

### **NIELIT Gangtok starts Entrepreneurship Development Training for 8 North East States of India**

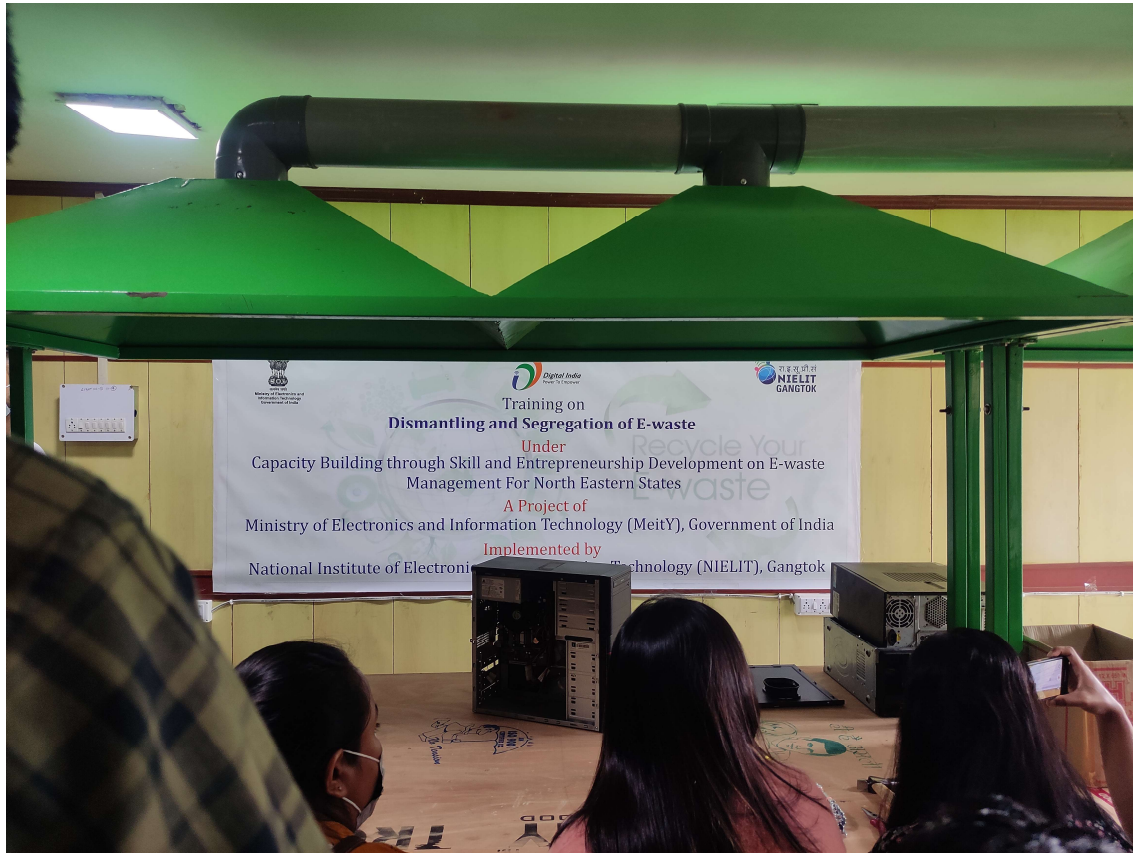
Under the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) sponsored project “Capacity Building Through Skill and Entrepreneurship Development On ‘E-Waste Management’ for the North-Eastern States, Under ‘Digital India’ Programme” National Institute of Electronics and Information Technology (NIELIT) Gangtok has started the offline hands on training for the participants from the 8 North East states of India. The first batch started on 24<sup>th</sup> August 2021 with 19 participants from Sikkim, Nagaland, Assam, Tripura and Meghalaya. Prior to the commencement of offline training, 100 nos. candidates from across the 8 NE states had undergone an online training where the participants were exposed to the necessary modules required for sound E-Waste management.

The offline training is a mix of both theory and practical and candidates get exposure to the activities related to sound e-Waste management especially dismantling, segregation and Inventorization of the e-waste items listed in Schedule 1 of the E-Waste Management Rules of India. The state of art infrastructure developed as part of the project at NIELIT Gangtok is being used by participants to learn about the dismantling and segregation activities following the guidelines of Central Pollution Control Board and the State Pollution Control Boards and possible job/entrepreneurship opportunities in this area especially considering both the pristine environment of North East India and lack of recycling facilities in the region.

As of 31<sup>st</sup> August 2021, 3 nos. batches have been conducted and a total of 57 nos. candidates from the 8 NE states have been trained on e-waste dismantling and segregation.



Picture-1: Participants from North East States attending the sessions on e-waste management.



Picture 2: Participants during the practical sessions in the Dismantling and Segregation lab set up under the project at NIELIT Gangtok



Picture 3: Participants during the practical sessions at the E-Waste Dismantling and Segregation lab setup under the project at NIELIT Gangtok





Picture 4: Group photo of Participants from the North East states attending the E-Waste Entrepreneurship Development Training Program at NIELIT Gangtok



Picture 5: Participants attending the practical sessions at NIELIT, Gangtok



Picture 6: Hands-on sessions for the participants





Picture 7: Practical sessions on e-waste dismantling and segregation at NIELIT Gangtok