

## BEST PRACTICE II

1. TITLE OF THE PRACTICE: Providing Excess to Higher Education for Tribal Populations of Dima Hasao District

3. THE CONTEXT: The institution has been established for the purpose of providing excess to higher education to the educationally disadvantaged tribal populations of Dima Hasao District of Assam. Residents of the district belong to different hill tribes of Assam who are socio-economically disadvantaged hence providing educational opportunity to them is the most important and significant way for their uplift. Therefore the institution is continuously striving to educate and empower the nearby by resident of the tribal communities including women,

4. THE PRACTICE: The institution is implementing curriculum in three streams having undergraduate programmes in thirteen departments. Since the local tribal population does not have significant access to higher education, the institution is trying to accommodate as many learners as it is possible for. Choice Based Credit System has been introduced in undergraduate system for the second consecutive year. Further the institution has been continuously implementing Post Graduate programmes in two disciplines. Besides the distance learning mode has also been implemented by opening study centres of IGNOU and KKHSOU to educate and empowers those learners who are not able to enroll as full-time learners.

5. EVIDENCE OF SUCCESS: Success of the distinctive practice of the institution is evidenced by the emergence of an educated population in the district which has graduated from the institution and has been contribution to the society by either being engaged in government or private jobs or being successful entrepreneur engaged in different trades and business in the locality. Empowerment of those persons among whom many are women would have been very difficult or even impossible had this institution been not there with its practice of educating the needy and disadvantaged.