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RGU seeking dual accreditation



RONO HILLS, Feb 27: The Rajiv Gandhi University (RGU) is hoping to become the first varsity in the Northeast to have dual accreditation. A three-member team from the University Grants Commission's (UGC) National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) is currently visiting the University for the academic and administrative audit that as a mandatory part of preparation towards the forthcoming NAAC visits. The members are comprised of vice chancellor of Bhattadev University, Pathsala, Barpeta, Assam, Prof Brinchi Kumar Das, as chairman, Prof Niranjana Roy from the Assam University in Silchar and Prof Ajanta Borgohain Rajkonwar from Dibrugarh University. The team is visiting all the departments, institutes, cells, branches and centres to observe the preparedness of the university to face the peer team's visit in a couple of months. The RGU is seeking a dual mode of accreditation covering both regular and distance learning modes, a first of its kind for the region. Das said that the RGU has all the components which need proper showcasing and advised the varsity's fraternity to work in that line and create a benchmark to be followed by other universities of the region. Rajkonwar emphasized on projecting gender budgeting mechanism while Roy said that the university has the potentiality to reach higher academic heights to be counted amongst the best universities of the country. RGU vice-chancellor, Prof Saket Kushwaha expressed his optimism that the visit will yield its expected results benefitting the university immensely to prepare for the NAAC peer team's visit in next three months' time. The RGU pro-vice-chancellor, Prof Amitava Mitra, presented a report on the RGU and highlighted its vision, objectives and achievements since its inception. To mark the visit, a tree plantation programme was also organized wherein saplings were planted by the visitors in the varsity's NSS eco-park.

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