

Partner State:



September 7 & 8, 2017 • Guwahati, Assam

Theme: Digitally Transforming Northeast

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

September 7, 2017: Inaugural Ceremony and Conference

Venue: Radisson Blu, Guwahati, Assam

1000 hrs – 1100 hrs	Registration and Tea/Coffee
1100 hrs – 1105 hrs	Lamp lighting
1105 hrs – 1110 hrs	Welcome Address by D D Purkayastha , Managing Director and CEO, ABP Pvt Ltd and Chairman, NICT
1110 hrs - 1140 hrs	Address by Guests of Honour : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pabitra Buragohain, President, Federation of Industry & Commerce of North Eastern Region (FINER) - Krishnacharyya Baruah, Director, NIELIT Guwahati - Prabir Kumar Das, Director, STPI Guwahati - M K Yadava, IFS, Managing Director, AMTRON - Ravi Capoor, IAS, Additional Chief Secretary, Government of Assam - V K Pipersenia, IAS, Chief Secretary, Government of Assam - Keshab Mahanta, Hon'ble Minister for Water Resources, Science & Technology and Information Technology, Government of Assam - Dr. Himanta Biswa Sarma, Hon'ble Minister for Finance, Planning and Development, Health & Family Welfare, Education, Tourism, Handloom and Textile, GDD, Cooperation, Pension and Public Grievances, Government of Assam
1140 hrs – 1155 hrs	Address by Chief Guest, Sarbananda Sonowal , Hon'ble Chief Minister of Assam
1155 hrs – 1200 hrs	Vote of thanks by Pranab Bora , Resident Editor, The Telegraph (East and Northeast), ABP Pvt Ltd
A1 1200 hrs – 1300 hrs	<u>Spotlight Session: Northeast – Taking the Long View</u> <u>Spotlight Speaker:</u> Dr. Himanta Biswa Sarma , Hon'ble Minister for Finance, Planning and Development, Health & Family Welfare, Education, Tourism, Handloom and Textile, GDD, Cooperation, Pension and Public Grievances, Government of Assam <u>Moderator:</u> Sankarshan Thakur , Roving Editor – News and News Features, The Telegraph
A2 1300 hrs - 1400 hrs	<u>Theme Session: Digitally Transforming Northeast</u> <u>Chairperson:</u> Ravi Capoor, IAS , Additional Chief Secretary, Government of Assam <u>Speakers:</u> Adarsh Kaul , Head of Marketing (India & SAARC), Avaya Prasun Talukdar , Country Manager – Country Lead for Digital India and Strategic initiative for Public sector, Hewlett Packard Enterprise Sunando Shome , State Head, Reliance JIO, Assam
1400 hrs – 1500 hrs	Meet & Greet Lunch

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A3 1500 hrs - 1600 hrs	Re-Imagining the Citizen Experience of Northeast Chairperson: Dipankar Khasnabish, Senior Principal – Business Consulting, Infosys Speaker: PVSLN Murty, Chief General Manager, State Bank of India, North East Circle
A4 1600 hrs - 1630 hrs	Driving Inclusive Growth in Assam Keynote Speaker: Pramila Rani Brahma, Minister for Environment & Forest, WPT & BC, Government of Assam
A5 1630 hrs - 1700 hrs	Presentation on Global Conference on Cyberspace (GCCS) Keynote Speaker: MEITY, Govt. of India
A6 1700 hrs - 1730 hrs	Keynote Address: Infrastructure Development in Northeast – Challenges and Opportunities Keynote Speaker: Parimal Suklabaidya, Minister for PWD (Roads and Buildings, NH), Fisheries and Excise, Government of Assam
1700 hrs – 1900 hrs	Tea/Coffee
1900 hrs – 2030 hrs	The Telegraph Northeast Excellence Awards 2017
2030 hrs onwards	Networking Dinner

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September 8, 2017: Conference

Venue: Radisson Blu, Guwahati, Assam

1000 – 1030 hrs	Registration and Tea/Coffee
B1 1030 hrs - 1100 hrs	<u>Keynote Address:</u> Exploring New Opportunities in Assam <u>Keynote Speaker:</u>
B2 1100 hrs – 1215 hrs	Technology Intervention in Varied Sectors to drive growth in Northeast <u>Chairperson:</u> Prof. Dr. Gautam Barua , Director, Indian Institute of Information Technology (IIIT), Guwahati <u>Speakers:</u> Bidyut Kumar , General Manager - Telecom, Powergrid Corporation of India D K Kamra , Regional Executive Director, Airports Authority of India Biswajit Hazarika , Founder and Managing Director, Trans Virtual
B3 1215 hrs – 1245 hrs	Addressing Cyber Security Challenges in the Digital Age <u>Keynote Speaker:</u> Nitin Jhunjunwala , Senior Manager, Cyber Risk Services, Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu India LLP
B4 1245 hrs – 1330 hrs	<u>Keynote Address:</u> Gearing up Northeast for the Make in India Initiative <u>Keynote Speaker:</u> Chandra Mohan Patowary , Minister for Commerce & Industry, Transport, Parliamentary Affairs, Skill, Employment & Entrepreneurship Development and Act East Policy Affairs Department, Government of Assam
1330 hrs – 1430 hrs	Networking Lunch
B5 1430 hrs – 1530 hrs	Driving Growth through SMEs and Startups <u>Chairperson:</u> Dr. Syed Sultan Kazi , Deputy Director, Digital Empowerment Foundation (DEF) <u>Speakers:</u> Atreyee Borooh Thekedath , Founder, Web.Com (India) Pvt. Ltd. Sanjeev Gupta , Deputy General Manager, Small Industries Development Bank of India (SIDBI) Dipankar Dutta , Founder & President, CEC Institute and Chairman, Hindustan College Bikash Kalita , Co-Founder, Life Skills Training Institute and Co-Founder, AssamKart
1530 hrs – 1545 hrs	Vote of Thanks & Closing Address Dhruba Mukherjee , Vice President, The Telegraph, ABP Pvt Ltd
1545 hrs – 1630 hrs	Tea/Coffee