

Workshop for Counselors of NHEI on 7th August 2017

New Horizon Quality Assessment and Skill Development Center organized a workshop for New Horizon Counselors dated 7th August 2017 on the topics:

1. Student challenges at various level s
2. Cognitive behavioral counseling techniques/therapies.
3. Counselors' relationship with the teachers

Based on the requirements provided by the NHEI counselors, the workshop was organized for all NHEI counselors.

The email with the timetable was sent across to all the New Horizon institutions requesting the head of the departments to depute their counselors to the workshop being conducted exclusively for them at the New Horizon College of Engineering's video conference room. The total participants invited for the workshop were 16 and all the 16 of them participated in the program.

All the required materials like attendance sheets, feedback forms, handouts etc. were organized. The video conference room was blocked for the morning session.

Execution:

On the 7th August 2017, all the participants had assembled at 9:15 am in the video conference room at New Horizon College of Engineering in the Library and Information Center Block.

The program started with a welcome address by Ms. Sudha Malwin of NHQASDC. The guests of honor of the day were Ms. Bharathi Singh, Dr.Girija.N.Srinivasalu, Director, NHQASDC. It was followed by a brief introduction of the role and importance of a counselor in the current educational scenario, by Dr.Girija.N.Srinivasalu. The session was handed over to Ms. Bharathi Singh.

She addressed the group about the importance of the counseling profession and its significance in the current era. The session had a lot of activities in the form of illustrations, role plays, and the ways in which the counselors are required to handle students with care by ensuring privacy and confidentiality is maintained. She also emphasized the importance of having to communicate appropriately in any given scenarios with the right examples. Dr Bharathi Singh conducted a few roles using relevant themes and issues. The trainer ensured that the participants' confidence levels were high. As per the feedback received, about 50% said that it was a very enjoyable learning session.

The participants thanked the management for having organized such programs for the counselors and for taking interest in improving their skills. Session wise attendance was taken and refreshments were served.

Overall, the sessions were very interactive and highly effective.