INDIRA GANDHI NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY Regional Centre, Kolkata

Extension, Outreach, Promotional meetings/ programmes undertaken by Kolkata Regional entre has primarily focused on PUBLIC SERVICE for NATION BUILDING through 3 fundamental goals

1. Integration with National Goals

a. Revival and Resurrection of the historical legacy of Bengal, its inherited dedication to social service and invaluable wisdom of inclusion and universal consciousness for humanity and well as the grit of practical nationalism as encompassed in the exemplary contributions made by Swami Vivekananda, Aurobindo, Subhash Chandra Bose and innumerable others.

Regional centre has contributed to preservation of historically significant world heritage institutions by activating IGNOU Study Centres. For example Vidyasagar Smriti Mandir, holds the legacy of being the residence of Vidyasagar, the renowned Bengal social reformer who contributed to the important role played by Bengal renaissance in the Indian national movement.

International Peace Conference was held at EZCC, Salt Lake Kolkata on 25th August 2014 in joint collaboration with the Universal Peace Federation of India

b. Adoption of Village in Collaboration with local partners under Unnat Bharat Abhiyan

Kolkata Regional Centre in keeping pace with the National agenda of Unnat Bharat had adopted Parulia village in South 24 Parganas. However Regional centre had to shift its focus due to logistical problems. Recently RC collaborated with Ramkrishna Mission and adopted a New Village. Regional Director and Deputy Director visited village Beldiha under Goghat block in Hooghly district of West Bengal for adoption of the village with the active support of Beldiha Ramkrishna Mission.

Regional Centre Kolkata undertook various activities under Swachh Bharat Mission since its launch in 2014. It has taken various awareness programmes on Swachhata in its adopted village Parulia.

Regional Centre Kolkata orgainsed a Gram Sabha on issues related to corruption in its adopted village Parulia in South 24 Parganas, on the vigilance awareness week

c. Special privileges and opportunities for Scheduled castes and Scheduled tribes, Transgender and low esteemed social learners like Sex workers and jail inmates

Activation of Special Study Centre at the Alipore Presidency Correctional Home to provide higher education platform to the jail inmates to start decent life once they come out from the jail.

Activation of Bachelor degree and certificate programmes especially for Transgenders and children of sex workers at Durbar Mahila Samannay Committee 2888D, Kolkata to bring them to the mainstream society to lead a normal life.

Regional Centre organized workshops and sensitization camps for Transgender community in Durbar Mahila Samannay Committee 2888D May 2016

An Orientation Programme on transgender was held at RC on 23rd March 2018. Dr Manabi Bandopadhyay, the principal of Krishnagar Women's College, the first transgender college principal from West Bengal presented a lecture as a chief guest. Being a transgender Dr Manabi emphasized the importance of education and motivated them to pursue higher education.

A promotional meeting for the education among the sex workers was held on 16.05.2019 at Durbar Mahila Samanwaya Committee (DMSC)

d. Organizing programmes for awareness and outreach such as:

Rashtriya Ekta Diwas (National Unity Day): IGNOU Regional Centre Kolkata celebrated the 143rd birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, as Rashtriya Ekta Diwas (National Unity Day) on 31st October 2018 .All the members of Regional Centre took pledge to work towards National Integration

हिंदी पखवाड़ा . क्षेत्रीय केंद्र कोलकाता द्वारा 01 से 14 सितंबर 2018 के दौरान हिंदी पखवाड़ा का आयोजन किया गया। कार्यक्रम का शुभारंभ 04 सितंबर 2018 को संस्थान कर्मचारियों के लिए आयोजित हिंदी वक्तव्य प्रतियोगिता के साथ हुआ, जिसमें हिंदी के बारे में सब कर्मचारीगण ने अपना—अपना विचार प्रस्तुत किये।

दिनांक 10 सितंबर 2018 को क्षेत्रीय केंद्र के सभागार में सभी कर्मचारियों के उपस्थिति में हिंदी भाषा के उपर निबंध प्रतियोगिता का आयोजन किया गया जिसमें हिंदी भाषा के उपर सभी लोगों ने लिखकर अपना लिखा प्रति जमा किया।

14 सितंबर 2018 को हिंदी दिवस एवं हिंदी पखवाड़ा का समापन समारोह का आयोजन किया गया कार्यक्रम का आयोजन का शुभारम्म क्षेत्रीय निदेशक कोलकाता डॉ. शिवा कुमार जी. एन. ने किया, जिसमें उन्होंने राजभाषा की महत्ता पर प्रकाश डाला और उन्होंने कर्मचारी को कहा कि पत्राचार, स्टुडेंट सपोर्ट, नोट शीट, बैनर, समाचार पत्र आदि से सभी चीजें अंग्रेजी के साथ—साथ हिंदी में भी होनी चाहिए हिंदी हमारी राष्ट्रभाषा है। अत: हिंदी का विकास होना जरूरी है उसके लिए हम सबकों प्रयासरत रहना होगा।

तत्पश्चात डॉ सुजाता दत्ता हजारिका, उप निदेशक , डॉ. अजय कुमार बेहेरा, सहायक क्षेत्रीय निदेशक ये सभी अधिकारीगण ने भी हिंदी पखवाड़ा में अपने—अपने विचार लोगों के साथ साझा किये और हिंदी विकास में योगदान की बातें की।

संस्थान कर्मचारियों के लिए आयोजित हिंदी भाषा पर निबंध प्रतियोगिता, जो दिनांक 10 सितंबर को हुआ था जिसका अवलोकन करने के उपरांत 14 सितंबर को तीन कर्मचारी को पुरस्कृत किया गया जिनका नाम श्री प्रितेश कुमार (प्रथम पुरस्कार), देवाशीष मैटी (द्वितीय पुरस्कार), प्रोभेष चंद्र दत्ता (तृतीय पुरस्कार)। सभी को पुरस्कृत हमारे सभी अधिकारीगण और सभी कर्मचारीगण की उपस्थित में दिया गया।

कार्यक्रम की अध्यक्षता कर रहे डॉ. शिवा कुमार जी एन ने क्षेत्रीय केंद्र में राजभाषा नीतियों की जानकारी दी और संस्थान की प्रतिबद्धता पर अपने सुविचार व्यक्त किये। कार्यक्रम का समापन श्री आलोक कुमार दास, सहायक कुलसचिव के धन्यवाद ज्ञापन से हुआ।

Ambedkar Jayanti: Regional Centre Kolkata organized Ambedkar Jayanti on the 128th birth anniversary of Dr B R Ambedkar on 14th April 2019 at Regional Centre premises. The learners who have been visiting the RC for collection of study materials and the learners of SC-2800P were encouraged to participate in the event. Mr Kalyan Meshram a senior IGNOU learner pursuing a certificate course on Dr BR Ambedkar presented a lecture on the significance of Dr BR Ambedkar in the drafting of Indian constitution and his contemporary role to ensure unity in diversity. Others learners were also invited for short intervention and most of them expressed their admiration for the great hero. Dr Shiva Kumar GN, Regional Director, Dr Sujata Dutta Hazarika, Deputy Director , Dr Biswajit Bhowmik, Deputy Director and Dr Ajay Kumar Behera, ARD and

other officials and staff participated and contributed to an enriching discussion on the life of Dr. BR Ambedkar. Certificate of participation to the learners was given for making the event profound and insightful

International Day on Yoga: RC Kolkata celebrated yoga day on 21st June 2019 with great zeal and enthuasiam. Acharya Kashishwara Nanda Abadhut senior monk of the Ananda Marg Pracharak as a chief guest explained the meaning of yoga and its necessity in life. All the officers and staff members of RC Kolkata actively participated in the programme

Regional centre Kolkata organized the 32nd Convocation of IGNOU with great fervor and festivity .An innovative digital exhibition was held to enlighten and inform learners , visitors and invited guests about the far reaching network and effective digital permeation made by Open and distance learning under the leadership of IGNOU for the nation. A signature campaign marked the special attraction where the Regional centre could document actual signatures of learners who received certificates for different programmes under IGNOU for posterity.

e. Partnering in Nation Building:

- Responding to the Nation's call by the Hon'ble Prime (i) Minister, IGNOU Regional Centre Kolkata has taken the lead in launching "Swachhata Hi Seva" campaign organized under Swachch Bharat Abhiyan from 15th September to 2nd October 2018. The Abhiyan was formally initiated by the Regional Director at the seminar hall with the Staffs taking the "Swachhta Hi Sewa" pledge. He urged the staff members to maintain cleanliness around living place as well in office premises. Some innovative ideas pertaining to cleanliness were also suggested by him. He appreciated the efforts being done by staff in maintaining the office clean and neat. All the officials and staffs under the supervision of the Regional Director dedicated 2 hours (10:00 am- 12:00 noon) of every day during the period in cleaning and sweeping of the entire office which included:
 - Dusting and moping of individual work places.
 - Sorting of office files and sequential arrangement for easy accessibility.
 - Discarding of all wastes materials from the store room.

- Cleaning of doors and windows and washing of curtains
- Proper arrangement of computers, printers, including chairs and tables etc.
- Cataloguing of books and publications in the office library.
- Cleaning of office corridors and ceilings.
- Sweeping and moping of the office stairway
- Continuing with this initiative Regional centre under Swachh (ii) Bharat Mission- Swachhta Hi Seva on 2nd October 2018 in collaboration with IGNOU Study Centre - 2842, Bhairab Ganguli College, PO-Belgharia Dist.-North 24 Parganas, organized an event where students, teachers and staff members participated actively. Students were explained about the Swachahtha Hi Sewa Programme. Students were further motivated to spread awareness in their locality. Tree plantation was organized in the college campus. About 25 saplings were planted in the premises/ campus of the study centre. Regional Director, Dr Shiva Kumar GN and the other officers and staff of the university as well as the coordinator and other supporting staff and students of the learners support centre participated in the plantation programme. A painting competition among the learners on the theme Swachhta was also organized at the study centre to spread the mission.
- (iii) Vigilance Awareness Week was observed at the Regional Centre Kolkata from 29th October to 3rd November 2018 with the theme "Eradicate Corruption – Build a New India"
- (iv) RC Organized Free Health Check up Camp for the people with the help of Medica Superspecialty Hospital at Regional Centre Kolkata on 14.09.2018
- (v) Regional Centre played an active role in implementing Financial Literacy Mission of the Government of India under the Digital India programme. With the support of Union Bank of India RC Kolkata organized Aao Hum Digital Ho Jaye Financial Literacy Mission : Enrollment and Training Programme for e -Kranti volunteers

2. Integration with IGNOU's Institutional Goals: Aligning with IGNOU's vision of democratizing education

a. Reaching the unreached IGNOU study centres are spread over 13 districts

Conducted a Gram Panchayat Survey to identify areas of intervention in generating livelihood, education, health, infrastructure development that could be focused during the Unnat Bharat Abhiyan drive undertaken by RC. In this regard the RC organized Participatory rural Appraisal with members of Chaltaberia GP with support of the BDO (Block Development Officer), Bhangar to identify need based issues.

RC Kolkata organized a workshop on for entrepreneurship and skill development of handloom weavers at Basakpara Nadia on 29th October 2016 for the skill development of the weavers.

For promotion of education among the weavers a promotional meeting was held on 7th August 2018 on the occasion of National Handloom Day at ICCR auditorium Kolkata with the support of Weavers' Service Centre Kolkata.

RC undertook a number of outreach and promotional meetings to promote IGNOU's mandate and the role of open and Distance learning for the educational aspiration of the Defence sector of the Nation.

Promotional meeting held on 14.08.2018 at Bengal area Provost unit (BAPU) Fort William Kolkata.

Promotional meeting held on 24.08.2018 at 167 Battalion CRPF, Kolkata.

Promotional meeting s held at Ordinance, Gun and Shell Factory. Cossipore Kolkata.

b. Out reached through Mass Media:

Regional centre issued numerous press releases in various local newspapers informing the learners about the programmes of IGNOU especially about date of admission and examination dates. Besides, live programmes in the various channels where live discussion with the Regional Director was regularly held.

Live telecast of interactive session on admission system in IGNOU participated by Dr SK Tripathi, Regional Director in Amar Bangla channel.

Live telecast of interactive session on scope of higher education through IGNOU participated by Dr SK Tripathi, Regional Director in Amar Bangal Channel.

Live telecast of interactive session on admission and Examination system in Amar Bangla channel was participated by Dr Shiva Kumar GN, Regional Director.

Live telecast of interactive session on admission and Examination system on 14.04.2019 was participated by Dr Shiva Kumar GN, Regional Director in CTVN Channel.

c. Technologically enhanced open and distance learning (ODL)

Online Admission, Online empanelment of Academic counselors, Online Evaluation and Result generation, Online grievance addressal, Online Self learning course material have been successfully implemented.

Kolkata Regional centre has successfully digitized most of its vital operations Students queries and reception is equipped with an online kiosks handle most learners and visitors queries in a much more time efficient manner. I GRAM, IGNOU's online grievance addressal system is prioritized in a day to day manner of clearance. The Regional Centre has also implemented an efficient SLM distribution process at RC, which has streamlined and improved SLM distribution to learners.

d. Democratizing education

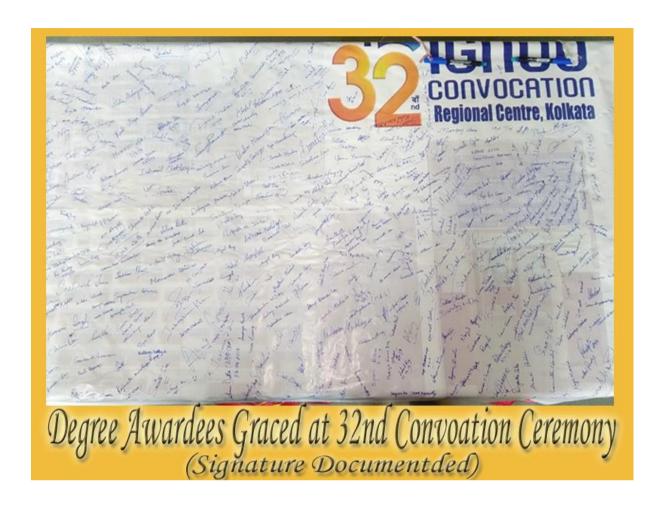
Regional Centre has managed to strengthen its arterial links with its enormous network of Study Centres spread across 13 districts in west Bengal. All the Study centres are frequently oriented to strengthen their role in perpetuating IGNOU's agenda of democratizing education through grass root intervention. A number of Study Centres have been activated in inaccessible, rural frontiers to bring education into the doorstep of hitherto deprived sections of the State.

- 3. Working towards a Holistic education system that is oriented towards quality, accessibility, enhanced humanity and pragmatic resource elevation through skill and technology augmentation.
 - a. Digitisation of Institutional processes for improved delivery and effectiveness of Open and Distance Learning
 - b. Strengthening flexibility and choice based on need centric approach, with a more stringent monitoring of UGC-ODL guidelines and its implementation to ensure quality and accountability.
 - c. A seminar on Higher Education in India: Issues and Challenges was organized at RC Kolkata on the occasion of National Education day on 11th November 2014.
 - d. Initiating translation of SLM in Bengali for major programmes of IGNOU
 - e. Workshop on Field work Practicum in Social Work was held at RC Kolkata on 10-11 March 2016.
 - f. RC Kolkata organized an orientation programme for the academic counsellors of MA Political Science on 09-10 September 2016.
 - g. An orientation programme for academic counsellors of MA Economics was organised at RC Kolkata on 18-19 November 2016.
 - h. An orientation programme for the academic counsellors of Mathematics was organised at RC Kolkata on 25-26 th November 2016.
 - i. An orientation programme for the Exam Superintendents were held on 29.05.2017 at RC Kolkata

- j. An orientation programme on village level Entrepreneurship of CSC (Common service centres) was held at Tamluk of East Midnapore district at the District Magistrates Office on 29.01.2018
- k. Coordinator meeting held at Regional Centre on 27th November 2018
- 1. Coordinator meeting held on 29th May 2019.

Achievements

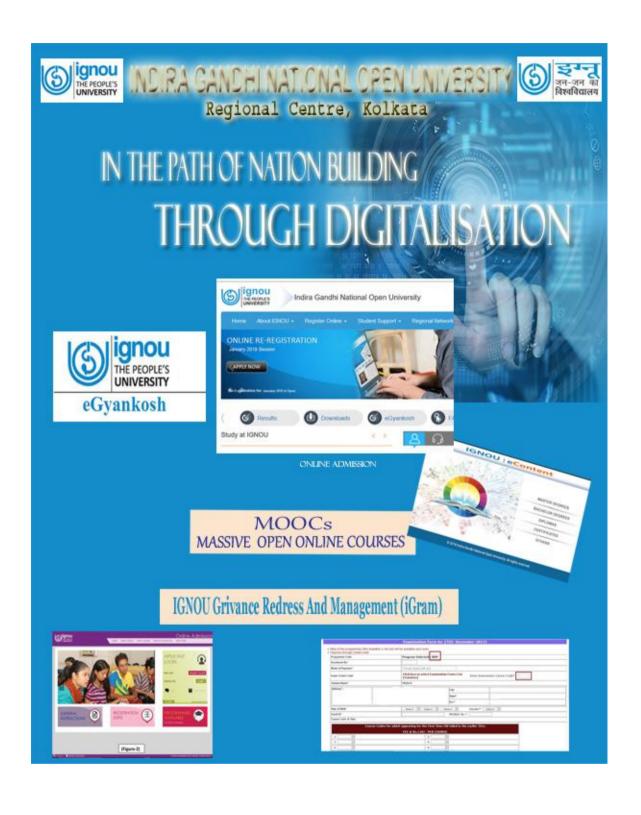
Dr Shiva Kumar Regional Director in the 32nd convocation 2018 address summarized the achievements of the Regional centre as having Learner Support Centres covering all the districts with three more learner in the pipeline. A Special Study Centre has been support centres established at Presidency Correctional Home, Alipore, Kolkata to provide free education to jail inmates. New Programmes such as Cerificate in Korean, Russian, Spanish and BPCCHN for medical aspirants have been activated. Skill Development programmes such as Certificate in General Duty Assistance, Geriatric Care Assistance, Phlebotomy Assistance, Home Health Assistance, Comprehensive Diabetes Care and Dietetic Assistance has e also been launched which has huge potential to provide employment to more than 14 lakh students across the state of West Bengal. During 2017-18 this Regional Centre has enrolled 49471students in different Programmes, which is a phenomenal growth. Enrollment figure of rural population has increase from 747 to 2822 which is an overall growth of 54.39%. Participation of women increased from 11603 To 13446. Growth 13.70%. Participation of disadvantaged groups (SC/ST/OBC) increased from 4983 To 5312. Growth percentage of 6.19%. In the 32nd Convocation, IGNOU has awarded Degree, Diplomas and Certificates to a total of 1,88,486 learners at all India level and at Kolkata region alone 7939. Two learners from Kolkata Regional Centre Rituparna Sahoo, PGDAC-173782562 & Md. Ajaz Ahmed, PGDHRM-172709264 have been awarded with gold medal.

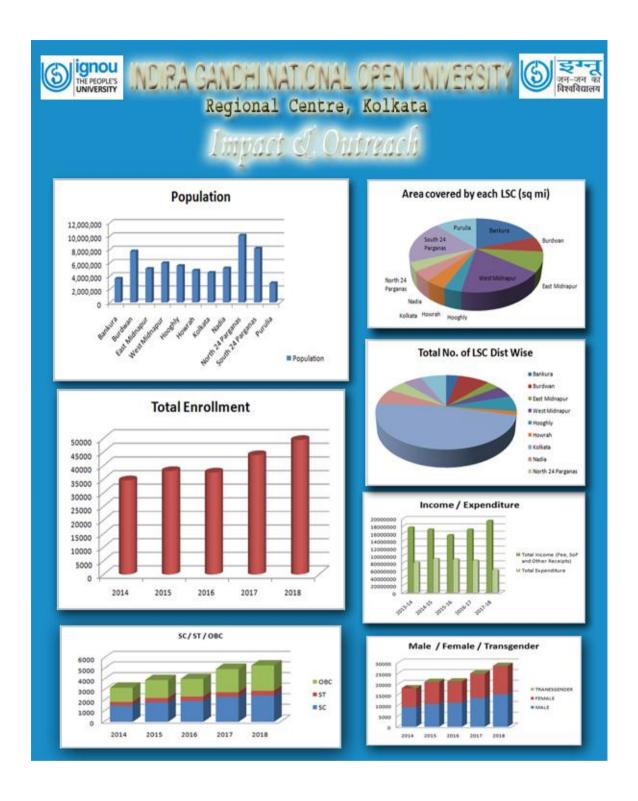












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Tresha Marik, Assistant Professor (IT), West Bengal University of TechnologyCurrently working as Assistant Professor (IT) in an eminent college of WBUT. A Self-motivated Lady with strong planning, organizational and leadership skills. Prolific thinker and eminent columnist of various journals. Well, I would like to convey my heartfelt thanks to my University (IGNOU). The journey of this analytical approach and current position has been an intensely fulfilling experience, which has witnessed its own share of trials and tribulations, joys and disappointments, but one that has left me more enriched than ever before. However, I would like to thank my degree of MCA for giving me such a platform to deliver the analytical thinking approach towards any situation.

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Subhadip Chatterjee, Senior Dictitian

I am Subhadip Chatterjee and working as a senior dietitian in KPC Medical College and Hospital. Jadavpur, Kolkata since the last five years. I have completed my Msc(DFSM)course Batch-2007) from IGNOU under the study centre K.P.C. Medical College. & Hospital (Study centre code-28112P). IGNOU being the first of its kind in the Easters Region to establish Distance Education providing knowledge for all kinds of people. Kolkata Regional Centre (Code-28) handled all sorts of problem in a prompt way regarding this course, the guidelines set by IGNOU and the motto of "The Peoples University" fulfills in all aspects. IGNOU designed the course materials in a very informative way.

Anirban Ghosh, Lab Faculty in MCA dept.

Myself Anirban Ghosh, currently working as Lab Faculty in MCA dept. at Calcutta Institute of Technology, Uluberia, Howrah. I would like to convey my heartfelt thanks to my University (IGNOU), also thanks to Respected Regional Director Sir for giving me the opportunity to study in this esteemed university with BCA, and a very much thanks to Respected Program In Charge Mr. Kousik Bhattacharya, to give me the chance to take participate in the course from Bikash Bhaban study center where I found all coordinators very much helpful and they guide me very well for achieving this success. So I will be ever thankful to PIC for the degree of BCA which gives me such a platform to deliver the analytical thinking approach towards any situation.





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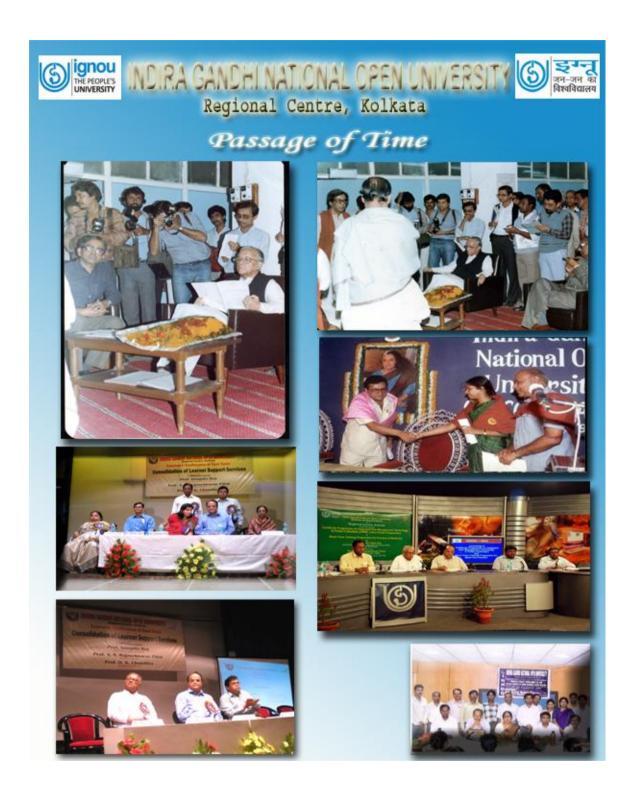
It is my proud privilege to share my experience as ex-atudent of Msc. DFSM (IGNOU-2011batch). I was at advantage getting education here as it had adjustable class routines, helpful and friendly counselors and extra classes as well, which IGNOU had designed. IGNOU being the first of its kind in the Eastern Region to establish Distance Education providing knowledge for all kinds of people. Kolkata Regional Centre handled all sort of problems in a prompt way regarding this course, the guidelines set by IGNOU and the motto of 'The Peoples University' fulfills in all aspects.

ABHISHEK MONDAL, ASSISTANT PROFESSOR IN SOCIOLOGY

I am "ABHISHEK MONDAL", Ex-student of "IGNOU" want to share my success story with you. I want to tell you how the study material of IGNOU in my masters level help me to not only score good marks in my masters but I passed the NET (NATIONAL ELIGIBILITY TEST FOR ASSISTANT PROFESSOR). I completed my schooling from "CENTRAL BOARD OF SECONDARY EDUCATION DELIFI". After that I have completed my graduation from "PRESIDENCY COLLEGE KOLKATA UNDER CALCUTTA UNIVERSITY" taking "SOCIOLOGY HONOURS". I enrolled myself and took admission in "IGNOU" with "SOCIOLOGY" as the subject in my masters, passes out with a good scored qualified the "NATIONAL ELIGIBILITY TEST FOR ASSISTANT PROFESSOR", conducted by the "UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION NATIONAL EDUCATIONAL TISTING BUREAU". I qualified NET before the post graduation exam.



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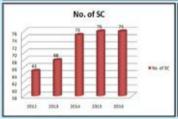
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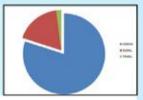
















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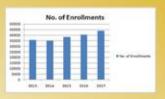
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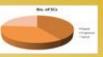












































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IGNOU 2801 is one of the earliest centers of the IGNOU family.

It began its operation in the year 1985 and still catering services to large number of students covering a wide area of South Bengal.

It is situated in a house known as "ISWAR CHANDRA PATHABHAVAN"- a lousy structure of an old Zamindari family in Bengal. Declared as a HRITAGE SITE, this particular center really stands apart from others. Located very near to the busy Sealdah railway station, this center is surrounded by big trees offing rear greenery in the midst of din & bustle of this part of Kolkata city. Students obviously enjoy the ambience and love to stay in this arena to relish the beauty of the nature for a longer time.





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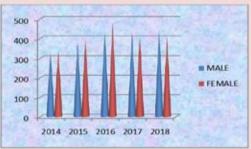




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