



# লক্ষীমপুৰ তেলাহী কমলাবৰীয়া মহাবিদ্যালয় LAKHIMPUR TELAHI KAMALABORIA COLLEGE



## PROSPECTUS-2026-27

*Four Years Under Graduate Programme  
(B.A., B.Sc, BA-B.Ed & BSc-B.Ed)*

*&  
H.S. Courses*

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Azad, North Lakhimpur - 787031, District : Lakhimpur (Assam)



राष्ट्रीय मूल्यांकन एवं प्रत्यायन परिषद  
विश्वविद्यालय अनुदान आयोग का स्वायत्त संस्थान  
**NATIONAL ASSESSMENT AND ACCREDITATION COUNCIL**  
An Autonomous Institution of the University Grants Commission

# *Certificate of Accreditation*

*The Executive Committee of the  
National Assessment and Accreditation Council*

*is pleased to declare*

*L. J. K. College*

*Azad, North Bakhimpur, Dist. Bakhimpur, affiliated to Dibrugarh University,  
Assam as*

*Accredited*

*with CGPA of 2.92 on four point scale*

*at B<sup>++</sup> grade*

*valid up to February 19, 2028*

*Date : February 20, 2023*



*S. C. Singh*  
Director



### From the Principal's Desk



Dr. Bubul Kr. Saikia  
M.Sc., Ph.D

It gives me great pleasure to welcome you to L.T.K. College—a place of learning, growth, and opportunity. Since its establishment on 22nd August 1977, our college has been committed to providing quality education to the students of Lakhimpur and nearby districts. Over the past 46 years, we have nurtured thousands of young minds through our Arts and Science streams.

We are proud to share that L.T.K. College has been accredited by NAAC with a B++ grade, achieving the highest CGPA (2.92) in the Lakhimpur district. This recognition reflects our dedication to academic excellence and continuous improvement.

We have already adopted the Four-Year Undergraduate Program (FYUGP) under the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020, starting from the 2023–24 academic session, offering Arts and Science streams with major subjects in 15 disciplines. From 2025–26, we are also excited to introduce the Four-Year Integrated B.A.B.Ed. and B.Sc.B.Ed. programs, recognized by the National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE), New Delhi.

Our college also runs Higher Secondary (HS) programs in both Science and Arts under AHSEC, giving students a strong foundation after their Class X examinations.

To prepare students for the modern world, we have enhanced our digital education infrastructure, which includes:

- Digital classrooms
- A well-equipped digital library
- Campus Wi-Fi
- ICT-based learning tools

In addition to academics, L.T.K. College strongly believes in the importance of overall development. We offer:

- NCC (National Cadet Corps) for discipline and national service
- NSS (National Service Scheme) for community engagement
- Skill-based courses under schemes like PMKVY and PM Vishwakarma Yojana
- Regular sports, cultural, and literary activities for personality growth

We are committed to making our campus green, clean, and peaceful, surrounded by nature and away from city noise. This calm and eco-friendly environment supports focused learning and personal development.

Special attention is given to encouraging science education among students from rural backgrounds. We aim to break social barriers and promote curiosity, creativity, and scientific thinking.

Our student mentoring system is another key strength. Teachers act not only as educators but also as mentors and guides, helping students in both academics and personal growth.

Lastly, we believe education must serve society. Through various extension and outreach activities, we inspire students to develop empathy, leadership, and a sense of social responsibility.

I invite you to be a part of L.T.K. College—where we learn, grow, and work together for a better future.



## ABOUT THE INSTITUTION

### GENERAL INFORMATION

#### NAME OF THE COLLEGE

**LAKHIMPUR TELAHI KAMALABORIA COLLEGE**

#### ADDRESS

**P.O. : AZAD, DISTRICT: LAKHIMPUR,  
NORTH LAKHIMPUR- 787031, (ASSAM)**

**YEAR OF ESTABLISHMENT : 1977**

#### PRINCIPAL

**DR. BUBUL KUMAR SAIKIA , M.Sc. Ph.D.**

#### VICE-PRINCIPAL

**DR. SWAPNA DUTTA , M.Sc., Ph.D.**

**Landline : 03752-230119 (Principal's Office)**

**Mobile No. : 9954189103/6900191998 (Principal)  
7002384139 (Vice-Principal)**

#### WEBSITE :

**[www.ltkcollege.ac.in](http://www.ltkcollege.ac.in)  
[www.ltkcollege.digitallibrary.co.in](http://www.ltkcollege.digitallibrary.co.in)**

#### E-mail :

**[ltkcollege@yahoo.in](mailto:ltkcollege@yahoo.in) & [ltkcollege1977@gmail.com](mailto:ltkcollege1977@gmail.com)**

#### OFFICE TIMING

**9:30 a.m. to 4:30 pm**

### GOVERNING BODY

President

**DR. AMIYA RAJBONGSHI**

Secretary

**DR. BUBUL KUMAR SAIKIA**  
Principal, L.T.K. College



Officially recognized as a Centre of Excellence, reinforcing our commitment to Research and Innovation



Sri Pranabjit Kakati, Hon'ble District Commissioner of Lakhimpur Inaugurated the UNESCO Library Corner



## ACADEMIC PROGRAMMES / COURSE OF STUDY

- The college offers following programmes/courses of study -

### Regular Mode:

**A) Two years Higher Secondary Course in Science and Arts under Assam State School Education Board (ASSEB).**

**ARTS STREAM**

**No. of seats available : 200**

**SCIENCE STREAM**

**No. of seats available : 100**

**Eligibility : Duly passed H.S.L.C. under SEBA or equivalent Class-X examination.**

**Duration of the courses : 2 (two) years**

Students of Arts stream can also offer Mathematics as a major subject for future higher studies in Economics.

**B) Four years B.A. and B.Sc. Programmes under CBCS of Dibrugarh University as per NEP-2020 guidelines.**

**ARTS STREAM (B.A.)**

**No. of seats available : 375**

**SCIENCE STREAM (B.Sc.)**

**No. of seats available : 295**

**Eligibility : Duly passed Higher Secondary or equivalent (10+2) examination.**

**C) B.Voc in Food Processing (UGC) under Dibrugarh University.**

**D) Advance Diploma in Acting (UGC) Course.**

**E) Add on Courses (time to time) : **Yoga & Meditation, Spoken English, Fundamentals of Computer (Hardware and Software) and Life Skills.****

The College offers online teaching and learning facility along with online education courses. For which each and every student has to provide email account. For details contact **Mr. Chiranjiv Chowlek**, Coordinator (Ph. 84866-52323)



## COMBINATION OF SUBJECTS

### Subjects Combination for Higher Secondary Courses :

<b>ARTS STREAM</b>		
<b>COMPULSORY SUBJECTS</b>		
<b>GROUP (A)</b>		
<b>ENGLISH</b>	<b>MIL (Assamese) or Alternative English</b>	i) Environmental Education (For HS 1st Year only) ii) General Studies (For HS 2 <sup>nd</sup> Year only)
<b>ELECTIVE SUBJECTS</b>		
Any three subjects from Group (B) and any one subject from Group (C)		
<b>GROUP (B)</b>		<b>GROUP (C)</b>
Political Science	Community Science	Bihu/ Artificial Intelligence
Education	History	
Sociology	Geography	
Economics	Logic & Philosophy	

<b>SCIENCE STREAM</b>			
<b>COMPULSORY SUBJECTS</b>			
<b>GROUP (A)</b>			
<b>ENGLISH</b>	<b>MIL (Assamese) or Alternative English</b>	I) Environmental Education (For HS 1st Year only) II) General Studies (For HS 2 <sup>nd</sup> Year only)	
<b>ELECTIVE SUBJECTS</b>			
<b>GROUP (B)</b>			
Any three subjects from the following group and one more as additional.			
Physics	Chemistry	Biology	Mathematics
Community Science/Geography			



**B.A./B.Sc. 1st Semester (Honours) intake capacity□:**

SUBJECTS FOR B.A. (MAJOR)				SUBJECTS FOR B.Sc. (MAJOR)			
Major Subjects	Intake capacity			Major Subjects	Intake capacity		
	Major	Minor	MDGEC		Major	Minor	MDGEC
Assamese	45	45	45	Botany	60	60	60
Economics	25	25	25	Chemistry	45	45	45
Education	60	45	45	Mathematics	60	40	35
English	30	25	25	Physics	55	40	40
Geography	30	25	25	Zoology	60	60	60
History	25	25	25	Geography	10	05	05
Community Science	20	20	45	Community Science	05	05	05
Mathematics	10	10	10	<b>NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR TEACHING EDUCATION (NCTE), NEW DELHI</b> The Eastern Regional Committee grants recognition <i>Four Year Degree Course</i> to L T K College, Azad, North Lakhimpur from the academic session 2026-27			
Philosophy	20	20	20				
Political Science	60	45	45				
Sociology	50	45	45				
				<b>Sl. No.</b>	<b>Discipline</b>	<b>Intake Capacity</b>	
				1	B.A. B.Ed	50	
				2	B.sc. B.Ed.	50	

**Distance Mode :**

- *B.A. (Major & Pass Course) under the Directorate of Distance Learning (DODL), Dibrugarh University.*
- *M.A. (in Assamese, Economics, Education, English, Political Science, Sociology) under the Directorate of Distance Learning (DODL), Dibrugarh University.*
- *Degree Programme (4 years) B.A. (Honours) in All Subjects*
- *Master of Social Work (MSW) under KKHSOU*
- *Diploma in Yoga under KKHSOU*
- *Certificate Course (Certificate in Early Childhood Education) under KKHSOU*
- *Master of Arts (in English, Assamese, Political Science, Education, Economics, Sociology, Philosophy, History, Mathematics) under KKHSOU.*

(For admission into these courses Prospectus of reAdd on Courses : 22 Nos.be collected from the respective study centre and office of the college.)





## DEPARTMENTS OF L T K COLLEGE AT A GLANCE

### ASSAMESE

The department was established in 1977. Late Anjalika Rajkhowa was the founder Head of the Department. The department of Assamese has made significant contribution towards the society. Prominent alumni of this department Mr. Tarun Kalita and Mr. Amulya Nath are presently working as an Assistant Professor, T T N College, Khaga and Miri Jiyari College, Lakhimpur respectively. Most of the alumnus are engaged in different field like teaching, research and other activities. Popular talks, study tour and society connect programmes are regularly organized by the department.

### COMMUNITY SCIENCE

Established in the year 1994. The Department of Community Science has made significant contribution towards the society through teaching, research and other activities. Dr. Swapna Dutta was the founder Head of the department. Ms. Dulumoni Chetia, Ms. Guna Chetia are Well known entrepreneur and other some Alumnus are associated in different field like teaching, nursing, civil defence etc. The present faculty members are highly qualified and engaged in research work, writing books and many social activities. The department has maintained a very good academic performance over the years.

### ECONOMICS

Established in the year 1977. From its very inception the department has been manned by teachers who have excelled in their field. Dr. Hamidur Rahman was the founder Head of the department. A prominent alumni Dr. Ramesh Kr. Kakoti, Aalumni and Retd. Faculty member of this department. Other alumnus is engaged in different field like Teaching, Banking and Journalism.

### EDUCATION

The department of Education was established in the year 1977. Jannat Jazmina Ahmed was founder Head of the department. Since its inception a good number of students have pursued major in education and perform well. The legacy still continues. A notable alumnus Dr. Lakhinandan Nath is the Principal of Laluk College of Lakhimpur district who have engaged in many social activities. Another alumni Mrs. Rupamoni Borgohain is present faculty member (Assistant Professor) in TTN College, Khaga, Lakhimpur. The department organizes wide range of programmes to develop social awareness and responsibility.

### ENGLISH

The department established in the year 1977 with Late Narayan Gogoi as the founder Head. English has been a subject attached to almost all the courses and demands to be made and fulfilled by the department which is done successfully over the years. Apart from the curriculum related activities, the department regularly engages in other academic pursued like Focuces on developing students' fluency in spoken English. Pranjil Das an alumni of this department now working as Ranger in Kaziranga forest. Moreover many students pursuing higher study in this subject. Some of alumnus are engaged in teaching and other activities.

### GEOGRAPHY

The department established in the year 1992. The founder Head of the Department is Mrs. Champa Tamuli. The department has maintained a good academic performance over the years. One of the alumni namely Kaushik Saikia is now working in Indian Army.

### HISTORY

The department established in the year 1977. Dr. Bina Saikia was the founder Head of the department. A notable alumnus Dr. Sonaram Kalita is the Principal of Sankardeva Mahavidyalaya, Lakhimpur district who contributed many social activities. The department has a well equipped museum with a good collection of resources. The department maintains a steady result output.

### PHILOSOPHY

The department established in the year 1992. Dr. Golap Sarma Boruah, Principal, Lakhimpur Kendriya Mahavidyalaya was the founder Head of the department. The department offers Major and General courses.

### POLITICAL SCIENCE

The Department of Political Science was established in 1977. The former i/c Principal Narayan Chandra Borgohain was the founder Head of the department. From its very inception the department has been manned by teaches who have excelled in their filed. The present faculty Praffulla Nath, HoD & Associate professor is alumni of this department. Another notable allumini associated with this department are Ajon Kr. Pegu, (M.A, NET) Vice Principal, Mukul Ch. Nath, (M.A, M.Phil, SLET) Assistant Professor, Gopal Sarkar & Monjuma Ahmed, Advocate, Lakhimpur Bar Association. etc. The present faculty members are highly qualified and engaged in research work, writing books and many social activities. The department has maintained a very good academic performance over the years. Popular talks, study tours and society connect programmes are regularly organized by the department. The department organizes a wide range of programmes to develop social awareness and responsibility.

### SOCIOLOGY

The department was established in 1977. Herambar Deva Sharma former Principal of Panigaon OPD College was the founder Head of the department. The department is engaged in different community works and organize a wide range of programme to develop social awareness and responsibility. The alumni of this department Anisha Mahanta, MLLB, Advocate, Gauhati High Court, Runjun Chutia, LLB, NL Bar Association provides valuable services to the society. A notable alumni Deva Dutta is a renown entrepreneur.

### BOTANY

The Department was established in 1994. From the inception of the department offers comprehensive plant science education and research opportunities. Notable alumni Punam Jyoti Borah, Asstt. Prof., Sivsagar University.

### CHEMISTRY

The Department of Chemistry, L.T.K. College, takes immense pride in its alumni who have excelled in diverse professional avenues. Graduates have been placed in prestigious institutions such as Pubyand, ONGC, and several reputed research laboratories across the country. Many have pursued M.Sc. degrees from renowned universities, while others have ventured into entrepreneurship, establishing their own successful enterprises. Their achievements reflect the department's commitment to nurturing scientific acumen, research aptitude, and innovative thinking.

### MATHEMATICS

Department of Mathematics was established in 1992. Dharani Dutta was the founder head of the department. The major courses was introduced in 2014. Notable alumni Rahul Sonowal, Office of the Superintendent of Tax, Biki Borah, Asstt. Prof. in L T K, College. A few alumnus are pursuing further higher studies and engaged in deferent sectors.

### PHYSICS

Major started in the year 2014. Many more students have completed their M.Sc. degree from various universities. One student completed MBA from Tezpur Central University. Some of them working as Head Teacher/Teacher in Govt. and Private sectors. Also working in banking, APRO services.

### ZOOLOGY

The Department of Zoology was established in 1994. A notable alumni Dr. Hiranmoyee Chetia, Senior Field Officer at WTI Greater Manas Recovery Project. A few alumnus are pursuing further higher studies and engaged in deferent sectors.



## ADMISSION PROCEDURE

### How to apply

Students seeking admission into H.S. 1st Year (both Arts & Science) will have to apply through DARPAN Portal (Assam)  
 Students seeking admission into B.A./B.Sc 1st Semester will have to apply through SAMARTH Portal (Assam)  
 Student seeking admission into integrated B.A./B.Sc. Four Year Degree course, after declaration of NCET entrance results conducted by National Testing Agency (NTA).

All fee related information will be notified in the notice board of our college website in due course of time. Please keep visiting our website frequently.

Candidates are required to produce the following documents at the time of admission cum interview.

- Original Marksheet of the last qualifying examination.
- Original pass certificate from the Board/Council.
- Birth Certificate
- Caste Certificate from the competent authority (for ST/SC/OBC/MOBC/PH candidates).
- Certificate from the Institution last attended for gap period in studies.
- Extra-curricular Certificates for Sports and other seats.
- 2 copies of Passport Size Photos.
- Migration Certificate (for Students from other Boards /University /Councils)
- Students taking 'Free Admission' have to produce Original Annual Income Certificate of their parents as well as each student has to plant a tree within the college campus.

### Selection Procedure

Candidates are selected for admission into H.S and Degree Course strictly on merit basis subjected to the approval of the 'Admission Committee'. The Admission Committee of the college scrutinizes the 'Admission Forms' and a list of selected candidates is prepared on merit basis and the same list is displayed on the College Notice Board prior to the Interview cum Admission Process.

### Reservation

Reservation for SC, ST(P), ST(H), OBC, MOBC and Physically handicapped students are maintained strictly as per the Government of Assam Rules

OBC : 15% SC : 7%

ST(P): 10% ST(H): 5%

Physically Handicapped : 3%

The Merit List is prepared on the basis of the same Reservation System. In addition 5% of total seats is reserved for students having proficiency in sports, NCC, NSS, Scouts and Guides and Cultural activities.



## Interview cum Admission Schedule

The dates of interview cum admission into different courses are notified on the college notice board, local dailies and college website. Immediately must have to appear personally before an interview board on date original documents, photocopies of which are furnished with the Admission Form.

## GENERAL RULES

### Attendance

It is obligatory to attend classes regularly, Willful absence from the classes is treated as a serious breach of college discipline.

#### HS 1st Year

Students who do not attend minimum of 80% of the total number of classes (both practical and theory classes separately) will not be allowed to sit in the annual examination conducted by AHSEC.

#### HS 2nd Year

Students who do not attend minimum of 80% of the total number of classes (both practical and theory classes separately) will not be allowed to fill up the forms of HS final year examination conducted by AHSEC.

#### B.A./B.Sc.

Students who do not attend minimum of 80% of the total number of classes in each paper (both practical and theory classes separately) held in any semester will not be allowed to appear in the end semester examination conducted by Dibrugarh University.

#### Four Year Integrated B.A./B.Sc. Course

Students who do not attend minimum of 80% of the total number of classes in each paper (both practical and theory classes separately) held in any semester will not be allowed to appear in the end semester examination.

Attendance in a particular semester will not be taken to account in the subsequent semester.

### Examination Rules

The examination committee of the college conducts all the examinations and it is obligatory for all the students to appear in all the examinations conducted by the college during an academic session.

The following examinations are conducted by the college during an academic year :

Class/College Examination	
H.S. 1 <sup>st</sup> Year	Two Unit Test & Pre Test Examination
H.S. 2 <sup>nd</sup> Year	Two Unit Test & Pre-Final Test Examination



## Examination and Evaluation

A Student who has less than 75% attendance in average shall not be permitted to sit for the End-semester examination.

Examination and evaluation shall be done on a continuous basis, at least two times during a Semester including the End Semester Examination.

There shall be 40% marks for in-semester assesment and 60% marks for End-Semester examination in each course during every semester.

In -n-semester assessment, different tools such as objective tests, written tests, assignments, paper presentation, laboratory word etc. suitable to the courses may be employed. The students shall be informed in advance about the nature of assessment.

*If any student fails to appear in internal assessment. He/She shall not be eligible to appear in the end semester examinations of the course(s) concerned.*

- Result of defaulters on account of College, Hostel, NCC, Sports, Students Union and Library matters will be kept withheld).
- Re-admission of unsuccessful students will be governed by 'College Admission Rules'.
- Expulsion from any examination will lead to the expulsion from the College.

## Annual/Final/End Semester Examination

➤ *HS 1st Year Examination is conducted by the schedule authority in accordance to the examination schedule and question papers supplied by the Assam Higher Secondary Education Council (AHSEC), Guwahati, Assam.*

➤ *All the B.A/B.Sc. (End Semester) Examinations is conducted by Dibrugarh University, Dibrugarh, Assam.*

➤ *All the BA/B.Sc (End Semester) Examination are of 60/45 marks and conducted by Dibrugarh University.*

## COLLEGE RULES & REGULATIONS

- The Societies and Association of the college shall be subjected to such guidance and control as the college administration may prescribed from time to time.
- Only such Societies as have been recognized by the Principal shall have the facilities of the college premises.
- All notice desired to be circulated by the students anywhere in the college premises shall require the approval of the Principal.
- Class attendance of a student should not be less than 75%.
- Filled up registration form of Council/University should be submitted in the office within the stipulated time as fixed by the college authority. No registration form will be received after such time.

The following activities are considered to be major offence against discipline of the college. The students found guilty of committing such offences are liable to face disciplinary action, including suspension or expulsion or legal action.

- Participation in ragging of any type.
- Forcible disruption of classes.
- Disobedience and indecent behavior to fellow students, teachers and college employee.
- Damaging, defacing or devaluating college property shall lead to drastic action as deemed fit by the college authority.

## CODE OF CONDUCT FOR STUDENTS

### College Uniform

*A proper and uniform dress code is compulsory during colleges hours.*

For Boys	White shirt (L T K College logo stitched on pocket), black trousers (long pants) and black sweater
For Girls	a) White coloured plain mekhela, white blouse (L T K College logo stitched at left arm) with white chadar with royal blue colour border line b) White cloured Churidar set (L T K College logo stitched at left arm) with Royal blue dupatta with white ractangle print , black sweater

### Identity Card

The College **Identity Card** issued to a student possesses his or her real identity. So it is obligatory for every student to put on his or her identity during the college hours within campus. The **Identity Card** must be produced as and when demanded by the authority. In case of loss or damage of the **Identity Card**, students can apply for duplicate **Identity Card** to the Principal in black and white. Duplicate copy of **Identity Card** is issued on payment of **Rs. 50/-** with an application.

- To procure the Identity Card of the college a separate duly filled up form should be submitted along with the admission form with 2 (two) copies of Stamp Size photos.

*(Any violation of the Code of Conduct will invite strict disciplinary action extending upto expulsion from the College.)*

## OTHERS

### Hostels Facilities and Hostel Rules

The college offers hostel accommodation for both boys and girls. Both the hostels are situated within the college campus in a healthy and secured environment. Conduct in the hostel is governed by the '**L.T.K. College Hostel Rules**' copies of which are available in the College Office free of charge. Hostels remain closed during summer, winter and Puja Vacations.

Separate forms will be issued for hostel accommodation during the time of admission.



- Students seeking hostel accommodation have to fill up the 'Hostel Admission Form' and have to submit the form separately.
- Admission to hostel will be made strictly on the basis of merit basis and distance from present residence to college.
- All boarders have to maintain strict discipline as per the Hostel rules. Violation will invite punitive action even to the extent of expulsion from the hostel and the College.

## Scholarships

Under the provision of the Government of Assam, the college makes the necessary arrangement for providing different scholarships to its students.

- Post-Metric Scholarship for SC/ST students through the Project Director, ITDP, Assam.
- Scholarship to Minority students.
- ONGC scholarship.
- UGC scholarship (Ishan Uday)
- **LT. BHUBAN CHANDRA CHUTIA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP :** From the year 2023 the L.T.K. College will award the students belonging to Science (One) and Arts (One) scoring highest marks in the 6th semester Final examination in the memory of Lt. Bhuban Chandra Chutia, Retired Principal Biwsanath College. The award has been sponsored by Mr. Bidyut Chutia, Retd. Vice Principal of L.T.K College

## College merit scholarships and awards

Apart from the Government scholarship, the college offers the following scholarships and awards to its students:

- Cash Prize of Rs. 1000/- (Rupees one thousand) only to the students of both the streams who secure 75% or above marks in aggregate in the H.S final examination.
- Cash Prize of Rs. 1500/- (Rupees one thousand five hundred) only to the students of Degree Courses (B.A & B.Sc) who secure the highest aggregate in the college with distinction in the final semester examination.
- Special awards to the regular reader and user of college library.
- Special prizes will be awarded to the students with highest attendance in the classes.
- Financial assistance to the poor students.
- Free admission to physically challenged students.



## Students' Travel Concession

Students are entitled to avail Travel Concession by rail or air on their way to home from the institution and back during vacation only.

## Book Bank

The college has a book bank which provides books to needy and meritorious students on production of BPL cards for the whole academic session.

## Departmental Library

Each department of the college has library with necessary Text and reference books for the benefits of the students as well as teachers.

## Academic Calendar

The college maintains its own academic calendar which is prepared on the basis of academic calendar of the Dibrugarh University. The copy of same is enclosed in the prospectus.

## Students' Diary

Each student will be provided with a Diary to maintain his/her records of daily classes and other activities which should be duly signed by the concerned Head of the Department at the end of each month.

## IQAC

In the 2005, the IQAC of L.T.K. College was established with a vision of promoting and monitoring the progress and all-round development of the college. Besides, it aims to transform NAAC's vision into action. Since its establishment the Cell has been undertaking all the necessary steps and making arrangement for periodic assessments and improvements of academic programmes. It also undertakes quality related activities, consultancy, training programmes, workshops, seminars etc. It tries to collaborate with other stakeholders of higher education for quality evaluation. In recent times it successfully conducted Academic Audit and Green Audit of the college for better SWOC analysis of the college as well as of each department.

## Digital Class Room cum Conference Hall

In order to facilitate the students with modern and up-to-dated technology, the college recently constructed a well equipped 'Digital Class Room cum Conference Hall' along with six separate Digital Class Rooms with all kinds of modern audio-visual aids with separate chairs for participants and other separate and comfortable seats for dignitaries and guests.

## Career Guidance & Counselling Cell

The college has established a career Counselling Centre with a view of providing support, career guidance, counselling and other related information on career options and better placement opportunities to the students. It also organizes workshops, face to face interaction and talks with Career Counsellors and related organizations.



## Library Services



Name of the Library : **Central Library cum Museum**  
**L.T.K. College.**  
 Date of establishment : **1977**  
 Librarian : **Rupam Hazarika**

### Brief History

Library of a college is an essential pre-requisite for successful implementation of quality higher educational programmes and is the epicentre of a college. The central library of our college is Digitalized libraries in Lakhimpur district in providing service to the readers. It is a place of great attraction to all.

Library of L.T.K. College was founded at the time of the inception of the college. Initially it was housed in a spacious single room of the old Assam type college building. In the year 2005, the library was shifted to RCC office building constructed under Buniyad Scheme, Govt. of Assam. During that period, the library accommodated about 17000 books. During the last ten years the numbers of book in the library have been increasing with the growing numbers of users. At present the library is shifted to the top floor of the newly constructed RCC building under UGC Development Fund and renamed as “Central Library and Museum”.

#### Service Availability

- ⊗ (OPAC)
- ⊗ Internet & E-mail.
- ⊗ Offline CD-ROM Databases.
- ⊗ E-Resources.
- ⊗ Kindle.
- ⊗ Reprographic.
- ⊗ Facilities.
- ⊗ Computers.
- ⊗ Career Literature.
- ⊗ Departmental Library Facility.
- ⊗ Suggestion Box.
- ⊗ User Orientation Information Display.
- ⊗ Notice Board.
- ⊗ Scanning service.
- ⊗ Film show.
- ⊗ Xerox (Rs1/- is charged per photocopy)

#### Library Automation

The Library is fully computerized. Databases of 65,000 volumes of library collection have already been created. The other databases created are Users (faculty & students) databases, publisher database, and vendor database. Circulation function is fully automated.



#### Attraction of the Library

▪ **Dr. Bhupen Hazarika Archive** ▪ A.P.J. Abdul Kalam Study Centre ▪ **Photo Gallery** ▪ **Museum**  
 Department of History initiated the college cultural museum in the year 2004 with a view of preserving some of the rare specimens, artefacts, manuscripts and others collected from the neighbouring villages and other interested donors. The college museum has a sizeable collection of such things. Earlier the museum was located in the Dept. of History, later it is shifted to the newly constructed Library for providing enough space.

#### Film Show

The college authority propose to screen film every week casing world classic to local variety, from full length feature, short fiction to documentary of internationally & nationally famed film directors. The show will be free of cost.



## BIO-TECH HUB

Year of establishment : **2014**

Co-ordinator : **Mr. Prabhat Saikia, M.Sc., B.Ed., M.Phil.**

### History

To popularize and promote awareness on Biotechnology in NE region, the Department of Biotechnology, Ministry of Science and Technology, Govt. of India has provided fund to establish Biotech Hub in institutions of NE region. L.T.K. College has been selected for establishing 'Institutional Biotech Hub' in the year 2013-14 under the special scheme. Subsequently, the college has established a Biotech Hub which is located in the first floor of the RCC building. The centre is well equipped with a Biotechnology Laboratory with basic sets of equipment support for site preparation as well as budget for procuring chemicals, organizing workshops etc. The objective of the centre is to provide instrumentation facilities to students, teachers and others for Biotechnology research, training, understanding, study and development of life science and different branches of Biological Science. The setup is capable of functioning 24 hours a day and is backed up with uninterrupted power supply system.



### Activities

The Biotech Hub of L.T.K. College holds periodical workshop and training programmes for sensitization and exposure to Modern Biology tools to the interested newcomers in the field as well as holding and organizing advanced training schedules with interactive participation of National and Regional resource persons.



Year of establishment : **2015**

Co-ordinator : **Dr. Swapna Dutta, M.Sc., Ph.D**

### History

In the 12th Five Year Plan, the Planning Commission has laid emphasis on expansion of skill-based programmes in higher education. So it recommended setting up of Community College (CC) in colleges of India to serve multiple needs including,

- A. Career oriented education and skills to student intersected in directly entering into workforce.
- B. Training and education programmes for local employers.
- C. High-touch remedial education for HS passed students who are not ready to enroll in traditional colleges and
- D. General interest courses to the community for personal development and interest. L.T.K. College has submitted proposal for setting up of Community College (CC) to UGC and accordingly our college was selected to offer "1 year Diploma in Food Processing". The college has successfully awarded Diploma to each batch students.



### Activities

Community College (CC) has organized an "Exposure cum Industrial Tour" to Mongaldai, Tezpur and Guwahati Chaigaon. In recent years, it has organized many interaction programmes among the Industry Partners and the students.



**Students' Union**

L.T.K College students' union is a general body of the students of the college. Its membership is compulsory for every student. Office bearers of this union are elected by the bonafied students of the college through general election of the college union body. This elected body organizes and promotes literary, cultural, sports, functions of the union body and other related activities in the college under the guidance of the Principal and Professor-in-charges.

**Publication Cell**

The publication cell of the college was established in the year 2014 with a view of encouraging the faculties to contribute in the publication sphere. The Publication cell has already published few edited books and an online magazine for budding writers.

**Magazine**

The college magazine "Lakhimpur Telahi Kamalabari College Magazine" is published bi-yearly to encourage writing and literary activities among the students. Each section of the magazine is edited by the Secretary Literary Section under the supervision of the Prof-in-charges. Besides, every department publishes their own journals, periodicals, wall magazines and new letters.

*Prof-in-charge: Dr. Poli Boruah, Dept. of Economics*

**Book Stall**

In the academic session 2014-15 the college authority opened a Book Stall for the benefits of the students. The book stall provides texts books and other study material at 5% discount rates to students.

**N.C.C.**

**National Cadet Corps** is a Tri-services organization comprising the Army, Navy and Air force engaged in grooming the youth of the country into disciplined and patriotic citizen. It is a voluntary organization which recruits is planning to introduce N.C.C from this session Application those are cadre of NCC will get extra preference in admission.



**ANO : Ms. Sonali Borah, Asstt. Prof., Dept. of History**

**Dramatic Society**

In the year 2017 the teaching faculties and students of the college with due permission of the college authority formed the L. T.K. College Dramatic Society with the aim of nurturing the dramatic talents of the students as well as providing the students with a platform to showcase their talents. The society has organised two drama in the college auditorium and conducted one workshop on Acting and Stage Performance in collaboration with NSD, Siliguri for the benefits of the students.



*The L.T.K. college, Dramatic Society under the banner of Amguri Rangharia Bihpuria a programme on importance of Drama, "Ishwaror Sandhanot" was organised in the college auditorium on 11/06/2022*

**It is mandatory for students to process bank account for availing scholarship and free accident insurance.**

**Student, not having bank account have to deposit an extra amount of Rs. 100/- along with 3 copies of photo, ID proof, address proof and mobile no. to open bank account.**



**Manuranjan Borah, Benimadhab Das and Kaushtav Saikia of L T K College Participated in Youth Festival, 2025 under Dibrugarh University and won 1st, prize in Lok Geet, Spotphotography competition and got 3rd prize in Western Vocal competition**



## LIST OF FACULTY MEMBERS

**Principal : DR. BUBUL KR. SAIKIA, M.Sc., Ph.D**

**Vice-Principal : DR. SWAPNA DUTTA, M.Sc., Ph.D.**

### TEACHING STAFFS

#### DEPARTMENT OF ASSAMESE

1. Dr. Bhaskarjit Borah, M.A., Ph.D.
2. Dr. Binita Saharia, M.A., Ph.D. (HoD)
3. Dr. Randeep Borah, M.A, M.Phil, Ph.D

#### DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY SCIENCE

1. Dr. Swapna Dutta, M.Sc., Ph.D.
2. Dr. Deepali Das, M.Sc., Ph.D (HoD)

#### DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

1. Mr. Chiranjiv Chowlek, M.A. (HoD)
2. Dr. Poli Boruah, M.A. B.Ed., Ph.D
3. Dr. Kanchan Devi, M.A., B.Ed., M.Phil. Ph.D

#### DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

1. Mr. Siladitya Dutta, M.A., B.Ed.
2. Dr. Pranjal Das, M.A., Ph.D. (HoD)
3. Ms. Bhanita Kalita, M.A

#### DEPARTMENT OF ENGLISH

1. Mr. Biju Kr. Sonowal, M.A., M.Phil. (HoD)
2. Vacant
3. Mr. Nurullah Rahman, M.A. (Part timer)

#### DEPARTMENT OF GEOGRAPHY

1. Mrs. Champa Tamuli, M.A., M.Phil (HoD)
2. Mr. Diganta Kr. Saikia, M.A., B.Ed., M.Phil., LLB

#### DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY

1. Mrs. Lichamoni Boruah Gogoi, M.A. (HoD)
2. Mr. Devajyoti Chetia, M.A., B.Ed., M.Phil.
3. Ms. Sonali Borah, M.A., M.Phil

#### DEPARTMENT OF POLITICAL SCIENCE

1. Mr. Prafulla Nath, M.A., M.Phil. (HoD)
2. Vacant
3. Miss Mami Nath (Part timer)

#### DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY

1. Mr. Basanta Dutta, M.A., M.Phil. (HoD)
2. Mr. Kula Gogoi, M.A., B.Ed.

#### DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY

1. Dr. Runali Goswami, M.A., Ph.D. (HoD)
2. Mr. Badan Kalita, M.A., M.Phil.

#### DEPARTMENT OF BOTANY

1. Mr. Bharat Hazarika, M.Sc., M.Phil. (HoD)
2. Mrs. Jully Gohain Neog, M.Sc., M.Phil.
3. Mr. Prabhat Saikia, M.Sc., B.Ed., M.Phil.

#### DEPARTMENT OF CHEMISTRY

1. Mr. Biren Kakoti, M.Sc., M.Phil.
2. Dr. Debajit Dutta, M.Sc., M.Phil., MBA, Ph.D (HoD)
3. Vacant

#### DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS

1. Dr. Bubul Kr. Saikia, M.Sc., Ph.D
2. Mrs. Swapnali Borgohain, M.Sc., M.Phil. (HoD)
3. Dr. Manash Protim Borah, M.Sc., M.Phil., B.Ed., Ph.D
4. Miss Rinku Dutta, M.Sc., M.Phil., B.Ed.

#### DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICS

1. Mr. Atul Gogoi, M.Sc., M.Phil.
2. Mr. Mrinmoy Kakoti, M.Sc.(HoD)
3. Mrs. Rashmi Rekha Dutta, M.Sc., M.Phil.

#### DEPARTMENT OF ZOOLOGY

1. Mr. Khagen Hazarika, M.Sc., B.Ed.
2. Mr. Manoj Neog, M.Sc., M.Phil. (HoD)
3. Dr. Bidisha Katak, M.Sc., Ph.D.

#### INSTITUTIONAL BIOTECH HUB

1. Mr. Prabhat Saikia, M.Sc., B.Ed., M.Phil. (Co-ordinator)

#### PM KVV & PM VISWAKARMA

1. Dr. Kanchan Devi, M.A., B.Ed., M.Phil, Ph.D

### NON-TEACHING STAFFS

#### LIBRARY STAFFS

1. Mr. Rupam Hazarika, M.LISc. (Librarian) (Part timer)

#### OFFICE STAFFS

1. Sri Atul Nath, B.A., Head Asstt.
2. Sri Bhupen Borah, B.A., Jr. Asstt.
3. Mrs. Labanya Hazarika, B.A., Lab. Asstt.
4. Sri Kamal Borah, M.A., Jr. Asstt.
5. Sri Jadab Kr. Gogoi, B.A., Jr. Asstt. cum Tech. Asstt.

#### GRADE-IV/LABORTARY BEARERS

1. Sri Nirmal Nath
2. Sri Jatin Das
3. Sri Nipen Sonowal
4. Sri Sarat Nath
5. Sri Sanjit Shyam
6. Mrs. Parismita Das
7. Sri Kushal Dutta



### UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

*Undergraduate programmes will include the following*

- (a) UG Certificate programme: UG Certificate Programme leads to a UG certificate after completing 1 year (2 semesters) of study in the chosen fields of study. Students on exit shall be awarded UG certificate (in the Field of Study/Discipline) after securing the requisite 44 Credits on completion of Semester II if, in addition, they complete one work based/skill based vocational course/internship of 4 credits within one year from the completion of 2nd semester examination. These students are allowed to re-enter the degree programme within a period of three years and complete the degree within the stipulated maximum period of seven years.
- (b) UG Diploma Programme: UG Diploma Programme leads to a UG diploma after 2 years (4 semesters) of study in the chosen fields of study. Students on exit shall be awarded UG Diploma (in the Field of Study/Discipline) after securing the requisite 88 Credits on completion of Semester IV if, in addition, they complete one work based/skill based vocational course/internship of 4 credits within one year from the completion of 4th semester examination. These students are allowed to re-enter the degree programme within a period of three years and complete the degree within the maximum period of seven years.
- (c) Three Year UG Degree Programme (BA, B. Sc, B. Com and Bachelors in other disciplines) with single/double major: Students who wish to undergo a 3-year (6 semester) UG programme shall be awarded UG degree in the Major discipline after successful completion of three years, securing a minimum of 132 credits. Provision of double Major shall be implemented in due course of time.
- (d) Four Year UG Programme with honours (BA, B. Sc, B. Com and Bachelors in other disciplines) with single/double major: Students who wish to undergo a 4-year (8 semester) UG programme shall be awarded UG Honours degree in the Major discipline after successful completion of four years, securing a minimum of 176 credits. Provision of double Major shall be implemented in due course of time.
- (e) Four Year UG Programme with honours with Research (BA, B. Sc, B. Com and Bachelors in other disciplines) with single/double major: Students who wish to undergo a 4-year (8 semester) UG programme shall be awarded UG Honours and research degree in the Major discipline after successful completion of four years with a rigorous research project, securing a minimum of 176 credits. Provision of double Major shall be implemented in due course of time.

### ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

*Minimum eligibility criteria for multiple entry points of the UG programmes*

- (a) **1st Year** : Senior Secondary School Leaving Certificate or Higher Secondary (Class 12) Certificate obtained after successful completion of Grade 12 or equivalent stage of education and/or Admission test conducted by College/University/National Level Testing Agency/State Level Testing Agency.
- (b) **2nd Year** : A certificate obtained after successful completion of 1 year (2 semesters) of the undergraduate programme. These students are to take admission in the 2nd year within a period of three years from obtaining the UG certificate from Dibrugarh University or any other University/institution recognized by Dibrugarh University.
- (c) **3rd Year** : A diploma obtained after successful completion of 2 years (4 semesters) of the undergraduate programme. These students are to take admission in the 3rd year UG programme within a period of three years from obtaining the UG diploma from Dibrugarh University or any other University/institution recognized by Dibrugarh University.



## Computer Cell

The college has a well equipped computer laboratory with free internet facilities to cater the needs of the aspiring students. It offers short term diploma and certificate courses to the students from time to time at a very low cost to equip our students with computer knowledge.

## Indoor Sports Complex

Besides, striving for academic excellence, the college also assigns a high degree of importance to games and sports (*both indoor and outdoor*). A well equipped “*Indoor Sports Complex*” has already been constructed for uplifting the calibre of students in the field of games and sports. It was inaugurated by Sjt. Sarbananda Sonowal, Central Minister, Sports and Youth Development, Govt. of India. The college has also a well maintained play ground with all necessary sports equipments. The college has appointed a Sports Faculty for carving out quality sports persons from the college.

## Distance Learning Cell

The cell of the College provides access to open and distance learning facilities to aspiring learners of the district by availing different courses under Krishna Kanta Handique State Open University (KKHSOU) and Directorate of Distance Education, Dibrugarh University.

## Students' Aid Fund

As an innovative measures and a part of health practice, the college authority has formulated the “*Students' Aid Fund*” in order to provide financial aid and other assistance to the poor and meritorious students. So that they cope up with other students and acquire their higher education successfully.

## Orchidarium

The college has recently established an Orchidarium to equip its students with knowledge of different spices of orchids their uses and need for conservation of these orchids. At present it houses 25 spices of local orchids collected from different areas in and around Lakhimpur district. In near future it plans to house at least 75 -100 spices of rare local orchids

## Red Ribbon Club

The Red Ribbon Club was formed in with the objectives to promote AIDS awareness, importance of blood donation, health awareness etc. The club annually organizes blood grouping camp among the students and arranges blood donation to the poor and needy people.

## NCC

The College has a strong and well determined NCC Girls wing comprising a good number of girls student members. The NCC wing has represented different events in the college and participated in different camps.

## NSS

The college has a strong and well determined NSS wing comprising a good number of Student members. The NSS wing has represented the college in different events and organizes different social awareness camps in the neighbouring villages.

## ST & SC Support

This cell is established to sort out the loop holes of ST & SC students to meet their problems and to provide them with necessary support so that they can stand on their own.

## Students' Grievance Cell

This cell is established viewing the grievance among the students community so as to meet and address their grievance and complaints in a well structured manner.

## Anti-Ragging Cell

This cell is established to eradicate ragging in the college campus and to provide a congenial atmosphere for learning.

## College Canteen

The college has a well furnished canteen which serves hygienic food to students and teachers.

## Remedial Coaching

Under UGC assistance, the college regularly conducts remedial coaching classes for the academically poor students.



- (d) **4th Year (Honours)** : A Bachelor's degree after successful completion of three years (6 semesters) of the Undergraduate programme obtained from Dibrugarh University or any other University/institution recognized by Dibrugarh University. These students are to complete the degree within the stipulated maximum period of seven years.
- (e) **4th Year (Honours with Research)** : A three year Bachelor Degree with a minimum of 7.5 CGPA. The minimum entry requirement for 4th year (Honours/Research) UG programme within a period of three years from obtaining 3 year Bachelor Degree from Dibrugarh University or any other University/institution recognized by Dibrugarh University. These students are to complete the degree within the stipulated maximum period of seven years.

*Statutory reservation policy of the government shall be followed in case of selection of eligible candidates for admission.*



*Kumud Sarma Yoga Centre cum Indoor Stadium*



*Indeswar Sarma Multipurpose Gymnasium cum Auditorium*



*Narayan Chandra Borgohain Science Building*



**Cultural Rally 3rd Prize**  
Dibrugarh University Inter College  
Youth Festival-2024



Felicitation Programme of the Students who Graduated from L.T.K. College in 2025



Celebration of Bishnu Rabha Divas in L.T.K College Premise on 20<sup>th</sup> June, 2025



**Semester wise Distribution of Paper**

Semester	Major (Core)	Minor	Multi Disciplinary Generic Elective (MDGE)	Ability Enhancement Course (AEC)	Value Added Course (VAC)	Skill Enhancement Course (SEC)	Others	Total Papers	Exit Option (With Certificate/Diploma/Degree)	
I	1	1	1	1	1	1		6	Certificate	
II	1	1	1	1	1	1		6		
III	2	1	1	1	1	1		7	Diploma	
IV	4	1	-	-	-	-		5		
Year 03	5 <sup>th</sup> Semester	Major (Core 9, Core 10 and Core 11)						3	4 X 3	12
		Minor 5						1	4	4
		Internship + Community Engagement OR Internship / Community Engagement						1 + 1 OR 1	2 (I) + 2 (CE) OR 4 (I) / 4 (CE)	4
		<b>TOTAL</b>								<b>20</b>
	6 <sup>th</sup> Semester	Major (Core 12, Core 13, Core 14 and Core 15)						4	4 X 4	16
		Minor – 6						1	4	4
<b>TOTAL</b>								<b>20</b>		
<b>GRAND TOTAL (Sem 1 + Sem 2 + Sem 3 + Sem 4 + Sem 5 + Sem 6)</b>									<b>120</b>	
<b>The students on exit shall be awarded Bachelors Degree (in the Field of Study/Discipline) (3 years) after securing the requisite 120 Credits on completion of Semester 6</b>										
Year 04	7 <sup>th</sup> Semester	Major (Core 16, Core 17 and Core 18)						3	4 X 3	12
		Research Methodology						1	4	4
		Minor – 7						1	4	4
	<b>TOTAL</b>								<b>20</b>	
	8 <sup>th</sup> Semester	Major (Core 19 and Core 20)						2	4 X 2	8
		Minor – 8						1	4	4
		Dissertation (8) OR DSE (2 Nos.)						1 OR 2	8 OR 2 x 4	8 OR 8
		<b>TOTAL</b>								<b>20</b>
<b>GRAND TOTAL (Sem 1 + Sem 2 + Sem 3 + Sem 4 + Sem 5 + Sem 6 + Sem 7 + Sem 8)</b>									<b>160</b>	
<b>The students on successful exit after 4 years shall be awarded Bachelors Degree in the Field of Study/Discipline (Honours) and (Honours with Research) after securing the requisite 160 Credits on completion of Semester 8</b>										

**Credit accumulation**

‘Credit Accumulation’ means the facility created by ABC in the Academic Bank Account opened by the students across the country in order to transfer and consolidate the ‘credits’ earned by them by undergoing ‘courses’ in any of the eligible HEIs.

**Credit recognition**

‘Credit Recognition’ means the credits earned through eligible/partnering HEIs and transferred directly to the ABC by the concerned HEIs.

**Credit redemption**


‘Credit redemption’ means the process of commuting the accrued ‘credits’ in the Academic Bank Account of the students maintained in ABC for the purpose of fulfilling the ‘credits requirements’ for the award of Certificates/Diplomas/Degrees etc. by the degree awarding HEIs.

**Credit transfer**

‘Credit transfer’ means the mechanism by which the eligible HEIs registered with ABC are able to receive or provide pre-scribed ‘credits’ to individual registered ABC account in adherence to the UGC credit norms for the ‘course/s’ registered by the desirous students in any HEIs within India.



## FOR SKILL DEVELOPMENT



**NATS UNDER BOPTER:**

National Apprenticeship Training Scheme is one of the flagship programmes of Government of India. Ministry of Education, Department of Higher Education, Government of India implements the NATS through Board of Practical Training at Kolkata and Boards of Apprenticeship Training located at Chennai, Mumbai, Kanpur for providing skill training by utilizing the facilities available in the industries to Graduates & Diploma Holders in Engineering & Technology. But on 24/12/2021 an initiative has been taken up to for skilling of Graduates or Equivalent in General Streams such as BA, B. Sc and B. Com under NATS. And as such L.T.K. College appointed a Nodal Officer and has also started to encourage the passed out students of the past five years to get themselves enrolled under NATS Portal. Till now many of our students have registered themselves to undergo the apprenticeship trainings.

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Knowledge and skills are the driving forces for social development and economic growth for any country. As there is demand-supply mismatch, the economy needs more 'skilled' workforce than in the availability of it. Skill Hubs are nodal skill centres identified to provide skill development and vocational training opportunities to target population segments from class 6th-8th (introduction to world-of-work through orientation, industry visits, bag-less days), 9th to 12th (aimed at exposing students to skill development avenues), school dropouts and out-of-education (aimed for academic credit, mainstreaming back to education and or apprenticeship and employment linkages). In the school and higher education sphere, knowledge and skills are required for diverse forms of employment in all the industry sectors and other services. By realizing the importance and the necessity for developing skills among students, National Education Policy 2020 emphasised on mainstreaming vocational education and to enable removal of academic silos, a Credit based framework to ensure vertical and horizontal pathways for students and creating work-ready human capital.

The LTK College Skill Hub will start to impart training programmes to the unemployed youths from the session 2023-24 will 120 targets as per the allocations made under the PMKVY 4.0.



### **Skill Hub under PMKVY 4.0**