NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON ACT EAST THROUGH NORTH EAST: INDIA’S WAY TO A NEW ERA OF DIPLOMACY

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Dera Natung Government College, Itanagar, Arunachal Pradesh
15TH AND 16TH NOVEMBER, 2018

PROGRAMME
15TH NOVEMBER 2018
INAUGURAL CEREMONY
10.00 a.m.-12.30 p.m.

1) 10.00a.m. : Initiation: Dr. Ramakrishna Mandal, Head, Department of Economics, Dera Natung Government College, Itanagar
2) 10.10a.m.: Welcome Remarks by: Dr. N.T. Rikam, Principal, Dera Natung Government College, Itanagar
3) 10.20 a.m.: Remarks by Professor Partha Pratim Basu, President, JAIR and Professor, Department of International Relations, Jadavpur University
4) 10.30a.m. :Inaugural Address by : Professor Saket Kushwaha, Hon’ble Vice Chancellor, Rajiv Gandhi Central University, Arunachal Pradesh
5) 11.15 a.m.: Special Address: Delegation from Policy Planning Division, Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India
6) 11.45a.m.: Key-Note Address: Professor Omprakash Mishra, Head, Department of International Relations, Jadavpur University
7) 12.30p.m.: Vote of Thanks : Dr. Imankalyan Lahiri, General Secretary, JAIR

Anchor in Hindi: Smt. Srijata Roy

• Rapporteur: Ms. Joram Renu &Ms. Yitu Murtem

12.30p.m.-12.45p.m.: TEA AND SNACKS
Session I
SPECIAL LECTURE -I
12.45p.m-1.30p.m.
Theme: Address India’s Act East Policy: Theoretical Perspectives

Special Session with Policy Planning Division, Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India
Chair: Professor Omprakash Mishra, Head, Department of International Relations, Jadavpur University

LUNCH BREAK: 1.30p.m.-2.00p.m.

Session II
SPECIAL LECTURE -II
2.00P.M.-3.00P.M.
Theme: India’s Act East Policy: Issues and Opportunities
- Professor Shibashis Chatterjee, Director, School of International Relations and Strategic Studies and Professor, Department of International Relations, Jadavpur University
  Theme: "Understanding Connectivity: Contrasting Perspectives"
- Ms. Deepika Saraswat, Fellow, Indian Council of World Affairs, New Delhi
- Professor Partha Pratim Basu, Professor, Department of International Relations, Jadavpur University
- Professor Anindya Jyoti Majumdar, Professor, Department of International Relations, Jadavpur University
- Rajeev Bhattacharjee, Journalist

Chair: Dr. J. K. Sachdeva, Editor in Chief, Journal of global Economy

Rapporteur: Ms. Karpi Rike, Mrs. T. Yongjom

Session –IIA
(Parallel Session-I)

3.00P.M.-4.00P.M.
Theme: Act East Policy: Domestic Dimensions
1. Vienna Awomi, Prospects and Challenges to Act East Through Nagaland
2. Rahul Kumar, India’s North east and ASEAN regional economic, cultural connectivity and its geopolitical significance
3. A. Ibotombi Singh, Connectivity: The Driven Force of India’s ‘Act East’ Policy
5. Sangeeta Magar & Chow Khanseng Manang, Transportation: As an Economic Reform in Zero
6. Sylvia Kharmujai, From ‘Look East’ to ‘Act East’: Institutionalizing India’s Act East Policy
7. Ratna Tayeng, India’s ‘Act East’ Policy: Will it help Arunachal?
8. Dr. Arpita Ghosh, Peace and Conflict Situation: Some Glimpses from India’s North East
9. Sukamal Deb, Poverty - Initiative to Combat Poverty in India with Reference to NER
10. Mithilesh kumar Jha, Act East Policy and Infrastructure of Nagaland
11. **Pebam Munindro Singh**, Plausible Impact on Act East corridor from hazards of E–waste: The need for assessment of awareness level of this hazards with special reference to a case study of Papum pare district of Arunachal Pradesh, India

Chair: Dr. B.L. Behera, HoD, Department of English, Dera Natung Government College, Itanagar
Rapporteur: Ms. Bagang

**Session –III B**
(Parallel Session-II)

3.00P.M.-4.00P.M.

**Theme: Act East Policy: Domestic Dimensions**


13. **Jyotiraj Pathak**, Act East Policy: Challenges and Opportunities for N E India

14. **Saheli Bose**, Locating India’s North-east through Trade, Connectivity and Energy Cooperation in Act East Policy


17. Maitreyee Choudhury, **Journey of Tawang from Cultural Convergence to Strategic Significance**

18. **Krima Queen Machahary**, Study of in-setu habitat preference of the stream loach *Aborichthys kempi* (Chaudhuri, 1913) from Arunachal Pradesh, India.

19. **Wangda Gyahtso Gyana**, Swot Analysis of Tourism Industry in Arunachal Pradesh

20. **Paritosh Chandra Dutta & Arabinda Kherkatary**, A few Constraints to Economic Developments in North East India

21. **Biswajit Maitra**, Poverty, Human Development and Economic Growth in North Eastern Region of India

22. **Mriganka Saikia& Pankaj Saikia**, Economic Impact of Tourism on the people of Tourist Destinations of Assam: A Study on Selected Destinations of Assam through Act East


Chair: Dr. Longpoklam Suraj Singh, D.M. College of Arts, Manipur
Rapporteur: Mr. Mongol Libang, Mr. Rubu Tani
Session –III C  
(Parallel Session-III)  

3.00P.M.-4.00P.M.  

Theme: Act East Policy: Domestic Dimensions with Special Reference to Arunachal Pradesh  

24. Ram Kumar1, Santoshkumar Abujam1, Bari Dabi2* and D. N. Das1 Lepidocephalichthys guntea (Hamilton, 1822), a common loach of Arunachal Pradesh as potential Ornamental Fish  
25. Yapung Rimo, Important of Bamboo in Arunachal Pradesh  
26. Fames Linggi, Development and Organisation of Production in Indigenous Handloom and Handicraft Activities of Arunachal Pradesh  
27. Dr. R. K. Mishra, Medicinal Plants in Arunachal Pradesh of India  
28. Asha Nanding& R.M.Pant, Arunachal Pradesh as a Corridor for Cross Border Tourism through amulgation of Culture and Religion  
29. Ram Kumar1*, Santoshkumar Abujam1, Bari Dabi2 and Debangshu Narayan Das, Indigenous Ornamental Fishes of Arunachal Pradesh: Scope and Its Trade  
31. Gepi Jini, Challenges and Prospect of Development paradigm in Arunachal Pradesh with specific focus on Tourism  
32. Todii nalo, Rumpi dutta, Nani toki, Konlom mossang, Binam tali, Bengia mala, choki niijir, Bamang Lucy, Taro Sprang,Rani Singh, Eco Tourism Industry in Arunachal Pradesh  

Chair: Dr. J. K. Sachdeva, Editor in Chief, Journal of global Economy  

Session –IVA  
(Parallel Session-IVA)  

4.00P.M.-5.30P.M.  

Theme: India’s Act East Policy: ASEAN, BIMSTEC: Sub Regionalism and Connectivity  

33. Bondona Lama, Economic Linkages of North East India with Myanmar and Bangladesh: Role of BIMSTEC  
34. Anand Aran, Act East Policy and Stillwell Road: Problems and Prospects  
35. Mudang Tagiya, Poor Connectivity – A Challenge in the North East: An Overview  
36. Rushali Saha, Look East to Act East: Locating sub regionalism in India’s foreign policy  
37. Vivek Mishra, Strengthening of BIMSTEC and What it means for India’s Act East Policy  
38. C.V.Lalmalsawmi, From Landlocked to Land-Linked: Challenges and Opportunities of the Kaladan Project  
39. Mohammed Reza Fazal Ansari, Kaladan Multi-Modal Transit Transport Project  
40. Saranya Basu, Mekong- Ganga Co-operation: A Platform for Developing Inland Waterways Communication With ASEAN Countries  
41. Rahul Wanshai Rymbai, BBIN MVA: Opportunities and Challenges for Meghalaya  
42. Suparna Bhattacharjee, India’s ‘Act East’ Policy: Introspections  

Chair: Dr. Sukalpa Chakrabarti, Deputy Director, Symbiosis School of International Studies, Pune  

Rapporteur: Ms. Dombi Boje, Dr. K. Gambo, Mr. Toku Chokio
Session IVB
(Parallel Session-V)
4.00P.M.-5.30P.M.

Theme: India’s Act East Policy: ASEAN, BIMSTEC: Sub Regionalism and Connectivity

43. Nitika Indu Singh, Non-Traditional Security Issues with Special reference to BIMSTEC & ASEAN
44. Avishek Chanda, People to people contact and India's Act East Policy
45. Bijetri Pathak, Road and Maritime Connectivity: Vital Elements of Act East Policy
46. Ujan Natik, India’s non-traditional security in the North-East with special emphasis on the Delhi Declaration signed with ASEAN
47. Ritapriya Nandy, Contemporary Developments in North East: Building People to People Connectivity
48. Juhi Mandal, Cooperation possibilities in Tourism with Southeast Asian countries in context of AEP
49. Vasundhara Mukherjee, Role of NER in Cultural Development between India and Southeast Asian Countries

Chair: Dr. A. I. Singh, OSD (RUSA), Directorate of Higher and Technical Education, Government of Arunachal Pradesh

Rapporteur: Mr. Gumbin Noshi, Ms. Gepi Jini, Mr. Iken Rumdo

7.00p.m.-8.00p.m.: Cultural Events
8.00p.m.-9.00 p.m.: Dinner

16th November, 2018
Session V
SPECIAL LECTURES -III
10.00a.m.-11.00a.m

Theme: India’s Act East Policy: Strategic Perspectives-II

- Professor Biswanath Chakraborty, Professor, Rabindra Bharati University
  Theme: India and ASEAN Relations during Modi’s Government: A New Hope or Complete Dejection?
- Dr. Indrashis Banerjee, Head, Department of Political Science, Ramakrishna Mission Vidyamandira, Belur Math
  Theme: ‘Development with democracy’: Twenty-first century India and her neighbourhood
- Dr. Sachin Pardhe, Department of Civics and Politics, Mumbai University
- Langpoklakpam Suraj Singh, Department of Political Science, D.M.College of Arts, Imphal, Manipur
- Smti Likha Kiran Kabak, Economic Empowerment through SHGs in Arunachal Pradesh, Deputy Director/St. Faculty (RE&PAMORD), State Institute of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj, ESS- Sector,
  Theme: Geopolitics of Border in India’s Act East Policy: The Indo-Myanmar Border Dynamics

Chair: Ms. Deepika Saraswat, Fellow, Indian Council of World Affairs, New Delhi

Rapporteur: Mrs. Liza Mihin, Dr. Bige Yomgam, Mr. Kiron Lonchung
 TEA BREAK: 11.00 a.m.-11.30p.m.  
Session-VI  
Parallel Session VI  
11.30a.m.-1.00p.m.  
Theme: India’s Act East Policy: Bilateral Issues

52. Sukalpa Chakrabarti, India –Japan Act East Forum: an analysis of the prospects for North East India (NEI)  
53. Avipsa Singh, Cultural exchange and co-operation between India and China through the ‘Look East’ perspective  
54. Parna Bhattacharya, Enhancing Indo-Vietnamese relationship for greater integration with South East Asia  

Chair: Professor Anindya J. Maumdar, Professor, Department of International Relations, Jadavpur University  
Rapporteur: Mrs. Amum Tamuk, Mrs. Y. Rimo, Mrs. P. Dutta

Session VII  
Parallel Session VI  
11.30a.m.-1.00p.m.  
Theme: India’s Act East Policy: The Myanmar Factor

56. Anwesha Banerjee, India - Myanmar bilateral trade  
57. Upasana Mishra, Myanmar Factor n Modi’s Act East Policy  
58. Shalini Das, Examination of the Indo-Myanmar Relations post 2015  
59. Manoswini Sarkar, Exploring India - Myanmar relations with a special focus on Border Trade  
60. Saiganesh Sritharan, Exploring the potential soft power and smart power of India to be exerted on Myanmar for better relations between two countries as part of Act East  
61. Atendriya Dana, India - Myanmar-Thailand Connectivity: Trade Enhancement  
62. Reammy Mega & Tailang Rillung, A Case Study on Indo-Myanmar Border Trade: Pangsu Pass (Nampong)

Chair: Professor Shibashis Chatterjee, Director, School of International Relations and Strategic Studies and Professor, Department of International Relations, Jadavpur University  
Rapporteur: Ms. Nich Menia, Ms. Likha Echir, Ms. G. Ete

1.00p.m.-2.00p.m.: LUNCH  
16th NOVEMBER, 2018: VALEDICTORY SESSION PROGRAMME

2.45 p.m.: Arrival of Hon’ble Governor of Arunachal Pradesh  
Persons who will receive Hon’ble Governor at Gate:  
Dr. N.T. Rikam, Principal, Dera Natung Government College, Itanagar
Mr. Kumar Tok, Vice-Principal, Dera Natung Govt. College
Dr. Ramakrishna Mandal, Head, Department of Economics, Dera Natung Government College, Itanagar and Convenor, National Conference
Professor Anindya J. Maumdar & Professor Shibasis Chatterjee, Vice-Presidents, The Jadavpur Association of International Relations (JAIR)
Ms. Deepika Saraswat, Fellow, Indian Council of World Affairs, New Delhi
Dr. Imankalyan Lahiri, General Secretary, JAIR

Valedictory Session
3.00p.m.-4.00p.m.

3.00p.m.: Arrival of Hon’ble Governor, Arunachal Pradesh at stage and National Anthem
3.01p.m.: Felicitation to Hon’ble Governor
3.02 p.m.: Welcome Remarks by: Dr. N.T. Rikam, Principal, Dera Natung Government College, Itanagar
3.08p.m.: Remarks and presentation of Conference Report by Dr. Ramakrishna Mandal, Head, Department of Economics, Dera Natung Government College, Itanagar
3.15p.m.Valedictory Address by: His Excellency Brigadier (Dr.) B. D. Mishra, Hon’ble Governor, Arunachal Pradesh
3.55p.m. Concluding Remarks and Vote of Thanks by: Dr. Imankalyan Lahiri, General Secretary, JAIR
4.00p.m. National Anthem and Departure of Hon’ble Governor