

NETAJI SUBHAS OPEN UNIVERSITY
Centre for Internal Quality Assurance
Organizes
FACULTY LECTURE SERIES
On Blended Mode

Title: Higher Education as reflected in NEP 2020

Speaker:
Professor D. P. Nag Chowdhury, Dept of Education, NSOU

::MENTOR::
Professor Ranjan Chakrabarti
Vice-Chancellor, NSOU

REPORT on the 1st Lecture of the Faculty Lecture Series
Date:15/12/2022 at 3pm (Blended Mode)

Background and Objectives:

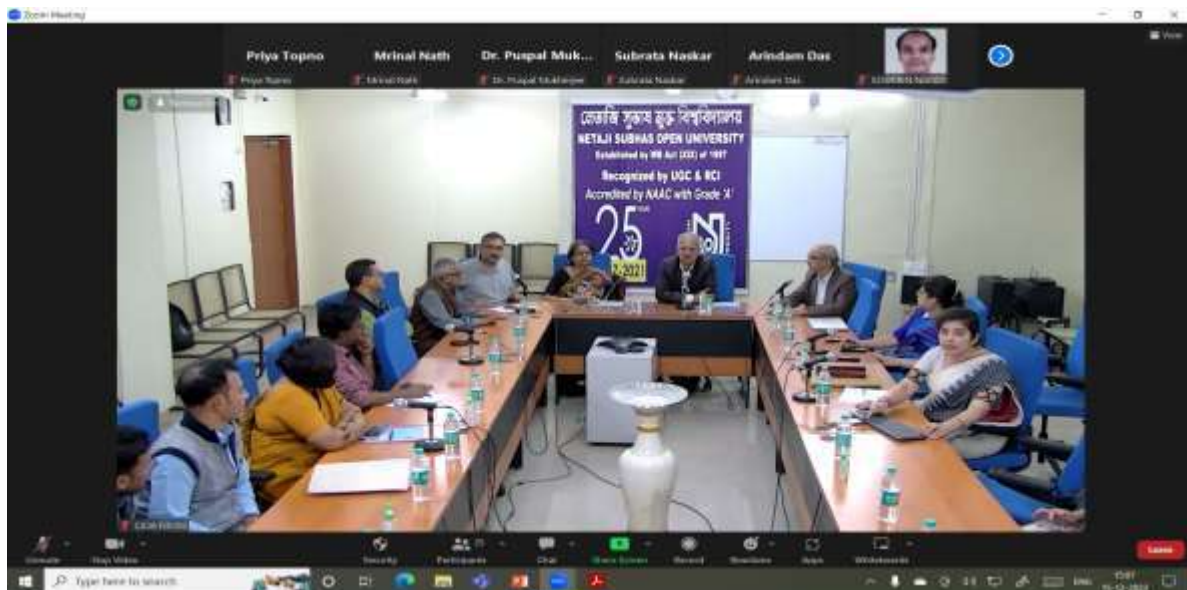
Faculty Lecture is dedicated to acknowledging the knowledge, thoughts, ideas and work of all the faculty members. The lecture series not only honors individual faculty members and their achievements, but also celebrates the values of academic excellence that we share as a community. The idea has been bestowed upon by Prof. Ranjan Chakrabarti, the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, NSOU as a fleet to multiple and experience knowledge sharing. The five School of Studies with all academic disciplines is advancing with new genres of teaching, learning, innovation, research and community outreach activities. The faculty Lecture Series (FLS) is one such initiative of knowing each other through learning and celebrating. The intercept of knowledge and research in interdisciplinarity will steer and evolve through this pragmatic initiative. The honour to each faculty delivering lecture in the FLS event will not only generate positive approach towards interdisciplinarity but also create a pool of knowledge reservoir. This would benefit the institutional development process and apprehend diagnostic and future academic, research and extension activities.

With this backdrop, and devout support and guidance of the Hon'ble V.C., CIQA was entrusted to organize the FLS. The 1st Faculty Lecture of the FLS commenced on 15th December 2022, Thursday through blended mode.

Opening: Prof. Anirban Ghosh, Director-CIQA initiated the event and formally welcomed the Hon'ble V.C., NSOU, Prof. D.P. Nag Chowdhury, the speaker, Prof. Kajal De, Director, SoSci and the Chairperson of the session, all Directors of various school of Studies, Academic heads, faculty colleagues, officers, admin staff, research scholars, students, etc. present online (ZOOM) and offline (Board Room, NSOU HQs) in the blended lecture session. He acknowledged the successful assembly of around 50 attendees who have joined from the NSOU fraternity.

Inaugural Note: Prof. Ranjan Chakrabarti, the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, NSOU expressed a deep sense of satisfaction to have seen his concept taking shape of a prestigious lecture event. He genuinely placed the idea of conducting the lecture purely on a face-to-face mode from the next lecture onwards. Prof. Chakrabarti believes that an open physical interaction is one of the objectives of organizing and also being a part of this Faculty lecture. He requested all

faculties to congregate once in a month in this eventful lecture. This would surface and concretize, and provide an amicable academic environment smitten with thoughts and deliberations. A platform where each and every faculty will get to know the work and achievements of their fellows. In other words, a meeting ground of the academics.

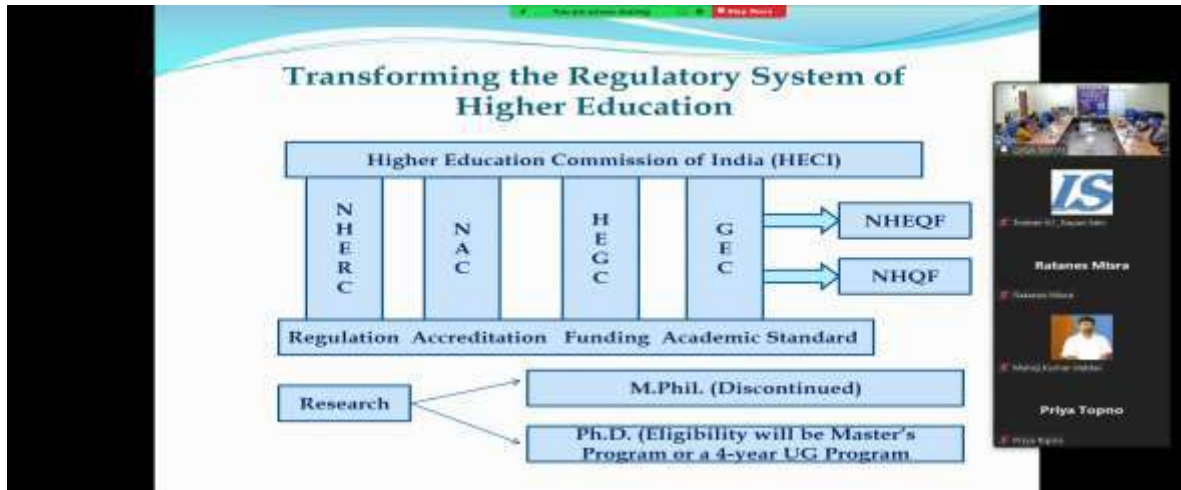


Introduction of the Speaker: Director-CIQA presented a brief introduction of the speaker, Dr. D.P. Nag Chowdhury, Professor, Department of Education under the School of Education, NSOU. He invited Prof. Nag Chowdhury for the 1st Faculty Lecture on ‘Higher Education as reflected in NEP 2020,’ of the conceptualized FLS.



Presentation of the Lecture: Prof. Nag Chowdhury thanked the Hon'ble V.C., and Director-CIQA for the opportunity to deliver the 1st Faculty Lecture of the FLS introduced by the university under the patronage of Prof. Chakrabarti. His deliberation was supplemented with reasonable and resourceful PPT slides. His lecture intercepted Higher Education as the motif for NEP 2020. The much talked and discoursed topic in academics for the past two years was National Education Policy 2020 and the reformation that it has envisioned. His lecture cused the significant vision of the NEP 2020-the Quality with euity and inclusivity in higher

education. Prof. Nag Chowdhury spoke on the changes, issues and emphasized on the curricular patterns of degree programs from the upcoming academic session, 2023-2024. He also discussed the role and importance of vocational education, teacher education, regulations, research fundings, certifications, academic awards, etc touching upon the chapters 9 to 18 of the Part-II: Higher Education in NEP 2020.



Session Summary: Prof. Kajal De, Chairperson of the session thanked the speaker for his lucid and compact deliberation. She congratulated him for easy understanding of the subject with interesting facts and measures. Prof. De added few concerns in implementing NEP 2020 directives, classified to be ABC, 4-year integrated UG degree programmes etc in ODL system. The chairperson, thereafter facilitated the house for question and answer session. Q & A session: Few queries and doubts were raised by the faculty members. It was addressed and explained by the speaker. The online participants were allowed to unmute and place their questions. Prof. Nag Chowdhury's erudite responses clarified and satiated the seekers. This session was lauded with interaction and focussed discussion among all.



Vote of Thanks: Director-CIQA invited Mr. Debajit Goswami, Asst Prof, Public Administration, SoSS to propose the vote of thanks. Mr. Goswami formally thanked one and all for making the event successful.

The entire event was deftly coordinated by the Director-CIQA, NSOU.

----Report prepared by Dr. Papiya Upadhyay, Asst. Prof., Education