

RAJIV GANDHI UNIVERSITY
CENTER FOR DEVELOPMENT STUDIES
DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS
Special Lecture Series 2022-23
Lecture 1: Regional Disparity and NE
Economy:

17th May, 2022 Time: 2.30 PM Venue: Conference Hall

The Way Forward



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## Part – II Special Lecture Series 2022-23: Lecture 1

2.1: **Themes**: Regional Disparity and NE Economy: The Way Forward

## 2.2: Details of the Resource Persons:



Prof. Mrinal Kanti Dutta,
Professor,
Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences,
IIT Guwahati, Guwahati

- 2.3: Sponsoring Agency: Centre for Development Studies, Department of Economics, Rajiv Gandhi University
- 2.4: Expenditure Incurred: Rs.4700/-

## Part – III Details Programme:

- **3.1 Welcome Address by** Prof. Vandana Upadhyay, Head, Department of Economics and Coordinators Center for Development Studies
- 3.2 Felicitation of the Guest.
- 3.3 A few words about the speaker by Dr Prasenjit Bujar Baruah, Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, RGU
- 3.3 Lecture delivered by Prof. Mrinal Kanti Dutta, Professor, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, IIT Guwahati
- 3.4 Discussion and question.
- 3.5 Vote of thanks by Dr. Anup Kumar Das, Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, RGU

### Part – IV Outcome of the Program (Main points of the Lecture)

Thereafter, the lecture was delivered by Prof. Mrinal Kanti Dutta. Prof Dutta highlighted the economic performance of the north-eastern states in the post reform period. He stated that although the regional economy of northeast India as a whole was performing better in the post reform period, the gap between the regional economy and the national economy had widened. There was a deterioration in the share of these states in the net domestic product (NDP) of India. Further, it was not uniform across the states. It was found that public administration had a larger share in the regional NDP of northeast, compared to the national NDP. It concluded in an optimistic note that the north-eastern region had a great potential to be achieved and funds were no longer a constraint for it. However, a number of policy reforms is to be undertaken in order to overcome the challenges. The lecture was followed by discussion and question answer.

#### Part – V Annexure

5.1: Brochure:

(Prof. Vandana Upadhyay)



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5.2: Faculty members, research scholars and students across different departments of Rajiv Gandhi university participated in the programme. Around 81 participants were there. As many as 56 per cent of the audience were female.

(Prof. Vandana Upadhyay)