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REPORT FOR STUDENTS' WEEK-2024

Scopes and Opportunities of Social Work in Today's Scenario

organised by Regional Centre, Kalyani Netaji Subhas Open University

Date: 5th Jan, 2024

As per Order vide Memo No.- 303/Admn/83/M&D/PBSSM Dated 19/12/2023 of Higher Education Department, Government of West Bengal; Netaji Subhas Open University as a part of the "OBSERVATION of STUDENTS' WEEK-24" organized program on "SCOPES AND OPPORTUNITIES OF SOCIAL WORK IN TODAY'S SCENARIO" in collaboration with Dept of Social Work, SPS on 05th January, 2024 (Friday) over Zoom platform at Regional Centre, Kalyani.

EVENT HIGHLIGHT:

Title of the event: SCOPES AND OPPORTUNITIES OF SOCIAL WORK IN TODAY'S SCENARIO

Organized By: Netaji Subhas Open University, Regional Centre, Kalyani

Venue: Join Zoom Meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87899186961>

Topic: Scopes and Opportunities of Social Work in Today's Scenario

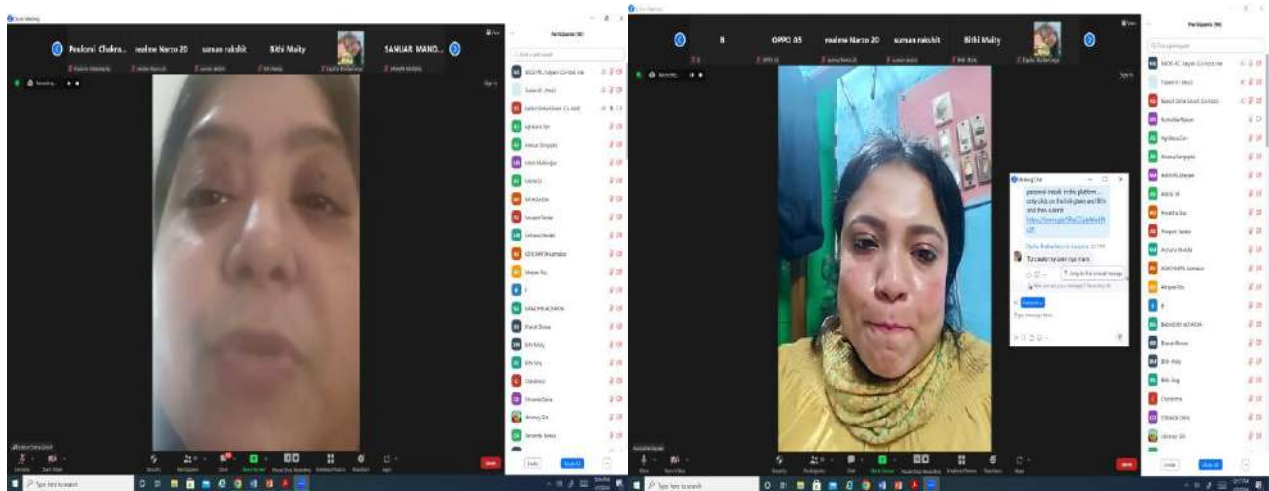
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Participant: Students 150 in number approx.

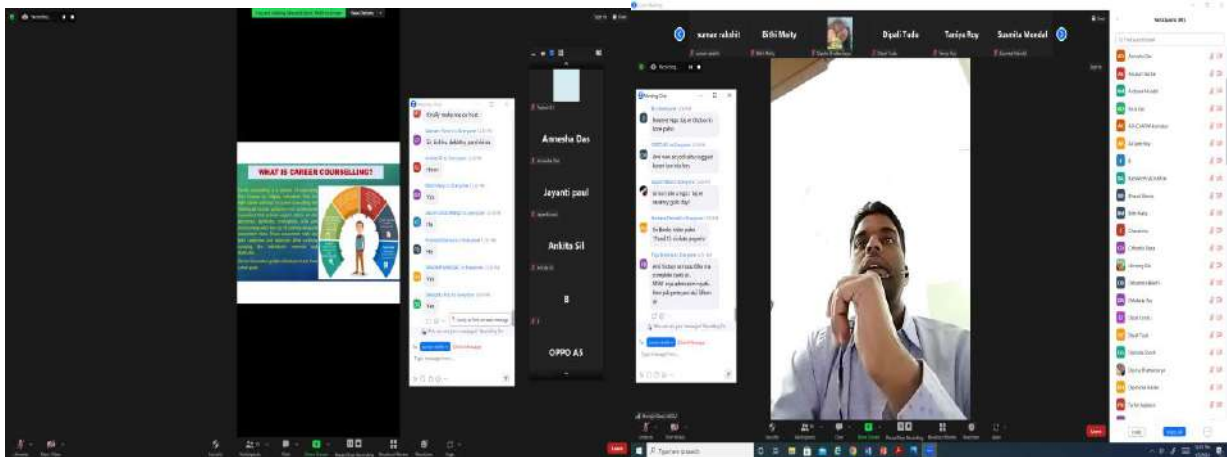
MEMBER PRESENT:

- Dr. Premananda Jana, Director, R.C, Kalyani
- Shri J. P Chowdhary, Asst. Director, R.C, Kalyani
- Dr. Kasturi Sinha Ghosh, Asst. Professor
- Shri Monojit Garai, Asst. Professor
- Shri Biswajit Chowdhury
- Shri Surajit Chada
- Shri Ramesh Bansfore
- Shri Saral Biswas

Dr Premananda Jana the Regional Director of Kalyani Centre, invited Ms. Kasturi Sinha Ghosh to deliver her speech. Ms. Kasturi Sinha Ghosh, extended her warm wishes to the students and expressed that she was delighted to have been given the opportunity to interact with the participants. To begin with Ms. Sinha Ghosh said that Social Work has undergone a lot of transformation, and what we see Social Work now is much more professional in nature. The idea of helping people was always there in past, all the religion teaches its followers to be kind to others, and offer help to the needy people. So Social Work was in the form of "Charity". However, with the change in the societal system, there was a gradual shift in the concept of Social Work. Though Social Work as a profession emerged first in western countries, but today it is a very essential profession for each and every society. In Indian context Social Work Profession became prominent only after the establishment of Tata Graduate School of Social Work by the Sir Dorabji in 1936. Though there were several Social Reform Movements which took place during the British Era, and slowly the people started realizing that they are being exploited by the powerful and the powerless thus started vouching for their Rights. It was only after India got its freedom and Constitution was framed, the citizens irrespective of their cast, religion, Sex, became aware of their rights and the Government became responsible for ensuring them There was a tremendous need for welfare of the weaker section of the society for which a force of dedicated personnel were required. Thus, Social work profession came into being, with a problem-solving approach. However, with the shift in the paradigm of helping process, there was a need to include the strength based as well as Right Based approach. Keeping this in mind the profession of Social Work was gained its popularity as its scope got widened.



Dr Monojit Garai the next speaker highlighted the various scopes for Social Work Education. He shared that after obtaining Social Work degree a student may go for higher education, like PHD & even Post Doctoral degrees. They can appear for NET if they desire to be in the teaching profession. They may even join as development Professionals both in NGO and Government sectors. He also mentioned some of the websites from where the learners may get information about the jobs and other related matter.



The programme came to an end after a very effective interactive session.

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