

**Gokhale Education Society's
Shri Bhausaheb Vartak Arts, Commerce & Science College
Borivali (west) Mumbai – 400091**

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One Day National Multidisciplinary Web Conference

Organized by

Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC)

On the theme

“Higher Education: Transformations in Post-Independence Period of India”

Report

Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of Gokhale Education Society's Shri Bhausaheb Vartak Arts, Commerce & Science College organized One Day National Multidisciplinary Web Conference on the theme “Higher Education: Transformations in Post-independence period of India” on 22nd February 2023 through online platform Zoom and was streamed live on YouTube.

The Conference was successfully headed by I/C Principal Dr. S. B. Karande who acted as a Conference Secretary. Vice-Principal Dr. M. D. Auti was the Co-ordinator whereas Asst. Professor Sachin Pawar acted as the Joint Co-ordinator of the conference. Asst. Professor Dr. Sushila Yadav and Asst. Professor Mrunal Khobragade has been the convenor and co-convenor of the conference.

Inaugural Function and Technical Session – I:

Dr. Sushila Yadav Convenor of the Web Conference welcomed all the dignitaries for the national conference. As tradition of our Gokhale Education Society, the national web conference was commenced by Gokhale Education Society's Song, followed by “*Ishastavan*” and welcome song which was sung by our college student Ms. Brahmananda Patankar.

Principal Dr. S B Karande Sir also conference secretary for this web conference delivered a welcome address and enlightened the importance of the theme in the present era.

Vice Principal Dr. M D Auti Sir also Co-ordinator of this National web conference briefed the audience about the conference and how the conference highlights the revolutionary changes which comes with National Education Policy NEP 2020.

Asst. Professor Sachin Pawar introduced the chief guest Prin. Dr. N S Umarani, Former Vice Chancellor, Savitribai Phule Pune University in which he enumerated achievements of Mr. Vivek Sawant.

Prof. Pawar also introduced the President of the Conference Dr. S. V. Sant Madam, Vice Chairperson, Gokhale Education Society.

With the permission of Chief guest Prin. Dr. N S Umarani and President of the Conference Dr. S. V. Sant Madam the conference proceeding was digitally inaugurated.

The Chief guest and keynote speaker Prin. Dr. N S Umarani started his speech on the topic of conference focussing on the transformation and revolution took place in the higher education since independence.

He rightly pointed the fabrics of NEP 2020 is depend on access, equity, quality affordability and accountability which will be the pillar in making a gradual change in the area of higher education.

Moreover, he pointed out the purpose of education is not only receiving or giving degrees but to develop good human beings with all the available ecosystem whether through classroom ecosystem or through technology gadgets. He also stretched on modern technology should be used for education.

Another important aspect he pointed out what is the aim of education? The main aim of education is to understand the soul of our constitution.

Prin Dr. N S Umarani enumerated many opportunities in the field of higher education and also focused on making society more inclusive and reduce the gap between privileged and underprivileged section of people.

This was followed by presidential address by Dr. Mrs. S V Sant Madam who enlightened us about New Education Policy and importance of enriching learners.

She beautifully stated we should not only prepare our students to face uncertain future but also at the same time we should and they should learn contribute to human and planetary well being and sustainable development and this will be the real transformation in education system.

Further Madam did not only point out the challenges in the higher education but like always she enlightens how these challenges can be converted into opportunities.

On her concluding remark she concluded Education is all about Nation Building and Youth Building who are tomorrows leaders and policy makers.

In the end Dr. S V Sant and congratulated whole team and entire staff for actively organizing this conference on this vital theme.

Asst. Professor Dr. Sushila Yadav coordinated this inaugural session. Asst. Professor Aniket Salvi was the rapporteur for this inaugural session whereas vote of thanks was delivered by Mrs. Prachi Kadam.

Moving on to Technical and Paper Presentation Session II:

Subtheme of the session II Transformations in Higher Education in Post-Independence Period.

It was an honour to have Dr. Sandhya Saxena Professor, Department of English, VRAL, Government's Girls College, Bareilly, Uttar Pradesh as the Chairperson for Session II along with Dr. Rajesh Khajuria Professor, FPT University, Vietnam Commissioner, Accreditation Council for Business Schools and Programs (ACBSP), USA as the resource person.

Conference Secretary & I/C Principal Dr. S. B. karande welcomed both of them honourable chairperson and resource person.

Coordinator of the session Prof. Kavita Dangle took the privilege to introduce the Chairperson of the technical session Dr. Sandhya Saxena and the resource person Dr. Rajesh Khajuria. She also enumerated about the achievements of both the speakers.

This was followed by address by Dr. Rajesh Khajuria and highlighted on what India is contributing to the world since ages with the belief of Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam. He structurally stated how we are transforming ourselves from Vedas to NEP 2020. His presentation also suggested the strategy for growth of Higher Education in three broad stages first being investment, second strategy and third skill training. He concluded the session focussing on need for East West Collaboration in the field of education.

Moving on to the paper presentations for Session II:

The first paper presenter Dr. Salma Khan, Assistant Professor, Political Science Government Degree College for Women Anantnag (UT Jammu & Kashmir) presented her research paper on the topic Attainment of Higher Education: A leap towards Women Empowerment in India. The objective of her research paper was to analyze the role played by higher education to serve as a tool for women empowerment. Her paper also tried to explain how attainment to higher education ensures women's inclusivity in all sphere of life.

Second Paper was presented by Mr. Mukesh Kumar, Department of Education, HPU Shimla Himachal Pradesh, he presented his research paper on the topic Interdisciplinary/Multidisciplinary Higher Education: Need of The Hour. His paper focussed on having multi-disciplinary approach in the field of higher education for having a greater impact.

After two successful paper presentation, the chairperson of the session Dr. Sandhya Saxena enlightens everyone with her intellectual viewpoint. She talked about how education was a barrier with the existing caste and patriarchal system and how we as a nation are breaking those barriers.

She also stressed why there is a need for Indianizing education policy. And in the end, she guided the paper presenters with her valuable inputs.

Asst. Professor Mrs. Kavita Dangle was the co-ordinator for Technical and Paper Presentation Session II. Asst. Professor Aniket Salvi continued to be the rapporteur whereas vote of thanks was delivered by Asst. Professor. Nitin Sawant.

Moving on to Technical Session – III and Valedictory Function

Sub Theme: Implementation of NEP-2020 in Higher Education : Challenges and Prospectus

It was an honour for the college to have Vice Chairperson of Gokhale Education Society Dr. S. V. Sant as the President of the function. Chief Guest and resource person for the last session was Dr. Sanjay Jagtap, former Joint Director Higher Education. I/C Principal Dr. S. B. Karande delivered a welcome speech. Further Asst. Professor Aniket Salvi presented the report of the conference. Asst. Professor Mrunal Khobragade introduced the Chief Guest Dr. Sanjay Jagtap and highlighted his keywords in the field of education. Chief Guest and resource person Dr. Sanjay Jagtap during his address talked about various perspective and challenges, pros and cons in the implementation of NEP-2020. Vice Chairperson of Gokhale Education Society Dr.

S. V. Sant and the President of the function delivered the presidential address and put the light on almost all the aspect of NEP-2020.

Asst. Professor Mrs. Rupal Sheth was the co-ordinator for Technical Session – III and Valedictory Function. Asst. Professor Aniket Salvi continued to be the rapporteur whereas final vote of thanks was delivered by Vice-Principal Dr. M. D. Auti.

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