

MANAGEMENT EDUCATION & RESEARCH INSTITUTE
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Internal Quality Assurance Cell
Organizes
Faculty Development Programme, **20-25, July 2020**
on

“Blended Learning; Tools for Teaching & Research in Media, Management & Technology”

Management Education and Research Institute (MERI), Janakpuri, New Delhi has conducted a one Week Online Faculty Development Programme on Blended Learning: Tools for Teaching & Research in Media, Management and Technology from July 20-25, 2020. The event organised by the Internal Quality Assurance Cell of the college emphasised on integrated blended learning in order to optimise online and offline mode of teaching so as to deliver the best teaching experience, in these unprecedented times.

Prof Lalit Aggarwal ,Director & V.P MERI Group of Institutions, Delhi-NCR,graced the occasion & delivered Inaugural address. Keynote address was delivered by Prof. (Dr) Nasib Singh Gill Professor, Department of Computer Science & Applications, MDU, Rohtak Director, Digital Learning Center, Rohtak.Prof (Dr) Deepshikha Kalra ,acting dean concluded the session by vote of thanks.

Digital Literacy & Social Media In the Classroom was discussed by **Dr. Rashmi Chari** Director,Member of Educational Research & Innovations Committee (ERIC) of Ministry of HRD, Government of India.**Dr. Lokesh Jindal** Associate Professor Maharaja Agrasen Institute of Management & Technology, New Delhi shared expert talk on open source resources. Expert talk on Re-imagining Learning with Technology was shared by **Mr Hemant Sahal** Founder & CEO ,CollPoll. **Dr. Rakesh Goyal**,Assistant Professor Department of ECE IKGPTU, Jalandhar shared his opinion on Teaching & Learning in Digital Age.

MERI Professors were also the resource persons.Prof. Ritu Aggarwal ,Prof. (Dr) Deepshikha Kalra & Dr Maitri touched upon different aspects of Google Classroom in different sessions. Effective Classroom Engagement was covered by Dr Samarth Singh & Blended Learning by Dr. Gurpreet Kaur. Detection of Fake News was discussed by Ms Saloni Saini.

This FDP was also graced by international resource persons.

The third day of the academic discourse witnessed an enlightening session by by International expert Andrew Wagdy, Assistant Director, English Language Centre (ELC), Pharos University in Alexandria (PUA). Dr. Wagdy had completed his Harvard University Data Wise course in 2016 and the Evaluation and Assessment Course from Norwich Institute for Language Institution. Additionally, he is a Cambridge certified speaking examiner and interlocutor. His session mainly emphasised on item analysis, its importance and need. Furthermore, he also spoke great lengths about Facility Index and Discrimination Index, followed by online tips.

The fifth day of the academic discourse witnessed an illuminating session by International expert Ms. Abeer Ali Okaz, Director, English Language Centre, Pharos University, Alexandria, Egypt on “Changingthe face of ELT in Higher Education”. In the growing global

times, geographical distances are being bridged by language integration. Additionally, English Language Teaching has become quintessential to carry out teaching through online medium. Ms. Okaz discussed about various channels of communication students-teacher, teacher-teacher, etc. and appropriate medium for them like Doodle, Flock, Slack, Zoom, Straw Polls etc.

The programme focussed on various sub-themes in the upcoming sessions, like Google classroom, effective student engagement in teaching, effective learning management system, data journalism and detection of fake news in the presence of esteemed resource persons including the likes of Dr. Rashmi Chari, Director, ERIC of Ministry of HRD, GoI. The convenors for the programme are Prof. A.K. Agrawal, Dean, MERI, Prof. (Dr.) Umesh Gupta, Director, MERI CET and Dr. Maitri Bhushan, Associate Professor, MERI.