



Message of the Month



Dear Readers,

As this month heralds the end of the year, let us reflect on the theme of celebration. Christmas festivities are brewing up & the hustle bustle of

Hornbill festival and night carnivals delight one and all in a celebratory mood. As one gear up for

celebrations, let us reflect on our life past eleven months. I reckon, most of us, as we entered into the New Year, we were affirmed of living a purposeful year.

Some might have listed out New Year resolutions, or some might have stopped keeping New Year resolutions. However, each one of

us must have apprehensions yet



entered the New Year with hopes, expectations, hopeful, and a whole bucket lists for the year.

I am sure, some have had a meaningful and fulfilling year. Having achieved their goals or purposes, succeeding and ascending the ladder of success, passing examinations, getting into a good educational institution, getting a job, and braving the odds to go a step further despite difficulties and hurdles along the way.

Somewhere along the way, as we sit back and ponder over the past months, we will realize it will be a fulfilling year for some, while a wasted year for some, while it may also have been a fairly good year for some. But, even as we reflect on our personal front, we can ponder on one aspect: how have we dealt with people all along the way? Personally, I come across people from various cultural and religious



backgrounds, different financial backgrounds, people inclined to varied principles and ideologies, degrees of qualification or lack of education, people of varied age groups and varied

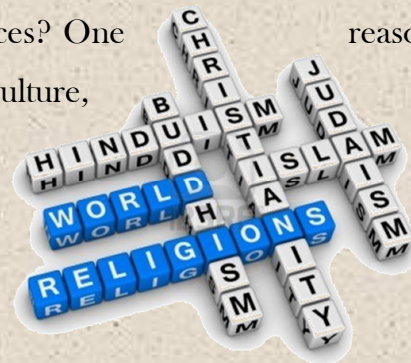
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differences. I am sure, each of you has similar contacts each day. Despite modest achievements, what have enriched my experiences have been the varied people, with all its contributions to making life interesting and eventful. Such contacts and interactions also contribute to my learning process.

My concern is, somewhere along the line, while focusing on our goals and achievements, have we forgotten to celebrate people, especially their differences? One reason why celebrating differences matters is that despite the differences in culture, religion, caste, regions, class, ideologies, principles, sexual orientations, and such; celebrating differences can help cultivate sensitivity and respect for each other's differences, and can help build tolerance in society, which I think is growing scarce in our Indian society. Tolerance to differing religion, tolerance to different sexual orientations, tolerance to differing opinions, etc., can help in contributing to uniting the society. It also enriches our perspectives on life and varied related issues.



As students from different cultural, economic and social backgrounds, the classroom and the university is one diverse space for meeting new people, making new friends, learning from each other. Take time and effort to make the best use of this space to learn about other's culture, opinions, interests, and exchange ideas. That will contribute much to your learning process, besides the classroom teachings. While learning from others, you will also realize the potential in you to excel in academics, improve your communication skills, enhance the art of maintaining relations, and much more. Make the best use of the college and university life.



In fine, if you have been sensitive in some aspects, or tolerant on some issues (while reasonably raising concerns if needs be) on people around you, then I am convinced, you've had a meaningful year, and you've enriched people's lives, as you have enriched yours.



The joy of living has its own ingredients. Some find in relationships, some in the spiritual realm, some in materialistic pursuits, some in achievements towards certain goals and purposes. Some focus on one aspect or a couple of such sources in cultivating the joy of living. However, in the end if you have been keen in enjoying relationships and celebrating differences, the joy that emanates from such interactions is meaningful and sustaining.

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Campus News

Convocation 2016: On the 23rd of November 2016 the university saw its 2nd convocation being successfully conducted with students from MBA, MA (English), MA (Political Science), BA, BCom, BBA and BCA participating in the ceremony. His Excellency, Shri P. B. Acharya, Hon'ble Governor of Nagaland and university graced



Nukhu, Hon'ble Secretary, Higher Govt. of Nagaland

Visitor of the the ceremony as the Chief Guest while Shri Deo Parliamentary and Technical Education, was the Guest of Honour.



Photographs: Mr. Heroto Yepthomi & Mr. Vekulhou Koza, BCom 1st Semester

Former Vice Chancellor's Address to students: Col (Dr.) V R K Prasad, the former Vice Chancellor of the university addressed the students on the 24th of November 2016.



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PhD Progress Presentation: The 1st and the 2nd batches of scholars of the PhD programme of the university did their progress presentation on the 24th of November 2016 and the 2nd of December 2016 respectively.



Advent Christmas Program:

Students, faculty members and

staff enjoyed the Advent Christmas programme conducted on the 30th of November 2016.



Photographs: Neisal Theyo, Dept. of Management

Faculty members welcome the new Vice Chancellor:

Dr. Charles P Alexander (former Pro Vice Chancellor of the university) joined the post of Vice Chancellor from the 25th of November 2016. The faculty members welcomed him on the 3rd of December 2016.



Photographs: Rupanka Bhuyan

Farewell of Faculty Member:

The faculty members had a farewell meeting for Dr. Nutazo Lohe, Assistant Professor (Department of History) on the 3rd of December 2016.

End Semester Examinations: The End Semester Examinations of the university commenced from the 5th of December 2016.

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Remembering Anushri

-Miss Azono Khato, Assistant Professor,
Department of English

Anushri Jain was an exuberant girl who brought energy wherever she went. As in class, so also in other activities, she was a leader and team player. Innovating and creating, that was her element. She was behind the success of the 1st ICFAI University Fete Day held on April 5th, 2016. Tired, but moving on, sun-burnt, but unconcerned she gave her best to ensure that the 1st BA batch of ICFAI University left a mark behind. That was her determination. She showed us and her friends what it takes to be an achiever. Yes, she has indeed proved that all it takes to be alive is to live every moment of the day. But, that is what life is all about. Today, a mother has lost a daughter, a friend, her friend, family members a beloved one. She will be deeply missed but, she continues to live in our hearts. May God rest her soul in peace.



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His Birthday

Mr. Takosuneb Jamir, M.A(English) 3rd Semester

Humble was He, to be born in the little city of David.

Thousands were unaware, so they still choose to wait.

Bright was the star and the angels were so joyous.

The wise men and the shepherds too came to witness.



*Over the years, the story remains the
same.*

*Yet, the meaning derived seems to be twisted by the
game.*

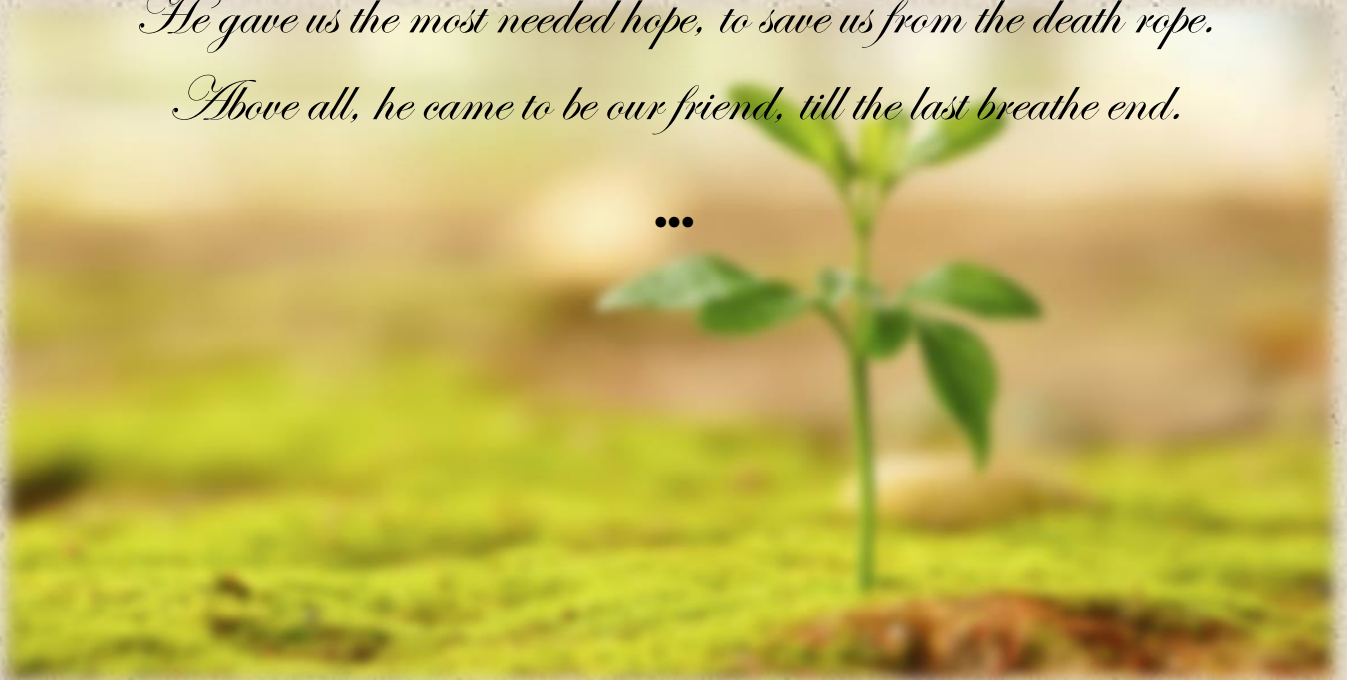
*Many seem to question His will and existence, while attending on their daily
maintenance.*

His birthday is greater than the touch of spring, marking the coming of the King.

He gave us the most needed hope, to save us from the death rope.

Above all, he came to be our friend, till the last breathe end.

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On Christmas



- Miss Sentijungla, MA (Eng.), 1st Semester

*Autumn is gone and winter is here
Carols of Christmas everywhere.*



*Born was the Christ on a starry night,
And all the stars sparkled bright.*

*The smell of green pine fills the air above,
It is the season of love.*

The wind brings chill,

And the trees twinkle and swirl.

*The fresh snow falls,
The rain dripping like crystal balls,
Old and young all gather round,
To sing laurels of heaven's crown.*



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Photo-Synthesis



“Winter Sunset”

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