

Faculty Development Program - 5

Program Title: Best Practices in Teaching, Learning, Research, and Academic Administration

Organized by: Ajeenkya D Y Patil University (ADYPU) in collaboration with the Association of Indian Universities (AIU)

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Overview:

The Faculty Development Program (FDP) was designed to enhance faculty competencies in pedagogy, research, and academic administration. The event featured distinguished academicians and experts who delivered insightful sessions on interdisciplinary academic excellence, research methodologies, leadership in education, and integrating technology in teaching.

Key Highlights:

- The inaugural session was graced by **Prof. (Dr.) N. J. Pawar, Vice-Chancellor of Dr. D. Y. Patil Vidyapeeth, Pune**, who emphasized the evolving higher education landscape and the role of faculty in innovation.
- **Day 1** covered interdisciplinary academic excellence by **Dr. Nikhil Kakade** and collaborative research in space technology by **Dr. Chaitanya Giri**.
- **Day 2** included sessions on faculty excellence (**Dr. Sumit Oberoi**) and innovative teaching practices (**Dr. Kirti Longani**).
- **Day 3** focused on institutional accreditation (**Dr. Anil Maheshwari**) and academic leadership (**Mr. Ganesh Pokale**).
- **Day 4** addressed mentorship in higher education (**Dr. Samraggi Chakraborty**) and creating a holistic academic action plan (**Dr. Promod Patil**).
- **Day 5** explored technology integration in teaching (**Dr. Ipsita Swain**), future research trends (**Dr. Radhika Menon**), and academic administration excellence (**Dr. Samadhan Nikumbh**).

Program Impact & Feedback:

Participants appreciated the diverse topics, expert insights, and interactive sessions. The integration of case studies, workshops, and research-driven discussions enhanced learning. Key takeaways included strategies for innovative teaching, interdisciplinary research, leadership skills, and technology-driven education. Suggestions for future FDPs included more hands-on activities and panel discussions.

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