National Webinar

"Values are Caught not Taught – Teachers as Models"

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"Gaining knowledge is the first step to wisdom, sharing it, is the first step of humanity"

In the present era of social distancing, technology is helping us to stay connected with one another. Being isolated socially due to the current Pandemic of Covid-19, Gitarattan Institute of Advanced Studies and Training decided to continue with its healthy traditions of organising seminars for the professional growth of the teacher-educators and research scholars of different affiliated colleges of GGSIP University. As gettogether programmes are banned during the current pandemic situations, GRIAST decided to conduct an online webinar to connect with the prospective luminaries of different colleges. The webinar was conducted on the topic "VALUES ARE CAUGHT NOT TAUGHT: TEACHERS AS MODELS" on 29th January, 2020 through the site- CISCO WebEx Application.



Dr. Shikha Ranjan, Associate Professor, Gitarattan Institute of Advanced Studies and Training welcomed everyone through the distance mode. The webinar started by seeking the blessings of the God with the chanting of *Gayatri Mantra* in the presence of our Chief Guest , Prof. Dhananjay Joshi, Dean, University School of Education, GGSIPU, Dr. S K Bhatia, Former Associate Professor, CIE, Delhi University, Prof. Sonia Jindal, Principal, Gitarattan Institute of Advanced Studies and Training and other faculty members and guests.

Ms. Neha Bajaj, Assistant Professor, Gitarattan Institute of Advanced Studies and Training preluded the schedule of the programme. To carry over the proceedings of the webinar, Dr. Aanchal Rana Assistant Professor, Gitarattan Institute of Advanced Studies and Training gave abridgement where she gave the introduction about the topic in a detailed manner. She emphasized on the importance of values in bringing about changes related to society and individual. She also related the topic with the different examples and highlighted the role and importance of teacher in the education system.



The cynosure of the function, Dr. S K Bhatia, Former Associate Professor, CIE, Delhi University, related his own experiences and instances that helped to prove haw values are caught, not taught. He emphasized that the models and not the sermons of teachers have a crucial role in the development and identification of values. Values should be reflected in the

behavior of a teacher. He also focused that teacher should be a perfect image through whom students can get connected and learn multifarious values.

After it, Prof. Sonia Jindal, Principal, Gitarattan Institute of Advanced Studies and Training welcomed all the participants on behalf of the institution. She addressed everyone with reflective perspective on role and importance of values. She emphasized that values define a civilization and these values should be addressed in a manner that promote social welfare, integrity and unity. She linked values with teachers and their contribution in the development of education system.

To carry over the discussion, Prof. Dhananjay Joshi, Dean, University School of Education, GGSIPU shared his views on the topic. According to him, a society is labeled as good or bad by the values its members depict. Various thinkers, philosophers, sociologists and psychologists defined values in different ways and it is important to apprehend them. He took the examples of Adi Shankaracharya, Rabindra Nath Tagore, Swami Vivekananda etc. and their contribution in inculcation of values. He related this topic with the present scenario and gave importance to human beings and their functions in society. According to him, values are part of our immediate environment, our role is to identify and implement them. He gave examples of different values that are emerging in the present context such as love and care for nature, proper utilization of time and resources. He also added that perfection should be needed to perform different activities, controlling senses, focus on inner calmness, cherishing the present moment etc. He also talked about "mindfulness" the practice of which refers to the deliberate acts of regulating attention through the observation of thoughts, emotions and body states, where an individual should be devoted to work. He concluded by saving that values are transmitted from one generation to another and every phase of life is teaching some values that have significant effect on individual"s personality.

The Presentation session was hosted by Ms. Garima, Assistant Professor, Gitarattan Institute of Advanced Studies and Training and chaired by Prof. Dhananjay Joshi in which seven papers were presented by guests.



- Values are caught not taught: A Study: The paper was presented by Ms. Shinam Batra, Research Scholar, Swami Vivekananda University which focused on the nature of values and their importance in life. There are different values that an individual learns with the help of imitation. The role of parents, teachers and educational systems is deemed to be an important aspect in the upliftment of the various values. She also focused that different values should be inculcated among all.
- Place of Value Education in Students" All-Round • **Development:** - Dr Uma Sinha, Assistant Professor, Varun Dhaka Institute of Technology presented an eye-opening paper on "Teaching for Social Change" in which she explained about the meaning of values and their various types. She emphasized on the role of teachers who are the means through which values are transferred to students. The purpose of value education is to achieve aims of education, National integration and National development. She concluded with the enlightening words that "true teachers are like gardeners" and they have an important role to play.
- Value Education for Youths: Indian Perspective: This paper was presented by Mr. Jai Prakash Narayan, Lecturer, DRU Department, DIET Keshav Puram. He discussed the meaning of values with different examples from Ramayana. He suggested that

values to be inculcated in students should be reflected through suitable examples. He also emphasized the role of mother as the first teacher of a child.

- Place of Value Education in Students" All-round Development: This paper was presented by Ms. Pratibha, PhD Scholar, Department of Adult Continuing Education and Extension, University of Delhi. The paper talked about importance of allround development of a child which is related with value education. She emphasized on the meaning of moral values and their importance in education. She focused that moral training is called value education which is the aggregate of all abilities that an individual should possess to be a part of the society. She also emphasized on the relation of education and literacy and the role of education to make a child educated not illiterate.
- Values are Caught not Taught: A Study- This paper was presented by Ms. Arti Bhatnagar, Assistant Professor, Guru Ramdas College of Education which focused upon the ancient education system and different values associated with it. She also analyzed difference between ancient and contemporary education system and values that are changing over a period of time in a detailed manner. She also emphasized on professional ethics that should be followed by teachers and role of teachers in identification and transferring of different values.
- Living Values on My Way to be Spiritual: This paper was presented by Dr. Savita Sharma, Assistant Professor, Department of Education and Humanities, Manav Rachna University which talked about spirituality as a process to achieve and identify values, in education, spirituality deals with soul that is needed for selfactualization. She emphasized on the role of spirituality from two perspectives, first talks about spirituality in itself and the second gives importance that spirituality is a value itself. Both perspectives are important to understand from education point of view.
- **Teacher"s Role in Imparting Value Education:** This paper was presented by Dr. Sapna Yadav, Associate Professor, Delhi Teacher Training College, DTTC. This paper was significant in dealing with technological development that can be employed in order to teach various values. These developments are deemed useful in order to teach values to students where teacher is an epitome of

perfection. She concluded her paper by various roles that should be perform by teacher in connecting technology and values.

After the presentations, there is open ended discussion which was hosted by Ms. Garima, Assistant Professor, GIAST from the participant which were answered by our respective Prof. Dhananjay Joshi Sir. He indicated the generational decay of our value system where we all our responsible as individuals but also the necessity of individuals to play their part in this life. He asked and appealed the teaching community to revive their quest for knowledge.

He applauded the range of knowledge and spectrum of educational field which was included in the papers presented. He ended with question session and resolved the queries of those who were present.

At the end, Ms. Shikha Sharma, Assistant Professor, Gitarattan Institute of Advanced Studies and Training ended the webinar with the words of gratitude by thanking our distinguished guest Prof. Dhananjay Joshi forhis inspiring words, Dr. S. K. Bhatia, Principal Ma"am Prof. Sonia Jindal and paper presenters for their sharing their valuable experience and all the participants from various colleges, faculty members and students.

The success of webinar not only is an inspiration for all of us of how we can continue to assemble and share our ideas, perception and reflects uponour values. It also serves as a rare opportunity where humanity can face crisis with grit, cooperation and determination.