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ABSTRACT

Tracing the history of higher education in North East India and the problems of funding, this paper discusses the pattern of funding of North Eastern Hill University for last ten years. It is essential to identify the areas where funding has been reduced which adversely affects the activities of the university, this paper examines the declining trend of funding under non-plan non-salary component. Policy of Government of India now encourages mobilization of resources for meeting the rising cost of higher education. It now appears that in addition to academic growth and student management, financial management or resource management is a major challenge for the universities. This paper suggests concerted effort towards increasing internal revenue to avoid set back in the academic and administrative growth of the university.