

The Extended Annual General Meeting

(North Bengal Zone)

The extended Annual General Meeting of CTDOA (North Bengal Zone) was held on 29th of January, 2008 at the Saluja Residency Hotel, Hill Cart Road, Siliguri. The



meeting was attended by thirty three members of the North Bengal Zone. Incidentally, CTDOA has a total of forty three members in the North Bengal Zone.

The meeting was chaired by President Sri Uma Shankar Ghosh, who was accompanied by CTDOA Secretary Smt Mousumi Chattaraj Choudhuri and Joint Secretaries Sri Gautam Ghatak and Sri Arup

Ratan Sarkar. Also present was the Additional Commissioner, North Bengal, Sri Anil Sarkar. The meeting started with the observation of one minute silence in the memory of Late Nima Dupka.

The proceedings started with an opening address by Executive Committee Member Sri Karma Palzor Bhutia and a welcome note by nominated member Sri Kanchan Halder. This was followed by the Secretary's reading out of the resolutions adopted by the members at the Annual General Meeting held in Kolkata on 5th January, 2008. The Secretary also went on to clarify the background and context in which these resolutions were adopted and the modifications made thereof.



The house was then opened for an interactive session primarily aimed at bringing out the problems and critical issues, specific to the North Bengal region and their possible incorporation in the list of resolutions for alleviation. Among them, the most notable ones were the proposal by *Sri P.N. Sherpa* for dividing Siliguri Cahrge into Siliguri and Sevoke Charges, a proposal by *Sri Snigdha Thakur* for setting up of a guest house dedicated for members from North or South Bengal, and another proposal by *Sri Kanchan Halder* for setting up of a regional centre of the Public Service Commission at Siliguri to facilitate the officers of North Bengal to appear in the departmental exams.