## NETAJI SUBHAS OPEN UNIVERSITY



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## 75<sup>th</sup> Independence day Celebration at Headquarters 15<sup>th</sup> August, 2021

The 15<sup>th</sup> August, 2021, heralds in the year-long celebration of Platinum Jubilee Anniversary of Independence of India. On this special occasion following the tradition of Netaji Subhas Open University (NSOU) the 75<sup>th</sup> Independence Day, was observed at the NSOU, Head Qtrs. located in DD-26, Salt Lake, Sector- 1, Kolkata – 700064.

This particular year, is especially significant for us because it coincides with three major events in the history of Netaji Subhas Open University.

Firstly, we are all celebrating the 125<sup>th</sup> birth anniversary of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose – the iconic figure of Indian nationalism and in whose name this University has been established.

Secondly, this year also marks the Silver Jubilee year of foundation of Netaji Subhas Open University (established in the year 1997).

Thirdly, the University – being the first state open university in India - has been assessed and accredited by NAAC (the first cycle) with Grade-A in its maiden venture.

The event has been observed following the full Covid-Pandemic protocol as per the notification of the Government viz. social distancing and all related precautionary measures.

The H.Q campus was decorated with flowers, garlands and balloons. Indian National Flag was kept ready for hoisting in the front yard of the H.Q., adjacent to a photograph of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose.

The program started with hoisting of the Tricolour at 11:15 A.M. by the Vice-Chancellor, NSOU. The Registrar, Director, School of Social Sciences, Director, CIQA, Director, Study Centres, Finance Officer, some teachers, a number of officers, non-teaching and other subsidiary staff of the University were present in the event.





In the following event, the Registrar, Director (Study Centres), Director, School of Social Sciences, Director, CIQA, Finance Officer, some teachers, deliberated on various historic and present issues at this material point of time – particularly in the pandemic situation. The concluding speech of this event was delivered by the Vice-Chancellor emphasising upon the immediate need for preparing a long-term road map for the NSOU. He also pointed out that





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we should not suffer from complacency (in view of NSOU's recent success in NAAC process).

The Vice-Chancellor, paid his homage to Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose by garlanding the bust of Netaji placed in the backdrop of a tiled fresco, at the porch in the ground floor of the University.





The next event was distribution of sufficient numbers of masks and gloves to all the persons present in the function. The masks and gloves have been donated by the School of Vocational Studies, NSOU.





The closing ceremony of the morning program was marked by rendering of National Anthem.

