



2nd Northeast Social Work Conclave

2026

Be the Voice. Be the Change.



February 2026
Guwahati, Assam, India

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Who We Are

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The Indian Awaz Foundation is a registered not-for-profit organisation working since 2016, working to empower youth and communities through education, livelihood, leadership, and innovation.

Over the past decade, the Foundation has become a bridge between grassroots initiatives, academic institutions, and policy stakeholders, creating opportunities for recognition, collaboration, and sustainable change.



From national recognition programs like the TIA Awards and Author Awards to grassroots initiatives and regional forums, the Foundation's mission remains clear — to amplify voices of change and empower the next generation of leaders in social transformation.

The North East Social Work Conclave stands as one of its most meaningful initiatives, bringing together people, purpose, and policy to strengthen the social development ecosystem of Northeast India.

"Empowering Youth • Building Communities • Connecting the World."

About the Conclave

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The North East Social Work Conclave is the first dedicated regional platform that unites academia, NGOs, CSR organizations, and government departments on a shared mission — to advance social work practice, education, and collaboration across Northeast India.

Launched in 2025, the Conclave celebrates International Social Work Day and creates space for meaningful discussions on livelihood, gender, youth leadership, mental health, environment, and social justice.

It is more than a conference — it's a movement that strengthens professional social work education and highlights the critical role of social workers as frontline agents of change.

Regional First	The only professional forum for social work and development in Northeast India.
Youth and Innovation Focus	Empowers students to design and implement social action plans in their own communities.
Cross-Sector Collaboration	Connects academia, government, NGOs, and CSR leaders to create shared solutions.
Bridge for Growth	Opens pathways between Northeast institutions and national & international networks.

“For the first time, the social work fraternity of Northeast India speaks together — with one purpose, one platform, one voice.”

GLIMPSE OF THE 1ST EDITION (2025)

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Held on **18th March 2025** at **Gauhati University**, the 1st North East Social Work Conclave marked a defining moment for the region's social work fraternity.

Chief Guest: **Shri Pramod Boro**, Hon'ble CEM, BTR Government
Guests of Honour: **Prof. Nani Gopal Mahanta** (VC, Gauhati University),
Shri Wilson Hasda (EM, BTR)

10+ CSR Partners

20+ Academic Institutions

200+ Delegates

30+ Volunteers

50+ NGOs



- Panel Discussions on “The Need for Professional Social Workers in Today’s Society” and “CSR Perspective: Investing in the Northeast.”
- Quiz Competition, Networking Sessions & Pledge Wall
- Recognition Ceremony for Institutions & Volunteers
- Partnerships with India Today NE, ISDM, Fuloni, and Seven Sense Communication



“The first edition was not an event — it was the beginning of a movement for social work excellence in the Northeast.”

Expanding the Horizon

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The 2nd North East Social Work Conclave 2026, to be held in February 2026 in Guwahati, aims to scale up engagement, participation, and impact. This edition introduces the Social Action Plan Challenge 2026, a flagship student initiative connecting social work departments, NGOs, and government agencies to co-create community-based action projects across Northeast India.

Key focus areas include:



Livelihood and
Women's Empowerment



Environmental &
Social Sustainability



Education and
Youth Leadership



Health, Nutrition, and
Well-being



Inclusion and
Social Protection

Strengthening Regional Collaboration

The 2026 edition emphasises partnerships with social welfare and development departments across all Northeastern states — including those focused on Women and Child Development, Youth Affairs, Skill & Entrepreneurship, Rural Development, Education, and Health. By linking academic institutions with policy-making and field-level departments, the Conclave will:

- Foster cross-learning between universities and state initiatives
- Promote student participation in ongoing social programs
- Encourage innovation through CSR and government collaboration
- Create pathways for evidence-based social work practice

“From academic learning to social leadership — the Conclave creates the bridge between classroom and community.”

NESC 2026 Vision: Connecting changemakers for collective impact

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20+
Universities & Colleges

300+
Delegates & Practitioners

30+
CSR Representatives

50+
NGOs & Civil Society Organizations

8
States

The Vision Ahead

The North East Social Work Conclave envisions evolving into a national and international hub for social work practice, research, and collaboration in Northeast India.

By engaging social workers, academic leaders, and development institutions, it aims to position the region as a model for inclusive, community-driven, and youth-led development.



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“Together, we are shaping a Northeast that inspires global collaboration and local empowerment.”

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