

## **Women Development Cell, Nalbari College**

WOMEN DEVELOPMENT CELL (WDC) Nalbari College formed in 2020, is an obligatory body, constituted as per UGC guidelines of section 3.2(15). The Cell works with the aim of creating a congenial and appropriate environment that nurtures women's well-being and promotes gender equality. It is inclined towards women's rights and empowerment, raising awareness among both students and faculty members, acting as a backup platform against a presumed rigid society. The cell attempts to produce a sensitized environment where women can showcase their confidence and productivity in every aspect of college activities from official to student's affairs. The cell works for the upliftment of the women community not only within the campus, but also in and around the college premises, taking up activities to attenuate the deprived section. The cell has been actively engaged in organizing different programs on female health, legal awareness, female literacy, women empowerment, skill based training workshops for women and so on. With the objective of creating healthy stimuli among all members of the college, the Cell tries to promote active participation of both the genders in every activity, inducing mutual respect and trust. The Women's Development Cell, NC functions to empower, support and dignify women in various societal context. Considering the fact that gender equality forms an integral part of Sustainable Development Goal amongst various others, the Cell of the College strives to move forward with the objective of supporting and working for the prosperity of women.

From its inception the cell has been carrying on activities in and around the college campus focusing on different gender issues for improvement of societal environment and human values. Although the female faculties of the College supported by ACTA, Nalbari College Teachers' Union had taken on many activities under the banner Women's Study and Development Cell, as per the suggestion of NAAC's peer team members in 2019 Women Development Cell was formed in February, 2020 following UGC guidelines.

The Structure of the Present Executive Committee:

**Chief Patron:** Dr. Kamal Nayan Patowary, Principal, Nalbari College

**President:** Dr. Kakali Dutta, Associate Professor, Deptt of English

**Vice President:** Dr. Piroja Begum, Associate Professor, Deptt of Mathematics

**Secretary:** Dr. Darshana Sarma, Assistant Professor, Deptt of Geography

**Astt. Secretary:** Barnali Parashar, Assistant Librarian, TNG Library

**Treasurer :** Pranita Barma, Assistant Professor, Deptt of History

**Members:** All the female faculty members and office staff

### Recent Activities and Programmes:

- **Health Awareness Programme:**

1. Collaborates with Unicharm India Private Limited in celebrating International Women's Day, 2023 where Dr. Ranjana Bhattachatyia delivered a speech on Menstrual Health and Hygiene of girl child. Dr. Kamal Nayan Patowary, Principal Nalbari College and Dr. Subrat Barman, Superintendent, Girl's Hostel attended the meeting as Chief guests. Free Sanitary Sanitary Napkins were distributed among the girl students of Nalbari College.



- **Community Programmes:**

1. Dr. Ranjana Bhattacharyya, Dr. Piroja Begum, Dr. Binita Devi and Dr. Rupsmitta Bujarbaruah from WDC, met students and community women of nearby areas as a part of Village Visit Programme of WDC.



2. Organized an income generating programme “Mushroom Cultivation” for the members of Self Help Groups of Bangalmur Village.



- **Lecture Demonstration on Gender Issues:**

1. Lecture on ‘Women and Media in Today’s Context’ delivered by Dr. Ranjana Bhattacharyya on 6 March, 2020



2. A talk on “AxomiyaChutigalpat Nari LekhikarBhumika” delivered by DR. Bandana Das on 10 August, 2022





3. Kaberi Dutta ,Asstt Professor, Deptt. of Political Science presented a lecture demonstration on “The Role of Women in Politics of Assam” on 26 August, 2022



4. An interactive session of the students with Dr. Aditi Das on the topic ‘Violence against Women’ on 24 February, 2023



5. Dr. Meetali Deori delivered an awareness lecture on the topic Nutrition Requirements for Lactating Mothers on 21 March,2023



#### **Annual Planning for Gender Sensitization Programmes for the year 2024**

<b>January, 2024:</b>	<b>Discussion and planning on Gender Sensitization Programme</b>
<b>February, 2024:</b>	<b>Lecture Demonstration on Female students' Drop out problem in minority area</b>
<b>March, 2024:</b>	<b>Collaborate with WSDC in Celebrating International Women's Day</b>
<b>April-2024:</b>	<b>Lecture on Mental Health</b>
<b>May-2024:</b>	<b>Village Visit and a Lecture on Female Health and Hygiene Issues (Adopted village)</b>
<b>June-2024:</b>	<b>Workshop on Gender based Violence and its Legal side</b>
<b>July-2024:</b>	<b>Summer Vacation</b>
<b>August-2024:</b>	<b>Workshop on Income Generation for Community Women</b>
<b>September-2024:</b>	<b>Street Play on Sexual Harassment</b>
<b>October-2024:</b>	<b>Talk on Child Abuse and Women Trafficking</b>
<b>November-2024:</b>	<b>Health Camp for Students and Community Women</b>
<b>December-2024:</b>	<b>End Semester Examination</b>
<b>Nodal Teachers:</b>	<b>Dr. Ranjana Bhattacharyya and Dr. Binita Devi</b>

