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DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

SPECIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMME

BRTEF ANNUAL REPORT – 2014-15

1. Introduction

University Grants Commission has provided financial assistance under Special Assistance Programme (DRS-I) to the Department of Economics from 1.4.2007 to 31.3.2012. The Department of Economics has successfully implemented this SAP programme during five years (1.4.2007 to 31.3.2012).

University Grants Commission has approved the DRS-I to DRS-II Special Assistance Programme to Department of Economics for the further period of five years from 1.4.2013 to 31.3.2018 on the basis of the recommendations of the UGC Review Committee. The University Grants Commission sanctioned financial assistance of an amount of Rs. 60, 00,000.00 (Rupees Sixty Lakh only) [Non-Recurring Rs. 20,00,000.00 and Recurring RS. 40,00,000.00] for under taking various activities under SAP DRS-II in the Department of Economics for the period of five years (1.4.2013 to 31.3.2018).

2. Special Assistance Programme Activities (2014-15):-

The Department of Economics has started Special Assistance Programme SAP DRS-II from year 2014-15 under the guidance of Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, Advisory Committee and in consultation with Departmental Committee. The advisory committee meeting has held on 10 February, 2015 under chairmanship acting Vice-Chancellor Hon'ble Dr. V. B. Bhise. Under this programme the Department of Economics has under taken following activities during the year 2014-15.

3. Purchase of Books and Journals

The recently published text books have been purchased for Departmental library. They are used by the Departmental students. Additional to this, we have also procured reference books, government reports and Journals & Hand books. The books are issued for the home reading to the students by our secretary assistant. The Department have started Departmental library from this year 2007-08. This library is looked by secretary assistant under the guidance of Co-ordinator SAP and Head of the Department. Daily four news papers are also kept in the reading hall for reading.

4. Visiting Fellows

The Department has invited eminent scholars as visiting fellow for guest lectures on the current topics for the benefits of the Department students and sharing experiences with teachers.

Following scholars have delivered lectures on the topics given below:

Sr. No. Name of the Guest Speaker

1. Dr. R. S. Deshpande, Bangalore
2. Dr. Sukhdeo Thorat, New Delhi
3. Dr. V. B. Ghuge, Former Vice-Chancellor
4. Dr. R. B. Bharaswadkar, Aurangabad
5. Dr. Dilip Yardi, Aurangabad
6. Shri. Suresh Khanapurkar, Shirpur (Dhule)

5. Travel / Field Facility

The Department of Economics had given four minor research projects to four faculty members under said budget head. Following are four projects:

1. **Financial Inclusion in Rural Marathwada** -Dr. V. B. Bhise
2. **Impact of Shirpur Water Conservation Pattern on Agriculture and Rural Development** -
-Dr. S. T. Sangle
3. **The Study of Environmental Problems of Parli-Vaijanath City** -Dr. P. V. Deshmukh
4. **Evaluation of Mid-day meal Scheme in Marathwada** - Dr. S. S. Narwade

These are projects given through expert scrutiny committee. The scrutiny committee had commendations above four projects.

3. **National Seminar**

We have organized three days 74th Annual Conference of the **Indian Society of Agricultural Economics** on 18th-20th December, 2014 and national seminar on "**Role of Agriculture and Cooperation for Rural Development**" on December 19, 2014. These functions were held in the Department of Economics on 18th-20th December, 2014. The conference was formally inaugurated by Dr. R. S. Deshpande, Bangalore on 22nd December, 2015. Professor P. K. Joshi was the Elect-President of this inaugural function. There was a good response by the teachers and research students. About 100 papers were presented by the participant of the said conference covering the different aspects of rural development. These papers mostly covering all India's regional economics issues along with the rural and agriculture problems of their respective states. Few paper has covered the regional problems of Maharashtra State in general and Marathwada Region in particular. Most of the paper delt with the problems and prospectus of Indian rural development and agriculture sector, covering sectoral and District wise analysis.

Valedictory function of the seminar was held on 21st December, 2014.

Date :-30.05.2015
Place:- Aurangabad.


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