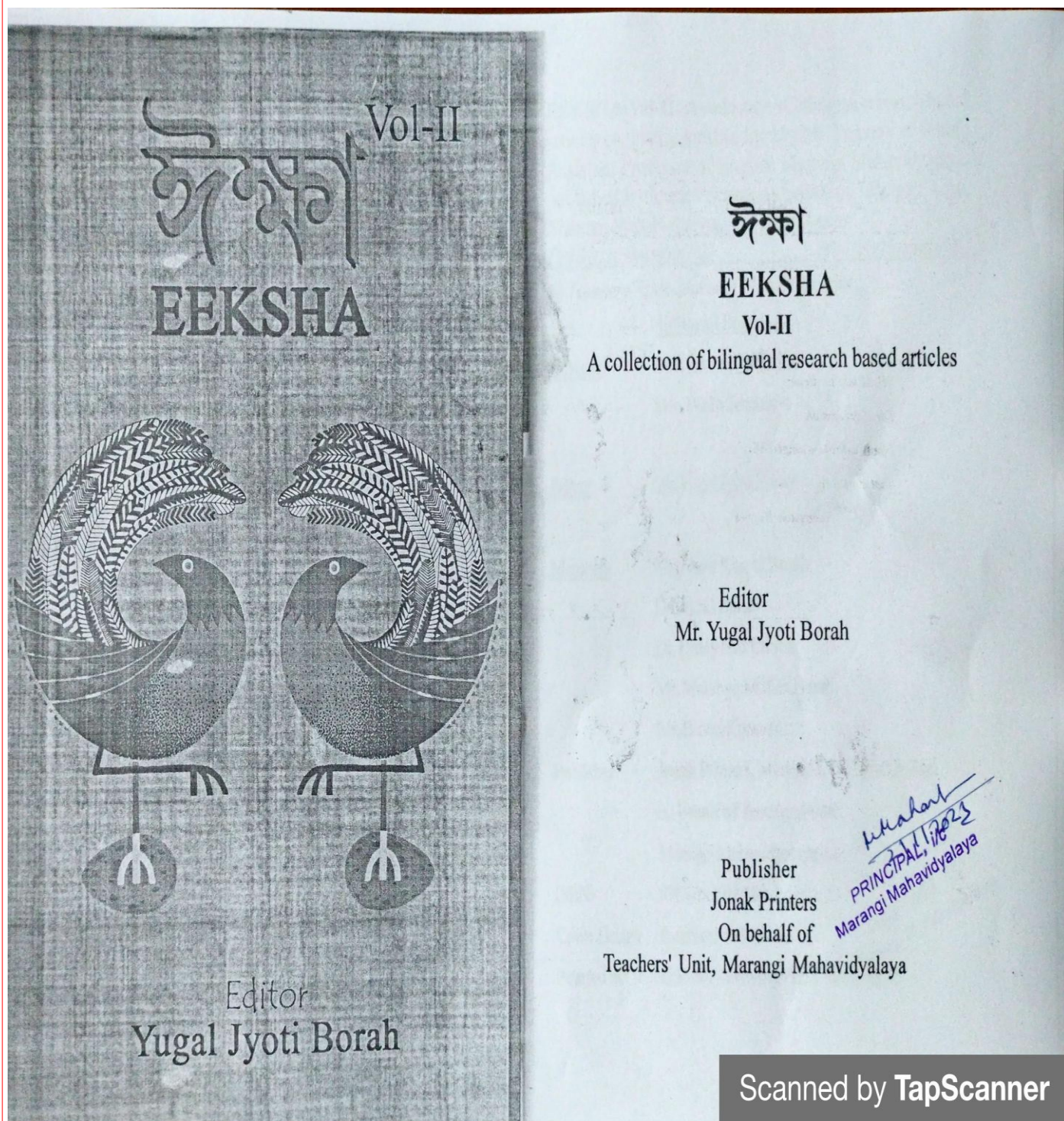


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Editorial

Society and Literature

Literature is the mirror of human thought and feelings. It attracts the readers in two ways—the matter and manner of expressing thoughts and ideas and adds to their fund of knowledge and experience.

We live in a society. As social being we like to hear about our fellow men who live in society, their thoughts and feelings, their likes and dislikes. The persons who have the power of language to express human feelings, can be regarded as litterateur who are well on the way to creating literature. In other words, the subject matter of literature is society in some form or other. A novelist portrays his story of a specific or we may say multi-specific background, a poet expresses his feeling on various heart touching world of human emotion, anxiety etc. and we who read their works are interested and feel at one with him and ourselves. After all, society is this bond of fellowship between man and man through communication that the poet or writer seeks.

If literature expresses social sympathies, naturally it is bound to exercise some positive influence on our mind and attitude. Society reacts to literature in a living way. Any inspiring piece of literary work creates general influence on society. It rouses our feelings and enthusiasm for welfare.

Mathew Arnold says that more and more mankind will discover that we have to turn to poetry to interpret life for us, to console us, to sustain us. Shelley has also called

poets the unacknowledged legislators of mankind. The function of a legislator is to lay down the law, a settled course of action that men may follow. Poetry and literature generally do this in a quiet and unobtrusive way. Novels are known to have changed the direction of the human mind and set in motion movements that have altered our ways of life. The novels of E. M. Forster indicates humanist view of life. He tries to focus on human relationships and the need for tolerance, sympathy and love between individual human beings from different parts of society and different cultures.

The influence of literature on society is felt directly or indirectly. Thus Miss Stowe's "Uncle Tom's Cabin" was directly responsible for a movement against slavery in literature and life in USA of those days. The novels of Dickens had an indirect influence in creating in society a feeling for regulating and removing social wrongs, calling for necessary reforms. Hardy's "Tess of the D'Urbervilles" is a vivid reflection of the social and moral degradation of the eighteenth and nineteenth century England. It is truly a symbolic representation of the disintegration of the English peasantry which can be regarded as the realistic outcome of the Industrial Revolution.

Thus, society creates literature. From this point of view, literature may be regarded as the mirror of the society. But the quality and nature of the reflection depends upon the writer's attitude of mind, whether he is progressive in his outlook or reactionary.

Naturally, conservative-minded writer will stress those aspects of social life, which put the traditional ways

of life in the best possible way. On the other hand, a progressive writer will tend to show how old ideals act as restraints on the natural freedom of the human mind, cripple the free movement of man and women in an unrestricted atmosphere, set for liberating new ideals and moving society that looks forward to newer ways of life.

We expect such a pragmatic perspective from the writers. It is strongly expected that only the value base literature may fill up the readers world with positive vibes to change their personal as well as social attitude in order to sprinkle warm light to the society we live.

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Role of Agriculture as the means of Economic Development of Assam

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Abstract:

Every economy has to go for its development through exploitation of its natural and human resources. Economic development is a process by which a population increases the efficiency with which it provides desired goods and services, thereby increasing individual living levels and general well-being. Since Assam economy is an agrarian economy, therefore development of agriculture is a pre-condition for the development of Assam. To develop the agriculture sector, the Government of Assam should provide facilities to the farmers to increase the level of production.

Key Words: Agriculture, development, agrarian, production.

Introduction:

Economic development is a process by which a population increases the efficiency with which it provides desired goods and services, thereby increasing individual living levels and general well-being. The process is forceful, involving constant change in the structure

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and procedures of the economy. It usually proceeds more rapidly in countries which already have relatively high income levels.

Assam economy is fundamentally based on agriculture. Over 70 per cent of the state's population relies on agriculture as farmers, as agricultural labourers, or both for their livelihood. Agriculture plays an important role in economic growth and development. As the provider of food, it is a cornerstone of human existence. As a furnisher of industrial raw materials it is an important contributor to economic activity in other sectors of the economy.

Objectives :

1. To investigate the reasons for pre-dominance of agriculture in the economy.
2. To explore the relationship between economic development and agriculture.
3. To explain the present scenario of agriculture of Assam.
4. To suggest some measures for agricultural development in Assam.

Methodology:

This paper is prepared by following descriptive method and for collection of data secondary sources like book, internet etc. are used.

Discussion:

Every economy has to go for its development through exploitation of natural and human resources. The availability and non-availability of resources are not the only issues which make an economy decide whether to opt for agriculture or industry as its prime moving force. There are many more socio-political compulsions and objectives which play their roles in such decision making.

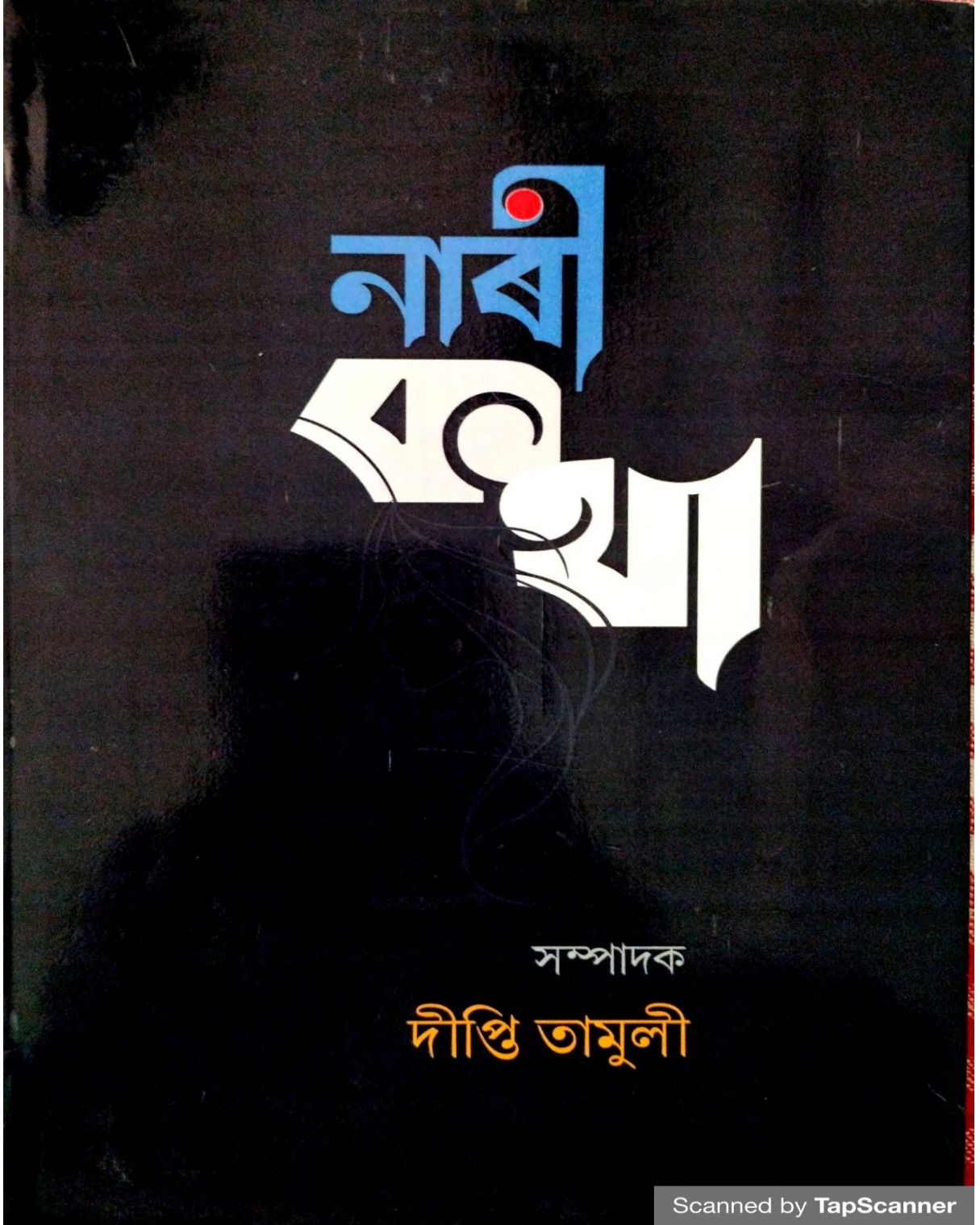
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