

Day, Monimalika; Kaul, Venita and Sawhney, Swati Bawa (eds.). **Early Childhood Education for Marginalized Children in India: Deconstructing Quality.** Sage, 2021.

The book presents evidence-based approaches to developing and scaling up good quality early childhood education programmes. It explores what 'quality' means in the Indian context and identifies core elements that must be essential to all initiatives that aim to promote holistic development, while addressing India's significant scale and sociocultural diversity. The available literature has mostly discussed information from Western nations and the book attempts to address this gap.

Dok, Adrienne Monteath-van; Davis, Anthony and Frost, Nicholas. **Impact of Covid-19 on Adolescents' Education: Evidence briefing.** UK, Plan International; 2021: 32p.

This research highlights on the impact of COVID-19 on adolescents' education by bringing together quantitative and qualitative data sets to help us understand how adolescents, and particularly adolescent girls, have or have not been able to continue their education during the pandemic.

The findings of the study are:

- Nearly two-thirds of teachers were unable to teach remotely during lockdowns due to their own or their students' lack of connectivity or access to devices.
- Nearly nine in ten teachers reported fewer students attending online lessons compared with pre-pandemic school-based lessons.
- Fewer than a third of adolescents felt they learned as much at home as they would have in school.
- More than a year since the pandemic began, six in ten adolescents have not yet fully returned to education.

Maithreyi, R. **Educating Youth: Regulation through Psychosocial Skilling in India.** Sage, 2021: 296 p.

Educating Youth: Regulation through Psychosocial Skilling in India studies the rise in skill-based developmental interventions for young people that aim to harness youth potential. Tracing these changes to the neoliberalization of education and training globally, this book discusses how a range of training programs, from social and personality development skills to employability and vocational skills, seek to cultivate an ethic of self-responsibility through skilling, to overcome structural disadvantage among the marginalized youth.

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Notice

Sir/Madam,

The meeting of the Council of Indian Adult Education Association will be held online on December 18, 2021 at 4:00 PM to consider the following agenda items:

1. Confirmation of the minutes of last meeting of the Council held on December 16, 2020
2. Action taken on the decisions of the meeting of the Council.
3. Any other business with permission of the Chair.

Kindly register yourself on 9891227000 (WhatsApp) so that the online link for the meeting can be shared with you. All the members of the Council are requested to attend the meeting.

(Suresh Khandelwal)
General Secretary

To all the elected members of the Council and Co-opted members.

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Notice

Sir/Madam,

The meeting of the General Body of Indian Adult Education Association will be held online on December 18, 2021 at 4:30 PM to consider the following agenda items:

1. Confirmation of the minutes of last meeting of the General Body.
2. Adoption of Annual Report of the Association for the year 2020. The Report can be seen on our Website: www.iaea-india.in
3. Adoption of Audited Statement of Accounts of the year 2020-21
4. Any other business with permission of the Chair.

Kindly register yourself on 9891227000 (WhatsApp) so that the online link for the meeting can be shared with you. All the members of the General Body are cordially invited to attend the meeting.

(Suresh Khandelwal)
General Secretary

To all the members of General Body of IAEA.

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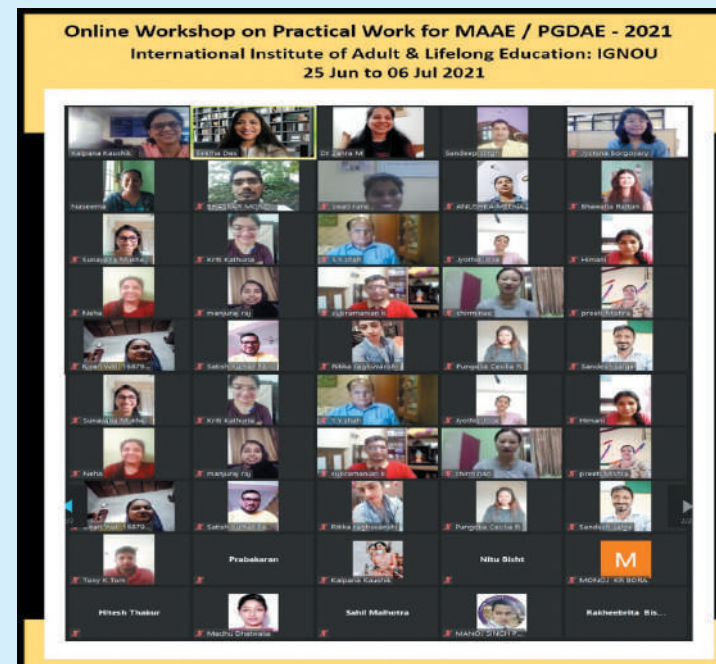


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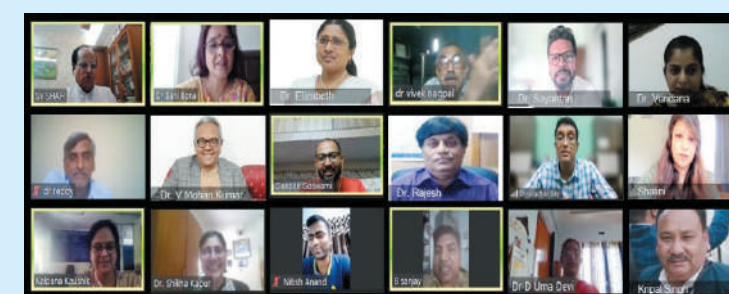
IAEA Conducted Twelve Days Online Workshop

IGNOU Study Centre 29049(P) under International Institute of Adult and Lifelong Education successfully organized a 12 days online workshop for all the first year students pursuing Master of Arts in Adult Education (MAAE) and Post Graduate Diploma in Adult Education (PGDAE) from June 25 to July 6, 2021 which was participated by 48 students – 26 from Delhi RC 2 and 22 from other RCs including Cochin, Shillong, Kolkata, Madurai, Shimla, Bhopal, Bangalore, Hyderabad and Trivandrum. The workshop covered all the important topics of study as prescribed in the curriculum designed specifically for the first year and also provided an opportunity to the participants to share their opinion and experience gained while doing community and institution based practical work.

1. Prof. S.Y.Shah, Director, International Institute of Adult and Lifelong Education/ former Professor JNU, New Delhi.
2. Prof. Rajesh, Head, Department of Adult Continuing Education and Extension, Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Delhi.
3. Dr. V.Mohankumar, Consultant, JSS Engineering College, NOIDA and former Additional Director, DAE & Director, IAEA.
4. Dr. M.V.Lakshmi Reddy, Associate Professor, School of Education, IGNOU, New Delhi.
5. Dr. Elizabeth Kuruvilla, Assistant Professor, School of Education, IGNOU, New Delhi.



Altogether there were 41 sessions which were covered by 22 Resource Persons coming from different universities and institutions:



6. Dr. Niradhar Dey, Assistant Professor, School of Education, IGNOU, New Delhi.
7. Shri C. Ajith Kumar, Assistant Professor, School of Education, IGNOU, New Delhi.
8. Dr. Uma Devi, Reader, Centre for Women's Studies, Sri Padmavati Mahila Visvavidyalayam, Tirupati, Andhra Pradesh.
9. Dr. Vandana Sisodia, Assistant Professor, Department of Adult, Continuing Education & Extension, Faculty of Social Science, University of Delhi.
10. Dr. Shikha Kapur, Associate Professor, Department of Adult and Continuing Education and Extension, Jamia Millia Islamia, Jamia Nagar, New Delhi.

11. Dr. Bani Bora, Founder Director, Centre For Social Change, Noida and Senior Fellow, IIAE, New Delhi.
12. Dr. Sayantan Mandal, Assistant Professor, Indian Institute of Technology, Jammu.
13. Dr. Vivek Nagpal, Senior Consultant, National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE), New Delhi.
14. Dr. Shalini Singh, Guest Researcher and Lecturer, Julius Maximilians University of Würzburg and Helmut Schmidt University, Hamburg, Germany.
15. Smt. Nandini Kajuri, former Director, State Resource Centre, West Bengal.
16. Smt. Kalpana Kaushik, In-charge Director, IAEA, New Delhi.
17. Shri M.L.Sharma, Deputy Director, IAEA, New Delhi.
18. Shri B. Sanjay, Research Officer, IAEA, New Delhi.
19. Smt. Neha Gupta, Librarian-cum-Documentation Officer, IAEA, New Delhi.
20. Shri Deepak Goswami, Senior Research Fellow, Department of Adult Continuing Education and Extension, University of Delhi.

21. Shri Nitish Anand, Senior Research Fellow, Department of Adult Continuing Education and Extension, University of Delhi.
22. Ms. Arunima Chauhan, Ph.D. Scholar, Department of Adult and Lifelong Education, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi.

The workshop not only provided an opportunity for face-to-face interaction with peer group, academic counsellors and other resource persons but enabled them to gain practical exposure as well. During workshop all the students were given different assignments including drafting of a Memorandum of Association for registering NGO/Trust, development of Directory of Academicians and Resource Persons for professional networking, preparation of reading material and research proposal for undertaking self initiated research study and report writing. At the end feedback regarding different dimensions of workshop was also collected from the participating students.

Entire workshop was planned and conducted by Smt. Kalpana Kaushik, Programme In-charge and Shri Kripal Singh Mehra, Assistant, IGNOU Study Centre.

EC Meeting of IAEA



The Executive Committee of Indian Adult Education Association met for the second time in the ongoing year on July 17, 2021 in virtual mode. This meeting was presided over by Dr. L. Raja, President and attended by 21 members including Shri K.C.Choudhary, former President and Shri S.C. Khandelwal, General Secretary. Smt. Rajashree Biswas, Vice President and Shri D. K. Verma, Co-opted Member could not attend the meeting and hence granted leave of absence. The meeting was facilitated by Smt. Kalpana Kaushik, In-charge Director and Shri Kripal Singh Mehra, Programme Associate, IAEA.

The meeting formally began with welcoming the members by the President and the General Secretary. Thereafter, the EC confirmed minutes of previous meeting held on March 19, 2021 at the headquarters of IAEA and endorsed the motion initiated to appoint Dr. L. Raja as

President of the Association. Apart from this, EC appreciated and approved the report of programmes and activities conducted during the period March 2021 to July 2021, awarded Life membership to one individual and constituted new Editorial Board for IAEA's regular publications.

The EC also expressed heartfelt condolence on the demise of a number of IAEA' office bearers, life members, well wishers and persons of eminence having close association with the Association including Prof. B.S.Garg, Dr. M.S. Ranawat, Shri M.U. Alam, Shri N.C. Pant, Dr. Avik Ghose, Shri Shahjad Hussain, Shri Dwariko Sundrani, Shri Sunder Lal Bahuguna, Shri Ambrish Rai, Smt. Damyanti Bule, Shri Purushotam Puncholi, Prof. P. Joseph, Shri Sanjay Pal and Smt. Prabha Mehra. The EC observed silence for the peace of all the departed souls.

"As we celebrate International Literacy Day, UNESCO would like to invite all actors around the world, in the field of education and beyond, to mobilize for the literacy of young people, adults and women. So that they, too, can have the right to dream and be free."

– Audrey Azoulay, UNESCO Director General
on the occasion of International Literacy Day 2021



Felicitation Programme at JSS Shimoga



JSS Shimoga organized a ceremonial programme to felicitate the successful beneficiaries of its vocational training courses on August 17, 2021 in its own campus which was inaugurated by Shri Rajeev Chandrashekar, Hon'ble Minister of State for Skill Development and Entrepreneurship and Electronics and Information Technology, Govt. of India by lighting the ceremonial lamp. The programme was also graced by the presence of Shri K.S Eshwarappa, Hon'ble Minister of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj and Shri Araga Jnanendra, Hon'ble Home Minister, Government of Karnataka who handed over certificates to the successful beneficiaries.



An Exhibition-cum-Sale for the products prepared by its beneficiaries was also organized simultaneously which was presided over by Sri B.Y.Raghavendra, Member of Parliament, Shimoga. Along with local residents this exhibition was also visited by Shri Sanjeev Matandur, MLA, Puttur; Shri Ashok Nayak, MLA, Shimoga Rural; Shri Rudregowda and Smt. Bharathi Shetty, both Member of Legislative Council and Shri Gurusurthy, President, Malnad Area Development Board.

Smt. S.Y.Aruna Devi, Director, Jan Shikshan Sansthan welcomed all those present in the programme and delivered the vote of thanks.

केशवानंद राजस्थान कृषि विश्वविद्यालय : व्यावसायिक प्रशिक्षण देने हेतु सहमति पत्र पर हस्ताक्षर

दिनांक 14 जुलाई 2021 को स्वामी केशवानंद राजस्थान कृषि विश्वविद्यालय, बीकानेर और निदेशालय साक्षरता एवं सतत् शिक्षा विभाग, राजस्थान सरकार के बीच एक सहमति पत्र पर हस्ताक्षर किए गये। विश्वविद्यालय की ओर से कुलपति प्रोफेसर आर.पी. सिंह एवं निदेशालय की ओर से निदेशक डॉ. भंवर लाल ने हस्ताक्षर किए। इस अवसर पर विभाग के संयुक्त निदेशक श्री कैलाश कुमार कलाकार, मुख्य जिला शिक्षा अधिकारी डॉ. राजकुमार शर्मा एवं सहायक परियोजना अधिकारी श्री राजेन्द्र जोशी भी उपस्थित रहे।

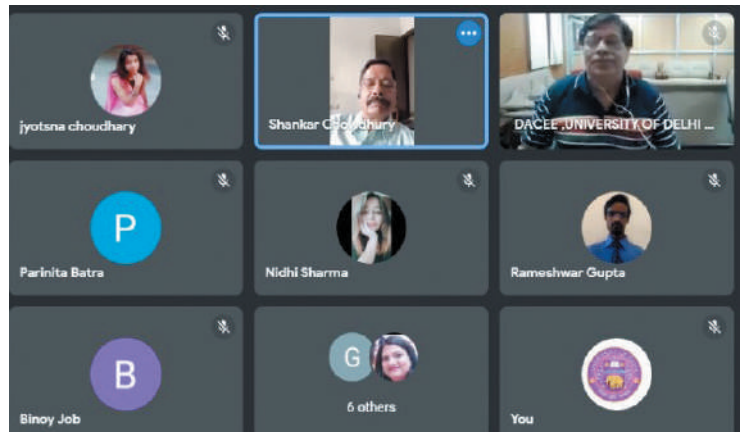
इस सहमति के अनुसार विश्वविद्यालय एवं सरकार के संबद्ध विभागों द्वारा नवसाक्षरों को साक्षरता के साथ-साथ व्यावसायिक प्रशिक्षण (वोकेशनल एजुकेशन) भी प्रदान की जाएगी। नवसाक्षरों को कौशल प्रशिक्षण प्रदान करने की दृष्टि से की गयी इस



उल्लेखनीय पहल में विभाग के अतिरिक्त निदेशक सुश्री कौशल्या सांकृत्य एवं बीकानेर के ए.पी.ओ. श्री राजेन्द्र जोशी की विशेष भूमिका रही।

Department of Adult, Continuing Education and Extension, University of Delhi: Recent Initiatives
Discussion on Adolescent Reproductive Health & Rights

Focusing on the theme "Rights and Choices are the Answer: Whether baby boom or bust, the solution to shifting fertility rates lies in prioritizing all people's reproductive health and rights" specified for World Population Day 2021 a webinar was organized by DACEE on "Adolescent Reproductive Health & Rights" on July 12, 2021 to celebrate World Population Day and mark the observance of World Population Week. The discussion was led by Dr. Shankar Choudhary, Former Consultant, UNESCO Expert in Community & Mental Health and presided



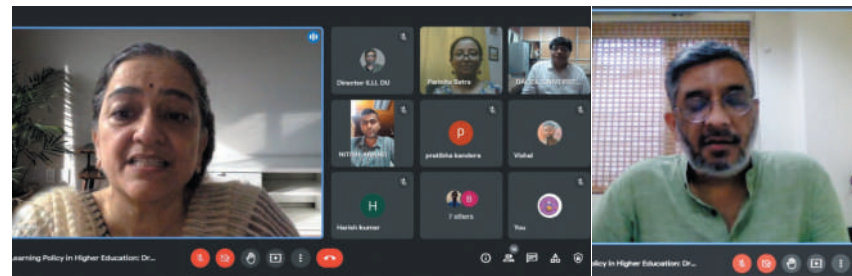
over by Prof. Rajesh, Head, DACEE. Normally World Population Day is observed on 11th of July every year. Initiating the discussion Dr. Shankar Choudhary at

first detailed the importance of Cairo International Conference on Population & Development (1994) which turned to be a turning point in history of population

conferences and enlarged the scope of policy discussions beyond family planning. Thereafter, he enlightened the participants about human rights pertaining to sexuality & reproduction under four major components – sexual health, sexual rights, reproductive health and reproductive rights. He also underlined the strategy adopted for the promotion of health while accommodating some of the major changes which occur during adolescence period including emotional, physical and psychological.

Lifelong Learning Policy in Higher Education: Drawing Perspectives from New Education Policy 2020

Another webinar titled "Lifelong Learning Policy in Higher Education: Drawing Perspectives from New Education Policy 2020" was organized on July 22, 2021 which was also convened by Prof. Rajesh. Other speakers who shared their views on the occasion were Prof. Pankaj Arora, Director, Institute of Lifelong Learning & Professor of Education and Prof. Vandana Chakrabarti, Ex Pro Vice Chancellor of SNDT Women's University, Mumbai. At the very outset Prof. Rajesh acknowledged the presence of distinguished guests and underlined the importance of lifelong learning for creating a worldwide knowledge society as emphasized in Goal 4 of SDG 2030 which calls for "ensuring inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all". Referring to some of the recent trends in the field of education like micro learning, digital credentials, massive online courses (MOOCs) and the



personalization of learning he attempted to draw the attention of academic community towards the changing role of all the educators, trainers and service providers. Delivering the Keynote Address Prof. Pankaj Arora highlighted the role of higher education in translating policies into actions. Applauding the vision enshrined in New Education Policy 2020 he noted that lifelong learning has always been an essential component of Indian higher education system which has been re-emphasized according to the changing demands of market economy. He focussed on channelizing informal and non-formal learning in accordance with formal learning equipped with a system of global credit transfers, equivalency of

programmes, multiple entry-exit options and so on. Prof. Vandana Chakrabarti while narrating a few successful experiences focussed upon five major functions of lifelong learning centres in higher education - connecting with alumni/ industry/ community; exploring workplace/ individual requirements of new skills; establishing services that are relevant and valuable throughout life; enabling people to take short term programmes for renewing skills and competencies; and finally exploring possibilities of blended learning programmes. Her presentation was directed towards leveraging the role of higher education in lifelong learning. The background and perspective of the webinar was introduced by Ms. Parinita while Shri Nitish Anand, Research Scholar, DACEE extended the vote of thanks.

- Parinita Batra

IAEA Successfully Conducted Skill Mapping Survey in East Delhi



IAEA was assigned a study entitled "Survey on Skill Mapping in JJ Clusters in East Delhi" by the Directorate of Economics and Statistics, Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi on July 14, 2021 in which a total of 5060 households in 10 pre-identified JJ clusters of East Delhi were approached covering a population of 20,414. The prime focus was given to the persons belonging to 15-45 years age group who were interviewed thoroughly against a multi-dimensional questionnaire developed for assessing the socio-economic status of the residents as well as their present skill base and desire for acquiring more skills for economic well being and overall empowerment. It was a real time App based study for which IAEA constituted a research team including 23 professionals and scholars having reliable understanding who interviewed a total of 12,104 individuals. Keeping in view the limitation of time allotted for the completion of the study IAEA synchronised its efforts in a very systematic way.

Moving on an analytical approach the research team developed a detailed plan to complete the study well in time focussing on each and every step of the survey including training-cum-orientation of research team, pilot study, finalization of the questionnaire, development of web-based application, consultation with academicians and pre-testing of the questionnaire, standardization and validation of questionnaire, sample design, identification of location and area planning.

Consultation with Academicians, Pre-testing and Finalization of the Questionnaire

The questionnaire developed for this study was thoroughly discussed at different levels. The preliminary discussion was held with the officials of Directorate of



Economics and Statistics and thereafter, with the experts associated with the IAEA. One consultation meeting was specifically organized at the Headquarters of IAEA on July 7, 2021 in which Prof. (Dr.) S.Y. Shah, former Head of the Department, Group of Adult Education, School of Social Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi and Prof. Rajesh, Head, Department of Adult, Continuing Education & Extension, Faculty of Social Science, University of Delhi, Smt. Kalpana Kaushik, In-charge Director, Shri B. Sanjay, Research Officer and Shri Kripal Singh Mehra, Programme Associate participated and meticulously discussed each and every question. The questionnaire used for this study was finalized incorporating the suggestions emerged during this consultative meeting.

Training-cum-Orientation of research team



Prior to conducting the pilot study a Training-cum-Orientation for the team of professionals identified for executing the study was organized in two different spells. The first was an in house discussion-cum-orientation held on July 16, 2021 in the Conference Hall of IAEA Headquarters at I.P. Estate, New Delhi and the other on July 22, 2021 at the Conference Hall, Vikas Bhawan-II, Directorate of Economics and Statistics, Govt. of NCT of Delhi conducted under the guidance of the officials of DES. In the training programme eminent administrators, academicians and field

functionaries including Shri C. K. Dutta, Joint Director, Shri Shah-E-Alam, Deputy Director, DES, Shri K.C.Choudhary, Principal Advisor, IAEA, Dr. L. Raja, President, IAEA, Shri S.C. Khandelwal, General Secretary, Smt. Kalpana Kaushik, Incharge Director and Shri B. Sanjay, Research Officer, IAEA shared their experience with the participants.

Pilot Study



The pilot study was conducted at Indira Camp, Kalyanvas, Khichripur on July 29, 2021 in order to have a pre-testing of research instrument specifically the questionnaire, functioning of the web based application, responses of the target group and effectiveness of the outcome of the survey viz-a-viz the objectives laid down for this study. While conducting the pilot study it was observed that most of the respondents were sceptical to give response at the beginning. However, once explained by the field investigators and motivated by Pradhans and other area representatives they started interacting with field investigators and gave responses accordingly.



Ground Planning and Data Collection

Eight different teams of field investigators each headed by a field supervisor were formed for detailed survey in order to complete it within the stipulated timeframe. Prior to conducting the survey a team of field supervisors along with coordinators had transect walk through all the locations for indentifying landmarks and area demarcation so that each household can be accessed without failure. They also had meetings with local leaders specifically Pradhans and representatives of Residents Welfare Associations, Anganwadis and other social organizations active in the area in order to establish rapport with the people. Field supervisors briefed them well in advance about the objectives of the study and requested them to motivate people in their neighborhood for extending cooperation towards the survey.

Main Survey

Although located in the midst of city almost all the JJ clusters were found to be deprived of basic amenities including sewer system. Open drains and narrow serpentine pathways to



connect haphazardly located multi-storeyed houses made these areas quite tough for conducting a thorough survey approaching each and every household. Heavy and continuous rainfall followed by huge water logging further aggravated the situation. Still the team of IAEA successfully covered all the households within stipulated time period from August 10 to September 6, 2021.

Submission of the Report

The draft report was submitted to the Directorate of Economics and Statistics on September 17, 2021 for their expert opinion so that the final report is prepared.

75th Independence Day Celebration at Melkaraipur

Gandhigram Crèche and Children's Project (GCCP), Department of Lifelong Learning and Extension celebrated the 75th Independence Day 'Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav' in the premises of GCCP at Melkaraipur on 15th Aug 2021 which was participated by the children, staff members and local residents of the village. The national flag was hoisted by Ms. Seetha and Mr. B.Punyan, Research Scholars and alumnus of GCCP in the presence of Dr. L. Raja, Professor, Principal Coordinator of GCCP and Dean, School of Health Sciences and Rural Development. Speaking on the occasion Dr. Raja highlighted some of the important duties which every citizen of the country need to follow for ensuring the progress of the nation.



प्रशिक्षणार्थियों द्वारा साक्षरता से संबंधित विषयों पर कई मनमोहक प्रस्तुतियां दी गयीं। समारोह की शुरुआत संस्थान के निदेशक श्री मुकेश राठौर द्वारा कार्यक्रम की रूपरेखा प्रस्तुति से हुई। तदुपरांत उपस्थित प्रतिभागियों को जिला साक्षरता समिति, कोटा के संस्थापक सचिव एवं वर्तमान में जिला प्रौढ़ शिक्षण समिति एवं जन शिक्षण संस्थान के अध्यक्ष श्री आर.पी.गुप्ता ने संबोधित करते हुए प्रशासन से कोटा मुख्यालय पर साक्षरता कार्यालय को पुनः स्थापित कर इस राष्ट्रीय कार्यक्रम को गति प्रदान की मांग की तथा सभी लाभार्थियों ने अपने आस पास के पाच असाक्षर महिलाओं व पुरुषों को साक्षर करने का संकल्प लिया। इस अवसर पर जिला प्रौढ़ शिक्षण समिति के सचिव श्री राजीव मल्होत्रा एवं श्री हरीश शर्मा ने भी अपने विचार व्यक्त किये। आभार श्री रविन्द्र लोहमी द्वारा प्रकट किया गया।

जिला कारागार फतेहपुर

जिला कारागार, फतेहपुर में अंतर्राष्ट्रीय साक्षरता दिवस पर एक सुलेख प्रतियोगिता का आयोजन किया गया जिसमें 165 पुरुष बंदियों एवं 15 महिला बंदियों ने प्रतिभाग किया। इन प्रतिभागियों में अधिकांश 3 महीने पहले तक निरक्षर थे जिन्हें प्रयासपूर्वक साक्षर बनाया गया। प्रतियोगिता के उपरांत सभी सफल प्रतिभागियों को मैडल एवं प्रमाण पत्र देकर उत्साहित किया गया जिसकी व्यवस्था टूथ मिशन के पदाधिकारियों द्वारा की गयी थी। इस अवसर पर मुख्य अतिथि के रूप में कारागार पर आये श्री आशुतोष श्रीवास्तव,



रीजनल मैनेजर, भारतीय स्टेट बैंक ने बंदियों को संबोधित करते हुए कहा कि शिक्षा प्राप्त करने की कोई आयु नहीं होती, शिक्षा जीवन पर्यन्त चलने वाली प्रक्रिया है जो समय-समय पर आपके सामाजिक स्तर को बढ़ाती रहती है।

— मो. अकरम खान
जेल अधीक्षक

Term End Examination June 2021

IIALE IGNOU Study Centre 29049(P) successfully conducted the June 2021 Term End Examinations (TEE) of IGNOU which started on August 3, 2021 and continued till September 9, 2021. A total of 3517 students were allocated to this centre out of which 2556 appeared for the examinations. Detailed arrangements were made on the lines of the directions received from IGNOU and UGC in order to maintain social distancing and other related norms to curb the spread of pandemic. As per the given guidelines for online monitoring day-to-day attendance and relevant photographs of all the examination halls were sent to the concern officials of Regional Centre 2 on regular basis. Entire team of IAEA made special effort to make the examinations a hassle free affair for the students which was closely monitored both by the Centre Superintendent Smt. Kalpana Kaushik and the Observers deputed by IGNOU.



Professor & Head, Prof. N.V.R. Kapali, Prof. A. Muthumanickam, Syndicate Member of Tamil Nadu Open University, Dr. Ardhanareeswaran, Dr. Ugin Rositta, and Archaeologist M. Seran also shared their opinion to highlight the importance of literacy and girl's education. Students attending the programme also took part in poster making, oratorical and singing competitions organized by the department.

Kerala State Branch of IAEA

Kerala State Branch IAEA consecutively organized two webinars on September 8 to mark International Literacy Day. The **first** one was on "Prospects of Lifelong Learning in Kerala" jointly with SRC Kerala and Dr. K. Sivadasan Pillai Foundation which was participated by around 150 students, scholars and academic. The webinar was inaugurated by Shri. V. Sivankutty, Minister for Education, Skill and Labour, Govt. of Kerala while Prof. V. Reghu, Chairman, IAEA Kerala Branch and former Controller of Examinations, Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Youth Development, Government of India gave the presidential address. The welcome address was delivered by Shri Harish Kumar S, Secretary, IAEA Kerala Branch and Media officer, SRC Kerala. The vote of thanks was presented by Shri Rakesh Sharma, Assistant Professor, Mar Theophilous Training College, Thiruvananthapuram.

In his address Prof. Reghu focused on the need for linking lifelong learning with skill development. While appreciating the frontline workers of literacy movement in Kerala, Shri. V. Sivankutty underlined the optimum use of technology for strengthening educational infrastructure in the state so that anybody eager to grow can avail lifelong learning opportunities for the same. Apart from this a number of academicians expressed their views on following specific dimensions of lifelong learning and skill development:

1. The Role and Impact of Media in Lifelong Education by Shri. A. Prabhakaran, former Media Executive, AIR and Chairman, Pillai Foundation.
2. New Avenues in Lifelong Learning by Dr. T. Sundaresan Nair, former Director, SRC Kerala.
3. Continuing Education and Legal Literacy by Dr. K. Anvar, Principal, College of Teacher Education, M.G. University, Kudamalur.
4. Relevance of Community College in Lifelong Learning by Dr. N. B. Suresh Kumar, Director, State Resource Centre Kerala.
5. Women Empowerment through Lifelong Learning" by Smt. Geetha Nair, Senior Lecturer, DIET, Thiruvananthapuram.
6. Relevance and Future of Continuing Education programmes in Kerala by Shri. K. Ayyappan Nair, former Asst. Director, Kerala State Literacy Mission Authority.
7. Continuing Education in the Emerging Context by Dr. V. V. Mathew, District Literacy Mission, Kottayam.

The **second** one was a National Webinar organized in

collaboration with SRC Kerala and Mar Theophilous Training College, Thiruvananthapuram in which prime focus was given on analysing the "Trends in Literacy & Lifelong Learning in India".

Inaugurated by Shri K.C. Choudhary, Patron, IAEA this webinar was addressed by Dr. Ramakrishna Sura, Director, Ministry of Skill & Labour, Govt. of India, Prof. L. Raja, President, IAEA, Prof. Ashok Bhattacharya, Professor (Rtd.), Jadavpur University, Dr. K. Y. Benedict, Principal, Mar Theophilous Training College, Dr. N. B. Suresh Kumar, Director, SRC Kerala and Prof. Reddappa Reddy, former Director of Adult & Continuing Education Department, SV University, Tirupati.

The welcome address was given by Shri Harish Kumar S. and perspective was introduced by Prof. V. Reghu. The webinar was felicitated by Shri S.C. Khandelwal, General Secretary, IAEA while Dr. Promod Dinakar, Treasurer, IAEA Kerala State Branch and Assistant Professor, Chinmaya University, Kochi proposed the vote of thanks.

Speaking on the occasion Shri Choudhary emphasized the importance of skill for economic growth and the role of lifelong learning in imparting the same. Dr. Ramakrishana detailed some of the policy implications enshrined in New Education Policy 2020 which widens the horizon of skill development in the country. Prof. V. Reghu underlined the need for target specific, need based programmes according to meet the learning need of people in the state. Dr. Raja highlighted the need for implementing lifelong learning through higher education so that the common man in the country is benefited. Prof. Bhattacharya was in favour of utilizing the services of higher education institutions in the country for the promotion of lifelong learning education. Dr. Benedict shared his thoughts on "Digital Divide & Literacy: Concerns". Dr. Suresh Kumar emphasized on strengthening institutions of lifelong learning in the state. Prof. Reddappa Reddy desired to ensure the participation of voluntary sector for the furtherance learning needs of common people.

जन शिक्षण संस्थान कोटा



अन्तर्राष्ट्रीय साक्षरता दिवस के अवसर पर जन शिक्षण संस्थान कोटा द्वारा अपने सभागार में एक समारोह का आयोजन किया गया जिसमें संस्थान के

Annual Conference GERA

The Annual Conference of GERA Division was organized from September 15-17, 2021 online which was hosted by Helmut Schmidt University of the Federal German Army, Hamburg. This conference enabled the participants to exchange their views and opinion as part of an International Academic Exchange programme. Dr. Shalini Singh, Senior Research Fellow and Prof. Dr. Paed. Søren Ehlers, Distinguished Professor, International Institute of Adult and Lifelong Education, New Delhi along with Prof. Dr. Sabine Schmidt-Lauff

presented a paper titled "Convergence of National Models for Organizing Adult Learning Across Europe? A Comparative Study of Policy Choices in Denmark, Germany and Switzerland" on September 16 2021. It was followed by a detailed discussion on the transition of adult education into lifelong learning in high-income European countries and the role of EU over the last two decades.



Felicitations for Dr. L. Raja

Dr. L. Raja, the newly elected President of IAEA was welcomed at the Headquarters of the Association on July 16, 2021 by the Members of Executive Committee including Shri K.C. Choudhary, former President, Prof. S.Y. Shah, Vice President and Shri S.C. Khandelwal, General Secretary. He was also felicitated with a bouquet as mark of respect. The programme was followed by a brief discussion with the staff members. Expressing his views on the occasion Dr. Raja stated that institutions like IAEA should play a lead role for empowering the deprived and disadvantaged sections of the society. Elaborating his thoughts further he said that "A leader is one who knows the way, goes the way and shows the way". He opined that working together with all the individual and institutional members is the need of the hour which will certainly help the Association to widen its reach. He also thanked Shri Choudhary and applauded his perseverance, efforts and leadership shown continuously for almost four decades of dedicated service towards the Association.



Dr. Raja was also given a warm welcome at the office of Vice Chancellor, Open University Chennai on July 31, 2021 where he was felicitated by Prof. K. Parthasarathy, Vice Chancellor, Prof. A. Muthumanickam, formerly Registrar, Madurai Kamaraj University, Madurai and other Life members of IAEA present on the occasion. The discussion focused on exploring ideas to strengthen the State Branch of IAEA in Tamil Nadu.



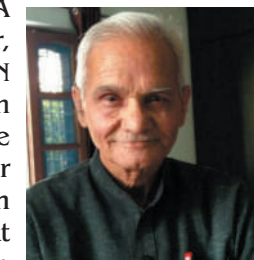
Obituaries

Shri V. Balusubramanian, Executive Committee Member of IAEA and former Director, Avinashilingam Jan Shikshan Sansthan, Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu is no more. He breathed his last on September 30, 2021 at his residence in Coimbatore. A person known for his ever charming smile, soft and polite behavior Shri Subhramanian had a long relation with adult education fraternity in the country. His association with IAEA started on January 10, 2014 when he formally became a Life Member of the organization. Since then he was a regular face in almost all the important functions of IAEA. At present he was working as Head, Aqua Group Training Centre, Coimbatore. Shri Subhramanian was also known for a number of successful experiments in providing state of art training to the beneficiaries of JSS and helping them to get enrolled in gainful employment. This brought a huge popularity for him in the youth and industrial community in and around the city of Coimbatore.



We, in the Indian Adult Education Association pray for the eternal peace for the departed souls.

Shri Shyam Sunder Nandwana former Council Member of IAEA and former Director, Community Centre, JRN Rajasthan Vidyapeeth (Deemed to be University), Udaipur breathed his last on September 15, 2021 at his residence in Udaipur. He was an active social worker who also led the activities of Rajasthan State Branch of IAEA as its Hon Secretary. Shri Nandwana became the Life Member of IAEA way back on November 26, 1991. Since then he was a regular participant in the deliberations held during almost all the adult education conferences organized at national level.



Commemorating International Literacy Day – 2021

भारतीय प्रौढ़ शिक्षा संघ, क्षेत्रीय कार्यालय, महू



भारतीय प्रौढ़ शिक्षा संघ, क्षेत्रीय कार्यालय महू द्वारा अंतर्राष्ट्रीय साक्षरता दिवस के अवसर पर एक संगोष्ठी का आयोजन दिनांक 8 सितंबर 2021 को प्रातः 11 बजे स्थानीय आशा कला केन्द्र, महू में किया गया जिसमें भारतीय प्रौढ़ शिक्षा संघ के सदस्य, छात्रगण एवं गणमान्य नागरिक उपस्थित रहे।

यह कार्यक्रम श्री सुरेश खण्डेलवाल (महासचिव, भारतीय प्रौढ़ शिक्षा संघ, नई दिल्ली) के मुख्य आतिथ्य एवं श्री कैलाश चौधरी (संरक्षक, भारतीय प्रौढ़ शिक्षा संघ, नई दिल्ली) की अध्यक्षता में सम्पन्न हुआ। कार्यक्रम के विशेष अतिथि श्री मृणाल पंत (अध्यक्ष, भारतीय प्रौढ़ शिक्षा संघ, मध्य प्रदेश शाखा), श्री सत्यम सम्राट, आचार्य (प्रखर चिन्तक) एवं श्री वेदांत हजारी थे।

संगोष्ठी को संबोधित करते हुए श्री पंत ने कहा कि सीखने की कोई उम्र नहीं होती है। आज साक्षरता के अर्थ बदल गये हैं और साक्षरता की परिधि में सामान्य साक्षरता के साथ अब ई-लिटरेसी, हैल्थ लिटरेसी, फायनेंशियल लिटरेसी, राजनीतिक लिटरेसी, इत्यादि भी शामिल हैं। वर्तमान दौर में सुचारु जीवन जीने के लिए इन सबके बारे में जानना जरूरी है। अलग-अलग व्यक्तियों की अलग-अलग प्राथमिकताएं हो सकती हैं जैसे बुजुर्ग व्यक्ति प्राथमिक रूप से स्वास्थ्य बीमा, जीवन बीमा, सेविंग (बचत), पेंशन (नेशनल पेंशन स्कीम), अटल पेंशन योजना, इत्यादि के बारे में जानना चाहेंगे।

श्री आचार्य ने प्रतिभागियों को संबोधित करते हुए कहा कि भारत में ज्ञानार्जन की समृद्ध परंपरा रही है। 5000 वर्ष पूर्व भी यहां के नदी-घाटों पर वेदों के मंत्र उच्चारित किये जाते थे। तक्षशिला, नालंदा, विक्रमशिला जैसे विश्वविद्यालय

भारत की ही देन है। भारत संसार की नैतिक एवं धार्मिक तपोस्थली रहा है। इसके बावजूद हमारे यहां पर्याप्त संख्या में असाक्षर मौजूद हैं। साक्षरता लोकहित के काम आती है। अतः भारतीय संस्कृति को पुरातन इतिहास से जोड़ते हुए शिक्षा और साक्षरता को महत्व प्रदान किया जाना चाहिए।

मुख्य अतिथि श्री खण्डेलवाल ने साक्षरता दिवस पर हार्दिक शुभकामनाएं व्यक्त करते हुए कहा कि साक्षरता ही वह धुरी है जहां से विकास की अनेक योजनाएं जैसे स्वास्थ्य, पोषण, परिवार कल्याण एवं बच्चों का टीकाकरण तथा ग्रामीण विकास के कई कार्यक्रम फलीभूत होते हैं।

अध्यक्षीय उद्बोधन में श्री चौधरी ने कहा कि वर्ष 1965 से साक्षरता दिवस मनाया जा रहा है। गांधीजी ने बुनियादी साक्षरता एवं शिक्षा को समाज में स्थापित किया। महात्मा गांधी ने कहा था निरक्षरता कलंक है। स्वामी विवेकानंद ने कहा था, जब तक इस देश के लोग निरक्षर रहेंगे, वे शिक्षित लोगों पर ऋण हैं, क्योंकि शिक्षित लोग उनके बल पर आगे बढ़ेंगे। श्री चौधरी ने प्रौढ़ शिक्षा के विविध आयामों पर भी प्रकाश डाला।

अतिथियों का स्वागत सदस्य श्री कमलेश मिश्रा ने किया एवं आभार क्षेत्रीय निदेशक श्री राजेश चौधरी ने माना। कार्यक्रम का संचालन म.प्र. शाखा के महासचिव श्री नारायण चौहान ने किया। कार्यक्रम का समापन राष्ट्रगान के साथ हुआ।

— राजेश चौधरी

क्षेत्रीय निदेशक, भा.प्रौ.शि.सं, म.प्र. शाखा

University of Delhi

Literacy Week Celebration: Inaugural Function

The Department of Adult, Continuing Education & Extension, University of Delhi organized a number of activities as part of Literacy Week (September 7-13, 2021) Celebration Programme including poster making and essay writing competition, plantation initiative, pledge by the students, skill mapping and competency assessment of the unorganized sector workers including rickshaw & e-rickshaw pullers as well as an intensive panel discussion.

The weeklong celebration was inaugurated with the lightening of ceremonial lamp and plantation of saplings by the Chief Guest, Professor P.C. Joshi, Vice Chancellor, Distinguished Guest, Professor Balaram Pani, Dean of Colleges and the Guest of Honor, Professor Suman Kundu, Director, South Campus, University of Delhi. Dr. Vikas Gupta, Registrar, University of Delhi and Prof. Soeren Ehlers, Helmut Schmidt University, Germany were also present on the occasion.

Delivering the inaugural address Prof. Joshi expected an



affirmative role to be played by each and every individual member of university fraternity towards realizing the goal of cent-percent literate society. The programme was also addressed by Prof. Balaram Pani and Prof. Suman Kundu, A special edition of Department's Newsletter covering major activities was also released by the distinguished guests. The inaugural event was concluded with an award distribution ceremony felicitating the winners of the essay and poster competition the list of which is as follows:



Essay Writing

- First Prize – Ms. Anshika Sharma and Ms. Vishakha (Lady Irwin College)
Second Prize – Ms. Khushi (Rajdhani College)
Third Prize – Smt. Kalpana Kaushik (IAEA, Delhi)

Poster Making

- First Prize – Shri Munavoor Praveen (Lucknow University)
Second Prize – Shri Amit Anant (Bilaspur, Chhattisgarh University)
Third Prize – Ms. Apoorva Prakash (Miranda House)

Online Panel Discussion

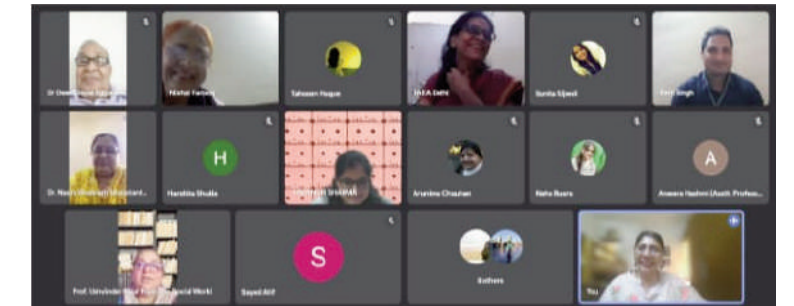
An online panel discussion on September 13, 2021 was also organized as part of the Literacy Week (September 7-13, 2021) Celebration Programme in which a number of distinguished academicians including Professor L. Raja, Director & Head, Gandhigram Rural Institute, Tamil Nadu and President, Indian Adult Education Association (IAEA); Ms. Kalpana Kaushik, Incharge Director, IAEA and Dr. Rakesh Parmar, HOD - Mathematics, Makhanlal Chaturvedi Government Girls P.G. College, Khandwa, Madhya Pradesh expressed their opinion on the 'Role of Higher Education Institutions for Volunteerism towards 100% Literacy'.

Speaking on the occasion Prof. Raja advocated a greater role and responsibility to be played by voluntary sector for the success of 'each one, catch one, teach one' mode of furtherance of literacy movement in the country. Appreciating the efforts made by Ms. Manu Gulati, a Delhi government school teacher and recipient of the Martha

Farrell award - 2019 towards helping young girls to receive formal school education Ms. Kalpana stressed the need to utilize available resources efficiently for achieving cent-percent literacy. Dr. Rakesh desired for incentivizing the voluntary activities taken-up by the students so that they are continuously motivated for the same.

The programme was introduced by Ms. Parinita while Prof. Rajesh introduced the panelists and gave brief remarks on the emerging challenges before literacy movement in the country.

JMI organised Extension Lectures



With a purpose to view literacy from a wider perspective the Department of Adult and Continuing Education and Extension (DACEE), Jamia Millia Islamia (JMI) hosted 3 Online Extension Lectures on September 8, 2021 on the theme "Contextualizing Literacy to Commemorate International Literacy Day" which were convened and moderated by Dr. Shikha Kapur, Head, DACEE. Along with a number of research scholars from different universities these lectures were also participated by veterans academicians including Dr. V. Mohankumar, former Director, IAEA, Prof. (Dr) D.D. Agarwal, University of Delhi, Prof. Ghulam Mursaleen, Aligarh Muslim University, Smt. Kalpana Kaushik, In-charge Director and Smt. Veena Mahajan, former Office Superintendent, IAEA. Smt. Nishat Farooq, former Director, SRC, JMI and recipient of Tagore Literacy Award-2020 was the Guest of Honour in the Programme. The Research Scholars and students from Universities from across India and Jamia Millia Islamia attended the Lectures.

Each of the lectures were presented by a research scholar of the department followed by deliberations, question and answers related to it. Ms. Arunima Chauhan gave her presentation on "Seven Decades of India's Literacy Movement", Shri Ram Pratap Singh on "Rural Literacy in India- Way Forward" and Ms. Himanshi Sharma on "COVID 19 and Literacy in India". The presenters were introduced by Ms. Ramsha Nusrat, Ms. Durdana Tahseen and Shri Gaurav Joshi respectively who were also the students of JMI.

University of Madras

The Department of Adult and Continuing Education organized a function in which a Literacy Centre was inaugurated at the premises of the department to impart literacy skills and educate the menial workers of the university. Speaking on the occasion Prof. V.P. Matheswaran, Head of the Department emphasized on the essentiality of education for human resource development. Former