12[™] USHA BHATTACHARYYA MEMORIAL LECTURE

As an Annual Lecture, every year on the 8th September, the Department of philosophy organizes a Memorial Lecture in memory of (Lt) Usha Bhattacharyya, former Principal and Lecturer in the Department of Philosophy, Lady Keane College, Shillong.

This year also the Department of philosophy had organized a Memorial Lecture on the Theme "What the tongue remembers: culinary culture, memory and home". Dr Suranjana Choudhury, Professor from the Department of English, NEHU was invited as a Resource Person to deliver the lecture.

The Programme started a little late hour as on the same day, in the first session, the Department of Philosophy also conducted an inaugural programme for the Certificate Course conducted by the Department itself for the students. The inaugural programme started at 9,00 A.M and ended around 10.30 A.M followed by high tea.

The second session which was a Memorial Lecture started at 11.00 A.M. The compeer for the Lecture was Sngaphunlang Kharlyngdoh, lecturer from Higher Secondary section (Department of Philosophy). The Prpgramme begin with a welcome address by the Principal Dr D.K.B.Mukhim where he formally welcomed every participants and invitees. The invitees and participants were mostly teachers and students in and around the city. After the welcome address Dr Suranjana took over the session with her lecture on the above mentioned theme. Though Dr Suranjana is a faculty from Literature still she wonderfully brought out a philosophical perspective and thought on how food as a basic human survival can be related to found never forgetting memories. How food, a culinary delight can bring relations closer and can create experiences which are a part of our being. Food also is an identifying and unique element of every culture. These points were stressed by Dr Suranjana which depicted a very philosophical thought and one's life experiences.

After her wonderful lecture, the session was followed by discussions where participants took active interest not only in queries but also relating to their own experiences to food. The most important part of the day's programme was that the

Department of Philosophy presented the Cash Award to Pooja Chakraborty for securing 4th rank, Dolaries A Mishill Blah for securing 8th rank and Amina Rani for securing 9th rank in the Degree final examination, 2022, NEHU.

The programme ended with a vote of thanks from the HOD, Dr Sabita Das Homroy, Department of Philosophy. Lady Keane College, Shillong. The HOD thanked Principal, teachers and students of Lady keane College and other colleges, invited guests, compeer of the programme and also the technical team for their helping hand and support to make the programme a successful one. After the HOD proposed the vote of thanks the programme finally ended with a lunch in the college canteen. The total budget of the programme was Rs. 45020/- (Rs. Forty Five Thousand and Twenty only).

The total number of participants - 74

Programme Co ordinator



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Pictures of Memorial Lectures 8th September 2022



