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Guwahati, Assam



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Sonapur College
Sonapur, Assam

SCHEDULE

DAY 1

23 October 2024 – Wednesday

Venue: The Assam Royal Global University, Guwahati

08.30 – 10.00 am Registration & Reporting

10.00 – 11.15 am Inauguration

Lighting the lamp

Welcome

- **Prof. Dr. T. Kumari Kharbamon**

(National President, ELTAI)

Vice Chancellor, Martin Luther Christian University, Shillong, Meghalaya

Presidential Address

- **Dr Ashok Kumar Pansari**

Hon'ble Chancellor, The Assam Royal Global University

- **Prof. Dr. Y.S.R.Murthy**

Vice Chancellor, The Assam Royal Global University

Annual Report of ELTAI

- **Dr. M. S. Xavier Pradheep Singh**

National Secretary, ELTAI

Assistant Professor of English, St. Joseph's College, Tiruchirappalli, Tamil Nadu

Felicitations

- **Dr Devabrot Khanikor**

Principal, Sonapur College, Sonapur

- **Dr Ravi**

Director, EFL University, Shillong, Meghalaya

- **The Deputy Commissioner**

Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan Regional Office, Guwahati

Inaugural Address

- **Dr Ranoj Pegu**

Hon'ble Minister of Education, Assam

Launches & Releases

- New Logo of ELTAI

- New Website of ELTAI

- Annual Report of ELTAI (2023-24)

- Proceedings of the Conference

- Journal of English Language Teaching

Vote of Thanks

- **Ms. Banani Das Hazarika**

(Convenor, ELTAI Annual Conference 2024)

Assistant Professor of English,

The Assam Royal Global University

11.15 – 11.45 am Networking (High) Tea

11.45 – 01.00 pm Plenary – I: *Folk Poetics and Praxis in Storytelling: A Khasi Oral Epic*

Speaker

- **Prof. Desmond L. Kharmawphlang**

Professor, Department of Cultural and Creative Studies, North-Eastern Hill University, Shillong

Moderator

- **Dr. Protim Sharma**

Principal, Sibsagar College, Assam

01.00 – 02.00 pm Lunch Break

02.00 – 03.00 pm Lightning Talks

Moderator

- **Dr. Dhurjjati Sarma**

Assistant Professor, Department of Modern Indian Languages and Literary Studies, Gauhati University

Speakers

- **Dr. Chumki Biswas**

Associate Professor of English, TSEC, Mumbai

- **Mr. Bidya Bhushan Nayak**

Ph.D. Research Scholar, Department of English Language Education, EFL University, Shillong

- **Mrs. Orawan Perrodin**

Potisarnpittayakorn School, Bangkok, Thailand

- **Ms. Deify Bakordor Suting**
Ph.D. Research Scholar, The Royal School of Languages, The Assam Royal Global University
- **Ms. Gunjana Dey**
Assistant Professor of English, Guwahati College
- **Ms. Archita Gogoi**
PhD Research Scholar, Department of English Language Teaching, Gauhati University, Guwahati
- **Mr. Joseph Vinoth M.**
Ph.D. Research Scholar, Department of English, St. Joseph's College (Autonomous), Trichy, Tamil Nadu
- **Dr. Datta Gangadharrao Sawant**
Associate Professor of English, Toshniwal Arts, Commerce & Science College, Sengaon, Maharashtra
- **Ms. Priyanka Sana**
Ph.D. Research Scholar, Department of English Bodoland University, Assam
- **Ms. Shweta Sarkar**
Ph.D. Research Scholar, Department of English Language Education, EFL Univeristy, Shillong
- **Dr. Dinanath Sudhakar Patil**
Asst. Professor and HoD of English, MGSM'S Dadasaheb Dr. Suresh G. Patil College, Maharashtra

- 03.00 – 03.20 pm Sponsors' Presentation**
- 03.25 – 04.45 pm Paper Presentations – I (Parallel Sessions)**
- 04.45 – 05.00 pm Networking Tea**
- 05.00 – 06.00 pm Cultural Events**
- 07.00 pm - Welcome Dinner for Guests, Sponsors, and Hosts**




DAY 2

24 October 2024 – Thursday

Venue: The Assam Royal Global University, Guwahati

- 08:30 – 09:00 am** Registration & Reporting
- 09:00 – 10:15 am** Paper Presentation – II (Parallel Sessions)
- 10:15 – 10:30 am** Networking Tea
- 10:30 – 11:25 am** Plenary II: *ELT: From Here to Where?*
- Speaker - **Prof. Shreesh Choudhary**
(Formerly Professor of English, IIT - Madras)
Paanchajanya Centre, Pindaruch, Darbhanga, Bihar
- Moderator - **Dr. Vaibhav Sabnis**
Associate Professor of English, Dr.B.A.M.College
of Law, Dhule, Maharashtra
- 11:30 – 01:00 pm** Panel Discussion: *Voices of the North East: Exploring Identity, Culture and Belonging Through Literature, Journalism and Art*
- Moderator - **Mr. Mrinal Talukdar**
Author, veteran journalist, and talk show host
- Panellists - **Ms. Rashmi Narzary**
Author, Independent Editor, Sahitya Akademi Awardee
- **Mr. Madhu Raghavendra**
Poet, Charles Wallace Fellow
- **Mr. Sushanta Talukdar**
Editor, NEZINE, Guwahati, Assam
- **Dr. Moushumi Kandali**
(Author and Art critic), Assistant Professor,
Department of Cultural Studies, Tezpur Central
University, Tezpur, Assam
- **Dr Theyiesinuo Kreditsu**
(Poet, Academic, and Cultural conservationist)
Assistant Professor of English, Kohima College
- 01:00 – 02:00 pm** Lunch Break
- 02:00 – 03:00 pm** Plenary III: *Learn 2 Read; Read 2 Learn- Nudging Learners into Reading*
- Speaker - **Rev. Dr. Francis M. Peter SJ**
Chairperson, Centre of Excellence for Research and
Training in Educational Leadership, St. Joseph's
College, Trichy, Tamil Nadu
- Moderator - **Dr. Anindya Shyam Choudhary**
Professor & Head, Department of English
Assam University, Assam
- 03.00 – 04.30 pm** Symposium: *Do Books and Reading Have a Future?*
- Moderator - **Prof. Dr. K. Venkat Reddy**
Professor, Department of English Language
Education, EFL University, Shillong, Meghalaya
- Speakers - **Prof. Dr. Richmond Stroupe**
Chair of the Masters in International Lang. Edu.,
TESOL Programme, Soka University, Tokyo, Japan
- **Dr. David D. Perrodin**
English Language Specialist, Mahidol University,
Bangkok, Thailand
- **Dr. Manoharan**
Formerly Associate Professor of English,
GTN College, Dindigul, Tamil Nadu

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- **Dr. Namrata Pathak**
Associate Professor of English,
North-Eastern Hill University, Shillong
 - **Prof. Dr. Krishna Barua**
Professor and Dean i/c, Royal School of Languages
The Assam Royal Global University, Guwahati, Assam
 - **Mr. Sreetilak Sambhanda**
Executive Vice President, Viva Books, New Delhi

04.30 – 04.45 pm Networking Tea
04.30 - 05.30 pm Poster Presentations
05.30 – 06.30 pm ELTAI Chapter Heads Meeting
07.00 pm – Thanksgiving Dinner for ELTAI Chapter Heads



DAY 3

25 October 2024 – Friday

Venue: Sonapur College, Sonapur

- 08.00 – 09.15 am Travel to Sonapur College (Buses have been arranged for participants)
09.30 – 10.45 am Paper Presentations III (Parallel Sessions)
10.45 - 11.00 am Networking Tea
11.00 - 12.30 pm Workshops - I (Parallel Sessions)

No	Title	Workshop Facilitator
1	<i>Global Issues and English Language Education: Integrating English, Critical Thinking Skills and Global Understanding in an EAP Course</i>	Prof. Dr. Richmond Stroupe Chair of the Masters in International Language Education, TESOL Programme, Soka University, Tokyo, Japan
2	<i>How to Support Language Learners with Learning Difficulties</i>	Prof. Dr. Laxman Gnawali President - NELTA, Professor, Department of Language Education, Kathmandu University, Nepal
3	<i>Academic Publishing: A Guided Tour for Aspiring Authors</i>	Mr. Sreetilak Sambhanda Executive Vice President, Viva Books, New Delhi
4	<i>Literature in the Classroom</i>	Dr. Bibhash Choudhury Professor, Department of English, Gauhati University, Guwahati
5	<i>The Art of Writing Quality Research Papers: Navigating the Path to Quality Publications</i>	Prof. Pushp Lata Professor, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, BITS, Pilani Campus, Rajasthan
6	<i>Age-old skills and/or New-age skills: The ESL classroom needs in the age of AI</i>	Dr. Rani P. L. Professor of English, Sri Sathya Sai Institute of Higher Learning, Andhra Pradesh, India
7	<i>India Reads</i>	Dr. S. Shraavan Kumar Professor and Dean, School of Liberal Arts, Uttaranchal University, Dehradun, Uttarakhand
		Mr. Prasanna Paul Anandh BenHive Technologies, Chennai, Tamil Nadu

- 12.30 - 1.30 pm Lunch
11.00 - 12.30 pm Workshops - I (Parallel Sessions)

No	Title of the Workshop	Workshop Facilitator
1	<i>Fostering Global Citizenship Through Literary Exploration and Critical Thinking</i>	Dr David D. Perrodin English Language Specialist, Mahidol University, Bangkok, Thailand
2	<i>Translating and Organizing Concepts for Research Paper Write-up</i>	Dr. Prodhan Mahbub Ibna Seraj Associate Professor of English, American International University-Bangladesh (AIUB), Dhaka, Bangladesh

No	Title of the Workshop	Workshop Facilitator
3	<i>Integrating Global Issues and Technology in English Education: Teaching for the Digital Age</i>	Dr. Manashi Gogoi Dutta Lecturer, King Mongkut's Institute of Technology, Ladkrabang, Thailand
4	<i>English across curriculum</i>	Dr. Niva Devi Sarma Assistant Professor, Symbiosis Institute of Technology, Lavale, Pune, Maharashtra
5	<i>Developing Advanced Grammar Skills in Identifying and Constructing Long Subject or Object Noun Phrases (NPs)</i>	Dr Tarun Tamuli P.G.T. and KRP (ELE), Selenghat Higher Secondary School, Jorhat
6	<i>Teaching English for Academic Purposes: Ideas and Options</i>	Dr Shakul Tewari Visiting Assistant Professor, BITS Pilani, Hyderabad Campus Dr Chintalapalli Vijayakumar Assistant Professor, BITs Pilani, Pilani Campus

03.00 – 03.15 pm	Networking Tea
03.15 – 04.30 pm	Paper Presentation – IV (Parallel Sessions)
4.30 pm -	Return to The Assam Royal Global University, Guwahati
07.00 – 07.30 pm	ELTAI Executive Committee
07.30 pm –	Fellowship Dinner for the ELTAI Executive Committee Members

DAY 4

26 October 2024 – Saturday

Venue: The Assam Royal Global University, Guwahati

09.00 – 10.15 am Paper Presentations – V (Parallel Sessions)

10.15 – 10.30 am Networking Tea

10.30 – 11.15 am Plenary IV: **Professional Development Strategies for Teachers to Thrive in Changing Times**

- Speaker - **Prof. Dr. Laxman Gnawali**
President - NELTA, Professor, Department of Language Education, Kathmandu University, Nepal
- Moderator - **Dr. Pranjana Kalita**
Assistant Professor, Department of English Language Teaching, Gauhati University, Guwahati

11.15 – 12.30 pm Roundtable Discussion: **AI and Emerging Technologies: Catalysts or Disruptors?**

- Moderator - **Dr. Anusha Ramanathan**
Asst Prof., Centre of Excellence in Teacher Education Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS), Mumbai
- Panellists - **Dr. Manashi Gogoi**
Lecturer, King Mongkut's Institute of Technology, Bangkok, Thailand
- **Dr. Prodhan Mahbub Ibna Seraj**
Associate Professor of English, American International University-Bangladesh, Dhaka, Bangladesh
- **Dr. Kishore Selva Babu**
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- **Dr. K. J. Vargheese**
Associate Professor & HoD of English, Christ College, Irinjalakuda, Kerala
- **Prof. Mridul Bordoloi**
Professor, Department of English Dibrugarh University, Assam
- **Dr. D. Praveen Sam**
Assistant Professor of English, Sri Sivasubramaniya Nadar College of Engineering, Chennai, Tamil Nadu


12.30 – 01.30 pm Lunch

01.30 – 02.15 pm Plenary V

- Speaker - **Dr. Debanjan Chakrabarti**
Director, East and North East India, British Council, Kolkata
- Moderator - **Dr Irom Gambhir Singh**
(Convenor - ELTAI Annual Conference 2024)
Professor & Head, Department of English, Manipur University, Imphal, Manipur

02.30 – 03.30 pm Valedictory

- Welcome - **Dr. S. Shravan Kumar**
Professor and Dean, School of Liberal Arts, Uttarakhand University, Dehradun, Uttarakhand
- Conference Report - **Dr Baishalee Rajkhowa**
(Organising Secretary, ELTAI 2024 Annual Conference)
Associate Professor of English, Royal School of Languages, The Assam Royal Global University



Valedictory Address

Guest of Honour

Special Address

- **Dr. Debanjan Chakrabarti**

Director, East and North East India,
British Council, Kolkata

Announcing ELTAI-2025 - **Dr. Kishore Selva Babu**

Associate Professor and HoD of English and Cultural
Studies, Christ University, Bengaluru

Feedback from Participants

Vote of Thanks

- **Mr. Prakash R. H.**

(National Joint Secretary, ELTAI) Secondary Teacher,
Government High School, Herakal, Bagalkot, Karnataka

- **Dr. Nizara Hazarika**

(Convenor - ELTAI Annual Conference 2024)
Associate Professor of English, Sonapur College

03.30 – 03.45 pm Refreshment

03.30 pm - Certificate Distribution

04.15 pm – Thanksgiving High Tea for Volunteers



About ELTAI

Founded in 1969, ELTAI is India's leading non-profit organisation dedicated to empowering English language teachers, educators, and students. With a mission to enhance the quality of education through English language teaching, ELTAI supports professional growth, innovative practices, and research collaboration. Our network spans 74 chapters and connects over 5,500 educators across the country, fostering a vibrant community committed to excellence in English teaching.

The ELTAI Annual Conference

As the flagship event for ELT professionals, the ELTAI Annual Conference brings together over 700 educators, administrators, researchers, and students. This dynamic forum offers plenary sessions, symposiums, panel discussions, interactive workshops, paper and poster presentations, and book exhibitions. It's a unique opportunity to connect, share ideas, and discover the latest trends in language education—an unmissable platform for professional development and collaboration.

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