



UGC Workshop
on
HUMAN RIGHTS & ETHICS EDUCATION
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The University Grants Commission in 1985 prepared the guide lines for Human Rights Teaching and Research, emphasising Human rights and inclusion in higher education policies and curricula at all levels of education. Hence forth the UGC's XIth Plan, clearly articulated Human Rights values and duties giving it a fresh thrust as an important component of the Human Rights Education (HRE) in the wake of Globalisation. A sensitised democratic society could play a positive role in facing the new challenges. HRE can create the necessary moral, intellectual and democratic resources for this purpose.

With this background, Jamia Millia Islamia, Human Rights Programme, Department of Political Science & the Sarojini Naidu Centre for Women's Studies are conducting a UGC sponsored workshop on Human rights and Ethics Education. The participants are Academicians/ Administrators nominated by the Vice Chancellors and College Principals, from Universities and Colleges. The UGC bears all the expenditure as per their approved budget. The workshop is restricted to 30 academicians/administrators on a strictly first come first served basis.

The workshop intends to focus on Human Rights Based Approaches with the aim of building capacities and understanding the human rights frame work and its linkages to developmental work through a participatory approach. It will seek to provide space for participants for knowledge sharing, discussions, group

activities using popular educational modules and encourage a tolerant culture to diversity regardless of religion, social status, and gender.

The Workshop seeks to deconstruct the Human Rights (their use, misuse and abuse) from the Academic (conceptual), Legal and Practitioners perspective. The interactive workshop Sessions will discuss Human Rights and Practice, violence and social Inclusion from the perspective of:

1. Propagation of Human Rights and human development : Education and Human rights, Right to Food, Right to adequate Housing, Right to Information, IPR (Intellectual Property Rights), Visible symbols etc
2. Social Inclusion : LGBT, Differently-abled, Dalits, Under privileged
3. Child Rights: Early Childhood, Rights of the child etc
4. Women's Rights: Violence, Sexual Harassment etc
5. Conflict Regions: North East, Kashmir, Gujarat
6. Gandhi , Human Rights and Violence
7. Practice of Religion and Human Rights: Baha'i, Christianity, Hinduism, Islam, Sikhism
8. Environment & Ecology: Biodiversity, Global Warming, Climate change, Sustainable Development & Carrying capacity, Environmental Degradation & Pollution (Land, Air, Water)
9. Science and Access to Rights: Biotechnological developments (Foeticide, Surrogate Parenting, cloning, IVF, GMO amongst others), life-sustaining technology (organ transplant & sale, performance augmenting drugs etc), Against Torture, Euthanasia

The Resource Persons are from myriad fields - Law, NGO's, Development Sector, Academic, Management amongst others, the workshop would use different pedagogical tools beyond lectures. Presentations, Buzz and larger group discussions, role play, panel discussions, and other interactive exercises like Brain storming, OHP Presentations, group activities will be undertaken Relevant short films will be screened with an interactive discussion woven around it.

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