

ST. XAVIER'S COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), MUMBAI

Xavier's Resource Centre for the Visually Challenged (XRCVC)

In collaboration with

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Organizes

National Level Online Workshop on

Making Online Learning Inclusive for Student with Disabilities

A Skill-building workshop for Teachers of Higher Education

on

23rd & 24th June 2020 (10 a.m. - 12 Noon)

About the Workshop

CoVID-19 has pushed the education ecosystem into unchartered areas. Online Education and Learning have many new opportunities and at the same time pose many challenges. One such challenge is that of inclusion and accessibility for Students with Disabilities (SwDs). With the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act (2016), all higher education institutes have been mandated with a 5% reservation for students with disabilities and ensuring inclusive education. Whilst many of the higher education institutes have started putting systems and processes in place to make education inclusive, continuing this in the online mode poses new challenges. What worked for inclusion in physical classrooms may not work for online classrooms. The 2-day workshop aims to:

- Acquaint participants to the challenges of Inclusion for Online Learning.
- Equip participants with Pedagogical strategies to make online classrooms inclusive.
- Orient and equip participants on the 'how to' of making online learning content accessible.
- Familiarize the participants with the use of accessibility features of online meeting platforms and assistive technologies to build accessibility to online learning.

Outcome:

Participants would carry back with them at least 4-5 key simple and implementable ideas to make online learning more inclusive and accessible for students with disabilities.

Workshop Schedule

Time	Session	Resource Person
10-10.30	Inaugural	Dr. Rajendra Shinde, Principal, St. Xavier's College (Autonomous), Mumbai
		Dr. Sam Taraporevala, Executive Director, Xavier's Resource Centre for the Visually Challenged (XRCVC), St. Xavier's College, (Autonomous) Mumbai
10.30- 11.00	Challenges of Online Learning for SwD and Pedagogical Interventions	Ms. Neha Trivedi, Project Consultant, XRCVC
11.00- 11.15	Open session	
11:15 am- 11.45am	How to Make Accessible Online Educational Content: Part 1	Ms. Neha Trivedi, Project Consultant, XRCVC & Mr. Sushil Pandit, Access Technology Consultant, XRCVC
11.45- 12.00	Open Session	

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Time	Session	Resource Person	
10.00-10.20	How to Make Accessible Online Educational Content: Part 2	Mr. Sushil Pandit, Access Technology Consultant, XRCVC & Mr. Keshavan Nadar, Technical Consultant, XRCVC	
10.20-10.30	Open Session		
10.30-10.50	Use of Assistive Technologies and	Mr. Sushil Pandit, Access Technology	
	Accessibility Features of online meeting rooms for building accessibility: Part 1	Consultant, XRCVC & Mr. Keshavan Nadar, Technical Consultant, XRCVC	
10.50-11.00	Open Session		
11.00-11.20	Use of Assistive Technologies and	Mr. Sushil Pandit, Access Technology	
	Accessibility Features of online meeting rooms for building accessibility: Part 2	Consultant, XRCVC & Mr. Keshavan Nadar, Technical Consultant, XRCVC	
11.20-11.30	Open Session		
11.30-12.00	Feedback and Vote of Thanks		

Instruction to Participants

- Participants are expected to attend and participate in all the sessions.
- E-Certification will be granted based on attendance and feedback form completion. E-Certification will only be granted to participants who attend the full workshop on both days in the Zoom Us platform (YouTube live streaming will not be eligible for certification)
- Sessions will be conducted on Zoom.us
- Meeting ID and Passwords will be shared before the session days
- Good internet connectivity is mandatory
- Our zoom room has a capacity of up to 500 participants. Entry into the room on days of the workshop will be on a first come first serve basis. The remaining participants will be able to attend the workshop through YouTube live streaming. (Link for YouTube live streaming will be shared a day before the workshop.)

Registration Details

Registration to this program is free

Participants are expected to register themselves on https://forms.gle/dVZMQDTeTQ17xt579

Registrations will be open from 15th June – 18th June

After registration, participants will be sent a Zoom us registration link. Only participants who complete the Zoom us registration by 19th June will be eligible to participate.

Participants to join the session on the day through the Unique Meeting ID and password that will be emailed to them directly by Zoom Us

For any queries related to registration please contact

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Xavier's Resource Centre for the Visually Challenged (XRCVC) is a department of St. Xavier's College, Mumbai. XRCVC is a resource and advocacy center for persons with disabilities in general and blindness and low vision in particular. XRCVC is engaged in a wide range of work in the fields of education, assistive technologies, awareness, and advocacy to work towards breaking barriers and creating access for persons with disabilities. To know more about XRCVC's work visit – <u>www.xrcvc.org</u>