

PRESS RELEASE



State-Level Social Justice Assembly held in Shillong

The office of the Meghalaya Society for Social Audit and Transparency (MSSAT), in collaboration with the Department of Social Welfare, Government of Meghalaya, under the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment (MoSJE), successfully organized the **State-Level Social Justice Assembly** on the **3rd September 2025** at the **KJP Assembly Conference Hall, Shillong**.

The event, which commenced at 10:30 AM, brought together various government departments and officials, representatives from Schools, CSO representatives, and village representatives to deliberate on the findings of the **Social Audit of schemes implemented under MoSJE**. The State assembly is convened after district-level Social Justice Assemblies. Additionally, the State Social Justice Assembly reviews the action taken reports, supported by evidence and recommends corrective or suggestive actions to address any issues and guide future course correction.

The assembly was presided over by **Smt. C.D. Lyngwa, MCS, Director of Social Welfare**, who extended a warm welcome to the participants and representatives. **Mitali Chandra, IAS, Joint Secretary, Social Welfare Department**, delivered the keynote address, highlighting the importance of collective efforts in addressing social justice concerns and strengthening the implementation of welfare schemes across the state.

Shri J. Pyngrope, Director of MSSAT, highlights and presents the insights from the social audits conducted across targeted districts. The **Social Justice Cell of MSSAT** also presented a comprehensive report on the status and coverage of social audits in Meghalaya based on the targets set by MoSJE for social audits during 2024-25.

The social audit findings covered the social audits which have been conducted from the **7th December 2024 to 8th January 2025**, include schemes, i.e. the Senior Citizens' Homes under **Atal Vayo Abhyuday Yojana (AVYAY)** in **West Jaintia Hills District**, the **Pre- and Post-Matric Scholarship Schemes** in **West Garo Hills and West Jaintia Hills Districts**, and the implementation of **Pradhan Mantri Anusuchit Jaati Abhyuday Yojna (PMAJAY)- Adarsh Gram** at **Milanpur and Sobribari Villages in West Garo Hills District**.

The Social Justice assembly concluded with interactive discussions where stakeholders actively engaged in reviewing findings and deliberating on actionable solutions to enhance transparency, accountability, and the overall effectiveness of the schemes.



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