CASE: 1

1. <u>Title of Practice:</u> " ICSSR sponsored Natural Seminar on "Sustainable Rural development in North East India" Issues and Challenges."

2. Objective of the Practice:

- i. To discuss various dimensions of sustainable rural development for social progress and equality with special reference to North East India.
- ii. To focus an environmental protection in N.E. India.
- iii. To highlight on the conservation of natural resources and enable them for stable economic growth.
- iv. To discuss various issues and challenges of sustainable rural development in N.E. India.
- 3. <u>The Context:</u> Sustainable rural development is vital to the economic, social and environmental viability of a nation. The ultimate aim of sustainable rural development is to improve the life quality as well as standard of living of the ruralites and preserve environment. But, the present scenario of India general and Northeast India in particular, is yet to be conducive for achieving these needs of sustainable rural development. Therefore, the situation is highly observable and should be considered as an important matter of discussion for the greater interest of rural community as a whole.
- **4.** The Practice: Keeping in mind all these things, the department of Sociology in collaboration with IQAC, of the College Organized an ICSSR sponsored national seminar entitled "Sustainable Rural Development in Northeast India's Issues and Challenges", on 4th and 5th February, 2020 to peep into various problems, strategies as well as issues of sustainable rural development.
- **5.** Evidence of Success: In the seminar, a total number of 46 Research papers highlighting various issues and challenges of sustainable rural development specially in Northeast India were presented. Besides more than 100 teachers, academicians and research scholars participated in the same. Later on, a seminar proceeding with ISBN was published by the college.

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CASE: 2

1. <u>Title of Practice</u>: Free Eye Check Up

2. Objective of the Practice:

- i. To provide free and high quality medical services for the poor population.
- ii. To bring awareness amongst the deprived and unprivileged ruralites.
- **3.** The Context: The college is located in rural set up. It is surrounded by rural inhabitants belonging to ST, SC and Other Backward communities. Most of the population fall under financially backward group. So, the NSS unit of Khowang College in collaboration with Vishnujyoti Sangha and District Blindness Control Society, Dibrugarh, organised a free eye check up camp in one of the neighbouring villages of the college on 21st September, 2019.
- **4.** The Practice: In the programme, formally inaugurated by the Principal of the College, Dr. Riktom Borgohain, Ophthalmologist and Programme Manager of District Blidness Control Society, Dibrugarh, Delivered a speech on health awareness. In the programme. Dr. Sandilya Gogoi, Dr. Gariyashee Lahkar and Dr. Ikram R. Chaudhary of Amch were present for conducting the camp.
- **5.** Evidence of Success: In the camp, a total number of 201 patients checked their eyes out of whom 176 were provided free spectacles and 25 patients were provided free surgery for cataract at AMCH, Dibrugarh.
- **6. Problems Encountered:** Majority of poor ruralites are not conscious of their health issues. They seem to neglect or ignore some of their health problems considering them as minor ones which, in fact, could turn into major health issues over a period of time.

