



**UGC- DEB Sponsored Orientation Programme -1 9 (Academic Session 2017-18) on BDP- English Counselling in the Open and Distance Learning Mode – Report**

On the 16th of September 2017, the School of Humanities of Netaji Subhas Open University organized an Orientation Programme on BDP English Counselling in ODL System at NSOU Salt Lake City Campus Conference Hall. Counselors engaged in reading and writing of graduate-level Bangla language and literature in various study centers of the university. The central theme of the workshop was the teaching methodology in the undergraduate English curriculum on Open and Distance Learning Mode.

Netaji Subhas Open University's English Literature Curriculum is one such course which exposes the horizons of a parallel curriculum of English Literature in other institutions. Advanced and modern English graduate courses and advanced quality textbooks have expanded the field of Open and Distance education. However, according to the traditional and systematic variations of the Board of Distance Education, the University has the responsibility to make these curriculum and self-learning lessons more clearly understood by the students. Here, the content of the lesson is linked to the students through the counselors appointed in the various study centers.

As a result, there is a need to inform the counselor of the university's fixed course of instruction in the ODL education curriculum at certain time intervals. And from that vital need, the Orientation Program or Life Workshop of the graduated English level counselors organized the university's English Department and the School of Humanities.

In the first phase, Dr Srideep Mukherjee, Coordinator of the Orientation Programme, discussed the scope of the Orientation Program and problems and prospects of Teaching in ODL method. The discussion proceeded, considering the advantages and disadvantages of the student's specific understanding for each unit of our UG syllabus. In the next phase, two technical sessions were organized by the selected counselors and NSOU faculty members. Dr Susanta Kr. Bardhan, Associate Professor of Suri Vidyasagar College, discussed on Strategies for Teaching Language Aspects of EEG-I. Dr Srideep Mukherjee, Assistant Professor of English, NSOU presented on Strategies of BDP – EEG Counselling on Literature and Literary Theory of the Romantic Period (EEG-V and Dr Oindrilla Ghosh, Assistant Professor of English, NSOU presented on Mapping Diversities in Victorian Literature: The New SLM of paper six as a Teaching-Learning tool.

Accordingly, the following lines of discussion had been initiated at the Orientation Programme:

Discussion on the desired outcomes of Syllabus.

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Constructive feedback on commensurate achievement levels of the SLMs.

Understanding the logic of Assignments and Term End Question Papers and gearing PCP planning.

Hands-on Problems solving activity through simulated classroom sequences.

General Feedback was taken from each counselors individually. At the very last stage of the program, certificates and honorarium were given to every counselor who participated in the program.