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## Report of the workshop on UDL

One day UGC-DEB Sponsored National Workshop entitled 'Universal Design For Learning: Exploring the Pedagogy' was organized by the Department of Special Education at the Conference Hall of SoE, NSOU, Kolkata on 24<sup>th</sup> March, 2023 on face to face mode.

**Objectives:** The workshop intended to provide the participants

- to acquire knowledge about Universal Design for learning
- to use various teaching methods to overcome barriers to learning and give all students equal opportunities to succeed.

## **Facilitator:**

Prof. PreetiVerma, Retd. Prof., SNDT Women's University, Mumbai.

SmtAntara Choudhury, Asst. Professor of Special Education, SoE, NSOU

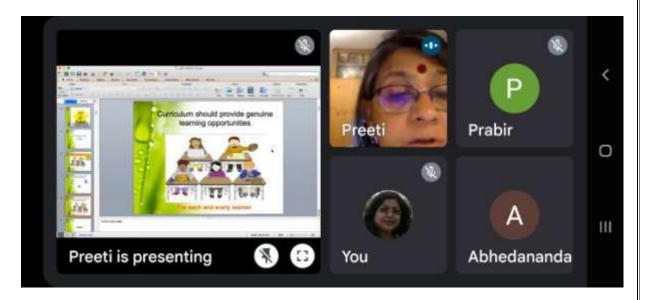
**Participants:14**no. of Coordinators and one faculty member from all the Special LSCs of B. Ed. Spl. Ed. of NSOU along with the faculties & officers of School of Education, NSOU were attended the workshop.

The Programmewas initiated by Dr. AbhedanandaPanigrahi, Coordinator, B.Ed. Spl. Ed. (ODL), NSOU with the concept of UDL in a nutshell.

Dr. A.N. Dey, Director, SoE, NSOU, delivered welcome address. Through his speech, he anticipates that this face-to-face mode discussion will assist participants in teaching their trainees to use UDL in inclusive classroom teaching. The participants were then asked to introduce themselves.

Smt. Antara Choudhury, Asst. Prof. Dept. of Special Edn, SoE Introduced Prof PreetiVerma ,madam took her session through Virtual mode. Prof Verma started her scholarly discussion on the overview of UDL, by using PPT. She explained effectiveness of UDL for all learners including diversely needed learners. She

discussed pros and cons of UDL, its necessity, along with the curriculum framework. In her discussion she also mentioned network of brain functioning and the concept of 'one size does not fit for all'. She requested that the necessary steps be taken today, not tomorrow.



SmtAntara Choudhury, Asst. Professor of Special Education, SoE, NSOU in her discourses, explained in detail UDL based Lesson Plan.



In the post-lunch session, Participants were divided into four groups, and each group was tasked with developing a UDL-based lesson plan and presenting it in an open forum discussion.



After presentation of each group, a thorough discussion took place and all the doubts of the participants were cleared. It was observed that the participants were satisfied and happy to have their questions answered, and they expressed their desire for such Workshops to be held twice a year.



Following a group photo session, Ms. Swapna Deb, a faculty member, delivered a heartfelt vote of thanks, and the workshop concluded with a new challenge:

implementing UDL for all. The Programme was compared by Dr. AbhedanandaPanigrahi , Coordinator, B.Ed.SoE, NSOU.

The discussion and interactions of the resource speakers were extremely beneficial to the participants.

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