



TWO DAYS FIRST PURNO AGITOK SANGMA MEMORIAL LECTURE CUM INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR

ON

“Revisiting Diversity in North East India: Ethnicity, Religion, Culture and Beyond”

Date: 13th & 14th May, 2022

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Former M.P Lok Sabha (2016-2018),
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Hon'ble M.P Rajya Shaba,
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Minister for Handloom & Textile, Soil Conservation
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“P. A. SANGMA: SHORT MAN, THE TALLEST LEADER OF NORTH-EAST INDIA”

Padma Vibhushan Lt. Purno Agitok Sangma ji was born on 1stSeptember1947 in Chapahati, a village in the former Garo Hills district of Assam State, in the present-day West Garo Hills of Meghalaya. He was an Indian politician, popularly known as the short man, the tallest North East leader in New Delhi who was well-known for his impartiality, transparency, humility, wit and wisdom. Sangma ji had worn many caps during his four decades long political career as Cabinet Minister, Chief Minister and Speaker of the Lok Sabha.

Hailing from a small village Lt. Sangma ji had championed the cause of not only the constituency he represented in the Parliament but for the entire nation. His cheerful attitude earned him many friends and few adversaries too in his political career. He enjoyed highest respect and fondness among his contemporaries from NE region.

His political height and foresight are considerably higher than many of the satraps monitoring states, governments, and parties that the North East has ever produced in four decades. His compassion for the poor and his persistent effort to eradicate poverty and socio-economic inequities for the downtrodden earned him a special place among commoners. He always stood up for minorities and women and raised concern for their welfare. He contentiously engaged in guiding young parliamentarians and motivated them to dedicate in nation-building. Sangma ji was unquestionably a man of the people, with worldwide clout. His political heirs will have large shoes to fill, as he left behind a legacy of short gentlemen with great heart and mind.

He said that there is a need for a second freedom struggle: "freedom from our own internal contradictions, between our prosperity and poverty, between the plenty of our resource endowments and the scarcity of their prudent management, between peace and tolerance and the current conduct of sliding towards violence, intolerance, and discrimination." The Hon'ble Prime Minister of India, Narendra Modi ji, described him as a "self-made leader" who made a monumental contribution towards the development of the North East of India. His down-to-earth personality and affable nature endeared him to many.

Concept Note of Memorial Lecture cum International Seminar:

The Northeast India is a place of rich heritage. The Northeast region offers a mixed tradition. Every group including tribals in these states has its own unique identity, culture, folk dance, food, crafts, etc. Northeastern tradition consists of Indo-Mongoloid, Indo-Aryan, Austro-Asiatic and mores. However, the lifestyle of the people differs widely based on region, caste, and tribe. Thus, northeast India is a region of diversity.

Towards this endeavour, we are immensely fortunate and pleased to hold the *“First Purno Agitok Sangma Memorial Lecture Cum International Seminar”* on the theme of *‘Revisiting Diversity in North East India: Ethnicity, Religion, Culture and Beyond.’* The seminar topic is not limited to the theme but also offers various sub-themes.

Sub-Themes:

- History of North East India
- North East & Political Space in National Politics
- Diversity: Identity, Ethnicity, and Religion in North East India and Beyond
- Tribal Land Rights, Land Alienation, and Land Access Issues
- Social Movement in North East India and Beyond
- Sixth Schedule Areas: Issues and Challenges
- Borderland Studies and Border Disputes
- Peace Building Strategy
- India’s Foreign Policy and International Relations in Changing World Order
- Act East Policy & North East India
- Trans-border Trade, Hut and Frontier Trade
- Technology, Innovation, Resource Management and Sustainable Livelihoods Approach
- Sustainable Development Goals in North East India and Beyond
- Socio-economic Development
- Rural Development Studies, Policies and Governance
- Culture, Folklore and Literature
- Public Policy and Administration
- Representation of North East in National Policy Making
- Gender, Caste and Class

- Human Rights and Security
- Peace and Conflict Transformation
- IDPs, Refugees and Migration
- Entrepreneurship, Small Scale Industries in North East India and Beyond
- Public Health Care System
- New Education Policy: Challenges and Prospects in North East India and Beyond
- Any other topic related to North East India and Beyond

Objectives:

- To explore the diversity of North East India and beyond.

Participants:

In the First P.A. Sangma Memorial Lecture Cum International Seminar, we invite students, academicians, educators, administrators, scientists, social scientists, and others to participate in and contribute to research from around the world on 'Revisiting Diversity in North East India: Ethnicity, Religion, Culture, and Beyond' which includes various sub-themes relevant to the development issues of regional politics and local governance, and peace in North East India.

Submission Guidelines:

The abstract and full research paper should be sent to pasangmainternationalsem2022@gmail.com in the following format:

- Abstract (150-200) and full paper (2500-3000) words respectively
- 4 to 5 key words
- Typed in Times New Roman
- 12 font size with 1.5 cm space
- Reference APA style

Important Dates:

- Last Date for Submission of Abstract: 25th April, 2022
- Communication for Abstract: 30th April, 2022
- Submission of Full Paper: On or Before 6th May, 2022

Registration Fees Details:

The registration fee should be paid on the date of the Seminar (13th or 14th, May, 2022)

Categories	Registration Fees (INR)
Students (PG)	Free
Research Scholar, Professional / Academician / Scientist / Innovators / Entrepreneurs and Others	800 (Single Author) 1500 (More Than One Author)

Academic Output:

The selected research papers will be published in an edited book with ISBN.

Academic Outcome:

The lecture cum seminar will help in deeper understanding of the richness of diversity in North East India and will help Policy Makers, Administrators, Academicians, Researchers, NGOs and other Stakeholders to identify problems, prospects and way forward.

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