

**One Day Workshop on
Labour & Employment in North East India**

Jointly organised by

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One Day Orientation Workshop on Labour and Employment in North East India

Concept Note

The North Eastern Region (NER) of India constitutes 7.9 per cent of country's total geographical area and 3.8 per cent of total population of the country (Census, 2011). It stretches from the foothills of the Himalayas in the eastern range and is surrounded by Bangladesh, Bhutan, China, Nepal and Myanmar. It includes eight states- Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim and Tripura. Troubled by history and geo-politics, the NER has remained one of the most underdeveloped regions of the country. Inadequate infrastructure and poor governance is combined with low productivity and market access.

NER constitutes 3.6 per cent of India's total workforce (2011–12). The labour scenario in the NER is quite unique compared to other regions of the country owing to a multitude of factors (including geographical, socio-economic and political). The region is marked by lower rate of industrialization and limited spread of modern service sector. The agricultural operations are also distinct (with the presence of unique systems like *jhuming*). Cultural ethos governing labour market participation is also different, which inter alia reflects on the distinctive composition of the labour force – across gender and social categories. The issue related to educated youth unemployment is one of the major concerns in the region. Yet another important aspect is migration, which gets complicated due to several socio-political considerations – both in terms of internal migration of population (from within and outside the region) as well as in terms of influx of labourers across national boundaries. It is in this context that this orientation workshop is being organised to orient young students with various labour and employment issues in North East India and enhance their capacities to contribute in their academic and professional pursuits.

Objectives:

- i) to explore historical and cultural perspective of work,
- ii) to understand issues related to youth, employment, social security, migration, skill, entrepreneurship etc. in the context of North East India,
- iii) to make the participants acquainted with recent initiatives and developments in the field of labour and employment in India in general and North East India in particular, and
- iv) to encourage the participants to take up labour and employment issues as a research theme.

Methodology: Presentation/Lecture, Group Work, Case Studies etc.

Participant level: Students hailing from North Eastern States as well as other States

Number of participants: 40-50

Duration: One day