



## **Youth Knit 2023**

**Theme “Channelizing Youth Power for Society”.**

5<sup>th</sup> May 2023

Peace Centre Conference Hall, 7<sup>th</sup> Mile, Chümoukedima, Nagaland

IQAC North East institute of Social Sciences and Research (NEISSR) in collaboration with Youth Development Specialization (SYD) organized Youth Knit 2023 under the theme “Channelizing Youth Power for Society” on 5<sup>th</sup> May 2023 at Peace Centre Hall, 7<sup>th</sup> Mile, Chümoukedima, Nagaland.

The session was moderated by Mhachamo J. Ovung. He highlighted the criteria for the competition. There was one participant each from all the three Forums i.e. Community Development Forum, Youth Development Forum and Peace Forum. The competition was judged by Miss Elizabeth Pojar and Dr. Abel Ariina.

The participants for the motivational talk were;

1. Chonbeni R Ezung from Youth Development Forum
2. Saziini Chache from Community Development Forum
3. James Phanungkiu from Peace Forum.

Saziini Chache from Community Forum talks about the youth which are the pillars of the society. She stress that the most active person is the youths and they are the future makers. If the youth look positively and work for the society they can achieve many things. Youth have the energy and still have long way to go; the power to learn, to correct oneself and to raise their voices against social injustices and inequalities.

She also shared on her a personal experience, which she grew up in a family where there are a lot of expectations and their opinion that one should take up science and become a doctor or engineer. But she followed her interest and patient and is now doing better in every field. It is all the power of ones passion to change anything. Youth have the ability to change the society.

She ended the talk by saying; you are who you are looking for, so stop looking for more and believe in yourself. You are enough don't listen to what others say about you.

Miss Chonbeni from 4<sup>th</sup> semester representing the Youth Development Forum spoke on the topic biggest challenge where she particularly focused on the Youth unemployment and the Youth can focus on their talents, creativity and different alternative plan. She further stated that Youth can change in their society and be the agent of the society.

And explained her grievance about present generation Youth how laziness and not being able to wait and trust on the process are making them incapable and impatient when the truth is that change takes time and all people who have succeeded did not succeed overnight. Change takes time sometimes months and years. Thus, the youth need to understand this and trust the process instead of giving up and just staying ideal. The youth of Nagaland need to work on one's own creativity and not give up. Further she gave an example of Mr. Abdul Kalam that

he stated in one of his speech, that “learning leads to creativity, creativity leads to thinking, thinking leads to knowledge and knowledge will value your goal.” She concluded her speech by saying that youth have the power to change the society, nation and world but on the other hand the youth are lazy and if the youth are lazy one will not learn to be creative and if one is not creative one will not think and if one do not think we will not gain any knowledge. Thus, be specific in your goal and be the youth that bring better changes in the society.

James Phanungkiu from Peace Forum gave a talk on the topic “Channelizing Youth Power for Society”. He started with an introduction on Channelizing Youth for society which is the process in which collective efforts and contributions of young innovative ideas, minds and intellects enhanced together to transform society into better perspectives.

He mentioned the roles of youth in social transformation which is to fulfill the position left by the elders, to safeguard the cultures and traditions, social economic and political growth, to be morally strong, reflective and dedicated, to create thoughtful society, to fight for justice and equality, to be goal-oriented which will enable their vision and mission to become clear.

“Future lies in the hands of youth, which is valid for better or worse”. He also mentioned the problem that exist with today’s youth which is laziness, procrastination, arrogant, not accepting ones mistakes ,impatient, easily getting influenced and forgetting own origin and roots. He then concluded by motivating the students to believe in themselves and not to compare oneself with others and that we are capable of more than what we think. Youths are the future of tomorrow therefore the youth must know their worth and think that they are the last assets for the society.

The motivational talk ended with a quote “Don’t say what you do, do what you say. Let others say what you do”.

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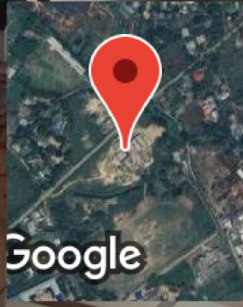
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