



# NEWS BULLETIN

## THE MARVEL OF INDIA'S DEMOCRACY

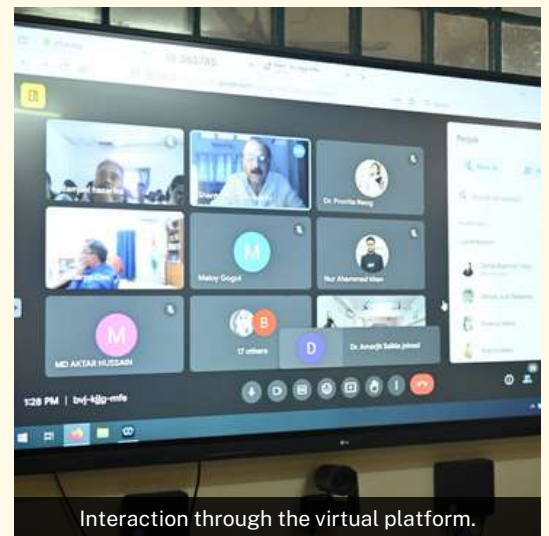


AZARA, March 28: Girijananda Chowdhury University, Guwahati, and Bir Raghav Moran Govt. Model College, Doomdooma, jointly organized a webinar on 27th March 2024, to bridge the gap between academic settings and facilitate the implementation of their Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). The webinar, held under the collaborative MOU, focused on the topic "The Significance of Understanding the Indian Constitution and Basic Laws Across Academic Fields."

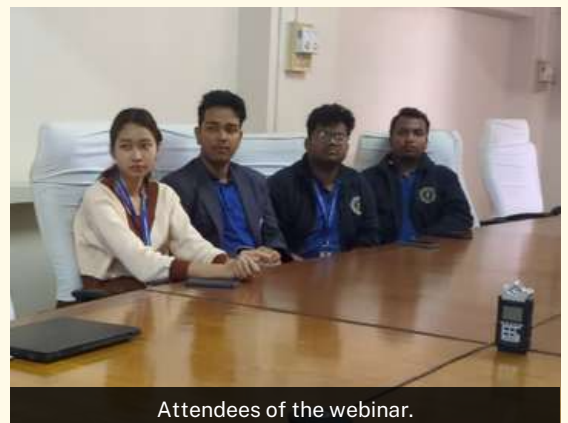
The main objective of the webinar was to enhance students' understanding of the Indian Constitution and key laws, emphasizing their relevance across various academic disciplines. Prof. Shantanu Chakravarty, Dean, School of Humanities and Social Sciences, GCU; Ms. Kritanjali Jaiswal, Asst. Prof., Department of Sociology and Social Work, GCU; and Ms. Parismita Bhagawati, Asst. Professor, BRMGMC graced the program as the keynote speakers.

Prof. Kandarpa Das, hon'ble Vice Chancellor, GCU, and Dr. Amorjit Saikia, Principal, BRMGMC, delivered a welcoming address, highlighting the essence of the MOU implementation between the two colleges. The event also featured Dr. Pronita Neog, Vice Principal; Dr. Pranjal Talukdar, IQAC Coordinator of BRMGMC, Doomdooma; Dr. Rachel Kabi, HOD, Dept of Sociology and Social Work, GCU; and Dr. Bhaswati Sharma, Asst. Prof., Dept of Political Science, GCU, as esteemed dignitaries. Ms. Zartaj Washmin Banu, Asst. Professor, School of Pharmaceutical Science, GCU, anchored the event while Dr. Gitamoni Hazarika, Asst. Prof., Dept. of Sociology, BRMGMC, delivered the vote of thanks.

Prof. Shantanu Chakravarty cited the philosopher John Stuart Mill's argument that democracy does not go well with diversity to point out how exceptional India had been in terms of preserving democracy and diversity together for over seventy years. Comparisons with other South Asian states (Pakistan, Myanmar) and Latin America simply underscore the fact that Indian democracy, with its emphasis on plurality and secularism, has been both a marvel and a paradox for students of political science, he said. In a democracy like India, the constitution is a central part, not just as a formal 'bill of rights' but in structuring the everyday life of millions of Indians.



Interaction through the virtual platform.



Attendees of the webinar.