

Proceedings of the National Seminar 2016

Army Institute of Education Greater Noida hosted a National Seminar on the topic "CHALLENGES OF EDUCATION IN EMERGING SOCIETY" on 26 Feb 2016. It is a yearly event conducted on a relevant subject from the field of education as approved by HQ AWES. The subthemes of the seminar were:

- a) Teaching as a tool in Emerging Society
- b) Technology Leverage to make Teaching Powerful in the Future Scenario
- c) Latest Trends in Teaching in the Emerging Educational Scenario
- d) Role of Teachers in Empowering Marginalized Group in Emerging Society

Inaugural Session

The National Seminar started with the inaugural address of the Chief Guest Prof Nawal Kishor Ambasht, former Chairman National Institute of Open Schooling, New Delhi. Prof Ambasht shared his views about the paradigm shift in Teacher Education. He emphasized that teachers are and will be an essential part of the education system because they are the ones who would be the catalyst for making the man as human being. He emphasised that humanism will be the central characteristic of human society in the years to come.

Prof (Dr) M. Sen Gupta former principal Regional Institute of Education (R.I.E.) Bhopal and former Joint Director NCERT, New Delhi delivered an encompassing keynote address in which he emphasized the need to hold discussion on the identified themes of the seminar. Prof Sen Gupta discussed that we were in information age, today we are moving in knowledge age. He talked about emerging occupations, booming service sector etc and he stressed on multiple literacy.

Papers were presented in two technical sessions.

Technical Session I

Technical session I was chaired by Dr Kishor Kumar Associate Professor K.M. Govt Girls (P.G.) College, Badalpur and co-chaired by Mr. A.K. Katiyar, former principal Kendriya Vidhyalaya (K.V.)

Total 17 papers were presented in this session. It was highlighted that the use of innovative methods in teaching has the potential not only to improve education, but also to empower people, strengthen governance and galvanize the efforts to achieve the human development goal for the country.

It was suggested that the integration of information and communication technology in teaching is a central matter in ensuring quality in the educational system. Pupils must become familiar with the use of ICT, since all jobs in the society

of the future will be dependent on it, and information technology must be used in teaching in order to improve its quality and make it more effective. There should be a perfect coordination between knowledge and technology to achieve more and more.

Technical Session II

This session was chaired by Prof (Dr) Rajshree Pradhan from DIET, New Delhi and co-chaired by Dr M.K.Tyagi, Dean St. Thomas College of Education, Greater Noida.

Total 19 papers were presented in this session. It was highlighted that improvement in the quality of education is only possible through diversifying the content and experimentation, promotion of improvisation and innovation.

It was suggested that the education empower the people to be independent in decision making. So, the majority are supporting integrated education. Integration in education comes as a follow-up of inclusion in education. Education should promote the culture of co-education. Teacher should be a reflective practitioner.

Educational opportunities in the various sections of the society can bring about a homogenised change in the society. It empowers the weak to rise and fight for its rights. Education empowers the weak to have his say and not become prey to the wrong that is going in the society.

Valedictory Session

The chief guest of the final valedictory session and Prof B.P.Khandelwal former Director NEUPA shared his valuable thoughts and his own experiences regarding motivation of the students and uses of ICT resources, basically emphasized on both aspects of teaching and learning. He tried to draw the attention of audience to building up a strong personality as a purpose of four pillars of education i.e. learning to know, Learning to do, Learning to be, learning to live together.

The valedictory session was followed by a report on proceedings of the seminar by Ms Pratibha Garg Co-convenor of the seminar. The chief guest of valedictory session presented the certificates to the presenters and the participants. In the end Ms Ruchi Saxena Convenor of the seminar presented the vote of thanks.