

A Report on One-day Regional Talk by the Department of M.I.L.

The department of M.I.L. had organized a **One- day Regional Talk** on the topic **“Importance of Language and Creative Writings”** on the 21st of March, 2023. Prof. Shailendra Kumar Singh, Head of the Department of Linguistics, North-Eastern Hill University, Shillong and Prof. Streamlet Dkhar of the Department of Khasi, North-Eastern Hill University, Shillong were the two resource persons invited. Teachers and students from various colleges of Shillong were also invited to the programme.

The programme began with the registration of participants at 9.30 a.m. – 10.00 a.m.

The Inaugural function started at 10.10 a.m. respectively by a Welcome Song sung by the students of the department M.I.L. Thereafter, the Principal of our college Dr. D. K. B. Mukhim addressed the audience with a Welcome Speech and declared the programme as **“Open”**. To felicitate the invited guests, the Principal presented them with college mementos.

Since the event was also a **“World Poetry Day”**, Miss Sangita Gareri, a faculty member of the department of Hindi also took the opportunity to present her self-composed poem entitled **“Karo Apni Bhasha Par Pyar”** in Hindi and was met with a lot of praise.

Mr. Saint Quill N. Sangma, Assistant Professor, from the department of Garo also gave his Keynote Address with a short introduction on the concerned theme.

The Inaugural function ended with a Vote of Thanks by Dr. Ruma Moni Boruah, Assistant Professor, of the department of Assamese.

The Technical session started at 10.45 a.m. The first speaker was Prof. Shailendra Kumar Singh who delivered his lecture on **“Language for Young Generation : Aspiration and Inspiration”** his delivery was incredibly informative. He shared his views on the importance of language and enlightened the listeners with the various facts about the origin and development of language. He highlighted on how to love one’s own mother tongue by citing the best examples of Mahatma Gandhi and also expressed about conserving our indigenous languages.

The next speaker Prof. Streamlet Dkhar delivered a lecture on the topic **“Creative Writings for Amateur Writers”** by a power point presentation. Her delivery was strongly informative and thought provoking. She shared her views on how to become a creative writer by using our imagination and various skills to pen down our thoughts through poetry, stories, novels, drama etc. on the process of writing, it was learned that emotion plays an important role. Writings should create life and have a positive impact on the readers. She elaborately explained about the various forms of literature and their respective techniques.

After this thought provoking presentation, the house was invited for an open discussion whereby teachers and students took active part by asking questions to which the speakers enlightened them and cleared their doubts.

Thereafter, the resource persons were requested to give away the certificate of participation to all the teachers and students in attendance.

The programme ended with Refreshments for the participants and lunch for the Resource persons.

All in all, the programme proved to be fruitful and successful too.

The Number of Participants – 27

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Some Photos from the Program:

