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Guidelines for the Award of
'Best Innovative Practices'
in Open and Distance Learning

In order to recognize the best and innovative initiatives and practices by the IGNOU faculty and staff, the NCIDE, IGNOU is documenting such practices and the best few Innovative Practice in Open and Distance Learning (ODL) will be awarded every year.

Purpose

The purpose of this initiative is to recognize, promote, nurture, motivate and incentivize the potential innovators (faculty and staff of IGNOU) identified through the initiative to enrich the Innovation Ecosystem thereby promoting the effectiveness, quality and reach of the ODL System. The compiled documents will also be used by CIQA for submission for NAAC and NIRF, etc.

Eligibility

Any individual/team from the Schools, Divisions, Centres, Units, Cells, Chair, etc., of IGNOU Headquarters and Regional Centres who has taken innovative initiatives to solve the systemic problems and practiced the same in the University during the past three years is eligible to apply.

Areas

Applications for consideration of the award on innovative practices are invited in the following areas :

1. Reaching Out to the Learners
2. Programme Design and Development
3. Instructional Design and Delivery
4. Learner Support and Grievance Redressal
5. Examination and Evaluation
6. Administrative Facilitation including Finance
7. Alumni Engagement
8. Skill Development and Entrepreneurship
9. Quality Assurance
10. Supporting Convergence and Conversion of Subsystems
11. Any other Relevant Area

Application

The Best Innovative Practices may be submitted as per the enclosed Proforma and be sent to Director, NCIDE latest by **October 15, 2024** by Email at ncide@ignou.ac.in.

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**Proforma for
"Best Innovative Practices" in Open and Distance Learning**

1. **Name of the Applicant :** _____
2. **School/Division/Centre/Unit/Cell/Chair/Regional Centre :** _____

3. **Contact Information :**
Office Address : _____

Phone (O) : _____ **Mobile No. :** _____
Email : _____
4. **Team Members, if any** (*include Name, Department and Email Address*) :
5. **Title of the Innovative Practice :**
6. **Area of your Innovative Practice :**

<input type="checkbox"/> Reaching out to the learners	<input type="checkbox"/> Programme Design and Development
<input type="checkbox"/> Instructional Design and Delivery	<input type="checkbox"/> Learner Support and Grievance Redressal
<input type="checkbox"/> Examination and Evaluation	<input type="checkbox"/> Administrative Facilitation
<input type="checkbox"/> Alumni Engagement	<input type="checkbox"/> Skill Development and Entrepreneurship
<input type="checkbox"/> Quality Assurance	<input type="checkbox"/> Supporting Convergence and Conversion of Subsystems
<input type="checkbox"/> Any Other	
7. **Brief Summary of the Innovative Practice*** (***Max 100 words***)
8. **Novel Features of the Innovative Practice** (*Indicate the problem faced by the learner and how you solved their problem creatively without using much resources and infrastructural facilities*).

*Please enclose necessary evidence in support of your claim and support material that substantiates your evidence

- 9. Usefulness** (*Indicate how is your Innovative Practice useful to the ODL system and also to the conventional system, if any*).
- 10. Implementation and Impact :** (*Indicate how the innovative practice was implemented and what impact your innovative practice has or going to have on the ODL system. Also indicate any problems faced in the process of developing and implementing the Innovative Practice*)
- 11. Have you applied for a Patent, Trademark or Copyright Protection of your Innovative Practice?**
- 12. Declaration**

I declare that :

- Information presented here is **not confidential**.
- The work submitted is our original work.
- Members of the Innovation Team have been consulted, and agree, to this submission.

Applicant (Name)

Applicant (Signature)

Date :