



DEPARTMENT OF GEOGRAPHY,
ST. EDMUND'S COLLEGE,
B.A 6TH SEMESTER, 2024

WORKSHOP REPORT

18th March, 2024

An in-house workshop on the “**Fieldwork on Human Geography-An Introduction to Quantitative and Qualitative Research Methods**” was held today i.e. 18th of March 2024 in the Geography Lab. The workshop was organised by the Department of Geography, this was done to assist the current 6th semester students in their present projects and for their future research papers.

The resource person for this workshop was Sir. Rahul Saikia, a former student of the department, Batch of 2009. He also did his MA and MPhil in Geography (2016), from Delhi School of Economics and was a part of the India Smart Cities Fellowship Programme, Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs, Government of India.

Firstly, a picture of a Tibetan colony had been presented to the class by Sir, intentionally leaving out its location for the students to take a guess. To the classroom's surprise, it was later revealed that it was located in Delhi. Sir. Saikia, told the students about the origins of the colony and their journey, in which they began from scratch and through decades of hard work and especially the success in the sweater business thanks to the help and trust of the Punjabi migrants that made the Tibetans self-reliant.

Sir Saikia's presentation offered a comprehensive overview of research methodology, by using the water supply issue as an example. He highlighted the significance of utilizing government reports and media articles for data

collection and mentioned the critical components of research: study area, literature review, findings, and conclusion.

A historical photograph of Shillong Club was shown, illustrating the British retreat to cooler hill stations which also led to the establishment of educational institutions for their children in the hill stations. Cultural diversity in Meghalaya was shown through an image of the Legislative Assembly from the British era, in which Sir, Saikia asked us to identify the community that the individuals belonged to, hence showing the diversity.

A pressing concern was addressed i.e. of overqualified individuals applying for limited government jobs, underscoring the need for career guidance counsellors to aid students in their professional paths. Lastly, a feedback form was given to us on how valuable and how thought inducing it was.







Shillong, Meghalaya, India
HV8W+RMR St. Edmund's College, Laitumkhrah, Shillong, Meghalaya 793003,
India
Lat 25.567448°
Long 91.896825°
18/03/24 01:18 PM GMT +05:30

 GPS Map Camera

Google