## <u>Press Release</u> Valedictory ceremony of Online 14<sup>th</sup> GURU-DAKSHTA program held at UoA

Online 14<sup>th</sup> GURU DAKSHTA: Faculty induction program was successfully organized by UGC-HRDC; University of Allahabad from 9<sup>th</sup> October to 7<sup>th</sup> November 2023 by Director Prof. Ashish Saxena coordinated by Dy. Director Dr. Rashmi Srivastava.

Prof Ashish Saxena, Director, HRDC welcomed the Chief Guest and explained the vision of UGC-HRDC to support teaching and provide diverse opportunity for teachers across India. Dy. director Dr Nitikantintroduced the Chief-guest.

Prof Manoj Dixit, the Vice-Chancellor of Maharaja Ganga Singh University, Bikaner Rajasthan was the chief guest for the valedictory ceremony of the twenty eight days online faculty induction program. He touched all important aspects of Indian knowledge system while addressing the gathering. His deep understanding of education was clearly seen with his words of wisdom and wonderful informationwhich is noteworthy. Hehighlighted the contribution of books in terms of growth and prosperity of India referring to books like "Economic History of the World", "Lost Discoveries", "The Beautiful Tree' and many more which mentions India's contribution in field of science and technology. He also focussed on interlinking of our past India with the future. Bharat can be Vishwaguru again only by evolving new concepts, new technologies, new theories and creations. He specially highlighted the importance of National Education Policy 2020 andemphasized on the fact that role of faculty members is very important for its effective implementation.

Prof. Atul Kumar Sharan, Finance Officer, University of Allahabad, the guest of Honour, delivered his speech on efficiency in Financial Management and proper use of public funds. He spoke on inculcating relevant skills and best practices of good teaching. He emphasized that apart from routine classroom teaching and assignments of a teacher, a good teacher must also makes students to learn better life skills, competency and work towards adding personality development among students.

Earlier to this, Dr. Rashmi Srivastava, Coordinator of the Program welcomed all and presented the brief report for this Online Faculty Induction Program. She shared that after screening process, total 46 participants were selected for the program. All the participants are working as Assistant Professors in various Universities and Colleges in different states of India. These 46 participants were from different disciplines like Hindi, English, Commerce, Law, Education, Chemistry, Physics, Botany, Linguistics, Social Science etc. In this program there were total 44 resource personswho delivered online sessions, 06 interactive sessions with the support of 06 evaluators, assignments, one quiz and overall performance evaluation for the participants.

During this session number of participants including Dr. Akriti Srivastava and Dr. Ashok Pandey gave their feedback about the program.

At the end of the Valedictory Session, Dr. Sandeep Anand, Deputy Director, HRDC, UoA, presented the vote of thanks.

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