



Seven Days Workshop on MOOCs concluded in CUJ: (3-9 Jan, 2020)

Seven Days Workshop for Professional Development Workshop on Design, Develop & Deliver MOOCs has been organized by School of Education, Central University of Jammu under Pandit Madan Mohan Malviya National Mission on Teachers and Teaching from 3rd of January reached at its final milestone today. The valedictory session of the workshop was graced by honorable Vice Chancellor Prof. Ashok Aima, Central University of Jammu.

In his valedictory address, Prof. Ashok Aima, VC, Central University of Jammu, gave his appreciation to all the participants who participated in this workshop enthusiastically with a dedication to learn. He also called upon the participants to do practical application of the learning experiences of the workshop in their real teaching learning interactions in the classroom. He also acknowledged the organizer of the workshop for taking this initiative for developing technology mediated environment in the classroom. He also stressed on bi-directional relation between education and technology so that students have a curiosity to learn in the classroom. He also explained that there is a global demand to make this era as a collaborative effort for making better ecosystem of learning. Prof. Aima also elaborated that we should make our education system knowledge oriented and make our classroom as theater of learning which is available for the students 24*7. He also highlighted that Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs) are gaining attraction all over the world to provide unlimited participation and open access to quality education via web. The MOOCs is considered on the one hand as a panacea for education and on the other as a defilement of the sanctity of the higher education tradition. So, as per current demand, he said this workshop played a very significant role to add on technology awareness and practices involvement in teaching. He also congratulated the organizer Dr. J.N. Baliya, center coordinator, HOD, Department of Educational Studies of the workshop for taking this initiative for developing technology mediated environment in the classroom. This workshop was attended by about 40 participants including teachers, Heads from various colleges and research scholars, who were being witness of lecture cum hands on practice by eminent experts from different states of the country in their respective field of expertise namely Prof. K. Srinivas, Prof. Pradeep Mishra, Dr. Deepak, Dr. Chanda, Dr. Gourav, Dr. Ashok and Dr. Prajapat. This central objective of this workshop is actually a Group Work and hands on Outcome based. During this workshop, interdisciplinary groups of the participant were formed so that individual will completely learn and practice the MOOCs Ecosystem in a collaborative and cooperative manner. Each day in the workshop comprised of four sessions (90 minutes each) and the resource persons are advised to use these 90 minutes for Lecture, Discussion, Demonstration and Hands on Practice. In these seven days, the participants have generated a wealth of knowledge about how to design the MOOCs courses by using OERs (Open Educational Resources), C-Map, etc. and also acquaints the participants how to develop and deliver the MOOCs courses through MOODLE, Google sites, blackboard, Gnomio etc. so that effective and qualitative courses in MOOCs has to be emerged in upcoming times. At last the participants, gave their inputs and share their experience in the workshop. They also presented their future plans so that the knowledge gained from the workshops has to be implemented in their real classroom teaching. The vote of thanks was proposed by Dr. Ritu Bakshi. The faculty members of the Department of Educational Studies who attended the programme including Dr. Ritu Bakshi, Dr. Kiran, Dr. Aman, Dr. Asit Mantry and Dr. Ravi Vanguri.