

## ACTIVITY REPORT: FROM 17<sup>th</sup> December 2008 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2009

### **1. Academic Activity:**

#### **a) Lecture Series:**

##### **i) Lecture XXX:**

To be organized on 27<sup>th</sup> March 2009, the lecture will be delivered by Professor Ranjit Deva Goswami, Department of English, Gauhati University, on Nineteenth Century Assam to mark the occasion of Foundation Day of the Council.

#### **b) Special talk program:**

Organized on 26<sup>th</sup> February 2009, the special talk was delivered on *Railway Strike 1984* by Mr. Barmee, a railway union worker, who actively participated in the strike and his service retrenched.

### **2. Building up the Library-cum-Documentation Unit:**

With a view to build up library of the Centre, several titles have procured. Procurement of books for the Centre has not been restricted to history. Books on other allied science like anthropology, sociology, political science etc. have also been procured keeping the importance on growing need for inter-disciplinary approach. Similarly books on North East along with others also have been made. The following steps have been taken for upgrading the library of the Centre during the period from 17<sup>th</sup> December 2008 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2009.

- I. In total 02 nos. books have been purchased for the library of the Centre.
- II. In total 02 nos. of books and in total 17 nos. of journals as complimentary copy from different sources have been received by the Centre.
- III. A few issues of journals, newsletters and assembly reports from different institutions and scholars also received.

### **3. Reproduction of Rare/Unavailable books:**

During the period 03 numbers of **rare and unavailable** books have been collected from different sources and reproduced by means of photocopy for the library of the Centre.

### **4. Promotional and publicity activity:**

#### **a) Receipt & Forwarding of Application:**

From 17<sup>th</sup> December 2008 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2009 the total 04 **numbers** of applications for grant in different categories has been received and forwarded to the head office.

#### **b) Participation in Seminar/Conference etc.:**

The NERC actively takes part in different seminars/symposia/conferences/workshops conducted in the university and research institutes of the Northeast, especially in Guwahati.

### **5. Other Activities:**

a) **Number of Visitor:** The centre hosted over the period around 2100 visitors either for consulting the library or to inquire about the ICHR grants etc.

A team of international/foreign scholars (34 nos.) visited this library on 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2009. Several dignitaries also visited the library over this period including Dr. Shabi Ahmed, ICHR, New Delhi. Council member Professor D. R. Syiemlieh also visited in this period.

b) **Independence Day & Republic Day celebration:** Like previous years the Republic Day was celebrated by the centre.

c) Electrical wiring of the Library section for installing computers for readers.

e) Selection test was conducted by the Center under the supervision of senior officers from Head Office for shortlisting of candidates to fill up five positions of the Regional Center.