
Annual Report 2020-2021

Nanda Talukdar Foundation

It was a very difficult year and there could hardly anything could be done as the Covid almost taken over the entire period and whole society was under lockdown. It had given very small window to actually work and the NTF utilised the same once again focussing on publication.

Collaboration with KKHOSU (2020)

The NTF signed a wide ranging MoU with the Krishna Kanta Handique State Open University (KKHSOU) for doing research, exchange faculty and library facilities to work on more meaningful research projects.

The purpose of the MoU is to promote mutual Collaboration in research activities and establish a framework for exchange and collaboration in areas of History and other areas of common interests for mutual benefit. This MoU would be applicable on mutually convenient and acceptable terms and conditions.

SCOPE OF CO-OPERATION

For furtherance of the objectives of both the organizations, and considering the long term benefit of sharing the knowledge, resources and capacity by undertaking collaborative activities of research and extension, it is hereby agreed between NTF, Guwahati and KKHSOU, Guwahati as under :

- Both the organization shall work for joint and collaborative research and consultancy in the thrust areas of Common interests.
- Both the organization shall work for joint organization of conference/workshop/seminar/symposia/summer/School/training/lectures etc. to improve the exchange of knowledge and experience.
- Both the organization shall work for exchange of faculty/ Research Scholars depending on the requirement and experience, for the benefit of the students and research scholars.
- Both the organization shall collaborate in internship of students. They shall also be working together in the areas of Extension and other related works.
- Both the organization shall share their library for research and collaborative works.
- Both the organization shall facilitate inter-institution visits by the research scholar for wider academic understanding and exposure.

- Both the organization shall indulge in exchange of books, Journals and teaching materials including textbooks, audio-videos Publications, reports and other teaching aids.
- Both the organization shall indulge in joint publication of books, Journals, Research publications and teaching materials etc.

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MoU

- Nanda Talukdar Foundation Guwahati appoints Mr. Mrinal Talukdar, Secretary hereinafter referred to as NTF representative.
- KKHSOU, Guwahati appoints Dr. Arupjyoti Choudhury, Registrar hereinafter referred to as KKHSOU representative.

The MoU with KKHSOU was signed on 2-11-2020. The following is the signed MoU

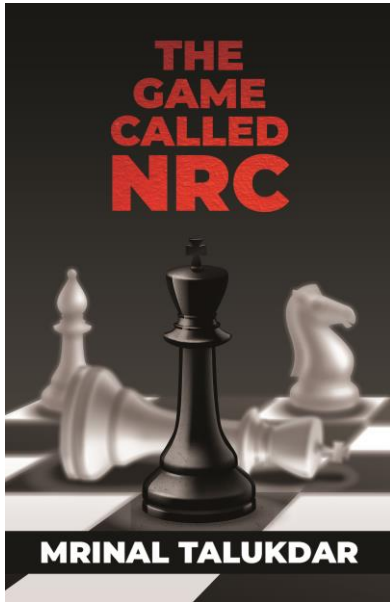


Publication

The Game Called NRC (2020)

As the NRC drew a year without anything being done, the NTF came out with another well researched book- the Game Called NRC, giving a complete documentation of the entire process on its anniversary of publishing the final NRC as per the Supreme Court. This was the first comprehensive book on the NRC in whole of India. There was no formal launch of the book and the same was promoted through Social media and Amazon and has been a great hit once again.

The book documented the entire journey from the demand to the court as well as entire digitalization process and how every hurdle was crossed to prepare a list which no one wanted at the end because of the less number of suspected foreigners it could detect.



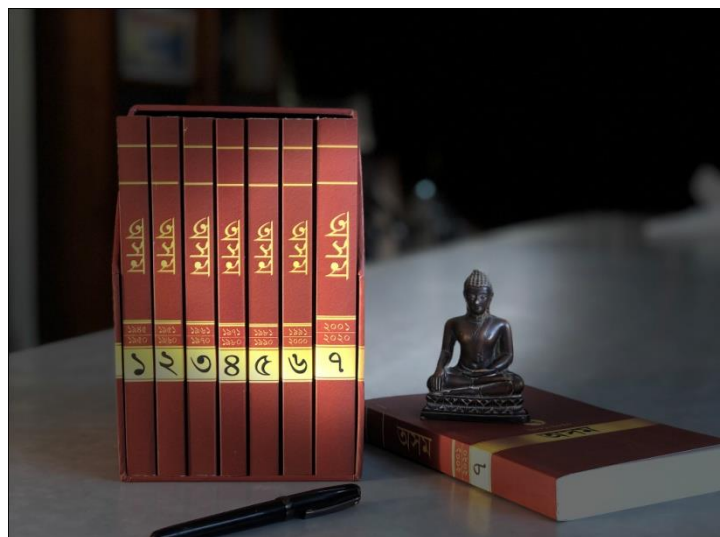
Axom (2021)

The AXOM series is one of the most important publication of the NTF. The first edition was twice printed and it was hugely appreciated. The first edition was released in 2014 and in that six volume from 1945-2000 was covered.

It was first such attempt to chronicle the modern Assam history and was hugely successful. Six years after it was first launched, Ankur Agency came forward with a proposal that it should be republished with major updation.

The NTF accepted the proposal and decided to have one more volume to cover the 2000-2020 period. A research grant was sought and received from the KKHOSU with whom the NTF has a MoU. The research grant was very necessary as the project was gigantic in nature and would take enormous amount of resources.

Secretary Mrinal Talukdar and co writer Kishor Kr Kalita went down to work, structured the entire time line



between 2000-2020 and started compiling the major events of the last two decades. . A seventh volume was added as the Ankur Agency came forward to support and take the responsibility of Co-Publisher. The AXOM was readied by March 2021 and formally the copies of the same were handed over to the Research Grant provider KKHSOU in a small ceremony..



Mrinal Talukdar
Secretary, NTF
15.7.2021
