



WEFA News Letter

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1. Celebration of the First Foundation Day of WEFA on 27.11.2010

WEFA has celebrated its first foundation day on Saturday 27.11.10.

Mr. J. P. Rajkhowa, IAS (Retired) former Chief Secretary, Govt. of Assam, was the Chief Guest at the function. He lauded the initiative taken up by the forum to financially help a needy meritorious girl student of Assam Engineering College. Also he wished that the forum should be able to work for the uplift of the backward section of the society-the women in particular, through skill-upgradation courses to be organized by WEFA. Shri Rajkhowa further suggested that, WEFA could organize seminars / workshops on issues like Big Dam, Environmental Protection, Global Warming etc. He appreciated that despite being a nascent organization WEFA had done lot of activities.



Speaking as a distinguished guest, Professor Utpal Miri Retd. Director of Technical Education, Assam said that there was a time when not many women choose engineering as their career. “The situation has changed now as we have a very good numbers of competent women engineers; with each passing year, girls are doing good results in the engineering colleges and other engineering institutions” he said . Miri further said that the forum should not limit itself to the works related to the welfare of girls & women only. “ It should set an example before the society, by working for cross section of people – both male & female”, he said.

M.D. Bhundari, Retd. Group General Manager, Oil India Ltd., while speaking on the occasion said that despite being a nascent organization, the forum has provided a good platform to the women engineers of the state.

Mrs. Rita Rajkhowa, the President of the forum presided over the function. She mentioned about the website launched by WEFA, apart from other activities taken up.

Earlier in her welcome address, Rekha Majumdar, Secretary of the forum, said that since its inception, the forum has been taken steps to promote technical education among girl students.

Bargeet, recitation, bhojan and dance programme also marked the occasion.

2. One Time Financial Assistance from WEFA to a needy meritorious girl engineering student.

To mark its first anniversary, WEFA also extended a One Time Financial Assistance of Rupees Ten Thousand (Rs.10,000/-) to a needy meritorious girl student named Aparajita Chakravorty, a student of Assam Engineering College.

3. Awareness Programme for Technical Education among girl students

Mrs. Putuli Saikia Baruah on behalf of WEFA had successfully conducted the first awareness programme on Technical Education for girl students of Jamuguri Adarsha High School on 10th October, 2010. Printed materials regarding different courses available in Engineering Colleges of Assam, the way to get admission into these colleges, fees structure, scholarship and facilities provided to the students by the colleges were distributed among the students. They were encouraged to go for engineering and technical courses during

counseling session. The Head master of the school and other teachers also took part in the discussion. At the end, the school authority profusely thanked Smti Baruah and WEFA for conducting the programme.



4. Donation of materials for electrification

Mrs. Putuli Saikia Barua on behalf of WEFA have donated the materials for electrification of the Namghars at Ghiladharigaon, Ghahi Gaon and Dholabil, Maranahenigaon of Jamurihat in Sonitpur District, Assam. Villegers and eleders thanked Smti Baruah and WEFA for providing the materials to the Namghars and helping them in doing the electrification work.


