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UNESCO SPREADS SDG AWARENESS AT GCU



AZARA, July 18: A senior representative from the United Nations Education Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) visited Girijananda Chowdhury University on Tuesday to conduct an orientation programme on UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Dr. Aswini Kumar Sarma, Executive Director for Resource Centre of UN-NER and Secretar-General of UNESCO Association Guwahati, spoke on the vital importance of the UNESCO and the stellar work it has been doing in promoting international cooperation in education, arts, science and culture.

Dr. Sarma also discussed the UN SDGs, which were adopted by all UN member states in 2015 as an urgent call for action to solve the most fundamental human problems plaguing us today - poverty, inequality, climate change, health and education and many others. Prof. Jayanta Deka, Hon'ble Chancellor of GCU, spoke on the various initiatives undertaken by UNESCO in the context of world peace and cooperation and urged the GCU community to participate in the UNESCO Association and its activities.



Dr. Aswini Kumar Sarma speaking on the crucial importance of the SDGs.



Prof. Jayanta Deka interacting with Dr. Sarma.



The GCU audience listening to Dr. Sarma's address.

The UNESCO was founded in 1945 and its founding mission, shaped by the events of World War II, is to advance peace, sustainable development and human rights through facilitating collaboration and dialogue among nations. In addition, UNESCO sponsors projects that improve literacy, provide technical training and education, advance science, protect independent media and press freedom and promote cultural diversity. The organization works to establish and secure World Heritage Sites of cultural and natural importance. In Assam, the Moidams of the Ahom era, revered as the resting place of royal families, have been recommended for inclusion in the UNESCO World Heritage List.