

Press Release

OIL SHIKSHYA RATNA PURASKAR 2017

For immediate release

Duliajan, 5th December 2017: The OIL Shikshya Ratna Puraskar, 2017 was awarded by Hon'ble Governor of Assam, Prof. Jagdish Mukhi to 5 (five) teachers at an award ceremony held on 5th December 2017 at Duliajan Club, Duliajan in the presence of Shri Rameshwar Teli, MP, Dibrugarh Constituency, Shri Terese Gwala, MLA, Shri Utpal Bora, CMD, OIL, Shri B P Sarma, RCE, OIL, along with other dignitaries and invitees. The Shikshya Ratna Puraskar consisted of cash incentive of Rupees One Lakh, a silver salver and mementoes to each of the awardees.

The five teachers whom the OIL Shikshya Ratna Puraskar-2017 was conferred are:

- 1. Mr. Biren Borah, North Lakhimpur Town Model LPS, Lakhimpur
- 2. Mr. Jiban Borah, Deodia Ati Sr. Basic School, Majuli
- 3. Mr. Bhabakanta Pujari, Madhavdev High School, Lakhimpur
- 4. Dr. Akhil Baruah, Darrang College, Sonitpur
- 5. Ms. Sonmai Boruah, Tingkhong Higher Secondary School, Dibrugarh

While congratulating the recipients of the OIL Shikshya Ratna Puraskar-2017, Hon'ble Governor of Assam, Prof. Jagdish Mukhi 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 efforts put on under CSR and doing beyond set annual target as per the Company's Act.

Shri R Teli, MP in his address acknowledged the exemplary contribution of OIL for socioeconomic development of people in upper Assam. While congratulating the recipients of the award, he also talked about their responsibility they have to uphold and set an example among the teaching fraternity.

Shri Utpal, Bora, CMD, OIL congratulated the awardees and reiterated about the CSR initiatives of OIL in various sectors that promises to continue the development work for people residing in its operational areas. Shri B P Sarma, RCE, OIL in his welcome address stated the objective of the Award Ceremony and the various initiatives of OIL's social interventions.

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 2017 were announced through press advertisement on Teachers' Day, 5th September, 2017. Earlier the teachers had submitted their self-nomination for the award against a press advertisement released by OIL. IL&FS Education 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 and representatives from Dibrugarh and Guwahati Universities.

The award ceremony was followed by a Teachers' Workshop conducted by resource persons of IL&FS Education. Around 300 teachers from OIL's operational areas participated in the workshop.
