Report of UGC Sponsored National Seminar on "Reinventing Teacher Education: Concept and Challenges" on 24-25 March 2012

A two day UGC Sponsored National Seminar on "Reinventing Teacher Education: Concepts and Challenges" was organized by Teacher Education Department, Bareilly College, Bareilly on March 24th -25th March2012 The seminar proved to be the meeting ground for M.Ed. students, Research Scholars and Teacher Educators to exchange experiences, knowledge, queries and insights. It was as an effective platform for all the concerned stakeholders to introspect about the numerous challenges and dilemmas facing the current teacher education system in India. Prof R.P. Singh, Principal Bareilly College Bareilly, while welcoming all the resource persons ,dignitaries, delegates and participants, expressed his immense pleasure that teacher education department of Bareilly College Bareilly is hosting for the first time a UGC sponsored National Seminar. On the first day,the inaugural session was presided by the Patron, Shri Dev Murti ji, Secretary Managing Committee, Bareilly College, Bareilly and various eminent educationists from across India like Prof. Poonam Agrawal Head DERPP NCERT (Chief Guest),New Delhi, Prof.Aejaz Masih (Keynote Speaker)Head Dept. of Education, Jamia Milia Islamia,New Delhi,Prof. Girijesh Kumar, Dept.of Education,MJPRU Bareilly,Prof..H.S.Bais, Retd. Prof. of Education, G.V.V.S, Sagar.

On the second day, many other prominent educationists such as , Prof. Shashi Kiran Pandey ,H.N.B. Garhwal University, ShriNagar Campus, Prof.R.C. Nautiyal, Dean Faculty of Education HNB Garhwal University, Prof. R.K.Srivastava H.N.B. Garhwal University, Prof. Shiv Murti Sanskrit University Jaipur, Dr.Sharad Sinha, Asso. Prof. DERPP, NCERT, New Delhi, Dr. Nisha Singh, Deputy Director, IUC, IGNOU, New Delhi shared their views on various issues pertinent to the current teacher education scenario. The Valedictory session was chaired by Shri Kazi Aleemuddin, Vice President Board of Control Bareilly College, Bareilly.

Dr. Uma Vyas, Seminar Convener & Head of Teacher Education Department, Dr. Rakesh Azad Seminar Co-convener, Dr. Pratibha Sharma, Organizing Secretary along with all the faculty members of the Teacher Education Department contributed towards the success of the Seminar.

Report of National Seminar on "Reinventing Teacher Education: Concept and Challenges" on first day 24 march 2012

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Guest of Honor Dr. H.S.Bais, Retd. Prof. of Education, G.V.V.S, M.P. expressed his gratitude to be a part of this thought provoking platform. He said that due to global changing scenario of education, there is a dire need to not only enhance the skills of teacher educators but to prepare them to move according to the pace of societal needs and employability. Dr. Girijesh Kumar, Dean and Head of Faculty of Education, MJP Rohilkhand University in his address, strongly recommended the integration of ICT in the curriculum of teacher education so as to prepare competent teachers for 21ST century with ICT skills. Dr. Aizaz Masih, Professor, Faculty of Education, Jamia Millia University, New Delhi in his key note address said that present teacher education scenario is at the verge of drastic change it needs to be overhauled. He said that qualities of an effective teacher should be identified and efforts should be made to look for ways and methods of nurturing those qualities /skills through appropriate teacher education progamme. Chief guest Dr. Poonam Agrawal, Prof.and Head, DERPP, NCERT, New Delhi stressed the need for reinventing teacher education in view of current changes in educational scenario. Shri Devmurti ji,patron of the college chaired the inaugural session .In the presidential remarks, Shri Devmurti ji highlighted the serious demand of professional loyalty among teachers. He said that these kind of seminars will definitely enhance the leadership and organizing abilities of teacher educators and students. Further he added that the outcome of this seminar will definitely stimulate the academic fraternity to ponder the different issues which will help in redefining of aims and objectives of teacher education programmes at different levels. He concluded that proceedings of this seminar will give direction to educationists and policy makers for futuristic plans. Dr Uma Vyas Seminar Convener& Head of Teacher Education Department said that it is a matter of great pleasure to be with this august gathering and shared the views on various current issues related to teacher education. Compeering for this session was done by Dr. Pratibha Sharma, Reader, M.Ed Department. The Co convener of this seminar Dr. Rakesh Azad gave the vote of thanks.

The technical session I started at 2.30 pm. The sub theme of this session was **Peace and value education**. This session was chaired by Dr. Poonam Agrawal. ,Prof. and Head,

DERPP,NCERT, New Delhi . In her address ,she emphasized on the need of integration of peace and value education in teacher education programme. She said that peace education empowers learners with knowledge, skills, attitudes and values necessary to end violence and injustice and promote a culture of peace. The coordinator for this session was Dr Jyoti Chahal and rapporteurs of this session were Dr. Suvita Kumari and Dr Deepti Johri.20 papers were presented in this session.

The sub theme for technical session II was Redefining aims and objectives of teacher education and working towards redesigning curriculum framework. Dr.H.S.Bais.Retd.Prof of education G.V.V.S M.P was the chairperson of this session. Expressing his views on above said theme he said that redefining aims and objectives of teacher education and redesigning of its curriculum is a great challenge in today "s scenario. He focused attention on majors concerns of teacher education and concluded that a comprehensive, dynamic and responsive system of teacher education needs to be continually evolved keeping the overall scenario in view. 19 papers were presented by the participants in this session.rapporteurs. were Shalini Tyagi and Dr.Poorva Jain.. and coordinator was Dr.Sangeeta Singh.Overhauling evaluation techniques and introducing greater accountability through TQM was the sub theme for third technical session which was chaired by Dr.R.K.Srivastava, Asso.Prof. DERPP,NCERT, New Delhi. He strongly recommended the overhauling of evaluation system. He concluded that if evaluation system becomes comprehensive, continuous and objectives based then it will help to know the strengths, weakness, interests and attitudes of pupils and thus will help in all round development of individual and that is what education aims. 20 papers were presented by the participants in this session. Dr. S.P. Arora was the coordinator of this session while Dr. Pratibha Sharma was the reporter.

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The second day of the seminar began with technical session V based on the sub theme entitled "Facilitating synchronization between theory and practice by restructuring teacher training practice and innovative practices. The chairperson for this session ,Dr.Sharad Sinha, Asso. Prof. DERPP, NCERT, New Delhi, said that emphasis should be given to implementation of theory into practice. She added that the gaps between theory and practical components in pre service teacher education curriculum needs to be bridged by using adequate strategies. The internship part of in service teacher education course needs to be strengthened. The fifth technical session was chaired by Dr. Nisha Singh, Deputy Director, IUC, IGNOU, New Delhi. Sharing her views ,on the sub theme i.e. for Professional development for teachers , she said that the programmes for professional development for teachers needs to be so planned as to create conditions to motivate teachers to innovate, devise appropriate methods of communication and activities relevant to needs and capabilities of community and its concerns with traditions of high intellectual and quality oriented. The final technical session was based on sub theme "Opening vistas for foreign universities promoting international understanding. The chair person of this session was Prof. Shashi Kiran Pandey ,H.N.B. Garhwal University. She

concluded her speech by saying that if INDIA wants to be superpower within 21 ST century, then it cannot afford to keep its education sector working in isolation and it is inevitable that collaboration with foreign education institutions boost the international understanding of Indian masses. At the end of the Seminar ,the Valedictory session was held at 2.30 pm. which was chaired by Shri Kazi Aleemuddin, Vice President Board of Control Bareilly College, Bareilly. Chief Gust Dr.R.C. Nautiyal, Dean Faculty of Education HNB Garhwal University was happy to inform that a total of 120 papers were presented in the seminar which was attended by 300 teacher educators from across the country. He expressed hope that the teacher educators would continue deliberating the issues in future at appropriate forum for a meaningful teacher education and academically and pedagogically relevant contexts. Guests of Honour were Prof. R.K.Srivastava H.N.B. Garhwal University , Dr. Sharad Sinha DERPP NCERT New Delhi and Prof. Shiv Murti Sanskrit University Jaipur. Key note speaker of this session Prof. Shashi Kiran Pandey ,H.N.B. Garhwal University

The Convener of this seminar, Dr. Uma Vyas gave a vote of thanks to the UGC, resource persons, guests and all faculty members of Tecaher Education Department for their cooperation for making this event a success .

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