



**Report on Workshop on Technical Writing, 11<sup>th</sup> April 2019.**

A workshop was organized by the School of Humanities, NSOU, in collaboration with Department of Basic Science and Humanities, Camellia Institute of Technology at the Institute premises on 11<sup>th</sup> April 2019. The workshop was on Technical Writing for the B. Tech first year and second year students. Thirty-five Engineering students were present for the workshop.

The workshop was attended by the Head of the Department of Basic Sciences and Humanities, Professor Biswajit Singha Roy, the TIC of Mechanical Engineering Department, Professor S Dey, and four other distinguished faculties of the Institute. Professor Dey inaugurated the Workshop. The workshop was conducted by Sumana Bandyopadhyay, began at 2.30 pm. Beginning with a presentation on technical writing, it was followed by six activities, a writing quiz game and a mind-mapping activity.

The activities were based on writing scientific discourse and analysing scientific reports. This appeared to be bit toiling for the learners, since they had to go for pre-reading before the main activity. The writing quiz game and mind-mapping activity was built on softwares on e-Content Development (e-Content Development and Online Facilitation for Teachers, NSOU-SVS 2017). The quiz activity generated active participation, competition, excitement and zealously amongst the learners and only this game activity received maximum positive feedback from them. The mind-mapping activity was on writing in Media for the education systems in India and it was composed in a Free Mind software, a free mind mapping application written in Java. This was used to facilitate the planning stages of Technical Writing. This activity also encountered lively classroom interaction and eagerness.

The program was conducted by Ms Promiti Dutta Choudhury, Assistant Professor English. The workshop ended at 4.30 pm with a vote of thanks.