### A Regional Training on

# Democracy & Human Rights of Indigenous Peoples of North East India

#### Date: July 7- 12, 2009

## Venue: SHILPGRAM, North East Zone Cultural Centre, Panjabari, Guwahati, Assam, India

# **Provisional Programme**

7<sup>th</sup> July : Arrival of guests and participants to SHILPGRAM, Guwahati

7:00-10 PM : Traditional welcome/ Welcome dinner / Cultural solidarity nite

(Welcome dinner sponsored by Mr. Naren Basumatary)

8<sup>th</sup> July : Inaugural Session: Chairperson- Dr. Ram Dayal Munda, Former Vice Chancellor, Ranchi

University and the Chief President, ICITP

10:00am Dignitaries taking their seats

Lighting of lamp:

Welcome Dance: Local Indigenous and Tribal communities

Greetings and Welcome address:

Jebra Ram Muchahary, President, ICITP-NEZ

Mr. Ben Hlavati, Taiwan Foundation for Democracy Taiwan

Release of Report on "Workshop-cum-Seminar on Peace & Development" & Inauguration of the

training and address by the Chief Guest

Address by guests of honours Summing up by the Chair

Vote of Thanks

Mr. Satish Basumatary, General Secretary, Sanzukta Janajati Aikya Manch-Assam

12:00 noon Lunch Break (Sponsored ......)

01:30 pm Plenary session (1): Preview: Introduction on Concept & Practice of Democracy & Human Rights

Chair: Jason Pan

Facilitator: Dr. T.T Haokip, Professor of Political Science, NEHU, Shillong (Contrast and

convergence of Democratic values, Human Rights and Tribal political values of Northeast India)

Hearings from various IPs of the region on their human rights situations:

Boro : Mr. Jebra Ram Muchahary Naga : Mrs. Awala Longkumer

Twipra : Dr. Mohan Debbarma/Upendra Debbarma

Dimasa : Mr. Uttam Chand Burman

Mising : Dr. Ranoj Pegu (To be confirmed)

Rabha : Mr. Sabda Ram Rabha/Tankeswar Rabha

Deori : Mr. Paniram Deori Kukis : Mr. K.Changloi

Meitei : Dr. Roy Laifungbam (to be confirmed)

Garo : Mr. Utzar Shangma Koch –Rajbonshis : Mr. Biswajit Ray Khasis/Jaintia : Mr. G. D. Lakiang

Nishi : Mr. Bamang Duchok/ Mrs. Ain Paloh

Others : (To be confirmed)

Questions and comments

03:00 pm Tea Break

03:15 pm Questions and comments (Contd.)

04:00 pm Summing up: Co- Chairs

05:00 pm End of session 05-07 pm Free evening

07:00 pm Dinner (Sponsored by Bhagya Kalita)

July 9<sup>th</sup>

09:00am Plenary session (2): International Human Rights with special reference to IPs: mechanisms,

tools, interventions (Sharing of experiences around the world with special reference to India,

Taiwan, Laos, Nepal, Bhutan, Bangladesh, Myanmar, Cambodia etc.)

Co-Chairs: Dr. Laifungbam Roy and Ms. Jarjum Ete

Penalists: Dr. Alan Golmei, Burma Centre Delhi (TO BE CONFIRMED)

Mr. Jason Pan, TARA Ping Pu, Taiwan;

10:30am Tea Break

10:45 am Plenary session (2): International Human Rights with special reference to IPs: mechanisms,

tools, interventions (Sharing of experiences around the world with special reference to India,

Taiwan, Laos, Nepal, Bhutan, Bangladesh, Myanmar, Cambodia etc.)

Co-Chairs: Dr. T.T Haokip and Ms. Jarjum Ete

Penalists: Mr. Ngwang Sonam Sherpa, Nepal;

Mr. Kue Xiong, Loa Human Rights Council (Laos but US based)

Questions and comments

12:00 noon Lunch Break (Sponsored by.....)

01:30 pm Plenary session (2) Continues

Penalists: Mr. Hep Sokhannaro, The NGO Forum of Cambodia, Cambodia;

Mr. Ugen Wangchuk, DNC, Bhutan.

Mr. S.T. Parte, Myanmar

03:00 am Tea Break

03:45 am Mock Exercise on Human Rights Violation.

**Questions and Comments** 

04:00 pm Mock Exercise - Intervention on Human Rights Violation

05:00 pm End of session 05-07 pm Free evening

07:00 pm Dinner (Sponsored by.....)

10<sup>th</sup> July Workshop: Co-Chairs: Mrs. Ain Paloh and

09:00am Public awareness campaign or voting rights and/or the social costs of public corruption. Education,

counseling and legal aid for the prevention of violence against women or female genital mutilation;

10:30 am Tea Break

10:45 am Public awareness campaign or voting rights and/or the social costs of public corruption. Education,

counseling and legal aid for the prevention of violence against women or female genital mutilation;

**Questions and Comments** 

12:00 pm Lunch Break (Sponsored by .....)

01:30 pm Promotion of political pluralism, human and civil rights;

**Questions and Comments** 

03:00 pm Tea Break

03:45 pm Public education and training for Indigenous independent journalists on the role played by the

independent media in a democracy

Questions and comments

05:00 pm End of session 05-07 pm Free evening

07:00 pm Dinner (Sponsored by .....)

| July 11 <sup>th</sup> |  |
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| 09:00am               | Workshop: Co- chairs: Dr. Ram Dayal Munda & Jason Pan  |
|                       | UNPFII<br>Group Discussion, group wise presentation & Drafting of Recommendations and<br>Strategies  |
| 10:30 am              | Tea Break  |
| 10:45 am              | Group Discussion, group wise presentation & Drafting of Recommendations and Strategies   |
|                       | Questions and Comments   |
| 12:00 pm              | Lunch Break (Sponsored by)   |
| 01:30 pm              | Adoption of Recommendation   |
| 02:30 pm              | Tea Break  |
| 03: 00 pm<br>07:00 pm | Valedictory session Special Dinner (Sponsored by)  |
| July 12 <sup>th</sup> | Field Trip: To visit Mising community at Lohitmukh in Sonitpur District of Assam Followed by an open session amidst the crowds of local communities. |