

**ICSSR Sponsored National Seminar
on
“Artificial Intelligence (AI), Society and Development”**

**Organized by
Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC)
B.P. Chaliha College, Nagarbera, Kamrup (Assam)**

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The two-day National Seminar on “**Artificial Intelligence (AI), Society and Development**”, sponsored by the Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR), New Delhi, was successfully organized by the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), B.P. Chaliha College, Nagarbera, on 16th and 17th October 2025 in hybrid mode.

The seminar commenced on 16th October 2025 with *Shraddhanjali*, registration of participants, breakfast, and the ceremonial lighting of the earthen lamp. Distinguished guests, faculty members, paper presenters, participants in both online and offline modes, scholars, and students were present in the seminar hall.

The inaugural session began with a brief introduction by Dr. Trailokya Deka, Convener of the National Seminar and Coordinator of IQAC, who invited the respected inaugurator, the Principal of the college, and other honourable guests to the dais. The seminar was formally inaugurated by Prof. Pranjal Saikia, Professor and Head, Department of Applied Sciences, Gauhati University.

Dr. Kamal Chandra Pathak, Principal of B.P. Chaliha College, delivered the welcome address and highlighted the importance of discussing Artificial Intelligence and its growing impact on society and development. Dr. Trailokya Deka, Convener of the Seminar, delivered a brief speech regarding the objectives, organization, and academic significance of the seminar. He expressed heartfelt gratitude to ICSSR, New Delhi, for extending financial assistance and support for organizing the national-level academic event.

In his inaugural speech, Prof. Pranjal Saikia elaborately discussed various practical dimensions of Artificial Intelligence, including its positive and negative implications on society, education, employment, and development. His insightful address enriched the academic environment of the seminar.

The keynote address was delivered by Dr. Surajit Das, Assistant Professor, Centre for Economic Studies and Planning (CESP), Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), New Delhi. In his comprehensive and resourceful lecture, he integrated various perspectives of science, technology, society, and development, emphasizing the transformative role of Artificial Intelligence in contemporary socio-economic systems.

Dr. Debasish Talukdar, Physician and Founder CEO of MitoAI, London, United Kingdom, attended the seminar virtually as a special guest. He delivered an informative lecture on the application of AI in medical sciences and healthcare systems. He also compared the use and advancement of Artificial Intelligence in developing and developed countries, highlighting both opportunities and challenges in the global healthcare sector.

The inaugural session concluded at 1:30 PM, followed by a lunch break. The technical sessions resumed at 2:45 PM on the same day in both the seminar hall and the digital room of the college. Altogether, five technical sessions were conducted in hybrid mode during the two-day seminar. Research papers on Artificial Intelligence and its applications in various fields of contemporary society were presented by scholars, academicians, researchers, faculty members, and students from different colleges, universities, institutions, and organizations across the country. The sessions witnessed active participation and meaningful academic discussions on the emerging role of AI in different dimensions of society and development.

Distinguished invited resource persons Dr. Kalpana Bora, Assistant Professor, Dept. of English, Cotton University, Guwahati, Assam and Dr. Prasenjit Buzarbaruah, Associate Professor, Dept. of Economics, Rajiv Gandhi University, Doimukh, Arunachal Pradesh also shared their views in technical sessions in relation to the topic of the seminar.

The valedictory session of the seminar was held on 17th October 2025 at 3:30 PM in the seminar hall of the college. The session was presided over by Dr. Kamal Chandra Pathak, Principal of B.P. Chaliha College. The introductory speech of the valedictory function was delivered by Dr. Trailokya Deka, Coordinator of IQAC and Organizing Convener of the Seminar. He highlighted the overall success of the seminar and once again expressed sincere gratitude to ICSSR, New Delhi, for their valuable support and cooperation in organizing the event on such a pertinent and contemporary topic.

A panel discussion was also conducted among the participants, where important policy-related issues concerning Artificial Intelligence and society were discussed and deliberated upon. In his presidential address, Dr. Kamal Chandra Pathak appreciated the efforts of the organizing committee, participants, and guests for making the seminar academically fruitful and successful.

The session concluded with the distribution of certificates to the paper presenters and participants by the Principal. Finally, the two-day ICSSR sponsored National Seminar was formally declared concluded with a vote of thanks.