

Programme Report

One Day workshop on “A Capacity Building Approach to Laboratory Based Programmes in ODL Mode”

Organised by

School of Sciences, Netaji Subhas Open University

Date: 26th September, 2022

Venue: Board Room, NSOU Head Quarters, DD-26, Salt Lake, Kol-64

Virtual platform: ZOOM

Introduction of the Programme:

Laboratory practical is the integral part of Undergraduate programme under School of Sciences. Laboratory Counselling cum Evaluation Programme (LCES-22) involving large number of learners and Principals, Centre Coordinators and subject experts from different study centres especially in the ODL context are very challenging. To run this programme smoothly School of Sciences organised a one-day workshop, which was held on 26th September, 2022 (1:30 PM – 4:00 PM) at the Board room at Head Quarters of the University in hybrid Mode. M/S School Guru was taken major technical responsibilities for the workshop.

Objectives of the Programme:

Main objectives of this programme were -

- to orient personals from the study centres about the modalities about the Laboratory Counselling and Evaluation Session-2022 for undergraduate science students.
- to exchange the ideas, information to maintain the quality of the practical programme with the officials and academic persons of different study centres which were selected as the exam centre for this year.
- to meet up various queries regarding the LCES-2022 arises from the Principals, Centre Coordinators and counsellors of study centres.

Organising Committee

Chief Patron: Professor Ranjan Chakrabarti, Hon'ble Vice- Chancellor, NSOU

Chairperson: Professor Kajal De, Director, School of Sciences, NSOU

Convenor: Dr. Sintu Ganai, Assistant Professor of Chemistry

Organising Secretary:

Mr. Mrinal Nath, Assistant Professor of Computer Science

Dr. Puspall Mukherjee, Assistant Professor of Chemistry

Members:

Dr. Bibhas Guha, Associate Professor of Zoology

Dr. Gaul Amin, Associate Professor of Physics

Dr. Sanjay Roy, Associate Professor of Chemistry

Dr. Anirban Ghosh, Associate Professor of Zoology

Smt. Tinki Kar Bhattacharya, Assistant Professor of Geography

Mr. Sandip Das, Assistant Professor of Botany

Mr. Ashif Ahamed, Assistant Professor of Zoology

Mr. Niladri Sekhar Mondal, Assistant Professor of Environmental Science

Mr. Chandan Kumar Mondal, Assistant Professor of Mathematics, NSOU

Dr. Ushnish Sarkar, Assistant Professor of Mathematics, NSOU

Participants: Total 54 participants including Principals, Centre Coordinators and counsellors of study centres attended the programme through hybrid mode.

Details of the Programme:

The programme started at 1:00 p.m. in the board room of the NSOU headquarters, and all the University officials, internal faculties, staff of School of Sciences were present physically at the said venue and Principals, Centre Coordinators and counsellors of study centres joined through the virtual link on ZOOM. The entire programme was hosted by Dr. Sintu Ganai, convenor of the programme.

At the beginning Prof. Kajal De, Director, School of Sciences, NSOU introduced all the internal members present in the programme with the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, NSOU.

Prof. Kajal De, Director, School of Sciences, NSOU welcomed all the participants in her address. Prof. De also explained the importance and need for organising this programme. She

also mentioned it is a path breaking venture to offer the Laboratory Counselling and Evaluation Session (LCES) – 2022 for undergraduate science students in ODL mode. She also mentioned the minimum qualification required to be a counsellor in the LCES programme and clarified that SACT-II does not meet the required qualification for counsellor.

The Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Ranjan Chakrabarti, delivered his presidential address. In his speech, he very beautifully focused on the importance of Laboratory Counselling and Evaluation Session (LCES) -2022. He also discussed the role of the University and future directives to spread the knowledge. He further mentioned to maintain transparency in the evaluation process during the laboratory programme and encouraged the study centres to overcome the challenges in collaboration with the respective NSOU authorities.

Dr. A. B. Aich, Director Study centre & Registrar (Acting), discussed the various modalities of the examination centres to maintain the standard of the programme.

Smt. Nilanjana Chatterjee, Assistant Director Study centre, discussed in details about the financial aspects regarding the LCES programme.

Smt. Rokeya Ray, Controller of Examinations, NSOU nicely addressed different aspects regarding the examination process for LCES programme.

Dr. Sintu Ganai convener of the programme gave a brief discussion on how the LCES programme will be carried out like previous year and explained the common queries about the programme.

Mr. Mrinal Nath, one of the Organising Secretary discussed the process and different components of allotments of students to exam centres for Laboratory Counselling and Evaluation Session (LCES).

One faculty from each subject starting with Dr. Bibhas Guha from Zoology then Dr. Sanjay Roy from Chemistry then Dr. Gahul Amin from Physics then Smt. Tinki Kar Bhattacharya from Geography and finally Mr. Sandip Das from Botany gave their short lecture with important views and suggestions in respective subjects to run the programme smoothly.

Principals, Centre Coordinators and counsellors from different study centres actively participated in the technical session and expressed their views about the programme.

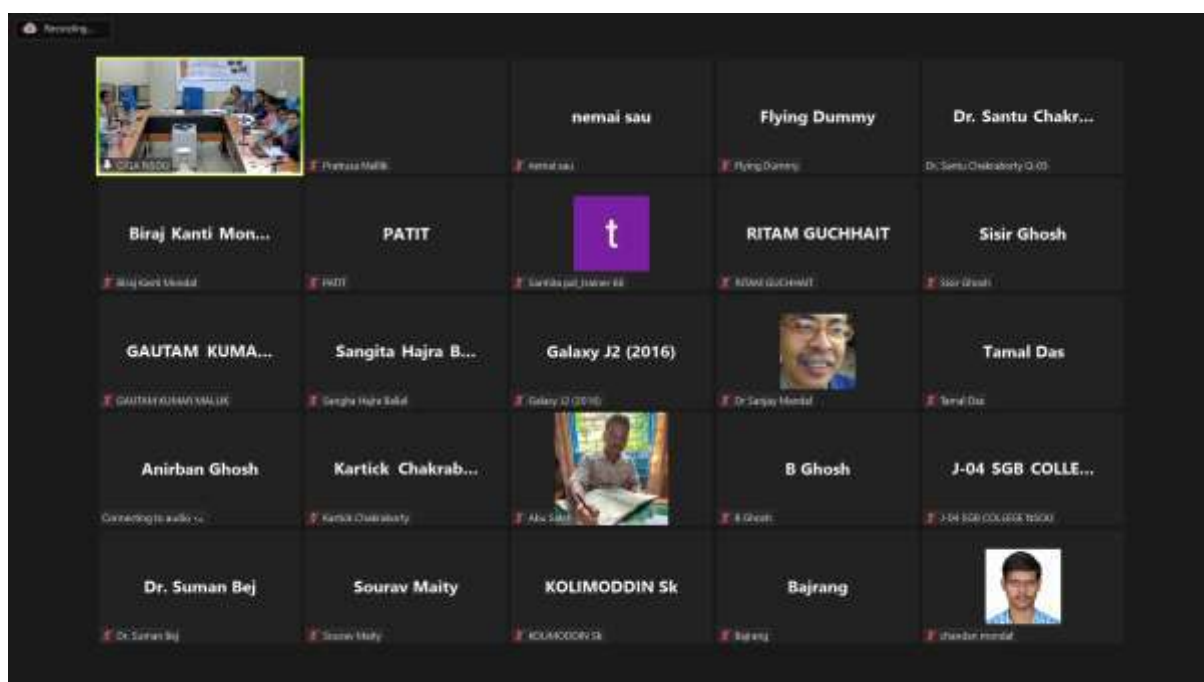
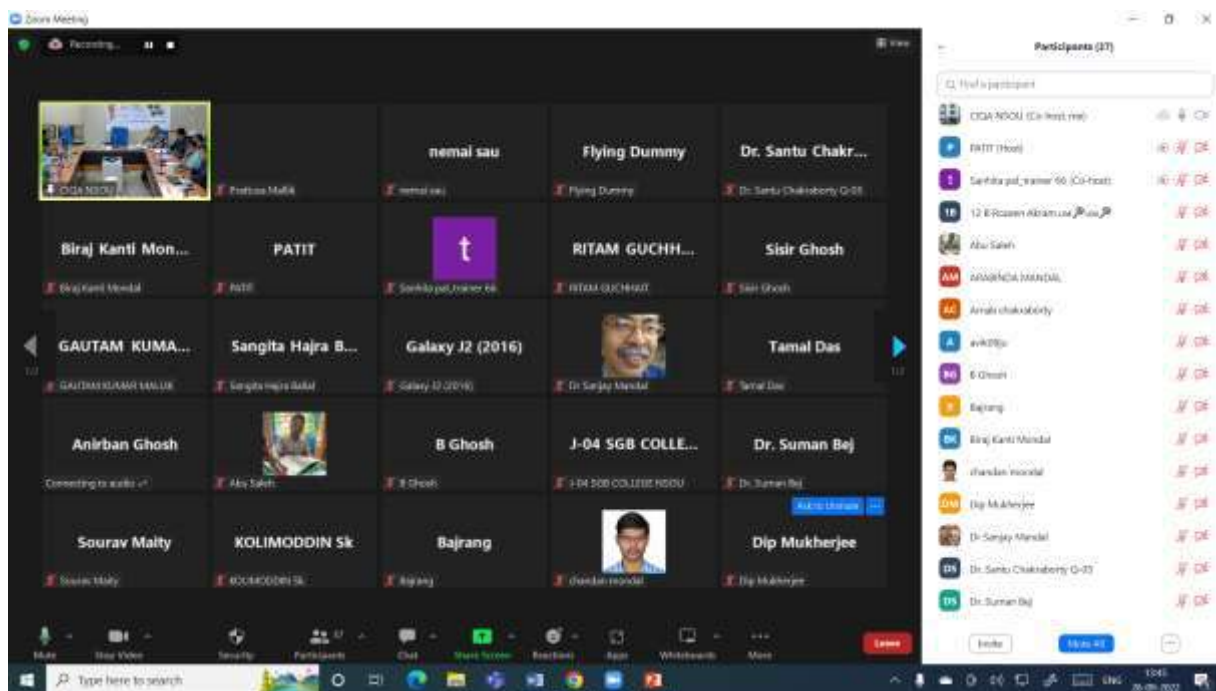
Coordinator, Raja N. L. Khan College Study centre (B-03) requested to revise the financial rate chart in the coming year. Most of the participants are very much satisfied with answers given during the technical session. The faculties present helped them in clearing their doubts.

Dr. Puspal Mukherjee, one of the Organising Secretary, proposed the formal vote of thanks.

Finally, Dr. Sintu Ganai announced the closer of the session with a request to the participants to fill the feedback forms. The programme ended with thanks at 4:00 pm.

Glimpse of the programme:





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