

## Preserving Heritage: OIL Sanskriti's workshop on medieval canefan making

9<sup>th</sup> July 2024: Under Oilindia CSR project, 'OIL Sanskriti', focusing on the promotion of art, culture, and heritage, and the preservation of Assamese treasures, an inauguration ceremony was held for a 30-day workshop on making Hengul Haithal Canefan at Majuli. The ceremony took place in the presence of Shri Anfor Ali Haque, RCE, OIL; Sri Sri Pitambar Deva Goswami, Satradhikar of Auniati Satra; Shri Debashis Bora, CGM-FA, OIL; and other senior officials of OIL. The Hengul Haithal Canefan is a 400-year-old unique medieval craft originating from Auniati Satra, symbolizing the heritage and nobility of the Satras. The workshop aims to impart skills to the youth in the art of 'canefan making', creating sustainable livelihood opportunities, while also commercializing and popularizing the craft among younger generations, and laying the groundwork for securing GI tag. The workshop was hosted at Auniati High School, with the inauguration held at Auniati Rangmancha, Majuli. To commemorate the occasion, a souvenir was also released.



