



## **Report of the Induction Programme for PG Learners, organized by School of Professional Studies held on 2<sup>nd</sup> June, 2025 at 12.30pm at the Headquarter in Online Mode**

Members present:

1. Prof Anirban Ghosh, Director (i/c), SPS, NSOU
2. Prof Arun Kumar Chakraborty, DLIS, NSOU
3. Dr. Anamika Das, Associate Professor, Head, DLIS, NSOU
4. Dr. Kasturi Sinha Ghosh, Assistant Professor, MSW, NSOU
5. Dr. Barnali Roychoudhury, Assistant Professor, DLIS, NSOU
6. Dr. Sudarshan Roy, Assistant Professor, Commerce, NSOU
7. Dr Monojit Garai, Assistant Professor, MSW, NSOU
8. Mrs Priyanthi Bagchi, Assistant Professor, Economics, NSOU

The online session saw the participation of approximately 535 post graduate learners and via YouTube channel, the programme was watched by over 549 learners (Total- 1084).

Prof. Ghosh inaugurated the session by extending a warm welcome to all newly admitted post graduate learners and provided an overview of the day's proceedings. He emphasized the vision, mission and learner-centric approach of the University. The Director highlighted the flexibility, academic rigor and support systems available in our university. He prioritized the importance of Self learning Materials, use of digital platforms (LMS, online classes, A/V lectures) and encouraged the learners to maintain regular engagement with participation in The Personal Contact Programmes that are initiating from 8<sup>th</sup> June, 2025 at difference Study centers.



Following the Director's address, Dr. Das shared important information specific to LIS learners. Her discussions were on an overview of the department and its academic offerings and gave a detailed list about various study centers of BLIS and MLIS respectively across regions. She emphasized on the importance of attending face-to-face Personal Contact Programmes as that will be beneficial for the learners for enhanced understanding, academic interaction and guidance.

Next, Dr. Sinha Ghosh delivered her lecture where she focused on the objectives and structure of the Social Work programme. Dr. Ghosh also shared a detailed list of the study centers offering MSW programme across regions. She talked about the fieldwork requirements and their academic significance. She also mentioned how learners of Social Work ought to attend an Orientation Programme for submitting their dissertation.



Next Dr. Roy began his discussion by highlighting the course structure of the Department of Commerce. He mentioned the study center offering PG Commerce Programme. He explained the available academic and administrative support mechanisms, online submission of assignments and academic notifications.

Next, Mrs. Bagchi spoke on the course structure of the Department of Economics. She highlighted the importance of attending PCP classes as that will not just benefit to score better in exams but will also help in future job market.

Next, Prof. Chakraborty mentioned about our University's mission to expand inclusive higher education. He talked about the flexibility and autonomy offered in the ODL system. Prof. Chakraborty mentioned the importance of self-discipline and active learner engagement and encouraged to utilize academic resources and digital tools to the fullest. He mentioned how attending classes will help the learners prepare for future job interviews and that classes will be overall beneficial for the learners.

Next, Dr. Roychoudhury re discussed about the study centers offering LIS courses and mentioned about the study centers offering full programmes and the study centers where only theoretical papers are conducted and not the technical classes. She also mentioned about examination study plan and modalities.

Finally, Dr. Garai mentioned briefly about the Social Work Course structure.

After faculty lectures, NSOU ICT Team member gave a presented a detailed picture of how learners will be able to access their resources through the University website or through its mobile application.

Finally, learners were invited to ask questions which were addressed by faculty members.

The induction Programme concluded with a vote of thanks by Prof. Ghosh. New learners were encouraged once again to maintain regular academic communication and make full use of university support systems.