

BHOGTORAM MAWROH*Curriculum Vitae*

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	Nationality	Indian	
	Date of birth	8 th November 1984	
	Gender	Male	
Education	Year and Institution	Examination	Marks/Grades
	2000 St. Jerome Higher Secondary School, Shillong	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Secondary School Leaving Certificate (X). 	58.9 %
	2002 St. Edmund's College, Shillong	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Higher Secondary School Leaving Certificate (XII). 	71.8 %
	2005 St. Edmund's College, Shillong	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Graduation (Geography Honours) (University Silver Medallist). 	66.1 %
	2007 North-Eastern Hill University, Shillong	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Post-Graduation (Geography) (University Gold Medallist). 	67.7 %
	2013 North-Eastern Hill University, Shillong	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ph.D. Course work (Geography). 	A (grade)
	2006	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> National Eligibility Test. 	
	2017 North-Eastern Hill University, Shillong	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PhD (in Geography). Topic: Quantity and Quality of Available Domestic Water in the Cherrapunjee Region of Meghalaya. 	
Experience and Other Skills			
JRF in a project		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> “Study of Promoting Small and Medium Forest Based Enterprises and Preparation of Business Development Strategy In Meghalaya”. 	
Senior Associate for Research and Knowledge Management in North East		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> “Research and field work to inform the debate on indigenous food systems through development of knowledge material” 	

<p>Slow Food and Agrobiodiversity Society – NESFAS (2018-present)</p>	<p>funded by FAO.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “No One Shall Be Left Behind Initiative” Biodiversity for Food, Nutrition and Energy Security Meghalaya and Nagaland, North East India funded by Rural Electrification Centre. • “Implementation of the Indigenous Biocentric Restoration pilot project” funded by FAO • “Demonstrating People and Landscapes thrive under Indigenous Peoples’ Food Systems” funded by Rockefeller Foundation
<p>Teaching Experience</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Under-Graduate – 0.8 (10 months) years. • Post-Graduate – 1.5 years.
<p>Computational skills</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Certificate in BASIC. • Good Command of the Microsoft Office Suite (Word, PowerPoint, Excel). • Proficient in handling Excel and SPSS programmes.
<p>Other skills</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have done a certificate course on ‘Communication and Public Speaking Course’ during 2004 in St. Edmund’s College.
<p>Interest</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Indigenous Peoples’ Food Systems. • Agroecology. • Food Sovereignty. • Indigenous rights. • Political economy.
<p>Participation In Extra-Curricular Activities</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have participated in NSS organized programmes. • 2 x times Winner of Shillong Super Division (Club Cricket competition). • 1 x time winner of Meghalaya District Cricket Championship. • Numerous participations in regional and national Taekwondo tournaments.
<p>Awards/Recognition</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Second Rank in Graduation (Geography Honours). • First Rank in Post-Graduation (Geography Honours). • Won a consolation prize for best paper presentation for the paper “Seasonal and Spatial Variability in the Availability of Domestic Water in the Sohra Syiemship of the Cherrapunjee Area” in the 3rd IDSAsr International Seminar on “Water Security and Climate Change: Challenges and Strategies” – 4th to 6th November, 2011 held in Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar. • Won second prize in best poster presentation for the paper “Household Water Security in the Rainiest Place on Earth Cherrapunjee: Natural Constraints or Social Constrictions” in the “Advances in Water Resources Development and Management – AWRDM- 2013” – 23rd to 27th October, 2013 held in Panjab University, Chandigarh. • Won third prize in essay writing competition in College Essay competition in 2004 during under-graduate. • Co-authored the book “Indigenous Peoples’ food systems:

	<p>Insights on sustainability and resilience from the front line of climate change” which received the Best 2021 Sustainability Publication Award from Hallbars and the Alfred Nobel Museum.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Part of the REC-supported "No One Shall Be Left Behind Initiative" implemented by NESFAS which won the International Fund for Agricultural Development Award. • Identified as one of the Custodians of indigenous food and seeds in the Northeast India and featured in the book 'Seeds and Food Sovereignty: Eastern Himalayan Experiences'.
<p>Membership</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Founder member of NEHU-Geographical Research Forum in the department of Geography and acted as General Secretary for 2011-12; 2012-13 and 2013-2014 sessions. • Former Secretary of Kali Kit Kot (KKK) which helped in establishing public libraries in the villages of Saiden, Mairang and Khliehumstem (Meghalaya). • Former President of Khyndailad Film Club which organizes the 'Indigigames festival – revival of traditional tribal games for the present time'. • Member of CEAC, Central Agricultural University, Umiam, Meghalaya for the 2021-2022 sessions. • Member of the National Technical Committee for the The Himalayan Agroecology Initiative (HAI) which is supported by World Future Council (WFC) and IFOAM – Organics International, Alliance of Bioversity International and CIAT and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP). • Member of the School Board of Economics Department, Martin Luther Christian University for the 2023-2024 sessions.
<p>Invited lectures</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gave an online lecture titled “North East India: People and Landscape” in one Day National Webinar on “Understanding the Cultural Diversity of India: From Ganges Plains to the Abode of Clouds”, organised on 18th August, 2020’ by Government Girls PG College, Rampur, Uttar Pradesh. • Gave an online lecture titled “Indigenous Food System: A bulwark against biodiversity loss” organised on 5th June 2021 by St Mary’s College, Shillong, Meghalaya. • Gave the 2021 Independence Day special lecture titled “Agriculture in India: The Way Forward” organised on 15th August 2021 by Shillong Commerce College, Shillong, Meghalaya.
<p>Resource person</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resource person in the <i>High level expert on indigenous food systems: building on traditional knowledge to achieve zero hunger</i> held in FAO, Rome, 7-9 November 2018, where I presented the paper “Shifting cultivation and home gardens of forest-dwellers Khasi people in Meghalaya, India”. • Resource person in Indigenous People’s food System: Insights on Sustainability and Resilience from the front line of Climate

Change, held in FAO, Rome, 25th June 2021.

- Resource person in Palm Oil: Is Rs 11,040 Crore Being Spent to Destroy India's Health, Agriculture and Biodiversity? Organised by the Wire on 10th September 2021.
- Resource person in Palm Oil की खेती से क्या हैं नुकसान? Organised by HindKisan on 14th September 2021.
- Resource person in pre-COP26 side event: Climate resilience of Indigenous Peoples' Food Systems: Evidence from the White/Wiphala Paper on Indigenous People's Food Systems and recommendations for Actions, held in FAO, Rome, 30th September 2021.
- Resource person in 2021 Asia Land Forum: Strengthening the linkages between customary tenure (CT) recognition, food security and traditional livelihoods in Asia held organised by AIPP (Asia Indigenous People's Pact) on 28th October 2021.
- Resource Person in Implications of Oil Palm Pursuance in North East India organised by Anouba Meerol, Centre for Research and Advocacy Manipur, and Mingsel Foundation on 17th October 2021.
- Resource person in Agricultural Practises and Ecological Challenges in North East India organised by Zubaan on 18th September 2021.
- Resource person in Peasant and Indigenous Press Forum organised by A Growing Culture on 16th November 2021.
- Resource person in 'How the diversity of Khasi Food System in India supports the mitigation of Covid-19 impacts while ensuring Communities Food Security' organised by FAO on 10th February 2022.
- Resource person in 'Preserving Indigenous Food Systems: A case study from North Eastern India' in Save Our Planet podcast series organised by Peoples Planet Project on 24th February, 2022.
- Resource person in Preserving the Indigenous: Tribal Food Rituals. Mita Kapur, Sweta Biswal, Phorum Pandya, Bhogtohran Mawroh in conversation with Unnati Jain. A panel discussion for TMYS Review September 2022. Theme: Food & Drinks. Annual Series Theme: Cultural Identity & Ideology on 28 May 2022.
- Resource Person in 'Reviving Traditional Culture For Health and Well-Being' of the Second Edition of the North East Food Show, Government of Meghalaya on 8th May 2022.
- Resource person in Grounded panel discussion highlighting the importance of addressing food security through restorative agricultural practices as solutions for climate change.
- Resource person in People's Planet Project podcast about Indigenous Food Systems and how they sustain local communities while maintaining the region's biodiversity in the latest episode of their podcast 'Save Our Planet' on 26th

	<p>February 2022.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resource Person in One Day Consultation Workshop On Himalayan Knowledge Network -Bridging science, policy & practice on 9th June 2022 organised by The State Council of Science, Technology & Environment (SCSTE), Meghalaya in collaboration with G. B. Pant National Institute of Himalayan Environment (NIHE), Sikkim Regional Centre, Pangthang, Sikkim. • Resource Person in the third edition of Meghalaya Eastern Himalayan Naturenomics™ Forum, under the theme, ‘Building a Climate Resilient Rural Futures:Understanding Forest & River Dependent Communities of Meghalaya ’, which will be conducted in partnership with IUCN, aiming to anchor the outcomes within the Meghna Basin benefit-sharing dialogues facilitated by IUCN BRIDGE GBM initiative. on 30th August 2022 organised by Balipara Foundation. • Resource person in Seeds for the Future Panel Discussion as part of the Indigenous Foodways: The Future of Seeds, Food and Community in the Eastern Himalayas on 15th and 16th September 2022 organised by North Eastern Social Research Centre, Guwahati, Assam State, India. • Resource person in ‘International Workshop on Current and Traditional Practise for Sustainable Management of Aquatic Ecosystems’ on 24th and 25th November, 2022 organised in Kohima Science College, Jotsoma, Nagaland by GIZ. • Resource person for celebration of World Earth Day organised by Department of Geography, Mawsynram Border Area College on 21st April 2023, Mawsynram, Meghalaya, India. • Resource person for celebration of Indigenous Day of the World Indigenous Peoples on 9th August 2024, St Edmund’s College, Meghalaya, India. 	
<p>Other Contributions</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Frequent contributor of articles to local dailies and editor of Raiot, an online webzine. • A regular Columnist for The Sports Room, an online sports webzine. • Creator U Jler Comics strip. 	
<p>Participation in Refresher Courses/Training Courses/Workshops. Etc.</p>		
<p>Programme</p>	<p>Duration</p>	<p>Organizers</p>
<p>National Workshop on “Rainwater Harvesting, Flood Control and Integrated Water management in North-East India”</p>	<p>16-17 October, 2008</p>	<p>Department of Anthropology, NEHU, Shillong with The Society for Indian Medical Anthropology, Mysore</p>
<p>Training Course in Data Analysis in Using Excel</p>	<p>June to July 2010</p>	<p>Computer Science, Shillong</p>

Training Course on Research Methodology in Social Science	13 th to 17 th December, 2010	Indian Council of Social Science Research North Eastern Regional Centre, Shillong
Training Programme in Qualitative Research: Theory and Application	26 th to 1 st October, 2011	Centre for Social Studies, Surat sponsored by Indian Council of Social Science Research, New Delhi
Short Term course in Research Methodology with special reference to SPSS	30 th July to 4 th August, 2012	North Eastern Hill University, Shillong
National and International School for Doctoral Students	5 th to 15 th March, 2013	Department of Geography, North Eastern Hill University in collaboration with ICSSR-NERC, Shillong
Indian Geophysical Union Golden Jubilee Workshop 'Holistic Scientific Approach using Integrated Geophysical Studies for the Management of Natural Hazards'	22 nd to 23 rd April, 2013	North Eastern Space Applications Centre, Umiam, Meghalaya
Training Course in Data Analysis in Using SPSS	May to June 2013	Computer Science, Shillong
Online Course on 'An introduction to Climate Change: Science, Politics and Impacts'	18 th November to 1 st December 2020	Centre for Science and Environment, Delhi

Paper presented in Conferences, Seminars, Workshops, Symposia

Title of the paper presented	Title of the Conference/ Seminar	Organized by	International/ National/State/Regional/ College or University Level
Scarcity of Water for Domestic Consumption	"Water Crisis in the Indian Subcontinent: Issues and Challenges" – 23 rd to 25 th November, 2009	Department of Geography, North-Eastern Hill University	International
Scarcity in Plenty: A Case Study of Domestic Consumption of Water in the Rainiest Place of the Earth, Cherrapunjee	31 st Annual Conference of Indian Institute of Geographers, "Environment, Agriculture and Food Security in India" - 19 th to 21 st February, 2010	Department of Geography, Bangalore University	International

Modelling of Urban Heat Island Using Remote Sensing and Geographical Information System	International Geographical Union Commission Seminar on “Land Use, Biodiversity and Climate Change” – 11 th to 13 th December, 2010	Department of Geography, Cotton College, Guwahati	International
Urban Heat Island: A Case Study of Shillong	32 nd Indian Geographer’s Meet and International Conference on “Climate Change, Geo-Hazards and Disaster Management” – 17 th to 19 th January, 2011	University of Rajasthan, Jaipur	International
Seasonal and Spatial Variability in the Availability of Domestic Water in the Sohra Syiemship of the Cherrapunjee Area	3 RD IDSAsr International Seminar on “Water Security and Climate Change: Challenges and Strategies” – 4 th to 6 th November, 2011	Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar	International
Household Water Security in the Rainiest Place on Earth Cherrapunjee: Natural Constraints or Social Constrictions	“Advances in Water Resources Development and Management – AWRDM- 2013” – 23 rd to 27 th October, 2013	Panjab University, Chandigarh	International
Scarcity in Plenty: A paradoxical situation of water shortage in the rainiest place on Earth: Cherrapunjee	“Climatic Aberrations: Contemporary Dilemma of the Anthropogenic Climate in Socio and Ecological Issues” – 23 rd to 24 th July, 2015	Sankardev College, Shillong	National
“Shifting cultivation and home gardens of forest-dwellers Khasi people in Meghalaya, India”	High-Level Expert Seminar on Indigenous Food Systems: Building on traditional	FAO, Rome, Italy	International

	knowledge to achieve Zero Hunger, FAO headquarters (Red room), 7-9 th November 2018		
Khasi people, North East Slow Food and Agrobiodiversity Society (NESFA S) - Khasi food system, India	Book Launch: Indigenous Peoples' food systems: Insights on sustainability and resilience from the frontline of climate change – 25 th June 2021	FAO, Rome, Italy	International
Insights on Climate resilience from the White/Wiphala Paper with reference to the Khasi Food Systems	Pre-COP26 side event: Climate resilience of Indigenous Peoples' Food Systems: Evidence from the White/Wiphala Paper on Indigenous People's Food Systems and recommendations for Actions, 30 th September 2021.	FAO, Rome, Italy	International

Academic publications

Articles/Book Chapters/Case Studies/Policy Brief	Title With Page	Book Title,	ISSN/ISBN	Whether sole/main author/editor
	nos.	Editor & Publisher, Year	No.	
	Scarcity of water for domestic consumption in Cherrapunjee; Pp. 467-486	<i>Water Crisis in the Indian Subcontinent</i> ; Zahid Husain & L. Cajee; Bookwell Publishers; 2011	978-93-80574-25-7	Main author
	Seasonal and Spatial Variation in the Availability of Domestic Water in the Sohra Syiemship of the Cherrapunjee Region; Pp. 3-13	<i>Water Security and Climate Change</i> ; Challenges and Strategies; Guru Arjan Dev Institute of Development Studies; Guru Arjan Dev Institute of Development Studies Society; 2012, Amritsar, Punjab	81-922952-0-6	Main author
	Mawphlang Sacred Grove: A losing battle.	<i>Spectra, Journal of the School of Applied Sciences, USTM; Vol-1, No. 1, 2016</i>		co-author
	Importance of Local Agrobiodiversity for Food	<i>Preserving Biodiversity and Livelihood Through Traditional</i>	978-81-87637-12-7	Main author

and Nutrition Security; Pp. 105-127.	<i>Agroforestry in North East India</i> , BOSCO reach out; 2020, Guwahati, Assam		
Citizen's report on Coal Mining	<i>Amicus Curiae Report submitted to Supreme Court, 2019</i>		co-author
Agro-Biodiversity and Priority Food Plants For Inclusion In The School Meal Program.	<i>North East Slow Food and Agrobiodiversity Society 2019, Shillong</i>		Main author
Language Use and Change in Khlieh Umstem, Ri Bhoi, Meghalaya. Page 191-208	Karbi History: Past and Present (2020). Mitta Publications, New Delhi.		co-author
Water Scarcity in Sohra/Cherrapunjee: A paradox. Page 41-50.	Transient 2019-20 ISSN — 2250-0650	ISSN — 2250-0650	Main author
Dietary diversity and its determinants among Khasi and Garo indigenous women (15 to 49 years) in Meghalaya, northeast India	Nutrition and Health; 2021 June	https://doi.org/10.1177/02601060211016629	co-author
The White/Wiphala Paper on Indigenous Peoples' food systems	FAO, 2021	https://doi.org/10.4060/cb4932en	co-author
Treasures from Shifting Cultivation in the Himalayan Evergreen Forest: Jhum, fishing and gathering food system of the Khasi People in Meghalaya India. In 'Indigenous People's food systems: Insights on sustainability and resilience from the front of climate change'	FAO, 2021		Main author
THE POLITICS OF KNOWLEDGE: Understanding the Evidence for Agroecology, Regenerative Approaches, and Indigenous Foodways	Global Alliance for the Future of Food, 2021		co-author
Policy Brief on Agriculture and Climate Change in Himalayan Region	Integrated Mountain Initiative, New Delhi, 2022		Main Author
Climate change and resilience of Indigenous food systems: Lessons from Meghalaya's food diversity	Heinrich Böll Stiftung/ Heinrich Boell Foundation, 2023	https://in.boell.org/en/indigenous-food-systems	Main Author
The pluralities of Indigeneity and Knowledge systems	Heinrich Böll Stiftung/ Heinrich Boell Foundation, 2023	https://in.boell.org/en/pluralities-indigene	Main Author
Co-Production over Integration of Knowledge systems	Heinrich Böll Stiftung/ Heinrich Boell Foundation, 2023	https://in.boell.org/en/integration-knowledge-systems	Co Author

	Implementation of Community Seed Banks and Seed Exchange by North-East Slow Food and Agrobiodiversity Society (NESFAS) in "Millets Mainstreaming in India, Asia and African Countries: A Compendium of Inspiring stories from the field"	NITI Aayog and World Food Program, 2024		Main author
	Solace in Diversity in "First Food: Future of Taste"	Centre for Science and Environment, 2023		Co Author
Technical reports	Knowledge, Attitude and Practice (KAP) Survey	KfW, SLMM – MBMA, 2024		Main author
	Indigenous plants and herbs that women and girls consume during menstruation: A case study	Faith Foundation, 2025		Main author
	Four Cell Analysis Of Rice (Umling and Umsning Block)	NESFAS, 2021		Main author
	Analysis of Barriers Affecting Children and Mothers' Nutrition and Health Status	NESFAS, 2021		Main author
	Assessment Of Wash Interventions	NESFAS, 2020		Main author
	Best Practise In Indigenous Food System (IFS) Of Meghalaya: A Case Study Of Jhum And Bun Cultivation	NESFAS, 2020		Main author
	Bushmeat: the hidden dangers	NESFAS, 2020		Main author
	Report on the survey on dietary diversity conducted in seven villages of Ri-Bhoi district	NESFAS, 2020		Main author
	Analysis of disaster management act 2005 and its effectiveness in tackling covid-19	NESFAS, 2021		Main author
	Land tenure system and landlessness in Meghalaya: a literature review	NESFAS, 2020		Main author
	Trial Plots: Package Of Practices For Increased Production Using Agroecological Methods	NESFAS, 2020		Main author
	Agrobiodiversity and Priority Food Plants for Inclusion in the School Mid Day Meal Program	NESFAS, 2019		Main author
	Market Survey For	NESFAS, 2019		Main author

	Assessing Demand Of Organic Food			
	Documentation Of Knowledge Of School Students On Traditional Knowledge	NESFAS, 2019		Main author
	Identifying Stress Tolerant Crops In North East India	NESFAS, 2019		Main author
	Value Chain of Eri Silk Ryndia in Ri Bhoi district, Meghalaya	NESFAS, 2019		Main author
	Agroecology Assessment Of Indigenous Peoples' Food Systems Report	Rockefeller Foundation and TIP, 2024		co-author
Non-academic publications				
	U Jler Comics, Vol 1. Issue 1	<i>Self-Publication 2020</i>		Main Author
	How the Dog Came to Live with Man	<i>Ramskrishna Mission, 2021</i>	https://kajingshaji.rkmshillong.org/2021/04/25/how-the-dog-came-to-live-with-man/	Main Author
	The Goddess who came to live with Mankind Illustrations:	<i>Ramskrishna Mission, 2021</i>	https://kajingshaji.rkmshillong.org/2021/09/10/the-goddess-who-came-to-live-with-mankind-illustrations-dr-bhogtoram-mawroh/	Main Author
Upcoming publications				
	The Importance of Shifting Cultivation for Food Biodiversity: The Benefits of Dietary variety in Northeast India’,	<i>“Farmer Innovations and Best Practices by Shifting Cultivators in Asia-Pacific” (working title)</i> Edited by Dr. Malcolm Cairns, Vol. 3 (date not decided)		Main author
	Promotion Of Indigenous Food System: The Role Of NESFAS	<i>Department of Tourism North-Eastern Hill University</i>		Main author

Miscellaneous publications			
Serial Number	Publisher	Type	Total number of articles
1	The Shillong Times	Op-Ed on social-economic-political-environmental commentary	143
2	The Meghalaya Times	Op-Ed on social-economic-political-environmental commentary	2
3	Raiot	Op-Ed on social-economic-political-environmental commentary	25
4	East Mojo	Op-Ed on social-economic-political-environmental commentary	41
5	The Sports Room	Op-Ed on Sports commentary	66
6	The Meghalayan	Op-Ed on social-economic-political-environmental commentary	1
7	The Highland Post	Op-Ed on social-economic-political-environmental commentary	5
8	Ramakrishna Mission	Illustrated story	2
9	U Jler Comics Vol. 1	Comic book	1
10	Ri Khasi Book Agency	Illustrated story book	2