

Faculty Development Program (July 16-22, 2024)

Organizer:

Rahul Sankrityayan Subharti School of Linguistics and Foreign Languages,
Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences,
Swami Vivekanand Subharti University, Meerut

Title:

Holistic Faculty Development Program: A Bridge between Tradition and Innovation

The one-week Faculty Development Program (FDP) titled "Holistic Faculty Development Program: A Bridge between Tradition and Innovation," held from July 16 to 22, 2024, concluded with an engaging and enriching session organized by the Rahul Sankrityayan Subharti School of Linguistics and Foreign Languages, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, Swami Vivekanand Subharti University, Meerut. The program brought educators and experts together to explore innovative teaching methodologies and recognize traditional academic approaches. This unique blend of tradition and innovation was the central theme throughout the week, aiming to provide a holistic approach to faculty development.

The day's activities began with an insightful speech focusing on stress management by Prof. Rahul Bansal, Head of the Department of Community Medicine at Subharti Medical College. Prof. Bansal's speech highlighted practical strategies for maintaining mental well-being and emphasized the importance of stress management in enhancing faculty performance and overall institutional productivity. His speech resonated deeply with the participants, who found these strategies particularly relevant in today's high-pressure academic environment.

Following this lecture series, Mr. Rana Sangram Singh, Regional Officer of Union Bank, remarked that a teacher shapes the life of students, molding them into strong, honest, and good individuals. While our physical form is given by our parents, our character, emotions, and future are shaped by our teachers. Therefore, we should always respect these educators. Mr. Rahul Som, Regional Manager of Union Bank, echoed these sentiments, emphasizing that such programs continually enhance the knowledge and skills of the participants.

Dr. Sudhir Tyagi, Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, delivered the welcome speech, setting a warm and cooperative tone for the day's proceedings. Dr. Tyagi warmly welcomed all participants and stressed the importance of continuous professional development for faculty members. He spoke about the transformative power of education and the crucial role of Faculty Development Programs in maintaining academic excellence. Dr. Tyagi then presented a token of appreciation to Prof. Bansal, recognizing his invaluable contribution to the FDP.

The closing session was a fitting conclusion to the week-long program. It began with participants submitting digital feedback, ensuring their insights and suggestions would

contribute to the continuous improvement of future programs. The session was enriched by a speech from the Pro Vice-Chancellor, Dr. Himanshu, who discussed how such programs align with the university's broader vision.

Certificates of participation were distributed, acknowledging the participants' dedication to their professional development. Each certificate represented not just attendance but active participation and commitment to enhancing teaching capabilities. The session concluded with a vote of thanks by Dr. Seema Sharma, who expressed heartfelt gratitude to all participants, speakers, and organizers, appreciating everyone's efforts in the program's success. She also emphasized the importance of continuous collaboration and best practices among faculty members.

The organizing committee's outstanding contributions were specially mentioned, whose dedication and hard work ensured the program's smooth execution. The committee included Dr. Seema Sharma as the convener, Dr. Manisha Luthra as the co-convener, and members Dr. Rafat Khanam, Prof. Rajeshwar Pal, Dr. Yashpal Sharma, Ms. Swati Sharma, Dr. Ranveer Singh, Dr. Ashish Kumar 'Deepankar', Dr. Farha Hashmi, and Dr. Nishi Raghav. Their collective efforts and meticulous planning played a crucial role in the FDP's success.

Ms. Swati Sharma, the Master of Ceremony, ensured the seamless flow of the day's program. The final day of the Faculty Development Program was a testament to the university's commitment to academic excellence and innovation, equipping participants with new skills and knowledge to enhance their teaching practices.

Faculty members who continuously attended the FDP included Dr. Sapna, Dr. Alpana, Dr. Javed, Dr. Monika Mehrotra, Dr. Atul Tiwari, Dr. Nishi Rana, Dr. Niyati Garg, Dr. Manoj Tripathi, Dr. Umesh, Dr. Amrita, Dr. Manas, Saba Azmi, Amita Chaudhary, Ruby Pal, Dr. Durgesh Rana, Dr. Neeru Singh, Dr. Bhunesh, Bhavna, researchers Prachi, Shalini, M.A. student Apurvi Mittal, Chhavi Chaudhary, and others.