



MBBC CHRONICLES

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Heritage, Learning and Campus Life

MAHARAJA BIR BIKRAM COLLEGE, AGARTALA



HERITAGE IN BRIEF

OUR BEGINNINGS

September: A Month of Beginnings

The college admitted its first student on **9 September 1947**. Its first class, a Third Year B.A. class, met on **29 September 1947** at U. K. Academy while the college building was being prepared.

A Vision Beyond a College

Maharaja Bir Bikram's Vidyapattan scheme envisioned higher education alongside agriculture, technical training, medicine, physical culture, painting and music. The foundation stone of the college building was laid on **7 May 1937**.

The Maharani's Contribution

Maharani Kanchan Prova Devi, then Regent, directed that the college begin functioning after Maharaja Bir Bikram's death. She pledged a personal donation of **₹1 lakh**, paying half immediately to support its establishment.

Women Were Part of the Beginning

Women joined MBB College from its opening year. By the end of the **1947–48** session, enrolment stood at **464** students, including **20** women. Women's education was part of the institution's earliest history.

CAMPUS LIFE

An Early Publishing Tradition

By **1952**, the college had published four issues of *Prachi*, a bilingual annual magazine with contributions from teachers and students. The report also recorded an ambition to publish quarterly, a connection with today's MBBC Chronicles.

Learning Through Questions

The early college's General Knowledge Assembly brought students and teachers together for talks, questions and discussion. Participants explored subjects of general interest, making curiosity and conversation part of campus learning.

A Green Heritage, Carefully Recorded

Tree planting formed part of early campus development. In **1949–50**, the college planted **244** trees, of which **195** survived. Its records tracked survival as well as planting, linking campus greening with continued care.

Service in a Time of Need

During **March–May 1950**, around **400** student volunteers, supported by nearly a dozen professors, helped manage eight refugee camps in Agartala. The report records assistance to **12,000** people over those three months.



ABOUT MBBC CHRONICLES AND THE INSTITUTIONAL VISION

Established in 1947 by Maharaja Bir Bikram Kishore Manikya Bahadur, Maharaja Bir Bikram College has long stood as a cornerstone of higher education in Tripura, carrying forward a legacy of academic excellence, intellectual inquiry, and cultural enrichment. Rooted in its enduring motto, “Vidyayamrtamasnute” (Knowledge is the key to immortality), the institution continues to strive towards the dissemination of knowledge and the holistic development of its students.

MBBC Chronicles, the official quarterly newsletter of the college, continues its journey as a structured record of institutional life. Published at quarterly intervals, it gathers the academic, co-curricular, outreach and creative engagements that shape the college across the year. The newsletter follows a structured quarterly cycle – **March (January – March), June (April – June), September (July – September), and December (October – December)** – offering a consistent space to gather and reflect upon the life of the institution across time.

The newsletter seeks to document not only academic and co-curricular activities, but also the quieter processes that shape a campus, learning, dialogue, participation, and shared endeavour. It aspires to serve as a living archive of the institution’s engagements, achievements, outreach initiatives, and intellectual pursuits.

Aligned with the broader vision of the college, MBBC Chronicles aims to foster a culture of reflection and communication, connecting different segments of the college community while preserving continuity in its academic journey. In doing so, it not only records events, but also reinforces the institution’s enduring commitment to excellence, inclusivity, and knowledge dissemination.



FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Dr. Arjun Gope
Principal
Maharaja Bir Bikram College,
Agartala

It gives me immense pleasure to present this issue of MBBC Chronicles, covering the period From July to September 2026. As a premier institution of higher education in Tripura, MBB College continues to uphold its rich legacy of academic excellence, social responsibility, and holistic development.

This quarter witnessed several significant milestones in our institutional journey. The celebration of Independence Day on 15th August was particularly memorable, with 1,561 students, teachers, and staff participating in a historic expression of patriotism through the collective singing of Vande Mataram by 1,000 voices. The publication of the peer-reviewed journal, Vidyapattan: A Journal of Social and Scientific Research, further strengthens the research culture of the college.

We also witnessed the commencement of the fourth year of undergraduate programmes under NEP 2020 during this quarter. The college celebrated its Foundation Day, paying tribute to Maharaja Bir Bikram Kishore Manikya Bahadur and his enduring vision for education.

Our progress in assessment and accreditation, sporting achievements, recognition by other educational institutions, and academic collaborations through MoUs reflect our commitment to continuous improvement. Meanwhile, blood donation camps, social work, rural engagement, and the dedicated activities of our NSS and NCC units demonstrate our commitment to community service and responsible citizenship.

These achievements are the result of the collective dedication of our faculty members, students, and non-teaching staff. I sincerely appreciate their contributions and the efforts of the editorial team in documenting our institutional journey.

May MBBC Chronicles continue to inspire excellence, preserve our achievements, and strengthen our shared commitment to the progress of MBB College.



FROM THE TEACHERS' COUNCIL



Dr. Nilima Biswas (Roy)
Secretary, Teachers' Council
Maharaja Bir Bikram College,
Agartala

It brings me joy to share my thoughts with you for the third issue of our college newsletter. Our collective pursuit of academic excellence achieved a milestone with the unveiling of our Research Journal. We prioritized holistic development through our induction programme, vocational training program, and celebrations of Hindi Diwas and Sanskrit Diwas. We took a moment to honour the guiding lights with a Teacher's Day celebration. Our competitive spirit and teamwork were on display during Sports Day.

The NSS unit made history with a record-breaking blood donation camp. Our patriotism shone brightly during the Har Ghar Tiranga program, culminating in a presence of 1,561 students, teachers, and staff on 15th August to celebrate Independence Day.

We honored the Maharaja's Birthday and College Foundation Day. Our commitment to a greener future was renewed with participation in the Vanamahotsav program.

I extend my gratitude to our Principal, the faculty, and the editorial team.

FROM THE EDITORIAL DESK



Shri Pankaj Debbarma
Chief Editor,
MBBC Chronicles

The first issue gave a name to the work of remembering. The second began to give it a rhythm. This third issue carries that rhythm into another season of college life.

July to September brings fresh beginnings and familiar responsibilities. New students find their classrooms. Returning students settle into another semester. There are orientations, celebrations, presentations and the countless small tasks that keep an institution moving. Teachers guide, students participate, and the campus gathers new stories alongside its older ones. These pages bring together a small portion of those months.

A chronicle cannot hold everything. We return to that thought with each issue. Beyond photographs and reports lie the quieter moments of learning, effort, friendship and care. Our heritage lives in these moments too, through the people who continue its work. So we gather what we can, mindful that remembering is also a responsibility to those who will turn these pages later.

And the Chronicle continues, one shared memory at a time.



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Editor,
MBBC Chronicles



Dr. Chandana Acharjee
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Smt. Baishali Devi
Editor,
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Dr. Maria Debbarma
Editor,
MBBC Chronicles



CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS



Nasha Mukta Tripura Awareness Workshop: Hon'ble Governor of Tripura, Shri Indra Sena Reddy Nallu, inaugurates the state-level Nasha Mukta Tripura awareness workshop at Rabindra Hall, MBB College, on 18 July 2026. Organised by the Department of Social Welfare and Social Education, Government of Tripura, the programme featured student interaction, an open quiz and a student representative's address, encouraging collective action against substance abuse.



Mega Blood Donation Camp: Hon'ble Higher Education Minister Shri Kishor Barman addressed the Mega Blood Donation Camp organised by the NSS Unit of Maharaja Bir Bikram College at Rabindra Hall on 29 July 2026. Supported by the GBP Hospital Blood Bank team, the camp brought together students and staff, setting a new college record with 75 blood donors and promoting voluntary blood donation as a life-saving social commitment.



CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS



Partition Horrors Remembrance Day: Maharaja Bir Bikram College observed Partition Horrors Remembrance Day on 14 August 2026, paying tribute to the millions who suffered during the 1947 Partition. Chief Guest Dr. Manik Saha, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tripura, commended the College's efforts to promote historical awareness among students.



Har Ghar Tiranga Student Rally: Students of Maharaja Bir Bikram College participated in a Har Ghar Tiranga rally on 14 August 2026, celebrating patriotism and national unity. The programme was graced by Dr. Manik Saha, Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tripura, as Chief Guest.



CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS



Vande Mataram in a Thousand Voices: Marking the 150th anniversary of Vande Mataram and India's 80th Independence Day, Maharaja Bir Bikram College brought together 1,561 students, teachers, staff and alumni for a collective rendition of the national song. The aerial view captures this memorable celebration of patriotism, unity and shared national pride.



Voices of Unity, Colours of Pride: Wearing tricolour visors and face paint, MBB College students sing Vande Mataram in unison during the College's Independence Day celebrations, marking the national song's 150th anniversary.



CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS



Welcoming the 2026 – 27 Batch: M.B.B. College held its first-semester induction programme on 7 August 2026. The photograph shows the Department of Economics' induction session, offering a glimpse of the college's welcome to its new students.



Welcoming the First Fourth-Year Batch: M.B.B. College held an orientation programme on 1 September 2026 for seventh-semester students of Tripura's first fourth-year undergraduate batch under NEP 2020. The photograph shows the Department of Geography's orientation session.



CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS



Foundation Day Celebration: Maharaja Bir Bikram College celebrated its Foundation Day on 9 September 2026, with retired Professor Dr. Chandrika Basu Majumder as the Chief Speaker. The occasion marked the College's longstanding contribution to higher education in Tripura.



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Empowering Youth for an Atmanirbhar Tripura: A one-day workshop on Empowering Youth for an Atmanirbhar Tripura was held at MBB College on 27 August 2026. Organised by Samarth Bharat Prakostha, ABRSM Tripura, in collaboration with the College's IQAC and with support from the ABRSM MBB College Unit, the programme encouraged youth to develop skills, embrace self-reliance and contribute to Tripura's socio-economic development.



CAMPUS HIGHLIGHTS



National Sports Day: Kabaddi in Action. Students compete in a spirited kabaddi match during MBB College's two-day National Sports Day celebrations on 28–29 August 2026, showcasing agility, teamwork and sportsmanship.



Foundation Day: A Musical Celebration. A student band performs during MBB College's Foundation Day celebrations on 9 September 2026, bringing youthful energy and musical flair to the occasion.



INSTITUTIONAL MILESTONES, PARTNERSHIPS AND RECOGNITIONS



Institutional Excellence Award 2026: Representatives of Maharaja Bir Bikram College receive the Institutional Excellence Award 2026 in the College of the Year category from the University of Science & Technology Meghalaya (USTM) at Hotel Parkline, Agartala, on 18 July 2026. The award recognises the college's contribution to academic excellence, quality education, innovation and holistic institutional development.



MoU with Techno India University: The Principal of M.B.B. College and the Vice-Chancellor of Techno India University, along with representatives from both institutions, display the Memorandum of Understanding signed on 3 September 2026, marking a new milestone in the college's institutional partnerships.



INSTITUTIONAL MILESTONES, PARTNERSHIPS AND RECOGNITIONS



Recognition for Voluntary Blood Donation: Smt. Ratna Biswas, NSS Programme Officer, M.B.B. College, accompanied by NSS volunteers, receives the award from Shri Tinku Roy, Hon'ble Minister for Youth & Sports Affairs, at Pragna Bhawan, Agartala, on 1 October 2026. The Tripura State Blood Transfusion Council felicitated the college's NSS Unit for its outstanding contribution to voluntary blood donation.



Release of VIDYAPATTAN: Hon'ble Higher Education Minister Shri Kishor Barman unveiled the inaugural issue of VIDYAPATTAN: A Journal of Social and Scientific Research at Maharaja Bir Bikram College on 29 July 2026, marking a new chapter in the College's academic publishing efforts.



ACADEMIC, DEPARTMENTAL & LIBRARY ACTIVITIES.

Entrepreneurship and Swadeshi Economy

The Department of Economics, Maharaja Bir Bikram (MBB) College, Agartala, organised an awareness campaign on Entrepreneurship and Swadeshi Economy on 17 July 2026 at 12 noon in the Smart Classroom, Heritage Building. Dr. Dharmendra Dube, Professor, Tripura University, graced the programme as the main speaker. The campaign focused on a theme linking entrepreneurial initiative with support for indigenous production and local economic development. It offered an occasion to reflect on how enterprise, skills and the use of domestic resources can contribute to economic self-reliance and create meaningful opportunities for young people.



Women's Cell Participates in Stalking Awareness Programme

The Women's Cell of M.B.B. College participated in a stalking awareness programme held in collaboration with Tripura SWC and the launch of its website on 30 July 2026 at Noah Spire, Agartala. It was represented by the Women's Cell Convenor, two Cell members and three students from the Department of Psychology.



Yoga for Healthy Living

The Department of Physical Education, MBB College, organised an awareness programme on Yoga for Healthy Living on 23 July 2026 at Rabindra Hall, attended by 200 students. Resource person Dr. Mouli Karmakar, Founder and CEO of ABHYUDAYAM and President of the Haryana Chapter, discussed healthy lifestyles, balanced food habits and yoga's role in physical and mental wellbeing. Dr. Arjun Gope, Principal, attended as the special guest. Dr. Nilima Biswas, Teachers' Council Secretary, and Mr. Bikash Debbarma, Head of the Department of Physical Education, were also present. Students were encouraged to practise yoga daily. The programme concluded with the National Anthem and distribution of sweets to participants.





ACADEMIC, DEPARTMENTAL & LIBRARY ACTIVITIES.

National Librarian's Day Celebrated

The Central Library of Maharaja Bir Bikram College celebrated National Librarian's Day at 2:00 p.m. on 12 August 2026 at its premises. Sri Pijush Kanti Chaudhury, retired Senior Librarian of the College and Chief Guest, jointly inaugurated the programme with Dr. Arjun Gope, Principal, who also presided over the event. Special Guests included Dr. Mary Jamatia, Joint Secretary of the Teachers' Council, and Dr. Gourab Roy, Associate Professor, Department of Zoology. Sri Ramkrishna Bhattacharjee, Librarian, coordinated the programme. The celebration recognised librarians' contributions to education, research and literature, highlighting their role in supporting learning and access to knowledge. Faculty members and students participated in the commemorative programme, reflecting the College community's appreciation of library services.



MAHARAJA BIR BIKRAM COLLEGE, AGARTALA

Disaster Risk Reduction Club

NCC cadets and faculty members joined first aid and CPR training at MBB College on 15 July 2026, promoting life-saving skills and emergency preparedness. Cadets also collected biodegradable waste for composting at the College's compost pit. These DRR Club activities combined practical emergency response awareness with responsible waste management and environmental care on campus.



World Indigenous Peoples' Day Observed

The Department of Kokborok, MBB College, organised World Indigenous Peoples' Day observances on 18 August 2026 at the Smart Classroom, Heritage Building, with 153 students and teachers attending. The programme highlighted Indigenous midwives' contributions to safeguarding life and community well-being, alongside the preservation of Indigenous languages, cultures and knowledge systems. Shri Bhaskar Jyoti Debbarma, Assistant Professor, Government Degree College, Gandacherra, delivered the resource lecture. Plant watering, a welcome song, addresses by college representatives and cultural performances marked the occasion. The event emphasised preserving Kokborok and Indigenous heritage and concluded with a vote of thanks by Shri Suari Debbarma of the Department of Kokborok.



ACADEMIC, DEPARTMENTAL & LIBRARY ACTIVITIES.

Tree Plantation for a Greener Campus

The Department of Botany and NSS Unit, MBB College, organised a tree plantation programme on 7 August 2026 to promote environmental awareness. Students, teachers and NSS volunteers planted neem, amla, areca palm and rakta chandan saplings on campus. Speakers highlighted the importance of trees in maintaining ecological balance and climate action. The Botany Department demonstrated planting and care techniques, while



Ten-Day Spoken Sanskrit Camp

The Department of Sanskrit, MBB College, with the Centre for Sanskrit Learning, organised a spoken Sanskrit camp from 29 August to 7 September 2026. Sixty-five students attended daily two-hour classes conducted by Smt. Priya Nath, focusing on everyday conversation. Students demonstrated their learning through practical activities on the concluding day, followed by recitation of the Kalyana Mantra.



World Sanskrit Day Celebrated

The Department of Sanskrit, MBB College, Agartala, celebrated World Sanskrit Day on 28 August 2026 with active participation from students and faculty members. A speech competition on the importance of Sanskrit marked the occasion. The celebration provided students with an opportunity to express their views and reflect on the language's continuing significance.



Nasha Mukta Tripura Awareness Workshop

The Department of Education, MBB College, organised a Nasha Mukta Tripura workshop on 20 August 2026 in collaboration with Prajapita Brahma Kumaris. The programme focused on raising awareness about substance abuse and promoting an addiction-free society. It emphasised the importance of healthy choices, personal responsibility and collective efforts towards a drug-free Tripura.





ACADEMIC, DEPARTMENTAL & LIBRARY ACTIVITIES.

World Suicide Prevention Day Observed

The Department of Psychology, MBB College, observed World Suicide Prevention Day on 10 September 2026 with an awareness programme on the theme “Changing the Narrative on Suicide” and the call to action “Start the Conversation.” Through music, student participation and an interactive discussion, the programme explored emotional stress, expectations, hopelessness and coping with difficult situations. It highlighted the importance of compassionate listening, open dialogue and supportive relationships in helping people feel heard and less alone. Participants were encouraged to create safe spaces where individuals could speak without fear, seek support and be heard without judgement.



Special Lecture on Indian Ethics

The Department of Philosophy, MBB College, Agartala, under the aegis of the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), organised a special lecture programme titled “Role of Duty and Action for Universal Harmony: The Concept of Indian Ethics” on 16 September 2026 at the Smart Classroom, Heritage Building. Smt. Bijali Bhowmik, Associate Professor, Department of Philosophy, Rabindranath Thakur Mahavidyalaya, and Dr. Jyotirmoy Sharma, Assistant Professor, Swami Vivekananda Mahavidyalaya, served as resource persons. The programme focused on the role of duty and action in promoting universal harmony, highlighting their significance within the broader framework of Indian ethical thought and the relationship between individual moral responsibility and collective well-being.

Hindi Diwas Celebrated at MBB College

The Department of Hindi, MBB College, celebrated Hindi Diwas with enthusiasm and cultural fervour. Dr. Debjani Bhattacharjee, retired Associate Professor, Department of Sanskrit, MBB College, attended as the special guest. The Principal, Teachers' Council Secretary, faculty members and students attended the programme, joining the department in celebrating the Hindi language and its rich cultural heritage.





STUDENT ENGAGEMENT AND SUPPORT

First-Semester Classes Begin with Student Induction

All departments of Maharaja Bir Bikram College, Agartala, conducted student induction programmes on 7 August 2026, coinciding with the commencement of first-semester classes for the academic session 2026–27. The occasion welcomed newly admitted students as they began their undergraduate studies and entered a new academic environment.

The induction aimed to support students in their transition from school to college and help them understand the expectations of higher education. It provided an opportunity to begin connecting with their departments and approach the

semester with clarity and confidence.

Induction helps familiarise new students with the academic environment, encourages regular attendance and enables them to seek guidance when needed. It also supports communication between students and teachers, creating a foundation for academic participation and a sense of belonging.

By linking induction with the beginning of classes, the college brought orientation and academic engagement together. The programmes marked the start of the students' journey at MBB College, with learning, participation and personal growth ahead.





STUDENT ENGAGEMENT AND SUPPORT

First NEP 2020 Batch Enters Fourth Year at MBB College

Maharaja Bir Bikram College, Agartala, marked an academic milestone in 2026 with the introduction of fourth-year undergraduate Honours study, beginning with the seventh semester. The students belonged to Tripura's first undergraduate batch under the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020.

Following the Directorate of Higher Education's notification dated 18 August 2026, the college issued its admission notice on 20 August. Eligible students who had completed the sixth semester were invited to enrol between 21 and 29 August.

Classes commenced on 1 September 2026 with an orientation programme, following instructions from Principal Dr. Arjun Gope.

The orientation aimed to help students understand the transition to fourth-year study and prepare for the new academic expectations ahead.

The fourth-year rollout opened a further stage of undergraduate education for eligible students at the college. It marked the first NEP 2020 cohort's progression beyond six semesters and the beginning of a new phase in MBB College's implementation of the undergraduate programme.





STUDENT ENGAGEMENT AND SUPPORT



Mentor – Mentee Interactions

During July – September 2026, mentor – mentee interactions at Maharaja Bir Bikram College, Agartala, formed part of its continuing efforts to support students' academic progress and well-being. Activities in departments including Human Physiology, Geography and Philosophy focused on attendance, academic – concerns, participation and overall development.



Parent– Teacher Meet

The Department of Philosophy, MBB College, organised a Parent–Teacher Meeting on 03 September 2026 for students of the 1st, 3rd and 5th Semesters. The meeting aimed to strengthen communication among teachers, students and parents/guardians. Discussions focused on students' academic performance, attendance, regularity, classroom participation and overall progress, highlighting the importance of parental involvement in supporting students' academic development.



Principal's Meeting with Class Representatives

The Principal of Maharaja Bir Bikram (MBB) College convened a meeting with all third-semester Class Representatives on 9 July 2026 in the Smart Classroom, Heritage Building. The meeting began with students and faculty members singing the National Song. The College has Class Representatives (CRs) in every semester, providing a channel for regular communication between students and the administration.

MBBC CHRONICLES

July–September 2026

DEPARTMENT IN FOCUS

CHEMISTRY

Maharaja Bir Bikram College, Agartala

Nearly eight decades of teaching, research and scientific learning.



OUR ACADEMIC JOURNEY

1947

Chemistry introduced at the Intermediate Science (I.Sc.) level

1951–52

Chemistry introduced at the B.Sc. level

1953–54

Chemistry Honours programme introduced

2020–21

MBB University's Integrated Master's Degree programme begins

SPACES FOR LEARNING



1

ICT-equipped lecture gallery



2

classrooms



3

teaching laboratories



1

research laboratory



1

instrument room and 1 storeroom



Student-managed departmental library

STUDENT PROGRESSION



Approximately 20 students admitted to postgraduate programmes at IITs, NITs and Tripura University over the past two years.



NATIONAL SEMINAR • MARCH 2026

Emerging Areas of Chemistry: Current Trends, Challenges and Future Prospects

Two-day seminar commencing 19 March 2026



~175 participants



~15

invited scientists



45

oral presentations



21

poster presentations

Speakers from IACS, IITs, NITs, CSIR-NEIST and universities.

THE PRESENT TEAM



Faculty

Dr. Pradip Debnath
Dr. Saikat Das Sharma
Dr. Biplab Ghosh

Laboratory and Support Staff

Sri Nirmal Debnath
Smt. Jhumur Roy Chaudhuri

Honouring the contributions of former teachers, laboratory personnel and alumni.

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July–September 2026

DEPARTMENT IN FOCUS

ENGLISH

Maharaja Bir Bikram College, Agartala

A tradition of literary learning, intellectual inquiry and service.



OUR BEGINNINGS



9 September 1947

Established alongside the College, shortly after India's Independence, the Department of English is one of its foundational departments.

EARLY PIONEERS



Upendra Kumar Roy



Ramesh Chandra Roy



Bhupesh Chandra
Bhattacharjee



Himangshunath Ganguli

Their scholarship and dedication helped lay the foundations of the department's academic legacy.

ACADEMIC OFFERINGS



B.A. English
Honours



Pass courses



Foundation courses

SKILLS FOR LIFE



Literary
understanding



Critical
thinking



Analytical
skills



Communication
skills

AN ENDURING ACADEMIC LEGACY



The department's growth has been shaped by generations of dedicated teachers, including:

Professor Ashok Hui
Dr. Bamapada Mukherjee
Professor Saroj Choudhury
Dr. Prabhash Dhar

Shri Subhash Das
Dr. Dilip Sarkar
Professor Ashes Gupta

OUR ALUMNI, OUR PRIDE

Graduates have contributed across the country in:



Academia



Education



Administrative
services



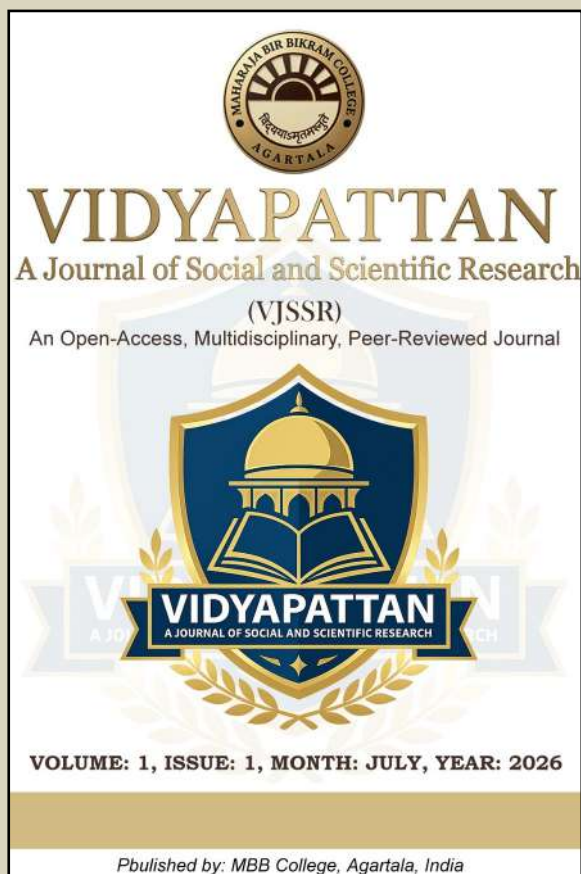
Public and
private sectors

Honouring the teachers and alumni who have carried forward a legacy of scholarship and service.



RESEARCH AND PUBLICATIONS

VIDYAPATTAN: A New Platform for Multidisciplinary Research



Maharaja Bir Bikram College marked a milestone in academic publishing with the inaugural issue of VIDYAPATTAN: A Journal of Social and Scientific Research (VJSSR). Volume 1, Issue 1, dated June 2026, was formally released on 29 July 2026.

The open-access, multidisciplinary, peer-reviewed journal provides a platform for research across Science, Arts, Commerce and allied fields.

The inaugural issue featured ten research papers, covering subjects ranging from financial fraud detection and investment behaviour to education, gender and geomorphosite conservation. Contributions included Infrastructure, Care Burden, and Gendered Citizenship in Tripura, authored by college faculty member Pankaj Debbarma and co-authors.

The journal's editorial leadership comprises Dr. Arjun Gope, Principal, as Editorial Chair, and Dr. Pradip Debnath, Associate Professor, as Editor-in-Chief. The issue is freely accessible through the College website.

Student Teams to Participate in National Seminar

Two student teams from the Department of Geography, including a team led by seventh-semester student Sampili Debbarma, will participate in the ICSSR-sponsored national seminar at Government Degree College, Khumulwng, on 13–14 October 2026. Their accepted studies examine district-level disparities in school digital infrastructure, household internet use and educational attainment in Tripura, and the shift from searching to asking AI in academic resource use among college students in Agartala.

Faculty Research Publications

Dr. Goutam Saha, Department of Statistics, M.B.B. College, published two research papers in 2026. His study in the Journal of Biomedical and Pharmaceutical Research examines animal-bite cases in Tripura, identifying demographic, socioeconomic and seasonal patterns.

Another paper, published in the Journal of Statistics and Mathematical Engineering, uses graph theory and simulated networks to explore ways of reducing repetition and delays in academic administration.

ADMISSIONS AT A GLANCE: 2026-27

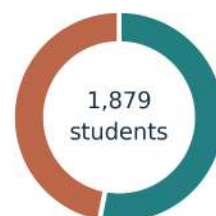
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Admission Profile | Academic Session 2026-27

Enrolment at a glance

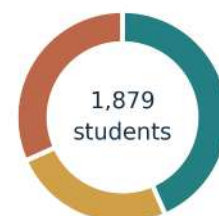
Indicator	Figure
Total enrolment	1,879
Academic streams	4
Male students	53%
Female students	47%
Scheduled Tribe (ST)	43.4%
Unreserved (UR)	24.9%
SC + OBC (combined)	31.7%

Gender composition



■ Male: 53%
■ Female: 47%

Admission categories



■ ST: 43.4%
■ UR: 24.9%
■ SC + OBC: 31.7%

Arts stream: Female enrolment exceeds male enrolment.
Female representation is reported as consistent across admission categories.

SC: Scheduled Caste | OBC: Other Backward Classes. SC and OBC are shown together as supplied.
Source: Admission figures supplied for MBBC Chronicles, 2026-27. Percentages reproduced as supplied.

EXAMINATIONS AT A GLANCE: 2026-27

MAHARAJA BIR BIKRAM COLLEGE

University Examinations | 2026

Examination summary

Indicator	Details
University	MBBU
Examination period	21 July - 18 August 2026
UG semesters	2nd, 4th and 6th
UG candidature	Regular and Back
IMD Chemistry semesters	2nd and 4th
IMD candidature	Back Papers
Examination status	Completed

UG under CBCS



Regular and Back Papers
Completed

IMD in Chemistry



Back Paper Examinations
Completed

Internal Assessment: Odd semesters, 2026.
Ongoing at the time of reporting.

The dates above refer to the overall university examination period.



CAREER GUIDANCE AND SKILL DEVELOPMENT

Empowering Youth for an Atmanirbhar Tripura

A one-day workshop on Empowering Youth for an Atmanirbhar Tripura was organised at Maharaja Bir Bikram College, Agartala, on 27 August 2026. The programme aimed to inspire young people to become self-reliant, skilled and active contributors to Tripura's socio-economic development. It emphasised youth empowerment as a foundation for building a self-reliant state, with a focus on developing capabilities and encouraging meaningful participation in society.

Samarth Bharat Prakostha, Akhil Bharatiya Rashtriya Shaikshik Mahasangh (ABRSM), Tripura, organised the workshop in collaboration with the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), M.B.B. College. The ABRSM M.B.B. College Unit also played an important role in organising the programme and supporting this collective initiative for youth empowerment.



Special Career Exhibition

The Employment Exchange, West Tripura, and MBB College's Training and Placement Cell organised a career exhibition on 21 September 2026 at the college. Sri Shyamal Bhattacharjee, Joint Director, Employment Services and Manpower Planning, Government of Tripura, addressed the gathering, while Principal-in-charge Dr. Deepa Ghosh chaired the session. Students, faculty members and administrative staff participated in the programme.





STUDENT AND ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENTS



M.B.B. College alumnus Pijush Kanti Debbarma (2018 – 2021 batch) was selected through TPSC as Assistant Professor in Environmental Science for Tripura's Government Degree Colleges. Announced on 21 July 2026, his achievement inspires the college's students pursuing academic excellence and professional success.



M.B.B. College alumnus Mr. Swagatam Das (2018 – 2021 batch) was selected through TPSC for appointment as Assistant Professor of Human Physiology in Tripura's Government Degree Colleges. Announced on 21 July 2026, his selection marks a proud achievement and inspires students pursuing academic careers.



M.B.B. College alumnus Mr. Harsangsuam Halam (2017–2020 batch) was selected through TPSC as Assistant Professor in Statistics for Tripura's Government Degree Colleges. Announced on 21 July 2026, his achievement inspires the college's students pursuing academic excellence and professional success.



Binay Sutradhar, a third-semester Psychology Major student, presented his hand-drawn portrait of Maharaja Bir Bikram Kishore Manikya Bahadur to the Hon'ble Governor of Tripura on behalf of M.B.B. College during the state-level Nasha Mukt Tripura awareness workshop on 18 July 2026.



STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS AND DISTINCTIONS



Distinction at Thal Sainik Camp

Cadet Sagar Debbarma won a gold medal in Service Shooting (Application Firing), representing the North Eastern Region Directorate at Thal Sainik Camp, DG NCC, Delhi. He joined fellow M.B.B. College cadets Sagnik Kumar Sinha (Map Reading) and Joydwip Chowdhury (Health and Hygiene) as three of the four participants from 13 Tripura Battalion NCC. The cadets later received felicitation from the Additional Director General of the NER Directorate.

Football Triumph

Cadet Lalela Kaipeng (History Major, NCC Minor) helped his team win the football tournament at Don Bosco School, Nabasadar, on 25 August 2026 as goalkeeper.



NSS Volunteers Represent College at Independence Day Parade

NSS volunteers Ankita Das (Psychology Major) and Sugrib Sarkar (Commerce Major) represented M.B.B. College at the 80th Independence Day Parade at Assam Rifles Ground, Agartala, on 15 August 2026, bringing pride to the college through their commitment to discipline and national service.



Students Excel in Cultural Competitions

Anushka Sen (pictured), a third-semester Psychology Major student, secured first prize in the Gita Recitation Competition held during the Shri Krishna Janmashtami celebrations at Kailashewari Kali Mandir, Kailashahar, on 4 September 2026.

Fellow third-semester Psychology Major student Tamadrita Majumder secured first position in Rabindra Sangeet and second in Adhunik Song at Bishwamaitri Sanskriti Parishad's competition in Dharmanagar on 25 – 26 July 2026.



CULTURE AND CREATIVE EXPRESSIONS

Wall Magazines: Celebrating Student Creativity

Departmental wall magazines and digital literary platforms offered students opportunities to showcase their writing, artistic expression and academic interests during the July–September quarter.

The Department of Economics celebrated Teachers' Day with the unveiling of its wall magazine, UNMESHITA, and its digital edition, e-UNMESHITA. The juniors also invited the department's 2026 graduates, now pursuing higher education at Tripura University and other universities, to join the celebration.

The Department of Physics unveiled the latest edition of Spectrum on 5 September 2026. Written and decorated by students, the magazine reflected their collective creative efforts.

The Department of Bengali also marked Teachers' Day with the unveiling of its wall magazine, Batayan.

The Department of Geography inaugurated Geo Vistar 3.0 on 8 September 2026, alongside its Freshers' Welcome and Farewell Programme. Organised by the Geography Students Forum with the active involvement of fifth-semester students, the occasion combined academic expression with cultural performances and interaction among students and teachers.

The wall magazine Vision and e-literary magazine Vox Literaria of Department of English were inaugurated by Principal Dr. Arjun Gope. These platforms aim to encourage creative writing, critical thinking and artistic expression among students.





CULTURE AND CREATIVE EXPRESSIONS

Teachers' Day Celebrated Across Departments

Teachers' Day was celebrated across the departments of Maharaja Bir Bikram College during September 2026, honouring teachers and commemorating the birth anniversary of Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan, philosopher, educationist and former President of India.

Students organised programmes expressing their gratitude through speeches, cultural performances, cake cutting and handmade gifts. Celebrations also featured student-led teaching sessions, interactive lectures, quizzes and the unveiling of departmental wall magazines, reflecting students' creativity and initiative.

Faculty members shared their experiences, discussed the significance of Teachers' Day and encouraged students to pursue learning with curiosity and responsibility. The celebrations highlighted teachers' role as educators, mentors and guides, while strengthening the bond between students and faculty through shared moments of appreciation and togetherness.





SPORTS AND GAMES

NATIONAL SPORTS DAY 2026

Maharaja Bir Bikram College, Agartala • 28-29 August 2026

WINNERS & RUNNERS-UP

CHESS

Girls • Semester-wise results

5TH SEMESTER

- 1 **Susmita Choudhury**
Winner
- 2 **Shreeyase Banik**
Runner-up

3RD SEMESTER

- 1 **Susmita Debbarma**
Winner
- 2 **Ankita Mitra**
Runner-up

CARROM

Boys • Semester-wise results

5TH SEMESTER

- 1 **Piyush Paul**
- 2 **Aichuk Debbarma**

3RD SEMESTER

- 1 **Amar Debbarma**
- 2 **Raj Chakma**

1ST SEMESTER

- 1 **Sayan Das**
- 2 **Josh Jamatia**

TABLE TENNIS

Individual results

BOYS

- 1 **Surjya Chakma**
1st Semester
- 2 **Samir Tripura**
7th Semester

GIRLS

- 1 **Priyashree Singha**
5th Semester
- 2 **Payeli Debbarma**
5th Semester

KABADDI

Departmental team results

BOYS

CHAMPION
Physical Education
RUNNER-UP
Chemistry

GIRLS

CHAMPION
Physical Education
RUNNER-UP
NCC

Source: Games & Sports Sub-Committee, M.B.B. College



Double Triumph in Kabaddi: The Department of Physical Education's boys' and girls' teams emerged as champions in the Kabaddi competitions held at M.B.B. College during the National Sports Day celebrations on 28-29 August 2026.



National Sports Day Moments: Students demonstrate concentration at the chessboard and agility at the table tennis table during M.B.B. College's National Sports Day celebrations on 28-29 August 2026.



NSS ACTIVITIES AND ENGAGEMENTS



- **Blood Donation Awareness:** On 20 July 2026, the NSS Unit organised an awareness programme encouraging students to participate in voluntary blood donation and develop a spirit of volunteerism and social responsibility.
- **Online Self-Enumeration Awareness:** NSS volunteers conducted an awareness campaign at Math Chowmuhani on 22 July, explaining the self-enumeration process and assisting citizens in completing it through mobile devices.
- **Record Blood Donation:** A blood donation camp held at Rabindra Hall on 29 July, inaugurated by Higher Education Minister Sri Kishor Barman, recorded 75 donors, comprising 73 students and two guest lecturers.
- **Youth Against Substance Abuse:** The NSS Programme Officer and 10 volunteers attended the Nasha Mukta Yuva for Viksit Bharat – 2026



virtual interaction programme at Sakhicharan Vidyaniketan on 2 August, promoting awareness against substance abuse.

- **Greener Campus:** On 7 August, the NSS Unit, in collaboration with the Department of Botany, organised a tree plantation programme, encouraging environmental awareness and the care of planted saplings.



NSS ACTIVITIES AND ENGAGEMENTS



- **Tiranga Rally:** NSS volunteers participated in the Tiranga Rally commencing from Ujjayanta Palace on 12 August, promoting patriotism, national unity and responsible citizenship.
- **Independence Day Service:** On 15 August, NSS volunteers supported the college's Independence Day programme, featuring Vande Mataram sung collectively by 1,561 voices. They also assisted an unwell student and cleaned the campus after the programme.
- **NSS Foundation Day:** Volunteers conducted a campus cleanliness drive on 24 September, promoting hygiene, environmental awareness and the NSS ideal of service to others.
- **Tree Rakhi:** On 25 September, volunteers tied handmade rakhis around campus trees as a symbolic pledge to protect nature and promote environmental responsibility.



- **Viksit Bharat Quiz Awareness:** NSS volunteers displayed informative posters in the New Academic Building, New Science Building and Old Science Building, encouraging students to participate in the quiz.



NCC IN ACTION



- **Drug Abuse Awareness | 2 July 2026:** NCC cadets and other students attended a state-level awareness programme at Agartala Town Hall, guided by Ms. Poushali Saha.
- **MY Bharat Meeting | 6 July 2026:** Guest Lecturer Mr. Dibyajyoti Chowdhury represented NCC at a meeting chaired by the Additional District Magistrate, West Tripura. Discussions focused on youth registration and social service through the MY Bharat platform.
- **Proposed NCC Classroom | 16 July 2026:** Col. N.S. Bhaat, Commanding Officer, 13 Tripura Battalion NCC, met Principal Dr. Arjun Gope to discuss a proposed audiovisual classroom and subsequently interacted with cadets.
- **Anti-Drug Workshop | 18 July 2026:** Cadets and faculty participated in the state-level workshop at MBB College. NCC cadet pilots



escorted the Governor of Tripura, while the programme promoted awareness against substance abuse.

- **Kargil Commemoration | 25 July 2026:** Cadets and faculty attended a programme preceding Kargil Vijay Diwas at Albert Ekka War Memorial, Agartala, honouring the sacrifices of Indian soldiers.



NCC IN ACTION



- **Blood Donation Service | 29 July 2026:** NCC cadets and faculty supported the college's blood donation camp. Cadets also donated blood, demonstrating their commitment to humanitarian service.
- **Disaster Preparedness and Composting | July 2026:** Cadets and faculty participated in CPR demonstrations organised through the Disaster Risk Reduction Club. The NCC team also collected biodegradable waste for composting at the college compost pit.
- **Principal's Felicitation | July 2026:** Principal Dr. Arjun Gope recognised cadets participating in centrally organised camps, drill and cultural competitions, including Hojagiri performers who earned a wildcard opportunity for Pre-Republic Day Camp I.

- **National Camel Safari Camp | July 2026:** Lance Corporal Paisafu Mog participated in a national camp in Rajasthan, gaining exposure to desert terrain and exchanging experiences with cadets from across India.
- **Prime Minister's Anti-Drug Interaction | 2 August 2026:** Cadets and faculty attended the Prime Minister's virtual interaction on substance abuse, reinforcing their commitment to a drug-free society.
- **Partition Horrors Remembrance Day | 14 August 2026:** Cadets supported the college programme attended by the Chief Minister and joined faculty members in a mass rally.
- **Independence Day Participation | 15 August 2026:** Cadets participated in the college celebrations following drill practice at Assam Rifles from 17 July to 15 August.



NCC IN ACTION

- **New Cadet Enrolment | 17–18 August 2026:** Interested students attended an enrolment briefing on 17 August, followed by a physical endurance test on 18 August in the presence of an Army instructor.
- **Anti-Drug Pledge | 18 August 2026:** The NCC Department led a collective pledge under Nasha Mukta Bharat Abhiyaan, involving the Teachers' Council Secretary, NSS Programme Officer and faculty members.
- **Football Achievement | 25 August 2026:** Cadet Lalela Kaipeng participated as goalkeeper in a four-day knockout tournament at Don Bosco School, Nabasadar. His team emerged as champions, winning a trophy and cash prize.
- **Departmental Audit | 3 September 2026:** Designated faculty members conducted the NCC Department's annual audit, reviewing its records and activities.
- **Sikshak Pranam | 6 September 2026:** NCC cadets and faculty attended the programme organised by the Directorate of Higher Education.
- **Group Commander's Visit | 7 September 2026:** Brig. A.R. Singh discussed NCC development with the Principal and faculty and interacted with cadets. Former SUO Pijush Kanti Debbarma received felicitation for his selection as Assistant Professor in Environmental Science through TPSC, while Cadet Bishal Deb received recognition for his selection as an Agniveer.



SWACHHATA HI SEVA 2026

Maharaja Bir Bikram College, Agartala

17 September–2 October 2026



10 scheduled activities



22 departments



CAMPAIGN PROGRAMME

17–18 Sept	Swachh Paathshala
19–20 Sept	Time-bound Transformation
21–22 Sept	Clean Public Places
23–24 Sept	Jan Bhagidari Advocacy
25–26 Sept	Sports for Swachhata
27 Sept	Clean Tourist Sites
28–29 Sept	Swachhata Se Samridhhi
30 Sept	Safai Mitra Suraksha
1 Oct	Ek Din, Ek Ghanta, Ek Saath
2 Oct	Swachh Bharat Diwas



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