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Report on-
Dr. Banikanta Kakati Memorial Lecture

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Today, the 22nd of November, 2023 “Dr. Banikanta Kakati Memorial Lecture” was organized in New Hall by the Department of Assamese in collaboration with IQAC of the college in honour of Dr. Banikanta Kakati, a prominent linguist, literary figure, critic and scholar in Assamese language.

The resource person on the occasion was Dr. Anuradha Sarma, Professor, Department of Assamese, Gauhati University.

The programme started with lighting of lamps and paying of floral tributes at the busts of Dr. Banikanta Kakati and Mahendra Mohan Choudhury.

The lecture session started with a brief introductory note on the occasion by Bhabajit Bayan, the head of the department of Assamese. Dr. Pradip Das, the Principal of the college chaired the lecture session. He introduced the resource person and also invited Mr. Ali Hussain Sheikh, the head of the department of Political Science to the dais. The Principal, the resource person and Mr. Ali Hussain Sheikh were felicitated with traditional Assamese scarfs.

Dr. Anuradha Sarma then delivered a lecture on Dr. Banikanta Kakati and his immense contribution to Assamese language in terms of literature, linguistics, cultural anthropology and comparative religion. She expressed her emotions and took pride in being present at the institute named after the great man. She also spoke at length about the how Dr. Kakati rescued the Assamese people who had been frantically struggling to establish the identity and provenance of their mother tongue. The speech of Dr. Sarma was followed by a lively discussion and interaction between the speakers and the audience.

Mrs. Rina Das, the head of the department of Economics, delivered a short speech on the occasion. She focused her speech on the relevance of Dr. Banikanta Kakati’s teachings in contemporary society.

Dr. Gyanada Deka Talukdar, an Associate Professor in the Department of Assamese delivered a lecture on the occasion and emphasized the need for preserving and promoting the cultural heritage and values that Dr. Kakati held dear, and encouraged the audience to carry forward his legacy in their own lives.

The vote of thanks was delivered by Dr. Hiramani Haloi, an Assistant Professor in the Department of Assamese. She thanked the resource person, the faculty members and all the participants for making the programme a success.

The programme was a success as the students could learn a lot about Dr. Banikanta Kakati and his contribution to the Assamese society. The event provided a valuable opportunity for the attendees to reflect on the enduring influence of Dr. Banikanta Kakati.

Fig.1: Lighting of Lamps and paying of floral tributes at the busts



Fig.2: Snapshots of the meeting in progress



Fig.3: The snapshot of the participants



Fig.4: Snapshot of the Resource Person during the lecture



Fig.5: Snapshot of the Resource Person



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