Report of the World Statistics Day Celebration 2020

20th October, 2020

The Department of Statistics, Assam University celebrated the World Statistics Day 2020 on 20th October, 2020 in a very humble manner. The celebration of World Statistics Day, 2020 is a global collaborative endeavour, organized under the guidance of the United Nations Statistical Commission. The Celebration Banner of the Department is included below.



The World Statistics Day 2020 was themed as **"Connecting the world with data we can trust"** by the United Nations Statistical Commission. The World Statistics Day in not an Annual Event but is celebrated after every 5 years. The Even was conducted online in Google Meet. The web link of the event was <u>https://meet.google.com/ajx-zmvb-ze</u>.

The event started at 4 PM with a welcome address by the Head of the Department of Statistics, Assam University Dr. Rama Shanker. The HoD after welcoming all the participants of the webinar discussed in details about how statistical knowledge and statistical thinking can provide the world with meaningful information in any field and in turn can help effective policy formation.

The Keynote speaker of the celebration was Prof. Dilip C Nath, Vice Chancellor of the university. Prof. Nath, discussed about the history of World Statistics Day, the utility of appropriate data for good governance, the need of the hour to reframe statistical courses understanding the requirement of the recruiters and provide more practical exposure to live data to the budding data scientists.

Next a Ted Talk (video recording) of Late Professor Hans Rosling a Swedish statistician and Public Health expert was displayed before the participants of the Webinar. The video entitled "Asia's Rise- When and How" which lasted for 17 minutes, the speaker tried to predict when in future the economy of India and China can go ahead of all the countries of the western world in terms of their per capita income and life expectancy.

The last event of the evening was a National Level Online Quiz where there were as many as 44 registered participants from different colleges and universities of India. The frequency table below provides the details of the affiliation of the participants.

College/University/Institution	Number of Participants
Assam University	12
Banaras Hindu University	7
Bethune College, Kolkata	1
Birjorha Mahavidyalaya	1
College Of Agriculture, Jorhat	1
Cotton University	2
Gauhati University	2
Guru Charan College	8
Patna University	2
Presidency University	1
Haldia Government College	1
Ramakrishna Mission Vivekananda University, Belur Math	1
Triveni Devi Bhalotia College	1
Sardar Patel University	1
Trinura University	1
Srikishan Sarda College	1
Ravenshaw University	1
Total	44

The World Statistics day flyer is provided below.



The top 10 scorers of the Quiz was certified by the department. The winners of the National Quiz Competition (Top Three positions) were:

Name	Institution	Position
Gitanjali Pradhani	Assam University	First
Deepanjali Ray	Assam University	Second
Unnati Nigam	Banaras Hindu University	Third

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Some screenshot of the event are provided below.

The video of Late Prof. Hans Rosling being played during the World Statistics Day Celebration On 20th October, 2020

Dr. Rama Shanker delivering the welcome address



Prof. D. C. Nath delivering the Keynote

