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**Medical Education Unit** 

Revised Basic Course Workshop on Medical Education Technology & Sensitization program for AETCOM  $30^{\text{th}} \text{ Oct} - 2^{\text{nd}} \text{ Nov 2018}$ 

## Report

15<sup>th</sup> Nov 2018

A three day revised Basic Course Workshop in Medical Education Technology was organized on 30<sup>th</sup> Oct to 1<sup>st</sup> Nov 2018, followed by 1 day Sensitization Program on Attitude, Ethics and Communication Module on 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov 2018, in the ME Hall, at BVDU Medical College, Pune. This was the 2<sup>nd</sup> revised Basic Course workshop organized at this institute, and the first WS under the aegis of MCI Regional centre, GSMC, Mumbai.

Dr. Santosh Salagre, Associate Professor of Medicine, Seth GS Medical College, Mumbai, the MCI observer for this workshop, gave valuable inputs, adding value to the sessions, especially for the Sensitization program for AETCOM Module.

The focus of the revised program is to sensitize the faculty to ensure the achievement of the minimum competencies expected of an Indian Medical Graduate through whatever teaching learning sessions they are involved in. This was achieved through a logical sequence of sessions starting from Goal, roles and associated competencies expected of a graduate, to choosing the right assessment methods to ensure achievement of these competencies. The participants got 'hands on' experience through group / individual tasks linked with the sessions, taking them towards actual implementation of these concepts.

The AETCOM module was discussed at length, with emphasis on feasibility of implementation in the existing curriculum and on formative assessment across the course to propel the learning in the right direction and outcome. This was the first AETCOM Sensitization program conducted at this institute and stimulated a lot of learning and reflection on the part of MEU faculty as well, guided by inputs from Dr. Salagre.

Total 30 participants across the departments (4 Preclinical, 7 Para clinical and 19 Clinical departments) and across the hierarchy of seniority (12 Assistant Professors, 9 Associate Professors and 9 Professors including 3 heads of departments) actively participated in the workshop, making the sessions fruitful and lively. Sensitization of this mix of the participants will go a long way in helping to implement desired changes towards CBME, especially considering the new MBBS Curriculum released by MCI on the heels of this WS.

Participants have given a very positive feedback about the entire workshop, some expressing their desire to actively participate in the MEU activities. However, some felt 4 days at a stretch of a packed program was a little difficult to digest. They suggest splitting the WS into basic, advanced and AETCOM, to provide more time for assimilation and hands on. Some have suggested sensitization program for undergraduate students as well, to make them aware of their responsibilities, the roles and competencies expected of them. Some expressed need to sensitize all the faculty members of a department in order to enable implementation of any reforms, changes.









