

ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING OF MAA RAMA DEVI CHAIR

First Advisory Committee meeting of Maa Rama Devi Chair was held on 07.9.23 at 11.30AM in VC's Board Room of RDWU.

MEMBERS ATTENDED:

The members of the committee who attended the meeting are: -

1. Prof. Aparajita Chowdhury, Vice Chancellor, Rama Devi Women's University, Bhubaneswar, *President*
2. Prof. Sanjay Satpathy, Vice Chancellor, Kalahandi University, Bhawanipatana
3. Prof. Madhumita Das, Former Vice Chancellor, Fakir Mohan University, Balasore
4. Ms. Lopamudra Baxipatra, Advisor, Mission Shakti
5. Prof. Chandi Charan Rath, CPGC, RDWU
6. Prof. Sucheta Priyabadini, Chair Professor, MRDC, *Convenor*

Dr. Prativa Ray could not make it, being out of the country and Smt Shyamali Mohapatra, Registrar, RDWU could not make it, being indisposed.

REPORT:

At the outset, Chair Professor, Maa Rama Devi Chair, RDWU, Prof. Sucheta Priyabadini welcomed the members of Advisory Committee and introduced the Chair indicating its present level of activities and the future plans through a PPT. Subsequently, Vice Chancellor RDWU Prof. Aparajita Chowdhury presiding over the meeting commenced the deliberations. Thereafter, all the eminent members of the Committee shared their views and experiences relevant to the growth of MRDC. A small handout on the journey of MRDC and the future roadmap was also shared with the members.

MINUTES:

1. To spread awareness about Maa Rama Devi and her philosophies among the students of RDWU and its affiliated colleges.
2. To make MRDC the face value of RDWU by meeting larger goals and taking the programs and plans beyond the campus.
3. To start outreach programs with objective- "My Life My Philosophy- Maa Rama Devi" to extend awareness about Maa Rama Devi by focusing on:-
 - a. Hostels
 - b. NCC & NSS students
4. To assign dissertation topic to two department students on Maa Rama Devi which can be decided by MRDC. It can be done in the upcoming 4th and 6th Semester.

5. Suggestion on research on Women Freedom fighters and proper documentation of the same.
6. Fieldwork and field visits were emphasized as it is important for the students to understand the ground reality.
Suggested places for Maa Rama Devi research Field work:- Bari, Cuttack, Satyabhamapur, Jagatsinghpur, Inchudi
7. VC madam emphasized to explore the possibility to do research on SHG workers, their family and personal empowerment by involving the RDWU students and also supplementing their efforts in awareness campaigns.
8. VC madam also emphasized on the need of a Family Resource Centre to help the community in proper parenting, counseling etc. SHG workers could also get benefitted by getting training from the Centre and implement in their respective areas.
9. On the documentary film planned on Maa Rama Devi it was also suggested to approach Odisha Film Development Corporation (Chairman-Kuna Tripathy) for financial support.
10. To associate Computer Science Dept. along with the 6 Departments of social sciences for advanced research.
11. Suggestion to play a 2min/3mins long video on Maa Rama Devi before every event/function at RDWU.
12. Suggestion regarding a PPT competition for students/faculties on Maa Rama Devi.
13. Suggestions to start a Geriatric Home Care certificate course with the support of HelpAge India for everyone & not only for RDWU students
14. Suggestion regarding One Act Play Competition (Group) on 3RD Dec, i.e. the foundation day. The plays should be organized by respective departments.
15. Documentation in the form of news-letter, e-newsletter etc. in Sanskrit, Odia, Hindi & English languages.
16. It was emphasized by the Committee to approach Govt. of Odisha with a revised plan/budget for Maa Rama Devi Chair considering the extent of its functions and necessity.

Prof. Sucheta Priyabadini

Chair Professor, MRDC, RDWU

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