

House panel to probe PWD anomalies



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A House committee will probe a string of anomalies in the Public Works Department. Disclosing this on the floor of the House Speaker Pranab Kumar Gogoi said on Wednesday that the House panel will look into the alleged irregularities in inviting tenders from contractors . The Speaker's announcement quelled AIUDF, AGP and BJP members who took on the PWD minister alleging many irregularities. Gogoi in his ruling said," If someone is bidding with a lower rate than the fixed [price](#), then obviously he will do an inferior work."

BJP MLA Manoranjan [Das](#) alleged that a section of contractors bid the tenders at lower prices of the fixed rate and eventually they get the work. He was joined by party colleague Prasanta Phukan. AGP MLA Keshab Mahanta and AIUDF MLA Gopi Nath [Das](#) also raised the same allegations.

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GUWAHATI, October 1, 2026 — The Department of Applied Biology, University of Science & Technology Meghalaya (USTM), in association with the Microbiologists Society, India (MBSI) and the Federation of European Microbiological Societies (FEMS), concluded International Microorganisms Day 2026 and a national workshop on “Academic Writing and Scholarly Publications” on Thursday.

The programme, held from September 17, focused on strengthening academic writing, research communication and scholarly publishing skills among Master's students, research scholars and early-career researchers.

USTM Vice Chancellor Prof G D Sharma inaugurated the programme. Prof Kumananda Tayung, Dean, Faculty of Sciences, Gauhati University, and Dr Niraj Singh, State President, MBSI (Assam & Meghalaya), attended as Chief Guest-cum-Resource Person and Guest of Honour respectively.

Experts from India and Saudi Arabia conducted sessions on scientific writing, manuscript preparation, publication ethics, scholarly communication and journal selection. Participants from USTM, The Assam Royal Global University and Cotton University attended the programme.

A Poster and Model Competition was also organised, with prizes distributed to the winners.

The programme was organised under the chairpersonship of Dr Sony Kumari, Head, Department of Applied Biology, with Dr Yugal Kishore Mohanta as Convener and Dr Tamanna Bhuyan as coordinator.

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