

## **Netaji Subhas Open University**

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**Centre for Disability Studies and Educational Research (CDSER)** 

Under SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

Report On

Virtual Induction Programme of One-Year Diploma in Inclusive Education

Event Details: 26th Sept 2021, the Sunday, 3.30-4.40 PM

Digital Venue: Zoom

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85384603420

## **Background:**

In a bid to commence the first cycle of One-Year Diploma in Inclusive Education on and from 26<sup>th</sup> Sept 2021, (Sunday), CDSER has organised a virtual Induction programme to welcome 44 learners admitted to this new Diploma programme. It was indeed a matter of content and high on hopes that 44 candidates have taken online admission to this Diploma. CDSER has organised a virtual Induction Programme for these newly admitted learners. On this occasion, all the admitted learners, guest, University officers, officials, SoE faculty members attended the programme.

**Programme Host:** Dr. P. Upadhyay started the virtual event with acknowledging the immense support extended by the hon'ble Vice Chancellor, NSOU, Prof. Subha Sankar Sarkar for his encouragement and motivation to begin this first cycle of the One-Year Diploma Programme in Inclusive Education. On behalf of the CDSER, She greeted everyone present in the digital platform.

## The flow of events is described below:

♣ Welcome Address: Prof. A. N Dey, Coordinator, CDSER & Director, SoE, NSOU delivered the introductory address by welcoming all present with warmth and pleasure. He congratulated the learners for choosing this diploma programme and showing interest to pursue this add-on course offered by the CDSER, NSOU

- ♣ Programme Focus: Prof- Sumanta Chattaraj, SoE, NSOU was invited to throw light on the day's programme and also bring out the meaningful introduction of this diploma programme. Prof. Chattaraj enthusiastically related the present education system and the reforms brought about by National Education Policy 2020 and the broad spectrum of Inclusive Education as envisaged in it. He also envisioned the prospect of this diploma in the job market and society at large. Further to this, Prof. Chattaraj also recapitulated the exercise of upgrading the Six- month Certificate Course on "Capacity Building and Professional Development of Inclusive Education" to One-Year Diploma in Inclusive Education. He congratulated each and every aspirant for joining the diploma.
- ♣ Inaugural Address: Dr. Aloka Guha, Former Chairperson, National Trust, New Delhi & Senior Consultant, RCI, New Delhi, was next invited to deliver the inaugural address. Madam deliberated on the issues pertaining to Inclusion, Inclusive Education and Special Education. She talked about the different Acts and formulations of them in a nutshell.Her thirty minutes talk was backed by immaculately designed PPT. The audience was glued and engrossed by her presentation and contextual explanation.
- **Course Details By Dr. Papiya Upadhyay**, Jt. Programme Coordinator, CDSER presented the programme details with special emphasis on the entire course details and instructional delivery mechanisms. It was very explicitly dealt with PPT for better comprehension.
- ♣ Practicum Activities: Smt. Antara Choudhury, Jt Programme Coordinator, CDSER was called upon to focus on the practicum activities. She delineated through PPT about the nature of practicum included in the diploma curriculum.
- ♣ Presidential Address: Prof. Anirban Ghosh, Director, Centre for Internal Quality Assurance, NSOU was invited to deliver the presidential address. Prof Ghosh started with a very promising statement that 'technology is the vehicle of inclusion and social change'. He further enriched the audience by connecting education, inclusion and ICT in the light of NSOU. He reiterated the contribution of NSOU in this pandemic to reach the unreached thereby bridging the gap and ensuring a step towards inclusion. He also

projected that how technology can be a boon for all if used optimally in a context specific manner.

**Thanks-Giving: Dr. Abhedananda Panigrahi**, Coordinator, B.Ed, SoE, NSOU proposed the Vote of Thanks. Dr. Panigrahi thanked all concerned in the NSOU, technical support team and learners admitted to the programme.

Thus, the programme evoked and emphasized on the true meaning of an Induction Programme involving all stakeholders of the academia.

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