

## **Panel Discussion on Approach to XII Five Year Plan. 21st. January, 2012**

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The monthly meeting of the GMA was held on 21st. January, 2012.at Bishnu Nirmala Trust Bhawan, Latasil, Guwahati-781001.

The President of GMA Mr. D. N. Barua welcomed the guests and the Resource Persons. Mr. Santikam Hazarika, Chairman SEBA, Prof. Dilip Barua, Noted Economist, Former Principal of Cotton College and Prof. Gautam Mazumder, Associate Professor of Cotton College, an Economist of repute.

11 new members of GMA were introduced in the meeting.

Mr. Hareswar Talukdar, Director GMA introduced the theme: Approach to XII Five Year Plan: Good Governance for faster and Sustainable development Integrating with inclusive growth. The Indian economy on the eve of XII Five Year Plan is strong macro fundamental and to a extend good governance. The faster growth of 9% GDP was assumed necessary for basically two reasons:

First to generate the income and employment opportunity for the vast unemployed population,

Secondly to generate resources needed for financing social sector programme aiming reducing poverty.

Inclusive growth should result in lower incidence of poverty, significant improvement in health, universal access for children to school, access to higher education and skill development and improvement in basic amenities such as water, electricity, roads, sanitation and hosing.

Mr. Santikam Hazarika, acted as the Moderator. Prof. Barua was critical about the governance and of view that it called for more responsible and committed accountable governance. Prof. Mazumdar gave a comprehensive account of the different provision of the XII Five Year Plan. Mr. S.Hazarika observed that much more emphasis to be given for better implementation with accountability, better governance, and check devil of corruption proper reform in legal process for speedy disposal of corruption cases.

The Vice President Mr P K Barthakur offered vote of thanks.