Guest Lecture Report Topic: “Language as Cultural Resources”

Speaker: Dr. Wanglit Mongchan, Assistant Professor, Arunachal Institute of Tribal Studies (AITS), RGU

Dean Students Welfare: Prof. Sumpam Tangjang

Nodal Officer: Dr. Sambhu Prasad

Date & Time: 18.01.2020 at 11.00 AM

Venue: AITS Seminar Hall, Rajiv Gandhi University campus

On occasion of **EK Bharat Shrestha Bharat (EBSB) Club Day** a lecture on “Language as Cultural Resources” was held on 18th January 2020. The lecture has been organized by the EK Bharat Shrestha Bharat (EBSB) Club to provide the students with an opportunity to increase the stock of knowledge on language and cultural heritage of Arunachal Pradesh.

The lecture began with welcome address by the Nodal Officer, EBSB, Dr. Sambhu Prasad. He has introduced and welcomed Dr. Wanglit Mongchan, Assistant Professor, Arunachal Institute of Tribal Studies, Rajiv Gandhi University resource person to deliver the lecture. He also welcomes Prof. Sumpam Tangjang, Dean Student’s welfare for sharing the seat.

**Guest Profile:**

Dr. Wanglit Mongchan, Assistant Professor, AITS, Rajiv Gandhi University, Arunachal Pradesh a Arunachal based specialised on language and culture, with 16 years of cultural experience in leading organizations. The session was then continued by Dr. Wanglit who began with an introduction to what is culture and how important it is going to be in the near future. Following which, Dr. Wanglit shed light on the benefits and drawbacks of leaving the culture. He said that that loss of language can have adverse effect on oral traditions and culture, self identity and self esteem, and negative impact on flora and fauna and ecological diversity. Further, he pointed out that the socio-cultural fabric of the society would be immensely affected if language is lost. Finally he said that language is an important asset for human society without which no human progression is plausible whether socially or politically.

Dr. Wanglit, also quoted that “Loss of culture is Loss of Identity”

The session ended with hearty thanks. Dr. Wanglit thanked the EBSB Club for providing the platform to organize lectures on Language as Cultural Resources. He appreciated Faculty members, student’s volunteers and participants for the successful conduction of the event. As per the feedback received from the participants it was very good learning experience, the lecture helped them in understanding the resources of culture.
Tribal Heritage Museum, RGU

Concluding the Lecture