

Report on Induction-cum-Sensitization on LMS (for newly enrolled PG learners, 2022-2023)

Date & Time: 26th April 2023, Wednesday, 3 pm

Objective of the programme:

- **4** To introduce the university and its academic-administrative matrix of operations
- ↓ To aware learners on ICT academic services of the University
- **4** To sensitize learners on the access and navigation of NSOU website
- ↓ To demonstrate before the learners on the details of NSOU-LMS and NSOU App

Mode: The event was organized by Centre for Internal Quality Assurance, NSOU through

blended mode: Online Platform: Zoom & Offline Venue: Boardroom, NSOU HQs

Participants: 211 approx

Around 189 learners joined through Zoom platform

University Representatives (present on the offline venue):

- 1. Prof. Chandan Basu, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor
- 2. Prof. Anirban Ghosh, Director, CIQA
- 3. Prof. Arun K Chakraborty, Head, DLIS
- 4. Prof. Sharmistha Chatterjee, Head, ELT
- 5. Dr. Bibhas Guha, OIC, School of Sciences
- 6. Dr. Barnana Guha Thakurta Banerjee, Head, Dept of Pol. Sc
- 7. Dr. Papiya Upadhyay, Asst. Prof. of Education, SoE
- 8. Dr. Biraj Kanti Mondal, Asst Prof., Dept. of Geography
- 9. Dr. Sudarshan Roy, Asst. Prof. of Commerce, SoPS
- 10. Sri. Gourab Barua, Asst Registrar

- 11. Technical Executives, TeamLease Ed Tech
- 12. Few faculty members joined online

Sequence of the session:

Welcome Address: Director-CIQA welcomed all the participants and University representatives. He wished Bengali New Year 1430 greetings and expressed his thoughts on the well-being of all the newly enrolled learners. He reiterated the achievements and accomplishments of the University since its inception. In order to hold the legacy of excellence in its course of existence, he put into record all types of supports and resources that the University provide to its learners. He invited the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor to formally begin the sensitization programme.



Address by the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor: Prof. Basu congratulated Director-CIQA for organizing such a timely and pertinent event for the newly enrolled P.G learners across the state of West Bengal in different LSCs of the university. His brief speech was adorned with inspiration and motivation to the learners and all attending the event.

Addresses from the various School of Studies:

- 1. School of Humanities: Prof. Sharmistha Chatterjee greeted the newcomers and wished them best academic experiences at NSOU. She quickly presented the repertoire of the university's efforts to bring out the best for its stakeholders. She asserted the learners to grab all the opportunities to have an enriched learning experience at NSOU. Also, she discussed the various PG subjects and its curricular modalities before the house.
- 2. School of Social Sciences: Dr. Barnana Guha Thakurta Banerjee in her brief address articulated the prospects of the school and its interdisciplinary approach in providing the best academic environment. She categorically mentioned the available learning resources including syllabi and additional references to accomplish the higher education aspirations. She advised the learners to check the website for details and updates.

- 3. School of Sciences: Dr. Bibhas Guha expressed noteworthy words to motivate the learners who have taken admission in the science discipline. He delineated the curricular specificity of lab-based subject and advised the learners to make the most of it. The school organizes all sorts of F2F counselling sessions, online activities, additional classes, mandatory practical classes and laboratory facilities. He also added the library facilities at Kalyani RC, where the learners can access books and other learning material on production of enrolment certificate as a proof of identity. Dr. Biraj K Mondal in his short talk explained the curricular modalities of P.G in Geography and its associated activities.
- 4. School of Professional Studies: Prof. Arun K Chakraborty briefly discussed on the PCPs that have commenced and advised the learners to attend regularly to meet the faculties and get through their academic doubts. Dr. Sudarshan Roy stipulated on social media groups created to exchange curricular requirements and information. He warned everyone to remain aware of fake groups those are promising to be created on behalf of the NSOU as there are no such formal groups. However, few Telegram Groups are created on behalf of the school for e-mentoring purposes.
- 5. School of Education: Dr. Papiya Upadhyay in her crisp address mainly subjected to the academic transaction and the university provisions to accomplish the same. The PCPs, e-content in the form of AVLs, digitized SLMs, supplementary online sessions, Extended counseling sessions, Special Lecture Programme, e-tutorials, remedial classes, additional classes etc. to make the learners aware of the academic initiatives to meet the curricular requirements of post graduate studies. In a nutshell she spoke on the LMS and NSOU app and suggested the learners to visit NSOU website in regular intervals to remain updated. She mentioned about the PCP centres and ongoing PCP classes for P.G Education.

Addresses from the Technical Executives, Team Lease EdTech Pvt. Ltd: They deliberated on the ICT services provided by the University through various avenues and presented with detailed and systematic display of navigation and access procedures to the learners. He further added on the user friendly and all-inclusive features of the NSOU website which makes it strikingly beneficial for all its users. They also elaborated on the LMS and NSOU APP. It was lucidly presented with audio-visual-text effects for better understanding of the learners. They discussed on each aspect of downloading the APP and its clear navigation details and added the technicalities on the use and access options on getting

and retrieving e-SLMs and other resources. The session covered the significant areas of using LMS optimally and effectively.

Concluding Address: Director-CIQA deliberated upon the admission to certification of PG programme; the journey of entire academic-administrative requirements of a learner. The matters related to registration, renewal, examination form fill-up, PCP classes, receiving SLMs, accessing e-resources including NSOU TV, Web radio etc. Prof. A. Ghosh coalesced all the deliberation before the participants. He stressed upon the right use of Login ID and Password options for using the APP, LMS and OER repositories. Additionally, Prof. Ghosh banked upon the easy to access through practical representation of the NSOU website and explaining the different aspects. At the end Prof. Ghosh made it clear that the learners should not fall prey to false promises given by the coaching centres touts to misguide the learners. He insisted the learners to have faith on the university and build confidence by realising the opportunities provided by the NSOU through its 24x7 ICT student support system.

Q & A session: This session was addressed by the speakers and facilitated by Director, CIQA. The participants were allowed to unmute and place their queries/doubts. Prior to the beginning of the new academic session, the participants posed many questions on the topics discuused. The queries were dealt with demonstration to give them a clear idea of ICT/LMS/NSOU-APP handling confidently and use effectively.

Closing: A formal vote of thanks was proposed. At the end it was unanimously accepted by one and all that such awareness programme may be taken up frequently for orientation of ICT application among the enrolled learners for optimum use of e-resources.

The whole programme was neatly coordinated by the Director, CIQA.

---Prepared by Dr. Papiya Upadhyay