



# NEWS BULLETIN

## Educating for a better world: FDP on Universal Human Values



AZARA, January 17: A national-level five-day Faculty Development Program on Universal Human Values (UHV-II) has successfully been conducted by Girijananda Chowdhury University, Assam, at its Guwahati Campus from 8th January to 12th January 2024. This is the first AICTE-Sponsored FDP on UHV-II in the North-Eastern region of India. The FDP aims to prepare faculties as facilitators of universal human values for the development of a holistic and humane world vision. The topics covered in the FDP employ an innovative and practical methodology of self-exploration and self-verification in one's own right. It is not a set of dos and don'ts. In this process, the teacher is also a co-explorer with the students. The UHV course aims to present a systematic set of universal, rational, and verifiable proposals about human reality – about the inherent harmony in the human being, the family, society, the entire nature, and existence. It draws out the value or role of human beings in harmony at all these levels, essentially the scope of ethical human conduct. It further helps to find a resolution of present-day problems.



Lighting of Auspicious Lamp.



Mr. Jashodaranjan Das addressing the participants.



Prof. Kandarpa Das highlighting the importance of value education.

As the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) has introduced UHV-II as a mandatory 3-credit course for students, this FDP carries more significance to the faculties of technical institutions in India. Participants from various parts of India, like Karnataka, Odisha, West Bengal, Sikkim, Chattisgarh, Maharashtra, Mizoram, Meghalaya, Uttarakhand, and also from different parts of Assam have attended the FDP. Dr. Vanchana Singh from Delhi was the resource person in the FDP. Prof. Dilip Debnath, who is the Regional Coordinator (Eastern Region), was the co-facilitator, and Dr. Ashis Datta was the observer from AICTE in this FDP.

In the Inaugural Program held on 8th January, the honorable Vice-chancellor of the host university, Prof. Kandarpa Das, highlighted the importance of value education and its implementation under the National Education Policy 2020. The president of Shrimanta Shankar Academy Society, Mr. Jashodaranjan Das, also addressed the participants, emphasizing the need for holistic value-based education in the current education system. In the Valedictory Program held on 12th January, the registrar of the host university expressed gratitude to all participants for attending the program and making it a great success. Dr. Bipul Kumar Talukdar and Dr. Smriti Rekha Chanda Das were the Local Program Coordinators of the FDP from the host university.



Dr. Ashish Dutta, Observer, AICTE, Dr. Smriti Rekha C. Das and Dr. Bipul Talukdar, local coordinators of UHV FDP program delivering their insightful lectures.



Felicitating resource person Dr. Vanchana Singh.



Participants during the activity session of the FDP.



Participants and Organizing Committee of the program.