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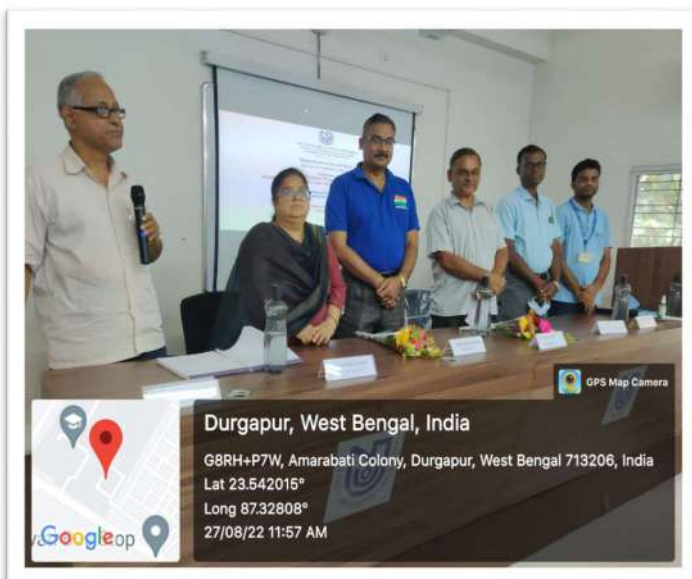
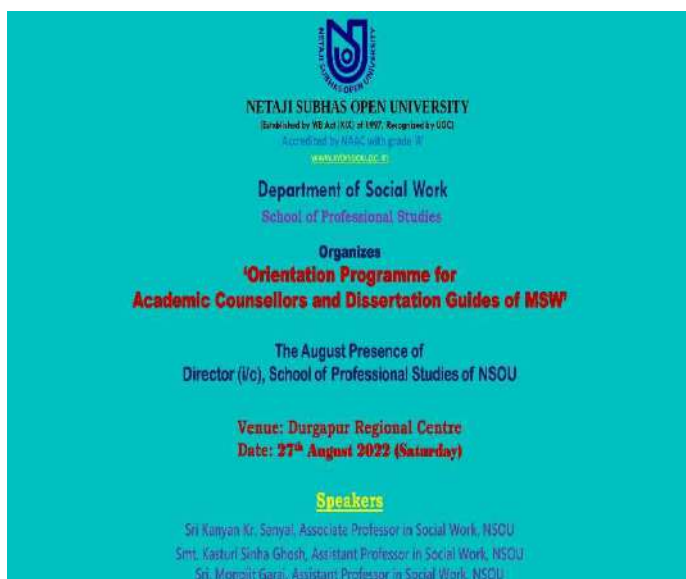
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Report on "Orientation Programme (OP) for Academic Counsellors and Dissertation Guides of MSW"

Venue: Durgapur Regional Centre, NSOU

Date: 27th June, 2022, Time: 10:30 AM to 2:00



The Department of Social Work under the aegis of School of Professional Studies (SPS), Netaji Subhas Open University (NSOU) conducted its third Orientation Programme (OP) for Academic Counsellors and Dissertation Guides of MSW in Durgapur Regional Centre of NSOU on **27.08.2022 from 10:30 AM onwards**. Before this, similar programme had already been conducted in Jalpaiguri RC and Kalyani RC. This event was attended by 30 participants from the districts of **Paschim Burdwan, Purba Burdwan, Birbhum, Bankura, Purulia, Purba Medinipur, Paschim Medinipur** and **Kolkata**. The main objective of the programme was to give a brief orientation to the Academic Counsellors about how to provide academic support to the learners of Social Work Department, and guiding them in conducting their research activities and developing a dissertation report. Along with this detailed orientation was given to the participants who are particularly new to the ODL system and are included as the Academic Counsellor and Dissertation Supervisor/Guide.

On behalf of the University, the Director (i/c), School of Professional Studies, **Prof Anirban Ghosh**, the faculty members of Social Work Department of School of Professional Studies namely **Sri Kalyan Kr. Sanyal**, Associate Professor of Social Work, **Smt. Kasturi Sinha Ghosh**, Assistant Professor of Social Work and **Mr. Monojit Garai**, Assistant Professor of Social Work, **Shri Prasenjit Bhattacharyya**, Dy. Director of Durgapur RC and **Dr. Madhushri Upadhyay**, **Deputy Librarian, NSOU** were present in the programme. **Dr. Sukumar Pal**, Assistant Professor of Social Work, Visva-Bharati was invited as the Guest Speaker to share his valuable experiences and knowledge in this program.

Inaugural Session-

Shri Prasanjit Bhattacharya the Deputy Director of Durgapur Regional Centre in his inaugural speech extended a warm welcome to the esteemed participants. He said that the **Netaji Subhas Open University (NSOU) has been accredited with grade "A" by NAAC**. Now it is our responsibility to maintain the glory of the university and standard of teaching and for this the University has to depend much on the contribution of Academic Counsellors.

Dr. Sukumar Pal Assistant Professor in Social Work, Visva-Bharati was invited to the podium to share his valuable experiences and ideas with the participants. Dr. S. Pal expressed that he was very pleased to be a part of the programme. Dr. Pal became nostalgic and said that he has been associated as an Academic Counsellor with this university for a very long time. He is also actively involved in other teaching learning process. He also said that the Department of Social work of NSOU has undergone lot of changes since the past 15 to 17 years. He opined that much of the responsibility lies with the Academic Counsellors as they are the mentors of the learners. He further shared that we always supervise and monitor the progress of our learners and help them to choose the right path. He emphasized on the fact that the learners must be guided properly so that they may carry out their dissertation activities with lot of sincerity. They must be taught to conduct the dissertation by following the right process and further he emphasized that referencing and citation is very important and our learners must be guided in this regard as this will help them to avoid any kind of plagiarism.

Shri Kalyani Kumar Sanyal, Associate Professor of Social Work was then invited to share his views, he said that the Academic counsellors must take effort to make the sessions interesting and adopt effective teaching learning methodologies. He requested the participants to understand the aptitude and level of understanding of our learners and accordingly plan the dissertation activities with them.

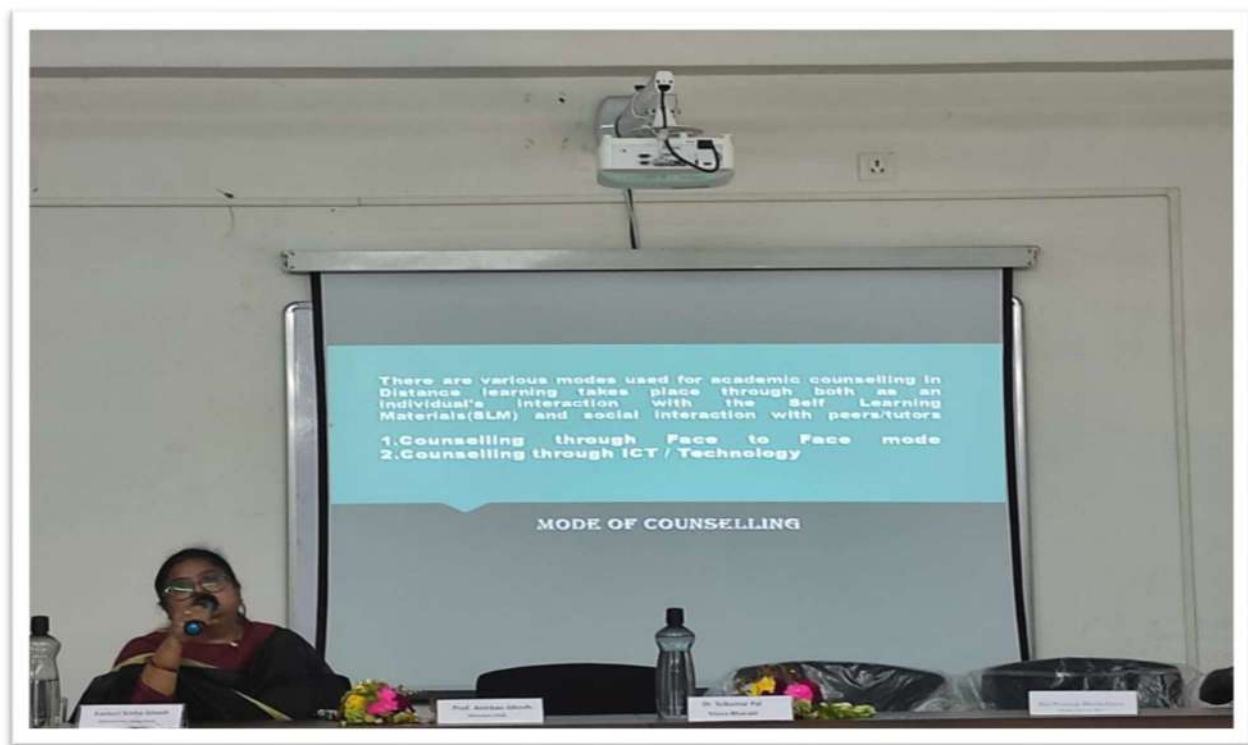
Professor Anirban Ghosh, Director (i/c), SPS NSOU, in his keynote address said that the Academic Counsellors are the pillar of strength of our University. The University completely relies on them with lot of hope. He then briefed the participants about the basic formalities which is to be followed while acting as a supervisor like the number of learners to be guided on the issues related to the remuneration etc. He assured that the participants may feel free to speak to the faculties of social work in case of any confusion.

Technical Sessions

Technical Session-I-

The first Technical Session was conducted by **Kasturi Sinha Ghosh, Asst. Prof in Social Work NSOU**. Mrs. Kasturi Sinha Ghosh, at the outset expressed her gratitude to the participants for their constant support and endeavor that they had been extending to the department. Smt. Ghosh then said that dissertation is an important curriculum for MSW course. Therefore, it is a compulsory paper for PGSW programme. She gave a complete overview of the new syllabus with the breakup of the marks and credit distribution. While talking about the dissertation, she tried to highlight the mistakes that the learners usually commit while

framing objectives and developing their methodologies. She advised the supervisor to adopt the blended learning mode for imparting their guidance. She further requested the supervisor to check all the relevant points that is expected to be in a dissertation report along with the other document like the workshop e-certificate before giving their certificate and signature to the learners. At last she said that the university website may be browsed or followed from time to time for getting all the academic information.



Technical Session-II-

Mr. Monojit Garai, Asst. Prof in Social Work NSOU, in his session elaborately gave a presentation of the guidelines for carrying out the dissertation. He said that since everyone in the august gathering are quite competent and have expertise in their field and they are all very well versed in the area of Research, yet to maintain a uniformity the department has developed a guideline which is also uploaded in the university website. The guideline may be referred whenever needed. Mr. Monojit Garai shared a sample copy of the front page or cover page of dissertation report. He also updated the supervisors about the procedure for placing their remuneration bill before the examination department.

Dr. Madhushri Upadhyay, Deputy Librarian, NSOU who was also present in the Durgapur Regional Centre gave a very informative presentation about the Library Resources of NSOU like E-resources and E-repositories under the provision of the University, and how it may be utilized by our learners as well as Academic Counsellors for academic purpose.

After this, a discussion and feedback session was conducted to understand their views, opinions, observations and suggestions to make the teaching learning process more fruitful and meaningful. Lastly the event was ended up with the valedictory session and group photo.

Finally the programme came to an end after the distribution of certificates to the participants.

Details of Participants attended the "Orientation Programme (OP) for Academic Counsellors and Dissertation Guides of MSW"

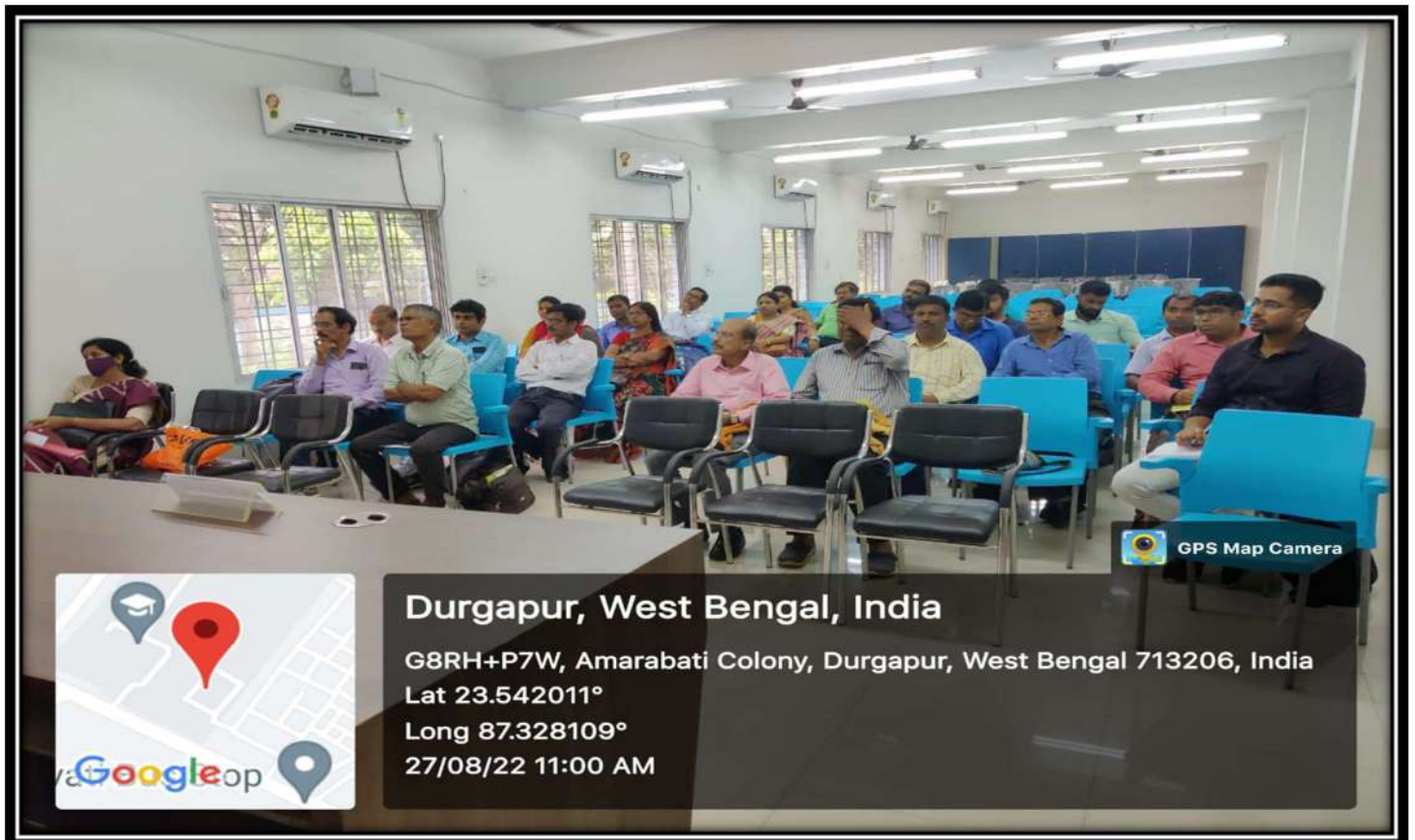
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SI No.	FULL NAME OF THE PARTICIPANT	DESIGNATION / PROFESSION	AFFILIATION (COLLEGE / UNIVERSITY / INSTITUTE / ORGANIZATION)	SUBJECT TAUGHT / SPECIALIZATION
1	SANTANU KUNDU	Academic Counsellor	Visva Bharati	Social Work
2	SUBRATA DAS	Academic Counsellor	Mrinalini Devi College of Nursing	Sociology
3	DR SACHCHIDANANDA ROY	Assistant Professor	Bankura Christian College	Political science and Sociology
4	DR. TANUKA ROY SINHA	Assistant Professor	Bankura University, WB	Social Work
5	DR. SUKUMAR PAL	Assistant Professor	Department of Social Work, Visva-Bharati	Social Work
6	DR.SUBHRAJIT CHATTERJEE	Assistant Professor	Kashipur Michael Madhusudan Mahavidyalaya	Sociology
7	DR. KAMALA KANTA SHOW	Academic Counselor of IGNOU and Faculty of Sonamukhi College	IGNOU	Social Work
8	DR. DEBJANI CHAKRABORTY (SOM)	Assistant Professor	KAZI Nazrul University	Sociology and social work
9	SOHAM HAZRA	Academic Counsellor (MSW)	Visva-Bharati	Case work , group work and community organization
10	DR. PIJUS KANTI BHUIN	Asst. Professor	Bhatter College, Dantan	Social Work
11	GARGI SAHA	Academic Counsellor	Visva-Bharati University	Social Work
12	SUDHIN KUMAR SAHA	Counsellor, Bolpur BPHC / Development Professional	Department of Health and Family Welfare Samity, Government of West Bengal	Medical Psychiatric Social Work
13	SAPTAM BHATTACHARYA	Development Professional	Disha Counselling Centre, Bolpur, Birbhum, West Bengal	Medical Psychiatric Social Work
14	DR. SOURAV MANNA	PRINCIPAL	Kharagpur Tribal Teacher Training College	ENGLISH & EDUCATION
15	SWAPAN MISHRA	Academic Counsellor NSOU	NSOU	Social Work
16	DR. SAGARIKA SAHA	Assistant Professor	AMIK, Durgapur	Social work
17	PRIYADHAN DE	Senior Executive CSR	ANMOL Industries	Social Work
18	AKASH KUMAR GANGULY	Development Professional	Child Rights and You	Social Work
19	DR. RUPA SALUI KARMAKAR	Academic Counsellor	Netaji Subhas Open University	Social Work

20	DR. NITYANANDA ROY	Academic Counsellor NSOU	NSOU	Social Work
21	TAPAS KUMAR MAKAR	City Mission Manager	Burdwan Municipality	Urban Sociology
22	DR.SOUMEN ROY	Associate Professor in Political Science	SIDHO KANHO BIRSHA UNIVERSITY, PURULIA, W.B.	Political Science
23	DEB KUMAR KAR	Retd. Senior Field Organisor,(Faculty), Visva- Bharati	Visva-Bharati, Social Work Department, Sriniketan.	Rural Development, Student Placement, Field Supervision
24	KRISHNENDU SHAW	Development Professional	Visva bharati university	URBAN AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT
25	NITAI TUDU	Asst. Professor	Mahishadal Girl's College	Social Work
26	SUDHAKAR GHOSH	Academic Counsellor NSOU	Director , JSS	Social Work
27	DR. SHAMAL KANATI CHOUDHURY	Academic Counsellor NSOU	Kanyashree University	Social Work
28	DR. ABHISHEK MITRA	Assistant Professor	Bankura Christian College	Political Science and Sociology
29	MR. CHAND ADHIKARY	SACT-I	SDDK Mahavidyalay	Political Science and Public Administration
30	MANASI ROY	SACT-I	Chandanpur College	Political Science and Modern India

Some Glimpses of Orientation Programme for Academic Counsellors and Dissertation Guides of MSW in Durgapur RC, NSOU





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