Annual Report of the Alzheimer’s & Related Disorders Society of India (ARDSI), Guwahati Chapter for the year 2015-16

The Alzheimer’s & Related Disorders Society of India (ARDSI), Guwahati Chapter was founded in August’2012 and was registered under the Societies registration Act.XXI of 1960 on 24th August’2012. The Guwahati Chapter is the youngest chapter among the 20 chapters of the Country. The Guwahati Chapter is affiliated to both the National as well as the International body

The founder members of the society are –

1. Dr.(Mrs.) AjayaMahanta –President
2. Dr.DipeshBhagabati- Secretary
3. Sri PrashantaGoswami – Vice-President
4. Sri RajkamalBhuyan – Treasurer
5. SmtiGayatri Bhattacharya
6. Sri BiswadipBarooah
7. Sri PadmapaniMahanta
8. Sri PrabinCh.Acharya
9. Sri Kaushik Das (Since deceased)
10. Sri KironChBaruah

By the year 2016 the total number of members increased and at present we have 32 Life Members and 8 Annual Members

As we near the end of the session, our membership goals become more and more important.

The new life members in the year 2015-16 are

Smti. Nalini Barkakoti
Dr. Nandita Dutta
Dr. Abani Das

The new annual members in the year 2015-16 are

Miss Ankita Kakati
Dr. Balanuj Mazumdar
Shri Dipak Kumar Goswami
Dr. Himamoni Deka
Smti. Mitali Baruah
Miss Nivedita Sharma

Activities of the Society –
On August 14\textsuperscript{th}, 2015 ARDSI, Guwahati Chapter organized a memory screening camp at Nabina Sangha, Zoo Road, Guwahati where total 30 screening done by our 2 clinical psychologist.

ARDSI Guwahati Chapter celebrated the World Alzheimer’s Day on Monday the 21\textsuperscript{st} September, 2015, a cultural programme at the Madhav Deva International Auditorium of Shankardeva Kalakshetra, Guwahati by organizing a cultural night. The programs were:

- Inauguration of a Dementia Day Care Centre by the Chief Guest Shri MGVK Bhanu, Addl. Chief Secretary, Govt. of Assam on the evening.
- WALK OF FAME - a Ramp Walk organized by the upcoming designter Smti Nandini Baruwa with a slight difference - all the participants were above 75, the senior most being 93 and 94 years. We had sixteen participants in this event.
- Recital by vocalist Smti. Mitali Dey and Sarod recital by Shri Tarun Kalita
- A skit on Dementia and Geriatrics presented by the students of the Tata Institute of Social Sciences

And Articles & News on Dementia were published in the local English and Assamese newspaper after the event.

On the 1\textsuperscript{st} October, 2015 ARDSI Guwahati Chapter opened Dementia Day Care Centre at Kuntal Goswami Memorial Trust Hospital at Zoo Narengi Road, Gitanagar, Guwahati.

ARDSI Guwahati chapter though is still in its infancy, it has been able to perform well not only at national level but also internationally with the successful holding of the national conference. But, there is a long long way to go. Dr.(Mrs) Ajaya Mahanta as the President of the society has been giving excellent leadership. Shri Prashanta Goswami, Vice-President with his penchant for work till late at night has taken over most of the responsibilities of the Secretary.

ARDSI, Guwahati Chapter is small, but has big goals, bigger hearts, and lots of things to do for ARDSI & society at large! Membership is crucial for success in any society; even more so in the small Guwahati chapter. There are so many projects that need our help, and getting our fellow residents involved will make our goals a reality. Whatever has been performed has been due to the team effort of all the members. The Society would like to request all to make efforts to introduce more members.

Long live ARDSI Guwahati

Dr. Neelakshi Mahanta
Secretary, ARDSI Guwahati Chapter