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CBSE Hosts CUET Orientation Program for Principals and Counselors Across India

The Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE) successfully organized an offline CUET Orientation Program today at the CBSE Integrated Office, Dwarka, New Delhi. The event witnessed enthusiastic participation from over 450 school principals and counselors representing CBSE-affiliated schools across 26 cities in 10 states, along with a counselor from the Indian School Al Ghubra, Muscat, Oman.

This landmark initiative aimed to update educators on the evolving landscape of higher education admissions, with a special emphasis on the Common University Entrance Test (CUET-UG). The program also served as a collaborative platform to exchange insights into student guidance and career planning, enabling educators to better support students in making informed academic and career decisions.

In his inaugural address, **Shri Himanshu Gupta**, Secretary, CBSE, underscored the need for educators to remain updated on current trends and changes. "It is imperative that school principals and counselors stay informed to effectively support their students in navigating higher education choices," he said.

Shri Rahul Singh, Chairman, CBSE, acknowledged the stress students face in preparing for multiple entrance examinations. He emphasized that while the CUET Orientation Program is not a one-size-fits-all solution, it is a significant step in the right direction. "This initiative is part of CBSE's larger effort to reach schools directly and understand the support students and parents require for holistic development and future-readiness," he added. He also invited feedback from participants to strengthen such endeavors going forward.

The Orientation Sessions were conducted in the gracious presence of Directors and Senior Officers of the Board and distinguished panelists who provided valuable insights for educators and counselors, featuring key presentations.

Ms. Meenu Arora, Director of Private Schools at Medhavi Professional Services, kicked off the event with an introduction to CUET 2025, highlighting significant changes compared to previous norms. Following this, Ms. Ojshi Sharma, Career Counselor at Medhavi, presented an overview of the application process and examination, focusing on university-specific subject requirements. Mr. Thomas John, AVP & HOD, Student & Counselor Success at Medhavi, elaborated on effective preparation strategies for CUET. Ms. Arora returned to discuss the integration of CUET preparation into the existing CBSE framework using cost-effective resources.

The program concluded with an engaging Q&A session and a structured learning assessment for participants. 387 participants completed the assessment at the end of session. An impressive 96.5% of respondents rated the program either a 4 or 5 on the scale of 5, while 95.9% affirmed that their questions were satisfactorily answered. This interactive segment enabled principals and counselors to clarify their doubts, deepen their understanding, and reflect on their roles in supporting students.

This CBSE CUET Orientation Program marked a vital initiative, reinforcing its commitment to equipping educators with the tools they need to guide students through the complexities of higher education admission processes. Ongoing feedback and collaboration from principals and counselors will be crucial in further refining CBSE's approach to student guidance.

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