

**MoU with All Assam Small Tea Growers' Association, Golaghat District Association**

Date	21 <sup>st</sup> January, 2018
Activity	Conduct collaborative activities organizing Seminars, Conference, Awareness Programmes Members of AASTGA can avail facility of Soil Testing Lab, CTPM



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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING  
BETWEEN  
GOLAGHAT COMMERCE COLLEGE  
AND

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ALL ASSAM SMALL TEA GROWERS ASSOCIATION, GOLAGHAT

THIS MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) is made by and between, GOLAGHAT COMMERCE COLLEGE having its address at Jyoti Nagar Golaghat, Assam, represented by Principal (hereinafter referred to as "GCC" which expression shall mean and include its executors, administrators and permitted assigns) and ALL ASSAM SMALL TEA GROWERS ASSOCIATION, GOLAGHAT, ASSAM represented by President (hereinafter referred to as "AASTGA" which expression shall mean and include its heirs, executors, administrators and permitted assigns).

Both GCC and AASTGA may be referred to individually as the "party" or collectively as the "parties"

The purpose of this MOU is to develop knowledge of tea industry with an analytical approach and to promote sustainable partnership and mutual understanding between GCC and AASTGA.

**SCOPE OF ACTIVITIES**

1. This MOU will be immensely beneficial to the small tea growers who aspire for better and improved quality leaf produced in small tea growers' farms and desire to establish themselves as quality leaf producers in the small holding segment through the "Centre for Tea Plantation Management" Golaghat Commerce College, which is a joint outcome of the efforts of The North Eastern Tea Association and Golaghat Commerce College which

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provide the knowledge of Tea Industry of Assam with analytical skills, keeping in mind the present day challenges faced by the Tea Industry today.

2. The AASTGA will support the Centre for Tea Plantation Management, Golaghat Commerce College for internships and employment for the students of GCC.

3. To conduct collaborative activities such as organising Seminars, Conferences, Awareness Programmes.

4. The members of AASTGA can avail the Soil Testing Laboratory under CTPM, Golaghat Commerce College which is proposed to be set up soon.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the lawfully authorised representative(s) of the parties have executed this MOU on this 21st day of January 2018,

Signed:

Principal  
Golaghat Commerce College  
Golaghat, Assam, India  
GOLAGHAT COMMERCE COLLEGE, GOLAGHAT

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President

President  
AASTGA, GOLAGHAT  
An Assam State Tea  
Growers Association  
Golaghat District Committee

1. Witness:

Name

2. Witness

Name

## ACTIVITIES

### **International Seminar on Emergence of Small Tea Growers', its impact on Tea Industry and the way forward**

**Organised by: Golaghat Commerce College and All Assam Small Tea Growers' Association**

**Date: 7<sup>th</sup> April, 2018**

The programme was attended by delegates belonging to the Tea industry alongwith dignitaries from Bangladesh and Nepal.

The delegates present were:

- Sri. Mrinal Saikia, MLA, Khumtai LAC,
- Sri. Bidyanand Borkakoti, Vice Chairman, Tea Board of India,
- Sri. Bijay Gopal Chakraborty, Chairman, All India Small Tea Growers' Association,
- Dr. Kamal Buzarbaruah, Vice Chancellor Assam Agriculture University Jorhat,
- Director, Tocklai Tea Research Institute
- Director, Tea Development Board
- President, CISTA

**An International Seminar on “Emergence of Small Tea Growers, Its Impact on Tea Industry and the Way Forward” was jointly organized by Golaghat Commerce College and All Assam Small Tea Growers Association on 7<sup>th</sup> April, 2018 on the occasion of the 10<sup>th</sup> Triennial Golaghat State Convention, All Assam Small Tea Growers' Association.**

The program was organized by Golaghat Commerce College and Assam Small Tea Growers Association. Many renowned dignitaries namely Mr. Nepal Saikia Chairman NETA, Mr. Manoj Jallan ex- Chairman North Eastern Tea Association (NETA), Mr. Malpani executive member NETA, Mr. Manoj Jallan, Director Golaghat Tea Estate, Mr. Kamal Buzarbaruah, VC, Assam Agricultural University, Mr. Bijay Gopal Chakrabarty, Chairman, All India Small Tea Growers Association were present in the seminar. Though as a Higher Educational Institution we are not directly involved in the arena of production and manufacturing of tea and the problems associated with the tea industry, we are not quite novice in this field as well. The college is running a post-graduate diploma course in Tea Plantation and Management in collaboration with North Eastern Tea Association (NETA) and this experience has put us in an advantageous position in comparison to other Higher Educational Institutions in the district to organize an International Seminar on a topic of such practicability associated with the stakeholders of the tea industry in



Assam. Teaching staff of the Institution were encouraged to attend the seminar and 32 teachers from the college attended the seminar. Quite a good number of small tea growers from major tea producing countries like India, Sri-Lanka, Nepal and Bangladesh participated in the seminar, and some of them presented their papers as well

Issues like the colonial legacy of tea still haunting tea industry, the emergence of small tea growers in variegated geo-economic and socio-cultural conditions, and the problems faced by STGs in contradistinction to the ones encountered by the larger tea estates etc. were discussed in the seminar. In the course of the discussion it was pointed out that while the blenders and marketing channels appropriate ever-increasing profits, the small farmers have to bear the burden of fluctuating and falling commodity prices. In his profile, the small-holder tea grower is devoid of knowledge, starved of resources and lacking in organization particularly in respect of doing effective marketing. It emerged from the discussion that while farmers need some help in production, they need more help in manufacturing and most help in marketing.



















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