



**COTTON UNIVERSITY, GUWAHATI**

**Department of Political Science**



**CALL FOR PARTICIPATION AND PRESENTATION**

*in*

*Five-Day Faculty and Curriculum Development*

**National Workshop**

*funded by Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Govt. of India*

On

**“Developing Academic Curriculum and Interdisciplinary Research on Tribal Welfare Policies, Indigenous Knowledge and Social Justice in Northeast India”**

*to be organised by*

***Department of Political Science, Cotton University in collaboration with Assam Institute of Research for Tribals and Scheduled Castes, Guwahati***

**Date: 29 June to 3 July 2026**

**Venue: MCB 311, Cotton University, Guwahati, Assam**

**Mode: Hybrid (Offline and Online)**

The Department of Political Science, Cotton University, Guwahati, is pleased to invite participation in a Five-Day National Workshop on **“Developing Academic Curriculum and Interdisciplinary Research on Tribal Welfare Policies, Indigenous Knowledge and Social Justice in Northeast India”** to be held from **29 June to 3 July 2026**

The workshop aims to bring together academics, researchers, policymakers, civil society actors, tribal leaders, community knowledge holders, and graduate scholars to engage in critical discussions on tribal welfare policies, indigenous rights, knowledge systems, curriculum development, and interdisciplinary research methodologies. The programme seeks to foster collaborative academic networks, strengthen research capacities, and contribute to policy-relevant and community-engaged scholarship in Northeast India.

### **Who Can Participate?**

Applications are invited from:

- Faculty Members of Universities and Colleges

- Researchers and Academicians
- Policy Practitioners and Government Officials
- Post Graduate Students
- Civil Society Representatives
- Tribal Leaders and Community Knowledge holders
- Professionals working in Development, Governance, Human Rights, Education and Environmental Sectors, Rural Development
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## **Themes for Presentation**

1. Indigenous Peoples and Global Governance
2. Tribal Welfare Policies in India
3. Sixth Schedule and Autonomous Governance in Northeast India
4. Tribal Rights and Constitutional Safeguards
5. Tribal Welfare Policies and Practices
6. Indigenous Knowledge Systems
7. Language, Culture and Identity
8. Oral Traditions & Tribal Literature
9. Gender, Customary Law and Social Justice in Tribal Society in Northeast India
10. Climate Change and Environmental Governance
11. Forest Rights and Natural Resource Management
12. Migration, Borders and Citizenship
13. Digital Inclusion and Indigenous Data Sovereignty
14. Indigenous Entrepreneurship and Livelihoods
15. Peace, Conflict and Development in Northeast India
16. Human Rights and International Indigenous Law
17. Archaeology and Ethnographic studies
18. Participatory Research and Community Engagement
19. Tribal Education and Curriculum Development
20. Decolonizing Knowledge and Future of Tribal Studies
21. Artificial Intelligence, Technology and Indigenous Futures
22. Comparative Indigenous Studies and Global South Perspectives
23. Case Studies & Stories and Narratives

## **Workshop Highlights**

- Lectures by Distinguished Scholars and Practitioners
- Curriculum Development Sessions aligned with NEP 2020
- Interdisciplinary Research Methodology Training
- Research Proposal Development Workshop
- Field Immersion and Community Engagement Exercises
- Policy Dialogue and Roundtable Discussions
- Networking Opportunities for Future Collaborations

## Registration Fee

Category	Registration Fee
Faculty Members, Researchers, Policy Practitioners and Other Participants	-₹2,500/-
In-house Participants (Cotton University)	-₹1,500/-
Research Scholars & Post graduate Students (M.Phil./Ph.D.)	-₹1,000/-

## Facilities

The organizers will provide:

- Workshop Kit and Study Materials
- Morning Refreshments
- Lunch
- Afternoon High Tea
- Certificate of Participation

Maximum Capacity for Participation in the Workshop: **50**

## Registration (*online mode only*)

Participant may fill up the Google Form:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdlk3hQlNjs6hsg8rDbMtBbhmO5Xulm0lxvgTPPUlsFi2m\\_ZA/viewform?pli=1](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdlk3hQlNjs6hsg8rDbMtBbhmO5Xulm0lxvgTPPUlsFi2m_ZA/viewform?pli=1)

Any further query, Participant may write to the e-mail: [workshop.polscience@gmail.com](mailto:workshop.polscience@gmail.com)

Payment of the requisite fee (as per the relevant category) can be made through the link:

<https://cottonuniversity.samarth.edu.in/feeportal/index.php/fee/fee-payment-miscellaneous/register>

## Accommodation

Accommodation will be arranged on a self-payment basis. Participants are required to bear their own lodging expenses. The organizing committee may facilitate accommodation arrangements in nearby guest houses, hostels, or hotels in Guwahati upon request; however, all accommodation charges shall be borne by the participants.

## Expected Outcomes

The workshop aims to develop:

- A Model Interdisciplinary Curriculum on Tribal Studies and Indigenous Policy, focusing Northeast India
- A Research Agenda for Northeast India
- Collaborative Research Proposals for National Funding Agencies
- Policy Recommendations for Government and Autonomous Institutions
- A Northeast India Tribal Studies Research Consortium
- A Community Knowledge and Documentation Network

## Important Dates

- Last Date for Registration: **26 June 2026**
- Confirmation of Participation: to be communicated individually
- Workshop Dates: **29 June to 3 July 2026 (Monday to Friday)**

## Contact Address



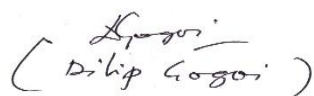
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Faculty members, researchers, scholars, practitioners, and community representatives are cordially invited to participate in this national academic initiative and contribute towards advancing interdisciplinary scholarship, inclusive curriculum development, and socially just policy frameworks for tribal and indigenous communities in Northeast India.