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Centre for Adult, Continuing Education, Extension and Field Out-reach (CACEEFO)

Centre for Adult, Continuing Education, Extension and Field Out-reach (CACEEFO) Raiganj University, established in 2015, has been sincerely trying to connect it to the masses. It was in fact a University College established in 1948 under the University of North Bengal. The Government of West Bengal transformed the college into a state-aided University on February, 3, 2015. The University authority with the approval of Higher Education Department, Government of West Bengal had begun its academic journey with 10 post graduate (PG) departments and 17 under-graduate (Hons.) departments along with undergraduate programme course (Arts, Commerce and Science) in July, 2015 in the college campus (old buildings with a land area of 13.67 acres) of Raiganj Municipality area of the district town of Uttar Dinajpur. We received 2 (f) (2015) and 12 B (2018) status of UGC and recently uploaded our Self Study Report (SSR) for evaluation by NAAC (Oct, 2019).

On the 4th November, 2019 we established the Centre for Adult, Continuing Education, Extension and Field Outreach (ACEEFO) with a view to take Raiganj University to the masses. The concept of adult, continuing education and extension was recognized by the UGC in 1977 and after that Indian Universities started Adult Education Centres/Departments throughout the country. Along with this, we would like to implement Kothari Commission's

(1960) observation on adult and continuing education. We are committed to reach to the rural masses, make education to real life situation, and integrate the educated to the community. In order to enhance opportunity to mature learners the centre is committed to enhance their new skills, gain qualifications, and enhance career opportunities. The ultimate object is to provide opportunity to the adult and late learners so that they can acquire knowledge, increase health through productive participation in production and services thereby increasing per capita income, GDP and quality of life. As a centre we have a target to provide lifelong-learning opportunities to neo-literates and other target groups-through the implementation of short-term programmes such as health awareness, food and nutrition, water conservation and drinking water, consumer awareness, legal literacy, women issues, etc. Short-term skill development programmes would be initiated. Under these programmes falls carpentry, plumbing, electrical and electronics computer support, automobile repair, fishery, agriculture, handicrafts, food services etc. These programmes range from three months to maximum of one year. It also offers PG programmes in Arts, Commerce and Science. Three year graduates can pursue master programmes. There is no age bar.

PG Courses offered by the Centre:

Two Year Post Graduate (PG) programme (4 Semesters, CBCS system) would be followed. First and second semester examinations take place at the end of each year. The PG programme is offered in the following subjects.

1. Bengali 7. Education 11. Physics 15. Economics

2. English 8. Geography 12. Chemistry

3. Sanskrit 9. Sociology 13. Zoology

4. History 10. Mathematics 14. Botany

5. Pol. Science

6. Philosophy

Short-term courses

To be announced shortly.

Advisory Committee

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