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Dispur College celebrates 48th foundation day

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GUWAHATI, Sept 1: Dispur College last Friday celebrated its 48th foundation day with a ceremony at the college premises.

Education Minister Dr. Ranaj Pegu was present as the chief guest of the programme.

Addressing the gathering, Minister Pegu emphasized the need for digitizing college publications and shared his vision for an application to provide reliable textbook information to counter AI-generated inaccuracies.

He also spoke about the importance of the "Banikanta" unicode font for Assamese machine learning and highlighted that digitizing language through Unicode is the only way to ensure Assamese literature is accessible to modern machine-learning technologies.

The event, organized under the guidance of principal, Dr. Navajyoti Borah, began with the ceremonial hoisting of the Dispur College flag and the unveiling of the wall magazine of the Magazine Section of the Dispur College Students' Union, Prerona.

Three new structures of the college including Tabu Ram Taid Block, the Anundoram Borooah Administrative Block and the Birangana Mula Gabharu Block were inaugurated during the day.

As the college nears its 50th year of existence in 2027-28, the official logo of the Golden Jubilee was also unveiled alongside two editions of the Dispur College coffee table books, a series of special publications intended to preserve the legacy of the institution.

In his welcome address, principal Dr. Navajyoti Borah reflected on the institution's legacy, noting that the college was established decades ago through the tireless efforts of

visionary individuals aiming to spread higher education in the capital region.

He said that the college has evolved from a "small sapling" into a "mighty tree," having attained a NAAC 'A' grade and autonomous status.

President, governing body of the college Dr. Balendra Kr. Das also congratulated the college fraternity on its continued progress and academic excellence.

The programme recognized student excellence through several memorial awards. The Draupadi Devi Agarwalla and Satya Narayan Agarwalla Best NSS Cadet awards were conferred upon Himashree Kashyap and Karan Sarkar respectively.

The Monoranjan Choudhury and Prasanna Kr. Sarma Best NCC Cadet awards were presented to cadet Arif Mukaddar and cadet captain Malobika Basumatary respectively.

Other honours included the Best Reader award to Joy Nath Mandal, the Department of English Academic Excellence Award to Nitashri Borah, the Freedom Fighter Tarun Chandra Borah Best Arts Graduate Award to Chandan Kalita, and the Santwana Mitra Memorial Best Commerce Graduate Award to Tushar Shahu.

Harshata Gupta received both the Putulee Deka Memorial Best Professional Studies Graduate Award and the Harishchandra Das Memorial Dispur College Best Graduate Award, while the Charu Prabha Borah Memorial Best Girl Student Award went to Meghali Chakravarty.

The celebration, which was coordinated by Dr. Monalisa Bhattacharyya, assistant professor, Department of Economics, Dispur College, ended with the rendition of the State anthem.