



Two-day International Conference (CRE status) on “Vision 2021: A New Look towards Diversity & Inclusion”

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Organized by

**Centre for Disability Studies and Educational Research,
School of Education (SoE), Netaji Subhas Open University, Kolkata**

& In association with

International Association of Physical Education and Sports

Conference File:

Date & Time: 4th & 5th December, 2021, 10 A.M to 5.30 P.M on both days

Mode: Blended on 4th Dec & Online on 5th Dec

Participants: Around 120,

Nature of Participants: Students, scholars, faculties, teachers, officers, rehab professionals, researchers, social workers, parents, administrators etc.

Prelude:

Inclusive education is based on the principle that neighbourhood schools should provide for all children, regardless of any perceived difference, disability or other social, emotional, cultural or linguistic difference. Inclusive Education is a process of responding to individual differences with in the structures and processes that are available to all learners rather than something separates from them. The conjecture encircles the role of specialist teachers, and the nature of their expertise. Nevertheless, there are no easy answers to these and other queries that have fuelled debates about Special Education versus Inclusive Education, new to be addressing bringing all effort together.

With this backdrop, Centre for Disability Studies and Educational Research, under the aegis of School of Education, Netaji Subhas Open University & International Association of Physical Education and Sports organized this International Conference. This programme was accredited by the Rehabilitation Council of India, New Delhi with CRE status.

Day 1 (04.12.2022) Saturday

Inaugural Session

After completion of Vedic Chanting by Dr. Abhedananda Panigrahi the Video Presentation of Legendary Singer Mr. Sankar Mahadevan for Inaugural Session was started. After Welcome Address by Dr. A. N. Dey, Director, SoE, NSOU, Vice Chancellor, WBUTTEPA & SCU

Kolkata, Prof. Soma Bandopaphyay delivered her speech as Chief Guest. After that Dr. Jewrlson M. Santos President, International Association of Physical Education and Sport (IAPES), Philipines, Prof. Satyananrayan Mahapatra, Chief Coordinator, Institute of Health Science, Bhubanewar & Chairperson, ZCC, RCI, Dr. Piyush Jain, *National Secretary, P.E.F.I., India* affiliated to Ministry of Sports & Youth Affairs, Govt. of India, CA Kishore Sengupta, Registrar, NSOU delivered their valuable presentations.

Dr. Aloka Guha, Former Chairperson, National Trust, New Delhi presented the Key Note Address of the conference with very attractive illustrations.

Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Prof. Subha Sankar Sarkar delivered the Presidential address.

The session was ended by vote of thanks given by the Joint Secretary Mrs. Antara Choudhury, Asst. Prof., of Special Education. SoE, NSOU. The Inaugural session was jointly coordinated by Dr. Abhedananda Panigrahi, Coordinator, B.Ed., SoE, NSOU and Mrs. Antara Choudhury, Asst. Prof., of Special Education. School of Education, NSOU

Plenary Session – I

The Resource Person of this session was Prof. Amitava Mishra, Prof. of Special Education, IGNOU, New Delhi. His topic was Universal Design for Learning. His presentation was very much thought provoking and enthusiastic. He covered the entire topic related to Universal Design of Learning. Universal Design for Learning (UDL) is an educational framework based on research in the learning sciences, including cognitive neuroscience that guides the development of flexible learning environments and learning spaces that can accommodate individual learning differences. The session was Coordinated by Prof. Debi Prosad Nag Choudhury, Prof. of Education, NSOU and Ms. Swapna Deb, Faculty Consultant, School of Education, NSOU.

Plenary Session – II

In this session the Resource Person, Prof. Bishnupada Nanda, Dept. of Education, Jadavpur University, Kolkata, delivered his valuable lectures. His topic was Research and Innovations in Inclusive Education. His lecture was very much informative and interesting. He covered all most all research related to Inclusive Education. The session was coordinated by Prof. Swapan Kumar Sarkar, HoD, SoE, NSOU and Dr. Parimal Sarkar, Asst. Prof., Education, SoE, NSOU.

Paper Presentation Session -I

This is the first technical session. The session was Chaired by Prof. Anirban Ghosh, Director, CIQA & Director (i/c), School of Professional Studies and School of Vocational Studies, NSOU. Total paper presenters were 20. The session was jointly coordinated by Mrs. Antara Choudhury, Asst. Prof., of Special Education. School of Education, NSOU and Dr. Papiya Upadhyay, Asst. Prof. SoE, NSOU.

Day -2 (05.12.2021) Sunday

Plenary Session – III

In this session, Resource Person was **Dr. Varsha Gathoo**, Former Head, Dept. of Education, AYJNISHD (D), Mumbai, India. She delivered her valuable lectures on the topic Building Inclusive Schools and Community. Her lecture was very much motivated and interesting. She covered all most all research related to Inclusive school and community Education. The Session was jointly coordinated by Prof. Sumanta Chattaraj, SoE, NSOU and Mrs. Mandira Chakraborty, Asst. Prof., SoE, NSOU.

Plenary Session – IV

The Resource Person of this session was **Prof. M. Tariq Ahsan**, Institute of Education and Research (IER), University of Dhaka, Bangladesh. His topic was Role of Stakeholders in Inclusive Education. The presentation was very much interesting. He covered domain-specific areas related to Stakeholders. The Session was coordinated jointly by Dr. Papiya Upadhyay, Asst. Prof. SoE, NSOU and Dr. Parimal Sarkar, Asst. Prof., Education SoE, NSOU.

Plenary Session – V

In this session Resource Person was **Dr. Rakesh Tomar, Physical Education Dept. King Fahd University of Petroleum & Minerals, Saudi Arabi**. His topic was Physical Education & Sports for Special Population. His lecture was very much encouraging and motivating. He covered all related areas in connection to physical education for Special Population. The Session was coordinated by Mrs. Baby Dutta Choudhury, Asst. Prof. SoE, NSOU and Dr. Abhedananda Panigrahi, Coordinator, B.Ed , SoE, NSOU .

Paper Presentation Session -II

This was the second technical session. The session was Chaired by **Prof. Sanat Kumar Ghosh**, Prof. of Education, SoE, NSOU & **Prof. Dr. U. K. Samanta**, Principal,

Gangadharpur Sikshan Mandir. Total paper presenters were 20. The session was coordinated by Mr. Prabir Naskar, Asst. Prof. SoE, NSOU and Ms. Swapna Deb, Faculty Consultant, SoE, NSOU.

Valedictory session:

All members of School of Education, NSOU, and **Spl. Guest, Prof Dual Mukhopadhyay**, Former Prof. of Education, Netaji Subhas Open University were present in this session. In this session, participants expressed their experiences on the different topics presented in the programme, effective transaction of Conference, the Resource Persons and Overall observations and suggestions. The organisers accepted their proposal and suggestions. Participants expressed their content mention be a part of such academic endeavour. And they also thanked the organisers and speakers for making it purposeful. All required modalities as per RCI guidelines to conduct online conference were strictly adhered for the CRE participants during the two-day programme.

The programme concluded with the vote of thanks by Dr. Papiya Upadhyay, Asst. Prof., SoE, NSOU followed by the National Anthem. The feedback link was posted in the chat box. The participants were requested to fill-in and submit the form. It was assured to all partakers that that the e-certificates will be delivered into their email addresses within 15 days from the completion of the conference.

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