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Last date for submission of Abstracts: **30th April, 2022**
Last date for submission of Full Papers: **15th May, 2022**
Last date of submission of Registration Form along with Fee: **30th April, 2022**

Venue

Seminar Hall, Academic Block, Maharaja Bir Bikram University, College Tilla, Agartala

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Concept Note

It is believed that, the Northeast participation in India's freedom struggle is a tale of valour and courage which started in the 19th century itself with a mass peasant uprising against the British and resistance by the hill people. The political events in the rest of the country culminating in Independence in 1947, found a strong support and response in this region. Initially the rebellions were spontaneous in nature with it mostly involving disbanded rulers, disgruntled landlords and tribals who were evicted from their lands. But later in the 20th century, the struggles followed the patterns of the national movements being an inherent part of them. For example the Ahom revolt, Khasi revolt etc. followed the same strategy. The Northeast region of India went into the hands of the British starting with the occupation of Assam in 1826, after a decade of Burmese control of the land. Till then, the region remained mostly independent under the control of the Delhi Sultanate or any other external power. Assam especially faced many incursions, but thwarted them. Thus, the independent spirit of the Assamese people showed in the immediate challenge to the British rule by a group of the erstwhile nobility led by Gomdhar Konwar. Their attempt, however, was suppressed in 1828 and Gomdhar and his associates were imprisoned. One of his associates Piyali Borphukan was hanged.

British expansion to the hills faced fierce resistance from the hill tribes. The Khasis led by U Tirat Sing fought valiantly against the British from 1829 to 1833. Between the 1830s and 1860s, the hill tribes such as the Singphos, Khamtis, Nagas, Garos, etc. also offered stiff challenge to the British expansionist policies toward the hills, causing heavy losses to the latter. There was Phulaguri peasant uprising in 1861 in the Nagaon district of central Assam against the repressive agricultural policies of the British government. It heralded a new era of peasant protest in the state. The Assam Association pursued constitutional methods for redressing the grievances of the native population but it also announced full support to the Non-Cooperation Movement of Gandhiji in 1920. There had been many legendary freedom fighters such as Kanaklata Barua, Paona Brajabashi, Bir Tikendrajit Singh, Rani Gaidinliu Haipou Jadonang, U Tirot Sing Syiemlieh, U Tirot Sing Syiemlieh, Moje Riba, Gopinath Bordoloi, Tarun Ram Phookan, Nabin Chandra Bardoloi, Chandranath Sarma, Fakhruddin Ali Ahmed, Debeswar Sarma, Siddhinath Sarma, Omeo Kumar Das, Bijoy Chandra Bhagawati and many others who had fought against the British colonial administration in various forms.

INA's operation in Manipur itself reflects a new dimension of the freedom movement in Northeast India. The contribution of Northeast in the Second World War is an unexplored zone for forgotten heroes of the region.

However, despite the significant contributions of the North-East India in the freedom struggle, unfortunately history continues to discard and ignore these brave nationalists while writing the freedom movement of India.

Objectives of the Seminar

The main objective of this seminar is:

- To unfold the contributions of the forgotten brave nationalists of the Northeast India in the freedom struggle,
- To find and establish due place in popular discourse about the contributions of freedom fighters from the Northeast India,
- To know how Northeast India became part of independent India,
- To explore the possible initiatives to be taken by the Government of India to commemorate the contributions of these forgotten heroes.

Sub Themes

Theme is divided into several sub-themes as detailed below, but not necessarily limited to:

- i. Contributions from Northeast India to India's independence movement,
- ii. Contributions of the brave nationalists from Northeast India in the freedom struggle
- iii. Patterns of various anti-British Uprising (Phulaguri Dhewa), Tribal revolts (such as Singphos, Khamtis, Nagas, Garos, Kashis) in the Northeast India
- iv. Northeast India before, during and after the British colonial rule
- v. British Policy in the Northeast Frontier of Assam
- vi. Freedom Struggle in the Northeast India: Khilafat, Non-Cooperation, Civil Disobedience Movement, Quit India Movement.
- vii. Political Integration of Northeast with the Union of India
- viii. North East India and 75 years of India's Independence.
- ix. Any other topic related to the theme of the seminar.

About Maharaja Bir Bikram University

Maharaja Bir Bikram University, established by an Act of Tripura Legislative Assembly, began its maiden journey in 2015. Situated in a lush of green landscape adjacent to MBB College, Agartala, the university intends to sail through the vibrant world of academia with the objective of encouraging imagination, innovations and ideas in the newly emerging academic disciplines without ignoring the vast knowledge that have been accumulated over long period of human civilization.

Department of Political Science

The Department has started its journey on 10th August, 2016. The basic objective of the Department is to train Post Graduate Students thoroughly in all branches of Political Science including Governance, International Relations, Human Rights etc. The curriculum of the Department focuses on the theoretical concepts as well as recent empirical aspects in the discipline. This provides the students with necessary conceptual awareness to undertake further specialized studies and research activities.

Call for papers

Original contributions based on theoretical or empirical research, case study on any of the themes of the Seminar as mentioned above or any topic that is related to the main theme of the seminar are invited. **Abstracts** in A4 size paper, typed in double space (MS Word, Times New Roman, Font Size 12pt), within 200 words should be submitted to politicalsciencembbu@gmail.com latest by **30th April, 2022**. **Full Papers in A4 size paper, typed in double space (MS Word, Times New Roman, Font Size 12pt), with reference (APA) should be submitted to politicalsciencembbu@gmail.com latest by **May 15, 2022**.**

Publication

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Registration fee

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