



## NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR WOMEN

SPONSORED NATIONAL SEMINAR

On

### WOMEN IN UNORGANIZED SECTOR WITH SPECIAL REFERENCE TO NORTH EAST INDIA



MODE: OFFLINE

DATE: 25<sup>th</sup> October, 2024



*Organized by*

### WOMEN CELL

*In collaboration with*

#### IQAC & Department of Geography

Dr. B. K. B. College, Puranigudam

(NAAC Accredited 'A' Institute)

Nagaon, Assam (India)

### Invitation

The Women Cell, Dr. B. K. B. College, is organizing a National Seminar on 'WOMEN IN UNORGANIZED SECTOR WITH SPECIAL REFERENCE TO NORTH EAST INDIA' sponsored by the National Commission for Women on 25<sup>th</sup> October, 2024. The seminar intends to provide a forum to researchers, scholars, students and academicians to interact and exchange views on the said theme. Therefore, we cordially invite you to participate and present research papers in this seminar and make it a grand success.

With regards -

Principal  
Dr. Nripen Ch. Das

Vice-Principal  
Dr. Kamal Ch. Saikia

President  
(Women Cell)

Ms. Biju Borah

Convenor  
Organising Committee  
National Seminar

Ms. Debita Kemprai

### National Commission For Women

The National Commission for Women (NCW) was set up as statutory body in January 1992 under the National Commission for Women Act, 1990 to : review the Constitutional and Legal safeguards for women; recommend remedial legislative measures; facilitate redressal of grievances and advise the Government on all policy matters affecting women. It organized workshops/consultations, constituted expert committees on economic empowerment of women, conducted workshops/seminars for gender awareness and took up publicity campaign against female foeticide, violence against women etc. in order to generate awareness in the society against these social evils.

### About the College

Established in 1967, Dr. B.K.B. College has evolved into a leading institution of higher education set within a rural environment on the bank of the Kolong river. Accredited with Grade 'A' by NAAC during its 3rd cycle assessment in 2023, this center for higher learning owes its origin to the visionary leadership and guidance of prominent individuals from Puranigudam, Nagaon, Assam. The college named after Dr. Birinchi Kumar Barooah, a revered figure known for his contributions to education, folklore, and literature in Assam, has completed nearly three decades catering to the needs for higher education in a rural ambience.

### Women Cell Dr. B.K.B. College

The Women Cell of Dr. B.K.B. College was formed in 2006 with a view to fostering collaboration and engagement with the local community to address various women-related issues. Since its inception, the Women Cell has been actively organizing various programs in the neighboring areas and

educational institutes. Its main concern has been to focus on issues related to gender discrimination, child labour and education of female students and has developed policies to tackle the challenges faced by female students of the college and women from neighboring areas.

### About the Seminar

According to E-Shram national database, around 52.7% of 28.7 crores of workers are registered as women working in unorganized sectors.

The term *unorganized worker* has been defined under the Unorganized Workers' Social Security Act, 2008, as a home-based worker, self-employed worker or a wage worker in the unorganized sector and also includes a worker in the organized sector who is not covered by any of the Acts mentioned in Schedule-II of the Act.

Women working in the unorganised sector are at the lowest end of socio-economic spectrum. The prevalence of women workers in the urban unorganized sector is seen in activities like domestic work, construction work, small trades like brick making, coir and basket weaving, household industries, beedi rolling, agarbatti making, papad making, tailoring, and embroidery work etc. In rural unorganized sector women are engaged in agricultural and allied sectors. Their economic contributions are undervalued, and they lack a unified voice for their rights. Existing policies fail to adequately cover key issues like safety, harassment, wage gaps, and childcare support.

The basic objective of this seminar is to study women workers in unorganized sector, specifically focusing on domestic workers, home-based workers, workers in agricultural and allied

sectors. This seminar aims to provide a better understanding on ground realities, economic impact, and unique vulnerabilities faced by this workforce across different regions and professions.

### The sub-themes are given below:

1. Education and women in unorganized sector
2. Effectiveness of vocational training programme on women in unorganized sector
3. Entrepreneurship among women in informal economies
4. Women in tertiary sector
5. Legal protection, state policies and social security of women in unorganized sector
6. Human and women rights in unorganized sector
7. Labour, Migration and mobility pattern of women in the unorganized sector
8. Women and informal credit market
9. Health, safety and well-being of women in unorganized sector
10. Gender disparities and economic inequality in unorganized sector
11. Changing pattern of Indian working women in the unorganized sector
12. Role of modern technology in unorganized retail sector
13. Role of NGOs, SHGs and Civil Society in empowering women in unorganized sector

14. Globalization and its impact on women's work in the unorganized sector

15. E-commerce, women and unorganized sector

16. Women's autonomy and ability to function in unorganized sectors

17. Impact of environmental degradation on women's health and livelihood in unorganized sector

18. Women's contribution to rural economy (Agriculture & allied sectors)

19. Disparities and challenges of women in unorganized sectors

20. Mental Health Care status (psychological distress and psychological well-being) at workplace

21. Rural women and their children with special needs

22. Women in folk culture of North East India

23. Any paper related to the main theme of the seminar



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Location of the college

<https://maps.app.goo.gl/bDQZBJ4RSeEHHDuz5>

## Distinguished Resource Persons

Name	Designation	
Jesmima Zeliang	Founder , Heirloom Naga <a href="http://www.heirloomnaga.com">www.heirloomnaga.com</a> (working only with women weavers ) Founder, Cane concept <a href="http://www.caneconcept.com">www.caneconcept.com</a> Founder, Heirloom Naga Centre <a href="http://www.heirloomnagacentre.com">www.heirloomnagacentre.com</a> COA Member & Convenor, NER to Export Promotion Council For Handicrafts Executive Member, Handicrafts & Carpet Skill Sector Council	
Prof. Alpana Borgohain	Professor and Head, Department of Women's Studies, Gauhati University, Guwahati, Assam	
Dr. Daisy Bora Talukdar	Professor, Department of Education, Dibrugarh University, Dibrugarh, Assam	
Dr. Saswati Choudhury	Associate Professor & Director-in-charge, Omeo Kumar Das Institute of Social Change and Development,  An Autonomous Research Institute of ICSSR, New Delhi and Government of Assam	
Dr. Sujata Bhattacharyya	Principal, Nowgong Law College, Nagaon, Assam	
Dr. Ratna Bhuyan	Assistant Professor, National Institute of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj North Eastern Regional Centre, Guwahati, Assam	

## Guideline For Abstract And Paper Submission

- Abstract should not exceed 300 words with minimum 4 to 5 keywords.
- Full paper should be within 4000 words.
- Paper can be in English, Assamese and Hindi Languages.
- Both abstract and full paper should be in MS word using 12 point size of Times New Roman font with 1.5 spacing. For Assamese, paper and abstract should be typed in Page maker, Geetanjali (Ramdhenu) font, size 14 with double space. For Hindi, paper and abstract should be clearly typewritten in UNICODE font , size 14 with double space.
- Abstract and paper must include: Title of paper, Name of the author/ co-author, Designation, Institution, E-mail Id and contact number.
- Participants have to send their abstract & full paper in the email:

[bkbwc22@gmail.com](mailto:bkbwc22@gmail.com)

### Important Dates

Last date of Abstract Submission: 10<sup>th</sup> October, 2024

Last date of Full Paper Submission: 20<sup>th</sup> October, 2024

Last date of Payment of Registration fee: 20<sup>th</sup> October, 2024

### Accommodation

Accommodation shall be arranged for participants from outside the state at their own cost.

### Publication

The proceeding volume of selected seminar papers will be published in an ISBN volume by a reputed publisher.

## Registration fees

Academicians (with paper): Rs 1000/-

Research Scholars(with paper): Rs 800/-

Students (with paper): Rs 300/-

Participants without paper: Rs 100/-

## Registration link



<https://forms.gle/JCArLDkGaG8fEcyWA>

## Bank Details

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<b>IFS Code</b>	PUNB0064020
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