



**Assam Cooperative Society Union  
Sponsored  
National Seminar  
on**

**Impact of Co-operative Societies and Micro  
Finance in Economic Development of Assam:  
Issues and Challenges**

We are delighted to extend our warm invitation to you for the upcoming National Seminar on **"Impact of Co-operative Societies and Micro Finance in Economic Development of Assam: Issues and Challenges"** hosted by Department of Commerce, Sarupathar College under the sponsorship of Assam Cooperative Society Union on 4th and 5th August, 2023.

The seminar aims to bring together renowned experts, professionals, and scholars from across the nation to engage in meaningful discussions and exchange valuable insights on "Micro-Finance in Assam: Issues and Challenges". With a diverse range of sessions, and panel discussions, the event promises to provide an enriching platform for knowledge sharing and networking.

We highly value your expertise and would be honored to have you as a distinguished speaker/participant at this esteemed gathering. Your presence would significantly contribute to the success of the seminar, inspiring the attendees and fostering collaborative learning.

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**\*\*Researchers are encouraged to contribute and submit papers in their preferred languages, either English or Assamese, ensuring convenience and inclusivity.\*\***

**Department of Commerce**

The Department of Commerce of Sarupathar College came into being in the year 1985. Since inception it has been the only stream spreading knowledge of commerce in entire Dhansiri Sub-division and nearby Karbi Anglong District and Assam Nagaland Border areas providing both honours and Non honours programmes in the undergraduate level. Apart from the regular academic activities the Department has been undertaking Field Study, Educational Tours, Projects as well as other co and extra-curricular activities for the all-round development of the students.

**Abstract of the Seminar Topic**

Microfinance has emerged as a powerful tool for poverty alleviation and economic empowerment, particularly in regions with diverse socio-economic landscapes like Assam. However, the unique context of Assam presents its own set of issues and challenges that require careful analysis and deliberation.

The seminar will delve deep into various aspects such as the impact of microfinance initiatives in Assam, the role of microfinance institutions, challenges faced by borrowers and lenders, regulatory frameworks, technology integration, and sustainable models for financial inclusion.

By shedding light on these issues, the seminar seeks to foster a comprehensive understanding of the current scenario and devise effective strategies for improvement.

We invite researchers, practitioners, policymakers, academicians, and other professionals working in the field of microfinance to join us in this enlightening seminar. Your presence and insights will contribute towards valuable exchange of ideas, enabling us to collectively address the challenges and pave the way for a more inclusive and sustainable microfinance ecosystem in Assam.

Please mark your calendars for 4th & 5th August and stay tuned for further updates regarding the agenda, speakers, and registration details. We look forward to your active participation in the seminar on "Micro Finance in Assam: Issues and Challenges."

**\*\*\*The seminar will be conducted in a hybrid format (except for participants from Golaghat, Jorhat and Karbi Anglong), providing attendees with the flexibility to participate either online or in-person.\*\*\***

**ABOUT SARUPATHAR COLLEGE**

In the year 1970, a small seed was sown at the outskirts of Sarupathar Town, which later on grew into a big tree of knowledge, namely Sarupathar College. As Sarupathar College embarks upon its Golden Jubilee year, we reflect with immense pride on the incredible journey that has brought us to this significant milestone.

Sarupathar College is a premier institution of Dhansiri Subdivision, Golaghat, Assam. Over the Years the college has made significant contribution in the field of higher education and prepared youths for different fields of life.

As we celebrate the 50th anniversary of Sarupathar College, we find it fitting to host this seminar, which focuses on exploring the crucial role of microfinance in addressing the socio-economic challenges faced in Assam. We believe that this platform will provide valuable insights, foster discussions, and pave the way for innovative solutions that can contribute to the development and empowerment of our communities.

**How to reach**

**By Air:** The nearest airport to Sarupathar is Dimapur airport (54 km). Hire a taxi or local transportation to reach Sarupathar.

**By Train:** The nearest railway station to Sarupathar is Sarupathar Railway Station (2 km) .

**By Road:** Drive or hire a taxi from nearby cities using the appropriate national highways (NH – 39, NH -37) to reach Sarupathar.



## Guidelines for Submission of Seminar Paper:

1. Original Research papers are invited from the academicians, research scholars, students and other intellectuals of the society.
  2. The abstract should be within 200 words indicating at least five keywords.
  3. The abstract and full paper are to be typed in PageMaker Geetanjali light, Font 14 size for Assamese and in Times New Roman for English, 12 font with 1.5 line spacing
  4. The full paper should be of minimum 2000 words and maximum 3000 words.
- (The proceedings of the seminar will be published in the form of a book with ISBN. Those participants whose paper will be accepted for publication will have to pay an extra amount of Rs. 400/-)

## Important Dates:

Last Date of Submission of Abstract:

**20 July, 2023**

Last date of Submission of Full Paper

**28 July, 2023**

Seminar Date

**4th and 5th August**

Email Address for Sending Papers

**doc1985sprc@gmail.com**

## Registration Link:

<https://forms.gle/RZYprfghksls>

## Theme of the Seminar:

**Impact of Co-operative Societies and Micro Finance in Economic Development of Assam: Issues and Challenges**

## Sub-Themes:

1. Micro Finance & SHG
2. Micro Finance Institutions
3. Impact of Micro finance in Economic Development
4. Financial Inclusion & Micro Finance
5. Legal Framework for Micro Finance
6. Risk Management in Micro Finance
7. Micro Finance and Women Empowerment
8. Role of Micro Finance and Micro & Small business Development
9. Micro Finance for poverty alleviation
10. Role of Cooperative Society in Sustainable development
11. Role of Cooperative Society in Agriculture
12. Any other related topic

## Registration Fee

### For Academicians

With Paper: ₹ 800

Without Paper: ₹ 600

### For Research Scholar

With Paper: ₹ 500

Without Paper: ₹ 300

### For Students: ₹ 200

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