CSIR-NEIST signs MoU with IBSD, Imphal for collaborative research

In a major step to strengthen the activities of both Institutes for socio-economic development of NE region, CSIR-NEIST entered into a MoU with IBSD today (07 August 2019) at Dr J N Baruah Auditorium, CSIR-NEIST. The MoU will provide a platform for interaction and exchange of expertise between the Institutes for formulation of research projects and undertaking various joint programmes for the region. Prof Dinabandhu Sahoo, Director, Institute of Bioresources and Sustainable Development (IBSD), Imphal along with his team visited CSIR-NEIST and signed the MoU while Dr G Narahari Sastry, Director, CSIR-NEIST signed on behalf of CSIR-NEIST. The programme was attended by CSIR-NEIST staff in large number.

Prof Sahoo also delivered a Special Lecture on the occasion wherein he elaborated his life’s journey starting from his college days to his Antarctica expedition as the first Indian student during 1987-88 for setting up India’s permanent station, to his research work on bio-diesel production from algae. Prof Sahoo also presented the activities of IBSD in the region for employment generation among rural women with sustainable use of bio-resources, research outputs in terms of paper publications and student intake, etc.

Earlier, Dr G Narahari Sastry, Director, CSIR-NEIST delivered the welcome address wherein he mentioned the potential areas for collaboration and expressed hope that the MoU will go a long way in serving the people of the region. Dr Sastry also said that CSIR-NEIST being the only CSIR Institute in the entire NE region will be taking leadership in bringing the benefits of S&T to the people of the region. He mentioned various initiatives taken up by the Institute for the region for technology dissemination, STINER programme, bio-entrepreneurship development, etc.
Dr G Narahari Sastry, Director, CSIR-NEIST and Prof Dinabandhu Sahoo, Director, IBSD, Imphal with signed MoU in presence of some staff members from both the Institutes.

Prof Dinabandhu Sahoo, Director, IBSD, Imphal delivering his lecture on the day.