



REPORT ON THE ICSSR-NERC SPONSORED NATIONAL SEMINAR

Title: *The Influence of Artificial Intelligence in Shaping Political Behavior of Citizens*

Organized by: Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya Adarsha Mahavidyalaya, Dalgaoon

Date: 10th - 11th February 2025

Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya Adarsha Mahavidyalaya, Dalgaoon, Darrang, Assam successfully organized a two-day national seminar on *The Influence of Artificial Intelligence in Shaping Political Behavior of Citizens* on 10th and 11th February 2025. The seminar, sponsored by ICSSR-NERC, brought together distinguished academicians, researchers, and intellectuals from across the country to deliberate on the impact of Artificial Intelligence (AI) on political landscapes and citizen behavior. The seminar was conducted in a hybrid mode, with an offline session on the first day and an online session on the second day.

Objectives of the Seminar:

The primary objectives of the seminar were:

- To explore the role of AI in shaping political opinions and behaviors of citizens.
- To examine the ethical, legal, and social implications of AI-driven political campaigns.
- To discuss the impact of AI on governance, election strategies, and policy-making.
- To provide a platform for scholars and researchers to present their findings on AI's influence on democratic processes.
- To facilitate academic discourse on the use of AI in misinformation, surveillance, and electoral manipulation.

Day 1: Inaugural and Technical Sessions (10th February 2025)

The inaugural session commenced at 10 A.M. with the traditional lighting of the lamp by Dr. Sachindra Saharia, President Governing body, PDUAM Dalgaoon marking the formal inauguration of the seminar. The Convener, Dr. Kumar Chandan Jyoti, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Political Science welcomed all the dignitaries and participants and elaborated on the theme of the seminar. Dr. Lakhi Prasad Hazarika, Principal of the college and Chief Patron of the seminar, delivered the formal welcome address.

The inaugural session was highlighted by a thought-provoking keynote address by **Prof. Akhil Ranjan Dutta**, a renowned professor and intellectual from Assam. He is presently Professor of Dept. of Political Science & HOD, Dept. of Sociology, Gauhati University. He emphasized the increasing role of AI in shaping political narratives, election campaigns, and public opinions, urging scholars to explore its multifaceted influence critically.

High Tea was served after Inaugural Session at 11.30 to all dignitaries and Participants.

Technical Sessions

The seminar featured two insightful technical sessions on the first day:

- **First Technical Session:** Chaired by **Dr. Sachindra Saharia**, Retired Associate Professor of Mangaldoi College. Eminent speakers presented their research on AI-driven political strategies, misinformation, and ethical implications.
- **Second Technical Session:** Chaired by **Dr. Mousumi Saha Kalita**, Principal of Kharupetia College. Discussions revolved around AI's role in governance, policymaking, and public engagement in democratic processes.

Resource Persons

The seminar witnessed the participation of distinguished scholars and academicians as resource persons, including:

- **Prof. Utpal Bhattacharya** (Rajiv Gandhi University, Arunachal Pradesh)
- **Prof. Manoj Kumar Deka** (Academic Head, Assam Skill University, Mangaldoi)
- **Prof. Jyotiraj Pathak** (KBVSASU, Nalbari)
- **Dr. Sumana Das** (B. Borooah College)
- **Dr. Limpon Borah** (Academic Registrar, Madhavdeb University, Lakhimpur)

Additionally, invited guests **Dr. Ranjita Bhattacharya** (Retired Associate Professor, Handique Girls College) and **Dr. Indrani Kalita** (Assistant Professor, KKHSOU) enriched the discussions with their valuable insights.

Lunch was served at 2.00 PM to all dignitaries and Participants.

Day 2: Online Session (11th February 2025)

The second day of the seminar was conducted in an online mode, started at 10.30 AM and was graced by **Dr. Dinesh Baishya**, a renowned educationist and intellectual, who delivered a compelling keynote address. He is Ex- Vice Chancellor of Krishnaguru Spiritual University, Nasatra, Assam and presently Director, Indian knowledge system, Assam Donbosco University, Assam. His presentation focused on AI's transformative potential in politics, defense, and military affairs, highlighting its implications for national security and governance.

Another key resource person for the day was **Dr. Diganta Baruah**, Deputy Superintendent of Police (DSP) of Marigaon District, who provided insights into AI applications in law enforcement and electoral monitoring.

All resource persons from the previous day actively participated in the online discussions, contributing to an engaging and intellectually stimulating session.

Research Paper Presentations

The seminar saw an overwhelming response from researchers, with a total of **50 research papers** presented by scholars from various institutions across India.

Publication of Book of Abstracts

A Book of Abstracts with ISBN-978-81-971008-2-6 was published during the seminar, providing a comprehensive compilation of all research papers presented at the event.

Hospitality & Logistics

The organizing committee ensured a seamless experience for all participants. High tea, lunch, and evening tea were served and tried to provide a comfortable environment for academic discussions.


Recommendations from the Seminar

Based on the discussions and research findings, the following recommendations were proposed:

- Policymakers should regulate AI-driven political campaigns to prevent misinformation and electoral manipulation.
- Ethical guidelines should be established to govern AI's role in governance and public policy.
- Researchers should further explore AI's impact on voter behavior, democratic participation, and civic engagement.
- Educational institutions like College & Universities should integrate AI ethics and political implications into academic curriculum to create awareness among future leaders.
- There should be increased collaboration between technology experts, policymakers, and social scientists to mitigate AI-related risks in political systems.

Conclusion

The two-day ICSSR-NERC sponsored national seminar at Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya Adarsha Mahavidyalaya, Dalgaoon, was a grand success, providing an excellent platform for academicians and researchers to deliberate into the intersection of AI and political behavior. The seminar concluded with a vote of thanks by Jinti Kalita, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Education & Satabdi Sarkar, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Political Science expressing gratitude to all dignitaries, resource persons, participants, and organizing committee members for their invaluable contributions to the event's success.



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Some glimpses of the seminar:



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