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"Skills are never taught, they are acquired. I can give you a camera , but can't feed your vision."

-by Raghu Rai

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PHOTOGRAPHY CAPTAIN (2021-2022)

LUQMAAN AHMED, CLASS 12

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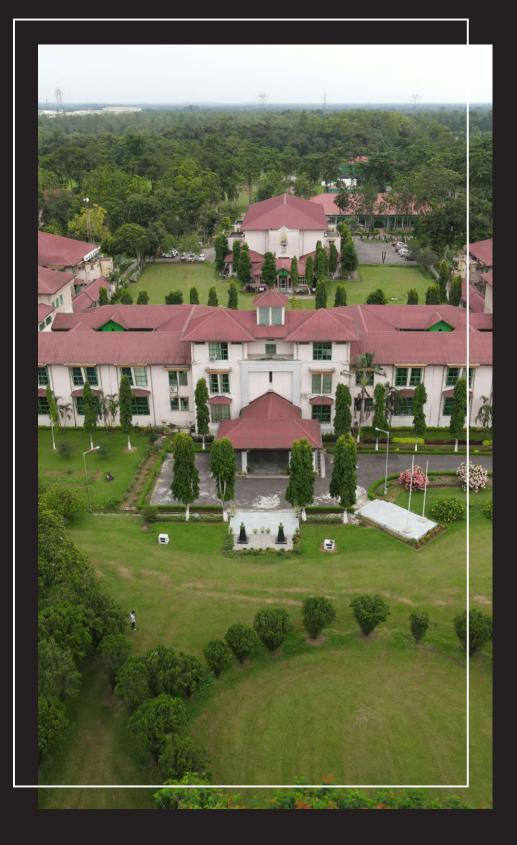
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## **FOREWORD**

In the last one and a half years life has been stuck between two waves and confinement was a reality. It looked like there would be no tomorrow. Visual memories created by print and electronic media will haunt us for many years to come. We were given to believe that everything had been lost. Yet, the following pages of this coffee table book will give you enough reasons to have hope.

Hope is important for innovation at work because creativity requires challenging the status quo and a willingness to try and possibly fail. It requires some level of internal, sustaining force that pushes individuals to persevere in the face of challenges inherent to creative work. The lenses of the Camera have captured the blessings of nature and life at large. This is the anti-thesis to the narrative of lost paradise.

My heartiest congratulations to the resilient team.



- Dr. Vidhukesh Vimal Headmaster 26th October, 2021



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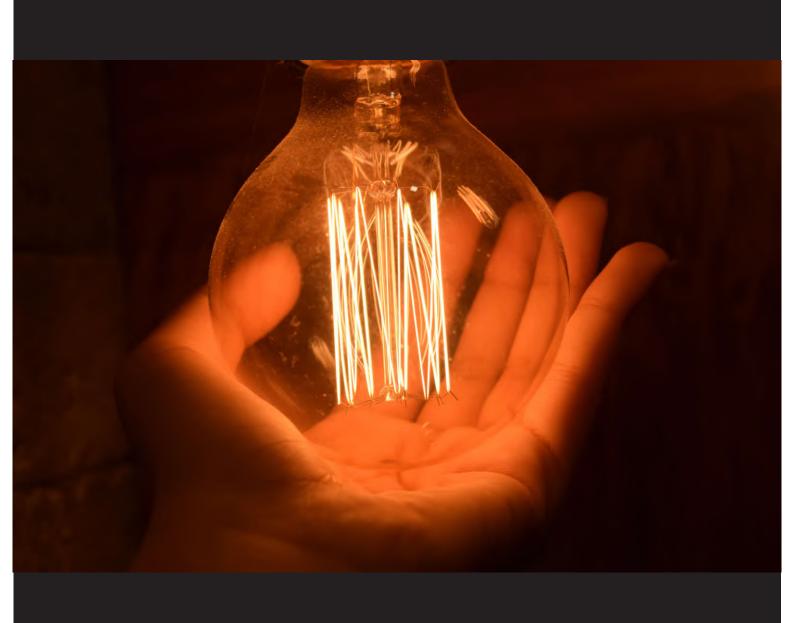
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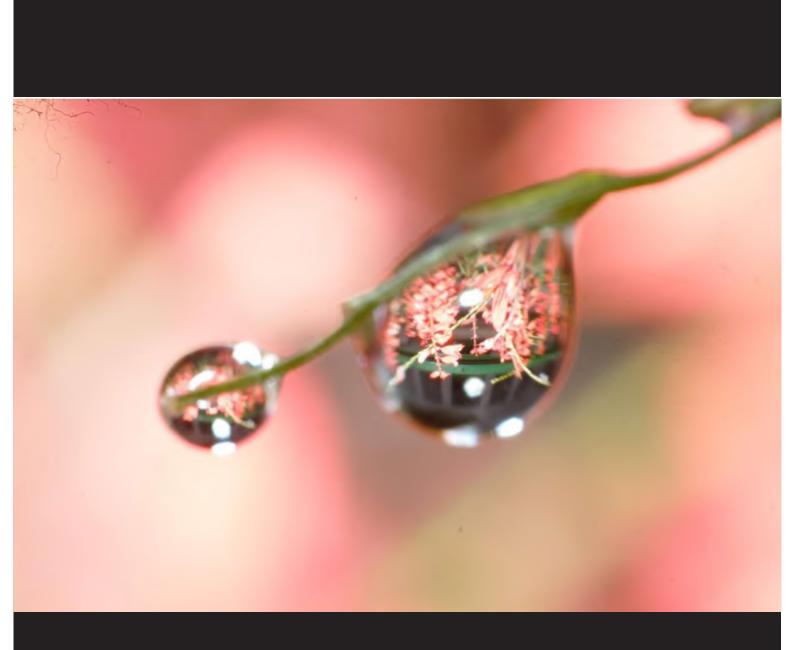
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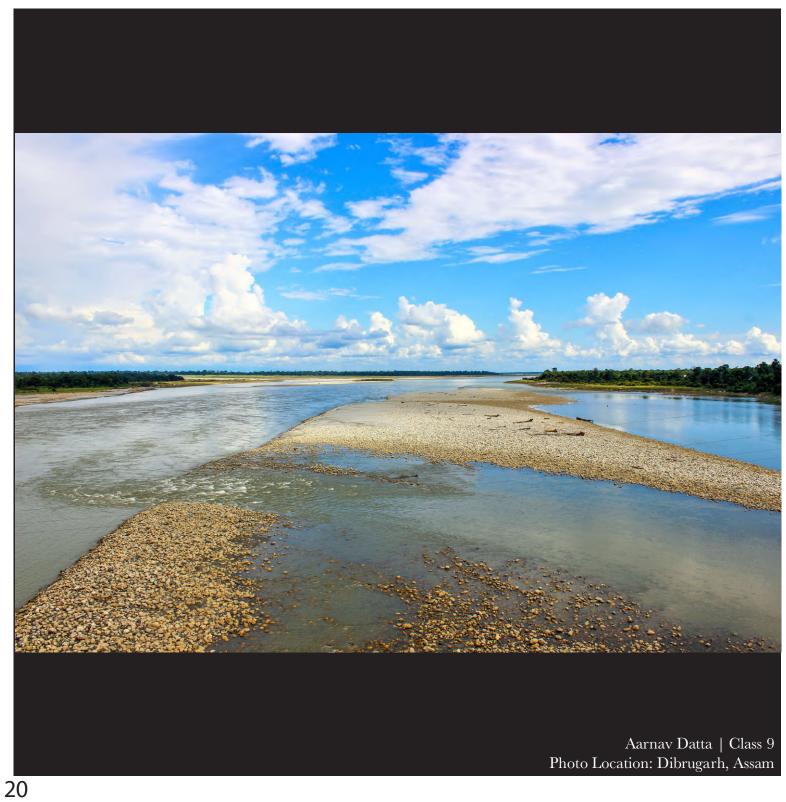


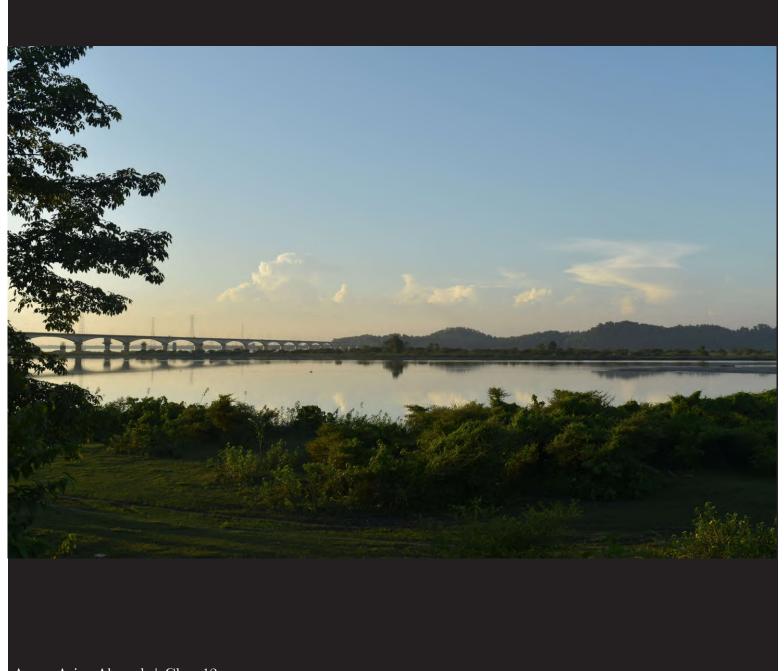
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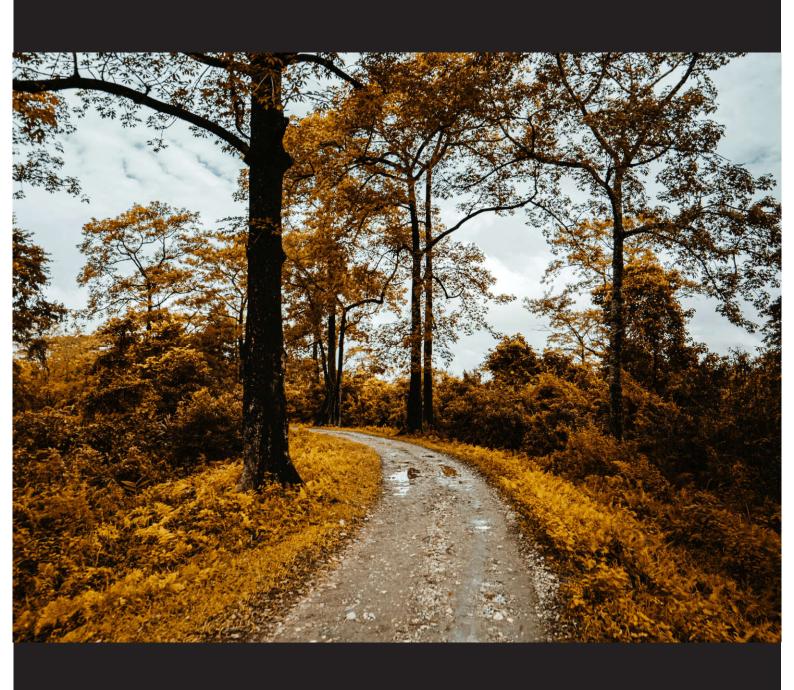
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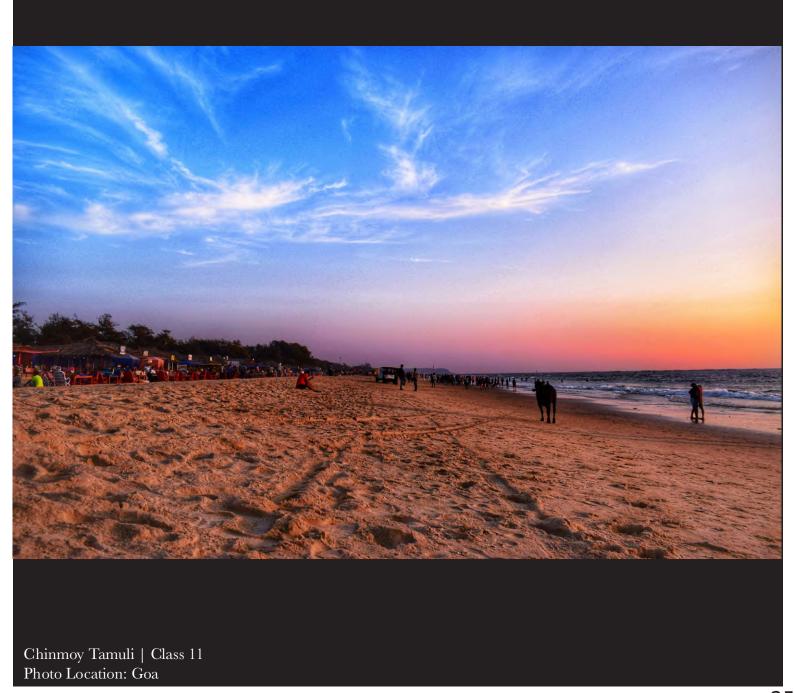
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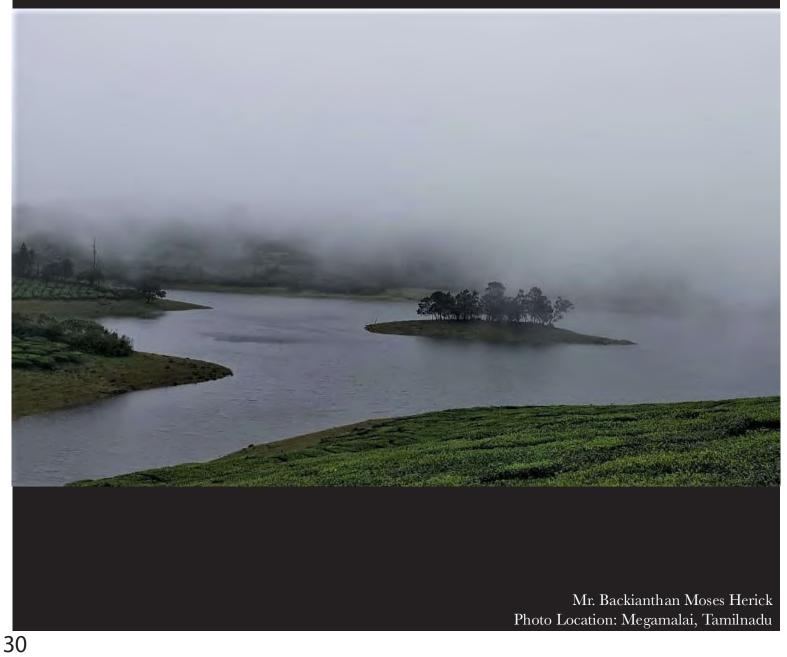


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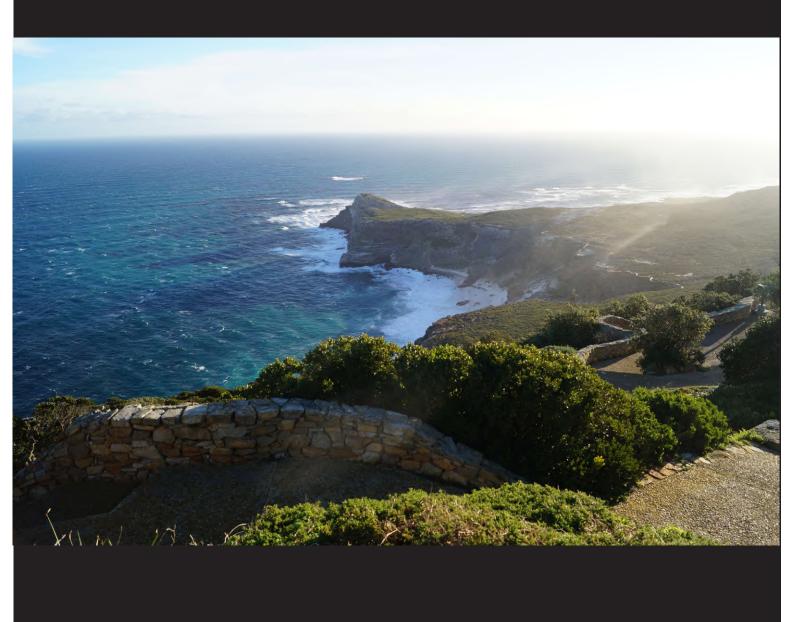
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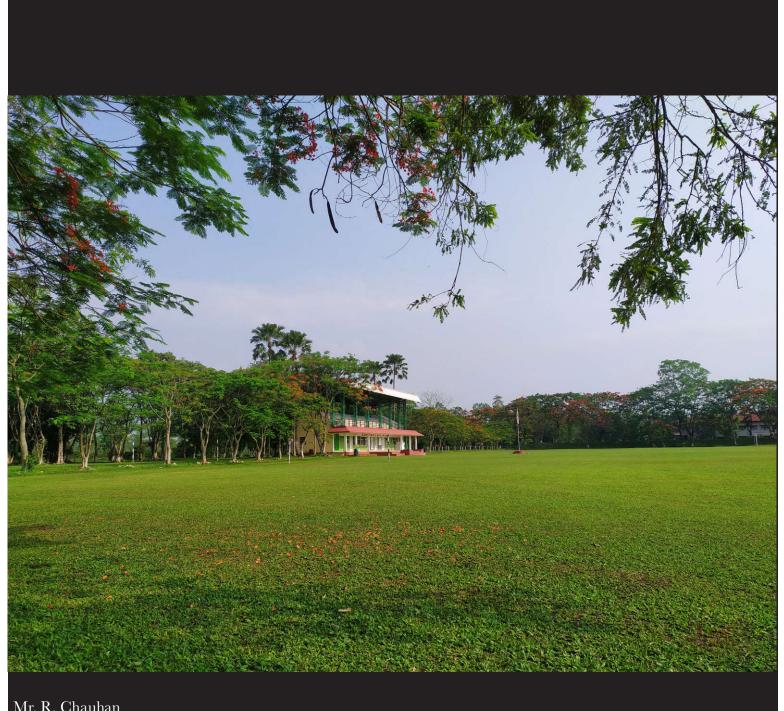
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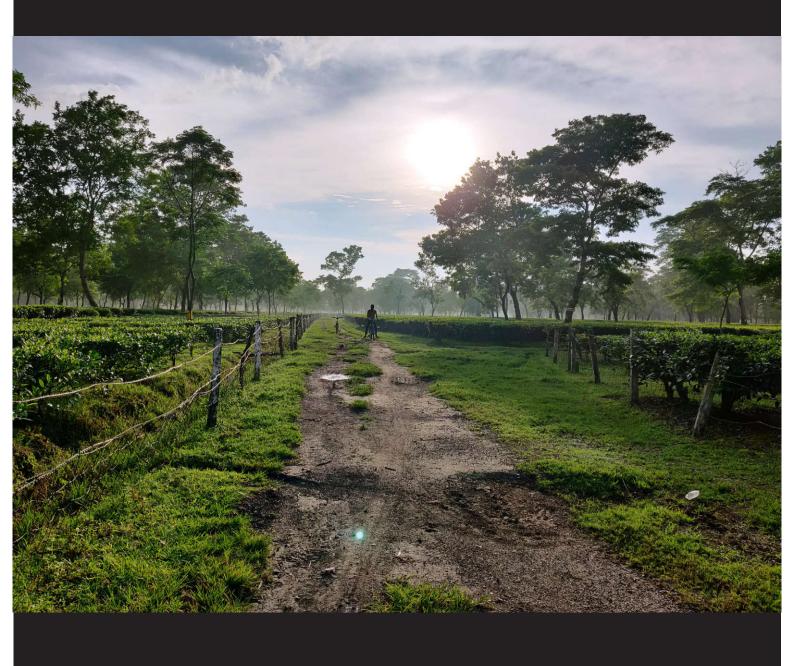
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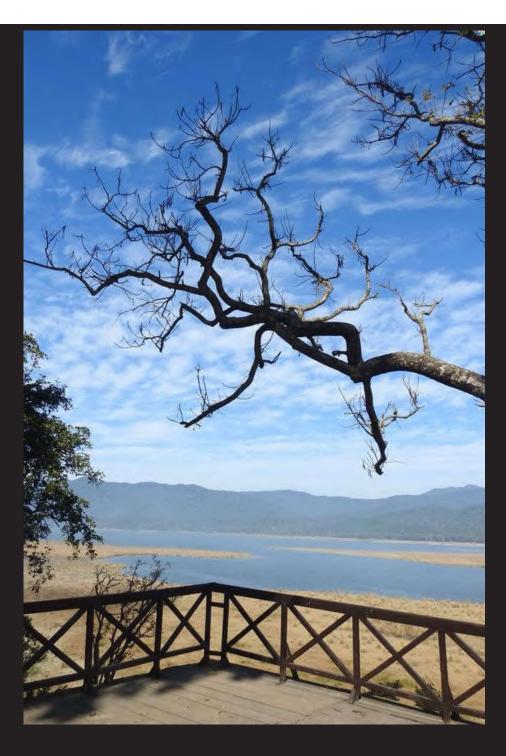


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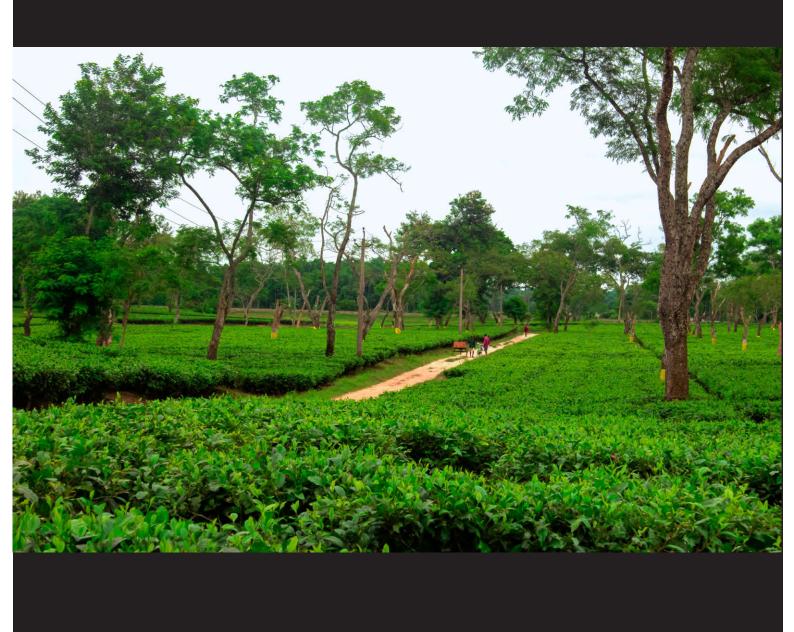
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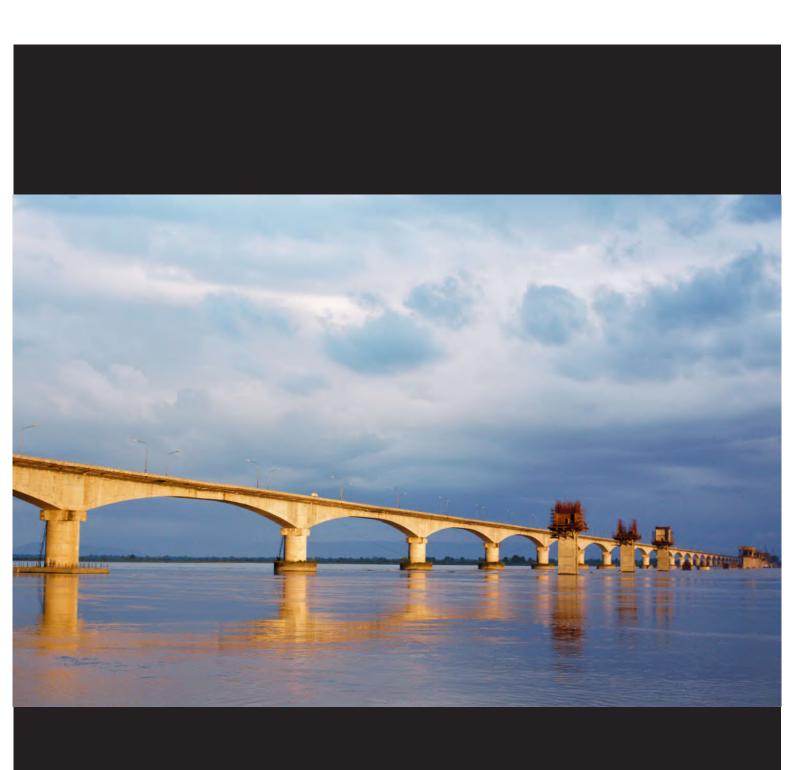




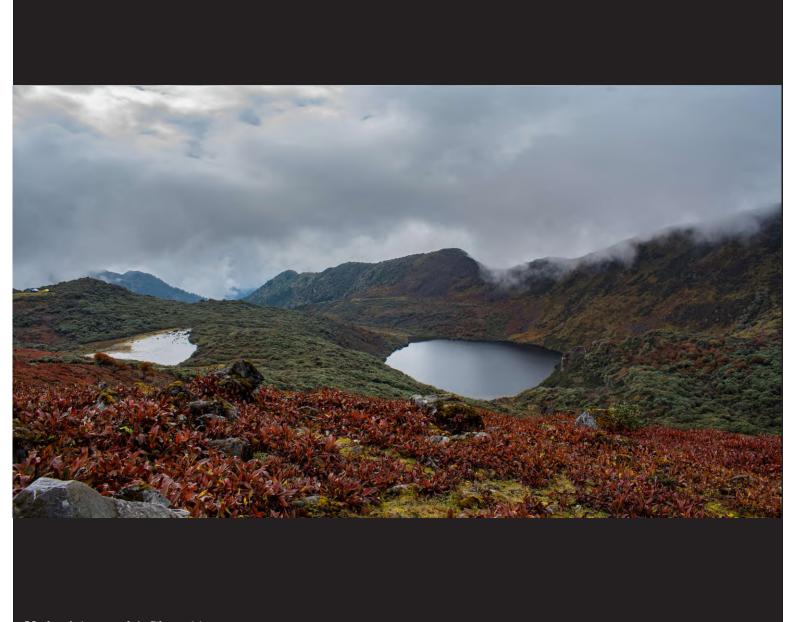


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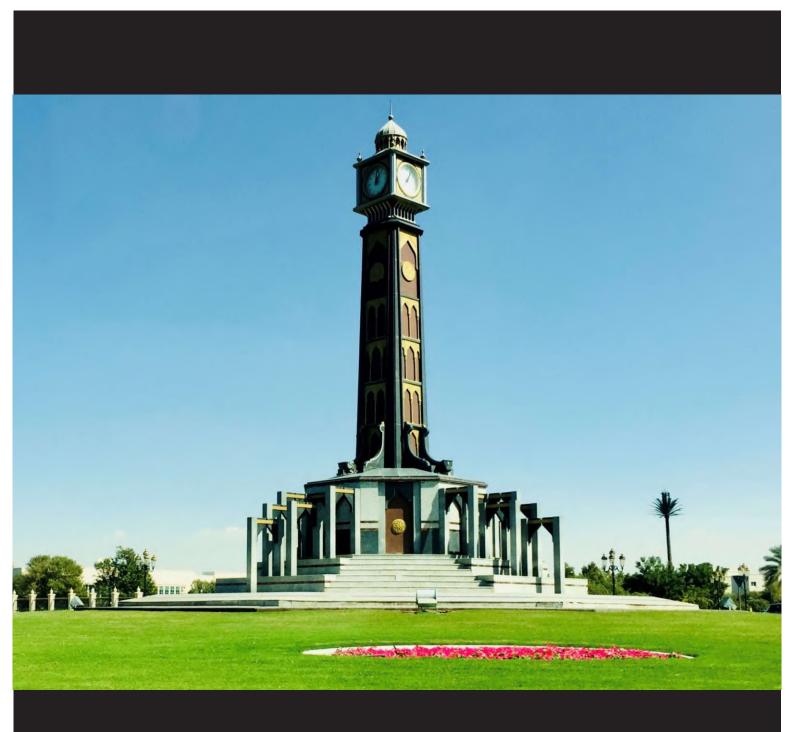


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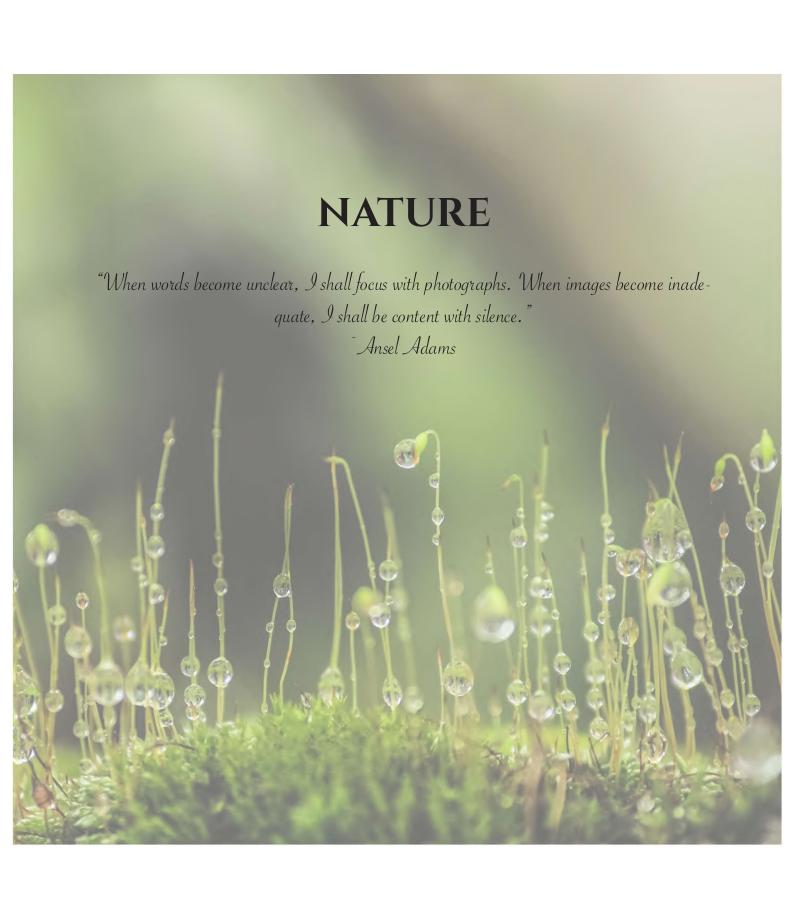
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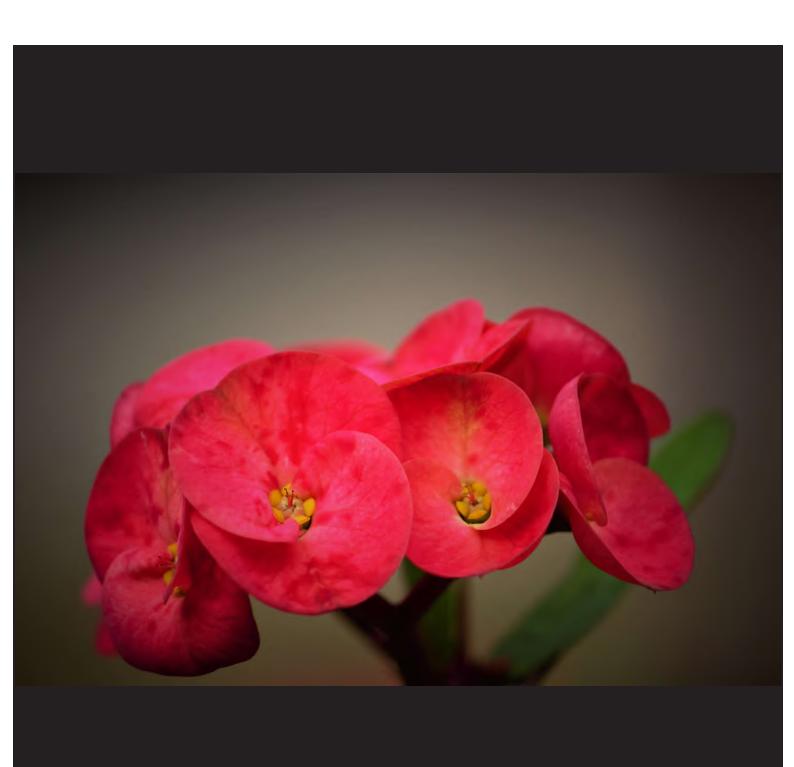




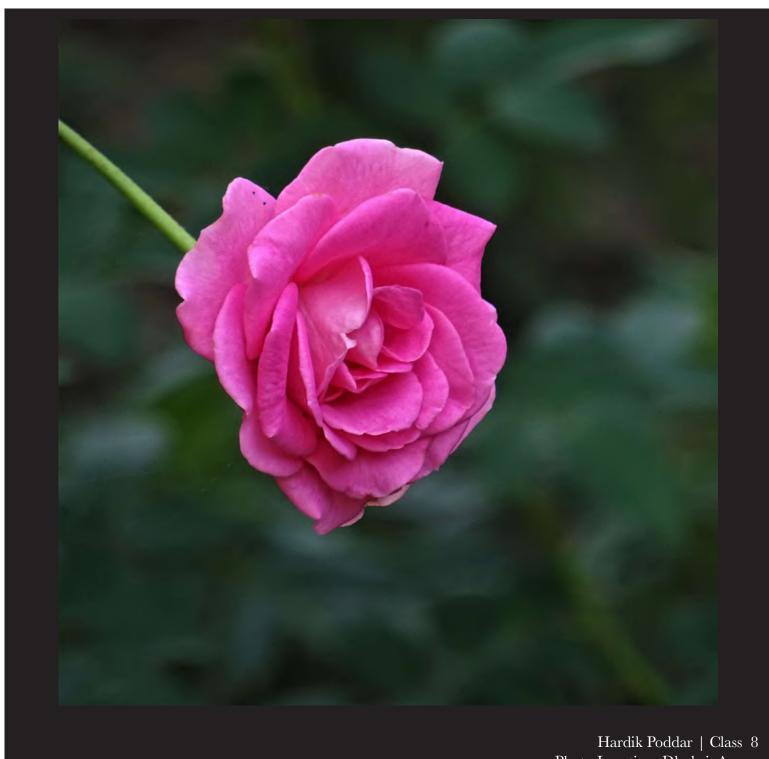
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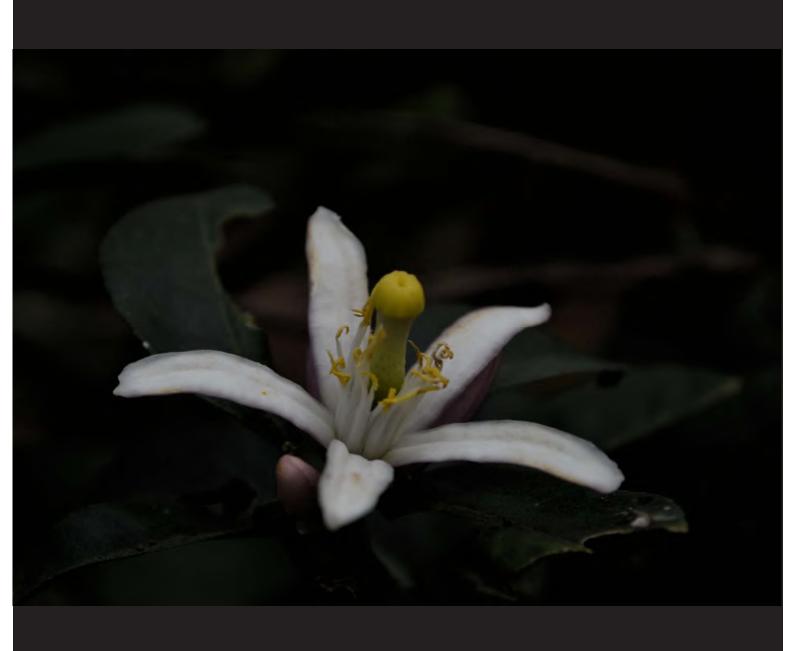




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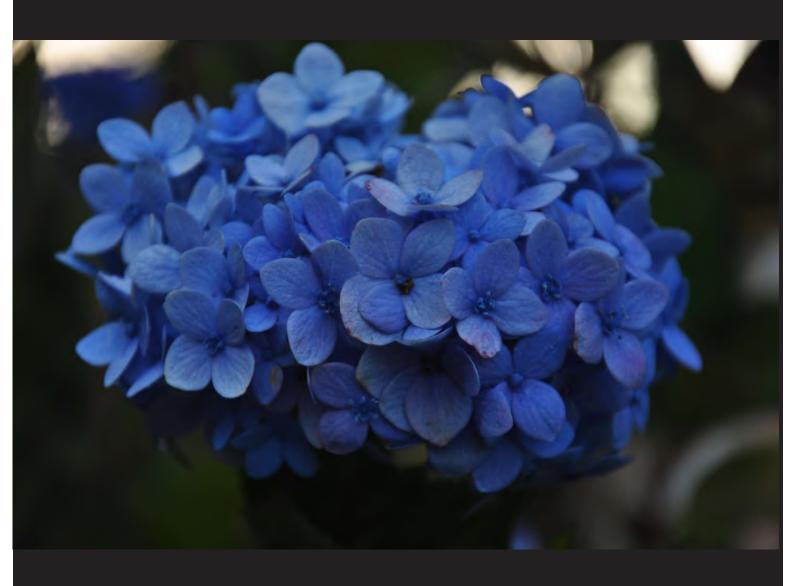
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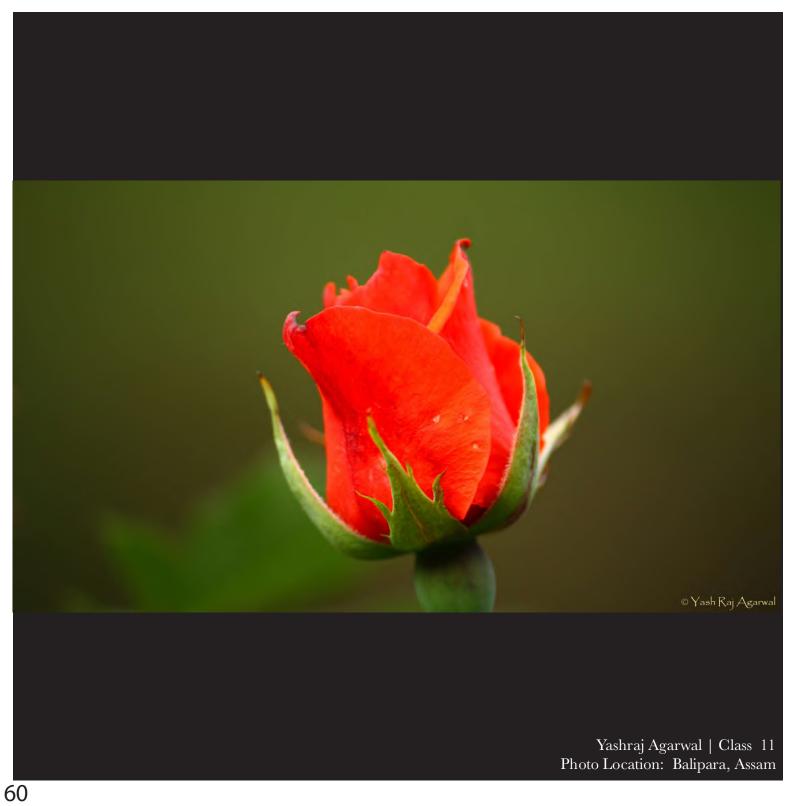
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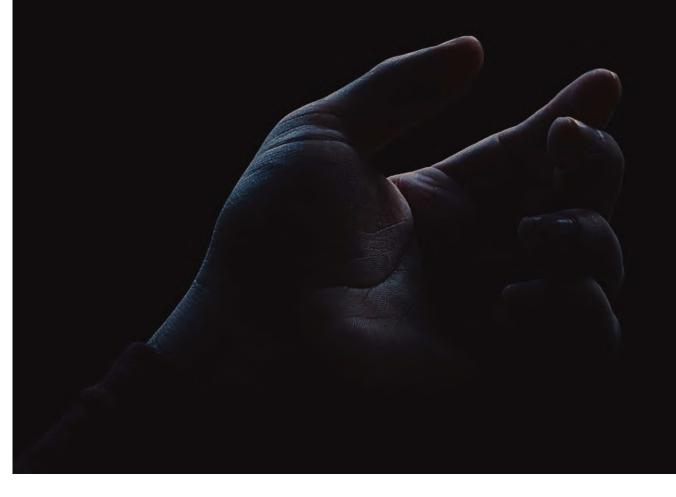
Krishiv Kalita | Class 10 Photo Location: Balipara, Assam



## **PORTRAITS**

"I don't see anybody as either ordinary or extraordinary. I see them simply as people in front of my lens."

Eve Arnold







Anam Aviva Ahmed | Class 12 Photo Location: Balipara, Assam



Luqmaan Ahmed | Class 12 Photo Location: Balipara, Assam



Hrishiraj Surekha | Batch of 2020 Photo Location: Balipara, Assam

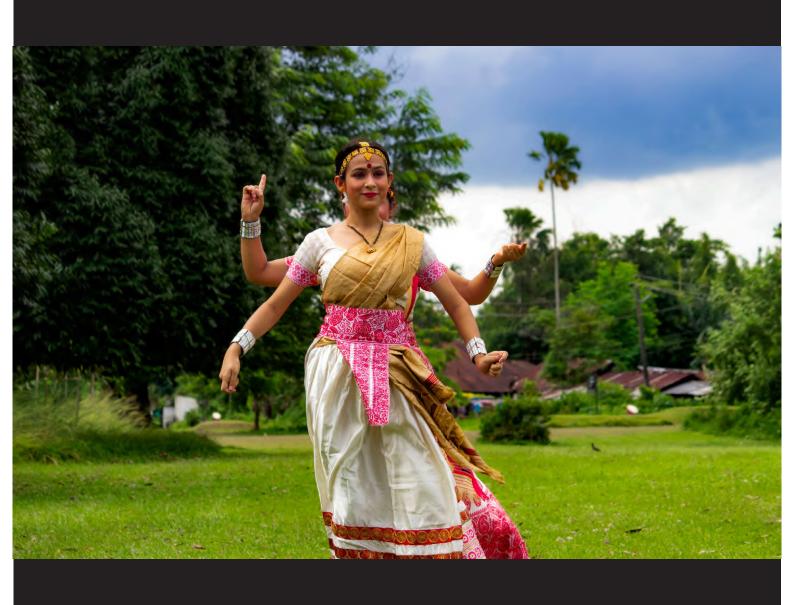


Luqmaan Ahmed | Class 12 Photo Location: Dehradun, UK

Prize Winning Photograph | 2nd Prize : Lines on Line for IPSC Visual Art Fest



Luqmaan Ahmed | Class 12 Photo Location: Balipara, Assam





Mr. R. Chauhan Photo Location: Scindia School, Gwalior



Yashraj Agarwal | Class 11 Photo Location: Thimpu, Bhutan



Swadheen Ban | Class 9 Photo Location: Balipara , Assam Prize Winning Photograph | First prize: Inter-House Photography Competition

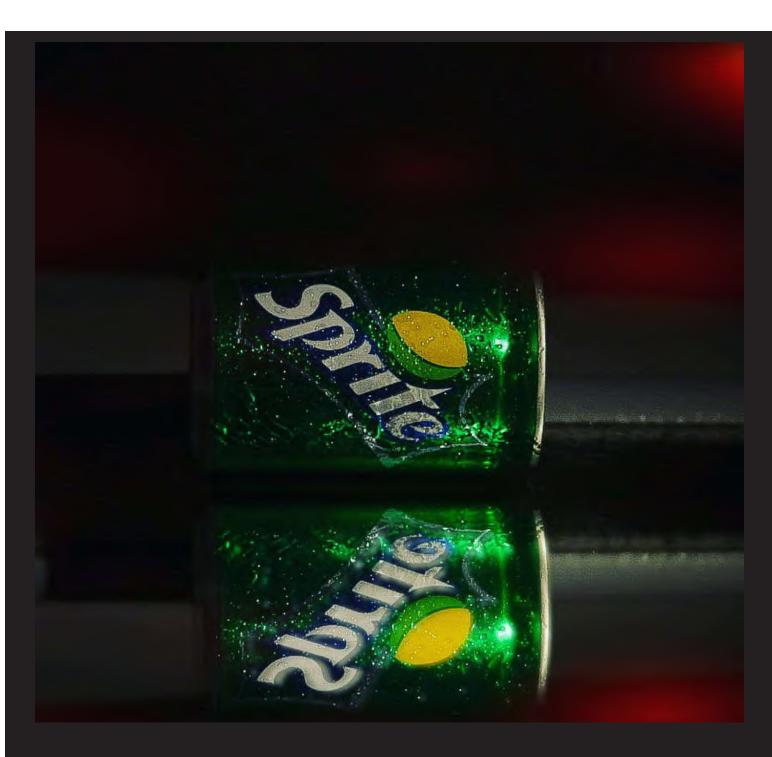


Zainab Khan | Class 12 Photo Location: Balipara, Assam





Shrey Modi | Class 11 Photo Location: Jorhat, Assam



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Thejazer Linyu , Deep Kanoi & Yashraj Agarwal | Batch of 2020 Photo Location: Balipara, Assam



Shrey Modi | Class 11 Photo Location: Jorhat, Assam



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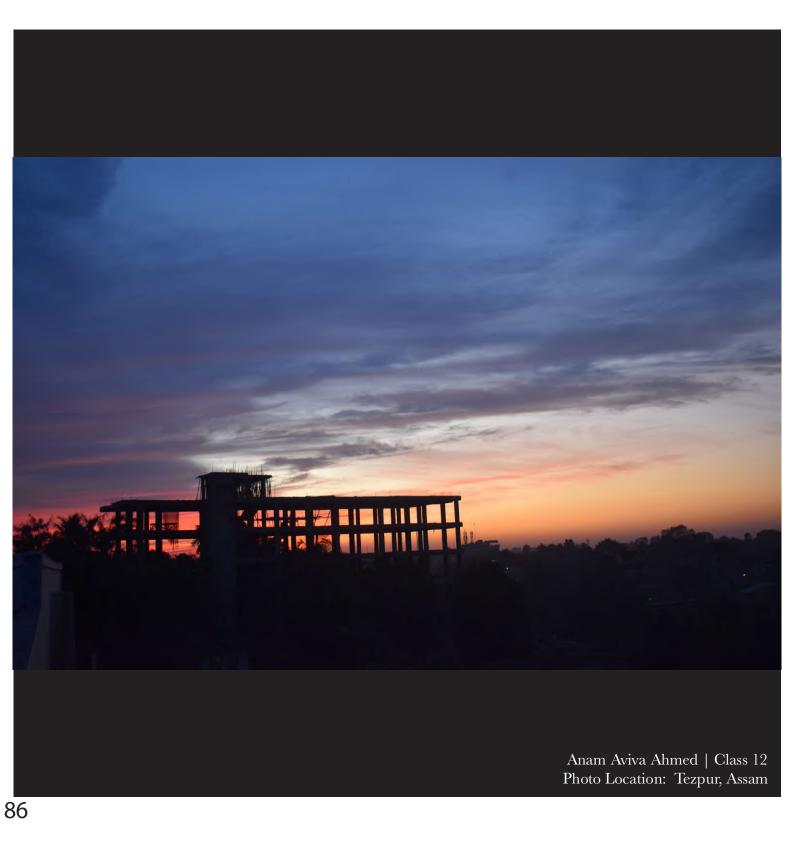


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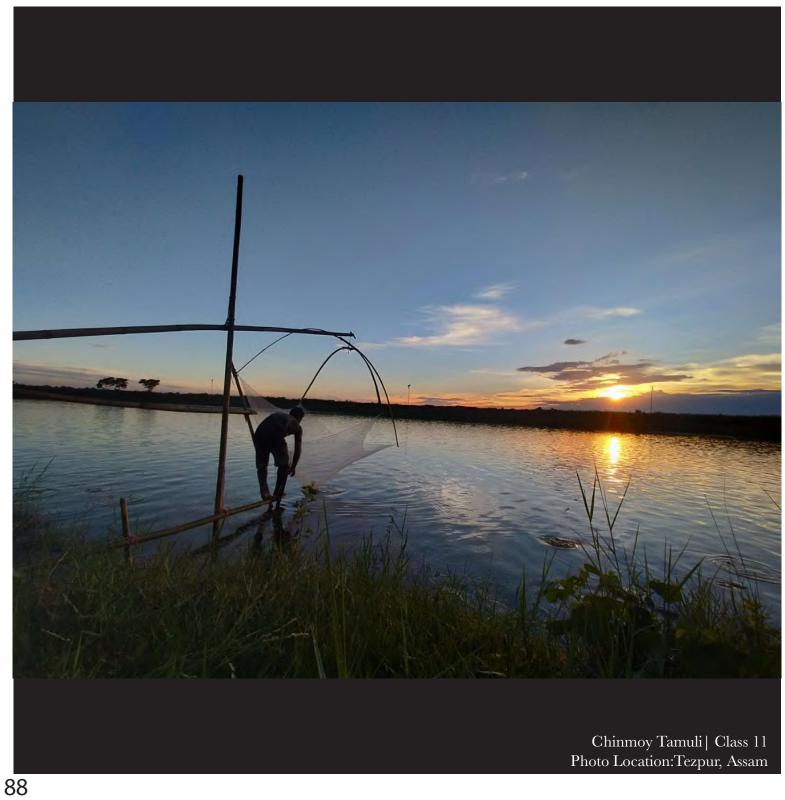


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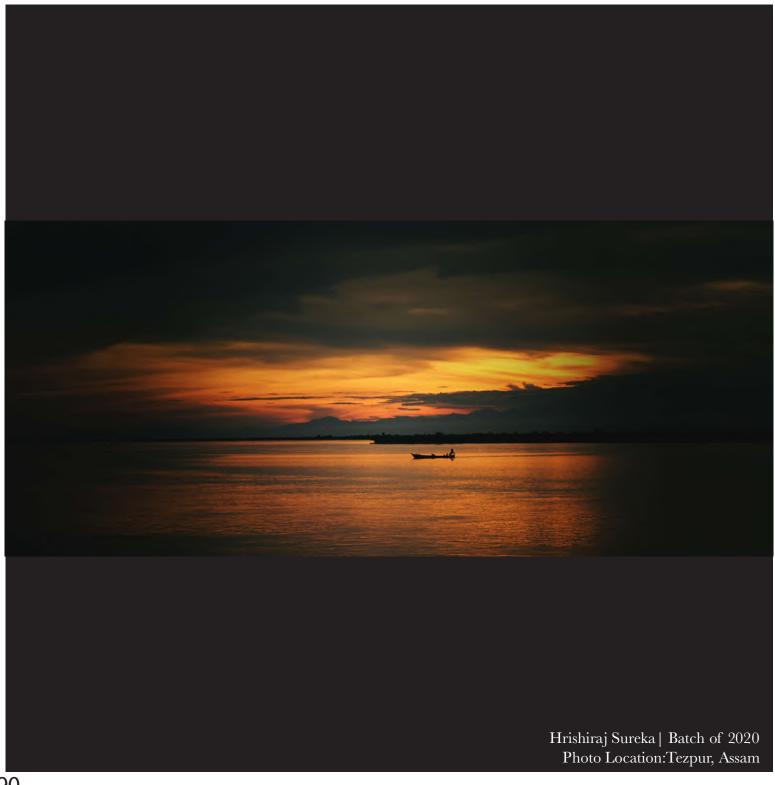


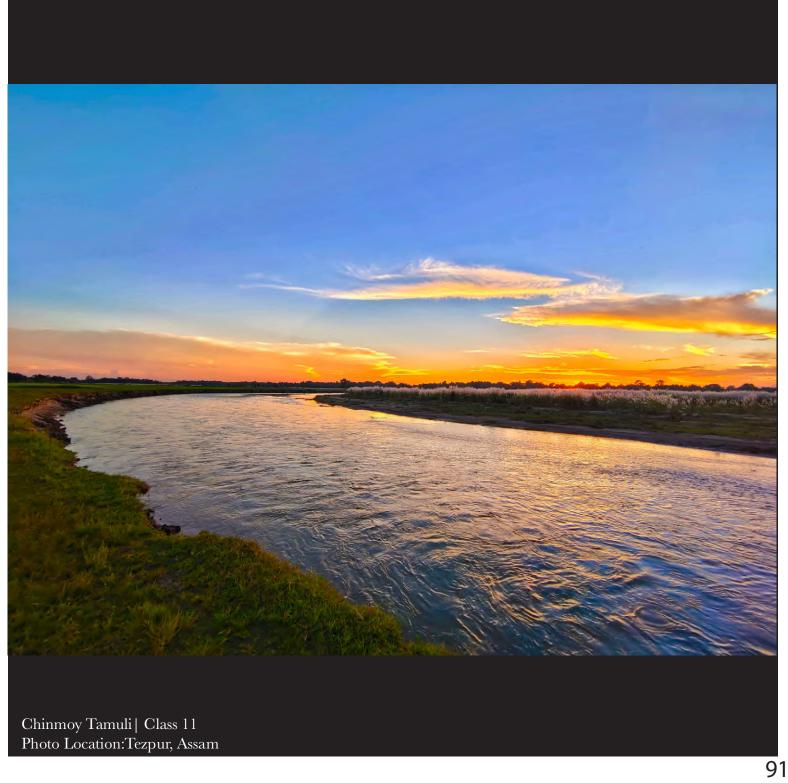


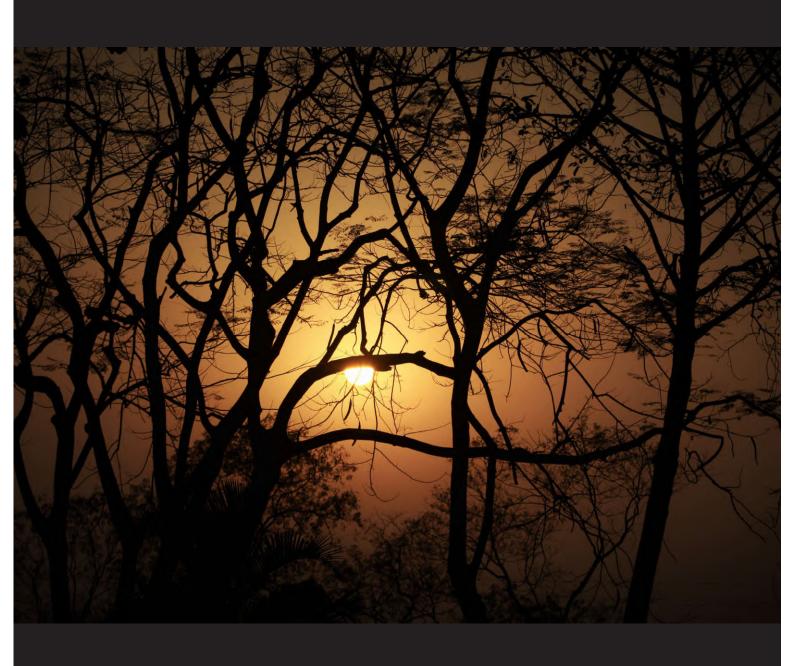




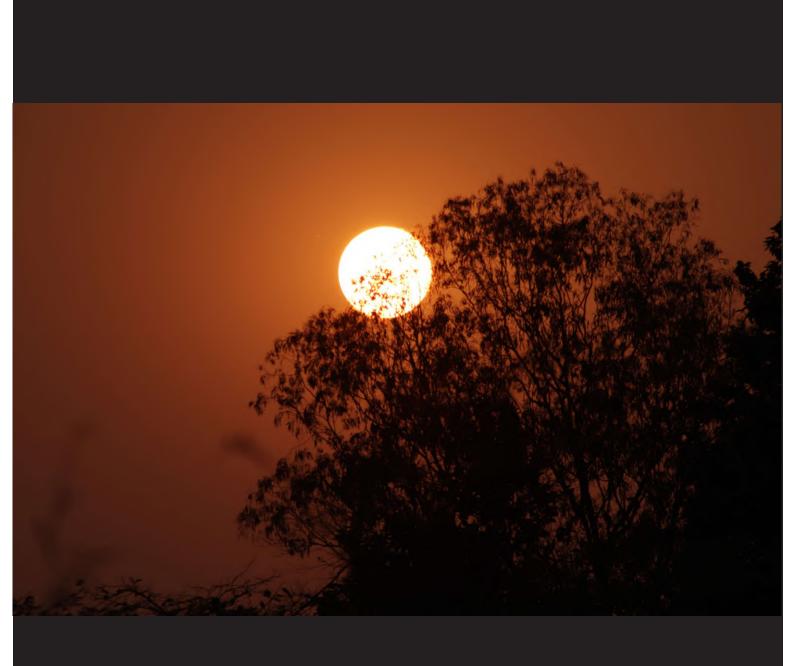
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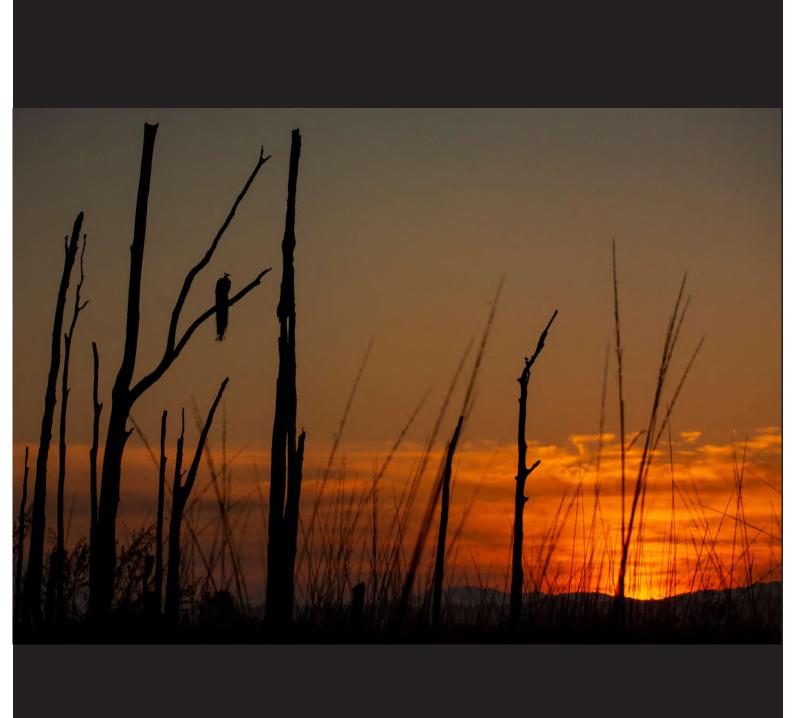
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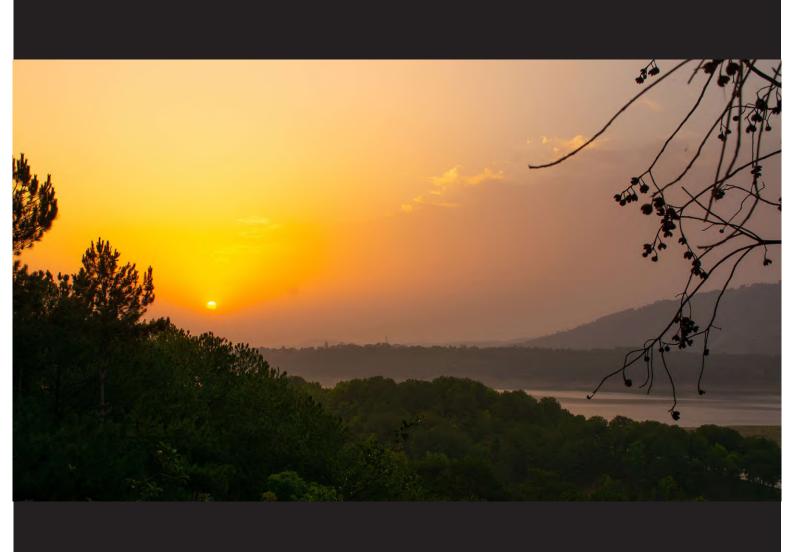


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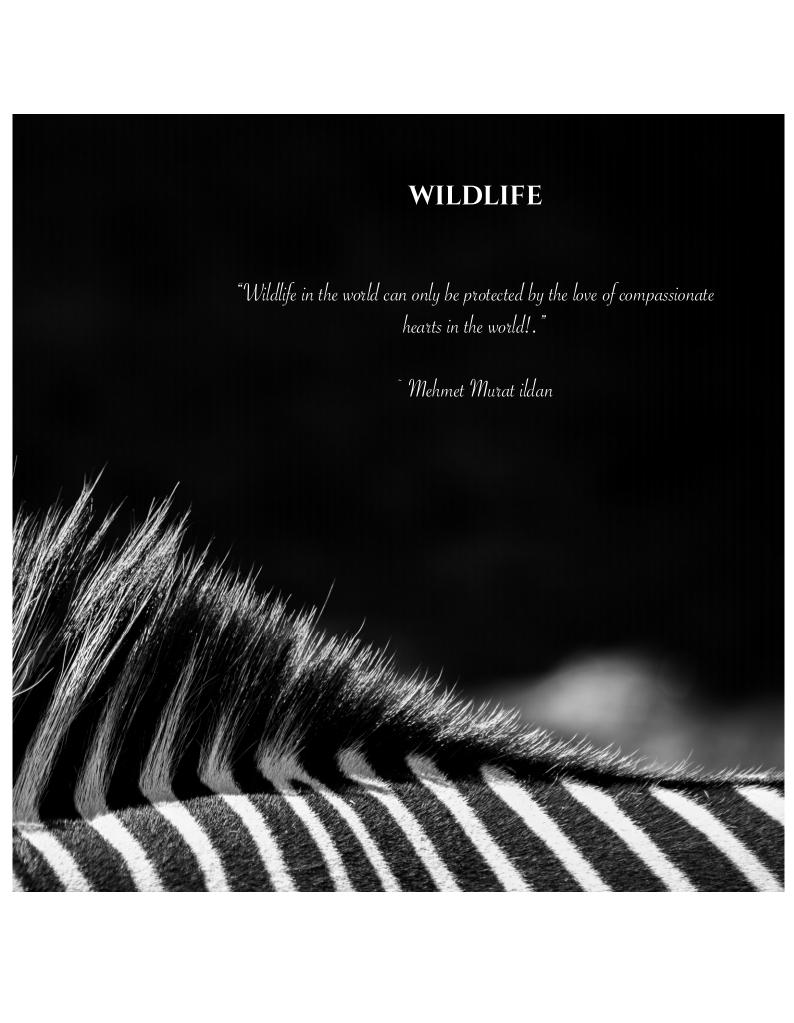


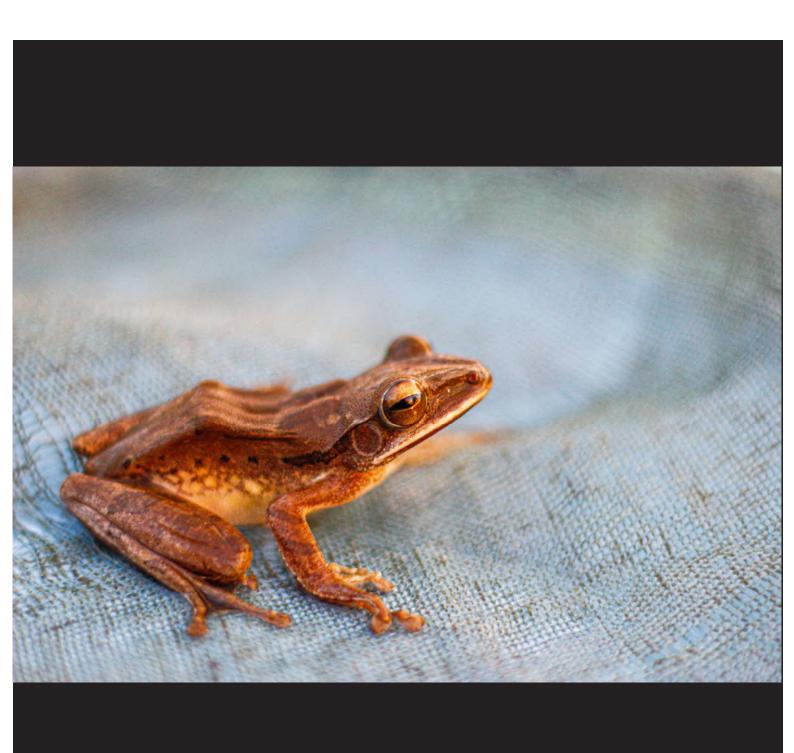
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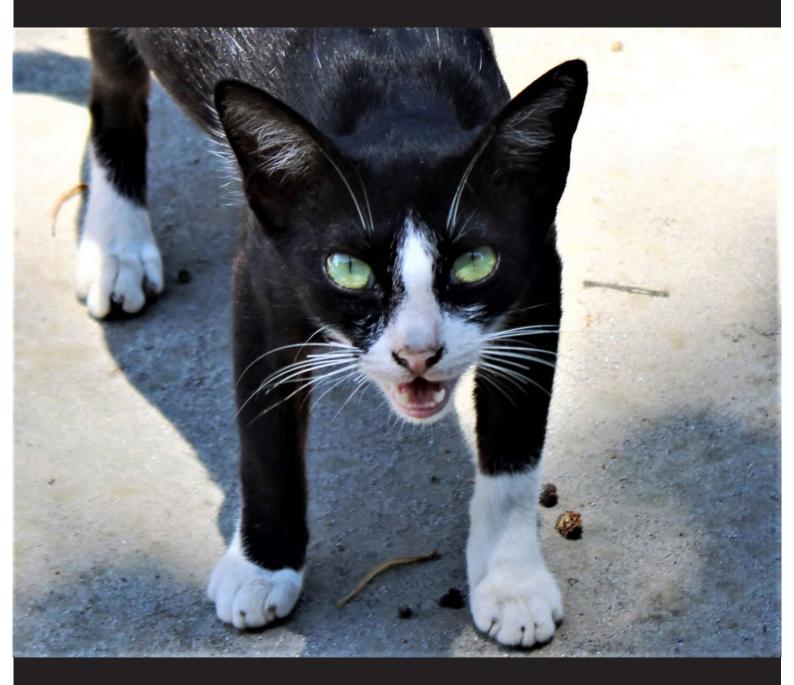
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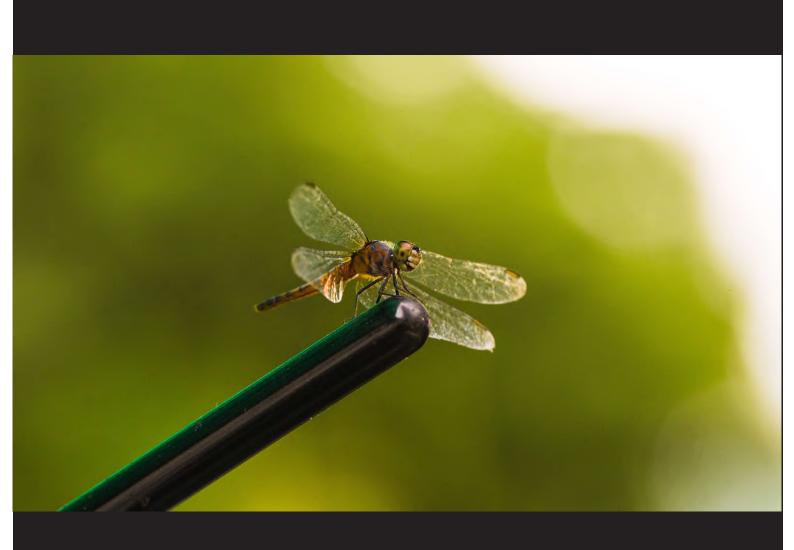




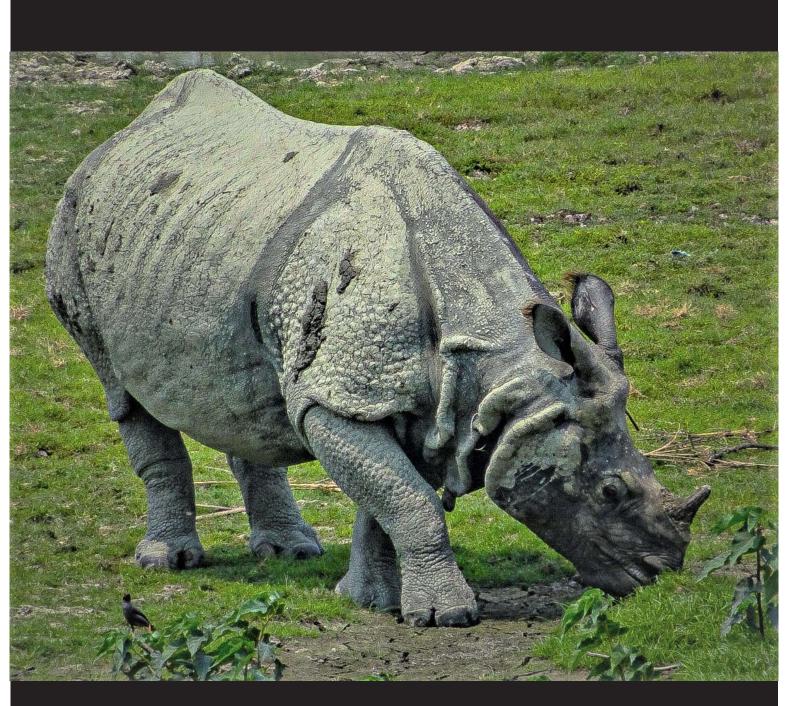
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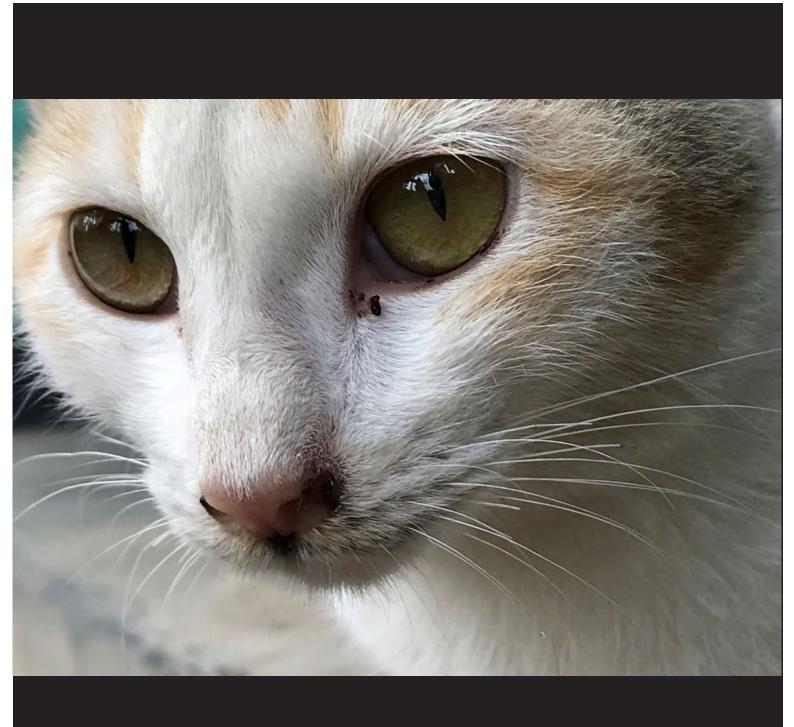
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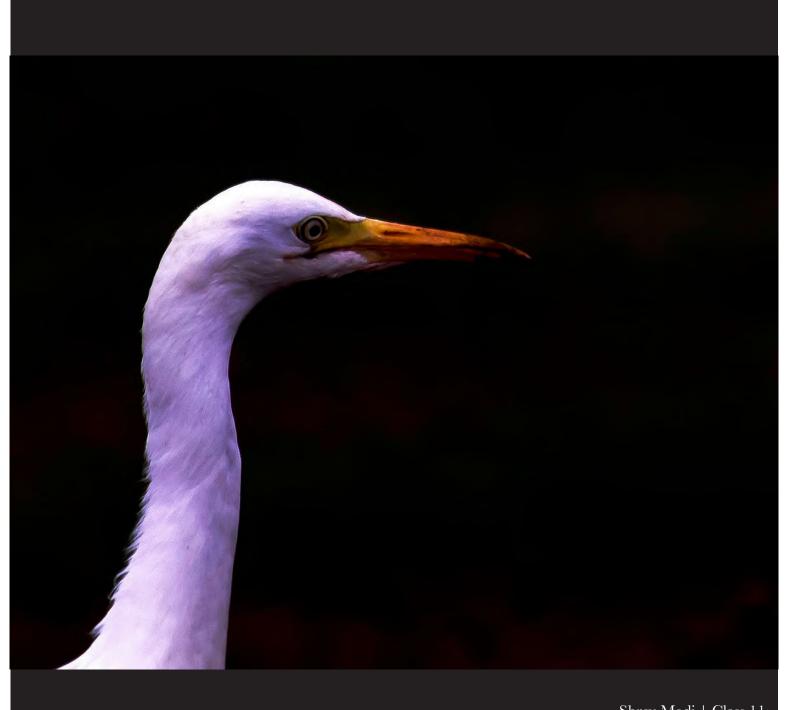
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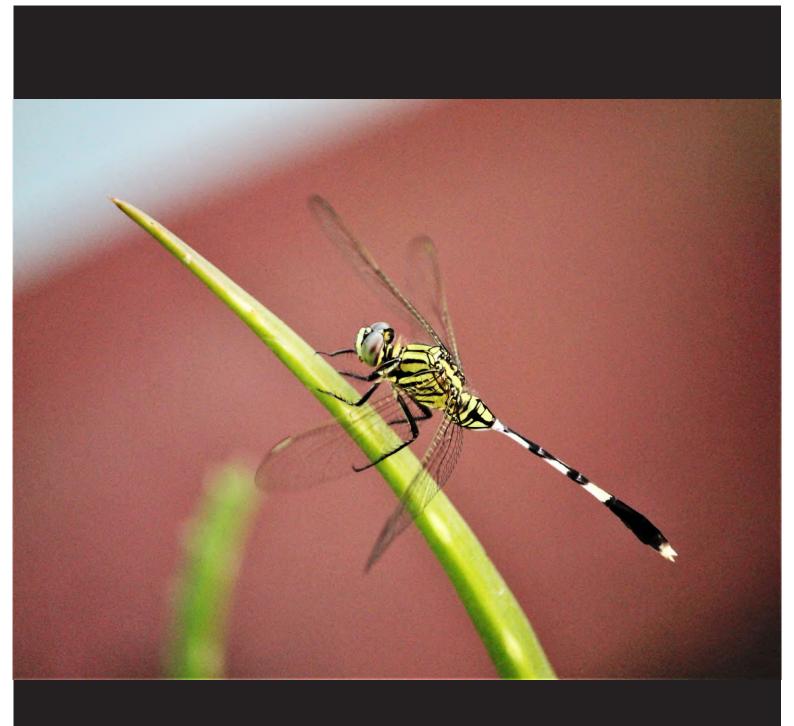
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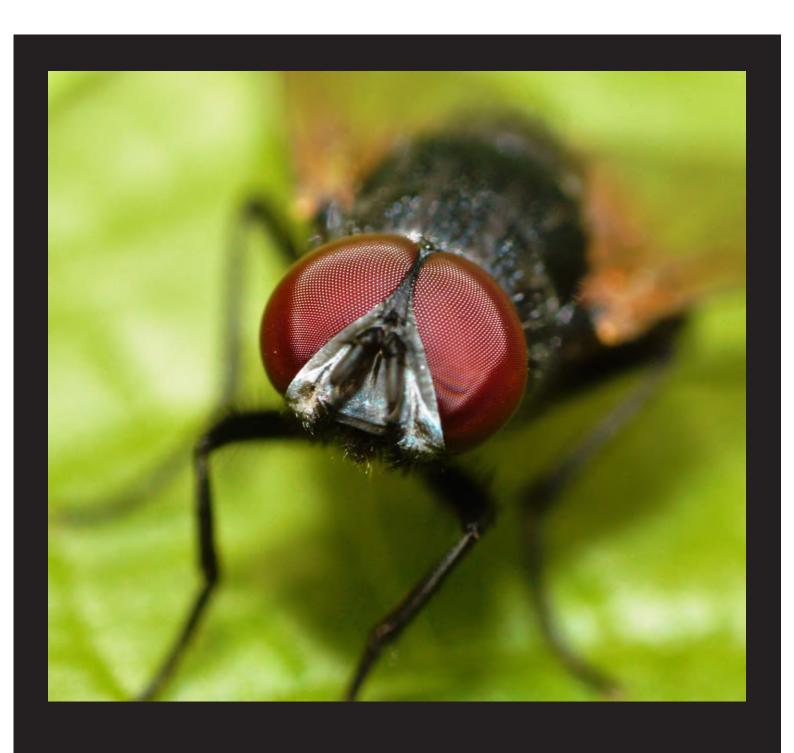
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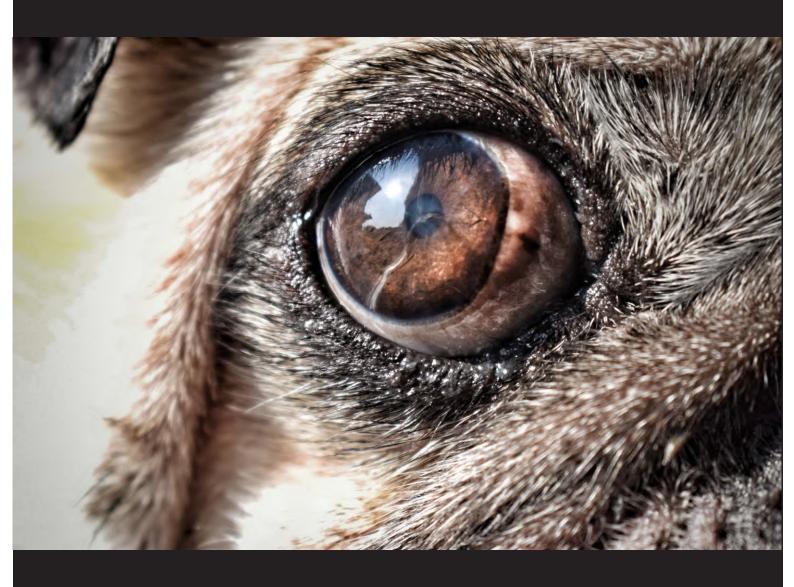
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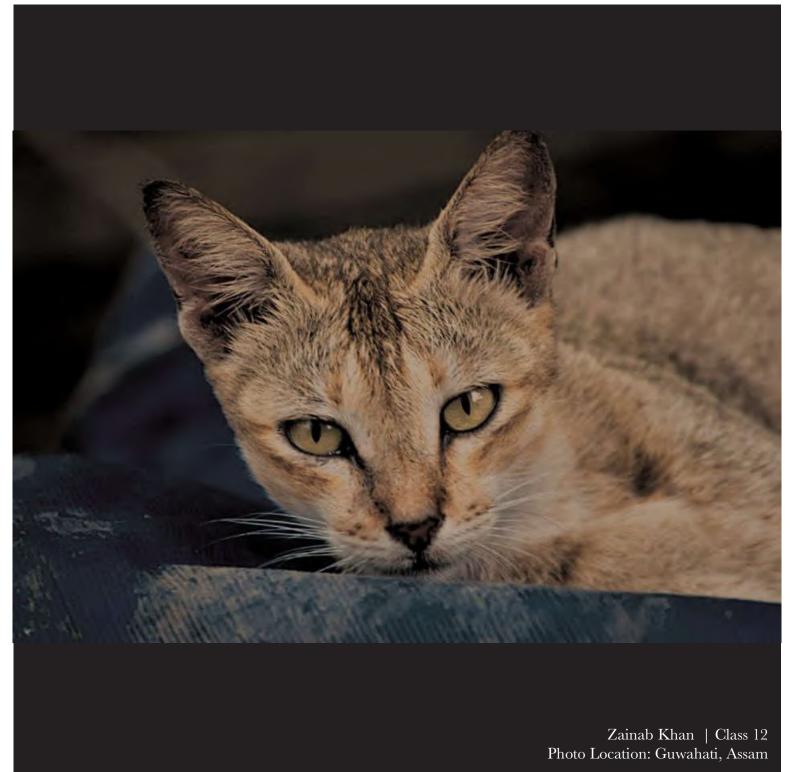
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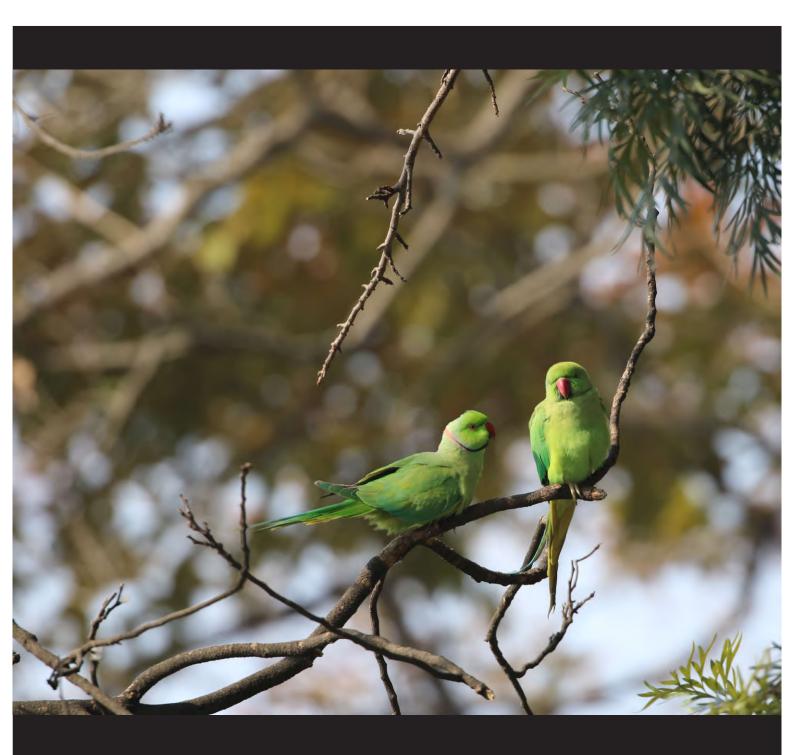




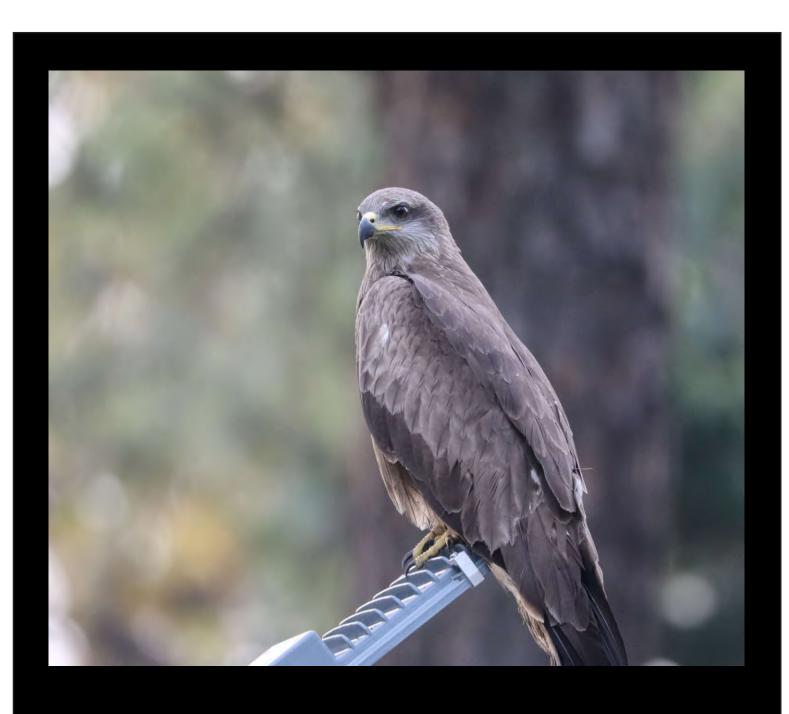
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Zainab Khan | Class 12 Photo Location: Balipara, Assam



Mr. Vivek Kumar Photo Location: Corbett National Park, UK



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## My journey As a Captain

The Photographic Society of The Assam Valley School has witnessed me grow for the last six years, and I cannot express how grateful I am for what it has enlightened me with. With each new kind of photograph I take, I feel more fortunate and more alive. Looking back, I credit my peers and mentors for bearing me from when I was an amateur to what I have become. Half a decade is not a long time, but what it has taught me shall stay lifelong. Photography is what I enjoy and will continue to practice. I hope to improve in my favourite genres like product, food, landscape, portrait, and nature, while giving myself the space to explore even more.

Every journey has someone that helps it move along and likewise, my journey would never have reached as far as it has without the help and constant support of Mr. Chauhan, who mentored me and guided me to be the photographer I am today. He never stopped believing in me and always wanted to bring out more of the spark he said he saw in me. I would like to thank to all the people I have worked with and I send my immense gratitude to all my previous captains who also have had a large part in the making of my passion. I would also like to thank Mr. Vivek Kumar and Mr. Sanjay Sharma for their constant support.

To all the budding photographers who may chance upon this, I can only tell you to never stop believing in yourself as photography is not just another activity or pastime rather it is a passion and an art that requires dedication and if you consider yourself to be a part of this art, then the first step you should take to perfect it is to believe in what you do and above all, yourself.

"In photography there is a reality so subtle that it becomes more real than reality." ...

## Faces Behind the Camera



ARNAV DUTTA CLASS 9

An avid photographer, with a speciality for nature photography, he can be seen clicking away at the various events that take place across this sprawling campus, honing his skills and learning more as he goes on.



CHINMOY TAMULI CLASS 11

Chinmoy is always ready to capture every moment he can chance upon. He goes above and beyond the call of duty when it comes to work, whether it is event photography, nature or landscape. His work is highly appreciated. Chinmoy never misses an opportunity to capture the world with his lens.



YASHRAJ AGARWAL CLASS 11

Passion and a spark- these are the traits that he embodies. An avid photographer, with a speciality for nature photography, he can be seen improving his skills to a higher level and learning more as usual.



SHREY MODI CLASS 11

Being a photo enthusiast, Shrey brings life to mundane moments just by a click of the shutter button. Besides being excellent in product photography, his optimistic view on life is reflected on his pictures along with his zeal in his contributions.



MAHITA JINDAL CLASS 11

Specializing in landscapes and wildlife, Mahita is a dedicated member of the photographic society, her passion drives her skills with the camera and she is a keen learner who is constantly evolving.



Gazal Panesar Class 12

If a shot is said to have two angles Gazal goes for the third. She is a creative photographer and always thinks out of the box. Her pictures have a unique flare and ideation that sets them apart from the rest.



Photography Captain

## LUQMAAN AHMED CLASS 12

Having contributed for over 6 years to the Photographic Society, rising to be its captain, Luqmaan believes that a shot is perfected in the mind before being translated on frame. Adoptive and adaptive, Luqmaan captures anything with ease, whether it is portrait, landscape, wildlife or travel, Luqmaan is up for the challenge. He has worked diligently towards building a team despite the pandemic.



ZAINAB KHAN Class 12

Adaptive and innovative, Zainab has been an integral part of the Photographic Society. She has an eye that creates and her frames tell a story. With a quick smile of hers, she brings life to the photograph she clicks. Her ideation and technique is unlike others.



RAAHIL HAZARIKA CLASS 12

The wandering photographer always up for whatever expedition or excursion where in he can capture the perfect shots of landscapes. Dedicated and witty, Raahil brings a lot of life into the photographic society and the same energy can be seen in his photographs.



MR. R. CHAUHAN

Mr. R. Chauhan has been an active support to the AVS Photographic Society since 2011. He is passionate about wildlife photography and a travel enthusiast and dabbles in spreading awareness about the environment. His dedication and passion for the photographic society makes him a constant source of inspiration. He is the person behind the training of so many stunning photographers from the school.



MR. SANJAY SHARMA

An active member of the AVS Photographic Society who is always energetic and positive. His journey in this field began in 2015 and he enjoys clicking nature, wildlife and portrait photography. He has been a great source of motivation for the AVS Photographic



MR. VIVEK KUMAR
The newest addition to
the photographic society.
Mr. Vivek is always
there to capture a pivotal
moment. He has a vast
knowledge of photography and is always egger

moment. He has a vast knowledge of photography and is always eager to guide and share his knowledge with his students.