

**Brief Report on One-Day Workshop on
'Music and Dance Therapy for Children with Special Needs', 27th January 2019**

The One Day Workshop on the title was conducted by the School of Education (SoE) on 27th January 2019 at SoE, Seminar room, Kalyani Campus, Nadia, West Bengal. Keeping in conformity with the ongoing programme, B.EdSpl Ed (I.D/H.I/V.I)-ODL, the workshop intended to bring into the open varied avenues of intervention in fostering Children with Special Needs. As evident from the objective, the participants of this program were the enrolled learners of the B.EdSpl Ed and the faculties of SoE, NSOU. The workshop took place during 11 AM to 4:00 PM. The programme started with Chanting of Vedic Hymn by the Dr.Abhedananda Panigrahi. Dr. A. N Dey, Director, SoE, NSOU delivered the welcome address. Prof. Niladri Biswas Former Professor Dept. of Life Long Learning & Continuing Education, University of Kalyani was the chief guest, Shri. Kunal Chatterjee, Former NSS & Sports Officer, CU addressed as the Special Guest and Dr. Aniban Ghosh Regional Director, Kalyani Campus NSOU delivered the presidential address. Dr. Parimal Sarkar, Assistant Professor of Special Education, SoE, NSOU proposed the Vote of Thanks.

There were two energetic Technical Sessions carried out resplendently by eminent speakers of various fields. The 1st technical session was taken by Dr. Sanjay Mukherjee, well-known Music Therapist, Srirampur Girls' College. He deliberated on 'Impact of Music Therapy in Children with Special Needs. His presentation included vibrant PPT slides on issues and combating music in Children with Special Needs. His presentation embraced the worth of music and its discerning use in reducing and invigorating various complaint of life.

The 2nd Technical Sessions was taken by Smt. Nupur Mukherjee well-known Dance therapist, Kolkata. She deliberated on "Impact of Dance Therapy in Children with Special Needs". She unremittingly reflected upon 'Dance Therapy', its types and application to embark upon Children with Special Needs in the society at large. In Valedictory session 'Concluding Note' was discussed by Dr. A. N Dey, Director, SoE, NSOU, Sri. Swapan Kr Sarkar, Head, SoE, NSOU, Prof. Sanat Kumar Ghosh Professor of Education, SoE, NSOU and all the faculties of Special Education & Education participated actively. The exchanges of notions from the learners were also clarified.

The intervention strategies: Music therapy and Dance therapy as deliberated by well-known speakers of the respective fields helped in gaining confidence to encourage Children with Special Needs in scholastic & Co-scholastic endeavors. The last session was concluded by distribution of certificates to all participants. Sri. Prabir Naskar, Convener of the Workshop moved the vote of thanks at the end.