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## JSOU faculty joins Kolkata for Graduate Employability Framework workshop

RANCHI: Four teachers selected by Jharkhand State Open University's VC Dr. Prof. T.N Sahu and Registrar Dr. Ghanshyam Singh were given the opportunity to lead a capacity building workshop by Commonwealth Educational Media Centre for Asia.

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This workshop was a three-day regional level workshop on development of Graduate Employability Framework in Open Universities in the Eastern and North Eastern Region of India at Netaji Subhas Open University, Kolkata in collaboration with COL and CEMCA.



A total of 16 participants from four open universities were included in this workshop, including JSOU from Jharkhand, NOU from Bihar, NSOU from West Bengal and KKHSOU from Guwahati. On the first day, CEMCA Director B. Sadarach welcomed all the participants by coming on the online platform. In this threeday workshop, the main emphasis was given to strengthening institutional effectiveness for graduate employability.

In this, special discussion was held on skill gap and skill gap analysis during the technical session. Emphasis was laid on identifying core and soft skills to be employable in the 21st century job market. On the third and last day, the Graduate Employability Framework was presented to these four participating insti-

tutions, which was to include a complete year-long activity plan.

As the chief guest, UGC Deputy Secretary Colonel Vinod Singh Yadav boosted the morale of the participants in his address and discussed about the new education policy and the pilot case of ODL higher education institutions in India. In this entire threeday session, Prof. Nilesh Modi. Prof. Anirvan Ghosh and Dr. Papiva Upadhyay played an important role as coordinators, along with Chancellor NSOU Vice Indrajit Lahiri, Registrar Ananya Mitra and other university staff were present.