

American Center Director visits Guwahati



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[American Center Director](#) & Public Affairs Officer [Joanne](#) "JJ" Joria was on a 2 day [visit](#) to [Guwahati](#). During her August 28, 29 stay she visited the [American Corner](#) which is the American Library Kolkata's northeast resource center. The center jointly set up by the U.S. Consulate, Kolkata and the Darwin School of Business was inaugurated on February 25, 2012 by Ambassador Peter Burleigh.

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As part of her educational outreach JJ Joria enjoyed her engagement with the students of [Handique Girls College](#), Don Bosco School and Maharishi Vidya Mandir where she spoke to the students on opportunities for higher education in the United States.

She also meet with the local alumni of various U.S. Department of State funded exchange programs including those of the International Visitor Leadership Program (IVLP) and local NGO representatives. Joria concluded her [visit](#) with an interaction with the media fraternity.

Syed Miraz Ahmed

Writes, edits and researches. In 2013 he was conferred the Rotary International District 3240 Young Achiever Award for his work in the area of environment and digital journalism. In 2006 he was awarded first in the category of Wildlife Photography by the Department of Environment & Forests and Tourism, Government of Assam.

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