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The Department at a Glance

Department of Chemistry is one of the oldest Science departments of Nanda Nath Saikia College

started in 1971. The Department has been offering three years degree course in Chemistry (B.Sc.) with

honours provision along with two certificate courses. Decorated by well-trained and extremely motivated

faculties as well as bright students, the Department constantly strives to maintain a culture of excellence

and uphold the highest standards in chemical education. The Department is housed with a research

laboratory and two general laboratories. Along with teaching, the faculty members are actively engaged in

research in the area of chemical sciences as well as interdisciplinary topics. Our alumni are well placed

across the globe and have contributed significantly in their respective domains.

**Academic Programmes** 

**Undergraduate degree course (B.Sc.)** 

*Nature:* Semester system

*Intake capacity*: 30

#### **List of Faculties**



Dr. Partha Pratim Saikia M.Sc., NET, PhD



Mr. Dhrubajit Borah
M.Sc., NET

Teaching expertise: Inorganic Chemistry



M.Sc., SLET, B.Ed., PhD

Teaching expertise: Physical Chemistry



Dr. Bhaskar Jyoti Saikia,
M.Sc., SLET, GATE, PhD

Teaching expertise: Physical Chemistry

# Library

The department has a well-maintained library with reading room facility which has a collection of around 250 text and reference books.

# **Research Highlights**

The Department of chemistry has been actively pursuing research activities in a number of research fields like coal chemistry, synthetic organic chemistry, material science, catalysis, polymer chemistry, surface chemistry etc. In spite of limited facilities and infrastructure, the Department has been dedicatedly engaged in different research-based works. So far, the Department has succeeded in securing research grants from UGC, DST, SERB and ministry of environmental science. The present areas of ongoing research are catalysis, material science and polymer chemistry.

Recently completed research project in the Department:

Sl.	Name of the PI	Funding	Title of the Project	Duration	Total Grant
No		agency			
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1.	Dr. Partha Pratim	DST	In situ generation of cyanide	2013-16	23,00,000/-
	Saikia		from novel non-toxic		
			source: application in a few		
			important C-C bond		
			forming reaction and		
			possible extension to the		
			synthesis of bioactive		
			natural products		

#### **Research Publications of the Faculties**

- Strategic formulation of grapheme oxide sheets for flexible monoliths and robust polymeric coatings embedded with durable bioinspired wettability A. Das, J. Deka, A. M. Rather, B. K. Bhunia, Partha P. Saikia, B. B. Mandal, K Raidongia, U. Manna ACS Applied Materials & Interface 2017, 9(48), 42354-65.
- **2.** Effect of pH on the adsorption of methylene blue on clay material, **Dhrubajit Borah**, Bishnu J. Bordoloi, Rehnaz Wahid, Global Journal of Engineering Science and Research Management, 2017, 11, 4.
- Designing of platinum free NiS anchored graphene/polyaniline nanocomposites based counter electrode for dye sensitised solar cell, Bikash C Nath, Kiran J Mohan, Bhaskar J. Saikia, Gazi A. Ahmed, Swapan Kumar Dolui, J. Mater. Sci: Mater Electron, 2017, 28, 1042-1050.

#### **Seminars/conferences participated by the faculties**

- 1. **Dr. Partha Pratim Saikia** presented a paper on 'Cyanation of aryl halide using potassium thiocyanate as cyanide source in aqueous medium' in the national conference 'Recent Trends in Environment Responsive Chemical Processes' (RTERCP-2017) organized by Dept. of Chemistry, D.R. College, Golaghat during 22-23<sup>rd</sup> September, 2017.
- 2. Dr. Jayanta Madhab Borah presented a paper on 'Removal of benzenetricarboxylic acids from aquous medium: adsorption at Alumina/electrolyte interface' in the national conference 'Recent Trends in Environment Responsive Chemical Processes' (RTERCP-2017) organized by Dept. of Chemistry, D.R. College, Golaghat during 22-23<sup>rd</sup> September, 2017.
- 3. **Dr. Bhaskar Jyoti Saikia** presented a paper on 'Development of an azide–alkyne cycloaddition based self-healing polymeric system via semiencapsulation method' in the national conference 'Recent Trends in Environment Responsive Chemical Processes' (RTERCP-2017) organized by Dept. of Chemistry, D.R. College, Golaghat during 22-23<sup>rd</sup> September, 2017.

# \* Refresher course attended by the faculty

➤ Mr. Dhurbajit Borah attended a *Refresher Course in Material Science* organized by Hyderabad University, Hyderabad during 4<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> August, 2017.

### **❖** Awards achieved by faculty

➤ Dr. Bhaskar Jyoti Saikia was awarded the '7<sup>th</sup> National Awards for Technology Innovation in Petrochemicals & Downstream Plastics Processing Industry (2016-17)' conferred by Central Institute of Plastics Engineering & Technology (CIPET) Department of Chemicals & Petrochemicals, Ministry of Chemicals & Fertilizers, Government of India.

### **Seminars organized in the Department**

• Dr. Prasanta Jyoti Gautam, HoD, Department of Chemistry, Kaziranga University delivered a lecture on *Symmetry and group theory* on 3<sup>rd</sup> March, 2017.

# **B. Sc. Result (2017)** - *Appeared:12*

Passed: 10 (83.3%)

### First class holders

Sl. No.	Name of the student	Percentage			
1	Utpal Dutta	79.50			
2	Raju Chouhan	75.36			
3	Mrinmoy Jyoti Hazarika	73.71			
4	Purnima Singpho	67.71			
5	Rehnaz Wahid	67.07			
6	Arnika Gogoi	65.71			
7	Anirudha Dev Borah	63.00			

# Students' Progression

- 1. Utpal Dutta got selected in Rajiv Gandhi University, Arunachal Pradesh for pursuing M.Sc.
- 2. Raju Chouhan got selected in Tezpur University, Assam for pursuing M.Sc.

#### **Placement of Students**

- 1. Mrinmoy Jyoti Hazarika is selected as assistant teacher under DEE, Govt. of Assam.
- 2. Budhin Hazarika got a placement in TCS.