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 affiliated to both the National as well as the International body.

The founder members of the society are –

1. Dr.(Mrs.) Ajaya Mahanta –President
2. Dr.Dipesh Bhagabati- Secretary
3. Sri Prashanta Goswami – Vice-President
4. Sri Rajkamal Bhuyan – Treasurer
5. SmtiGayatri Bhattacharya
6. Sri Biswadip Barooah
7. Sri Padmapani Mahanta
8. Sri Prabin Ch .Acharya
9. Sri Kaushik Das ( since deceased)
10. Sri Kiron Ch. Baruah

At present we have 37 Life Members and 9 Annual Members

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

The new life members in the year 2016-17 are;

Dr. Rupali Baruah
Miss. Indrani Laskar
Mrs. Anjana Goswami
Miss Monalisa Borkakoty
Mr. LC Joshi Ranee

Activities of the Society –

- ARDSI Guwahati Chapter celebrated the World Alzheimer’s Day on Monday, 21st September, 2016. The programme included a candlelit procession around the bank of Digholipukhuri to create awareness about the Alzheimer’s disease among the masses. Hundreds of college-students and general public joined in the procession.

- ALL INDIA RADIO, GUWAHATI also broadcast a discussion on “Alzheimer’s disease and its care “on 21st of September,2016 the occasion of World Alzheimer’s Day. Dr. .Ajaya Mahanta, Shri Prasanta Goswami, Dr. Ankumoni Saikia were the panelists where Smti Sikha Mahanta was the moderator of the discussion.

- We celebrated World Alzheimer’s Month on 18th September, 2016 at the Madhavdeva International Auditorium at Shankardeva Kalakshetra, Guwahati by organizing a cultural evening. The programme comprised of :
- Inauguration of the cultural evening by the Chief-Guest, Dr. Amarijoti Choudhury, former Vice-Canceller of Guwahati University.
- Recital by vocalist Sri Khirod Mahanta
- A colorful folk-dance program directed by Anupam Kumar
- Felicitation of five renowned octogerian personalities of Assam.

Articles & news on Dementia were published in the local English and Assamese news-papers after the event. Local television channels also telecast the events.

- On the occasion of World Alzheimer’s Day 21st September, 2017 ARDSI Guwahati chapter organized a Candlelit rally at Dighali pukhuri, Guwahati. Around 200 people including family members of Patients, Doctors, Nurses, College students and members of ARDSI Guwahati participated in the rally.

- On the 11th January, 2017, we celebrated pre-Magh Bihu with the DEMENTIA DAY CARE boarders. Our web site ardsiguwahati.org was also launched by Dr. Kulendu Pathak, former Vice-Canceller of Dibrugarh University.

- Three members of the Chapter, Dr. Padmapani, Smti. Kabori Das and Smti. Sikha Mahnata met the Social Welfare Minister Shri Naba Kumar Doley on 20.05.2017 and submitted a prayer praying for grant of Government Fund to run the Dementia Day Care Centre. As per his advice, these three members and Shri Subhabrata Sarmah met Shri Menaxi Sundaram, Director, Social and Youth Welfare, Assam on 23.05.2017 and apprised him of the activities of the ARDSI, Guwahati Chapter. Shri Sundaram suggested them to submit a detail proposal for the award of the Government grant. The same will be done as soon as renewal of the registration of the Chapter is completed.

- ARDSI Guwahati Chapter is going to organize a month long DEMENIA CARE GIVERS’ TRAINNING from 26th June, 2017 to 26th July, 2017.

ARDSI, Guwahati Chapter, though is still in its growing years, has been able to perform well not only at national level but also internationally with the successful holding of the XVIIIth National Conference in 2013. But, ARDSI (Guwahati Chapter) has a long way to go. The number of Dementia patients in the city is increasing at an alarming rate. But we are very short of funds to run our normal agenda. Membership is a crucial factor for success in any society. We have to involve more people to our mission if we want to make any positive result. We should make a special drive to increase the number of members of the Chapter. No doubt, whatever we have achieved so far was possible only for the team effort of all the members of the Chapter. But there still is a long way to traverse. We must work hard. I fervently request all the members of the Chapter to come forward to make our mission successful.

(Sikha Mahanta)
Secretary, ARDSI (Guwahati Chapter)