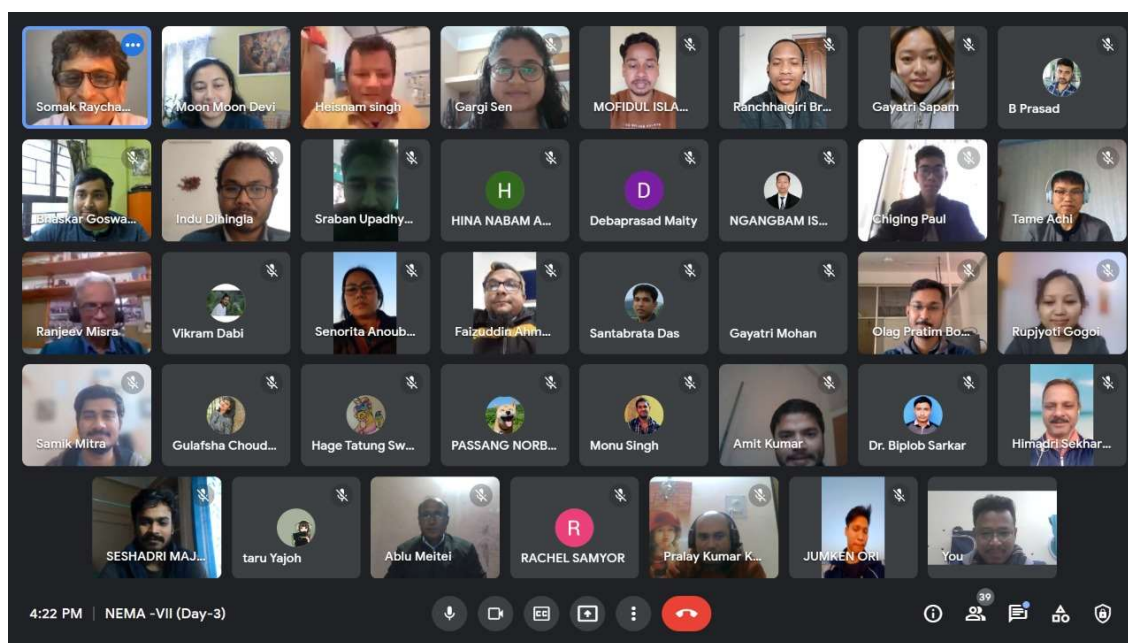


A report on North-East Meet of Astronomers-VII

A three-day-long “**North-East Meet of Astronomers (NEMA)-VII**” was organized by the Department of Physics, Rajiv Gandhi University (RGU) in collaboration with the Inter-University Centre for Astronomy and Astrophysics (IUCAA), Pune from 27 to 29 January 2022 in hybrid mode with an aim to promote interaction and collaboration among astronomers of northeast India on a single platform. The seventh edition NEMA was virtually conducted through the google meet platform, and also simultaneously live-streamed on YouTube for making it available for viewing.

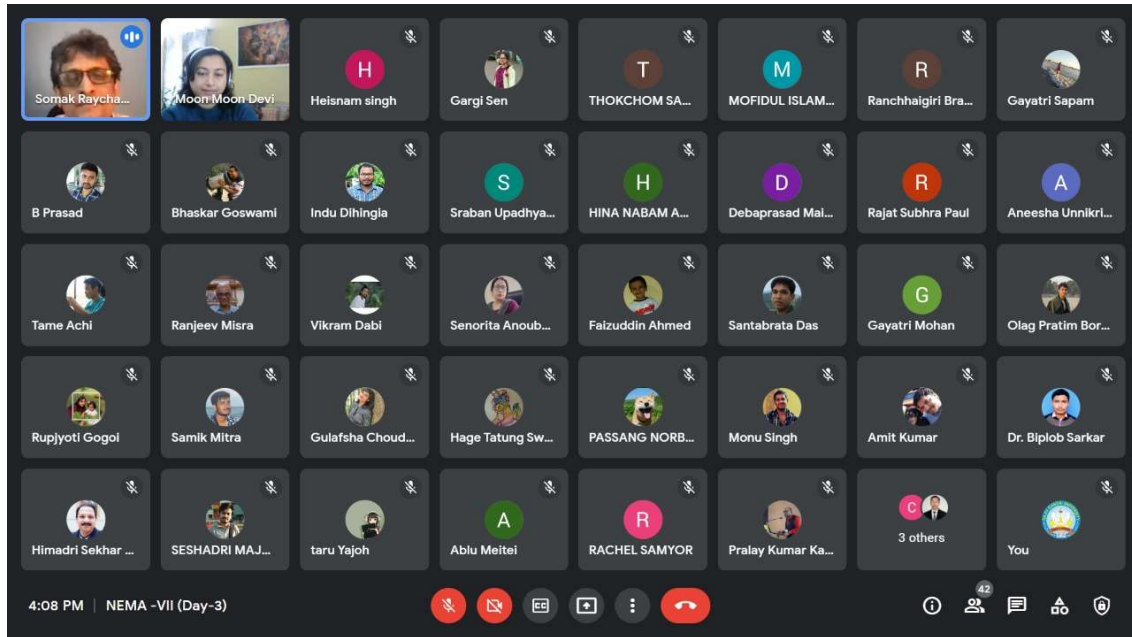
In the inaugural function, RGU Vice-Chancellor Prof. Saket Kushwaha in his speech highlighted the importance of Astronomy and Astrophysics and urges the department to organize similar NEMA-VII to enhance the research activities of young researchers of North East states.

IUCAA Director Prof. Somak Raychaudhury in his address dwelt on the discoveries of the marveling secrets of the Universe because of advanced facilities coming up nowadays. Pro VC-Prof. Amitav Mitra, Registrar-Dr. Nabam Tadar Rikam, Dean of Basic Sciences-Prof. Sanjeev Kumar and Head of Physics Department Prof. Pradeep Kumar Kalita gracing the function gave speeches on similar themes about the earlier and recent developments in the fields of Astronomy and Astrophysics.



Two special talks were delivered by Prof. Ajit K. Kembhavi, IUCAA, and Prof. Somak Raychaudhury, IUCAA Director on the first and the last day of NEMA-

VII respectively. In every morning and afternoon session throughout the three days, altogether more than 30 talkers including invited senior professors, teachers, post-doctoral, and research scholars delivered oral presentations on their current research works and had fruitful discussions and interactions with all 76 online participants from various northeast states' colleges, universities, and institutes.



The seventh edition NEMA was coordinated by Prof. Ranjeev Misra, IUCAA, and Dr. Heisnam Shanjit Singh, Physics Department, RGU.