

# **National Workshop on Development of Self-Learning Materials in Open and Distance Learning (Learning Materials for Higher Education)**

**Organized by**

**Staff Training and Research Institute of Distance Education**

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**Venue: Conference Hall, Dr. S. Radhakrishnan Block, IGNOU**

## **Background**

STRIDE has been organizing training programme/workshops in the area of self-learning materials in addition to various other aspects related to the Distance Education system. Time to time various capacity building programmes have been organized for faculty of IGNOU, CCIs and SOUs. One of the responsibilities of STRIDE is to act as a resource centre and conduct staff development programmes for the staff of DDEs, CCIs and SOUs also. To fulfill this responsibility, national level training programmes/workshops on development of SLMs were organized earlier and the response was always encouraging. Still many faculty and academic staff of DDEs, CCIs and SOUs (particularly the newly joined faculty) are yet to undergo training programmes of this kind. Therefore, this national workshop on Development of SLMs in open and distance learning is proposed to be organized by STRIDE from March 14<sup>th</sup> to March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2016 for 07 days. This programme carries 10 API points for the faculty for their career advancement.

## **Objectives**

Keeping the above factors in view, this workshop is proposed with the following specific objectives:

- i) to sensitize about the various issue and models of higher education.
- ii) to familiarize the participants with adult learning and distance learning, and latest development in DE.
- iii) to explain the characteristics and processes of development of self-learning materials with practical activities as key component, and develop skills of writing SLMs;
- iv) to acquaint the participants with various other vital issues relating development of SLMs, viz. – media, support services, assignments and examinations etc;
- v) to Provide hands on experiences to develop Self Learning Material.  
and
- vi) to exchange among the participants the experiences of their institutional practices of ODL, and build a network of experts of SLMs.

## **Participants**

Faculty of DDEs, CCIIs and SOUs. As the workshop will be activity-based one, not more than 40 participants will be accommodated.

## **Methodology**

Initially lead presentations will be made by resource persons followed by practical activities (group and individual-based). At the end of the workshop each participant is expected to develop transform a unit (chosen by him/her) into SLM format.

## **Resource Persons**

Faculty of STRIDE and faculty of schools/divisions of IGNOU and few subject experts outside IGNOU will be the resource persons in the workshop.

## **Resource Materials**

Besides other Xerox materials. Handbook-5 of STRIDE i.e. Development and Revision of Self-Learning Materials shall be used as the base material for the workshop.

## **Duration and Dates**

The proposed workshop will be organized for 7 days during March 14<sup>th</sup>- 20<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

## **Weightage**

As per UGC guidelines a training programme of 07 days duration carries 10 API points for the faculty for their career advancement.

## **Funding**

Earlier, for such National Workshops conducted by STRIDE, some nominal fee was being charged from the participants to make the workshop self-sufficient; the present one is also planned on the same lines. Each participant will be charged Rs.6000/- to cover the cost of workshop material, workshop lunch, and twice a day tea. Participants' TA/DA will be borne by their sponsoring institutions and they will be paying for their accommodation and boarding at IGNOU guest house during the workshop. In this workshop there are 40 participants participating from different Open and Distance Educational Institutions across the country.

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