

## North-East Research Conclave

Sustainable Science and Technology

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Organized by

Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati &

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Venue: Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati

## Research Conclave

Research and Development is one of the foundational pillars for holistic growth of the country specially for a fast-developing nation like India. The dynamicity of our nation is a collaborative effort of all the states. However, in recent years the North Eastern states are coming to the limelight for excellent laurels in innovation and collaborations in the field of science & technology. The North-Eastern Region (NER) comprising the Seven Sister States along with its only brother Sikkim, is one of the most decorated jewels in the crown of the Nation. Apart from being one of the most strategically important regions of the country, the region hosts the reservoir of extensive natural resources coupled with its exotic beauty. It presents itself as one of the uncharted horizons full of enchanting opportunities and sturdy potential, but simultaneously offers a plethora of unique challenges.

Overcoming the challenges is of utmost priority for exponential developmental growth of this region for which many educational and research organizations, have been engaged in cutting-edge research. Therefore, there urgent need to bring all the research, innovation ideas and most importantly, the human resource onto a common platform.

Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati, since its inception, has steadily grown to be the ambassador of Research and Development in North-Eastern India. The Institute is playing the key role in providing leadership in translational research and making the North East to achieve a prominent position in the global platform.

As India marks 75 years of independence and celebrates Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav, Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati proposes to organize "The North-East Research Conclave" (NERC).

## The Mission of the proposed Conclave is:

- 1. To showcase the best R&D activities from all the educational and research institutions across the states of North-East India.
- 2. To create a common interface for interaction of academia and industry in North-East India.
- 3. To create an environment, conducive to development of local indigenous technologies and innovations, creating the scope and laying the foundation for entrepreneurship.
- 4. To agglomerate a vast talent pool, for promotion of Translational Research.
- 5. To help the country achieve the deliverables of the Sustainable Development Goals.

The "The North-East Research Conclave" is the call of the hour and IIT Guwahati is committed to successfully organize the event to boost the R&D activities in North-East India, which is pivotal for its growth in the coming future.

# North-East Research Conclave

The event will be held on the sprawling campus of Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati (IITG) which is situated on the banks of the majestic Brahmaputra River along with other Centrally funded Technical Institutes.

## Following societally relevance research areas will be focused during North-East Research Conclave:

- Agri and Rural, Cultural concepts, Technological Interventions
- Food Processing, preservation and sustainable utilization of resources
- Value-Added Products from Biomass/Bio-resource and Waste
- Natural Disaster Management Technologies
- Renewable and non-renewable energy resources
- Advanced manufacturing, cutting edge Technologies
- Health Care industries
- Electronic manufacturing clusters
- Tourism and eco-park development strategies
- Indian Knowledge systems focused towards NER
- Artificial Intelligence and Data science-based interventions
- Efficient Management of Natural Resources
- Other allied and focused sectors of NER

### Proposed Activities for Three Day North-East Research Conclave:

- 1. Research & Innovation exhibition by North East Researchers
- 2. Industry Start-up show-case related to North East
- 3. Interactive session between Industry and Researchers
- 4. Eminent talks by Policy makers, Industrialist and Academicians.

## Target Participants for Three Day North-East Research Conclave:

- 1. Ministries/Departments of Govt. of India & North East State Govt.
- 2. Research Councils, Organizations
- 3. Industries, PSUs, Start-ups & Private sector companies
- 4. Laboratories & Technical Institutes of North East
- 5. Educational Institutes and Colleges of North East (Universities/Institutes of: Assam, Arunachal Pradesh, Tripura, Mizoram, Sikkim, Nagaland, Meghalaya, Manipur and Other Central Organizations of Research/Higher Education)

## North-East Research Conclave

#### **Programme:**

#### Day Event

- 1. Inauguration of North-East Research Conclave
- 1. Patron(s) Meeting with Head of the Institutions/Vice Chancellor's/Director's for Sensitization of R&D Ecosystem in the North Eastern states.
- 1. Head of the Institutions Meet for Enhancement of North-East Research Infrastructure
- 1. Inauguration of North-East Research & Innovation Exhibition
- 1. Plenary & Motivational R&D Talks by Acclaimed Researchers and Industrialists
- Parallel Technical Sessions
   Speakers: Research Scholars and Faculty members from all Universities and Technical Institutes of North-East India and East-India.
- 1. Cultural Program
- 2. Brain Storming Sessions & Panel Discussions
  - (Panellist: Directors/Vice Chancellors/ Senior Government Officials/Officials from Funding agencies)
  - Theme 1: Handholding Mechanism for Sustained Research & Innovations Among North-East Institutions
  - Theme 2: Harnessing Traditional Knowledge of North Eastern States
  - Theme 3: Conservation of Biodiversity through R&D Interventions
  - Theme 4: North East Disaster Management & R&D Interventions
  - Theme 5: Government R&D Policies for North Eastern States
  - Theme 6: A Road Map for Standardisation of Grass-root Innovations through R&D practices
- 2. Parallel Technical Sessions Contd.
- 2. North-East Research & Innovation Exhibition Contd.
- 2. Industry- Academia R&D Session Dedicated Session on North-East Industry-Academia R&D Ecosystem & related
  - Speakers: Top Industry Officials & Policy Makers
- 3. Session on Start Up & Perspective Entrepreneurs of North-East States
- 3. Open Floor Meeting of NE-Grass Root Innovators, Perspective Entrepreneurs with Government Officials, Head of the Institutions
- 3. PRESS Meet to convey what are the achieved milestones of the Conclave and how this model can work towards bettering and strengthening ties between Institutions be they academic, industry or policy.
- 3. Valedictory Session of North-East Research Conclave

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## **Assam Biotech Conclave 2022**

Assam Biotech Conclave 2022 - the third edition is all set to bringing together the Biotech Entrepreneurs, industry leaders, researchers, academicians, Government Representatives, policy makers, innovators and investors together on one platform to explore the possibilities of Biotechnology in North East India and to discuss the new opportunities in the transition. The Conclave also intends to put forward the facilities offered by Guwahati Biotech Park wherein prospective Biotech ventures may avail incentives/subsidies etc. through the provisions laid under the Biotechnology Policy for the State of Assam.

#### **Objectives of Assam Biotech Conclave 2022**

- 1. To attract potential partners across the ecosystem to invest/consider Assam for Biotech activities.
- 2. To increase industry linkage to create business and partnering opportunities for its stakeholders.
- 3. The Conclave also intends to put forward the facilities offered by Guwahati Biotech Park and Bio-Nest IIT Guwahati wherein prospective Biotech ventures may avail incentives/subsidies etc. through the provisions laid under the Biotechnology Policy for the State of Assam.
- 4. To create an industry-academic interface bringing all stakeholders together to spread fundamental knowledge and technological developments in Biotechnology. Through such interactions, advances in applications and the future directions of Biotechnology can be discussed in order to explore and create new products, technologies and services to increase market ventures in North East India.
- 5. Investment opportunities for product development and scale-ups.

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## **North-East**

## Research Conclave Disseminates



## **Assam Biotech Conclave 2022**

#### **PANEL DISCUSSIONS**

- 1. CEO's outlook on sustainability and inclusive growth of an incubator.
- 2. Ease of doing business for startups & investors.
- 3. Insight on Key Trends & Developments in Medtech.
- 4. Exchange knowledge on best practices on nurturing startup ecosystems.
- 5. Encouraging and inspiring the youth for innovation & entrepreneurship.

#### **Activities**

- 1. Expo: Product and Concept Display of Startups.
- 2. Ideation Workshops for School Children's to Promote Entrepreneurship.
- 3. Launching of Website of Biotechnology Policy for The State of Assam, Extended Policy Period.
- 4. Pitch Deck: Raise Money for Your Start-Up.
- 5. Young Innovative Entrepreneur Award.
- 6. Flag-Off Startup Yatra Across Assam.
- 7. Site Visit to Technology Incubation Centre, Guwahati Biotech Park and Bio Nest-IIT Guwahati.





## Research Conclave

#### **Chief Patron**

Hon'ble Minister of Education Shri. Dharmendra Pradhan

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## Research Conclave

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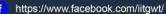






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