27	Kamal Subba, Office of the DSW

	Hostel Admission
1	Dr. Balaram Pandey (Provost) - For Hostel Admission
2	Ms. Christina Rai - For Hostel Admission

The general admission notification for all the program was issued on 29.4.2024. The admission to Certificate, UG and PG courses was done based on the CUET score and for PhD it was NET Score except for subject like Bhutia.

During the year, a total of 738 students have been admitted against the intake capacity of 1089 (67.76%). In total, 56.23% female candidates and 43.76 % of male candidates have been admitted. In the entire admission process reservation policy of central government was strictly followed.

Hostel admission was carried out by the Committee for hostel admission headed by the Provost Dr. Balaram Pandey. The procedure for the admission was followed uniformly for all the allocations. The main criteria for the allocation were:

5. Merit
6. The candidate should not be from the conglomerate of Gangtok municipality.
7. Reservation as per the central government guidelines.
8. UG, PG and research scholars were allocated on the ratio of 3:6:1

A total of 226 candidates [108 male and 118 females] were allocated the hostel.

Sikkim University offers merit cum means scholarships for the students enrolled in the departments in various programmes. Students with an average family income of less than Rs. 60,000/- per annum and receiving no other financial assistance are eligible to apply for this scholarship. Accordingly, in 2024- 25 Sikkim University awarded 35 no. of full fellowship @ Rs 3000/- per month to the students. Similarly, 21 full free-ship and 18 half free-ship were awarded for the needy students. A total of 81.31% of applicants were able to secure one or the other type of scholarship.

Sikkim University has elected students' body called Sikkim University Students' Association (SUSA). It was first constituted on 3rd October 2016 following the election held on 23rd September 2016. Sikkim University successfully conducted 2nd SUSA election on 08.09.2017, third election on 19.09.2018 and 4th election on 27th September 2019. Election could not be held in the academic year 2020 and 2021 due to pandemic and it was decided to form the interim body of the existing executive of SUSA. The 5th election was held on 22nd December 2022, 6th Election was held on 1st December 2023. The election for academic session 2024-25 was held on 9.11.2024. Following are the office bearers of SUSA:

Sl No	Post in the Executive Committee	Name
1	President	Anup Regmi
2	Vice-President	Himangshu Raj Borah
3	General Secretary	Thendup Namgyal Bhutia
4	Joint Secretary	Aakanksha Pradhan
5	Treasurer	Ujjal Bhattacharjee
6	Secretary for Academic Affairs	Rinchenia Sherpa
7	Secretary for Social Service Affair	Saraswati Gurung
8	Secretary for Games and Sporting Affairs	Sangay Tshering Lepcha
9	Secretary for Cultural Affairs	Anupreeta Roy Chowdhury

Office of the DSW also handles the Non-NET fellowship. In 2024-25 the office of the DSW recommended 155 Non-NET fellowships including 50 Fresh cases and the remaining Renewal cases.

13. UNIVERSITY GUEST HOUSE

Name of In-charge: Shri Satyam Rana

Email: suguesthouse@cus.ac.in

At Sikkim University, it has been our persistent endeavour to provide the best of services and facilities we can afford to offer to our valued visitors. To fulfil that desire, it has been maintaining a fully furnished hired property in the Development Area, Gangtok having 14 decent rooms for running its guest house. The spectacular panoramic view of Gangtok town and Paljor stadium is visible from the guest house indeed is truly refreshing. Located at 10 minutes of walking distance from MG Marg, the primo marketing place of Gangtok, the guest house has 1 VIP Suite, 2 super deluxe rooms, 15 deluxe rooms and can accommodate about 30 plus guests at any point of time. The entire building is Wi-Fi enabled and each room is equipped with LED TV, intercom connectivity besides other basic amenities such as the cupboard, writing table, water boiler, tea/coffee maker etc. to make the stay of guests comfortable. The dining hall at the ground floor is duly equipped to service the guests with hot and healthy food. In addition to the security guards deployed round the clock, the entire building remains under CCTV surveillance to ensure that safety and security of the guests does not get compromised. The building has a standard elevator installed in it and a heavy-duty generator installed thereat also takes care the outages do not cause discomfort to its residents.

Manned by 1 Supervisor-cum-Receptionist, 2 Housekeeping staff and a Cook, besides the security staff deployed thereat, the guest house faces formidable challenges to fulfil the expectations of its guests though it leaves no stone unturned to serve the guests the best it can. In matters of booking, accommodation for the official guests invited by the University are given first preference which normally accounts for 80% of the total bookings and are provided free accommodation. The remaining vacant rooms are open for the general public and the guest house management goes by the first cum first serve principle and charges a nominal rent of Rs. 1,000/- to Rs.1500/- per night per room. Online booking of accommodation through email request has been enabled. Subject to availability, bookings are confirmed by a return mail. To handle such matters and upkeep of records in a more proficient manner, the management of the guest house has recently automated its booking and billing section using software dedicated to handle such job.



Room at the University Guest House

14. STUDENTS AMENITIES AND ACTIVITIES

NATIONAL SERVICE SCHEME (NSS)

NSS Co-ordinator: Dr Manju Rana

NSS Program Officers:

Dr Rachana Rai (Gangtok Campus)

Dr Pradip Tripathi (Gangtok Campus)

Mr Migma Ongmoo Lepcha (Yangyang Campus)

NSS, Sikkim University, organizes various activities to encourage students to participate in social activities. During the academic year 2024-25, the following activities/programs were organized by the NSS cell:

1. With the theme 'Yoga for Self and Society,' the NSS cell, Sikkim University, celebrated 'International Yoga Day' on June 21, 2024. The session was arranged for students, faculty, and staff members of Sikkim University to participate physically and online.
2. On July 7, 2024, the NSS conducted a 'Plant a Tree' drive on Yangyang Campus and planted saplings around the university campus.
3. 'Peace March' was conducted on August 15, 2024, in celebration of the 78th Independence Day.
4. An orientation program for new NSS volunteers was held on August 28, 2024, to educate them on NSS objectives and NSS volunteer duties.
5. The NSS cell organized a one-day 'Mental Health Workshop' on September 6, 2024, focusing on the issues faced by youth and special students.
6. The NSS celebrated 'Swachhata Pakhwada' from September 1 to September 15, 2024, followed by 'Swachhata Hi Seva' from September 17 to October 2. NSS volunteers, along with other University students, cleaned the university premises, including the administration building, library, and hostels on both campuses. Along with this, a number of other activities were organized to increase awareness regarding the drive.
7. On September 24, the NSS volunteers celebrated 'NSS Day' and took a pledge of selfless service to society to build a strong Nation.
8. In association with the Drama Club, Sikkim University, on October 2, 2024, NSS volunteers performed Munshi Premchand's famous story 'Kafan' and commemorated Mahatma Gandhi and Lal Bahadur Shastri on their birth anniversaries.
9. On November 26, 2024, the NSS volunteers celebrated 'Constitution Day.' Volunteers participated in elocution and slogan writing competitions.
10. The NSS cell of Sikkim University commemorated International Women's Day on March 8, 2025, with a program dedicated to honouring women in academia, art, and sports. The event highlighted the achievements of girl students across various disciplines.
11. In association with Saksham Bharati (an LG initiative) and the STNM team, the NSS cell of Sikkim University organized a 'Blood Donation' camp on March 24, 2025, at Cauvery Hall, 5th Mile. Approximately 100 donors participated in the camp.









SAMADHAN

Name of the Counselling Service: SAMADHAN

Name of the Chairperson: Prof. Satyananda Panda

PROFILE (only Members/Executive Members):

Sl. No.	Name	Portfolio	Date of Assuming Office	Job Assignment
1.	Prof. Satyananda Panda	Chairperson	August 2015	Coordination, Counselling
2.	Prof. Swati A. Sachdeva	Member	August 2015	Counselling
3.	Dr. Manjushree Thapa	Chief Medical Officer & Member	August 2015	Treatment and Referral
4.	Dr. L. B. Limboo	Senior Medical Officer & Member	December 2024	Treatment and Referral
5.	Dr. Sumnima Rai	Member	December 2024	Counselling
Student Counsellors				
6.	Ms. Anshu Sharma (Ph.D. Scholar, in Psychology)	Trainee Counsellor	December 2024	Counselling
7.	Ms. Nirmitasha Bora (Ph.D. Scholar, in Psychology)	Trainee Counsellor	December 2024	Counselling

TRAINING/ORIENTATIONS/WORKSHOPS/PROGRAMMES ORGANISED DURING 2024-25: NA

DETAIL ACTIVITIES OF CELL DURING 01.04.2024 to 31.03.2025 only:

- No. of new clients every month: 20-25 Average calls by the clients (mainly students); and a total number of about 211 calls from the students and staff members have been attended by our counsellors.
- The average sessions of these new cases: 2-3 sessions (Average)
- The individual counselling sessions run in which various individual psychological problems are addressed. These sessions cover a wide range of areas as mentioned above.
- The counselling team has maintained a liaison with the Psychiatry Department of Sikkim Manipal University (SMU), Gangtok (In-charge: Dr. Geeta Srohinda) for referral of some of the cases for medical interventions.
- Various psychological tests are also being applied on few clients depending on the requirement of the problem.
- 3-member Samadhan team visited Yangyang campus on 29th October 2024 as well as on 6th November 2024 where lecture on mental health related issues was held with students of IR, Political science, and few students of other departments. Later on, individual counselling of about 15 students were given grief counselling.
- HoDs of different departments of Yangyang campus, SU have also been intimated to inform all the students of their departments to avail the telephone-counselling facilities of SAMADHAN Centre.

SPORTS BOARD

Name of the Convener: Arun Kumar Rai, Assistant Professor, Department of Botany

Khelo India University Games: Inter-University Boxing Championship

Event Date: December 24-29, 2024

Organizers: Sports Board, Sikkim University and Sports and Youth Affairs Department, Government of Sikkim

Introduction:

As part of the Khelo India University Games, the Sports Board of Sikkim University, in collaboration with the Sports and Youth Affairs Department of the Government of Sikkim, organized an Inter-State Boxing Championship starting from December 24-29, 2024. This championship aimed to promote boxing talent and foster a competitive spirit among university athletes across different states.

Event Details:

- Objective:** The primary objective of the championship was to provide a platform for university-level boxers to showcase their skills, encourage sportsmanship, and identify promising talents for national-level competitions.
- Participants:** The championship attracted over 200 participants from various universities across India. Competitors included both male and female athletes, with categories ranging from lightweight to heavyweight classes.
- Venue:** The event was held at the Palzor Stadium Sports Complex, equipped with state-of-the-art facilities to accommodate both the athletes and the audience. The venue provided an excellent environment for competitive boxing and ensured smooth conduct of the matches.
- Event Highlights:**
 - Opening Ceremony:** The championship was inaugurated with a vibrant opening ceremony attended by the Chief Minister of Sikkim, senior officials from the Sports and Youth Affairs Department, and the Vice-Chancellor of Sikkim University. The ceremony featured a parade of athletes, cultural performances, and a ceremonial lighting of the torch.
 - Competition Structure:** The championship included preliminary rounds, semi-finals, and finals for each weight category. Matches were conducted in a round-robin format, with winners progressing to the next stages.
 - Notable Matches:** Several matches were highlighted for their exceptional display of skill and sportsmanship, including tightly contested bouts in the middleweight and heavyweight categories.
- Additional Activities:**
 - Health and Fitness Booths:** A health and fitness booth was set up to provide medical check-ups, injury assessments, and wellness tips for the participants.
- Media Coverage and Outreach:** The championship garnered significant media attention, with coverage from local newspapers, sports channels, and online platforms. Social media updates and live streaming of key matches helped in reaching a wider audience and generating greater interest in the event.

Conclusion:

The Inter-University Boxing Championship, part of the Khelo India University Games, was a highly successful event that showcased the talent and dedication of university-level boxers. The championship provided a valuable platform for athletes to compete at a high level and contributed to the promotion of boxing as a popular sport among youth.

Recommendations:

- Future Events:** Continue to organize and expand similar inter-state competitions to enhance opportunities for emerging

- talents and promote sports development.
- **Enhanced Facilities:** Invest in upgrading facilities and equipment to ensure optimal conditions for training and competition.
- **Community Engagement:** Increase community and student engagement through additional outreach programs and support initiatives.

The championship was a testament to the growing enthusiasm for boxing and the commitment of Sikkim University and the Government of Sikkim to advancing sports at the university level.



Photo Plate 1: Khelo India University Games at Paljor Stadium



Photo Plate 2: Celebrating excellence in sports! Sikkim University is proud to award these mementoes to our talented athletes



Photo Plate 3 : Inspiring words from HVC Prof. Avinash on the importance of sports and youth engagement at the Khelo India University Games



Photo Plate 4: Boxing Championship from different Universities



Photo Plate 5: Embracing our roots while celebrating athletic excellence! Sikkim University shines at the Khelo India University Games



Photo Plate 6: Hon'ble Education Minister, Govt. of Sikkim and Vice Chancellor, Sikkim University, Khelo India University Games



Photo Plate 7: Pushing boundaries and achieving greatness! Meet Sikkim University's proud representatives at the Khelo India University Games in the Khelo India University Games



Photo Plate 8: Empowering the youth through sports! Honoring the Chief Minister of Sikkim and the Prime Minister at the Khelo India University Games

Roshni Basfor Clinches Two Gold Medals at Open Asia Powerlifting Championship 2025

Sikkim University takes immense pride in announcing the outstanding achievement of Roshni Basfor, a student of M.A. 2nd Semester, Department of English (Roll No: 24MEN023), who has brought laurels to the institution by securing two Gold medals in the Open Asia Powerlifting Championship (Classic Unequipped) 2025. The prestigious event was held in Surat, Gujarat, from 21st to 23rd February, organized by United Powerlifting India, Sports Association of Gujarat, and Surat City Police.

Roshni Basfor showcased her exceptional strength and determination, securing one Gold medal in Full Powerlifting and another in the Single Deadlift event within the 52kg Junior Women's category. Her unwavering dedication and commitment to the sport have been instrumental in achieving this remarkable feat on an international platform.

Adding to her list of accolades, she also clinched a Silver medal in the 4th All India Powerlifting Championship 2024 (Classic Unequipped), held in Pune, Maharashtra, from 20th to 22nd December 2024. The championship was organized by the United Powerlifting Association Maharashtra, where she competed fiercely in the 52kg Junior Women's category, further solidifying her reputation as a rising star in the sport.

This incredible achievement has been made possible under the visionary leadership of the Honourable Vice Chancellor, Prof. Jyoti Prakash Tamang, whose unwavering support not only in academics but also in various sports events across the country and abroad has been instrumental in nurturing talent and fostering excellence at Sikkim University.

Sikkim University extends heartfelt congratulations to Roshni Basfor on her phenomenal success and wishes her the very best for future endeavors in powerlifting and academics. Her journey serves as an inspiration to aspiring athletes, demonstrating that perseverance and passion can lead to remarkable accomplishments on both national and international platforms.

Furthermore, in recognition of her outstanding achievements, the entire Sikkim University fraternity will felicitate Roshni Basfor on 6th March 2025, celebrating her dedication, hard work, and remarkable success.



Plate 1: Clinched 2 gold medals in 52 Kg womens weight category.



Plate 2: Felicitation by Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Sikkim University

SIKKIM UNIVERSITY MARATHON

1. Introduction:

The eagerly anticipated Sikkim University Marathon 2024 was successfully held on November 16, 2024, at Sikkim University, Yangang Campus, bringing together over 400 enthusiastic participants, primarily students of the university. The marathon was more than just a test of endurance; it was a celebration of friendship, health, and sportsmanship.

2. Event Details:

The marathon commenced at noon, with Professor Dr. Jyoti Prakash Tamang, Vice-Chancellor of Sikkim University, flagging off the event. The race route began at Yangang Campus Gate 1, passed through the vibrant Yangang Bazar area, and concluded back at the university campus.

Participants competed in separate categories for men and women, striving for top positions while demonstrating exceptional athleticism and determination.

3. Winners and Runners-up:

Men's Category	:	Winner: Mr. Ong Norbu Sherpa (Chemistry Department)
1st Runner-up	:	Mr. Thendup Namgyal Bhutia (Botany Department)
2nd Runner-up	:	Mr. Ashish Pradhan (Political Science Department)
Women's Category	:	Winner: Ms. Ashmita Rai (Botany Department)
1st Runner-up	:	Ms. Archana Sharma (Music Department)
2nd Runner-up	:	Ms. Saraswati Sharma (Nepali Department)

4. Prize Distribution:

In a commendable display of support for student athletics, the Vice-Chancellor awarded all participants with trophies, medals, and certificates, recognizing their efforts and commitment to sportsmanship.

5. Inauguration of New Sports Facilities:

Adding to the celebratory spirit of the day, the event also marked the inauguration of new sports facilities at Sikkim University, Yangang Campus, including:

- An Indoor Table Tennis Hall
- New Volleyball and Badminton Courts

These facilities reflect the university's commitment to enhancing student health and promoting a robust sports culture within the campus.

6. Conclusion:

The Sikkim University Marathon 2024 was a resounding success, fostering camaraderie, physical fitness, and a passion for athletics among the university community. The event not only encouraged competitive spirit but also underscored the importance of sports in holistic student development.

The university looks forward to hosting more such events in the future to strengthen its commitment to sports and student well-being.



Photo 1: Marathon participants proudly pose with the Vice-Chancellor



Photo 2: The Vice-Chancellor inspiring participants at the Sikkim University Marathon 2024

TABLE TENNIS (SINGLES) OPEN TOURNAMENT-2025

Organized by: Sikkim University Students Association

- **Introduction:** The Sikkim University Students Association successfully organized a Table Tennis (Singles) Open Tournament on 22nd February 2025 at the Yangang Campus Hall. The tournament was open to both boys and girls and saw enthusiastic participation from students, teaching staff, and non-teaching staff of Sikkim University.
- **Registration and Participation:** The last date for registration was 20th February 2025. A total of 24 participants registered for the tournament, including 20 male and 4 female participants. The registration fee was structured as follows:
 - Students: Rs. 50,-
 - Teaching and Non-Teaching Staff: Rs. 100,-
- **Tournament Structure:** The tournament followed a knockout format, ensuring a competitive and thrilling experience for all participants. The matches were conducted under standard Table Tennis Federation rules, and professional referees were present to oversee the matches.

Winners and Prizes After a series of intense matches, the following winners emerged:

- **Men's Singles Category:** Winner: Bijay Rai (Department of Education, Roll No: 24PDEDO1, PhD)
- **1st Runner-up:** Ashish Pradhan (Department of Political Science, Roll No: 23MAPS02, 4th Semester)
- **Women's Singles Category:** Winner: Passang Lamu Bhutia (Department of Commerce, Roll No: 23MCD012, 4th Semester)
- **1st Runner-up:** Aakanksha Pradhan (Department of Horticulture, Roll No: 23MSHT01, 4th Semester)
- The winners were awarded cash prizes, trophies, and certificates in recognition of their outstanding performances.

Conclusion:

The Table Tennis (Singles) Open Tournament was a grand success, promoting sportsmanship, healthy competition, and community engagement among Sikkim University students and staff. The event highlighted the university's commitment to fostering extracurricular activities and providing a platform for students and staff to showcase their talent in sports. The organizing committee expressed gratitude to all participants, referees, and supporters for making the event a memorable one.

Recommendations:

Annual Event Proposal: Considering the positive response, the association may consider organizing the tournament annually.

More Categories:

Introducing doubles and mixed doubles categories in future editions could enhance participation.

Enhanced Facilities:

Upgrading table tennis infrastructure can further encourage more students to engage in the sport. Overall, the event was a significant step towards encouraging sporting culture at Sikkim University.



15. OTHER ACTIVITIES

Name of Committee/Cell/Forum/Association: Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat

Report on National Symposium on Kashi Tamil Sangamam held on 19th February, 2025

As per the directives of the Ministry of Education, Govt. of India, the Department of Hindi, Sikkim University organised an online national symposium on Kashi Tamil Sangamam on Wednesday, 19th February, 2025. The programme was presided by the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor Prof. Dr. Jyoti Prakash Tamang. The invited speakers for the program were Prof. P. Rajratna, Professor, Dept. of Hindi, Central University of Tamil Nadu and Shri V. Shukla, Director, Nagari Pracharini Sabha, Varanasi. The programme began with the welcome address by Prof. Pradeep Kumar Sarma, Head of Dept. of Hindi, Sikkim University. Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor Prof. Dr. Jyoti Prakash Tamang delivered his address in which he mentioned about the ethnic food habits of the southern and northern regions and also stated that there are many similarities in terms of food of north and south India. He also mentioned about the importance of Ayurveda in both these regions. The invited speakers for the symposium Prof. P. Rajratna and Shri V. Shukla highlighted on the similarities in terms of culture, language, literature and food in the southern and northern regions of India.

Kashi Tamil Sangamam is a celebration of timeless civilizational bonds between Kashi and Tamil Nadu that brings together the spiritual, cultural and historical connections that have flourished for centuries. The third edition of the Kashi Tamil Sangamam was inaugurated on 15th February, 2025 in Varanasi. This is a part of the grand spiritual and cultural initiative to advance the vision of 'Ek Bharat, Shreshtha Bharat.' The vision of uniting north and south, east and west, and strengthening 'Ek Bharat-Shreshtha Bharat' is done through the Kashi Tamil Sangamam under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi.



INTERNAL COMPLAINTS COMMITTEE (ICC)

Aims/responsibilities of Committee/Cell/Forum/Association:

Sikkim University is established by an Act of parliament of India, 2007 and accredited by NAAC in 2015. The University has zero tolerance policy against sexual harassment and is committed to uphold the constitutional mandate to combat sexual harassment. It strongly supports gender equality and opposes any form of gender discrimination, sexual harassment, and gender violence. In pursuance to Section 4 of the Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace (Prevention, Prohibition and Redressal Act) at 2013, The Internal Complaints Committee (ICC) of Sikkim University has been constituted on the 11th May 2015 (vide Notification No. 32/2015, Dated 11-05-2015) to act as inquiry authority on complaints of sexual harassment and to take proactive measures towards sensitization of students, staff and faculty members on gender issues. The members of the committee are appointed for a period of three years.

PROFILE:

Sl. No.	Name	Portfolio	Date of assuming Office	Job Assignment
1.	Prof. Sandhya Thapa, Dept. of Sociology	Presiding Officer	17.05.2022	Participation in investigation, recording of proceedings and related activities in case of any complaint, Minuting, Report Writing and Submission to Higher Authority. Coordination and organization of programme.
	Prof. Ratika Pradhan, Dept. of Computer Applications	Presiding Officer	09.08.2024	
	Prof. Veenu Pant, Dept. of History	Presiding Officer	12.03.2025	
2.	Ms. Doncee Lama	External Member	17.05.2022	Participation and discussion in the proceedings in case of any complaint, observer
3.	Prof. Praveen Mishra Professor, Deptt. of Law	Member	17.05.2022	Participation in investigation, recording of proceedings and related activities in case of any complaint, Minuting, Report Writing and Submission to Higher Authority. Coordination and organization of programme.
4.	Dr. Sonam Yangchen Bhutia Assistant Professor, Deptt. of Law	Member	17.05.2022	-do-
5.	Dr. Pramita Gurung Assistant Professor Department of Law	Member	17.05.2022	-do-
6.	Dr. James V. Haokip Assistant Professor, Deptt. of Anthropology	Member	17.05.2022	-do-
7.	Dr. Sumnima Rai Assistant Professor, Deptt. of Psychology	Member	17.05.2022	-do-
8.	Mrs. Kunjini P. Darnal Public Relation Officer	Member	17.05.2022	-do-
9.	Mrs. Punam Chettri Assistant Registrar	Member	17.05.2022	-do-

10.	Ms. Monica Lakandri, PhD Scholar, Deptt. of Political Science	Member	17.05.2022	-do-
11.	Ms. Manswama Bora PhD Scholar Department of Microbiology	Member	09.08.2024	-do-
12.	Ms. Deborah Basnet BA Student Department of Psychology	Member	09.08.2024	-do-

NUMBER OF CASES RECEIVED DURING 01-04-2024 TO 31-03-2025: 01

NUMBER OF COMPLAINTS DISPOSED OF DURING THE YEAR: 01

TRAINING/ORIENTATIONS/WORKSHOPS PROGRAMMES ORGANISED DURING 2024-25: NIL

TRAINING/ORIENTATIONS/WORKSHOPS PROGRAMMES ATTENDED DURING 2024-25: 02

- One-week National Workshop on Gender Sensitization Cells and Internal Complaints Committees of Universities in India organized by the Department of Educational Administration, NIEPA, New Delhi from 9th to 13th December
- One day consultation meeting with relevant stakeholders under Sikkim INSPIRES project on 14th November, 2024 for preparation of a Workplace Safety Module for Women.

PLACEMENT CELL

Name of the Chairperson/Coordinator/In-charge/President: Prof. Ratika Pradhan, Department of Computer Applications.

Sl. No.	Name	Portfolio	Date of assuming Office	Job Assignment
1	Dr. Sujata Upadhyay Associate Professor, Dept. of Horticulture	Member	18 th April 2024	Placement
2	Dr. Jigmie Wanchuk Bhutia Associate Professor, Dept. of Tourism	Member	18 th April 2024	-do-
3	Dr. Manoj Kumar Das Assistant Professor, Dept. of Mass Communication	Member	18 th April 2024	-do-
4	Dr. Denkila Bhutia Assistant Professor, Dept. of Law	Member	18 th April 2024	-do-
5	Dr. Parvinder Kaur Assistant Professor, Dept. of English	Member	18 th April 2024	-do-
6	Dr. Sumnima Rai Assistant Professor, Dept. of Psychology	Member	18 th April 2024	-do-
7	Dr. Rupak Mukherjee Assistant Professor, Dept. of Physics	Member	18 th April 2024	-do-

TRAINING/ORIENTATIONS/WORKSHOPS PROGRAMMES ORGANISED DURING 2024-25: NIL

DETAIL ACTIVITIES OF CELL/COMMITTEE/FORUM/ASSOCIATION DURING 01.04.2024 to 31.03.2025 only (including the data on placement of students through the initiative of Cell):

1. Free registration done for Final Year UG/PG students (Passing Out Batch 2024) on INTERNSALA – India No. 1 Career Platform for availing online internship with stipend and career opportunities.
2. 11 students from the various discipline have applied for the post of Faculty at Skill Stork International School, Warangal, Telangana.

SUN TSA

Name of the Chairperson/Coordinator/In-charge/President: Shri Dorjee Sherpa, SUN TSA

Sl. No.	Name	Portfolio	Date of assuming Office	Job Assignment
1	Shri Dorjee Sherpa	President	20.03.2020	The President shall- (a) Preside over the meetings of the Staff Council and the General Body; (b) Exercise general supervision and control over the affairs of the Association; and (c) Have powers to convene an emergency meeting of the Staff Council or the General Body
2	Mrs. Christina Rai	Vice-President	20.03.2020	The Vice-President shall- (a) In the absence of the President, preside over the meetings of the Staff Council or the General Body; (b) Be the Chairman of the Committees constituted by the Staff Council or the General Body; (c) Exercise such other powers of the President whenever the office of the President is vacant; and Page 7 of 11 (d) Exercise such other powers and performs as may be delegated to him by the Staff Council.
3	Mrs. Reshu Pradhan	General Secretary	20.03.2020	The General Secretary shall- (a) Be responsible for the day-to-day business of the Association; (b) Convene the meetings in consultation with the President; (c) Record and maintain the minutes of the meetings; (d) Incur expenses within the approved budget with the approval of the Staff Council; (e) Prepare and submit the Annual Report of the Association; (f) Perform such other duties and functions as may be entrusted to him by the Staff Council.
4	Ms. Tshering D. Bhutia	Assistant General Secretary	20.03.2020	The Assistant General Secretary shall- (a) Assist the General Secretary in the discharge of his duties and shoulder such responsibilities as may be assigned by the Staff Council. (b) Perform such duties and functions as may be entrusted to him by the General Secretary; and (c) Perform the duties and functions of the General Secretary in his absence.
5	Sh. Bijay Kumar Chettri	Treasurer	20.03.2020	The Treasurer shall- (a) Be responsible for the proper maintenance of the accounts; (b) Be responsible for the receipts, deposits and custody of the cash; (c) Issue receipts on behalf of the association; (d) To maintain the income and expenditures of the Association as per the existing financial laws; (e) Prepare and submit the Annual Financial Report and Budget of the Association as per GFR 2017; and (f) Perform such duties as assigned by the Staff Council.
6	Sh. Arun Thapa	Secretary- Social and Cultural	20.03.2020	Perform his/her duties and functions, subject to overall supervision of the General Secretary.

8	Sh. Bikram Thapa Sh. Pawan Lama Sh. Ringzing Norbu Bhutia Mrs. Mingma Angee Sherpa Mrs. Dakshata Lawar Ms. Netra Kharel Ms. Sujata Chettri Mrs. Kalpana D. Chettri Mrs. Rinku Tamang	Nine (9) elected members from different cadres.	20.03.2020	To Guide the Staff Council in achieving SUNTSA's aim and objectives
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SWAYAM

Annual Report of SWAYAM

Status and progress:

1. Two-Day Workshop on AI Tools for Teaching and Assessment in Higher Education

A two-day workshop titled "AI Tools for Teaching and Assessment in Higher Education" was organized by the SWAYAM Committee of Sikkim University on 19th- 21st of June, 2024. The primary objective of the workshop was to familiarize faculty members with the latest advancements in artificial intelligence and its applications in teaching and evaluation. The sessions included hands-on training with various AI-based tools that can be used to enhance teaching effectiveness.



2. Online Meeting on MOOC Enrolment Discussion

On December 18, 2024, a brief online meeting was held by the SWAYAM Committee. During the meeting, members discussed the way to increase student enrolment in MOOC offered on the SWAYAM platform.

3. Meeting with Mentors from Departments and Affiliated Colleges

Following up on the earlier discussion, an online meeting was conducted on December 20, 2024, involving mentors from the university's 33 departments and affiliated colleges. The focus of the meeting was to encourage mentors to actively promote various SWAYAM MOOCs among students. Emphasis was placed on the need for faculty to guide students in selecting relevant courses and support them throughout their learning journey.

4. Progress Review Meeting with Mentors

An online meeting with mentors was held on February 4, 2025, to review the progress of students who had enrolled in MOOCs on the SWAYAM platform. This semester, various departments are actively offering courses via SWAYAM as part of their academic curriculum.

In the January Semester, 245 courses from SWAYAM were taken by students of different departments as well as affiliated colleges of Sikkim University. 995 students are enrolled in MOOCs through SWAYAM. The data is available in the Sikkim University Dashboard of SWAYAM.

NATIONAL EDUCATION POLICY Annual Report of the NEP Committee

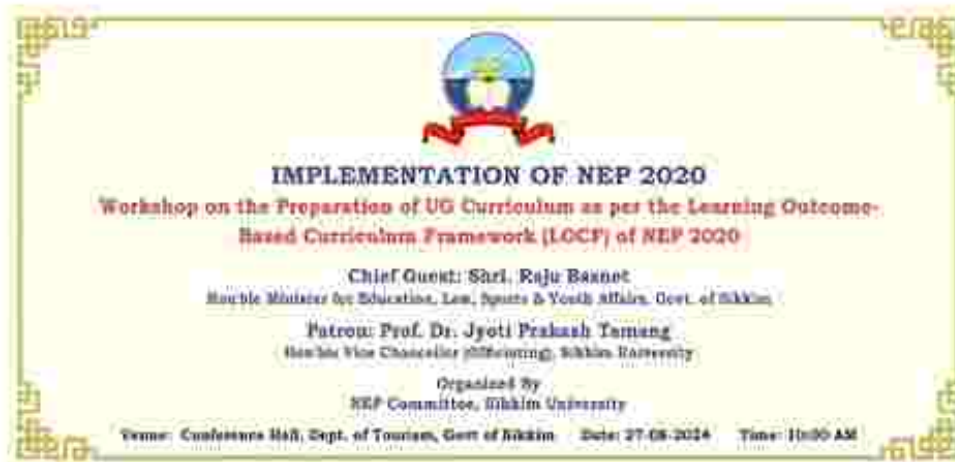
Sikkim University has taken several steps in implementing the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020. The NEP Committee, in coordination with affiliated institutions and national bodies, organized orientations, workshops and conferences to sensitize faculty and stakeholders about the key components of the policy. These include:

1. Orientation program on Learning Outcome Based Curriculum at affiliated colleges:

- An orientation program was organized at Namchi Government College, Sikkim, focusing on the Learning Outcomes-based Curriculum Framework (LOCF) of NEP 2020 on 2nd April 2024. The session aimed to build awareness among faculty about the paradigm shift from content-heavy syllabi to outcome-based learning. This session served as an important foundation for implementing NEP-compliant curriculum models across Sikkim University's affiliated colleges.
- On 10th May 2024, an orientation on NEP 2020 was held at Sikkim Government College, Burtuk. The session helped faculty and staff understand the teaching and administrative changes under NEP. Key topics included regular internal assessments and flexible degree options.
- On 25th June 2024, the Namgyal Institute of Tibetology (NIT) Gangtok conducted an orientation on NEP 2020 in collaboration with NEP Committee of Sikkim University. This event brought together faculty from various departments to engage with the preparation of learning outcome-based curriculum.



- A workshop on the progress of undergraduate curriculum development was conducted by the NEP Committee on 27th August 2024. The workshop served as a platform to evaluate the work done on redesigning undergraduate programs as per NEP 2020. Faculty members presented draft syllabi, discussed implementation strategies, and identified challenges. The event was graced by the Shri Raju Basnet, Hon'ble Minister of Education, Government of Sikkim, and he assured the state's support for the implementation of NEP 2020.



2. UGC Vice-Chancellors' Conference

On 28th June 2024, the UGC Vice-Chancellors' Conference was held in Guwahati, Assam. Sikkim University was represented by Prof. Yodida Bhutia, Dr. Mohan Pratap Pradhan, and Dr. Rajesh Raj S.N. The conference served as a forum to discuss the roadmap for NEP 2020 implementation across the northeastern region. The participation of Sikkim University in this forum demonstrated its commitment to the implementation of NEP 2020.



3. Release of the printed Postgraduate Curriculum

On 9th July 2024, Sikkim University released the printed Postgraduate Curriculum aligned with LOCF-based NEP 2020.



4. NEP Committee members attended a national workshop at IIT Madras:

Dr. Kanagaraj K, Member Secretary of NEPCSU and Dr. B. Muthy Pandian, NEP Mentor of the Department of Commerce, attended a national workshop at IIT Madras from 5th to 8th November 2024. They shared Sikkim University's views and regional insights and returned with useful ideas to support the university's academic transformation.



5. Workshop on Cybersecurity

A two-day workshop on cybersecurity was conducted on 24th and 25th February, 2025. Prof. Jyoti Prakash Tamang, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor (Officiating), Sikkim University, served as the Patron of the workshop. Resource persons for the workshop were Dr. Kanneganti Ramesh Babu, Founder & Executive Director, Center for Human Security Studies (CHSS), Hyderabad; Mr. Sarangapani Sadula, Deputy Superintendent of Police, Telangana State Police Academy, Hyderabad; and Mr. Krishna Chaitanya Suraparaju, Founder & CEO, Cycops Business Solutions Pvt. Ltd., Hyderabad. It witnessed active participation from faculty, students, and staff, fostering insightful discussions and a practical understanding of emerging cyber threats and preventive strategies.



6. Approval of UG Curriculum at Academic Council

On 14th February 2025, the curriculum of the four-year undergraduate program was approved by the Academic Council of Sikkim University.

INTERNAL QUALITY ASSURANCE CELL (IQAC) FOR THE YEAR 2024-2025

CONSTITUTION OF IQAC:

1	Vice Chancellor	Sikkim University	Chairperson
2	Prof. Subir Mukhopadhyay	Department of Physics	Coordinator
3	Controller of Examination	Sikkim University	Member
4	Sh. Dewaker Basnet	Entrepreneur and Social Influencer	Member
5	Prof. Bhoj Kumar Acharya	Dept. of Zoology	Member
6	Prof. Nitish Mondal	Dept. of Anthropology	Member
7	Dr. Rakesh Kumar Ranjan	Dept. of Geology	Member
8	Mrs. Grace D. Chankapa	Deputy Registrar (Estt.)	Member
9	Dr. Buddhiman Tamang	Dept. of Microbiology	Member
10	Dr. Anira Phipon Lepcha	Dept. of History	Member
11	Dr. Pooja Basnett	Dept. of Mass Communication	Member
12	Dr. Kanagaraj K.	Professor, Dept. of Education	Member
13	Sh. Zuben Sherpa	Alumni of SU	Member
14	Sh. Samaran-Gurung	PhD student, Dept. of Law	Member

TRAINING/ORIENTATIONS/WORKSHOPS PROGRAMMES ORGANISED DURING 2024-25: NA

DETAIL ACTIVITIES OF CELL/COMMITTEE/FORUM/ASSOCIATION DURING 01.04.2024 to 31.03.2025 only:

1. IQAC collected and compiled the information for participation in NIRF ranking 2025. The application was submitted in January 2025.
2. The preparations for second cycle of NAAC accreditation are in progress. Presently IQAC is working on collection of data for the self study report. A separate committee has been constituted for that purpose.
3. It turns out that University requires submitting the Annual Quality Assurance reports to NAAC for the past year. In addition, some of the AQAR submitted during the tenure of previous IQAC needs to be rectified. Presently IQAC is dealing with that as well.

16. EVENTS, ACTIVITIES, PRESS AND MEDIA COVERAGE



Two Days National Seminar on Indian Constitution and The Idea of Ram Rajya



Workshop on Preparation of UG Curriculum



Two Day National Conference on "Criminal Justice in India: Shifting Paradigms", organised by Department of Law, Sikkim University in collaboration with Sikkim National Law University.



International Conference on "Music of the Mountains" organised by the Dept. of Music.



Two Day National Seminar on Strategic Implementation of NEP 2020 at Higher Education in North East India

Sikkim University Marathon at Yangang campus



SE Report

GANGTOK, November 17: The much-anticipated Sikkim University Marathon was held at Sikkim University's Yangang Campus.

The marathon brought together over 400 enthusiastic participants, primarily students of Sikkim University, informs a press release today.

The marathon flagged-off by Sikkim University vice-chancellor professor Dr. Jyoti Prakash Tamang was not only a challenge of endurance but also a celebration of friendship, health, and sportsmanship.

The marathon, which included separate categories for men and women, started

from Yangang Campus Gate I of the university, passed through the lively Yangang Bazaar area, and returned to the campus.

The event highlighted impressive athletic skills and healthy competition, as participants aimed for top spots in their respective categories.

In the men's category, Ong Norbu Sherpa (Chemistry Department) secured the top position, while Thendup Namgyal Bhutia (Botany Department) and Ashish Pradhan (Political Science Department) were the first and second runners-up, respectively.

Similarly, in the women's category, Ashmita Rai (Botany Department)

emerged victorious while Archana Sharma (Music Department) and Saraswati Sharma (Nepali Department) were second runners-up, respectively.

The vice-chancellor awarded all participants with trophies, medals, and certificates.

The event also celebrated the opening of the new Indoor Table Tennis Hall and new volleyball and badminton courts at Sikkim University, Yangang campus, inaugurated by the vice-chancellor.

The newly inaugurated facilities aimed to support the university's goal of improving student health and promoting a strong sports culture, the release mentions.

सिक्किम विश्वविद्यालयद्वारा म्याराथन आयोजनसँगै नयाँ खेलकुद सुविधाको उद्घाटन



गान्तोक, १७ नोभेम्बर: सिक्किम विश्वविद्यालयले बाङ्गलादेशस्थित ब्याङ्गलुरा म्याराथन आयोजना गरेको छ, जसमा ४०० भन्दा अधिकले सहभागिता जनाएका थिए, जसमा अधिकांश निष्पक्षतासँगै सामेल थिए। विद्यार्थी, स्वास्थ्य र खेलकुद मनाउने

कार्यक्रममा उपकुलपति प्राध्यापक डा. ज्योति प्रकाश तामाङले झण्डा हस्तान्तरण गरेका थिए। बाङ्गलादेशका म्याराथन क्लबका अध्यक्षहरूले म्याराथन क्लब बाङ्गलादेश बजार हुँदै स्वास्मसमा फर्किने समारंभ भएको थियो। सहभागीहरूले प्रभावशाली

एथलेटिक कौशल र स्वस्थ प्रतिस्पर्धा प्रदर्शन गरे किनभने उनीहरूले शीर्ष स्थानको लागि प्रतिस्पर्धा गरेका थिए। कार्यक्रममा महिला र पुरुषका लागि छुट्टाछुट्टै विधाहरू समावेश गरिएको थियो। उपकुलपतिले खेलकुदलाई बढावा दिन र विद्यार्थी

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Sikkim University hosts international conference on 'Music of the Mountains'



SE Report

GANGTOK, November 13: A two-day international conference on "Music of the Mountains: Melodies and Socio-Cultural Dimensions" organised by the Sikkim University's Music department started today.

The inaugural session, held at the university's Cauvery Hall, had Kaajee Singh, a renowned musician credited with popularizing traditional Maruni dance and Shree Maandal, as the chief guest. Kaajee Singh is recognized as the first Gorkha-Nepali musician to receive the Padma Shri.

Renowned folk singer Naren Gurung and acclaimed Pakhawaj player Nishant Singh, also addressed the conference; Nishant Singh, son of Kaajee Singh, is the world's only authentic Pakhawaj player among the Nepali population

and is well-versed in Swami Vivekananda's compositions.

The conference explores the rich musical heritage of India's mountainous regions, including the Himalayas and Western Ghats. It delves into the connections between traditional mountain music, natural environment, spiritual beliefs, and community life. Instruments like the Sarangi and Bansuri are emblematic of these traditions, providing a hauntingly beautiful quality, informs a press release.

"The objective of the conference is to document and promote the unique characteristics of mountain music, examining its influence on broader musical forms and cultural practices. This initiative aims to foster a deeper appreciation of mountain music's role in shaping local and global music landscapes," the release adds.

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श्रीमदललाई लोकप्रिय बनाउने ख्यातिप्राप्त सङ्गीतकार पद्मश्री काजी सिंहलाई प्रमुख अतिथिको रूपमा आमन्त्रण गरिएको थियो। काजी सिंह पद्मश्री प्राप्त गर्ने पहिलो गोर्खा-नेपाली सङ्गीतकारको रूपमा चिनिन्छन्।

सम्मेलनलाई प्रख्यात लोक गायक नरेन गुरुङ र प्रख्यात पखवाज वादक निशान्त सिंहले पनि सम्बोधन गरेका थिए। पद्मश्री काजी सिंहका छोरो निशान्त सिंह नेपालीभाषीबीच विश्वका एक मात्र प्रामाणिक पखवाज वादक हुन् र स्वामी विवेकानन्दका रचनाहरूमा राम्ररी जानकार छन्।

सम्मेलनले हिमालय र पश्चिमी घाटसहित भारतका पहाडी क्षेत्रहरूको समृद्ध साङ्गीतिक सम्पदाको अन्वेषण गरेको छ। यसले परम्परागत पहाडी सङ्गीत, प्राकृतिक पर्यावरण, आध्यात्मिक विश्वास र सामुदायिक जीवनबीचको सम्बन्धलाई समेटेछ। सारङ्गी र बाँसुरी जस्ता बन्दरहरू यी परम्पराका प्रतीक हुन्, जसले एक सुन्दर गुण प्रदान गर्दछन्।

सम्मेलनको उद्देश्य पहाडी सङ्गीतको अद्वितीय विशेषतालाई दस्तावेजीकरण र प्रवर्द्धन गर्नु हो, यसको व्यापक साङ्गीतिक रूप र सांस्कृतिक अभ्यासमा यसको प्रभाव जाँचु हो। यस पहलले स्थानीय र वैश्विक सङ्गीत परिदृश्यलाई आकार दिन पहाडी सङ्गीतको भूमिकाको गहिरो प्रशंसा बढाउने लक्ष्य राखेको छ।

SU hosts conference on "Music of the Mountains"



GANGTOK, 13 NOV [PIB]: The Department of Music at Sikkim University is organizing a two-day International Conference on "Music of the Mountains: Melodies and Socio-Cultural Dimensions" on 13 and 14 November, 2024.

The inaugural session, held at the university's Cauvery Hall, had Padma Shri Kaajee Singh, a renowned musician credited with popularizing traditional Maruni dance and the Shree Maadal, as the Chief Guest. Mr Kaajee Singh is the first Gorkha-Nepali musician to receive the Padma Shri.

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Sikkim University Hosts International Conference on “Music of the Mountains”



Gangtok, November 13 (PIB): The Department of Music at Sikkim University is organizing a two-day International Conference on “Music of the Mountains: Melodies and Socio-Cultural Dimensions” from November 13-14, 2024.

The inaugural session, held at the university’s Carvery Hall, featured Padma Shri Kaajee Singh, a renowned musician credited with popularizing traditional Maruni dance and the Shree Mandal, as the Chief Guest. Kaajee Singh is recognized as the first Gorkha-Nepali musician to receive the Padma Shri.

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Induction program held for new SU batch at Yangang campus



GANGTOK, 06 AUG [PIB]: Senior Professor Jyoti Prakash Tamang has taken charge as Sikkim University Vice-Chancellor (officiating) from 01 August after Prof Avinash Khare demitted office on 31 July, 2024.

On 06 August, an induction program was held for the newly admitted students of the departments of Bhutia, Lepcha, Limbu, Nepali, International Relations and Political Science. At present, there are six departments functioning from the Yangang campus.

Vice-Chancellor Senior Prof. Jyoti Prakash

Tamang welcomed the students and encouraged them to take full advantage of the facilities being offered by the University both academic and co-curricular. He also expressed his happiness that the permanent campus of the University has started functioning.

The induction program was attended by the faculty members of the six departments, officers and students at Yangang. After the induction program a short meeting was held with the heads of departments and Deans of Schools which was presided over by the Vice-Chancellor.

Induction program held for six SU departments

SE Report

GANGTOK, August 6: Sikkim University held an induction programme for the newly-admitted students of the departments of Bhutia, Lepcha, Limboo, Nepali, International Relations and Political Science today. These six departments are functioning from the permanent campus at Yangang.

Vice-chancellor (officiating) Prof. Jyoti Prakash Tamang welcomed the students and encouraged them to take full advantage of the facilities being offered by the university, both academic and co-curricular. He also expressed his happiness that



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Induction programme held at Yangang



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Prof. Jyoti Prakash Tamang takes charge as Officiating VC of Sikkim University

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Sikkim University conducts workshop on UG curriculum development under NEP 2020

SE, Hanoi

GANGTOK, August 27: Sikkim University organised a workshop on the preparation of Undergraduate curriculum in alignment with the Learning Outcome-based Curriculum Framework (LOCF) of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 today. The workshop, organised by the NEP Committee of Sikkim University, was held at the conference hall of the Department of Tourism and Civil Aviation, Motte Bazar.

The inaugural programme was attended by State Education Minister Raju Basnet as the chief guest and Education special secretary and director (Higher and Technical Education) Him

Thasal. The Sikkim University vice-chancellor Prof. Jyoti Prakash Tamang was the chairperson of the inaugural programme.

The programme was attended by members of the NEP Committee of Sikkim University, principals of affiliated colleges, and members of 31 functioning UG subject committee members from various affiliated colleges under Sikkim University.

Minister Raju Basnet highlighted the State government's support for Sikkim University in its mission to drive educational innovation in the region. He mentioned the crucial role of NEP 2020 in advancing educational progress in Sikkim, adding significant

value to the program and endorsing the commitment to enhancing educational opportunities and development.

Prof. Jyoti Prakash Tamang, in his presidential address, focusing on the university's dedication to fostering academic excellence and its proactive role in implementing the New Education Policy 2020 for holistic development of the society. He also highlighted the importance of NEP having interdisciplinary approaches to make a student self-reliant and self-educated.

The workshop marks a significant achievement in Sikkim University's ongoing efforts to align its academic standard with the national



vision of educational reform, informs a press release. The event provided a platform for educators, policymakers, and administrators to engage in meaningful discussions and set the stage for a transformative UG curriculum.

Prof. Yashida Bhalla, chairperson of the NEP

Committee, emphasised the vital role of updating the UG curriculum to align with NEP 2020.

Him Thasal provided insightful perspectives on the practical challenges and opportunities in implementing NEP 2020 across educational institutions in the State.

Sikkim University workshop on UG Curriculum Development under NEP 2020



GANGTOK, 27 AUG [PIB]: Sikkim University successfully organized a workshop on the preparation of the Undergraduate (UG) Curriculum in alignment with the Learning Outcomes-based Curriculum Framework (LOCF) of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020. The workshop, organized by the NEP Committee of Sikkim University, was held at the Conference Hall of the Department of Tourism and Civil Aviation, Metro Point, Gangtok on 27 August, 2024.

The inaugural programme was graced by the presence of Raju Bhasnet, Minister of Education, Sports and Youth Affairs, and Parliamentary Affairs Department, Government of Sikkim, as the Chief Guest, Bhim Thatal, Director of Higher and Technical Education and Special Secretary, Senior Prof. Jyoti Prakash Tamang, Vice Chancellor of Sikkim University as the Chairperson of the inaugural programme.

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Prof. Yodida Bhutia, Chairperson of the NEP Committee, addressed the gathering, emphasising the vital role of updating the UG curriculum to align with NEP 2020. Mr. Thatal provided insightful perspectives on the practical challenges and opportunities in implementing NEP 2020 across educational institutions in the state. His address set the tone for a collaborative approach to curriculum development.

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Sikkim University conducts Workshop on UG Curriculum Development under NEP 2020

GANGTOK, AUG 25/--/ Sikkim University organized a workshop on the preparation of the Undergraduate (UG) Curriculum in alignment with the Learning Outcomes-based Curriculum Framework (LOCF) of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020. The workshop, organized by the NEP Committee of Sikkim University, was held at the Conference Hall of the Department of Tourism and Civil Aviation, Metro Point, Gangtok on 27th August, 2024.

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Workshop on UG Curriculum Development under NEP 2020

Govt strongly supports SU's mission to drive educational innovation: Minister Raju Basnet

Gangtok, August 27 (PIB): Sikkim University successfully organized a workshop on the preparation of the Undergraduate (UG) Curriculum in alignment with the Learning Outcomes-based Curriculum Framework (LOCF) of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020. The workshop, organized by the NEP Committee of Sikkim University, was held at the Conference Hall of the Department of Tourism and Civil Aviation, Mirro Point, Gangtok on 27th August, 2024.

The inaugural programme was graced by Raju Basnet, Minister of Education, Government of Sikkim, as the Chief Guest. Bhim Thatal (SCS), Director of Higher and Technical Education and Special



Secretary, Senior Prof. Jyoti Prakash Tamang, Vice Chancellor of Sikkim University as the Chairperson of the inaugural programme. The programme was attended by members of the NEP

Committee of Sikkim University, principals of affiliated colleges, and members of 31 functioning UG subject committee members from various affiliated colleges under Sikkim University.

This workshop marks a significant achievement in Sikkim University's ongoing efforts to align its academic standard with the national vision of educational reform. The event provided a platform for educators, policymakers, and administrators to engage in meaningful discussions and set the stage for a transformative UG curriculum. Prof. Yodha Bhotia, Chairperson of the NEP Committee, addressed the gathering, emphasizing the vital role of updating the UG curriculum

in line with NEP 2020. Bhim Thatal (SCS), Director of Higher and Technical Education and Special Secretary provided insightful perspectives on the practical challenges and opportunities in implementing NEP 2020 across educational institutions in the state. His address set the tone for a collaborative approach to curriculum development.

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सिक्किम विश्वविद्यालयमा एनईपी २०२० अन्तर्गत यूजी पाठ्यक्रम विकास कार्यशाला आयोजित



गान्तोक, २७ अगस्त। सिक्किम विश्वविद्यालयले राष्ट्रिय शिक्षा नीति (एनईपी) २०२० को लर्निङ आउटकममा आधारित पाठ्यक्रम रूपरेखा (एलओसीएफ) अनुरूप अण्डर ग्राजुएट (यूजी) पाठ्यक्रमको तयारीमाथि एक कार्यशाला सफलतापूर्वक आयोजना गरेको छ। सिक्किम विश्वविद्यालयको एनईपी समितिद्वारा आयोजित कार्यशाला २७ अगस्त, २०२४ मा गान्तोकको मेट्रो पोलिण्डस्थित पर्यटन र नागरिक उड्डयन विभागको सम्मेलन हलमा आयोजित भएको थियो। उक्त जानकारी पीआईबीले प्रेस विज्ञप्तिमा दिएको छ। उद्घाटन कार्यक्रममा मुख्य अतिथिकरूपमा सिक्किम सरकारका शिक्षा, खेलकुद तथा युवा मामिला तथा संसदीय मामिला विभागका मन्त्री राजु बस्नेत, उच्च तथा प्राविधिक शिक्षाका निर्देशक तथा विशेष सचिव भीम ठटाल, सिक्किम विश्वविद्यालयका उपकुलपति वरिष्ठ प्रा. ज्योति प्रकाश तामाङले उद्घाटन कार्यक्रमको अध्यक्षता गरेका थिए। कार्यक्रममा सिक्किम विश्वविद्यालयको एनईपी समितिका सदस्य, सम्बद्ध

कलेजका प्राचार्यगण र सिक्किम विश्वविद्यालय अन्तर्गत विभिन्न सम्बद्ध कलेजका ३१ कार्यरत यूजी विषय समितिका सदस्यहरू उपस्थित थिए। यस कार्यशाला सिक्किम विश्वविद्यालयको आफ्नो शैक्षिक सुधारको राष्ट्रिय दृष्टिकोणसँग आफ्नो शैक्षिक मानकलाई संरेखित गर्ने निरन्तर प्रयासमा महत्त्वपूर्ण उपलब्धिको प्रतीक हो। यो कार्यक्रमले शिक्षाविद्, नीति निर्माता र प्रशासकहरूलाई अर्थपूर्ण चर्चामा संलग्न हुन र परिवर्तनकारी यूजी पाठ्यक्रमको लागि मद्दत तयार गर्नको लागि मद्दत प्रदान गर्छ। एनईपी समितिकी अध्यक्ष प्रा. बोडिडा भोटिवाले सभालाई सम्बोधन गर्दै यूजी पाठ्यक्रमलाई एनईपी २०२० सँग तालमेल मिलाउन अन्यायव्यक्त भूमिकामा जोड दिइन्। उच्च तथा प्राविधिक शिक्षाका निर्देशक एवं विशेष सचिव भीम धटल (एससीएस) ले राज्यका शैक्षिक संस्थानहरूमा एनईपी २०२० लागू गर्नमा व्यावहारिक चुनौती र अवसरहरूको बारेमा अन्तर्दृष्टिपूर्ण दृष्टिकोण प्रदान गरे। उनको

सम्बोधनले पाठ्यक्रम विकासका लागि सहयोगात्मक दृष्टिकोणको आधार तयार गर्‍यो।

मन्त्री राजु बस्नेतले एक शक्तिशाली तथा उत्साहवर्धक भाषण दिए, जसले यस क्षेत्रमा शैक्षिक नवीनताको नेतृत्व गर्ने प्रयासमा सिक्किम विश्वविद्यालयलाई सहयोग गर्ने सरकारको प्रतिबद्धतालाई बलियो बनायो। सिक्किमको शैक्षिक प्रगतिलाई अगाडि बढाउन एनईपी २०२० को महत्त्वलाई प्रकाश पार्दै उनको उपस्थितिले कार्यक्रममा अधिक मूल्य जोड्यो। सिक्किम विश्वविद्यालयका उपकुलपति वरिष्ठ प्रा. ज्योति प्रकाश तामाङले कार्यक्रमको अध्यक्षता गरे एवं एक प्रेरणादायक अध्यक्षीय भाषण दिए, जसमा शैक्षिक उत्कृष्टतालाई बढावा दिन विश्वविद्यालयको समर्पण र समाजको समग्र विकासको लागि नयाँ शिक्षा नीति २०२० लागू गर्नेको लागि यसको सक्रिय भूमिकामा ध्यान केन्द्रित गरे। उनले विद्यार्थीलाई आत्मनिर्भर तथा राम्रो प्रकृतिले शिक्षित बनाउन एनईपीले अन्तःविषय दृष्टिकोण राख्नुको महत्त्वलाई पनि प्रकाश पारे।

सिक्किम विश्वविद्यालय में हिन्दी पखवाड़ा आयोजित

अनुष्ठानिकी कार्य.

गंगटोक, 28 सितम्बर। आज शाम कल्चरी हॉल में हिन्दी पखवाड़ा 2024 के समापन एवं पुरस्कार वितरण कार्यक्रम आयोजित हुआ। कार्यक्रम को शुक्रात्त विश्वविद्यालय को कुल गीत के गायन के साथ हुई। कार्यक्रम में मुख्य अतिथि के रूप में विश्वविद्यालय के कुलपति प्रोफेसर ज्योति प्रकाश तर्मांग उपस्थित रहे। विशिष्ट अतिथि के रूप में विश्वविद्यालय के परीक्षा निपण्टक डॉ एम मुरली मोहन उपस्थित थे।

हिन्दी पखवाड़ा 2024 के दौरान छात्रों, शिक्षण एवं गैर शिक्षण कर्मचारियों के लिए निबंध लेखन, काव्य पाठ, अंतावर्गी, सुल्लेख, पत्र लेखन, टिप्पणपत्री लेखन एवं आत्म भाषण आदि कुल 8 प्रतियोगिताओं का आयोजन किया गया।

विश्वविद्यालय के स्थायी परिसर, गंगवांग में भी भव्य रूप से काव्य पाठ प्रतियोगिता तथा कार्यालय राजभाषा के एवं राजभाषा एक कार्यक्रम गंगवांग के स्थायी परिसर में भी रखा गई। इस अवसर पर कुलपति द्वारा हिन्दी पखवाड़ा 2024 के दौरान आयोजित विभिन्न प्रतियोगिताओं के विजेताओं को प्रमाणपत्र एवं नगद पुरस्कार प्रदान किए गए।

कुलपति प्रो ज्योति प्रकाश तर्मांग ने अपने सम्बोधन में सबसे पहले हिन्दी पखवाड़ा के दौरान आयोजित विभिन्न प्रतियोगिताओं के विजेताओं को शुभकामनाएं दी। उन्होंने सभी संकायों, कर्मचारियों एवं छात्रों को हिन्दी में अधिक से अधिक कार्य करने हेतु प्रोत्साहित किया। सिक्किम केन्द्रीय



विश्वविद्यालय है, यहाँ देश के विभिन्न स्थानों से छात्रों और संकाय सदस्य हैं। सबके साथ संवाद होने के लिए हिन्दी ही माध्यम है। उन्होंने स्थानीय भाषाओं को सीखने का प्रयास करने हेतु सभी को आह्वान किया।

विश्वविद्यालय के परीक्षा निपण्टक डॉ मुरली मोहन ने अपने सम्बोधन में सभी विजेताओं को बधाई दी और आगे भी इस तरह से

कार्यक्रम में भाग लेने तथा हिन्दी के प्रयोग को बढ़ाने हेतु सभी से आग्रह किया। सिक्किम विश्वविद्यालय के छात्रों और गैर शिक्षण कर्मचारियों द्वारा एक रंगारंग सांस्कृतिक कार्यक्रम के साथ कार्यक्रम समाप्त हुआ। आधिकारिक कार्यक्रम का संचालन श्रीमती रेशू प्रधान और सांस्कृतिक कार्यक्रम का संचालन श्री गगन मेन छेत्री द्वारा किया गया।

Hindi Pukhwada ends at Sikkim University

GANGTOK, 28 SEPT (IIB): Today at 3PM, Sikkim University organized the closing and prize distribution program of Hindi Pukhwada 2024 in Convent Hall.



The program started with the university's Kulgeet. The program was guided by the presence of the Vice Chancellor of the University, Professor Jyoti Prakash Tamang as

the Chief Guest. The Controller of Examinations of the University, Dr. S. Murali Mohan was present as the Special Guest in the occasion.

During the Hindi Pukhwada 2024, a total of 8 competitions were organized for students, teaching and non-teaching staff, such as essay writing, poetry recitation, amukhsh, discussion, letter writing, commentary writing and extempore speech. A grand poetry recitation competition and special lecture were also organized at the permanent campus of the University, Yangtong.

On this occasion, the Vice Chancellor presented certificates and cash prizes to the winners of various competitions organized during Hindi Pukhwada 2024.

In his address, Vice Chancellor Prof. Jyoti Prakash Tamang first congratulated the winners of various competitions held during Hindi Pukhwada. He encouraged all the faculties, staff and students to work as much as possible in Hindi. Sikkim is a central university, we hope students and faculty members are from different places of the country. Hindi is the only medium to communicate with everyone. He called upon everyone to try to

learn local languages.

The Controller of Examinations of the University, Dr. Murali Mohan, in his address congratulated all the winners and urged everyone to participate in such programs in future and to increase the use of Hindi.

The program ended with a colorful cultural program by the students and non-teaching staff of Sikkim University. The official program was anchored by Mrs. Bineta Pradhan and the cultural program was anchored by Mr. Gagan Sen Chhetri.

सिक्किम विश्वविद्यालयद्वारा हिन्दी पाक्षिकी-२०२४ को समापन समारोह आयोजित

गान्तोक, २८ सेप्टेम्बर: सिक्किम विश्वविद्यालयले शनिवार अपराह्न तीन बजे कावेरी हलमा हिन्दी पाक्षिकी-२०२४ को समापन तथा पुरस्कार वितरण कार्यक्रम आयोजना गरेको छ। यो कार्यक्रम विश्वविद्यालयको कुलगीतबाट शुरु भएको थियो। विश्वविद्यालयका उपकुलपति प्राध्यापक ज्योतिप्रकाश तामाङ मुख्वा अतिथि रहेको कार्यक्रममा विश्वविद्यालयका परीक्षा नियन्त्रक डा. एस मुरली मोहन विशिष्ट अतिथिका रूपमा उपस्थित थिए। हिन्दी पाक्षिकी-२०२४ मा विद्यार्थी, शिक्षक र गैर-शिक्षक कर्मचारीहरूका लागि निबन्ध लेखन, कविता वाचन, अन्तर्दृष्टि, श्रुतिलेखन, पत्र लेखन, टिप्पणी लेखन र उत्कृष्ट भाषण जस्ता कुल आठ वर्गमा प्रतियोगिता आयोजन गरिएको थियो। विश्वविद्यालयको स्थायी क्याम्पस याङ्ग्याङमा भव्य कविता वाचन प्रतियोगिता र विशेष



व्याख्यान आयोजना गरिएको छ। सो अवसरमा उपकुलपतिले हिन्दी पाक्षिकी-२०२४ को अवसरमा आयोजित विभिन्न प्रतियोगिताका विजेताहरूलाई प्रमाणपत्र र नगद पुरस्कार प्रदान गरे।

उपकुलपति प्रो. ज्योतिप्रकाश तामाङले सर्वप्रथम आफ्नो सम्बोधनमा हिन्दी पाक्षिकीमा आयोजित विभिन्न प्रतियोगिताका विजेताहरूलाई बधाई दिए। उनले

सबै सहकाय, कर्मचारी र विद्यार्थीहरूलाई सकेसम्म हिन्दीमा काम गर्न प्रोत्साहित गरे। "सिक्किम एक केन्द्रिय विश्वविद्यालय हो हामीसँग विद्यार्थी र 'एड्यु' देशका विभिन्न ठ 1/1 व सबैसँग कुराकानी गर्न सक्ने माध्यम हिन्दी हो" - उनले स्थानीय भाषा सिक्किम सबैलाई आग्रह गरे।

विश्वविद्यालयका परीक्षा नियन्त्रक डा. मुरली मोहनले आफ्नो सम्बोधनमा विजयी सबैलाई बधाई दिँदै आगामी दिनमा पनि वस्ता कार्यक्रममा सहभागी हुन र हिन्दी भाषाको प्रयोग बढाउन सबैलाई आग्रह गरे। कार्यक्रम सिक्किम विश्वविद्यालयका विद्यार्थी र गैर-शिक्षक कर्मचारीहरूले रङ्गारङ्ग सांस्कृतिक कार्यक्रमको साथ समाप्त भयो। औपचारिक कार्यक्रमको प्रस्तोता रेशु प्रधान र सांस्कृतिक कार्यक्रम गगनसेन छेत्रीले सञ्चालन गरेका थिए।

Sikkim University felicitates Padma Shri Prof. Eklabya Sharma

SE Report

GANGTOK, March 12: Department of Botany, Sikkim University organized the felicitation of Padma Shri recipient Prof. Eklabya Sharma and a seminar on "Understanding the Biodiversity of Eastern Himalaya: Challenges and the Way Forward" today at the Cauvery Hall of the University.

Dr. Eklabya Sharma, who was conferred Padma Shri this year, is the Strategic Advisor and Distinguished Fellow of Ashoka Trust for Research in Ecology and the Environment (ATREE), Bangalore, India. He is an ecologist with over 40 years of expertise in sustainable development of the Himalayan region. He is globally known for his pioneering research in the Himalaya, science diplomacy for regional cooperation and advocacy for the global mountain agenda, informs a press release.

Dr. Sharma received many awards such as 'Young Scientist Medal' of the Indian National Science Academy in 1988, Vishisht Vaigyanik Puraskar from the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change in 1995 and 'Honourable Mention Paper Award' from Soil and Water Conservation Society, USA in 1999. He received the 'Excellence Award' for contributions in Science and Environment towards development of modern India from Sikkim University and the Government of Sikkim in 2017. In 2024, he was awarded with the fourth highest civil award of the country, Padma Shri, in Science and Engineering category, by the Government of India. Dr. Sharma, is the



Fellow of the Indian National Science Academy (INSA) and Fellow of the National Academy of Sciences, India (NASI).

In recognition of his achievements, Sikkim University vice-chancellor Prof. Avinash Khare felicitated Prof. Eklabya Sharma in the presence of S.D. Dhukal, secretary to the Chief Minister, Govt. of Sikkim; Prof. S.R. Joshi, Dept. of Biotechnology and Bioinformatics, North eastern Hill University, Shillong; faculty members,

staff and students of Sikkim University.

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Prof. Avinash Khare congratulated Shri Prof. Eklabya Sharma on his achievements and wished him success in all his future endeavours.

Sikkim University felicitates Padma Shri Prof Eklabya Sharma

GANGTOK, 12 MAR [PIB]: The Department of Botany, Sikkim University, organized the felicitation of Padma Shri Prof Eklabya Sharma and seminar on "Understanding the Biodiversity of Eastern Himalaya: Challenges and the Way Forward," on 12 March at Cauvery Hall of the University.

Dr Eklabya Sharma, Padma Shri Awardee of 2024, is the Strategic Advisor and Distinguished Fellow of Ashoka Trust for Research in Ecology and the Environment (ATREE), Bangalore, India. He is an ecologist with over 40 years of expertise in sustainable development of the Himalayan region. He is globally known for his pioneering research in the Himalaya, science diplomacy for regional cooperation and advocacy for the global mountain agenda.



Dr Sharma received many awards such as Young Scientist Medal of the Indian National Science Academy in 1988; Vishisht Vaigyanik Puraskar from the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Government of India in 1995; Honorable Mention Paper Award from the Soil and Water Conservation Society, USA in 1999. He received the "Excellence Award" for contributions in Science

and Environment towards development of Modern India from Sikkim University and the Government of Sikkim in 2017. In 2024 he was awarded with the fourth highest civil award of the country, Padma Shri in Science and Engineering category, by the Government of India. Dr Sharma, is the Fellow of the Indian National Science Academy (INSA) and Fellow of the National Academy of Sciences, India (NASI).

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Avinash Khare completes term as Sikkim University VC

SF Report

GANGTOK, August 1: Prof. Avinash Khare has completed his term as the Vice Chancellor of Sikkim University. He had joined the Sikkim University as its third Vice Chancellor on October 11, 2018.

A PIB release informs that Prof. Khare demitted office on July 31 and handed over the charge of Vice-Chancellor, Sikkim University (officiating) to senior Professor Jyoti Prakash Tunang.

A farewell program was organised for the outgoing Vice Chancellor which was attended by the faculty

members, officers, staff and students of the university.

Having served various institutions of repute both nationally and internationally, Prof. Khare worked for the upliftment of Sikkim University tirelessly during his tenure. He was an able administrator who displayed profound leadership acumen by initiating the process of shifting the university from its rental spaces in Gangtok to its rightful permanent campus at Yangang.

Prof. Khare also led Sikkim University to be one of the first universities to implement the New Education Policy 2020 to align with the greater national



educational framework. It was under his able guidance and visionary leadership that Sikkim University initiated the historical research on saffron farming in the State of Sikkim, the PIB release mentions.

प्रोफेसर अविनाश खरेको एसयू उपकुलपतिको कार्यकाल पूरा



गान्तोक, १ अगस्त: ११ अक्टोबर, २०१८ मा सिक्किम विश्वविद्यालयका तेस्रो उपकुलपतिका रूपमा सेवाकार्य सम्हालेका प्रोफेसर अविनाश खरेले आफ्नो कार्यकाल पूरा गरेका छन्। राष्ट्रिय र अन्तरराष्ट्रिय स्तरमा

प्रतिष्ठित विभिन्न संस्थाहरूमा सेवा पुऱ्याएपछि प्रोफेसर खरेले सिक्किम विश्वविद्यालयको उन्नयनका लागि अथक प्रयास गरे। उनी एक सक्षम प्रशासक विेष, जसले विश्वविद्यालयलाई गान्तोकमा भाडोका भवनहरूबाट

पाहुनाइसहित यसको सही स्थायी क्याम्पसमा स्थानान्तरण गर्ने प्रक्रिया शुरू गरेर गहन नेतृत्व कौशल देखाए। प्रोफेसर अविनाश खरेले सिक्किम विश्वविद्यालयलाई बृहत्तर राष्ट्रिय शैक्षिक ढाँचामा पहुँचिबढा गर्ने सर्वांगीण नीति २०२० लागू गर्ने पहिलो विश्वविद्यालय भन्न नेतृत्व गरे। उनको सक्षम मार्गदर्शन तथा दूरदर्शी नेतृत्वमा सिक्किम विश्वविद्यालयले सिक्किम राज्यका केसा खेतीमा ऐतिहासिक अनुसन्धान शुरू गर्‍यो। १२ जुलाईमा प्रोफेसर अविनाश खरेले कार्यकाल पूरा गरेपछि बरिष्ठ प्रोफेसर ज्योति प्रकाश तामाङलाई सिक्किम विश्वविद्यालय (कार्यकारी) उपकुलपतिको पदमा हस्तान्तरण गरे। निवर्तमान उपकुलपति प्राध्यापक अविनाश खरेको लागि विदाई कार्यक्रम आयोजना गरिएको थियो जसमा विश्वविद्यालयका महकल्प, पदाधिकारी, कर्मचारी र विद्यार्थीहरूको उपस्थिति रहेको थियो।

Prof Avinash Khare completes term as SU VC



GANGTOK, 01 AUG [PIB]: Prof Avinash Khare joined Sikkim University as the third Vice-Chancellor on 11 October, 2018. Having served various institutions of repute both nationally and internationally, Prof Khare worked for the upliftment of Sikkim University tirelessly.

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Policy 2020 to align with the greater national educational framework. It was under his able guidance and visionary leadership that Sikkim University initiated the historical research on saffron farming in the state of Sikkim.

On 31 July, Prof Avinash Khare demitted office and handed over the charge of Vice-Chancellor, Sikkim University (officiating) to Senior Professor Jyoti Prakash Tamang. A farewell program was organised for the outgoing Vice-Chancellor Prof Avinash Khare which was attended by the faculty members, officers, staff and students of the University.

Avinash Khare completes term as VC of Sikkim University



GANGTOK, AUGUST 1/ --/ Professor Avinash Khare completed his term as the Vice Chancellor of Sikkim University on Wednesday according to a PIB release. He joined Sikkim University as its third Vice Chancellor on October 11, 2018. Prof Khare had worked for the uplift of Sikkim University. He had initiated the process of shifting the University from its rental spaces in Gangtok to its permanent campus at Yangang. Prof. Avinash Khare also led Sikkim University to be one of the first Universities to implement the New Education Policy 2020 to align with the greater national educational framework. Under his guidance, Sikkim University had initiated the research on saffron farming in Sikkim. (EOIC)

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Sikkim University holds induction programme for its students



SE Report

GANGTOK, September 18: Sikkim University held an induction program for all postgraduate students from its 33 academic departments today at the auditorium of Nar Bahadur Bhandari Government College.

Vice-chancellor Prof. Dr. Jyoti Prakash Tamang welcomed the newly admitted first-semester students and encouraged them to take full advantage

of the academic and extracurricular resources available at the university. He provided a brief history of the university and emphasized the strong sense of community among faculty, staff and students, despite their diverse cultural backgrounds, informs a press release.

Prof. Tamang stressed the importance of fostering a sense of belonging, which can help individuals grow. He also emphasized that students can

cultivate leadership skills by participating in various extracurricular activities that contribute to community development and the country's progress. Furthermore, he urged students to engage in open communication and foster positive relationships with their teachers, seniors and classmates.

The Deans of Students' Welfare and the Controller of Examinations also addressed the students.

स्नातकोत्तर छात्रों के लिए इंडक्शन कार्यक्रम आयोजित



अनुगामिनी का.सं.
गंगटोक, 18 सितम्बर ।
सिक्किम विश्वविद्यालय की ओर से आज म्यानोंय हादोंग स्थित नर बहादुर भंडारी गवर्नमेंट कॉलेज ऑडिटोरियम में अपने 33 शैक्षणिक विभागों के सभी स्नातकोत्तर छात्रों के लिए एक इंडक्शन कार्यक्रम आयोजित किया गया।

इस अवसर पर विश्वविद्यालय के कुलपति प्रो. डॉ. ज्योति प्रकाश तम्बंग ने प्रथम सेमेस्टर के नये छात्रों का स्वागत करते हुए उन्हें संस्थान

में उपलब्ध शैक्षणिक और पाठ्योत्तर संसाधनों का पूरा लाभ उठाने के लिए प्रोत्साहित किया। उन्होंने विश्वविद्यालय के इतिहास के बारे में संक्षिप्त में बताते हुए विविध सांस्कृतिक पृष्ठभूमि के बावजूद फैकल्टी, स्टाफ और विद्यार्थियों के बीच मेलजोल की मजबूत भावना पर जोर दिया।

उन्होंने कहा कि विश्वविद्यालय के छात्र सामुदायिक विकास और देश की प्रगति में योगदान देने वाली विभिन्न पाठ्योत्तर गतिविधियों में भाग

लेकर नेतृत्व कौशल विकसित कर सकते हैं। इसके अलावा, प्रो. तम्बंग ने छात्रों से खुले तौर पर संचार में शामिल होकर शिक्षकों, सोनियरों और सहपाठियों के साथ सकारात्मक संबंध बनाने का आग्रह किया। वहीं, स्टूडेंट्स वेलफेयर एवं एग्जाम कंट्रोलर विभाग के डीन ने भी छात्रों से बात की। कार्यक्रम में सभी स्कूलों के डीन, विभागाध्यक्ष, फैकल्टी सदस्य, अधिकारी, एनएसएस समन्वयक और गैर-शिक्षक कर्मचारी भी शामिल हुए।



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