

REPORT OF CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

1. **26 February to 6 April 2023: RGU Varsity Cultural Week was organized by Cultural Club from 26/3/2023 to 6/4/2023 which brought in a lot of enthusiasm among the students.** The week had been planned with various competitive events in the fields of music, dance, and drama where the 23 schools of RGU competed to emerge as the Best School in the Inter-RGU Schools Cultural Week 2023.





Cultural Procession at Varsity week

- 2. 16 JUNE 2023:** The certificate distribution ceremony for Varsity Cultural Week was organized by the Club to appreciate and award the winners of Cultural Week 2023. The event was graced by the Faculty Advisor of Confluence Dr Baishalee Rajkhowa, DDSW Banani Hazarika and faculty member of Confluence Ms Kankana Choudhury.



Certificate distribution ceremony for Varsity Cultural Week

3.8th December 2023, 13th December 2023 and 21st December 2023 : Members from the Confluence club performed in major university programmes like - International Conference jointly organized by The Assam Royal Global University and NorthEast Aashirvad Foundation, inauguration of the new boys hostel, Heyansh House, inauguration of the new block, i.e., GHI block.

3. Mistletoe Mania

Pre-Christmas celebration: To make hostellers of the university feel at home and to provide a sense of belongingness to the students of the university, the Management Club, Media Club, Cultural Club came together to organize *Mistletoe Mania*, a pre-Christmas celebration on 22nd December 2022.



Mistletoe Mania: an in-house cultural event for hostellers

4. 29th September 2023: An engaging all members meet was organized to welcome freshers to the university's cultural club. The meeting featured lively introductions, ice-breaking activities, and scope of the club.

5. 11th, 12th, 13th and 14th October 2023: Members of the Cultural club performed in the Inaugural ceremony of the Law Fest on 11th and Tech Fest on 12th October, 2023. In the evening of 12th October, Tenzin and his

band had a powerful performance. On 13th and 14th October, members of the Cultural Club performed in the closing ceremony of Technophilia 3.0 and Royal Lex Fiesta respectively.

6. 29th October and 21st November 2023: Members of the Cultural club performed in the Alumni Night and Vice Chancellor's Meet representing the different dance forms of the seven states of North East India.



The Choir



Showcasing Bihu



Performers at the East Zone VC Meet



- 4. 3 November 2022:** ‘Confluence’, the Cultural Club conducted the selection audition for KAALRAV the student festival of Sikkim Manipal Institute of Technology (SMIT). The same was organized as per instructions given by Students Welfare RGU.



Performers at the Campus

2. **5th November 2022:** Carn-Evil Royale: a spooky Halloween fest, comprising of Cosplay was held as a competition at the university campus
3. **4th November 2022 :** Bhupendra Sangeet chorus in Commemoration of Death Anniversary of Dr Bhupen Hazarika
4. **10 November 2022 :** Two dance performances were presented from the club for Alumni Reunion held on the eve of 2nd Convocation. 8 States dance representation and a modern dance group.
5. **11 November 2022 :** members of the Cultural Club were part of the University Choir for the 2nd Convocation of RGU.

6. **14 November 2022** : Confluence had a collaboration with Sigma Voice – Literary Club for a Children’s Day outreach program in Parijat Academy on the occasion of Children’s day and presented a group dance and group song.

7. Community Cultural Programme

- Organised by NEZCC, Dimapur,
- Ministry of Culture
- Date- 20th November 2021



Performance at the Community Cultural Programme

From the Annual Activities Report of the University, a host of other cultural programmes were derived.

SOME OTHER CULTURAL EVENTS CONDUCTED THROUGHOUT YEARS 3,4 AND 5

- Gandhi Jayanti was observed by Department of History. A Photo Exhibition was organised as part of the event [02/10/2018].
- International Day for the Elderly was observed by the Department of History with a Photo Exhibition [04/10/2018]
- A study tour to Srimanta Sankardeva Kalakshetra, Guwahati was organised by Royal School of Fine Arts [30/10/2018]. 23. Rastriya Ekta Diwas-Run for Unity was held at RGU and was attended by 300 students, faculty and staff [31/10/2018].
- Department of Social Sciences celebrated Children’s Day with students of Tetelia L. P. School. Students were briefed about the day’s importance, tributes were paid to Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru, and sports activities were organised [14/11/2018].

- National Talent Hunt 2019 was organised by Royal Centre for Corporate Relations, and held at AEC Campus [16/11/18]
- Ms. Alma Salem, renowned Curator and Cultural Advisor from Syria interacted on 'Aesthetic & Essential Human Right' [24/11/2018]
- Departments of Travel & Tourism, Political Science and History participated in the Hornbill Festival held in the Naga Heritage Village in Kisama, located around 12 kilometers from the capital of Kohima, Nagaland [01- 10/12/2018].
- Armed Forces Flag Day was celebrated by Departments of Political Science and History. Donations were also made towards the Army Fund by buying stickers made available at RGU [07/12/2018].
- Department of Political Science observed International Human Rights Day with a Talk on Negotiating Multiculturalism & Minority Rights, by Dr. Shubrajeet Konwar, Associate Professor, Dept of Political Science, Gauhati University [10/12/2018].
- East India Fashion Week 2018 was held at Vivanta by Taj in association with Royal School of Fashion Design & Technology [11 - 12/01/2019].
- Department of English celebrated Silpi Diwas and the event was graced by Ms. Jnanashree Agar- walla Pathak, daughter of Rupkonwar Jyoti Prasad Agarwalla as the Chief Guest. She delivered a talk and interacted with students [17/01/2019].
- National Youth Day was observed on the birth anniversary of Netaji Subhash Ch. Bose [23/01/2019]
- RGU celebrated 70th Republic Day of India with the hoisting of the tricolour and cultural programmes by staff & faculty [26/01/2019].
- Department of English organised a trip for its students to Brahmaputra Literary Festival in Srimanta Shankardev Kalakshetra[11/02/2019].
- Matrihasha Divas was celebrated by Department of English with a talk by Prof. P. J. Mahanta, Visiting Professor, RGU. All faculty members and students from the Departments of English, Sociology & Psychology attended the event [21/02/2019]. 13. Sri Jadav Payeng, also known as the 'Forest Man of India' who spent 30 years of his life planting trees to save his island, was conferred the title 'Pride of North-East' by RGU for his contribution towards the environment [22/02/2019]. 14. The 10th edition of the RGU annual techno-cultural management festival Consensio '19 was inaugurated by Chief Guest Sri Harmeet Singh, IPS, ADGP (M&L) along with Guest of Honour Mr. Vinod Seshan, IAS, Mr. Eelco Schattorie Head Coach of North East United FC along with other dignitaries [22 - 24/02/2019].
- Zero Discrimination Day', was organized by Department of English and attended by Students from the departments of English, Political Science & Psychology [01/03/2019]

- Ms. Shivangi Rattna Baruah, an RGU student pursuing B.A. Psychology was awarded the ‘Nriya Suravi Samman 2019’ for representing and promoting Sattriya Dance of Assam as a performing art in Centre for Cultural Resources and Training, Dwarka, New Delhi [23/03/2019]
- Site Visit / Heritage Walk to Nilanchan Hills at Kamakhya was organised by Royal School of Architecture [04/04/2019]
- Madhya Dakshini Festival celebration was held at RGU [26/04/2019].
- May Day was observed by RGU & Royal Global School, in RGU auditorium, which was attended by the Chancellor, Pro Chancellor, Vice Chancellor, EVP, Ms. Shikha MP, Ms. Harsha PD, Faculty and Staff of RGU & RGS, Grade IV [01/05/2019]. 2. Ekta Utsav was organised by Department of Sociology, and attended by students and faculty members from 17 departments. Cultural performances were the highlight of the occasion [01/05/20]
- Environment Day was celebrated in advance by Department of Social Work and Heritage Walk to Nilanchan Hills, Kamakhya, was organised by Royal School of Architecture [25/05/2019].
- Guwahati Theatre Festival, organised by G Plus at Pragjyotika ITA Machkhowa, was attended by Dr. Rahul Chanda, Assistant Professor, Department of Communication and Media, and his students [11/11/18]
- Auditions for DY Calendar Girl 2019 was organised by DY 365 in which 15 RGU students participated [22/11/18].
- Painting Workshop (Shilpgram Mahotsav) organised by North East Zone Cultural Centre, Ministry of Culture Govt. of India, at Shilpagram, Guwahati, was attended by 21 students and 2 faculty members of the Department of Fine Arts [8-10/11/18].
- For the first time in Northeast, RGU hosted the esteemed members of the Association of Indian Universities (AIU) to conduct the 14th Meeting of the Inter-University National Cultural Board (IUNCB). The eminent members of AIU: Prof. M.M.Salunkhe - Vice Chancellor, Bharati Vidyapeeth & President, (AIU) Association of Indian Universities, Dr. (Mrs.) Pankaj Mittal – Former Vice Chancellor, BPS University - Haryana, former additional secretary, UGC & Secretary General, AIU & other esteemed dignitaries [07/08/2019]
- ‘Swacchata Hi Seva’ event was organised, where various awareness programmes were conducted in and around RGU like using a toilet, hand washing, health and hygiene awareness, wall paintings, nukkad natak (street play), door to door meetings to drive behaviour change with respect to sanitation behaviours. Adopting social causes was encouraged, like Cancer Awareness Campaigns, special events for the residents of Old Age Homes and the Elderly, Generating Donation for Contribution towards school for the visually and physically handi-capped, tree plantation in the vicinity (in front of ISBT and local government primary schools), blood donation camps in RGU and outside, awareness

campaigns on the harmful effects of tobacco, drinking, smoking in the nearby Government schools [15/09/2019 to 02/10/2019]

- Oscar Nominee, Ms. Rima Das visited the campus for an interactive session with the RSCOM students on the changing trends and the future of films [23/09/2019].
- Department of Environmental Science celebrated “World Ozone Day” [16/09/2019].
- World Alzheimer’s Day was observed [21/09/2019].
- Pharmacist Day was celebrated with an interactive session by Dr. Partha Jyoti Gogoi, Director, Regional Drug Testing Laboratory, Guwahati [25/09/2019].
- The Universal Peace Federation, India Chapter, celebrated the United Nations’ International Day of Peace & International Day of Non – Violence at RGU. His Excellency Prof. Jagdish Mukhi, Governor of Assam and Dr. A.K Pansari, Chancellor, RGU were conferred upon the ‘Ambassadors of Peace’ award [26/09/2019].
- Eliot Day was celebrated by Department of English on the birth anniversary of Nobel Laureate T.S Eliot [30/09/2019].
- Floral tributes were paid to Mahatma Gandhi and Lal Bahadur Shastri to commemorate Mahatma Gandhi’s 150th birth anniversary by the Departments of English and Social Work, in collaboration with KVIC and the Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME), Guwahati. A seminar and debate competition amongst RGU students was organized and a plantation drive was carried out at the Nowagaon L.P School, Nowagaon [02/10/2019].
- World Animal Day was celebrated by the department of Zoology [04/10/2019].
- On the occasion of the birth anniversary of Bharat Ratna Dr. A.P.J Abdul Kalam, ‘Innovation Day’ was celebrated with spot slogan writing, “Innovative Idea contest” and students gave presentation on “National Startup Policy”. The program concluded with a song named “innovation” written and sung by RGU students [15/10/2019].
- Dr. Easterine Kire, Nagaland’s first novelist in the English language spoke on ‘Folktales, Narratives, Fiction’ in an interaction with students of Department of English. It was organised by the Department of English and was attended by students from various Colleges of Guwahati (Cotton, Handique, B. Barooah, etc). [06/11/2019].
- Craft Study & Visit to Sualkuchi Institute of Fashion Technology organised by Department of Fashion Technology, RGU [06-11/1/2020]
- Prof. P.J.Mahanta, Dean, RSHSS was invited to attend a lecture on ‘The Sattria Traditions of Art: Textuality and Intertextuality’ organized by Mahagami Gurukul, Aurangabad [17/01/2020]
- Department of English celebrated Silpi Divas to commemorate the death anniversary of Rup konwar Jyoti Prasad Agarwala. Prof. (Dr.) Krishna Baruah welcomed the gathering with the poems and songs of Jyoti Prasad Agarwala. Ar. Gautam Sharma also shared his love for the land of Assam and his

knowledge about the legendary figure. The students sang songs and recited poems of Jyoti Prasad Agarwala [17/01/2020].

- The 71st Republic Day was celebrated with zeal and enthusiasm[26/01/2020].
- After the much acclaimed success of the 35th Inter University East Zone Youth Festival, RGUKARMOTSAV, under the aegis of Association of Indian Universities(AIU), Royal Global University students excelled in the 35th inter university National Youth Festival held at Amity University, Noida. Mr. Mebanshan Shadap of Royal School of Business bagged silver(1st runner up) for Western Instrumental (solo) and Ms. Priyanka Dey of Royal School of Humanities and Social Sciences won bronze (2nd runner up) in the category of Light Vocal Indian (solo) [03- 07/02/2020].
- The 11th edition ‘Consensio 2020’ was inaugurated by Chief Guest Prof (Dr.) Dipika Deka, Vice Chancellor, Srimanta Sankardeva University of Health Sciences, Assam along with Guests of Honour - Ms. Anshu Jamsenpa, a mountaineer, Ms. Tarali Sarma, singer, composer & music director from Assam. ‘Pride of Northeast’ was conferred on ‘Abiogenesis’-- a rock-fusion band from Nagaland [07- 09/02/2020].
- Students of Bachelor of Fine Arts made a Field Study (I) at Srimanta Sankardeva Kalashetra, Guwahati [11/02/2020].
- Sitar Performance by Mr. Dhruv Bedi was organized in association with SPIC MACAY and had an Interactive Session with students of Mathematics Department [27/02/2020].



Confluence: an extravaganza



Glimpses of Confluence



Performances at Confluence

- Webinar titled 'Renaissance Drama: Context & Milieu' with Prof. Asha Kuthari, Gauhati University, as the speaker, was organised by Department of English [16/04/2020]
- Webinar on 'Indian Literature: Problems and Possibilities', was organised by Department of English, with Dr. Dhurjjati Sarma, Assistant Professor, Department of Modern Indian Languages & Literary Studies as the speaker [17/04/2020]
- Hon'ble Chief Minister of Assam Sri Sarbananda Sonowal released the book Baton Baton Mei ("बातो बातों में") authored by Dr. A.K Pansari, Chancellor, Royal Global University (RGU) in the presence of senior officials. The book is a collection of 43 articles written in Hindi, Assamese, and English in last 15 years and published in Dainik Purvoday, The Assam Tribune and Dainik Janambhumi. Many of these articles were written and published during this pandemic to motivate people on 22 September.
- Hon'ble Chief Minister Sri Sarbananda Sonowal unveiled the statue of Bharat Ratna Late Dr. Bhupen Hazarika, brochure of Royal Aawas Betkuchi (RAB) and inaugurated 'Royal Swasthya Seva' (RSS) and 'Royal Anna Seva'(RAS).
- The 72nd Republic day celebration was held on 26th January at Royal Global University with the unfurling of the tricolor by Dr.A.K Pansari, Chancellor, Mr.A.K.Modi, Pro Chancellor, Prof (Dr.) S.P Singh, Vice Chancellor. An hour-long cultural programme was held by RGU members to commemorate the date on which the Constitution of India came into effect on 26 January 1950. RGU security also displayed their honour to the national flag.

- International Women's Day on 8th March was celebrated across Royal Global University. Department of Zoology organized an Interactive session with Dr. Purnima Devi Barman, a Green Oscar awardee and recipient of Nari Shakti Puraskar. 4. The Department of History organized a Student Symposium, as an offshoot of the celebration of the 75th year of India's Independence – Azadi ka Amrut Mahotsav, an initiative undertaken by the Government of India on 16th March. 5. Ekta Utsav was organized by the Department of Sociology showcasing drama, dance and songs of Northeast by faculty and students on 18th March.
- Royal School of Languages organized a Meet the Author event with Mr. Ankush Saikia, internationally acclaimed author, former journalist and editor of Dorling Kindersley (India) on 26th March. 8. Ghost Chilli Competition by Food Club, Ek Bharat Shresth Bharat on 19th March. 9. International Day of Forests Celebration organised by School of Life Sciences and Department of Biochemistry on 22nd March
- Col. Jiten Hazarika, Indian Contemporary Artist inaugurated the Royal Art Studio in the presence of Prof. (Dr.) S.P.Singh, Vice Chancellor, faculty and students on 22nd April.
- Essay Competition on Online Education organised by Department of Political Science on 5th June. 5. Speech Competition on the occasion of 'AZADI KA AMRUT MAHAOTSAV' organised by Office of Dean Students' Welfare, RGU on 7th June. The main objective of this event is to inculcate the value of patriotism among all the students of the University. Participating in this competition would help each student realise the struggles and sacrifices made by our freedom fighters for achieving the goal of Independent India.

Apart from the above, several other activities like departmental fests, club celebrations and many more such inauguration programmes and participation in cultural forums is common at the Assam Royal Global University.