

Report on newly appointed Coordinators Orientation Meeting held on 25th May 2015 at Regional Centre, Vijayawada between 10:00 AM and 05:30 PM in the Conference room of RC, Vijayawada.

Participants:

1. Dr. B.Rajagopal, RD
2. Dr. D.R.Sharma, DD
3. Dr.S.Fiayaz Ahmed, DD,
4. Dr. B.Prasad Babu, ARD
5. Dr.P.Bhaskarudu, Coordinator, (33029)
6. Sh.M. Vishnu Prakash, Coordinator, (33031)
7. Dr.A.J. Pratapa Reddy, Coordinator, (33033)
8. Sh. M.V.Rao, I/c Principal, KV-1, Vijayawada
9. Sh. Md. Sharieff, SO
10. Sh. VV. Krishna Rao, SO
11. Sh.R.Gopala Rao, EA.

The Regional Centre has arranged Orientation meeting for the newly appointed Coordinators/PICs after getting approval from the RSD vide e-mail dated 16th May 2015. Out of four Coordinators, who have given their consent, the Coordinators of 33029, 33031 and 33033 have attended the Programme and Sh. V.Satish Kumar, newly appointed coordinator of 33032 has not attended due to sun stroke and admitted in the hospital.

Coordinators Orientation meeting started as per the schedule on 25th May 2015 and Dr. D.R.Sharma, Deputy Director welcomed all the participants. All the participants introduced themselves.

Dr. B.Rajagopal, Regional Director interacted with all the participants and enquired about their experience with IGNOU and their host institution. He expressed his happiness to Coordinators for their participation in the meeting. He spoke about the establishment of IGNOU, its initial stage and growth during the journey of 30 years, development of self instructional materials, its quality services, Excellency Awards received by IGNOU, Various Schools of IGNOU and their programmes, strategies of IGNOU in reaching the unreached, different types of LSCs, Present status of IGNOU etc., Further, he briefed about Growth and Development of Distance Education also. Dr. B.Rajagopal requested the Coordinators to activate more number of programmes as per the local need at their LSCs so that the enrolment number can be enhanced in the coming sessions.

Dr. D.R.Sharma, Deputy Director talked about Academic Counselling and its importance in Distance Education and Dr. S.Fiayaz Ahmed explained the difference between Academic Counselling and regular teaching. During the session, participants also interacted and shared their views.

Dr. B.Prasad Babu, Assistant Regional Director, (i/C SRC Tirupati) explained the student support services that are being offered at Regional Centre and LSCs in the region.

Dr. B.Rajagopal, Regional Director discussed the importance of assignments in Distance Education from the learner point of view and requested to take utmost care in dealing the assignments and its grades/marks. Later Dr. D.R.Sharma, Deputy Director explained elaborately handling of assignments at LSCs and the difficulties faced by the students and LSCs in general and RC in particular.

Mr. Md. Sharieff, Section Officer and Mr. Gopal Rao, Executive Assistant spoke on the issue related to Administrative activities and how to maintain various registers, files, etc.,

Dr. B.Rajagopal, Regional Director and Mr. VV Krishna Rao, Section Officer briefly explained matters pertaining to Finance and Accounts, processing of bills, sale of prospectus and remittances, etc.,

Regional Director has obtained the feedback from the Coordinators and they told that they got the clarity on their role and responsibilities as Coordinators. Further, felt that they are getting very good support from the RC, Vijayawada in all the aspects and expressed their happiness for the conduct of orientation for the Coordinators.

Dr. B.Rajagopal said that it was his pleasure and felt very happy about the feedback. The meeting ended with formal vote of thanks by Dr. S.Fiayaz Ahmed, Deputy Director.

The report submitted for kind consideration and record purpose.

B.Rajagopal
Regional Director