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**Report on Youth Festival organized by IIT Guwahati** 

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The third activity undertaken by the EBSB Club of IIT-Guwahati was "Youth Festival", which was organized from 30th January to 2nd February, 2020 in line with Alcheringa, the annual cultural fest of IIT-Guwahati. The four-day event witnessed participation from students of different institutes of both Assam and Rajasthan along with other states and few neighbouring countries. Almost all the leading institutions of Rajasthan were invited for the festival. Out of them, students from seven institutes expressed their interest to participate in the festival. But some of them could not turn up. However, the festival witnessed participants from around 19 states and 3 neighbouring countries. Various events were organized during the four days of the festival. The most important event of the festival was the North-east Social Summit, which was inaugurated by the Hon'ble Associate Dean of Student Affairs, IIT-Guwahati. A social summit was also held which focused on the challenges of North-east India. The main event under this summit was "The Policymaker" which tried to address the nuances of public policy and administration. The competition was modelled on real-life data collected from government websites and research by NGOs and subject experts. All the case studies were datadriven and encouraged the participants to think like the policymakers and stakeholders who have been addressing the issue. It was almost like a formal discussion enriched with facts and knowledge of the experts on this issue combined with the curious and inquisitive minds & fresh perspectives of the students. On the same line, another event "Northeast Unveiled" was also held during the festival. The traditional folk dances and songs of the tribes were performed in an open stage which depicted and replicated the occasions of joy and frivolity and the traditional practices which the people of Northeast has been following since ages. In addition to the enthralling cultural performances, an expo was also exhibited adjacent to the open stage where exquisite handmade products and handicrafts were show-cased. Other events include Model United Nations(MUN), where the participants work through the tenuous relationships between nations as they deliberate towards a

resolution. It was just like an exact simulation of the actual UN. Moreover, a quiz competition was held with a special focus on the general knowledge of North-east India. Thus all the events during the festival were organized with zest and zeal and finally the Youth Festival came to an end on 2<sup>nd</sup> February,2020.

## PHOTO GALLERY-:



Picture 1: Participants of Bihu Dance



Picture 2: Some participants of the Youth Festival



Picture 3: Prof.Anamika Barua lightning the lamp during the inauguration



Picture 4: Prof. Barua felicitating the dignitaries



Picture 5: A moment from North-East Social Summit 2020





<u>Picture-6</u> <u>Picture-7</u> <u>Picture 6,7: Few snapshots of a folk artist presenting his skills</u>



Picture 8: Bihu Dance performance



Picture 9: Model United Nations Competition



Picture 10: Model United Nations Competition



Picture 11: A view of the Silver Jubilee logo