

Annual Report of Netaji Subhas Open University 2013–2014



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ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY

Established in 1997 by West Bengal State Legislature Act XIX (1997) as the State Open University that was to impart education in the Distance mode, Netaji Subhas Open University (NSOU) has made a sustained mark in the education scenario with its avowed mission of "Reaching the Unreached". With the recognition of apex bodies like the UGC, the former Distance Education Council, the Rehabilitation Council of India (RCI), the NCTE and now the UGC-DEB, NSOU has emerged as a force to reckon with in terms of empowering a wide cross section of society through education with its multiple options.

The essence of an Open University lies in upholding academic standards at par with the best in the industry, both in curricular patterns and research endeavours, which shall, however, be devoid of the rigours of fixed hours. Additionally, the employability factor is a prime consideration in the designing of courses. At NSOU over the years, we have been catering to a very heterogeneous learner base both in terms of age group and socio-economic groups and backgrounds. Given all these factors, the matrix of our operations includes both conventional academic areas as also vocational courses that are aimed at skill-specific development of human resources.

As an Open University, NSOU operates through its network of Study Centres which number 98 for UG and PG Courses, 13 for B.Ed Spl Course and 30 For Vocational Courses. Through a total of 141 centres that are spread all across the state of West Bengal, the University reaches out to its huge learner base that has now crossed the 3 lakh mark. In terms of administrative infrastructure, we have, in this while, made certain very major strides that have augmented our capacity to sustain the mega outreach that has with time become both our responsibility and our commitment.

This Annual Report for 2013-14 is conceived as a balance sheet wherein the aim has been to attempt a realistic appraisal of our challenges and achievements during the period under study.

RECOGNITION:

UGC-DEB:

Continuation of recognition for offering programmes in Open & Distance Learning (ODL) mode for the academic year 2013-14 Vide Memo No.: F.No. DEB/NSOU/KKT/WB/09 Dated 21st August,2013.

Continuation of recognition for offering programmes in Open & Distance Learning (ODL) mode for the academic year 2008-13 Vide Memo No.: F.No. DEC/OU/Recog/2008 Dated_08.04.2008.

Continuation of recognition for offering programmes in Open & Distance Learning (ODL) mode for the academic year 1997-08 Vide Memo No.: F.No DEC/NSOU/KKT/WB/09 Dated_11.11.2009.

Government of West Bengal:

The University is recognized by Govt. of West Bengal vide letter No.316-SE(Aptt.) dated 21 March 2000 and 501-SE(A)/10M-51/99 dated 15 May 2000.

MEMBERSHIP

- ✓ Association of Indian Universities (AIU)
- ✓ Commonwealth of Learning (COL) Canada
- ✓ Asian Association of Open Universities (AAOU)
- ✓ Association of Commonwealth Universities (ACU)

UNIVERSITY CAMPUSES:

Headquarters of all administrative works, Netaji Subhas Open University, DD-26, Sector-I, Salt Lake City, Kolkata - 700 064, Phone : +91 33 4066 3220, Fax : +91 33 4066 3224. (Kindly refer to details of shifting to this Campus from the previous address at 1, Woodburn Park, Kolkata – 700020 in the later section)

School of Sciences, Publication Department, Netaji Subhas Open University, 1st Floor, K2, Bidhannagar Fire Station, Sector-V, Salt Lake City, Kolkata - 700 091. Phone : +91 33 2357 2947, 2357 7644 & 2357-7491

School of Education, 25/2, Ballygunge Circular Road, Kolkata-700019, Phone : +91 33 4004 7568, 4004 7570, 4004 7571, FAX: 033 4004 7569

Office of the Controller of Examinations, Netaji Subhas Open University, 2nd Floor, 134/1, Meghnad Saha Sarani, Kolkata - 700 029, Phone :+91 33 2463 0292, Fax :+91 33 2465 6936

Transmission Centre of FM Channel Gyan Vani, Netaji Subhas Open University, 24/8, Garcha 1st Lane, Kolkata - 700 019, Phone : +91 33 2454 5524

Store for Study Materials, Netaji Subhas Open University, Ben Fish Bhavan, Salt Lake City, Sector-V, Kolkata - 700 091. Shifted to Kalyani Green Campus in mid 2014.

REGIONAL CENTRE

The University has a Regional Centre and Green Campus running at Kalyani, Dist: Nadia. The Director, School of Humanities & Social Sciences has additional responsibility of the Campus in Charge of this Regional Centre and Campus. Existing infrastructure includes a fully furnished 2 storeyed Regional Centre with enhanced internet connectivity under NMEICTE project. Besides, the campus also has a 2 storeyed building for Vocational Studies allotted to the School of Vocational Studies; and a 2 stored Administrative Building. Construction work is in progress for housing all Schools of Studies in the Administrative Building. Apart from this, a project to construct a warehouse for the Stores Dept. is also in progress. Presently, the Stores section houses its Study Materials (SLM's) on the ground floor of the Academic Building. The address details of the Regional Centre are:

Netaji Subhas Open University, Regional Centre

(University's first eco-friendly green campus)

Kalyani Ghoshpara, Kalyani - 741 235.

Phone : +91 33 2502 5066

Upcoming Regional Centres: Given the wide outreach of NSOU, the need for developing Regional Centres with a view to decentralizing daily administrative activities and catering to the needs of learners was a long-felt necessity. Accordingly, the present administration had initiated a dialogue with the Govt. of West Bengal and 2.87 acres of land was received at Jalpaiguri in North Bengal and 5 acres of land at Durgapur in South Bengal. The University approached the Chief Engineer, Social Sector P.W Directorate to prepare a project estimate and to execute the construction work. The proposal was accepted and both estimates were received by mid July, 2014. The Social Sector, P.W Directorate has taken up implementation of both projects and construction work is progressing steadily at both these centres.

REPORT OF THE 9TH CONVOCATION

The last quarter of 2013 and thereby the year itself ended on a high for NSOU as it marked the organization of the 9th Convocation at the Eastern Zonal Cultural Centre (EZCC) at Salt Lake City, Kolkata.

The occasion was graced by the Chancellor, His Excellency the Governor of West Bengal, Shri M.K. Narayanan, who in his Presidential Address aptly defined the horizons of this State Open University of West Bengal in spreading the light of knowledge to the farthest corners of the state. The Chief Guest at the event was Professor Ved Prakash, Chairman, University Grants Commission. In his Convocation Address, Professor Ved Prakash dwelt at length on the widening horizons of the Open University system in India at a time when the UGC had just taken over the regulatory functions of the erstwhile Distance Education Council.

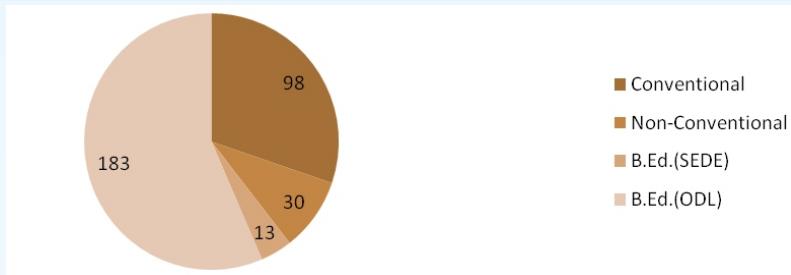
As recommended by the Executive Council and confirmed by the Chancellor, NSOU was privileged to confer the degrees of Doctor of Letters, honoris causa upon Professor Anisuzzaman from Bangladesh and Professor Sankha Ghosh from Kolkata, India; both celebrated poets, noted academics and social thinkers. Similar degrees of Doctor of Science, honoris causa were conferred upon noted scientist Professor Bikash Sinha and eminent statistician Professor Jayanta Kumar Ghosh, the latter in absentia.

A total number of 41 candidates received their degrees for Doctor of Philosophy in Arts, Commerce and Management, and a total of 13 candidates for their degrees for Doctor of Philosophy in Environmental Science, Mathematics, Computer Science and Geography. All other degrees acquired by learners were conferred in absentia.

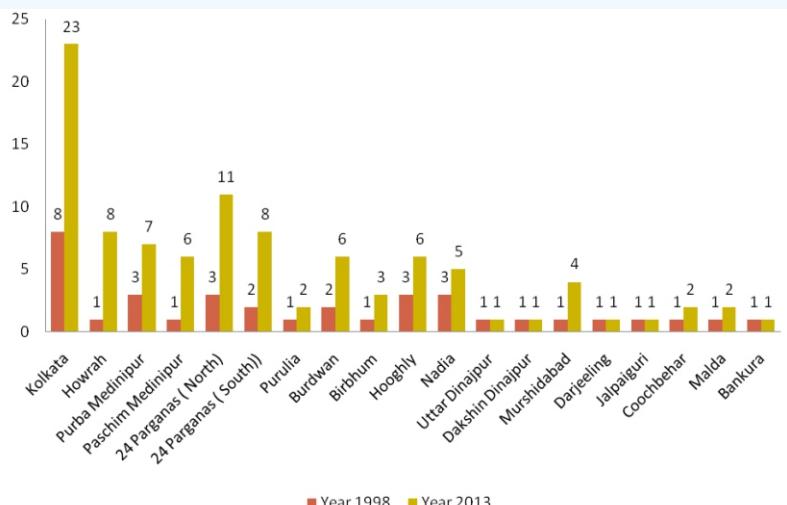
DEPARTMENT OF STUDY CENTRES

The Department of Study Centres of the University bears the responsibility of controlling and supervising activities related to administrative, academic and financial matters of the Study Centres, which in turn are the most important conduit for the University's outreach and its mission of "Reaching the Unreached". Given below is a diagrammatic representation of different categories of Study Centres that are geographically scattered throughout the state from the Himalayas in the north to the Bay of Bengal in the south:

NUMBER OF STUDY CENTRES PROGRAMME WISE



DISTRIBUTION OF STUDY CENTRES IN DIFFERENT DISTRICTS (For SC of Conventional Courses Only)



New Study Centre(s) Opened During 2013-14:

New Study Centres opened during 2013-2014

Sl No	Name of the Study Centres	Code No.	Year of inception
1	Shamaprasad College	J-07	2013
2	Sital Kuchi College	J-08	2013
3	Ramananda College	J-09	2014
4	Jhargram Raj College (Girl's Wing)	J-10	2014
5	Savitri College	K-01	2014
6	Maharaja Nandakumar Mahavidyalaya	K-02	2014

Head Wise Grants Released to Study Centre During this Period:

Year	Expenditure Head Wise						Total (C) (Rs)
	Maintenance Grants to Study Centres (Rs)	Lab-based Practical for Science subjects (Rs)	Personal Contact Programme (PCP) (Rs)	Admission Sharing (PG and UG) with Study Centre concerned (Rs)	Computer Training PG (Rs)	Computer Training BDP (Rs)	
2013-2014	26441600	4257642	5123800	2080400	89000	141000	38133442

Modalities adopted from the session 2013-2014 (For SC of Conventional Courses Only).

- ✓ Maintenance Grants are sanctioned under three broad heads
 - Remuneration
 - Counselling
 - Contingency
- ✓ The Study Centres are free to select their own staff pattern within the allotted budget of the University while each centre shall have to engage one coordinator, the other staff may be decided according to requirement of each centre.
- ✓ Counselors to be appointed by the college authority following University Guideline, intimation of which to be given to the University.

Feedback Mechanism: The success of functioning of Study Centres and improvements thereof, being an ongoing process which can only be achieved by the cooperation of all Study Centres concerned, the University evolved a feedback mechanism to collect reports incrementally. The broad heads for this included counselor approval, maintenance of asset Register, lifting of obsolete and damaged study materials from the Study Centres, maintenance of Stock Register of Study Materials etc. With able support from the centres, this mechanism has yielded good results.

ADMINISTRATION

Administrative Initiatives Taken:

- Inauguration of NSOU's own City campus: The shifting of the Headquarters of the University from its previous address at 1,

Woodburn Park, Kolkata – 700020 where it shared space with the Netaji Institute of Asian Studies (NIAS) to its present location at DD – 26, Sector – 1, Salt Lake City, Kolkata – 700064 on 1st March 2014 has been a major landmark.

- Revision of First Statutes: In exercise of the power conferred under sub-section (2) of Section 42 of the Netaji Subhas Open University Act, 1997 (West Ben. Act XIX of 1997) as amended by West Ben. Act XXX of 2012, “Netaji Subhas Open University First Statutes (Revised) 2014” was brought into effect on 9th July 2014 vide Higher Edu. Dept. Memo No. 743-Edn (U)/NSOU-01/13 dated 09.07.2014.
- NSOU was chosen the nodal university by the Higher Education Department, Govt. of West Bengal to conduct 2 years Teachers Training Programme for 29,515 untrained in-service teachers in Govt. and Govt. aided schools as per the mandate of NCFTE2009 and RTE, 2009. The said programme was approved by NCTE.
- Initiation of Recruitment Modalities: Accordingly recruitment of four(4) officers and three(3) Non Teaching staff was done during this period. The process to recruit teaching faculty in various departments was also initiated during this period.
- Constitution of Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) vide Memo. No. Reg/588 dated 12.08.2014.

INFRASTRUCTURE

G+6 Urban Campus at Salt Lake with total floor area of approximately 2750 sq.m was completed and started functioning. Construction work of the four storied academic and administrative building of total covered area 3628 sq. m was completed. Infrastructural support work for both the city campus and Green campus at Kalyani has been undertaken and is likely to be provided very soon. Advanced technological support under NME-ICT has already been provided in Kalyani green campus and campus LAN under this project is in progress. Construction work of a warehouse for the Stores Dept. is also in progress. Apart from this, as already mentioned construction work of the two upcoming regional centres at Durgapur and Jalpaiguri has begun. Initiatives are being taken to put up state of the art laboratories, library and audio visual studios as part of the learner support system.

ICT INITIATIVES

Use of ICT in daily administrative activity: While student registration and admissions are partly offline, owing to non-availability of internet resources at learners' end in some remote areas, the University encourages learners in principle to participate in admission procedures through online mechanisms. Since 2012 the University had switched over to online admission system for its Bachelor Degree Programs (BDP Programs) and from the beginning of 2013 Post Graduate admissions are also being conducted through the online mode. Internally, office administration and finance, academic activities, evaluation and student support systems are managed by ICT.

ACADEMICS: Schools of Studies

School of Humanities and Social Sciences:

Singularly the largest School of the University both in terms of number of courses on offer and learner enrolment figures, the School has made a deft blend of teaching-learning processes and wide research orientation, thus exploring the possibilities inherent in ODL to the hilt. Members of the faculty have undertaken research projects that make a dexterous mix of ODL pedagogy and core academic pursuits. The details may be followed up in the individual faculty profiles that follow. The School has developed its own extensive library at the Kalyani campus. There is also a good collection of e resources that faculty have used extensively.

Courses on offer

BDP in Bengali, English, History, Sociology, Economics, Political Science, Public Administration and Commerce

PG in Bengali, English, ELT, History, Political Science, Public Administration, Social Work, Commerce, Library and Information Science

PG Diploma, Certificate Courses in Journalism and Mass Communication, Human Rights, English for Communication, Public Relations and Advertising

2nd Degree Program in Library Science (BLISc)

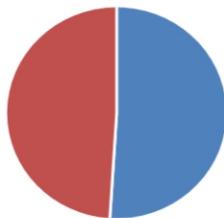
Statistics of Enrolled Learners

Total No. of Students-15,286 enrolled in Bachelor Degree Programmes



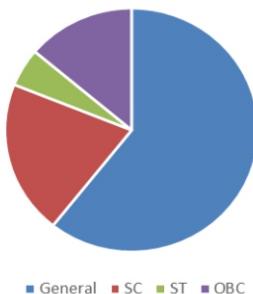
Male-62% Female-38%

Total No. of Students Admitted in Post Graduate Programmes-7947



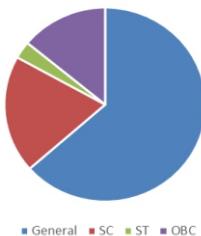
Male-51% Female-49%

Category wise Distribution in Post Graduate Programmes



General-61% SC-20%
ST-5% OBC-14%

Categorywise Distribution in Bachelor Degree Programmes



General-61% SC-20%
ST-5% OBC-14%

Academic Achievements of Faculty :

Sl No	Name of the Faculty	Subject	Publications	Participation in conferences/ workshop/ orientation programmes	Research project (s) undertaken	Conference/ Seminar (s)/ workshop (s) held
1.	Dr Debnarayan Modak Professor of Political Science	Political Science	<p>1. <i>Open and Distance Learning : Future Perspectives</i>, (Edited Volume) NSOU, Kolkata, December, 2013 (Co-Editor: Anirban Ghosh)</p> <p>2. "Global Opportunities and Local Realities : Negotiating Digital Divide through Open and Distance Learning" in Debmalyan Modak and Anirban Ghosh (eds) <i>Open and Distance Learning: Future Perspectives</i>, NSOU, Kolkata, December, 2013</p>	<p>1. Participated in the National Seminar on the "Changing paradigms of Higher Education: XII Five Year Plan Initiatives", organized on the occasion of the XXVII Statutory Conference of the All India Federation of University and College Teacher's Organisations (AIFUCTO) held on November 30 to December 2, 2013 at Mangalore,</p> <p>2. "Global Opportunities and Local Realities : Negotiating Digital Divide through Open and Distance Learning" in Debmalyan Modak and Anirban Ghosh (eds) <i>Open and Distance Learning: Future Perspectives</i>, NSOU, Kolkata, December, 2013</p>	<p>1. UGC-DEB Project entitled "Teaching Political Science through Open and Distance Learning: A Comparative Study of Students' Support Services in Indian Universities"</p>	<p>1. Organised the UGC-DEB sponsored National Seminar on Identity and Recognition : Post Colonial Indian perspectives" on behalf of the School of Humanities & Social Sciences, NSOU, and held on 25 March, 2014, at ICMARD, Bidhannagar, Kolkata.</p>

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			3. "Bharat-e Dalit Rajiniti O Andolan : Parba O Parbantar" (in Bengali) [Dalit Politics and Movements in India: Different Phases] in Sujit Sen (ed) <i>Dalit Andolan : Prasna O prasanga</i> , Granthamitra, Kolkata, April, 2013.	Karnataka, India. 2. Organised and participated in the International Conference on 'Partition Literature : Memory and Inheritance of Self " on behalf of the School of Humanities & Social Sciences, NSOU, in collaboration with the Distance Education Council, New Delhi, on 08-10 February, 2014. Also chaired a technical session of the Seminar.		

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			Diya Publication, Kolkata, 2013	<p>3. Participated in the 19th Annual Conference of the Indian Distance Education Association (IDEA-2014) and presented a paper entitled " Quality Education through Open and Distance Learning (ODL) : Need for Reviewing the Parameters", organized by the Directorate of Distance Education, University of Jammu, on 12-14 March, 2014. Also presided over a Technical Session (Session -V :</p> <p>5. "Subhas Chandra-er Sampriti Bhabna : Samakalin O Bartaman Prasangikata" (in Bengali) [Subhas Chandra's Thoughts on Communal Amity Contemporary and Current Relevance] in <i>Samaj Jignasa</i>, Vol VII, No 1&2, 2013</p> <p>6. "Dwijendra Chetana-r Swarup Sandhan: Ek Sardha Shatabarshiki Prayas", in <i>Chetana</i>, 33(3), 2013.</p>		

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			7. "Bahumatrik Dwijendral : Sardha-Shatabarshiki Shradhanjali" in <i>Prabaha</i> , 44th Issue	Organisational Management and Institutional Learning) in the Conference.	4. Delivered a Special Lecture on State Politics in Contemporary India Changing Perspectives organized by Midnapore College (Autonomous) on 27 March, 2014. Prof Himanshu Ghosh, Formerly Chairman, West Bengal College Service Commission presided over the occasion.	

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				<p>5. Delivered a speech at the UGC-sponsored National Seminar on</p> <p>6. Delivered Key-note address in the UGC-sponsored State Level Seminar on “Empowering Rural People through Participatory Institutions : West Bengal Experiences” organized by the Department of Political Science, Bajkul Milani Mahavidyalaya, Kismat Bajkul, Purba Medinipur, West Bengal.</p>		

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				7. Participated in the Workshop on “Functioning of Study Centres : Past, Present and Future” organised by the Department of Study Centre, NSOU, at the Kalyani Campus of NSOU on 14 February, 2014. Also chaired a technical session		

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2.	Dr Chandan Basu	History	<p>1. Gender Sensitization, Women Empowerment and Distance Education: History, Society and Culture, Edited Volume (ISBN 978-93-82112-12-9)</p> <p>2. 'Mapping Gender Sensitization, Women Empowerment and Distance Education: A Critique from Within', Gender Sensitization, Women Empowerment and Distance Education: History, Society and Culture, Edited Volume (ISBN 978-93-82112-12-9)</p>			

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3.	Dr Manan Kumar Mandal	Bengali	<p>1. "Ramatada Choudhuri Galpo: Partition sahityer kutabhas"; Ujagaar, ISSN: 0976-7398; Vol.11 Issue 2&3; p 220-232</p> <p>2. "Multilingualism in Indian Literature: A Praxis Through MT based Reading – Problems & Challenges"; The Heritage, ISSN:2229-5399, (Peer Reviewed journal) Vol.VI, Issue.1 Gauhati, Assam. p.47-56</p> <p>3. "Ranesh Dasgupta: Anishesh Marxio Pratyayer Biswasbhumii"; Ebong Mushayera, ISSN:0976-9307; Vol.21 Issue 2&3; Kolkata; p 98-119;</p>		<p>1. Open Repository of Bengal Partition Memory: An Open University Initiative" funded by NSOU & UGC-DEB</p>	<p>1. Organizing Secretary of International Seminar on "Partition Literature: Memory & Inheritance of Self" held on 8th-10th February 2014 at NSOU, Kolkata</p>

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4.	Srideep Mukherjee	English	<p>Monograph:</p> <p>1. <i>Adhunik Bangla Upanyas: Bayasti O Somasti</i>; (2014) Ebong Mushayera, Kolkata, p. X+335, Demy. Price: Rs.300</p> <p>Edited Volume:</p> <p>2. <i>Partition Sahitya: Desh Kal-Smriti</i> (2014) Gangchil, Kolkata; p.XII + 365, Demy Introduction: p. 13-38; Price: Rs. 475</p>	<p>1. RC in English Literature & Culture Studies at Univ. Of Hyderabad from July 3 – 23, 2014.</p> <p>ISSN: 2349-0705. Peer Rev.</p>	<p>1. Reading Indian Drama in English and in Translation: An Open Praxis Project on Representations of Dalit Identity.</p>	<p>1. Organising Committee for International Seminar on Partition Literature: Memory & Inheritance of Self on 8-10 Feb. 2014.</p>

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			2. Of Roots Across 'Borders': Readings from Short Fiction by Amar Jaleel. Pp 21 – 34. Cenacle. Vol 1, No. 4, 2014. ISSN: 2231-0592. Peer Rev.	2. Paper titled "The Bangla Dalit Movement: From Erasure to Assertion" at the Pune International Conference on Fourth World Literature & Culture, Sept. 12-13, 2014. 3. Talking Gender the Psychoanalytic Way: A Published (Full Length) Interview with Pushpa Misra in <i>Gender Sensitisation, Women Empowerment: History, Society & Culture</i> . ISBN: 978-93-82112-12-9. Pub. NSOU.	2. Organising Committee for UGC-DEB sponsored National Seminar on Distance Learning & Reciprocal Library Services on 6-7 June 2014. 3. Organising Committee for UGC DEB sponsored National Seminar on Identity and Recognition: Post Colonial Indian Perspectives on 25th March 2014.	

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			4. Reading Literature and Society through Gender: A Published (Full Length) Interview with Sanjukta Dasgupta. <i>Ibid.</i>		4. Academic Committee for UGC DEB sponsored National Seminar on Changing Business Scenario in Indian Business Environment on 8-9 August 2014.	5. UGC DEB sponsored BDP English Content writers' workshop, phase 1 on 11.08.2014.

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5.	Dr. Anirban Ghosh	Commerce	<p>1. Agricultural Income Tax- Issues and Concerns</p> <p>2. Agricultural Income Tax- Issues and Concerns</p> <p>3. Cost Analysis of Academic Programme under Open and Distance Learning</p> <p>4. Cost Analysis of Open and Distance Learning Programme in India (Book)</p> <p>5. Cost Accounting- Theory & Practice (Book)</p>	<p>1. 7-day Workshop on research Methodology</p> <p>2. 2-day Workshop on Upgradation of Vocational Courses to NSQF</p> <p>3. 19th IDEA Conference on 'Quality Assurance and Sustenance of Open and Distance Education: Issues, Concerns, Challenges and Developments'</p> <p>4. Higher Education and Vocational Training through ODL</p>	<p>1. A Study of the Actual Status of the Enrolled Students of Netaji Subhas Open University (2013-14) UGC-DEB funded</p> <p>2. Functioning of S.C.: Past , Present & Future, Feb 14, 2014</p>	<p>1. Changing Scenario in Indian Business Environment on 8-9 August 2014</p>

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6.	Ms. Anamika Das	Library And Information Science	1. The quantity vs. Quality debate: learner support services in distance education mode	LIS education in West Bengal.	In LIS education in India with special reference to ODL prospect and retrospect. New Delhi:	Organising Secretary of National Seminar on “Distance Learning and Reciprocal Library Services: Is Public Library Network the Better Option!!”

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					<p>2. Organising Committee for International Seminar on Partition Literature: Memory & Inheritance of Self on 8-10 Feb. 2014.</p> <p>3. Organising Committee for UGC DEB sponsored National Seminar on Identity and Recognition: Post Colonial Indian Perspectives on 25th March 2014.</p> <p>4. Academic Committee for UGC DEB sponsored National Seminar on Changing Business Scenario in Indian Business Environment on 8-9 August 2014.</p>	

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7.	Ms. Kasturi Sinha Ghosh	Social Work		<p>1. Presented a paper on “women empowerment” at the Human Rights Council at the Global Union 2014 in celebration of 225 years of St.thomas’ girls school on 22 September 2014</p> <p>2. Organized a one Day National Level Seminar on “Creating Professional for child development & child Protection : An ODI initiative” in the University campus at Salt Lake. August 2014</p>	<p>1. UGC-DEB Sponsored National Seminar on Identity and Recognition : Post-Colonial Indian Perspectives on March 25, 2014 organized by NSOU</p> <p>2. National Seminar on Understanding Hazards and their Mitigation Process - March 28-29, 2014. organized by NSOU</p>	

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8.	Sumana Bandopadhyay	ELT	1."The Structure of Persuasive Writing in Amitav Ghosh's 'The Shadow Lines', International Seminar on Partition Literature - Memory and Inheritance of Self, School of Humanities and Social Sciences, NSOU, 8-10 Feb 2014 1. UGC-DEB sponsored 2-day National Seminar on "Changing Scenario in Indian Business Environment, at NSOU, Kolkata		1. Workshop on ELT Materials Development, 27 Jan & 24 April 2014	1. Workshop on ELT Materials Development, 27 Jan & 24 April 2014
9.	Arijit Ghosh	JMC		2. National Workshop "Creation of Professionals for Child protection and Development through ODL System" held on 14th August, 2014, NSOU, Kolkata	1. Organised a Workshop on Structures and Dimensions of Screen Writing: An ODL Initiative" on 18 August, 2014 At NSOU, Kolkata	

School of Sciences:

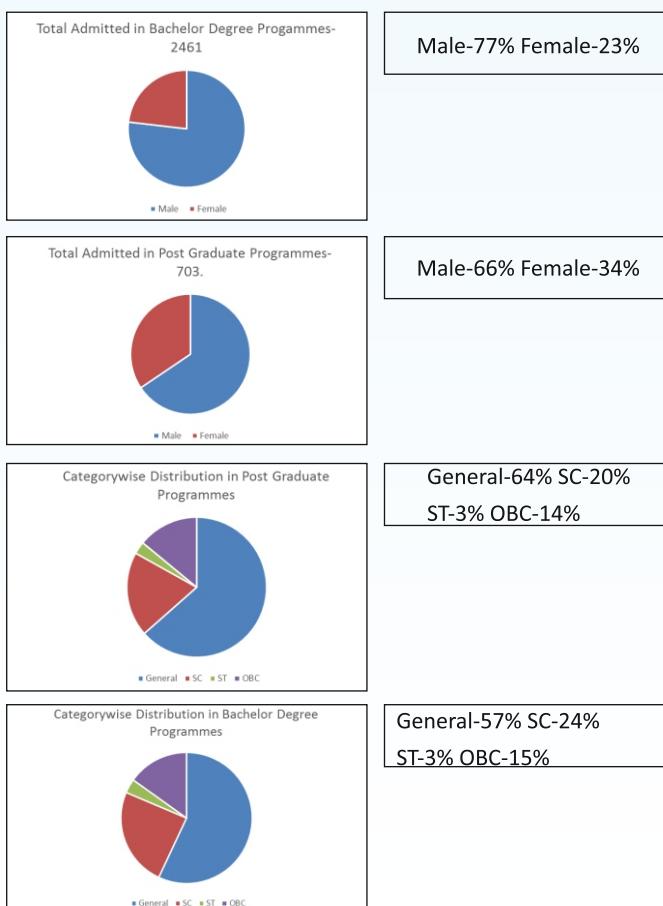
The use of modern technology in innovating teaching-learning processes in the ODL mode has been the forte of the School of Sciences. In addition to the existing laboratory facilities, the School is developing advanced facilities at its Kalyani campus. The faculty of the School have engaged themselves in active research and publication work.

Courses on offer

BDP – Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics, Geography, Zoology, Botany

PG – Mathematics, Geography and Zoology

Statistics of Enrolled Learners



Academic Achievements of Faculty :

Sl No	Name of the Faculty	Subject	Publications	Participation in conferences/ workshop/ orientation programmes	Research project (s) undertaken	Conference/ Seminar (s)/ workshop (s) held
1.	Prof. (Dr.) Kajal De	Mathematics	1. Edited Book: 'Gender Sensitization, Women Empowerment and Distance Education: History, Society, Culture', ISBN: 978-93-82112-12-9, edited by De Kajal, Basu C. & Mukherjee S., WHPC, Netaji Subhas Open University 2014	1. 19th IDEA Annual Conference on "Quality Assurance and sustenance of Open Distance education: Issues, Concerns, Challenges and Developments" organized by Directorate of Distance Education, University of Jammu on 12-14 March, 2014	1. 'Teaching of Science in Open and Distance Learning (ODL) mode: Emerging Pedagogy'	1. Organized a two day UGC-DEB sponsored National seminar on "Understanding Hazards and their mitigation options" as Chairperson of the Organizing Committee at the auditorium of Satyendra Nath Bose National Centre for Basic Sciences, Block-D Sector-III, Salt Lake, Kolkata – 98 on March 28-29, 2014. 2. Organised a workshop on Laboratory Counselling cum Evaluation Session as Chairperson of the Organizing Committee on September 24, 2014.

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2.	Dr. Bibhas Guha	Zoology	<p>1. Guha B, Hasan BMA & Datta S (2014). Efficacy of effluent treatment system for the reduction of nutrient and organic loads in semi-intensive shrimp farming ponds, Indian Journal of Biology, 1(1): 13-14</p>	<p>1. National seminar on "Climate Change and Biodiversity". Organized by School of Biodiversity and Conservation of Natural Resources, Central University of Orissa, Koraput, held on November 23-24, 2013.</p> <p>2. 19th IDEA Annual Conference on "Quality Assurance and sustenance of Open Distance education: Issues, Concerns, Challenges and Developments" organized by Directorate of Distance Education, University of Jammu on 12-14 March, 2014.</p>	<p>Teaching in Distance Education"</p>	

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				3. Special Summer School Participated in the Special Summer School, 2014 for Science & Technology groups (Thrust area: Biomedical Engineering and Environmental issues) held from June 12-July 02, 2014 in the Rajabazar Science College, University of Calcutta. This Special Summer School 2014 will be treated as equivalent to one RC for CAS purposes as per UGC Letter No. F.27-1/2012 (ASC) dt. 23/05/2012.		

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3.	Smt. Tinki Kar Bhattacharya	Geography	1. Abstract published in Abstract Volume of Two Day National Seminar on Understanding Hazards and their Mitigation Options on Water Endangered: A study on Hazard perception and management of Arsenic Pollution in Kolkata, West Bengal (Full publication awaited)	1.Two Days UGC Deb sponsored Seminar on Women,Violence and law: An Intimate Interrogation on December-5-6,2014 by NSOU.	2.UGC-DEB sponsored Two Day National Seminar on Changing Scenario on Indian Business Environment on August 8-9,2014 by NSOU	3.UGC-DEB sponsored Two Day National Seminar on Understanding Hazards and their Mitigation Options on March 14-15,2014 by NSOU

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				<p>3.UGC-DEB sponsored Two Day National Seminar on Understanding Hazards and their Mitigation Options on March 14- 15,2014 by NSOU</p> <p>4.National Seminar on Library and Information Science on May 20,2014 by NSOU</p> <p>5.National Seminar on Distance Learning and Reciprocal Library Services: Is Public Library Network the better option on June 6-7,2014 by NSOU</p> <p>6.Participated in National Seminar on Creating Professional for Child Development and Protection through ODL on August 14,2014 by NSOU</p>		

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4.	Dr. Biraj Kanti Mondal	Geography		<p>1. Spatial Investigation about the Educational Standard of Sundarban in International Journal of Applied Research and Studies (IJARS) (Vol. 3, Issue: 8)</p> <p>2. Multi-dimensional outlook of literacy profile of Sundarban in Journal of Geo- Environment Observer (Vol.3, No.1)</p>	<p>1. International Seminar on Environmental Perspectives and Resource Management Environmental Perspective of the Vulnerability of Sundarban, Institute of Landscape, Ecology and Ecosystems (ILEE), University of Calcutta, NATMO, IBRAD, GSJ</p> <p>2. National Seminar on Understanding Hazards and their Mitigation Options, The Milieu of Vulnerability of Indian Sundarbans - School of Sciences, Netaji Subhas Open University</p> <p>3. Secondary level (Class - IX) following the syllabus of WBBSE in Book entitled 'Bhugol O Paribesh'</p>	<p>1. Organised a two day UGC-DEB s sponsored National Seminar on "Understanding Hazards and their Mitigation Options" as a member of the Organizing Committee of the School of Sciences, Netaji Subhas Open University held on March 28-29, 2014 at Kolkata</p>

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				<p>3. International Seminar on Environment, Mass Movement & Our Literature; Multi-Dimensional Outlook, Multi Dimensional Outlook of Literacy Profile of Sundarban, Krishnanagar Womens' college, Nadia, West Bengal</p> <p>4. Various Geographical Issues and GIS, Presidency University</p> <p>5. National Seminar on Women, Violence and Law: An Intimate Interrogation</p> <p>6. Workshop on Laboratory Counselling cum Evaluation Session</p>		

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				<p>7. Seminar on Changing Scenario in Indian Business Environment</p> <p>8. National Seminar on Distance Learning and Reciprocal Library Services: Is Public Library Network the better option</p> <p>9. National Seminar on Promoting Teacher Education through ODL: Issues and Challenges</p> <p>10. National Seminar on Understanding Hazards and their Mitigation Options.</p> <p>11. National Seminar on Identify and Recognition: Post-colonial Indian Perspectives</p> <p>12. International Seminar on Partition Literature, Memory and Inheritance of Self</p>		

School of Education

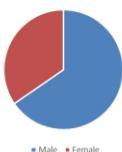
A new School was established from 2013 onwards primarily to meet the Herculean challenge of training in-service teachers as mandated by RTE 2009 and since NSOU was identified as the nodal university in West Bengal by the Department of Higher Education, GoWB, to provide such training. the School of Education (SoE) has risen very well to its task.

Courses on offer

MA in Education, B.Ed (Spl Education through Distance Mode),
B.Ed ODL for In-Service teachers

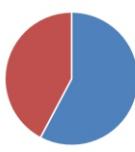
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Total Admitted in Second Degree Programme -B.Ed.
(SEDE)-483



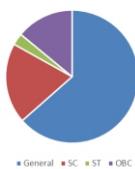
Male-65% Female-35%

Total Admitted in Post Graduate Programmes-1011



Male-58% Female-42%

Categorywise Distribution in Post Graduate Programmes



General-64% SC-20%
ST-3% OBC-14%

Categorywise Distribution in B.Ed.(SEDE)



General-56% SC-25%
ST-5% OBC-14%

Academic Achievements of Faculty:

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1.	Antara Choudhury	B.Ed.Spl. Ed.		<p>1. Key Resource Person at CRE by RCI, New Delhi- 2 -Convenor & Presented paper (National Level)- 2 International Seminar at Jadavpur University- 1</p> <p>2. One (1)workshop organised by School of Humanities and Social Sciences, NSOU.</p>	<p>1. Member of Organising Committee and Convenor: 1. One (1) National seminar organised by School of Education, NSOU.</p> <p>2. Two (2) workshops organised by School of Education, NSOU</p>	<p>1. One (1) National seminar organised by School of Education, NSOU.</p> <p>2. Two (2) workshops organised by School of Education, NSOU.</p>
2.	Swapna Deb	B.Ed.Spl. Ed.			<p>1. One (1) International seminar organised by Department of Education, Jadavpur University</p>	

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3.	Abhedanan da Panigrahi	Special Education	<p>1. Vivek V Bhabner Aloke Sikkhatar Mulyabodher Sikha – Sikhak Sikhikar Bhumika, Published on Vidyasahita, Org. by IIMCW, Kolkata, Annual Issue</p> <p>2. Swami Vivekanader Disthite Dhanyogee Jibanaer Ananda, Published on Vidyasahita, Org. by IIMCW, Kolkata, Annual Issue</p> <p>3. Bayaskhader Duschninta abong tar pratikar, Published on Maner Katha (WBBEN/2003/12236), Girindra Sekhar Institute of Psychological Education and Research, Oct- Dec 2014.</p> <p>4.Rager Panch Kahan, Published on Maner</p>	<p>1. International Seminar on Inclusive Education : Present Context on 6th December 2014 , organized by Jadavpur University in collaboration with Argha Sandhan Charitable Trust , Kolkata</p> <p>2. One day National Seminar on Creating Professionals for Child Development and Child Protection Through ODL On 14th August 2014 at Netaji subhas Open University</p>		

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			Katha (WBBEN/2003/12236), Girindra Sekhar Institute of Psychological Education and Research, July - Sep 2014. 5. A study on Changing Context of Teacher Education in Indian Scenario published in seminar volume with ISBN number, Lt. Abhishek Roy Chowdhury College. 6. A study of Special Teachers' attitude towards inclusion of challenged children in the mainstream schools., Published in Seminar volume with ISBN number', Jadavpur University			

School of Vocational Studies

With the establishment of the School of Vocational Studies out of what was earlier the Dept. of Non Conventional Courses in 2013, NSOU makes a renewed pledge to the importance of skill based vocational education as a tool of empowerment.

Courses on offer

- 1 Post Graduate Diploma in Export-Import Management
- 2 Post Graduate Diploma in Psychological Counselling
- 3 Post Graduate Diploma in Hospital Front Office Management
- 4 Post Graduate Diploma in Cardiovascular Sonography
- 5 Post Graduate Diploma in Apparel Designing and Fashion Technology
- 6 Post Graduate Diploma in Needle Work & Knitting
- 7 Post Graduate Diploma in Taxation
- 8 Post Graduate Diploma in Modern Office Management
- 9 Post Graduate Diploma in Journalism & Mass Communication
- 10 Post Graduate Diploma in English Language Teaching
- 11 Post Graduate Diploma in Public Relation and Advertising
- 12 Post Graduate Diploma in Retail Management
- 13 Post Graduate Diploma in Disaster Risk Management
- 14 Post Graduate Diploma in Sports & Competitive Yoga
- 15 Post Graduate Diploma in Physician Assistant
- 16 Diploma in Safety Skills & Security Management
- 17 Diploma in Pre-Primary Teachers Training
- 18 Diploma in Entrepreneurship Development & Small Business Management
- 19 Diploma in Medical Laboratory Technology
- 20 Diploma in Nature Therapy
- 21 Tailoring & Dress Designing (Basic Course)
- 22 Tailoring & Dress Designing (Advanced Certificate Course)
- 23 Tailoring & Dress Designing (Advanced Diploma Course)

- 24 Diploma in DTP & Networking
- 25 Diploma in Fitness Management
- 26 Tailoring & Dress Designing (Basic Course)
- 27 Tailoring & Dress Designing (Advanced Certificate Course)
- 28 Tailoring & Dress Designing (Advanced Diploma Course)
- 29 Certificate of Human Rights
- 30 Certificate of English for Communication
- 31 Certificate in Organic Agriculture and Horticulture

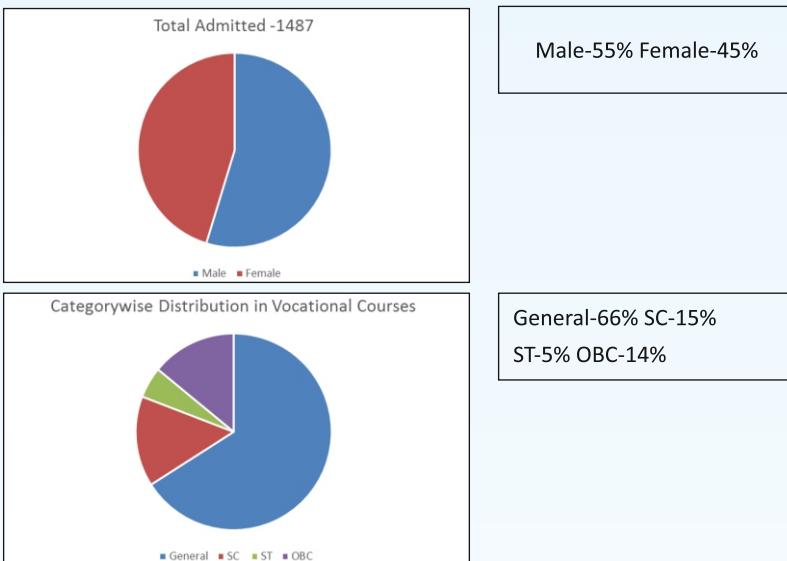
New Programmes Launched:

- PG Diploma in e-Accounting and Financial Management
- Diploma in Pre-Primary Teachers' Education – Montessori
- Diploma in Fitness Management
- Certificate in Foreign Languages

New Memorandums of Understanding Signed:

- Bijoy Krishna Girls' College, Howrah
- Maharani Kasiswari College, Kolkata
- Sarojini College, Kolkata
- Vidyasagar Foundation, Purulia
- Liebigs Agro Chem Pvt Ltd, Howrah
- Cd'A Global Language Centre, Salt Lake, Kolkata
- Raiganj Institute of Inspiration and Livelihood Generation, Uttar Dinajpur
- Al Ameen Memorial Minority College, Joynagar, 24 Parganas (S)
- Agami Nirman 2003, Sarsuna, Kolkata

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EXTENSION ACTIVITIES

Women Harassment Prevention Cell: In pursuance of the Supreme Court Mandate and UGC Directive, Netaji Subhas Open University has constituted Women Harassment Prevention Cell in order to deal with the complaints of sexual harassment of women employees in the different campuses of the University. Since its formation the cell has organized seminars and workshops to sensitize employees and people at large to the various gender related issues.

RTI: Netaji Subhas Open university has an active Right to Information Act Cell that functions in contiguity with the Students' Grievance Redressal Cell. The Assistant Director, Study Centres, functions as the State Public Information Officer, while the Registrar is the Appellate authority. The number of RTI issues addressed during this period is 80 approx. The nature of inquiries primarily relate to evaluation of answer scripts and marks received.

The School of Vocational Studies has established Village Knowledge Centres (VKC) in different districts of the state for the benefit of the students. The students of the University get free internet facilities for the academic purposes at many such centres.

LEARNER ENROLMENT: FACTS AND FIGURES

- Admission & Awarding Data:

Admissions	Degree	Diploma	Certificate	Others
	25,034	1284	804	2261
Awards	Degree	Diploma	Certificate	Others
	4302	1028	731	1070

REPORT ON FINANCE FOR F.Y.-2013-14 DEPARTMENT of FINANCE

Reporting for FY 2013-14

Netaji Subhas Open University was established in 1997 with the objective to reach the unreached in the field of education through Open Distance Learning, a new mode of imparting education. Fortunately, NSOU got huge response from the community at large throughout West Bengal, but the University in its infancy had very limited infrastructural facilities. The Finance Department was also suffering from lack of proper infrastructure. With limited human resources the Finance Department was trying its utmost to keep pace with the rapid growth.

For developing adequate infrastructure to strengthen the academic activities of the University including the construction of buildings at the Salt Lake and Kalyani campuses, the Finance Department has extended full cooperation, particularly in procuring funds from State Government and Distance Education Bureau (DEB), a new wing of the UGC, New Delhi and in duly disbursing the same. The State Government and DEB have also been generous with their financial assistance towards development of infrastructure – both in academic and other areas.

A set of guidelines for financial functions and financial rules has been enjoined in F.Y. 2012-13 effective from 5th November, 2012. These guidelines and rules are in broad conformity with those of DEB, IGNOU and GoWB.

NSOU receives financial assistance from the Higher Education Dept, GoWB towards disbursement of salary of employees and part of contingency expenses, development of infrastructure – including construction of building. A synoptic statement of such grants is given below for the Financial Year 2013-14.

Financial Year	WB Government	Distance Education Council (New Delhi)	Other Income	Expenses
2013-14	5,13,23,200	3,30,00,000	6,10,46,930	14,43,61,948

Be it noted that U. Cs in respect of the above stated funds have already been submitted to the respective authorities in time.

The Fin. Department regularly issues computerized (a) PF Statements and (b) Salary Slips to all employees. In the month of May, 2013 all required computations in the prescribed slips / statements along with filled in statutory formats for the F. Y. 2008-09 to 2012-13 for 5 years in respect of claim of interest on deposits by 53 permanent faculties and staff of the University were submitted to the Directorate of Pension, Provident Fund & Group Insurance, Finance Department, Purta Bhaban (2nd Floor), Salt Lake, Kolkata – 700091. In March, 2014 we have received from the Directorate of Pension an Order vide No: 0856 /PF /DPPG UNV /KOL-01 /2013 /1342 dated 06-03-2014 in which allotment of a sum of Rs. 30, 73, 132/- was made out of the Provisions under the Head: "2049-Interest Payments-60 Interest on Other Obligations-101-Interest on Deposits Non-plan-002-45-charged" of EMPLOYEES OF UNIVERSITIES for the current year's budget in favour of the Finance Officer, Netaji Subhas Open University. The amount representing interest accrued on Provident Fund balance as on 31-03-2013 has been duly credited to the Provident Fund Deposit Account of the University maintained in the Kolkata Pay & Accounts Office - II, P-1, Hyde Lane, and Kolkata 700073.

For the smooth running and functioning of all study centres disbursement of funds in favour of study centre(s) through RTGS has been introduced from the F. Y. 2013-14.

It is felt by this Dept. that the fees for different courses which were fixed by the University well over a decade ago, should be considered for upward revision by the competent authority.

