

A Report on TEQIP-III Sponsored One Day Technical Talk on “Prospect, Potential and Possibilities of Inland Water Transport in Assam” Organized by Civil Engineering Department of Jorhat Engineering College.

With the aim to introduce the students with basic knowledge about Inland water transportation in Assam, Civil Engineering Department of JEC has conducted a One day technical talk for UG students (5th semester) in the departmental seminar hall on 18th August, 2018.

The program was inaugurated by Prof. P.K. Khaund, HOD, CED with an inaugural speech followed by greeting and welcoming of the resource person Mr. Musfiqur Rahman, Joint Director, Inland Water Transport, Assam.

Mr. Musfiqur Rahman, in his technical talk explained thoroughly about the current prospect, potential and potential of inland water transport in Assam. He explained how inland water transport was an integral part for transportation of goods from different parts of country to Assam. He gave the example of establishment Numoligarh Refinery. At the time of establishment of Numoligarh Refinery, Guwahati maximum portion of heavy machinery was transported through inland transport. Approximately 99 % of the route was covered by river transportation and rest by road transportation. Mr. Rahman then gave a brief idea about the main river routes in Assam, mainly Brahmaputra and Barak River and explained the existing transportation facilities over these two rivers.

Mr. Rahman then discussed the potential and possibilities of inland water transportation in Assam. He explained numerous possibilities of river transportation and how Department of Inland Water Transport, Assam working towards uplifting the water transportation in Assam.

After the technical talk there was an interaction session with the students. During this session, students cleared their doubts regarding the talk. Students were found very enthusiastic about the content of the topic and they took great interest in this newly emerging area of transportation in Assam.

At the end of talk session Prof. P.K. Khaund, HOD, CED appreciated Mr. Rahman for his detailed, informative lecture. Prof. Khaund then handed over two departmental newsletters to Mr. Rahman as a token of appreciation. Mr. Rahman also handed over two books dedicated to Namami Brahmaputra and Namami Barak as a token of love for the CED, JEC. Then certificates were distributed among participated students and the talk session was concluded with a vote of thanks.

The event was a successful one. The technical talk was relevant to the title and were well-appreciated by the students. After completion of this one day technical talk students will be able to approach water and river transportation engineering problems in their future endeavor.

Some Photographs of the Talk Session

