GOVERNMENT DEGREE COLLEGE BARAMULLA, JAMMU AND KASHMIR

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Daylong workshop on LMS held at GDC Baramulla

February 25, 2022. Government Degree College, Baramulla organized a daylong workshop on Learning Management System (LMS). LMS is a software application for the administration, documentation, tracking, reporting, automation, and delivery of educational courses, training programs, or learning and development programs. It is pertinent to mention that Principal Secretary, Higher Education, Mr. Rohit Kansal in a meeting held at IIT, Jammu exhorted

the degree colleges of UT of Jammu and Kashmir to introduce appropriate systems (e.g., LMS) in their colleges, more so in the light of the ongoing COVID situation. In this backdrop, GDC Baramulla

conducted hands-on training sessions involving its own faculty members including Prof. Shakeel Ahmad Najar, Dr. Naseer Ahmad Lone, and Prof. Tanveer Ahmad Lone, Department of Computer Applications of the college as lead speakers who conducted separate technical sessions

with the faculty of the college. The workshop witnessed a plenteous participation from teaching and non-teaching staff of the host college apart from student representatives of different streams/disciplines. Prof. A. M. Chalkoo, Secretary, Staff Council of the college formally welcomed the speakers and participants of the workshop. In his inaugural address, Prof. Chalkoo underlined the need of introducing alternative learning mechanisms in education institutions and centers of learning to continue and facilitate student learning during unforeseeable and emergency situations such as ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and other public health emergencies. He appreciated the vision and proactive approach of the

Higher Education Department of UT of J & K for its timely and pragmatic intervention in terms of introducing hybrid modes of learning and reaching the students in their comfort zones.

Prof. Tanveer Ahmad Lone presented a concept note and deliberated on the emergence and need of virtual platforms for transacting knowledge base between the source (teacher/facilitator) and target (student/learner). He alluded to several institutions of eminence in India and across

the globe where blended learning is an established practice and thereby stressed on the need and benefits of adopting the hybrid model in education institutions across J & K.

Dr. Naseer Ahmad Lone presented a detailed account of LMS and demonstrated the process in a plain

and lucid manner to the attendees of the workshop. He shared his understanding on structural and functional aspects of LMS apart from enlightening the participants about the fundamentals of LMS. He conducted a hands-on-session with the participants and illustrated

them the use of LMS including signing up, profile updating, classification, timetable management, content management, and a host of other options embedded therein. Dr. Naseer also discussed different access points, which are customised for practical reasons, for faculty as well as students/learners.

Prof. Shakeel Ahmad Najar presented and touched upon technical aspects of LSM and guided and facilitated the attendees during hands-on-sessions in signing up and moving through different dropdown menus therein. He also responded to the queries, which popped up during different technical sessions of the workshop and satisfied the participants with his plain and to the point explanations, if any.

The technical sessions were followed by a lively question-answer session wherein speakers responded to the queries of the participants and cleared their doubts to the best possible extent.

The daylong workshop drew to a close with a vote of thanks proposed by Prof. A. M. Chalkoo.