

Post Graduate Govt.College for Girls, Sec-42, Chandigarh

Capacity Building Workshop

Summary of the Event

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A seven days Capacity Building Workshop To Generate Innovative Ideas and Knowledge – A Step Towards Interdisciplinary Approach started today under the aegis of Department of Higher Education under RUSA scheme at **Post Graduate Govt.College for Girls, Sec-42, Chandigarh** Chandigarh. As many as 60 delegates from various colleges of tricity attended this workshop, which will continue till 26th February. **Mrs. Mani Bedi**, Principal of the college in her welcome address said analysis of the past Five Year Plans indicates that, there have been continuous efforts to strengthen the base by developing infrastructure, improving the quality through several programs and schemes, introducing reforms in content and evaluation and encouraging generation of knowledge through research towards achieving quality enhancement . **Dr. Dalip Kumar**, Co-ordinator of the workshop apprised the delegates about basic aims & objective of this workshop.

Prof. Arun K. Grover, Vice-Chancellor, P.U. Chandigarh who was the chief guest at the inaugural session of the workshop while delivering his presidential address, Prof. Grover traced the history of ‘University Act’ and emphasized on the need of correlating higher education with economic activity leading to gainful employment - which is also the agenda of RUSA. He advised the delegates to generate their own innovative ideas for carrying research and development activities in multidisplinary areas. He said that though we are already a bit late in initiating this approach, yet its always better to be late than never. He ended his lecture on this optimistic note.

Prof. Dr. Parveen Rishi, the Dean Science Faculty and Head of Microbiology Department, P.U. Chandigarh in her key note address discussed the need for generating innovative ideas, so as to fulfill present and future needs not only in day to day life, not only in research but in teaching as well. She emphasized on the need for keeping our eyes and mind open so that we can perceive the new ideas and implement these for problem solving in context of food industry, antibiotic industry and particularly microbial pathogens causing various life threateving diseases. Afternoon session of the workshop witnessed a very informative lecture by **Dr. Manish Arora**, NIELIT, Chandigarh, on Cloud Computing tracing its history, basic requirements and collaborating application and explained the intricacies of cloud computing. Dr Vineeta Sharma Coordinated the proceeding of the workshop.