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A REPORT ON THE PARENT-TEACHER MEETING HELD ON 08/08/2017 IN THE DEPARTMENT OF STATISTICS, GAUHATI UNIVERSITY

The Department of Statistics, Gauhati University, Guwahati had organized a Parent-teacher meeting on 08.08.2017 (Tuesday) in the seminar hall of the department at 3:00 p.m. The main purpose of the meeting was to give an overview of the department, the structure of the M.Sc course, the facilities available for the students and its various other activities to the parents of the students who got admitted into the M.Sc first semester course in Statistics of the Gauhati University in the year 2017, followed by an interaction with their parents and guardians.

The meeting was conducted and presided over by the Head, Department of Statistics, Gauhati University, Professor Amit Choudhury. Other faculty members, newly admitted students of the M.Sc first semester course and their parents/guardians attended the meet.

Minutes of the meeting:

The parent-teacher meeting commenced with a brief introduction of the department and its faculty members by Professor Amit Choudhury. He expressed his elation at all the seats of the merit list for Gauhati University applicants being filled up and mentioned that out of more than 100 applications received in this year, only 30 could be considered for admission into the first semester course. Therefore, he urged the students to make the best use of this privilege and insisted that the parents should put their best foot forward to ensure that their wards are systematic and methodical towards their studies. Since the pattern of the M.Sc course is entirely different from that of the B.Sc course, he advised the students to be regular



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with their classes and pay attention to what is taught in the class. He further made the attendees familiar with the minimum attendance required to appear in the end semester examination; the internal assessment examinations and its importance in view of the overall result in each semester. As the medium of teaching as well as writing the examinations is English, he pressed the students for improving their English speaking and writing skills by reading newspapers, magazines, etc. He appealed to the students to get used to the busy schedule of the M.Sc course from the first day of their course itself and put in their best efforts to cope with the initial hurdles of the same, which he believes they'll get used to with time. In case any difficulty arises in the understanding of the subject matter, he called upon the students to approach the teachers during their free periods without hesitation. He was of the opinion that the students will be responsible towards maintaining the cleanliness of the department. In the penultimate part of his speech, he threw some light on the legacy of the department; that it is one of the oldest departments of Gauhati University and is as old the university itself. He acknowledged the past and present faculty members and office staffs for their untiring efforts. He familiarized the attendees with the computer laboratory, which is equipped with internet connectivity and stressed upon the fact that it is meant only for academic use and not for personal use by the students. He further stated that the students can also access the research journals/materials online of which the university has a subscription of and they are expected to make full use of this opportunity, responsibly. He concluded his speech by welcoming the M.Sc first semester students and informing them that the classes of the M.Sc first semester will commence from 11.08.2017 (Friday).

Professor Labananda Choudhury began his speech by remembering Late Professor Jyotiprasad Medhi and urged the students to draw inspiration from the various world-famous statisticians whose photographs adorn the walls of the departmental corridor. He advised the students to work hard, study regularly, aim high and go ahead in life with a strong



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determination. He encouraged the students to make full use of the library resources and to be up-to-date with their studies.

Following the speech of Prof. L. Choudhury, the parents of the newly admitted students were requested to express their views on and expectations from the department. Mr. Prasanta Sarma, father of Miss Ananya Sarma, expressed his faith in the teachers of the department and he expects his daughter to fare well under their guidance. Mr. Danduram Bora, father of Miss. Nandita Bora, stated that his family hails from a small place in Assam and he expects his child to receive good guidance from the teachers of the department, which will help her in coming off with flying colour. Mr. Paresh Das, father of Miss Darshana Das, shared similar thoughts and expectations in regards to the department and its teachers as the other two parents, Mr. Sarma and Mr. Bora.

The meeting concluded with the vote of thanks, delivered by Prof. Amit Choudhury, where he expressed his gratitude towards the students and their parents/guardians for their presence and active participation in the meeting.

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