



## GCU Students Participate in AICTE-ATL Seminar on Disaster Connectivity

Ten B. Tech students from the Department of Civil Engineering at Girijananda Chowdhury University, Guwahati, participated in a two-day seminar titled "AI-Enabled Resilient Communication Systems for Disaster Response and Emergency Connectivity." This event was hosted at Assam Don Bosco University, Azara Campus, on August 20th and 21st, 2026.

The seminar was organized under the auspices of the AICTE Training and Learning Academy (ATAL) and the AICTE-VAANI Initiative. The program's curriculum emphasized advanced technological domains, including Artificial Intelligence, 5G/6G networks, satellite communication, remote sensing, resilient communication networks, and disaster-response systems.



Glimpses from the seminar participation.



## GCU Promotes Experiential Learning through Summer Internship

The Department of Chemistry, Girijananda Chowdhury University, Azara, successfully organised a one-month Summer Internship Programme titled "Hands-on Chemistry: A Journey through Laboratory Techniques" from 1 July 2026. The programme aimed to provide students with practical exposure to modern laboratory techniques, analytical instruments, scientific software, and emerging areas of chemical sciences through hands-on training and interactive sessions.

The programme, coordinated by Dr. Swarnali Pathak, Head (i/c), Department of Chemistry, covered diverse areas including phytochemicals, nanomaterials, 3D printing, polymers, composites, and water analysis. The training enabled participants to develop laboratory and analytical skills, perform experiments, analyse data, and understand the applications of Chemistry in research and industry. The programme was conducted under the guidance of Dr. Swarnali Pathak, Dr. Nirmala Devi, Dr. Kajal Dutta, and Dr. Suranjana Patowary.

A total of 28 students from different colleges and universities participated in the programme. The internship concluded with student presentations showcasing their learning and skills, followed by the distribution of certificates during the valedictory session. Dr. Sunayan Bordoloi, Dean, School of Natural Sciences, and Dr. Swarnali Pathak addressed the participants and encouraged them to pursue scientific learning and research. The programme successfully promoted experiential learning, strengthened laboratory competencies, and fostered scientific curiosity among the participants.



Highlights from the internship programme.



## Social Research and Participatory Training: Summer Internship Programme conducted by the Department of Sociology and Social Work, GCU

With a vision of multi-dimensional social research interests, processes and emerging realities, the Department of Sociology and Social Work, Girijananda Chowdhury University, conducted a month-long Summer Internship Programme from 1<sup>st</sup> July, 2026 to 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2026, to train students on the foundational features of social research, its dynamic forms, field-oriented and visual methodologies of research, and its practice-oriented interventions in understanding the complex social structures. The internship engaged students in the skills of research, role-play activities, team work building, community participation, ethical implementation of research, vocal sensitivities, advocacies, research planning, problem-identification, layered resolutions and workshop-based modules. Apart from practicing the foundations of social research with a reflection on aspects of self, society, identity and representation, two workshops titled Puppetry Workshop and Dance Therapy Workshop, conducted in collaboration with the Department of

Psychology, Education, Journalism and Mass Communication also took place. Ms. Binita Devi, a renowned puppetry artist from Surojit Academy, Assam was invited to conduct the Puppetry Workshop and Ms. Dhritismita Bora, a psychologist and dance movement therapy facilitator was invited for the Dance Therapy Workshop. The programmes and segments were carefully planned by the faculty members of the Department, specializing in several research areas of Sociology and Social Work, like Health and Society, Urbanization, Digitalization and social media, Disaster Management, Disability Studies, Policy-making, Participatory Action Approaches, Descriptive Statistics, etc. The internship also involved interactive and consulting sessions for the students and ended with a valedictory session with the motive of preparing the students for their future social research, project-management and analytical works.



Social Research training during the internship programme.

## Exploring Law Beyond the Classroom: GCU's Summer Internship Programme on Indian Legal System

The Summer Internship Programme on "Indian Legal System" was organised by the Centre for Legal Studies, Girijananda Chowdhury University (GCU) from 1 July to 31 July 2026 as an academic and capacity-building initiative aimed at providing participants with a broad understanding of the Indian legal system and contemporary legal issues. The programme commenced with an orientation and ice-breaking session, followed by structured academic sessions covering the Indian judiciary, Constitution and Rule of Law, court structure, international organisations, Family Law, legal research, cyber law, privacy, Artificial Intelligence, Aadhaar, Digital Personal Data Protection Act, civil and criminal law, FIRS and charge sheets, environmental law, BNS, BNSS, Evidence Law, Motor Vehicles Act, PIL, POCSO, International Law, Cyber Law and Intellectual Property Rights. The programme also included weekly assignments, group presentations, case-solving activities, discussions, debates, a Grand Final Presentation and an Online Examination, enabling participants to strengthen their research, analytical, communication and presentation skills. The programme concluded with a valedictory session, featuring a motivational address, interactive games, certificate distribution to participants, student coordinator, student co-coordinators, and resource persons, speeches by Dr. Niju Moni Das, Dean (i/c) and HOD, Centre for Legal Studies, GCU, Mrs. Madhusmita Ronghangpi, Assistant Professor, student coordinator, and the resource persons, along with feedback from the participants.

The Centre expresses its sincere gratitude to Mr. Jyotishman Sarma (Student Coordinator), Ms. Shristy Dey and Ms. Shuhana Begum (Student Co-coordinators), and Mr. Surajit Banerjee, Mr. Abinash Narzary, Ms. Prajukta Borah and Ms. Chayanika Soud (Resource Persons) for their valuable support and contribution throughout the programme.

The Summer Internship Programme successfully provided participants with academic exposure, practical insights and essential professional skills, making it a meaningful and enriching initiative of the Centre for Legal Studies, GCU.



Training on aspects of Law at the Centre for Legal Studies.

## ENFL organizes Summer Internship Programme on "Research Writing and Editing Skills"

Department of English and Foreign Languages, GCU offered summer internship on the topic Research Writing and Editing Skills from 1<sup>st</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> July, 2026. The event witnessed participation of students from Gauhati University, Tezpur University, Goalpara College and Nalbari College. The program focused on basic research techniques, data gathering, precise academic structuring, and editing and proofreading to communicate complex findings clearly. The certificates distribution ceremony was held on 30<sup>th</sup> July 2026.



Snippets from the month-long summer internship programme.

## National Anti-Ragging Week observed at GCU Tezpur campus

The National Anti-Ragging Week was successfully organized at the Girijananda Chowdhury University (GCU), Tezpur Campus, Assam, specifically observed on 17<sup>th</sup> August 2026 under the guidance of Event Convenor Dr. Supriya Sahu. The event aimed to promote a safe and welcoming campus culture while reinforcing the university's strict zero-tolerance policy against any form of institutional harassment. The schedule seamlessly combined informative talks and guidance with creative student engagement, beginning with an opening address by student host Priyanka Sutar and an expert seminar by the Principal Prof. Abdul Baquee Ahmed, followed by Dr. Asish Bhaumik. The convenor of the Anti-ragging Committee, Dr. Supriya Sahu addressed the new as well as old batch of students and delivered a talk on the consequences of ragging, creation of ragging free environment in the campus as well as deliberation of anti-ragging squad for helping the newcomers if any such situation arises.

Students actively expressed their commitment to a ragging-free campus through concurrent slogan writing and logo design competitions managed by Dr. Karobi Handique and Mr. Padmanath Pegu, followed by an impactful anti-ragging short film screening. In the logo-making competition, whose theme was anti-ragging, the first prize was secured by the group of students of B. Pharm 1<sup>st</sup> sem namely Debojit Paul, Dikhit Borah and Amarjyoti Das. The second prize was secured by the group of students Nikita Newar (B. Pharm 3<sup>rd</sup> sem), Itshita Das (B. Pharm 3<sup>rd</sup> sem) and Anchal Gupta (B. Pharm 1<sup>st</sup> sem). The third prize was secured by student group of B. Pharm 5<sup>th</sup> sem namely Khusbu Shah, Jublee Borah and Elizabeth Plasma Toon. In the slogan writing competition with the same theme of creating awareness on ragging, the first prize was secured by Itshita Das of B. Pharm 3<sup>rd</sup> sem, second prize was secured by Gitartha Baruah of B. Pharm 5<sup>th</sup> sem and third prize was secured by Twaritlekha Patir of B. Pharm 5<sup>th</sup> sem.



Dr. Sahu delivering her speech on the consequences of ragging, creation of ragging free environment in the campus.

## GCU Takes Cyber Safety Awareness to School Students

The Centre for Legal Studies, Girijananda Chowdhury University (GCU), organised an Awareness Programme on Cyber Law, Online Safety and Related Laws on 27 August 2026 at Bethany's School, Garchuk. The programme aimed to sensitise school students to cybercrimes, online safety, responsible digital practices, and the legal safeguards available in India.

Dr. Tahmina Begum Laskar, Assistant Professor, Centre for Legal Studies, GCU, conducted a session on digital connectivity, emerging cybercrimes, cybersecurity and cyber law. She discussed common threats such as phishing, identity theft, cyberstalking, malware and ransomware, along with the Right to Privacy under Article 21 of the Constitution. The session highlighted the importance of cyber awareness and responsible use of digital platforms.

Dr. Jafreen Haque, Assistant Professor, Centre for Legal Studies, GCU, delivered a session titled "Cybercrime: How to Stay Safe Online in India." She familiarised students with cybercrimes such as phishing, account hacking, online fraud and cyberbullying, and discussed their potential emotional, financial, academic and reputational consequences. She also introduced the legal framework governing cyber offences and digital rights, including the Information Technology Act, 2000, Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023, and Digital Personal Data Protection Act, 2023.

Students were further sensitised to the importance of timely reporting through the National Cybercrime Reporting Portal and preserving digital evidence such as screenshots, suspicious messages and transaction details. Practical safety measures, including protecting personal information, avoiding suspicious links, using strong passwords, never sharing passwords or OTPs, and seeking help from trusted adults or appropriate authorities, were also emphasised. The programme was coordinated by Dr. Niju Moni Das, Associate Professor, Dean In-charge and Head, Centre for Legal Studies, GCU. Thania Brahma, an LL.M. student of the Centre, also attended the programme.

The programme provided students with practical knowledge of cyber risks, legal remedies and responsible digital practices, contributing towards the development of a safer, more informed and legally aware digital community.



Snapshots from the Cyber Awareness programme.

## Prof. Shantanu Chakravarty delivers invited talk as resource person at National Seminar on BEFR, 1873

Prof. Shantanu Chakravarty, Department of Political Science, Girijananda Chowdhury University (GCU), and currently Dean of the School of Humanities and Social Sciences, was recently invited as a resource person at the Two-Day National Seminar on Awareness of the Bengal Eastern Frontier Regulation (BEFR), 1873, held on August 28 and 29, 2026, at the Town Hall, Dimapur, Nagaland.

Organised by the Naga Students' Federation (NSF), the seminar brought together eminent academicians, legal experts, scholars, and other stakeholders from across the region to deliberate on the historical, constitutional, and contemporary significance of the BEFR, 1873.

Prof. Chakravarty delivered an invited talk during the Epilogue Session on August 29 on the theme, "The BEFR, 1873: A Mainland Indian Perspective vis-à-vis the Constitutional Safeguards of Indigenous Peoples, with Special Reference to Nagaland." His deliberations focused on the constitutional framework for the protection of indigenous peoples and contributed meaningfully to the broader discourse surrounding the relevance and implications of the BEFR in contemporary India.

Prof. Chakravarty's participation in this important academic and constitutional discourse reflects the Department of Political Science's continued engagement with issues of diversity, multiculturalism, indigenous rights, and constitutional safeguards, both in academic inquiry and institutional practice.



Prof. Shantanu Chakravarty delivering his speech at the Seminar.



## GCU Centre for Legal Studies Organises Lecture on Contemporary Legal Education

The Centre for Legal Studies, Girijananda Chowdhury University (GCU), organised a Student Interaction Programme (SIP) featuring a lecture titled "Legal Education – Prospects and Challenges in Contemporary Era." The session featured Dr. Malabika Talukdar, Principal, J.B. Law College, as the resource person. The programme commenced with a welcome address by Dr. Niju Moni Das, Associate Professor, Dean In-charge and Head, Centre for Legal Studies, GCU.

Dr. Talukdar highlighted the vital role of legal education in strengthening the justice delivery system, emphasising that the quality of justice is closely linked to the quality of legal education. She encouraged students to develop conceptual clarity, logical reasoning, extensive reading and an open-minded approach, while exploring interdisciplinary areas such as sociology, history, environmental studies, engineering and medical sciences. She also emphasised the need for legal education to evolve alongside changing social realities and India's new criminal law regime.

The session further highlighted the importance of Clinical Legal Education, Legal Aid Clinics, Moot Courts, Internships and Outreach Programmes in bridging the gap between theoretical learning and practical experience.

Students were encouraged to strengthen their communication, mediation and professional skills through active participation and experiential learning.

Dr. Talukdar also discussed contemporary challenges in legal education, including declining interest in serious reading and research, excessive dependence on social media and technology, professional ethics, the theory-practice gap, digital transformation and student engagement. She urged students to focus on preparation, planning, prioritisation and continuous learning.

The programme concluded with an emphasis on integrating knowledge with skills, technology with ethics, theory with practice, and professional success with social responsibility. The Vote of Thanks was delivered by Ms. Madhusmita Ronghangpi, Assistant Professor, who expressed gratitude to the resource person, faculty members and students for their valuable participation.



Snapshots from the lecture session.

## Navigating the Digital World: GCU Raises Awareness on Cyber Safety

Ms. Madhusmita Ronghangpi, Assistant Professor, Centre for Legal Studies, Girijananda Chowdhury University, spoke on the growth of digital connectivity, cybercrimes, and legal protections in India. She explained key concepts such as cyberspace, cybersecurity, and cyberlaw, while highlighting common threats, including phishing, identity theft, cyberstalking, malware, and ransomware. Her presentation also emphasised the misuse of Artificial Intelligence in creating deepfakes and automated cyber-attacks. She further spoke about India's legal framework, including the Information Technology Act, 2000, Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, 2023, and Digital Personal Data Protection Act, 2023. Constitutional protections such as the Right to Privacy under Article 21 were also discussed. Overall, the presentation emphasized the need for cyber awareness, responsible digital practices, and strong legal safeguards to ensure a safer digital environment.

Dr. Jafreen Haque, Assistant Professor, Centre for Legal Studies, Girijananda Chowdhury University, delivered her lecture on "Cybercrime: How to Stay Safe Online in India", which highlighted the growing threat of crimes committed through computers, phones and the internet. She focused on the common forms of cybercrime, including phishing, account hacking, online fraud and cyberbullying. She emphasised that cybercrime can cause emotional distress, financial loss, academic disruption, trust issues and damage to a person's reputation.

The programme was coordinated by Dr. Niju Moni Das, Associate Professor, Dean In-charge and Head of the Department, Centre for Legal Studies, Girijananda Chowdhury University, with assistance from Mr. Abinash Narzary and Ms. Larbin Rongpi, Alumni of the Centre for Legal Studies, Girijananda Chowdhury University.



Highlights from the awareness programme.

## GCU Faculty Member Empowers Entrepreneurs through CMAAA 2.0 Training Programme

Mr. Faruk Ahmed, Assistant Professor, Department of Business Administration, Girijananda Chowdhury University (GCU), Guwahati, was invited by the District Commissioner, Kamrup, to serve as a Resource Person for the Chief Minister's Atmanirbhar Asom Abhijan 2.0 (CMAAA 2.0). As part of the programme, he conducted training sessions for entrepreneurs from various sectors across Kamrup district. The training programme was organised at Saraighat College, Changsari, from 14 July to 25 July 2026, with the objective of enhancing the participants' knowledge and skills in various aspects of entrepreneurship and enterprise development.

The sessions focused on key areas of entrepreneurship and business management, including maintenance of accounts and financial records, tax procedures in India, CIBIL score and credit management, preparation of Detailed Project Reports (DPRs), soft skills development, marketing planning, e-commerce platforms, regulatory compliance, certifications and other essential aspects of managing and developing an enterprise. The sessions were highly interactive and engaging, with participants showing keen interest throughout the training programme. The audience found the sessions highly useful and meaningful, particularly in terms of gaining practical knowledge and insights that could be applied to their entrepreneurial activities.



Mr. Faruk Ahmed delivering his session.



## From Policy to Performance: GCU Faculty Member Shares Strategies for Administrative Transformation

Dr. Abhinav Sarma, Assistant Professor in the Department of Business Administration, Girijananda Chowdhury University, was invited as a Resource Person by the Assam Administrative Staff College (AASC), Government of Assam, to conduct training sessions for Additional District Commissioners (ADCs), Assistant Commissioners, Assam Police Service (APS) officers, other Assam Civil Service (ACS) officers and senior government officials of the Government of Assam.

The first session, titled "Leading Administrative Transformation: Change Management Strategies for Better Governance," focused on the role of change management in strengthening governance. Dr. Sarma discussed key change management strategies and practical approaches that can enable government departments to successfully navigate organisational change while enhancing efficiency, adaptability and citizen-centric service delivery.

The second session, titled "From Policy to Performance: Driving Administrative Reforms through Effective Change Leadership," explored the tools and techniques required to translate policy initiatives into meaningful administrative outcomes. Dr. Sarma elaborated on the ADKAR Model and other widely used change management frameworks, demonstrating their application in the public sector. The session concluded with an interactive case study discussion, encouraging participants to analyse real-world administrative challenges and develop practical, solution-oriented approaches.

The enthusiastic participation, insightful discussions and active engagement of the officers enriched both sessions, making them highly interactive, thought-provoking and impactful.



Dr. Abhinav Sarma delivering his session.



## Departments of Political Science & History hosts 67 students for Internship on Policy Research and Analysis

The Department of Political Science and History, Girijananda Chowdhury University (GCU), successfully organised a one-month internship programme on Policy Research and Analysis from 25 June to 24 July 2026. The programme brought together 67 students from D.K. College, Pandu College, Gauhati University, and Cotton University, providing them with practical exposure to public policy research and analysis.

The internship combined academic sessions with group-based research, faculty guidance, draft-review sessions, and final research presentations. The interns worked on selected contemporary policy themes and developed their skills in critical analysis, academic writing, teamwork, and presentation. A total of 11 research projects were submitted, including nine by Political Science students and two by History students.

The programme concluded with a Valedictory Ceremony on 24 July, where certificates were presented to all participating interns. The initiative provided an enriching academic experience while strengthening students' understanding of the practical dimensions of public policy research.



Snippets from the internship.

## Department of Political Science Secures ICWA Sponsorship for National Conference

The Department of Political Science, Girijananda Chowdhury University (GCU), Assam, has secured external funding of Rs. 2 lakhs from the Indian Council of World Affairs (ICWA), New Delhi, to organise a National Conference on "Great Power Politics and India's Strategic Manoeuvring in the Contemporary World Order" on 24-25 September 2026 at the GCU campus in Azara, Guwahati. The conference will be convened by Dr. Bhaswati Sarmah, Assistant Professor and Head, Department of Political Science.

The conference will bring together scholars and experts to examine India's strategic manoeuvring amid changing global power dynamics, with discussions focusing on strategic autonomy, multi-alignment, Indo-Pacific strategy, maritime policy, economic statecraft, security challenges, cultural diplomacy, regional engagements, and Northeast India's role in the great-power game. Prof. Shibashis Chatterjee of the Department of International Relations, Jadavpur University, will deliver the keynote address. The conference will also feature Prof. Gulshan Sachdeva of Jawaharlal Nehru University, Prof. Saswati Choudhury of the OKD Institute of Social Change and Development, Prof. Pahi Saikia of IIT Guwahati, Prof. Shubhrajeet Konwer of Gauhati University, and Shri Atul Aneja, Foreign Affairs Expert and former Strategic Affairs Editor of The Hindu, as speakers, among others.

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