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ABOUT: - NSOU Regional Centre (RC) Jalpaiguri

“Regional Centre” means a centre established or maintained by the University for the purpose of coordinating and supervising the work of Study Centres in any region and for performing such other functions as may be conferred on such centres by the Board of Management. Our Regional Centre was born to strengthen the edifice of our great University. We understand that the RC Jalpaiguri is a reservoir of Resources that can contribute to the growth of our great University. It is a pioneer institution of higher learning in the Sub Himalayan region of North Bengal. Our RC is come in to effect from 2018. We hope to go a long way together to turn our Regional Centre in to a premier institution of higher learning not only in Bengal but also in India.

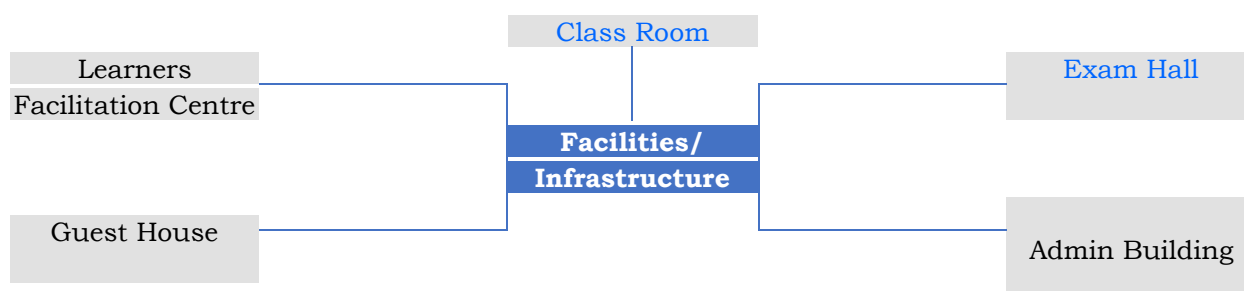
Establishment of Regional Centre

Regional Centres are established with the support and cooperation of the state Governments and are responsible for promotion of the ODL system in the district/ region, establishment, development, maintenance and monitoring of LSCs. Regional Centres are also responsible for the delivery of programmes and student support services and organization of staff development programmes.

RC-Jalpaiguri Campus View



Facilities / Infrastructure



● Jurisdiction

Sl. No.	District	LSCs/ SCs	Code
1	Malda	Malda College	(E-03)
2		Chanchal College	(G-01)
3		GourMahavidyalaya	(N-06)
4		Malda Women's College	(N-07)
5		KaliachakMahavidyalaya	(N-08)
6	Jalpaiguri	Ananda Chandra College	(F-02)
7		Mynaguri College	(L-09)
8		Parimal Mitra Smriti Mahavidyalaya	(L-10)
9	Coochbehar	SukantaMahavidyalaya	(N-10)
10		SitalKuchi College	(J-08)
11		Coochbehar College	(F-03)
12		TufanganjMahavidyalaya	(M-01)
13		DewanhatMahavidyalaya	(N-09)
14	Dakshin Dinajpur	Balurghat College	(E-01)
15		S.B.S Government College	(L-08)
16	Uttar Dinajpur	RaigunjSurendranathMahavidyalaya	(Q-04)
17		Kaliaganj College	(Q-05)
18	Darjeeling	Siliguri College	(F-01)
19		Nakshalbari College	(K-07)
20		APC Roy Govt. College	(K-08)
21		Kalipada Ghosh TaraiMahavidyalaya	(Q-02)
22		Gyan Jyoti College	(Q-01)
23		North Bengal Handicapped Rehabilitation Society	SEDE
24	Alipurduar	Nani Bhattacharya Smarak Smriti Mahavidyalaya	(K-03)
25		AlipurduarMahilaMahavidyalaya	(K-04)
26		Birpara College	(K-06)
xx	Kalimpong	---	

Administrative Staff:

- 1) Prof. Subha Sankar Sarkar, Vice-Chancellor
- 2) Mr. Mohan Kumar Chattopadhyay, Registrar
- 3) Mr. Santanu Dam, Dy. Director
- 4) Mr. Debraj Sarkar, System Analyst
- 5) Mr. Soumitra Sengupta, Jr. Superintendent
- 6) Mr. Buddhadeb Maity, Technical Asssistant
- 7) Mr. Atanu Banerjee, Cashier
- 8) Mr. Biswajit Barman, Jr. Assistant
- 9) Mr. John Kisku, Jr. Assistant
- 10) Mr. Subrata Kumar Das, Jr. Store Keeper
- 11) Mr. Rabiul Islam, Jr. Peon
- 12) Mr. Faruk Mondal, Jr. Peon

Academic Staff:

- 1) Prof. Subha Sankar Sarkar, Vice-Chancellor
- 2) Mr. Niladri Sekhar Mondal, Assistant Professor of ENVS
- 3) Mr. Anupam Roy, Assistant Professor of Sociology
- 4) Mr. Ashif Ahamed, Assistant Professor of Zoology
- 5) Mr. Debajit Goswami, Assistant Professor of Public Administration
- 6) Mr. Monojit Garai, Assistant Professor of Social Work
- 7) Dr. Ushnish Sarkar, Assistant Professor of Mathematics



Functions of our RC

The major activities of a Regional Centre can be broadly categorized as academic, administrative and promotional. The Regional Centre is responsible for the promotion of the Open University system, development, and maintenance & monitoring of Learner Support Centre and Student Support Services; and organization of staff development programmes in the region, for training coordinators/counsellors/other functionaries.

Regional Centre, is the sub-office of the University for all practical purposes, and also intended to act as resource centre of the University in respective regions. Make arrangement for holding Personal Contact Programmes (PCP), Counseling sessions, serving Free Internet Facility, Supporting at the time of online admission and renewal at our own Learner Support Centre. Organizing meeting at the LSC and deal with other allied matters as assigned to these LSC from time to time.

Activities

- The Independence Day Celebration 15th August 2019
- Official Meeting with Officers of PWD (Construction), Fire, Local PS and others: 23rd September 2019
- Two-Days Programme on Disability Issues: 17th and 18th October 2019
- Term-End Examination (viva-voce)
- Establishment of Learners Facilitation Centre (LFC)

- Meeting with Principal Secretary and Special Secretary Govt. of West Bengal in NBU campus for the upliftment of Higher Education: 22nd October 2019
- Meeting related to examination with different examination centres of North Bengal
- Tree Plantation Programme: 5th November 2019
- Sensitization programme on Quality Assurance for academic Administration of Learning Support Centres/Study Centres under jurisdiction of Regional centre Jalpaiguri-3rd December,2019
- Inspection & Induction Meeting at LSC
- Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose Birth Anniversary: 23rd January 2020
- Republic Day Celebration: 26th January 2020
- Personal Contact Program for MSW and BLIS learners: 2nd February 2020.
- International Women's Day: 8th March 2020
- The World Environment Day (WED): 5th June 2020

The Independence Day Celebration 15th August 2019

Independence Day on August 15th is celebrated every year across the nation. The moment will not only be celebrated in governmental offices, but also in schools, colleges and Universities as well. The National Day is followed since 1947. This time it is 73rd year of celebration. This year India would have achieved 72 years of freedom and marks the 73rd Indian Independence Day. India pays respect to all leaders who fought for India's freedom in the past. On this day Prime Minister of India hoists tricolour at the Red Fort, Old Delhi, and will deliver a speech to the nation. Various cultural programs involving schools and organisations are held in different part of our state.



Flag hoisting ceremonies and cultural programs take place in governmental and non-governmental institutions throughout the country. Flag hoisting and different cultural programs were taking place in our regional centre. The dance performances of children were splendid! Different dance forms, colors everywhere, emotions expressed beautifully and all so coordinated. It was an amazing experience. The audience was amazed to see the participants in their beautiful dresses and the beautifully depicted stories through dance.

Official Meeting with Officers of PWD (Construction), Fire, Local PS and others: 23rd September 2019

The many roles that the local Government is expected to play today, as per kind advice of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor of our University we visited various local governing bodies which includes:

- ✚ Local Police Station
- ✚ PWD Office
- ✚ District Fire office
- ✚ Office of the SDO
- ✚ Office of the CMOH etc.

Objective of the visit

- ❖ Objective to get them aware of our newly set up Regional Centre in Jalpaiguri
- ❖ To make aware about us to the regulator.
- ❖ To represent our Regional Centre to the different service provider like fire, infrastructure related services provider which provides active assistance to higher level governments in the equitable distribution and delivery.



Two-Days Programme on Disability Issues: 17th and 18th October 2019

The XII Plan of Govt. of India has recognized inadequate awareness and sensitivity amongst various stakeholders as a major challenge. It was felt that there is urgent need for inservice training amongst the various stake holders to create awareness about the rights and entitlements of PWDs, provisions in various schemes, developmental programmes, ways and means to access their specific entitlements and those that they are entitled to as equal citizens. Therefore, in order to realize the above said objectives, the Govt. of India has made a provision for training and sensitization of key functionaries of Central /State Govt. under the 12th Five year plan through DEPWD, This is envisaged to be achieved by organizing short term training programmes through workshops at State/District/Block level on regular basis.



Objectives:

The prime objective of the Scheme is to focus on the need-based training of key functionaries dealing with disability sector to be conducted in co-ordination with the Administrative Training Institutes as far as possible. Specific objectives of the scheme are as follows:

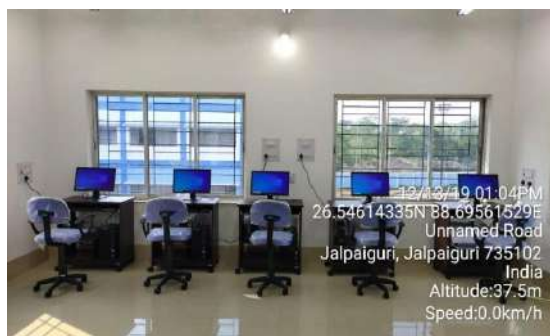
- ❖ To train and sensitize key functionaries of the Central/State Govt. /Local Bodies and other Service Providers on regular basis on disability related matters through State/District/Block level training programmes.
- ❖ To raise the awareness among policy makers and field functionaries about rights and entitlements of persons with disabilities with a purpose of creating inclusive environment in communities /workplace.
- ❖ To create awareness about disability related legislations, development programmes, schemes and programmes for the benefits of PWDs, rehabilitation and referral services amongst the various stakeholders.
- ❖ To create awareness about the importance of prevention, early identification, intervention, rehabilitation and inclusive development of persons with disabilities (Divyangyan).
- ❖ To provide in-service training on some important schemes like oralism, sign language, Braille etc.
- ❖ To obtain feedback about the quality of delivery of the schemes/programmes of Govt.
- ❖ The outcome of the scheme will be Human Resource Development through skill enhancement with a view to effect efficiency, effectiveness and economy in jobs assigned to them.

Term-End Examination (viva-voce)



- ❖ PG-Term-End Examination of Journalism & Mass Communication held on 18.08.2019
- ❖ Term-End Examination -2018-2019 (viva-voce) of MSW and BLIS held on 20.10.19-22.10.19

Establishment of Learners Facilitation Centre (LFC)



LFC has established for students to serve the following:

- ❖ Free Internet Facility
- ❖ Support at the time of online admission and renewal
- ❖ Taking printout (payment basis)
- ❖ Avail e-SLM and download

Meeting with Principal Secretary and Special Secretary Govt. of West bengal in NBU campus for the upliftment of Higher Education: 22nd October 2019

A meeting with Principal Secretary and Special Secretary of Higher Education along with the other higher official came from the different Universities and colleges of the North Bengal was held up in the N.B.U Siliguri Campus on 22.10.2019 at 10:30 a.m. The meeting was conducted in the presence of Hon'ble VC and Registrar of the N.B.U. The main purpose of the meeting was to identify the issues and glitches which are arising in financial, academic and administrative level for their (different Universities and colleges of the North Bengal) smooth operation.



Demand of separate road and entrance instead of common pathway inside the premises of the Jalpaiguri Government Engineering College for communication for these three different institutions comprises NBU-Jalpaiguri campus also.

Meeting related to examination with different examination centres of north Bengal

A meeting was conducted for the ease up the total upcoming examination at regional centre Jalpaiguri with the different examination centres. The Controller-of-Examination and other officials participated in this program.



Tree Plantation Programme: 5th November 2019

About the event

Due to the tremendous increased in the pollution level; a tree plantation programme was organized by the University's stake holders in Regional Campus, Jalpaiguri, on 5th November 2019 at 10:30 am. Tree plantation means planting trees and plants. The purpose of tree plantation is to save the endangered environment and to beautify our life. Trees are valuable gifts of nature. They are known as the best friends of human beings. They benefit us in various ways. As we know that trees are the foremost source for producing oxygen in the environment, they help to reduce the level of CO₂. As the whole world is facing the problem of global warming and another environmental-related issue so as to recover from such a problem planting the trees is become inevitable one of the most important aspects today. The idea behind the tree plantation activity was to propagate the message that

planting the trees helps to maintain clear eco-friendly environment reduces pollution and improves the green ambience. Tree Plantation programme was held in our regional centre maintains the ecological balance. This programme was organised with lot of sincerity and seriousness.

As chief guest Dr. Amitava Roy, Hon'ble Principal of Jalpaiguri Govt. Engineering College, enlightened by sharing his view in 'Inaugural Speech' which will be a great addition to our event. His voice would a critical addition into our programme everyone captivated by the talk. Dr. Roy appreciated our each and every attempt. This programme created a great enthusiasm among all the stake holders of the university. We had planted more than 100 different saplings of different species. At the very end of the programme an oath was taken by us that we must take much care about the saplings and should not cut trees ruthlessly.

Event Highlight

Date: 5th November 2019

Time: 10:30 am to 4:30 pm

Venue: Regional Centre, Jalpaiguri



Aim and Objective

The main objective of this programme is to upgrade and promote, protection, preservation and monitoring of environment in the university campus by following activities are as followed:

- ❖ The target number of saplings that to be planted in the programmed was more than 130 inside the campus.
- ❖ To fixed dustbin made up of environmental friendly locally available bamboo which has been fixed at a regular interval by the preliminary survey.
- ❖ To maintain to conduit atmosphere inside the campus

Event Outcome

Participants were highly energetic to make the event a big success. A spirit of teamwork, exchange of ideas and enthusiasm of the participants especially among the different stakeholders could be seen. All the planted saplings and fenced them and watered the plants.

Sensitization programme on Quality Assurance for academic Administration of Learning Support Centres/Study Centres under jurisdiction of Regional centre Jalpaiguri-3rd December, 2019

A seminar was held on 03/12/2019 at the head office of NSOU on aforesaid subject. The seminar was glorified with the gracious presence of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Directors

of Study Centre, Directors of the different schools in house Professors, higher officials and with coordinators from different study centre/ Learner Support Centre (LCS) under the jurisdiction of RC-Jalpaiguri.



At the end of the seminar the Certificate of participation was distributed to every invitee. Rest of the formalities was done at the end. In simple word the programme was a huge success.

Inspection & Induction Meeting

As per the advice of Hon'ble V.C. and the recommendation of CIQA and Director, Study Centre, NSOU; vide Memo No. 1134, dt. 20/01/2020 and approved by competent authority; Regional Dy. Director, Jalpaiguri RC organized the said Inspection and Induction Meeting given below.

(i) Inspection & Induction Meeting at Siliguri College LSC: 19th January, 2020



Learner's Feedback:

- i) For certain subject, venues of practical classes are far away from the LSC and request to arrange in nearest location.
- ii) More number of counselling sessions is needed.
- iii) SLMs are not received in time.
- iv) Requested to arrange Examination Centres within nearest locations.

(ii) Inspection and Induction meeting at Ananda Chandra College, Jalpaiguri LSC: 22nd January 2020



Learner's Feedback:

- i) More number of counselling sessions is needed.
- ii) Requested to arrange Examination Centres (Theory & Practical) within nearest locations.

(iii) Inspection & Induction Meeting at Cooch Behar College LSC: 15th February, 2020



Learner's Feedback:

- i) For certain subject, venues of practical classes are far away from the LSC and request to arrange in nearest location.
- ii) More number of counselling sessions is needed.
- iii) SLMs are not received in time.
- iv) Requested to arrange Examination Centres within nearest locations.

(iv) Inspection & Induction Meeting at Sukanta Mahavidyalaya LSC: 15th March, 2020



Learner's Feedback:

- i) For certain subject, venues of practical classes are far away from the LSC and request to arrange in nearest location.
- ii) More number of counselling sessions was needed.
- iii) SLMs were not received in time.
- iv) Requested to arrange Examination Centres within nearest locations.

The program was ended with a vote of thanks by the Coordinator and other personnel's. The meet may conclude with new hopes, commitments and aspirations for betterment and advancement between NSOU and LSC.

Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose Birth Anniversary: 23rd January 2020

Subhas Chandra Bose's 122nd birth anniversary is being observed throughout the country on Thursday (January 23). The day is observed to celebrate his unmatched love and patriotism for the country. Also famous as Netaji, Subhas Chandra Bose was a revolutionary freedom fighter who refused to bow down to the British army and rose to incredible powers and fame during those days. He was the first to address Bapu as father of the Nation. Netaji also created the powerful term 'Jai Hind'. His birthday is celebrated by organizing speech as we celebrate his birth anniversary every year in our University campus.



Republic Day Celebration: 26th January 2020

As we know that the Constitution gave citizens of India to choose their government and paved the way for democracy. On 26 January, the first President Dr. Rajendra Prasad took oath at the Durbar Hall in Government House and unfurled the National Flag at the Irwin Stadium. Therefore, since 26 January, 1950, Republic Day is celebrated in India which is one of the most significant days in the history of India as on this day the Indian Constitution came into force. On this auspicious day, India became a Republican unit.



It is the day when monarchy was demolished from the country. On 26th January 1950, India was declared a sovereign, socialist, secular, democratic republic and the Constitution assured the citizens of India justice, equality and liberty.

In the words of Bhagat Singh, "The sanctity of law can be maintained only so as long as it is the expression of the will of the people". When the Constitution came into effect from 26th January 1950, people were assured that could enjoy their 'Fundamental Rights' and had freedom of speech; it was the freedom in real sense as people could express their will and enjoyed equal law.

Personal Contact Program for MSW and BLIS learners: 02nd February 2020.

PCP plays very significant role in the field of Open Distance Learning (ODL). The PCP is organizing to solve distance learning problems. Advancement of new technologies, online tutorials, Personal Contact Programme (PCP) makes distance education more flexible. PCP is organizing for the counselling and guidance of learners.

The personal contact programmes are specially meant for supporting or facilitating the learners and to solve the problems which they face in their self-study. In the Personal Contact Programme (PCP) there is a facility to the learner to interact with the tutor and peer group. They help the learners

Objective

- ❖ To get an opportunity to interact with the tutors and other students.
- ❖ PCP develops confidence among the students and helps him to solve the educational problem.
- ❖ Learner gets aspiration for further studies. It provided additional learning to the learning.
- ❖ Learning programmes help learner in learning.
- ❖ To provide encourage, guidance, reinforcement and feedback to the study.
- ❖ To orient the students about the subject.
- ❖ To impart the knowledge of the subject in a concise form.

- ❖ To develop the insight into the concept of subjects.
- ❖ To develop the understanding of the basic and difficulties concepts or fundamentals of the subjects and help learners to solve the learning problems.
- ❖ To prepare the students for responses.
- ❖ To develop positive attitude and interest in their subjects.
- ❖ To provide suitable opportunities to discuss and seek the clarification of their difficulties.

From 02 February 2020 onwards the PCP programs started in our Regional Centre. However due to unforeseen situation caused by COVID-19 we had postponed as per order from 15.03.2020.

International Women's Day: 8th March 2020

International Women's Day is a day to celebrate the significance of women as well as many of the contributions and achievements of women throughout history. It also is a day for reflection that serves as a call to action for greater gender justice in the world. On this day, women are recognized for their achievements no matter their nationality, race, linguistic, cultural, political or economic status. Celebrated on March 8th in many countries, no one government or organization is singularly responsible for International Women's Day, as the day is recognized as more of a collective effort throughout the world. International Women's Day has been occurring annually for more than a century as a day focused on celebration, unity, reflection, action and advocacy, which differs in emphasis from place to place.



Objectives

- ❖ International Women's Day (IWD) is dedicated to celebrating women's achievements in the social, economic, cultural, and political spheres.
- ❖ The day, collectively founded by women, also brings attention to gender parity and women's rights.

The World Environment Day (WED): 5th June 2020

The World Environment Day (WED) is an annual celebration / campaign which take place simultaneously around the world on June 5th, every year. Focusing on pressing environmental issues, this day has been celebrated since 1974. Basically, the world environment day is organized not only to create awareness but also suggest ways how to improve our mother Earth's health such as by conserving forests, improving sea life etc. In nutshell the World Environment Day celebration helps to build momentum and unite the global community in actions for positive change. This year, the theme is 'Biodiversity.' The themes focus on the need to save resources and reconnect with nature. Due to the ongoing pandemic, over 100 countries followed by the unprecedented natural calamity left behind

caused by cyclone “Amphan” in West Bengal, will virtually commemorate this day. It will include events, seminars and discussions on various topics.



Objectives

- ❖ Promote sound environmental management policies and practices in the work of all Faculties, Departments, and other institutions, and provide safe and healthy environment to the staff and students.
- ❖ Promote environmental awareness and sensitivity among staff and students by sensitizing how their actions can affect the environment.
- ❖ Implement policies and procedures that contribute to a reduction in the University’s carbon footprint.
- ❖ Ensure the compliance with all applicable environmental legislations/regulations.

Goal & Vission of our RC-Jalpaiguri

The Regional centre of an Open University is open to people, places, methods and ideas. We play a unique role in society, making higher education open to all. We promote social justice through the development of knowledge and skills.

Innovative

Learning revolution, placing innovation at the heart of our teaching and research. We continuously seek new and better ways to inspire and enable learning.

Responsive

We respond to the needs of individuals and employers and the communities in which they live and work. We are dedicated to supporting our students’ learning success. We seek to build inspirational relationships and partnerships based on mutual trust, respect and shared goals.

- ❖ Inculcating Social Values
- ❖ Preservation & Promotion of Human resource
- ❖ Employability through Skill Development
- ❖ Expanding learning opportunity through Technology
- ❖ Pursuit Excellence in Open Education