

MIER COLLEGE OF EDUCATION ORGANISES EXTENSION LECTURE



As a regular feature of the college activities, an extension lecture was organized in MIER College of Education. Dr. N. R Sharma, Professor, P G Department of Education and Convener Board of Studies of Teacher Education, University of Jammu delivered an interesting, meaningful and thought provoking lecture on "Role of Teachers in 21st Century ". The lecture was attended by the staff and students of B.Ed. , B.Ed. Special Education (MR) and PGDCA courses. Also present on the occasion were Dr. Renu Gupta, Joint Director MIER, Dr. Adit Gupta and Dr Surinder Kaur amongst other staff members of the MIER college of Education.

In his welcome address, Dr. Adit Gupta introduced Prof. N.R.Sharma as an eminent educationist who has achieved laurels in the area of teacher education and has contributed a lot in promoting growth in various spheres of education. He also complimented Dr Sharma for choosing a pertinent topic as pupil teachers need to know their role in the modern educational system and use innovative methods of teaching especially the use of ICT to increase the level of interaction in the classroom situation.

Prof. N. R. Sharma highlighted the relevance of the topic as the methods of teaching used by the teachers in a developing country like India are outdated and obsolete and no new innovations and techniques are being used by the teachers. This

has resulted into the lack of interest and dissatisfaction among the students. The need is to make teachers and students computer literate and to empower them to harness the power of internet to add knowledge which is beyond books. He highlighted the use of audio visual aids and ICT technologies for improving the quality of education. He also threw light on the new technologies that teachers can use in an educational set up effectively and efficiently and appealed to the teachers to shun their inhibition in adopting modern technologies in day-today teaching. Further during the interaction session, Prof. N. R. Sharma answered the queries of the students and exhorted them to show selfless devotion towards their profession when they become teachers and work for the welfare of the society and the nation as they have opted for a noble profession in their life..

In her presidential remarks Dr. Renu Gupta emphasized that teachers should become technology savvy and use latest techniques to make teaching learning process effective. She elaborated the relevance of the word 'TEACHER' in the 21st century as a person who is a technologist, educator, academician, coordinator, human resource developer, evaluator and a researcher . She also praised the students and staff of the college for taking great interest in an important topic related to their future and also gave information about the use of technology at MIER College of Education

A formal vote of thanks was proposed by Co-MR Dr. Surinder Kaur who thanked the revered speaker for delivering a thought provoking lecture.