NEP Teachers' Training Programme I

Proceedings of the First Training Programme on "Roadmap to NEP Implementation" held on 14th Dec 2021 at Shyam Lal College, Delhi

The first Training Programme on "Roadmap to NEP (National Education Policy) Implementation", was held under the aegis of Vidya Bharati Uchcha Shiksha Sansthan in collaboration with Policy Centre and Gender Lab of Miranda House, NEP Task Force, Shyam Lal College and Jawaharlal Nehru University on 14th December 2021 from 10.00 am onwards in the Board Room, SLC. Around 40 teachers of SLC along with four resource persons deliberated upon several crucial topics concerning higher education vis-a-vis curriculum. Prof. B.V Ramana Reddy, IP University, Prof. Bijaylaxmi Nanda, Principal Miranda House (Offic), Prof. Hina Nandrajog, Vivekananda College (Offic), Prof. Vipin Aggarwal, Principal Aurobindo College (M) (Offic) presided over this training programme, which was first in the series of three such programmes to be held for Social Sciences, Commerce & Economics and Sciences..

The Training programme had three sessions and a valedictory session in which Session I (10 am – 11.30 am) dealt with "Vision of NEP 2020: The Road Ahead; Session II (12 noon – 1.30 pm) dealt with "Implementing NEP 2020 in Higher Education Institutions" and Session III (2.30 pm – 4 pm) was "Open House and Discussion". The programme was inaugurated by ceremonial lamp lighting and the welcome note by Prof. Rabi Narayan Kar, Principal SLC. While welcoming the participants, Prof. Kar apprised all about the academic and student related initiatives taken by SLC which are in tune with NEP 2020.

Resource Persons for Session I were: Prof. B.V Ramana Reddy, IP University, Prof. Bijaylaxmi Nanda, Principal Miranda House (Offic). Both the resource persons talked in detail about the importance of understanding the vision of NEP and preparing a roadmap for its implementation. Prof. Reddy highlighted the role of colleges in modernizing the education system in India. Prof. Bijaylaxmi emphasised the need to hold such workshops beyond the respective colleges/universities and break the territorial boundaries so that the issues could be deliberated on wider platforms so that the fragility of the regulatory policies could be tested and experiential learning shared to derive feedback from the stakeholders.

In Session II Prof. Hina Nandrajog, Vivekananda College (Offic), Prof. Vipin Aggarwal, Principal Aurobindo College (M) (Offic) talked about the preparedness of their respective institutions about implementing NEP from academic session 2022-23. They stressed on the need to formulate syllabus/curriculum by involving concerned departments, industry veterans and other stakeholders so that its relevance is attuned for all. While discussing curriculum framework and multi-disciplinary approach, they stressed on training the trainers.

In the post lunch Open House and Discussion session, the participants put forward their views on present curriculum and the changes that need to be made in social sciences syllabuses. It was a very fruitful discussion that brought out various good suggestions from the teachers. This session also comprised of a 30 minutes exercise in which each participant was given a format to write down their suggestions about the redesigning of syllabus in light of NEP 2020. The NEP Task Force members later compiled these suggestions and made a detailed analysis which was later shared with the participants and collaborators.

The Valedictory session summarized the proceedings of the programme and the day concluded with vote of thanks to the resource persons, participants and organizers.