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Two Day Research Methodology Workshop organized by CUO in association with Bharatiya Shikshan Mandal inaugurated

The Central University of Odisha-Swayam in association with Bharatiya Shikshan Mandal, Odisha Paschim Prant has organized a 2 Day Research Methodology Workshop which got inaugurated on 11 April 2025. The inaugural dais featured Prof Chakradhar Tripathi, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, CUO, Prof. D. K Laldas, Former Principal and Director-Research, R. M. College, Hyderabad, Shri Sankar Panda, Prant Pracharak, Odisha-Paschim Prant and Dr. Kakoli Banerjee, MOOCs Coordinator & Head I/c, Dep't of BCNR & Zoology. The programme started with lighting of the lamp with Veda Mantra by dignitaries and Saraswati Bandana by Students of the University.

Dr Kakoli Banerjee, Convener of the programme, delivered the welcome address. In her speech Dr. Banerjee welcomed all the dignitaries on dais and the audience and participants of the workshop. Dr Banerjee explained that the objective of the workshop was to enhance the research skills of the students and scholars as research is a very important parameter of an University's progress. She also emphasized the role of Swayam in offering MOOCs courses as an alternative avenue of learning to the students.

Shri Sankar Panda described research as a social work. He analyzed how the nature of social work has changed from the pre independence to the present era. Now a days if some one becomes a social worker, everyone suspects him to have ambitions to join politics and contest elections. He hoped that under the dynamic leadership of Prof Chakradhar Tripathi, VC, the CUO will create service mentality among the students and scholars.

Prof. D. K Laldas emphasized that in present context research India is lagging far behind than the rest of the countries in the world. He expressed his concern that the quality of research in Indian educational institutions is very poor due to lack of knowledge and training. He cited some reputed institution's research papers were discarded by international ranking agencies as they were merely 'essays'. He thanked the CUO and its VC for organizing research methodology workshop.

In his presidential speech, Prof Chakradhar Tripathi, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor lamented that the education and research in India got disconnected from its roots due to the European invasion and faulty policy of the government in the post colonial India which remained under heavy influence of European education. He asserted that the Indian education system born out of ancient philosophy was far greater in all aspects and well connected to building of society than Europe still we have lost a lot of time in aping the West. He urged upon the new breed of research scholars and faculty members to engage in research which is rooted in Indian ethos to build a better individual, a better society.

Shri Umesh Singh of Bharatiya Shikshan Mandal was felicitated on this occasion. The formal vote of thanks was proposed by Dr. Nupur Pattanayak, Assistant Professor, Dep't of Sociology and the Inaugural Session was compeered by Dr Manoj Kr Singh, Assistant Professor, Dep't of Hindi.

The technical sessions followed where lectures were delivered by Prof D K Laldas, Prof. Uma Shankar Mishra, Dean, School of Commerce and Management Studies, Head, Department of Business Management, Central University of Rajasthan, Dr. Amod Gurjar, Asst. Professor, Matru Sewa Sangh Institute of Social Work, Bajaj Nagar, Nagpur, Prof. Bharat Kumar Panda, Professor & HOD, Dep't of Education, CUO and Dr. Pradip Kumar, Asst. Professor, DSTAT, CUO. The second day also lines up lectures on various aspects of Research by eminent Faculty members. 75 research scholars, PG students and Faculty members in large numbers have participated in the workshop.

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