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A Report **CICE July 2023- September 2023**

The Short Term Course, Certificate in Communicative English (CICE), was offered for the first cycle from the Center for Language Translation and Cultural Studies, School of Humanities in July 2023. For the session, the course was organised in blended mode both online and offline. The batch comprised of 24 students. The course was organised by CLTCS in collaboration with Alipurduar Mahila Mahavidyalaya. Out of the 24 enrolled learners, 16 of them had appeared for the examination, out of which 16 students could complete the course successfully. The aim of the course was to help the learners attain sufficient proficiency in the language to cope with their studies. Hence the course paid equal attention to all the four skills of listening, speaking, reading and writing. All the sessions throughout the course were made interactive by the course administrators. The course administrators have specially identified passages from different books to promote reading skills. The lessons chosen were supplemented with customized exercises to develop their understanding of English Grammar, the administrators used various words in context to develop the vocabulary of the learners. All materials were provided in photocopied form to the learners.

Seven chapters from two texts were selected for the online/ offline course. These texts were: Creative English for Communication, by N Krishnaswamy & T Sriraman and English Through Reading-2 by W W S Bhaskar & N S Prabhu. The learners were also learning through conversations, guessing activities, and online gamification activities on language patterns and language use. The online classes were conducted by five NSOU faculties . Few offline classes were conducted simultaneously by the concerned faculties of Alipurduar Mahila Mahavidyalaya and one faculty of NSOU posted nearby to the College.

The learners had given their feedback, evaluating the course, the course materials and their own learning at the end of the course. Majority of them reported that the course was beneficial for them. Some of the learners proclaimed that the course helped them to boost their confidence

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while speaking English at public forums. The course ended with a certificate distribution ceremony at Alipurduar Mahila Mahavidyalaya.

