

WORKSHOP ON ACADEMIC AND ADMINISTRATIVE ASPECTS OF OPEN UNIVERSITIES FOR THE TEAM MEMBERS OF Dr BRAOU

7th - 8th February 2023



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Schedule

SCHEDULE FOR THE TEAM MEMBERS OF BRAOU ON 7th- 8th February, 2023

DAY 1: 07th February, 2023

Time	Session	Venue
12:00-01:30 Hours	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Welcome Address by PVC, Prof Uma Kanjilal — Interaction with Director CIQA and staff; — Presentation by Director, CIQA, IGNOU 	Conference Room, CIQA
13:30–14:30 Hours	Lunch Break	Guest House, IGNOU
14:30-15:15 Hours	Discussion on Academic programmes, structure and pattern, fee structure and award of credits <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Presentation by Director, CIQA, IGNOU — Interaction with CIQA Working Group Members 	Conference Room, CIQA
15:15-15:30 Hours	Tea Break	
15:30-16:15 Hours	Discussion on Curriculum design and development of SLM and remuneration details; and the status of semesterization of PG programmes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Presentation by Director, CIQA, IGNOU — Interaction with CIQA Working Group Members 	Conference Room, CIQA
16:15-17:00 Hours	Remuneration details of Expert committees, Members of the course team which includes Editors, writers, Translators and Proof readers etc. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Presentation by Director, CIQA, IGNOU — Interaction with CIQA Working Group Members 	Conference Room, CIQA

DAY 2: 8th February, 2023

Time	Session	Venue
10:30-11:15 Hours	Discussion on Information on Learner Support Services such as number of counselling sessions for UG/PG, Tutor marked assignments and remuneration details <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Presentation from Director, CIQA, IGNOU — Interaction with CIQA Working Group Members 	Conference Room, CIQA
11:15-11:30 Hours	Tea Break	
11:30-12:15 Hours	Discussion on Remuneration details for Audio-Video radio and interactive sessions; preparation of on-line through MOOCs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Presentation from Director, CIQA, IGNOU — Interaction with CIQA Working Group Members 	
12:15-13:30 Hours	Discussion on Remuneration for Examination related activities such as paper setting, moderation and valuation etc <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Presentation from Director, CIQA, IGNOU — Interaction with CIQA Working Group Members 	Conference Room, CIQA
13:30-13:45 Hours	Exit Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — CIQA staff and Working Group members with BRAOU Team Members 	Conference Room, CIQA

REPORT OF THE WORKSHOP

On the request of the Vice-Chancellor of Dr B.R. Ambedkar Open University (BRAOU), Hyderabad, Telangana, the Centre For Internal Quality Assurance (CIQA) of IGNOU organized a two days workshop on 7th and 8th February 2023. The workshop was held at the Conference Room, Centre for Internal Quality Assurance, IGNOU, Maidan Garhi- 110068.

Dr BRAOU, vide Letter dated 28/01/2023, had sought help and clarification on some of the issues, which they felt would enable them to ensure a kind of parity and uniformity among ODL institutions in the country.

Following were the issues on which Dr BRAOU sought clarifications:

- Academic programmes, structure and pattern, fee structure and award of credits.
- Curriculum design and development of SLM and remuneration details; and the status of semesterization of PG programmes.
- Remuneration details of Expert committees, Members of the course team which includes Editors, Writers, Translators, Proofreaders, etc.
- Information on Learner Support Services such as number of counselling sessions for UG/PG, Tutor marked assignments and remuneration details;
- Remuneration details for Audio-Video radio and interactive sessions; preparation of online through MOOCs
- Remuneration for Examination related activities such as paper setting, moderation and valuation etc.

The committee from Dr BRAOU consisting of three senior persons namely, Prof V Srinivas Rao Vaddanam, Dean of the Faculty of Social Sciences, Prof Anand Pawar, Dean of Commerce and Business Management & Prof C. Venkataiah, Adjunct Professor and Former Registrar; visited IGNOU on 7th and 8th February 2023.

Following were the Resource persons from IGNOU in the workshop:

Prof Manjulika Srivastava	Director CIQA and NEP Cell
Dr Hema Pant	Additional Director, RSD
Dr Bijayalaxmi Mishra	Director, RU
Dr S K Pulist	Additional Director, SRD
Dr P Vijayakumar	Associate Professor, SOA
Dr S K Mishra	Deputy Director, SED
Dr Sunita Dhal	Assistant Professor, SOGDS
Dr Deeksha Dave	Assistant Professor, SOITS
Dr Navita Abrol	Assistant Director, CIQA and NEP Cell
Dr Shekhar Suman	Assistant Director, CIQA and NEP Cell
Dr G Mahesh	Assistant Professor, SOSW



Dr BRAOU Participants and CIQA, IGNOU Resource Persons

TOPICS COVERED

Academic programmes, structure and pattern, fee structure, and award of credits

The recently notified UGC document on Curriculum and Credit Framework for Undergraduate Programmes was discussed. The programme structure, its various components and their credit weightage for the three-year and four-year programmes were deliberated upon.

Attention was drawn towards the revised LOCF document, which needs to be developed for all the Degree programmes of the University.

A discussion was held on how to repurpose the content of the existing courses to fit into the new Curriculum Framework.

Curriculum design and development of SLM and remuneration details, and the status of semesterization of PG programmes

The IGNOU policy document on the design and development of the academic programmes was outlined and discussed at length.

The semesterization of the PG degree programmes of IGNOU was deliberated upon and issues confronting semesterization were flagged by the participants.



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Remuneration details of Expert committees, Members of the course team which includes Editors, writers, Translators and Proof readers etc

The IGNOU rates for the various academic activities were shared with the participants.

Information on Learner Support Services such as the number of counselling sessions for UG/PG, Tutor marked assignments, and remuneration details

The information on the conduct of counselling by IGNOU for its UG and PG programmes was outlined with examples. The remuneration details for the functionaries of learner support functionaries was also shared. Learner Support services induced during the pandemic were discussed including the conduct of practicals, assignment submissions, conduct of examinations etc.



Remuneration details for Audio-Video radio and interactive sessions; preparation of on-line through MOOCs

After a detailed discussion on the production of Audio-video content and MOOCs, an onsite visit was arranged to Centre for Online Education and Electronic Media Production Centre was organised.

Remuneration for Examination related activities such as paper setting, moderation and valuation etc.

The remuneration for examination-related activities such as paper setting, moderation, evaluation, etc. was discussed and the norms followed by the IGNOU were shared.



Onsite Visit to Centre for Online Education (COE)

An onsite visit was conducted to orient the participants and provide them with an opportunity to understand the design and delivery of MOOCs and Online programmes, initiatives towards digital learning with world-class technology-enabled learning experiences, and support services. It was demonstrated to the participants how IGNOU is aligning with the nation's digital initiatives to provide affordable access to quality education through a virtual learning environment for anyone, anytime and anywhere.



Onsite Visit to The Electronic Media Production Centre (EMPC)

An onsite visit was conducted to orient the participants and provide them with an opportunity to visit the state-of-the-art Electronic Media Production Centre (EMPC) equipped with high-end electronic equipment for the production of audio/video programmes and transmission facilities through radio and TV.

It was demonstrated to the participants how IGNOU is keeping in tune with the advancement in information and communication technology (ICT) with the following ICT-enabled support which is provided to the learners:

- Educational programmes on a variety of subjects through GyanDarshan
- Education and Conduct of counseling through Interactive Radio Counseling (IRC) sessions conducted by the faculty and invited experts through GyanVani a network of FM radio stations. The sessions are aired from EMPC studios at the HQs.
- For the selected Programme of study, Counselling support service through GyanDhara (Internet Audio). Learners can listen to the live discussions by the teachers and experts on the topic of the day and interact with them.



Onsite Visit to Staff Training and Research Institute of Distance Education (STRIDE)

An onsite visit was conducted to orient the participants and provide them with an opportunity to visit the Staff Training and Research Institute of Distance Education (STRIDE) which is a recognized HRDC of UGC. It caters to the capacity-building requirements of various functionaries of IGNOU and other HEIs. Presently, it has been entrusted with the responsibility to orient teachers and administrative staff of all HEIs of the country on NEP 2020.

The STRIDE briefed the participants on:

- The conduct of training and research activities for IGNOU, State Open Universities (SOUs), other distance education institutes, and all higher education Institutions (HEIs) across the country.
- The conducts of Research in Open, Distance, Online, and Blended Learning at the fundamental, experimental, and application levels.
- About the peer-reviewed international journal Indian Journal of Open Learning, indexed in the Indian Citation Index, and UGC-CARE.



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