

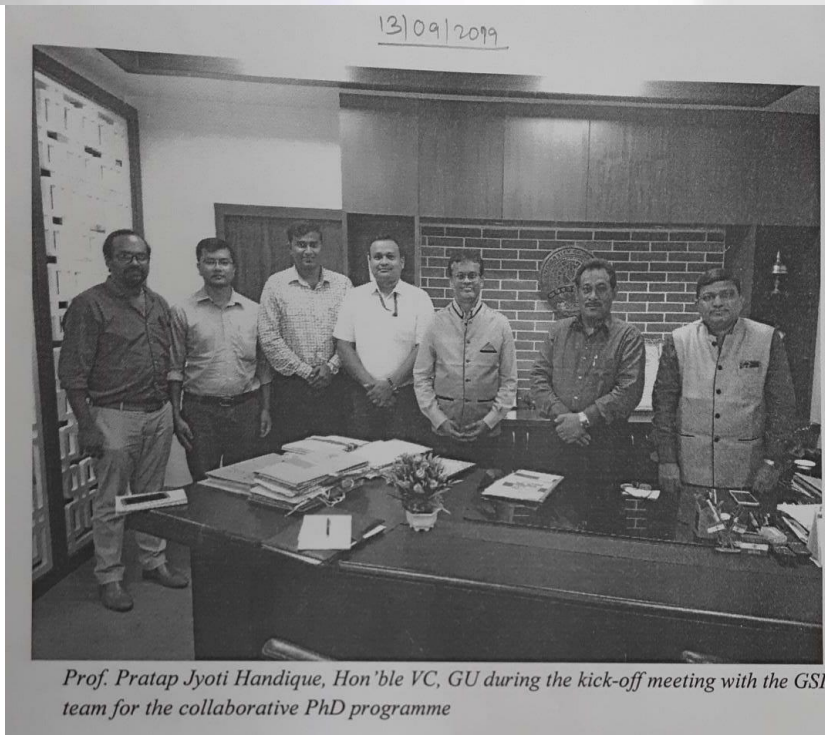


Kick-off meeting between GSITI and Gauhati University for collaborative Research for development of NE India (13th September, 2019)



The Geological Survey of India Training Institute (GSITI) and Gauhati University (GU) entered into an MoU for collaborative research programs leading to Ph.D. degree in the fields of 'Genesis of the Alkaline Complexes of North East India' and 'Disaster Management studies in North East India'. Gauhati University team consisting of Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Prof Pratap Jyoti Handique, Prof. Dilip Kakati, Dean, Faculty of Science, and Prof. Parag Phukan, Head, Dept. of Geological Sciences and other faculty members had a kick-off meeting on 13th September, 2019 with the GSITI team comprising Shri Ch. Venkateswara Rao, DDG, GSITI & Head, M-V, Hyderabad, Dr. Taraknath Pal, Director, TC and Dr. Bashab N. Mahanta, Suptdg. Geologist, RTD, NER, Shillong. The meeting was held for framing the Research Proposals on Ultramafic-Alkaline complexes of North East India and Disaster Management Studies in North East India for taking up first phase of Research programs at Gauhati University, Guwahati. This is the second instance in India, wherein GSI, an attached office to Ministry of Mines, Govt of India has entered into an MoU with an academic Institute for collaborative Ph.D program after IIT-Indian School of Mines, Dhanbad.

During the interactions, the Vice Chancellor emphasized the importance of this collaborative research for betterment of North East India. Both the teams also had discussions regarding Training & Capacity building of Gauhati University faculty, Research Scholars and Students in the fields of Geological Mapping, Mineral Exploration, Engineering Geology, Earthquake Geology etc. Shri Ch. Venkateswara Rao, Head, M-V, GSITI also extended invitation to Gauhati University Faculty & Research Scholars to avail the training facilities of GSI Training Institute.



Prof. Pratap Jyoti Handique, Hon'ble VC, GU during the kick-off meeting with the GSI team for the collaborative PhD programme