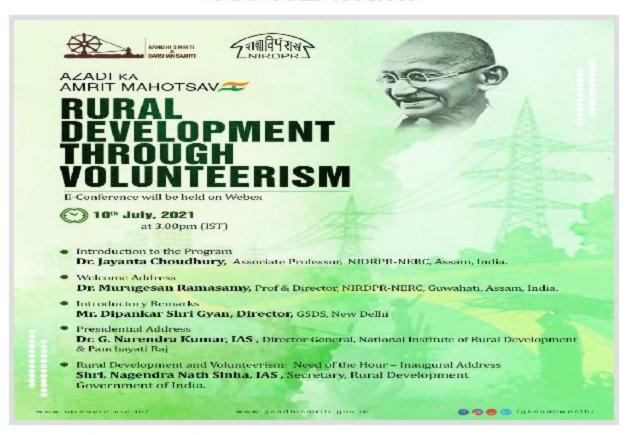
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In the beginning, Dr. Jayanta Choudhury, Associate Professor, NIDRPR-NERC, Assam, India briefed about the programme and expressed the need of volunteerism in action and spirit of Rural Development.

While welcoming the dignitaries and delegates Dr. Murugesan Ramasamy, Prof. &Director, NIRDPR-NERC, Guwahati, Assam, India emphasized the need for rejuvenating the volunteerism in India in general, more particularly for the north eastern region. He also recollected the effects of induction program on entitled "Swa Netritwa Se Bharat Nirman" conducted by him last year for the welfare of Youth in Assam at Khahikuchi Campus in Guwahati. Dr

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In the Presidential Address, Dr. G. Narendra Kumar, IAS, Director General, National Institute of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj, Government of India emphasized that Gandhian concept of Gram Swaraj, Holistic approach of development and volunteerism are even more relevant in the context of current paradigm of rural development. He reminded that increase in economic growth is not sufficient to address rural problems like poverty, unemployment, etc. and therefore volunteerism, volunteers and voluntary organization is important to meet the gap in the performance of Government effort. With his personal experience in working in the state of Arunachal Pradesh, he acknowledges the voluntarism in the north eastern states. He further advocated for involvements voluntary organization in sanitation, poverty alleviation, etc.

The Secretary, Rural Development, Government of India, Shri. Nagendra Nath Sinha, IAS in his inaugural speech mentioned that the role of voluntary organization have changed a lot over the time. He was confident that people themselves can solve their own as well as community problems but only need is to harness the existing volunteerism among the people. Sinha categorically mentioned that at present Self Help groups, Cooperatives and Panchayati Raj Institutions are main vehicle of volunteerism in rural India. These intuitions are playing more significant role during the crisis across the country.

Various grassroots level volunteerism efforts across the Northeastern states were shared their experiences and successes during the conference.

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Vishu Rita Krocha, Independent Journalist from Nagaland presented the case of how Naga communities came together to help each other during the pandemic. The contribution of Christ's Naga Club was mentioned worthy during that period.

Adap Golo, SMM, Arunachal Pradesh State Livelihood Mission and Lishi Yania, Women President, CHUN Ajin Self Help Group presented their experience of volunteerism as the members of the group are involved at various social activities apart from their economic activities in the state.

Community Chief of Nongkseh locality, Shillong, Nathan Thangkhiew shared their experiences of volunteerism in their locality of Meghalaya.

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At the end, Dr. Vedabhyas Kundu, Programme Officer, Gandhi Smriti and Darshan Samitiput vote of thanks to all participants from throughout countries and abroad.



e-Conference on Rural Development through Volunteerism

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NIDRPR-NERC, GSDS organise an e-Conference on 'Rural Development through Volunteerism'

problems by harnessing the existing volunteerism among the people, Secretary for Rural Development Nagendra Nath Sinha, has opined.

Sinha said this during the inaugural speech of e-Conference on 'Rural Development

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through Volunteerism' jointly by the National Institute of Rural Development & Panchayati Raj, North Eastern Regional Centre (NIDRPR-NERC), under Ministry of Rural Development and GSDS (Gandhi Smriti and Darshan Samiti) under Ministry of Culture, on July 10.

It was part of Azad ka Amrut Mahostav, the celebration of 75 years of Indian Independence.

Pointing out that the role of voluntary organisation has changed a lot over the time, Sinha stated that at present Self-Help Groups, Cooperatives and Panchayati Raj Institutions are the main vehicles of volunteerism in rural India.

'These institutions are playing more significant role during the crisis across the country,' he said.

NIDRPR-NERC Director General Dr G Narendra Kumar in his presidential address emphasised that the Gandhian concept of Gram Swaraj, holistic approach of development and volunteerism are even more relevant in the context of current paradigm of rural development.

Increase in economic growth is not sufficient to address rural problems like poverty, unemployment, etc and therefore volunteerism, volunteers and voluntary organisations are important to meet the gap in the performance of Government effort, he noted.

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An Associate Professor at the centre, Dr Jayanta Choudhury while briefing about volunteerism in the region, stressed that it is the practice of providing time and skills for the benefit of all the needy people and causes rather than for financial benefit.

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Udaipur (Tripura), July 12. Volunteerism is an important part to establish a company like Bagma Agri Producer Company Limited (BAPCL) because the brotherhood relation could develop with the help of volunteerism in view to develop rural areas, said Sudip Majumder. Sudip Majumder, Chairman of BAPCL in Tripura has referred this information in course of conversation with Kiran Bhowmik, UNI Stinger today. Mr. Majumder attended the programme from Tripura conducted by National Institute of Rural Development & Panchayati Raj, North Eastern Regional Centre, Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India and Gandhi Smriti and Darshan Samiti, Ministry of Culture, Government of India had jointly organized E-Conference on Rural Development through Volunteerism on July 10, 2021 under Azad ka Amrut Mahostay, a celebration of 75 years of Indian Independence.

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