



UNIVERSITY OF CALCUTTA

Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC)

INFLIBNET SWAYAMPrabha @ UNIVERSITY OF CALCUTTA

With the initiatives of its Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), the University of Calcutta signs MoU (Memorandum of Understanding) for SwayamPrabha with the Information and Library Network (INFLIBNET) Centre, an Inter University Center of UGC. On behalf of the University Prof Santa Datta (De), Vice Chancellor and on behalf of INFLIBNET Prof Devika P Madalli, Director, INFLIBNET sign the MoU on August 20, 2025 in the Syndicate Hall of the University. Prof Debasis Das, Registrar, CU and Dr Abhishek Kumar, Scientist E of INFLIBNET, all Deans of faculties, Officers, and some senior Professors witnessed the event. Prof Santa Datta (De) Vice Chancellor in her speech mentions about the specific purpose of the MoUs in today's context emphasizing the effectiveness in gradual growth of the university. Prof Devika P Madalli mentioned the purpose of selecting the University of Calcutta. She mentioned that the oldest university has contributed a lot in higher education in the country. The scholarly contributions of the faculties are qualitatively praiseworthy and ever remembered. Highest enrolment of students in SwayamPrabha are from West Bengal. Both the issues are main driving force to collaborate with the University of Calcutta.





The SWAYAMPBHA is a group of 40 DTH (Direct to Home) channels devoted to telecasting of high-quality educational programmes on 24X7 basis. Every day, there will be new contents for at least (4) hours which would be repeated 5 more times in a day, allowing the students to choose the time of their convenience. The contents are provided by IITs, UGC, IGNOU. This helps students in their study. The INFLIBNET Centre maintains the SwayamPrabha web portal for Higher education.





The primary objective of this MoU is to outline the terms of collaboration between the University of Calcutta and INFLIBNET for the creation of high-quality academic e-Content (video tutorials & textual content) in Bengali language, and to ensure their quality, accessibility, and dissemination through national educational platforms. The e-contents are already available in English for different disciplines. Many faculty members of the University of Calcutta have developed and contributed for developing such e-contents.

Now, it has been felt that the E-contents must be available in regional languages so that students can study their subjects of choice in their own language. The INFLIBNET has selected the University of Calcutta to help in developing e-contents in Bengali. This may not be merely translation in Bengali, rather the university will select the Experts of different disciplines who can be the best contributor in converting and developing those available courses (e-contents) in Bengali (video tutorials & textual content).

The University would take the leading role in this regard being the Nodal Institute for purpose. The University would find the Experts of different disciplines based on their specialization and expertise not only from CU, but also from different Institutes of Higher Learning (State and Central) who can be the best contributor in developing e-contents in Bengali.

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