Brief Report: Workshop on Curriculum and SLM development as OER for professional enhancement of Teacher Educators into inclusive setting, 17th - 19th August 2016

A three-day Workshop on Curriculum and SLM development as OER for professional enhancement of Teacher Educators into inclusive setting was organized by the School of Education, Netaji Subhas Open University & Commonwealth Educational Media Centre for Asia (CEMCA) at Netaji Subhas Open University (NSOU) Hqs from 17th -19th August,2016 in Kolkata. It was held in the Seminar Room, NSOU Hqs, Salt Lake, Kolkata.

This was the first phase activity of the project programme, "Transforming Professional Development Programme into an Inclusive Education System". The workshop was inaugurated by Dr. ManasRanjanPanigrahi, Programme Officer, CEMCA, New Delhi.

Dr. A. N Dey, Director, School of Education (SoE), NSOU, delivered the welcome address. Prof. S. Chattaraj, Project Director & Core Faculty, SoE, NSOU came up with the themes and various activities of the 3-day workshop with exactitude.

Prof. SubhaSankar Sarkar, Hon'ble V.C, NSOU, in his presidential address emphasized on the importance of inclusive education and the role of the higher learning institutions especially the Universities. He further added that this is a unique approach adopted by the University.

Prof. Amitav Mishra, School of Education, IGNOU presided over the 3-day workshop as a key resource person.

Each session of the workshop proved to be serving the objective of the workshop, i.e, the content and SLM development. Participants included Eighteen Professors and Associate Professors from various Universities of West Bengal and Odisha and faculty members of SoE, NSOU attended the Workshop. Prof. S. Chattaraj, Project Director & Core Faculty, SoE, NSOU coordinated the sessions with his expertise and perseverance and Dr. PapiyaUpadhyay, Asst Professor, SoE, NSOU also facilitated all through to make the program purposive and successful.

The activities carried out during three days of the Workshop were characterized by serious discourse on content and SLM writing and its modalities for professional enhancement of Teacher educators into Inclusive Setting. The Course writers and editors were also sorted out for future plan of activities of this Project. The concluding session was chaired by Prof. S.K Sarkar, HoD, SoE, NSOU and Prof. D. Mukhopadhyaya, Core faculty, SoE, NSOU. A lot of interaction among the participants allowed for an intended outcome of the 3-day workshop. These contributions strengthened the core objectives of the Project. The Workshop clinched with proposing Vote of Thanks by Dr. PapiyaUpadhyay, Asst Prof, SoE, NSOU.