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**MEBAAI Tribal Health & Wellness Centre organizes programme on  
scientific discussion of Indigenous System of Medicines**

**Shillong 11<sup>th</sup> May, 2019 :** Governor of Meghalaya, Shri Tathagata Roy attended the programme on scientific discussion of Indigenous System of Medicines organized by MEBAAI Tribal Health & Wellness Centre held at the Hawkers Free Zone Market, Golflink, Shillong on 10<sup>th</sup> May, 2019. The programme was chaired by Shri A. L. Hek, Minister Health and Family Welfare, Government of Meghalaya.

Speaking on the occasion as the Chief Guest, the Governor said that the traditional system of medicine using herbs and plants for medicinal purposes has been in existence for a very long time. To promote the potential of the indigenous traditional medicinal plants of the State, the Governor stressed the needs of standardization, documentation, codification and systematization in the academic research centre. He also added that treatment with medicinal plants have minimal side effects.

In ensuring affordable health care for all people in the State, Shri Pravin Bakshi, Secretary Health and Family Welfare in his introductory speech informed that 550 traditional healers have been trained by the Bio Resources Development

Council an Institute of the State Government out of the 1800 traditional healers which have been registered and documented by the State Government.



Others who spoke on the occasion were Dr. H. Bani, Khasi healers, Shri Thomas langjuh, Jr. Scientist Bio Resource Development Centre, Dr. Pradeep Joyti, CMD Vasudeva Kerala, Dr. Arun Shukhla, Prof. Engineering & Bio-Sciences, IIT Kanpur and Dr. Mithu Baidya, Project Scientist, IIT Kanpur.