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New Delhi, March 12, 2024 - The Non-Collegiate Women's Education Board (NCWEB) of the University of Delhi, in a landmark collaboration with The Asia Foundation, today announced the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to usher in a new era of digital proficiency and job readiness among its students. This momentous partnership, celebrated with a signing ceremony at the Vice-Regal Lodge, University of Delhi, aims to skill 1,500 women annually through a 20-hour foundational training program. This program is meticulously designed to enhance digital literacy, employability-linked soft skills, and personal financial management, underpinning the vision of Viksit Bharat @2047 and the empowerment of women.

Supported by VISA through The Asia Foundation's Skills@Work program, this strategic initiative underscores our commitment to equipping our students for a competitive edge in the job market and integrating them into the technically driven formal economy.

Prof. Balram Pani, Dean of Colleges and Chairperson of NCWEB, expressed his optimism, stating, "This collaboration marks a significant step forward in our ongoing efforts to provide quality education and skill development for our students. It is a leap towards fulfilling our commitment to women's education and empowerment, aligning perfectly with the goals of Viksit Bharat @2047."

Echoing the sentiment, Prof. Geeta Bhatt, Director of NCWEB, remarked, "We are thrilled to partner with The Asia Foundation in this pioneering initiative. This MoU is not just a document but a promise to our students - a promise of enabling them with the skills necessary to thrive in today's digital world and ensuring they have equal opportunities in their professional journeys."



Dr. Vikas Gupta, Registrar of the University of Delhi, highlighted the significance of this partnership, "By joining forces with The Asia Foundation and receiving support from VISA, we are not only enhancing the skill set of our students but also fostering an ecosystem that values inclusivity and sustainable development. This initiative will undoubtedly pave the way for our students to make meaningful contributions to the economy and society."

Ms. Nandita Baruah, Country Representative of The Asia Foundation, shared her excitement about the collaboration, stating, "We are delighted to embark on this journey with NCWEB, University of Delhi, to empower young women through education and skills training. Together, we aim to address the challenges of inclusivity and dignified job roles for women, unlocking new opportunities for growth and development."

This MoU signing ceremony not only cements the relationship between NCWEB, the University of Delhi, and The Asia Foundation but also lays the groundwork for future collaborative efforts aimed at making a lasting and sustainable impact on communities and empowering women through education and skill development.

Vikas Gupta

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