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## RIS, NETRA experts dwell on Issues, Challenges of localizing SDG in Meghalaya



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"The success of sustainable Development Goals should be on localising the goals", said Prof Amitabh Kundu, Distinguish Fellow, RIS, New Delhi& former Professor & Dean, JNU in the 5<sup>th</sup> Webinar Lecture Series on "Localising Sustainable Development Goals: Perspectives from North East India" under the theme of "Issues & Challenges of localizing SDG in Meghalaya" organised by Research and Information System for developing Countries (RIS) & North Eastern Training, Research and Advocacy Foundation (NETRA) in knowledge partnering with the Department of Rural Development, University of Science & Technology Meghalaya on August 1, 2020.

Dr Bamin Tada, Former Advisor (Health), NEC, Meghalaya presented on the health and wellbeing issues in localising SDGs in Meghalaya where he spoke on the importance of health as one of the primary indicators of global goals and how significant it is to make a progress in the health infrastructure in the state of Meghalaya. Dr P S Nianglang showed the different initiatives adopted by the state government towards localisation of SDG in district level, block level and village level.

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The 5<sup>th</sup> goal of SDG was focused by Dr Deigracia Nongkynrih, Assistant Professor of Department of Economics, NEHU where she presented on the gender issues related to localisation of SDGs in the state of Meghalaya by clearly mentioning that although Meghalaya is known for its matrilineal society yet the participation of women in political administration is very less which itself pose a question on the gender equality issue.

To identify the local goals and substantiate towards the global goals was highlighted by Dr Papiya Dutta, Associate Professor, Department of Rural Development of University of Science & Technology, Meghalaya. She presented on the importance of capacity building of the local self government and empowering the local administration will pave the path towards the achievement of SDG. Even the civil societies are the stakeholders in realising the global goals and the strategies adopted by the CSO in the state of Meghalaya was well discussed by Miss Mayfereen Ryntathiang, President of Grassroot, Shillong.

The lecture was concluded by Dr Kanak Haloi, President of NETRA with an optimistic view of minimising the gap between the global goals and local goals for the state of Meghalaya with a vote of thanks offered by Dr Jayanta Choudhury, Secretary of NETRA.





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