

## SEMINAR REPORT

A National Seminar on "**HIGHER EDUCATION IN INDIA: EMERGING CHALLENGES**" was organized by Department of Political Science, New Government Degree College, Serilingampally, BHEL, Hyderabad, on 30<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2019. The seminar has begun with the welcome address by Dr.K.Kamala Convener of the seminar. It was inaugurated by Prof. V.S. Prasad, Former Director, NAAC, and Prof. S. Ramachandram, Vice-Chancellor, Osmania University. Being the Chief Guest. Other dignitaries who participated in the inaugural include Prof. K. Seetharama Rao Vice-Chancellor, Dr.B.R. Ambedkar Open University, Prof. R. Limbadri, Vice Chairman, Telangana State Council of Higher Education, Sri. G. Uday Kumar, Executive Director, Bharat Heavy Electricals Limited Hyderabad and Dr. S. Venugopala Chary, Former Minister, Govt. of India. Prof. Jandhyala B G Tilak, Former Vice Chancellor, National Institute of Educational Planning and Administration, New Delhi and Distinguished Professor, Council for Social Development, delivered key note address

### **Concept Note of Seminar**

Higher Education plays an important role in the overall development of a nation. It is a crucial segment in every country as individuals play a major role in the growth of the nation by acquiring intellectual capabilities and skills. In fact, education forms the building blocks of the nation. Indeed it is medium to bring in social transformation. Our Higher Education system is the third largest in the world, next only to the United States and China. In the twenty first century it seems education sector is rapidly growing and its access to different sections in society is expanding phenomenally as individuals and nations recognize its role in empowerment. Under graduation and University education is facing a global challenge with respect to structures, institutions and pedagogic practices. The advent of online and digital learning platforms, as well as a newly 'connected world' pose challenges to traditional modes of face-to-face teaching. Yet the

Reforms in Academic curriculum, learning by earning Credits Choice Based Credit System (CBCS), Curriculum and employability, Communication, collaboration, critical thinking, problem-solving and creativity. policy issues in financing of Higher Education, Sources of finances, State sources, Central sources, UGC, HRD and RUSA, Economic Reforms in Higher Education, Regulatory Issues in Higher Education, Contemporary issues in Higher Education Liberalization, Privatization and Globalization, Internationalizations of Higher Education Ethics and gender issues , Quality, content and context in Higher Education, Qualitative dimensions in Higher Education, Quality of

Higher Education An Overview of Role of NAAC, Access and Equity, globalization of student and faculty mobility, Addressing the issues, management problems, Research ecosystem and plagiarism, Promoting research and innovation. Policy Planning and Programmes of Indian Higher Education System, Public and Private Partnership in Higher Education, Social Implications of Privatization of Higher Education in India and Major Challenges for State Universities of India in the context of floating Private Universities are raised and discussed from different perspectives. Most of the Scholars have come out with solutions for the above mentioned issues. These solutions and suggestions are very much helpful for the policy makers in tackling the issues of Higher Education in India.

The Seminar was concluded with the Valedictory Function. Valedictory address is given by Chief Guest, Dr. W.R. Reddy, IAS, Director General, National Institute of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj (NIRD&PR)



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Seminar Convener