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Expert Talk

by

Prof. Madhumita Dash

Former Vice Chancellor

Fakir Mohan University, Balasore, Odisha

Organized by

School of Engineering and Technology, Bhubaneswar

Centurion University of Technology and Management, Odisha

Event: Expert Talk

Topic: The Role and Importance of the Ombudsperson

Date: 22nd August 2024

Time: 12:00noon - 10:00am

Venue: Kautilya Building (CUTM-BBSR Campus)

Guest: **Prof. Madhumita Dash**, (Former Vice Chancellor)

Members Present:

1. Dr. Supriya Pattanayak (VC-CUTM)
2. Prof. Jagannath Padhi (Director)
3. Dr. Biswajit Mishra (Pro-VC, Academics)
4. Dr. Ajay Kumar Nayak (Pro-VC, Administration)
5. Dr. Sujata Chakravarty (Dean-SoET)
6. All Hod's and Other Faculty Members of SoET
7. B-tech 1st year Students (Newly Admitted, 2024 Batch)

Opening:

On the 22nd of August 2024, the School of Engineering and Technology at Centurion University of Technology and Management, Bhubaneswar, hosted an insightful expert talk by Prof. Madhumita Dash, the Former Vice Chancellor of Fakir Mohan University, Balasore, Odisha. The event, titled "The Role and Importance of the Ombudsperson," aimed to shed light on the critical functions of the Ombudsperson in maintaining transparency, fairness, and accountability within institutions. Her talk provided students and faculty with a comprehensive understanding of the Ombudsperson's role in safeguarding the rights of individuals, addressing grievances, and promoting ethical governance. This session was particularly relevant in today's

context, where the need for impartial and accessible dispute resolution mechanisms is more important than ever.

Main topics of discussion:

Prof. Madhumita Dash began her presentation by explaining the historical origins of the Ombudsperson role, tracing its roots back to Scandinavian countries, where it was first established as a means of ensuring that government actions were fair and just. She highlighted the evolution of the Ombudsperson's responsibilities over time, expanding from governmental oversight to a broader application within various sectors, including education, healthcare, and corporate governance.

The discussion then focused on the specific functions and duties of an Ombudsperson within educational institutions. She elaborated on how the Ombudsperson serves as a neutral and confidential resource for students, faculty, and staff to voice their concerns, seek advice, and resolve conflicts. She emphasized the importance of this role in fostering a safe and inclusive environment where individuals feel empowered to speak out without fear of retaliation.

She also addressed the challenges faced by Ombudspersons, particularly in balancing impartiality with the need to advocate for fair outcomes. She discussed the ethical considerations involved in handling sensitive cases and the importance of maintaining confidentiality while ensuring that justice is served. The talk further explored the mechanisms through which Ombudspersons work to mediate disputes, recommend policy changes, and promote systemic improvements within institutions.

In addition, She highlighted the role of the Ombudsperson in upholding the principles of good governance, including transparency, accountability, and equity. She provided examples of how effective Ombudspersons have contributed to resolving complex issues, enhancing institutional integrity, and building trust among stakeholders. The discussion underscored the significance of having a dedicated Ombudsperson to address grievances, ensure fair treatment, and support the overall well-being of the community.

Suggestions:

Prof. Madhumita Dash offered several key recommendations to enhance the effectiveness of the Ombudsperson's role within institutions. She suggested that institutions provide regular training and professional development opportunities for Ombudspersons to ensure they are equipped with the latest skills and knowledge required for their role. She also recommended that

institutions establish clear and accessible channels for individuals to approach the Ombudsperson, ensuring that all members of the community are aware of the services available to them.

Furthermore, She advocated for the integration of the Ombudsperson's office into the broader governance framework of institutions, allowing for more proactive involvement in policy development and implementation. She emphasized the need for institutions to regularly review and update their grievance redressal mechanisms to keep pace with evolving societal norms and legal requirements.

Acknowledgements:

The School of Engineering and Technology, Bhubaneswar, extends its heartfelt thanks to Prof. Madhumita Dash for her enlightening and thought-provoking presentation. Her expert insights into the role and importance of the Ombudsperson have provided valuable perspectives on the need for impartial and effective grievance redressal mechanisms in institutions. We are also grateful to all attendees for their active participation and thoughtful questions, which enriched the discussion and contributed to the success of the event. The knowledge gained from this session will undoubtedly inspire students and faculty to appreciate the significance of ethical governance and the vital role of the Ombudsperson in upholding it.

Event Snapshots:







Sample Copy of Student Attendance Sheets:

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Orientation Programme (2024-25)				
Attendance Sheet				
(Date: 22.08.24)				
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