



## OIL confers Shikshya Ratna Puraskar 2019 to Teachers

**Duliajan, 18<sup>th</sup> February 2020:** The *OIL Shikshya Ratna Puraskar, 2019* was awarded to four outstanding teachers on 18<sup>th</sup> February 2020 during OIL's 61<sup>st</sup> Foundation Day Celebration at Duliajan, Assam. Shri Sushil Chandra Mishra, CMD, OIL graced the occasion as Chief Guest while Dr Hari Chandra Mahanta, Registrar, Dibrugarh University was present as Guest of Honour in presence of Shri Biswajit Roy, Director (HR&BD), Shri P K Sharma, Director (Operations), OIL, Dr. P. Chandrasekaran, Director (E&D), OIL, Shri Harish Madhav, Director (Finance), Shri Pranjit Deka, RCE, OIL along with other invitees.

The Shikshya Ratna Puraskar 2019 consisted of cash incentive of Rupees Two Lakh and a silver memento to each of the awardees.

The four teachers whom the *OIL Shikshya Ratna Puraskar-2019* was conferred were:

1. Mr Nakul Kurmi, Sarupatagaon LP School, Ghoramari, Tezpur
2. Ms Purnima Rajkhowa, 134 No Laluk L P School, Lakhimpur
3. Mr Babul Chandra Chutia, Badhakara ME School, Lakhimpur
4. Mr Sashanka Hazarika, Dahi H S School, Kabikara, Darrang

While congratulating the recipients of the OIL Shikshya Ratna Puraskar 2019, Shri Sushil Chandra Mishra, CMD, OIL appreciated the hard work and efforts of the teaching fraternity that plays a cardinal role in building character of the next generation. He also talked about OIL's role in improving education in OIL's operational areas through various other CSR interventions.

Dr Hari Chandra Mahanta, Registrar, Dibrugarh University in his address complemented the efforts of OIL and stated that the Shikshya Ratna Puraskar is just not an award but a platform to encourage other teachers to emulate teaching excellence. He praised Oil India for its exemplary initiatives under CSR and doing beyond set annual target as per the Company's Act.

While honoring the exemplary service of the teachers, Shri Pranjit Deka, RCE, OIL congratulated the recipients of the award and reiterated OIL's commitment to improve education in OIL's operational areas.

Oil India Ltd. under its educational CSR initiative has been awarding "*OIL Shikshya Ratna Puraskar*" honoring the exemplary service of In-service teachers of all provincialized schools

(Elementary to Secondary) of Government of Assam and all affiliated non-technical undergraduate colleges under state universities of Assam since 2013.

It may be noted that the names of the recipients of OIL Shikshya Ratna Puraskar 2019 were announced through press advertisement on Teachers' Day, 5<sup>th</sup> September, 2019. Earlier the teachers had submitted their self-nomination for the award against a press advertisement released by OIL. Schoolnet India Ltd was entrusted with the task of scrutinizing the entries and conducting the selection process through an independent Jury comprising of distinguished members from education fraternity.

A Teachers' Workshop was conducted by resource persons, Prof Anupam Saikia from IIT, Guwahati and Ms Noopur Midha from Schoolnet India Ltd wherein around 200 teachers from OIL's operational areas participated in the workshop.





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