

Indira Gandhi National Centre for the Arts North East Regional Centre Guwahati, organised a talk series and discussion on, “Remembering Gandhi: North East Prospective”, on 30th January 2019. The event focused on Gandhiji’s four visits in North East India.

The discussion revolved around experiences and memories of some of the veterans and their families who remembered Gandhiji’s visits and interacted with him. Padmashri Hema Bharali, ninety nine years old veteran and freedom fighter also social worker and Sarvodaya leader and Gandhian shared her experience of meeting Gandhiji. Krishna Lahkar, freedom fighter and President of Assam State Freedom Fighter Association also shared his experience of meeting Gandhiji. He also expressed his views that Gandhiji’s philosophy and ideology is very relevant in the present time especially among the youth. Smt. Bandana Dutta Tamuly, Additional Finance Secretary, Sh. Dhirendra Nath Chakroborty, renowned Journalist and Smt. Kusum Bora Mokashi, Kasturba Gandhi Ashram also expressed their view on Gandhiji’s philosophy and importance of his teaching in the present educational system of the country.

While introducing the program Dr. Richa Negi, Director, IGNCANERC expressed that this program was organised with an objective to generate more ideas of gathering the veterans and freedom fighter of Assam (North East) who have contributed immensely during the freedom struggle of the nation. She further expressed her desire and interest of IGNCANERC to hold many more programs having similar objectives.

The programme concluded with rendition of *Vaishnav Jana* presented by special children from Ashadeep School of Guwahati.