



Three Day National Seminar
on
**CULTURE, ETHICS AND VALUES
IN THE NINGTHOUJA DYNASTY**

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28th–30th October 2026
Dhanamanjuri University, Manipur



ABOUT THE SEMINAR

The Ningthouja dynasty occupies a central place in the history of Manipur. Its intellectual and cultural traditions are reflected in the institutions, texts or *puya-s*, oral traditions, customary laws, ritual practices, and philosophical ideas developed during its rule in Manipur. These sources provide important insights into ideas of morality, justice, duty, governance, social organization and collective welfare in pre-modern Manipur.

Although scholarly interest in Manipuri traditional knowledge systems has increased, comparatively less attention has been given to the ethical ideas and cultural values found within these traditions. Ethical principles shaped various aspects of social life, including kingship, administration, law, kinship, religion, diplomacy, gender relations, and relationships with nature.

The seminar seeks to bring together scholars from different disciplines to examine the ethical, philosophical and cultural traditions of the Ningthouja Kingdom and their relevance to contemporary discussions on governance, cultural heritage, identity, environmental responsibility, and indigenous philosophy. Selected peer-reviewed papers will be considered for publication in an edited volume or proceedings.

CALL FOR PAPERS

Academicians, researchers, traditional and independent scholars and students are invited to submit original and unpublished papers on the Ningthouja Kingdom, its institutions, ethical and philosophical traditions, society, culture, customary laws, values, and related areas under the following broad themes:

- I. Ethics of Governance & Political Thought
- II. Religion, Cosmology & Moral Philosophy
- III. *Puya-s* & Traditional Knowledge Systems
- IV. Society, Culture & Social Values
- V. Law, Custom & Justice

All submissions should have a direct bearing on the Ningthouja Kingdom and its historical, intellectual, social, cultural, ethical, political, or legal traditions.

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Abstract: Maximum 200 words

Keywords: 4–6

Full Paper: 2,000–3,000 words
(including references)

Citation Style: Chicago Author–Date

Submission: dmuphilosophy@gmail.com

Authors are requested to submit their abstracts and full papers electronically in Microsoft Word (.doc/.docx) or PDF (.pdf) format.

The title of the paper should appear on the manuscript and must not contain the author's name or institutional affiliation. A separate cover page should be submitted containing the title of the paper, name of the author(s) and designation.

IMPORTANT DATES

Abstract Submission: 31st August 2026
Acceptance Notification: 5th September 2026
Full Paper Submission: 20th October 2026
Registration: 21st October 2026
Seminar: 28th–30th October 2026

REGISTRATION & HOSPITALITY

Registration Fee: ₹1,000 (faculty members)
₹700 (scholars and students)

The registration fee may be paid through UPI to ushapatiangbam123@oksbi or +91 8860473624. To register, participants and presenters are requested to send the proof of payment, along with their name and credentials, to the submission email with “REGISTRATION” as the subject line.

Lunch and refreshments will be provided to all registered participants. Travel and accommodation expenses will have to be borne by the participants themselves.

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