

Capacity Development for Young Peacebuilders in North East India



A capacity development for young peacebuilders was organised by India Peace Centre in Dimapur on 6th of June 2019 which was attended by 45 students and youth from different colleges in North Eastern States. The program was part of India Peace Centre's regular peace education training aimed at empowering young peacebuilders to be more active in their engagements. Indigenous Research Centre of Sakus Mission College and SCM-NEI (Zone-II) had partnered in this initiative.

During the program, facilitators covered topics like understanding the context of conflicts as well as social issues like gender- and caste-based discrimination. One of the focal points was also to address tribal conflicts, which holds special importance in this region of India. Besides that, the students got some time to think about their own responsibilities and opportunities in peacebuilding. As an impact the participants have decided to join hands with social movements in the region to strengthen peacebuilding efforts.

The team of facilitators included Dr. Akum Longchari, Dr. Akatoli Chishi and Kasta Dip. Other prominent people who encouraged the participants with their presence are Dr. Arenla Aier, Principal of Sakus Mission College, Rev. Dr. Pangernungba Kechu, Professor of Oriental Theological Seminary and Ms. Tolly Yeptho, Program Secretary of SCM for North East region.