



Workshop on Critical Thinking and Problem Solving

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REPORT

The Assamese Department of Nonoi College organized a workshop on "Critical Thinking & Problem Solving" On 6th August 2017. Runu Devi, Assistant professor, Assamese department, Nonoi College, welcomed the participants and reflected on the Learning environments that actively engage students in the investigation of information and the application of knowledge will promote students' critical thinking skills. Critical thinking skills are important because they enable students "to deal effectively with social, scientific, and practical problems". Our invited Resource Person Bhanita Saikia, Assistant professor, Folklore department, Nonoi College, spoke on the current educational trend which is to standardize curricula and focus on test scores undermines instructors' ability to address critical thinking in the classroom. The emphasis on "teaching to the test" distracts the learning process from student-centered instruction and places the emphasis on the content. We invited also Meri Rani Devi, Assistant professor, department of Geography, Nonoi College as a Guest lecturer .She was pointed out that as with any skill, critical thinking requires training, practice, and patience .However, by encouraging students throughout the process and modeling thinking behaviors, students' critical thinking skills can improve. The workshop successfully harnessed the enthusiasm and experience of participants. 54 students are present in the workshop.



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