Report Workshop Series on Innovative Practices with Eklavya Foundation, Bhopal

S1.	Theme	Date	Day	Time
No.				
1	Introduction to Eklavya, its work and philosophy	12.11.21	Friday	1-3 pm
	Mr. Shivnarayan Gour			
2	Gender in classroom 1	13.11.21	Saturday	1-3 pm
	Ms. Isha			
3	Gender in classroom 2	14.11.21	Sunday	11 am-1 pm
	Ms. Isha			
4	Children's Literature and Language Learning	15.11.21	Monday	2-4 pm
	Ms. Deepali Shukla			
5	Education for peace	17.11.21	Wednesday	3-5 pm
	Ms. Ruchi Shevade & Ms. Nitika Meena			
6	Community engagement in education	20.11.21	Saturday	1-3 pm
	Ms. Trishala			
7	Emotions and learning 1	22.11.21	Monday	3-5 pm
	Ms. Tultul Biswas & Ms. Karuna Amy			
8	Emotions and learning 2	23.11.21	Tuesday	3-5 pm
	Ms. Tultul Biswas & Ms. Karuna Amy			
9	Stories and art	25.11.21	Thursday	12-2 pm
	Ms. Gayatri Amit			
10	Mindfulness in the classroom	29.11.21	Monday	3-5 pm
	Mr. Manoj Nigam			

As part of the innovative visit program, an online interaction with Eklavya Foundation was planned for the students of B. El. Ed. III year. An introduction to Eklavya Foundation with over four decades of work experience in both formal and non-formal sectors of education was given. Students got to know the history of the organization, its philosophy, previous as well as present programmes. They were familiarised to the need for a gender sensitive classroom and how we as teachers must create a valuable space for our learners. The important role of literature in learning and the need to contextualise in storytelling were discussed. An understanding on peace, conflict and need for dialogues as a way forward was attempted. The various community initiatives coordinated by the organization, which is a reflection of their practice of stakeholders taking ownership was shared. Discussions on emotions and learning, wherein the need to recognize emotions of self as well as learners provided with rich opportunities to reflect and sharing experiences. The need to integrate learning with different pedagogical domain as well as art education was highlighted. The significance of mmindfulness as a way of befriending ourselves and our experiences, the need to recognise mental health and the continuous practice to respond rather than react were emphasised. All the sessions were interactive and hands-on, wherein active participation of the students was seen and appreciated by the resource persons. The workshop series was coordinated by Dr. Manisha Subba and Ms. Ruchi Garg.