A Brief Report on Short Term Training Programme

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Innovation and Rejuvenation of Teaching in Higher Education

Organized in collaboration with Dera Natung Government College, Itanagar

Date: 12th – 17th January, 2019

The Dera Natung Government College, Itanagar organized a week-long MHRD sponsored Short Term Programme on "Innovation and Rejuvenation of Teaching in Higher Education" in collaboration with Teaching Learning Centre, Tezpur University for College and University Teachers of Arunachal Pradesh from 12 – 17 January, 2019. About 39 faculty members from different Colleges in Arunachal and Rajiv Gandhi University, belonging to various subjects participated in this programme. The programme was inaugurated by Vice-Chancellor of Rajiv Gandhi University Prof. Saket Kushwaha as the Chief Guest. In his inaugural address, the VC pin-pointed the importance of upgrading the teaching mechanism to meet the call of the present hour and to impart value-added education. The Principal of Dera Natung Government College, Dr N.T. Rikam, while addressing the participants, emphasized on their full participation to get the maximum benefit out of the programme. Besides, he had also shared a brief description of College to the VC. The Coordinator of the programme, Dr Eli Doye in his welcome address welcomed one and all and told that Short Term Programme for faculty members is being organized for the first time in Arunachal Pradesh by any College. Representative from Teaching Learning Centre, Mr. Ikbal Hussain Ahmed, introduced the significance of the programme and appealed the participants for 100% attendance to get the Certificate of Participation.

The Short Term Programme aimed to orient the College and University teachers towards recent developments in the fields of Teaching Practices and rejuvenate the teaching community for the challenges of 21st century teaching. With such objective, several important topics were covered in the programme enlisted as:

- 1. Quality of an Effective Teachers
- 2. Learner centric Approach of Teaching
- 3. Effective Classroom Management
- 4. ICT based Teaching Learning
- 5. ICT based Teaching Learning & Evaluation
- 6. Empowering Teachers
- 7. Innovative Teaching Practice
- 8. Evaluation of Students' Achievement
- 9. Role of Teachers in Institution Building
- 10. Student Support
- 11. Environment and Sustainable Development
- 12. Best Practices in Higher Education

13. Teacher and Society

Several distinguished Professors from Tezpur University, Rajiv Gandhi University, D.N. Govt. College, Itanagar joined the Programme as Resource persons and delivered lectures on these important themes.

After the Registration and Inauguration-cum-orientation, the Programme starts with Activity for the Participants which was conducted by the Mr. Ikbal Ahmed who is a Coordinator representing Teaching Learning Centre (TLC), Tezpur University during the weeklong Programme. It was followed by two sessions on ICT based Teaching Learning and ICT based Teaching Learning & Evaluation by Dr. Sarat Saharia, Associate Professor & Head, Computer Centre, Tezpur University, Assam. On the second day, Dr. Siva Shankar, Sr. Assistant Professor, Dept. of Education, RGU took two sessions - Empowering Teachers I & Empowering Teachers II. It was followed by one session on Quality of an Effective Teacher by Prof. Tomo Riba, Dept. of Geography, RGU and another session on Learner Centric Approach of Teaching by S.K. Sharma, Associate Professor of Commerce (Retired), DNGC, Itanagar. Dr Shankar took a session on Innovative Teaching Practice-I followed by two sessions on Role of Teachers in Institution Building & Students Support by Dr. Manabendra Mandal, Professor, Dept. of Molecular Biology & Biotechnology, Tezpur University followed by an Activity conducted by Dr. Eli Doye, Coordinator as Resource Person on the third day. On the fourth day, again Dr. Shankar resumed his two sessions - Innovative Teaching Practice-II & Best Practices in Higher Education. It was succeeded by Prof. Sumpam Tangjang, Dept. of Botany, Rajiv Gandhi University who took a session on Environment and Sustainable Development which was followed by an Activity conducted by Mr. Rubu Tani, Co-Coordinator, as Resource Person in the last session. On day five, S.K. Sharma took a session on *Teachers & Society*, Prof. Kesang Degi, Dept. of Education, RGU on Effective Classroom Management, Dr. Madurima Goswami, Associate Professor & Head, Centre for Women Studies, Tezpur University on Empowering Teachers II and it was followed by an Activity by both Coordinators. On last day of the Programme, two sessions were taken by Prof. P.K. Acharya, Dept. of Education, RGU on Constructivism in Teaching & Evaluation of Students' Achievement. It was followed by Feedback by taken from the participants by Mr. Ikbal Ahmed.



Participants with VC, Principal and Coordinators in the Inaugural Function

Finally, in the last session of the sixth day, the Valedictory function of the Programme was organized on 17 January, 2019 and it was attended by Director, Teaching Learning Centre, Tezpur University, Prof. M.K. Sarma as Chief Guest in the Valedictory Function. He congratulated all participants for successfully attending the programme and urged them to remain innovative and updated by applying the ICTs in the classroom regularly. The Principal Dr. N.T. Rikam in his speech, welcomed and expressed heartiest gratitude to Teaching Learning Centre, Tezpur University for accepting and choosing DNGC Itanagar as one of the Colleges to conduct their Outreach Programme. He appealed the Director to felicitate more such programmes at DNGC Itanagar in near future too.

Finally, Prof. Sarma along with Principal Dr. N.T. Rikam, Dr. B.L. Behera and Mr. Ikbal Hussain Ahmed have distributed the Certificates to all Participants and Student Volunteers of the College. Both Dr. Eli Doye and Mr. Rubu Tani have coordinated the Valedictory Program in a grand and successful manner.



Participants with Director, TLC-TU, Principal & Coordinators in the Valedictory Function

