

Project management workshop at ADBU



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A [Social](#) work institution in northeast India has come up with a novel [workshop](#) program to equip their outgoing students fit for job placement. The final year Master of [Social](#) Work students after the submission of their thesis are holding 3-day Project Cycle Management [workshop](#), 11-13 May.

It is the first ever program on project management organised under the leadership of Director of the School of [Social](#) Sciences Dr Riju Sharma. The Master of [Social](#) Work program at Assam Don Bosco University started in 2011.

The [workshop](#) “Project Cycle Management: A Results Based Approach,” is aimed at building the skills of the outgoing 47 MSW students of [ADBU](#) in project management.

“Academic institutions engaged in preparing students for social work stress too much on theory and field work, often neglecting an important component of social analysis and project planning and management,” says [chief](#) resource person Dr Luckose Jacob conducting the [workshop](#) at [ADBU](#)’s Azara campus.

Associate Professor of MSW at [ADBU](#) Dr Luckose conducted the [workshop](#) for almost 12 hours a day with hands on [training](#) for project planning and writing. Beginning at 9 am the program runs into late night with breaks for lunch, tea and dinner.

Students were trained in detail steps for project identification through a process of situational analysis and problem tree analysis which helps to design the project.

Following the logical framework approach, the students are taught Input-Output-Outcome-Impact Indicators, Means / Source of Verification and Assumptions.

The above sessions were followed by project budgeting, monitoring with specific performance indicators, and evaluation which would gauge effect-impact.

“The final development of concept paper for projects will [lead](#) to an assignment to write a proposal in groups,” says Dr Luckose.

Dr Lukose has over 30 years of field experience heading the Departments of Programme Support Services, Human & Institutional Development Services, Thematic, Quality Management and Capacity Building at Caritas India [New Delhi](#).

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