

About the Host Institute:

The North Eastern Institute of Folk Medicine, Pasighat (NEIFM) was established in 2008 with an objective to strengthen and develops traditional health practices for the benefit of the nation, with special focus on the North Eastern region. In September 2021, NEIFM was renamed as North Eastern Institute of Ayurveda & Folk Medicine Research (NEIAFMR). The institute is equipped with laboratories and other infrastructures, including a 50 bedded indoor hospital for research on Folk Medicine. The Institute intends to create an interface between traditional or folk medicine practitioners and research institutes to enable proper understanding and also Ayurveda Education. It strives to upgrade the skill and enhance the capabilities of folk medicine practitioners along with protecting their intellectual property rights. By offering affordable alternatives in healthcare, NEIAFMR is determined to play pivotal role in attaining the health for all goal.

About the Collaborating Institute:

College of Horticulture & Forestry, a constituent College of the Central Agricultural University, Imphal, Manipur, was established on 7th March 2001 at Pasighat, Arunachal Pradesh on the bank of beautiful river Siang to impart education in different branches of Horticulture and Forestry and allied Sciences and to carry out research for the promotion of Horticulture and Forestry. The College has achieved remarkable progress in teaching, research and extension programmes since its inception. At present, the College has 11 departments to support academic, research and extension activities.



“One Day National Seminar on “Recent Advances and Developments in Local Health Tradition and Biodiversity Research: Challenges & Prospects”

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Pasighat, Arunachal Pradesh



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About the Seminar

The North Eastern region of India comprising the States of Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim and Tripura is inhabited by the large number of ethnic communities and is home to a number of primitive societies. Although the tribal population in the region is less than 12 % of the total tribal population in India, but the region is a hotspot of ethnic diversity. It is known for the richness and existence of varied forms of folk medicine practiced by the tribal communities.

These ethnic communities are rich in traditional knowledge and have been practicing traditional healing since time immemorial. The North Eastern States lies between 25.5736° N, 93.2473° E. This wide geographical and climatic diversity provides a repository of valuable medicinal plants which is the wealth of the region. These plants have a valuable place in the indigenous system of medicine and healthcare system.

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About Pasighat

Pasighat, the district headquarters of East Siang is one of the oldest towns in Arunachal Pradesh. It was founded in the year 1911 by the British to establish their control over the great Abor Hills region. Perched at an elevation of 155 mt. above sea level, the town is blessed with an enchanting scenic beauty of lush forests, majestic mountains, sparkling waterfalls and splendidly gorgeous hanging bridges. The beautiful 'Siang River' flowing through the heart of Pasighat further adds to its alluring charm and provides for a captivating time to all the nature lovers offering them ample opportunities to bask in nature's utmost serenity. Venturing out for quiet walks amidst thick woods listening to soft whispers of the soul-calming winds or simply sitting back near the river side immersing in the absorbing sight of the setting sun painting horizon in its pinkish-orangish hues, every experience in Pasighat would bring in something new and would definitely add as an unforgettable memory to the visitors. Pasighat also has to its pride, a rich culture which makes it a popular cultural destination. The town is home to the Adi tribe of Arunachal Pradesh, and is amongst the city selected for Smart city project.

How to reach Pasighat

Air

Pasighat Airport: 2 km from NEIAFMR.
Mohonbari (Dibrugarh) Airport: 160 km from Pasighat.

Train

Murkong Selek, Jonai, Assam: 35 km from Pasighat.

Road

Via NH-513

Call for Abstracts: Interested participants are requested to send the abstract limited to 250 words [excluding the title, author(s), name(s), affiliation(s), in Times New Roman (12pt, 1.5 spacing), prepared in MS word format, mentioning the mode of presentation right above the abstract) through to Registration form on or before **(17th September 2024)**. The abstracts will be reviewed by the organizing committee and acceptance in the respective mentioned categories will be communicated to the corresponding author.

Registration Details: The registration may be done online submission by filling in the registration form or emailing to the Coordinator (email: neifmresearch@gmail.com).

For ages, science has developed a platform for finding out the treasure of response and risk taken by healers, but still, some question arises regarding the availability of active constituents and pharmacological actions. Information available from traditional healers is being published for the career improvement of researchers. However, no attention could be paid to the improvement of the methodology employed by the traditional healers. Facilitation to the healers in the region is negligible despite the various challenges faced by them. There is a need for serious thoughtfulness to promote the old-aged healing practices.

With the above ideas in mind, the present national seminar is a sincere effort to create awareness among the scientific forum and the budding researchers on the aspect of scientific validation of this folk practices. The workshop will also highlight the importance of medicinal plants, market potentiality, and traditional healing practices in the upliftment of livelihood aspect of local community, implication for conservation, creation of community knowledge register and generation of scientific vocabulary for the local terminology.

Themes of the Seminar:

- ⇒ Ethnobotany, Traditional Knowledge of Medicinal Plants and Bioprospecting
- ⇒ Phyto-diversity and its documentation
- ⇒ Wild Edible Plants and their Prospect in Agri-Horti Research
- ⇒ Phytochemistry and Pharmacognosy
- ⇒ Conservation of Biodiversity

Targeted participants

Scientist/Academicians/Researchers

Category

Researchers: Rs. 700/-

Scientist/Faculty: Rs. 1000/-

Industry delegates/NGO Representatives/

Entrepreneurs: Rs. 2000/-

Conference Highlights:

Best Oral Presenter Award

Best Poster Presenter Award

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Registration fee:

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