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**Report on Mother Tongue Day
(Matribhasha Diwas)
Organised by Maharaja Bodhchandra College, Imphal
Held on 21st Feb, 2020**

The Maharaja Bodhchandra College has observed the Celebration of Mother Tongue Day in its campus with the participation of 70 students and 30 faculty members. The Celebration was chaired by Dr. M Chandra Singh, Principal, K Monoranjan Singh, HOD of English Department, Md Kamaruddin Shah, HOD Economics Department were the Chief Guest Guest of Honour and President respectively.

The Celebration began with the reading of Poetry in Manipuri language recited by both the students and the teachers of the college. Dr. S kiranmala Chanu recited two poems entitled “Nupi” (Women) and “Nangbu Thibada Houkhre Matam” (Passing of the Day in search of You), another faculty member from Manipuri Department Smt W. Amusana Devi recited her poem entitled “Liching”. Senior Associate Professor of English Department recited her poem “Nupi Oibi” (Womenkind). After the recitations from the faculty members, there was recitation of poem by the students of the college. S. Safwana Sahani (VI semester Manipuri Dept) recited her poem “ Nangdi Asiba” (a dead human), Bheigyabati Devi (VI semester) recited on “Hingbagi Mamal” (The value of Living) and Angella Rajak (VI semester English Dept.) recited a poem written by the famous Manipuri Poet Lamabam Kamal entitled “ Meitei Chanu” (A Meitei Lady).

After reading of poetry, the Guest of Honour Shri K Monoranjan Singh highlighted the importance of language especially that of a mother tongue. Under the direction of UNESCO he said that one should preserve one’s own mother tongue and celebrate its uniqueness. He also thrown light on the concepts of “acquired languages” and “ mother tongue language”. He then talked about the origin of languages and discussed on ‘Sanskrit’ being the mother of all languages. The Chief Guest Dr. M Chandra Singh gave a speech on how one can preserve one’s own mother tongue one of which is to practice (and to be fluent) the language both in speaking and writing in script. As Manipuri have different communities, there are different indigenous languages spoken by these communities. The chief Guest also emphasized on the need to preserve the language and save from the danger of losing one’s own language. The Presidential speech by Senior Associate Professor Md. Kamaruddin Shah reminded that it is respectable for a citizen if he/she knows and speak in their mother tongue in public platform. He also highlighted the major roles played by the writers of one’s own mother tongue in preserving & developing the language. He added that language is an expression through which one’s need can be expressed.

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