



**Press Release**

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**Mohd. Azharuddin visits MANUU, meets Vice-Chancellor**

Hyderabad:

Former International Cricketer, Mr. Mohd. Azharuddin who is currently the President of Hyderabad Cricket Association paid a courtesy visit to Maulana Azad National Urdu University (MANUU) yesterday to meet Prof. Syed Ainul Hasan, Vice-Chancellor.

In the informal meeting, Prof. Ainul Hasan expressed his desire to collaborate with HCA for the development of Cricket ground at MANUU Campus, Gachibowli, Hyderabad which can be utilized mutually for the benefit of students from MANUU and by the Association. Former Indian Cricket Captain took keen interest in the proposal and inspected the existing sports facilities at MANUU campus. He agreed to pursue the matter with the Association. Prof. Ainul Hasan also handed over a formal representation to Mr. Azharuddin.

Prof. S M Rahmatullah, Pro Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Mohammed Abdul Azeem, Chairman, Sports Monitoring Committee, Dr. A Kaleemulla, Deputy Director, DPE & Sports were also present during the meeting.

The Directorate of Physical Education & Sports of MANUU was established in the year 2011 and has facilities for different sports like Cricket, Foot ball, Volley ball, Badminton, Table Tennis, Chess etc. for the students and staff. It also has Mansoor Ali Khan Pataudi Indoor stadium with Gymnasium and a big outdoor Dhyani Chand Sports Ground for playing Cricket, Foot ball etc. Cricket is very popular game among MANUU students.

**Madrasas need to be brought into mainstream - Prof. Ainul Hasan  
Two-day Orientation-cum-Workshop at DDE, MANUU**

Hyderabad:

“Madrasas need to be brought into the mainstream in order to reach the unreached or less privileged people.” These were the views expressed by Prof. Syed Ainul Hasan, Vice-Chancellor today in the inaugural session of a two-day Orientation-cum-Workshop organized by the Directorate of Distance Education (DDE), Maulana Azad National Urdu University (MANUU) for its Regional Directors (RDs) and Assistant Regional Directors (ARDs).

Prof. Ainul Hasan, in his thought provoking address emphasized the need to stay connected with the students and with each other to gain better results in disseminating education. He advised the participants to debate, discuss and arrive at solutions. He assured them that the Directorate along with its regional and sub-regional centres will be strengthened and made accessible, approachable and student friendly.

Prof. SM Rahmatullah, Pro-Vice Chancellor in his speech described “DDE and Examination Branch” as two important units of the university, both of which need strong and fair attention to take the university to another level.

Prof. Siddiqui Mohd Mahmood, Registrar I/c, suggested that that technology can be used without compromising the quality of education. He further said that audio-visual lectures can be used as complimentary sources for distance mode learners.

Prof Razullha Khan, Director I/c, DDE in his opening remarks and welcome address hoped that a joint effort of all the stake holders of MANUU will help in resolving the challenges faced by the Directorate in particular and the education sector in general, especially in the context of the Covid pandemic. While expressing the need to establish more Learner Support Centres (LSE) and Administrative Units in the years to come, Prof. Khan stated that the e-SLM of more than ten books has been uploaded on the DDE website recently.

Prof. Gulfishan Habeeb (English, DDE) proposed the vote of thanks. She also expressed her gratitude to Prof. V. Venkaiah, Former VC Krishna University, and adviser DDE, MANUU for his guidance. Prof. Mohammed Abdul Sami Siddiqui, Director, CPDUMT convened the programme. Mr. Farhatullah Baig, CEO, Prof. Najmus Sehar, Coordinator Staff Training & Research Unit, DDE faculty, and Regional Directors and Assistant RDs from all over the country were also present on the occasion.

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