One day National Webinar on "Financial Literacy for Women in Times of Covid-19" on 8th June, 2020

The UBA, SLC and IQAC organized a National Webinar on "Financial Literacy for Women in Times of Covid-19" on 8th June, 2020 with Ms. Jayashree Vyas, MD. SEWA Bank and Prof. K.B Das, Pro-Vice Chancellor, IGNOU as the Resource Persons who talked about finance opportunities for women in rural and semi-urban areas for their progress and development. The webinar was attended by 150 delegates from different academic institutions of the country. The webinar began with introduction of the theme given by Dr. Kusha Tiwari, Convenor IQAC and project investigator of UBA, SLC. Dr. Tiwari talked about the role of women in micro and macro economic setups as they form an integral part of not only the social functioning but also the economic functioning in the country. After the introduction, Prof. Rabi Narayan Kar, Principal SLC gave the welcome address and talked about the contribution of SEWA in helping rural and semi-urban women become financially independent. With this background, Ms Jayashree Vyas began discussion around financial literacy for women and talked about the initiatives that SEWAS has taken in the direction. She said that female labour force is an important segment of the informal economy of the country and they continue to struggle for protection and rights. In this direction, SEWA works to help women with opportunities that can make them self-reliant and independent. She further added that Covid-19 pandemic and subsequent lockdowns have impacted the lives of rural and semi-urban women drastically as they have lost their savings as well as income. This decline in financial independence has not only impacted economic security but has also affected women's ability to influence decisions at the individual, household and community levels. This is where SEWA steps in and helps women by directing them and providing them with financial help in starting

and restarting their work. SEWA has always helped educate women about money management and financial literacy through educative programmes and workshops. Ms. Vyas concluded by assuring that SEWA would be glad to help SLC with its UBA project in assisting the college design financial literacy programmes to be conducted in the villages adopted by the college under UBA. The discussion was further taken up by Prof. K.B Das who talked about how Covid-19 pandemic has created additional challenges for low-income families. Risk for women in microenterprises and in the informal sector has increased exponentially during the pandemic as income generation has been impacted by lockdowns. He also talked about the role that organizations like SEWA can play in help women in these desperate times. The discussion was followed by a very lively interaction with the participants who eagerly asked questions and discussed further on the topic. The webinar ended with a vote of thanks to the resource persons and the participants for a very lively discussion.



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