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Forthcoming Initiatives

1. Continuance of Professional & Vocational Courses
2. Introduction of new professional courses
3. Community Development Programmes
4. Establishment of Skill Schools
5. Adoption of some of the downtrodden areas of Valley
6. Compilation and evaluation of ongoing projects
7. Trainings to special group of children & respective trainers through DRS(Direct Receiving System) Link under rehabilitation programme





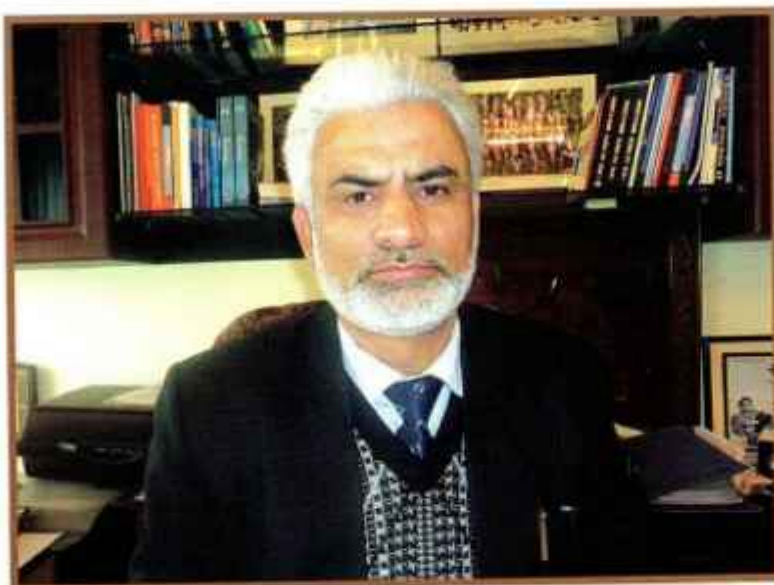
Vice Chancellor's Message

I am pleased to find that the Directorate of Lifelong Learning, University of Kashmir is publishing new issue of "**DLLTimes**" which is in its third year of publication.

DLL Times not only serves a linkage with the learned community of the society but also gives a visibility to the skill education and other allied activities of the Directorate conducted by it consistently with great fervour and zeal. The progress of the Directorate has been quite impressive especially over the last few years. I am overwhelmed that it is marching ahead towards its defined goals.

I congratulate Director, DLL Dr. G.H. Mir and his team for their dynamism and super activeness in achieving major milestones. I hope that this endeavour would continue with momentum in future also for the greater benefit of the society at large.

Prof. Talat Ahmad
Vice Chancellor



Message from the Registrar

I am happy to learn that the Directorate of Lifelong Learning is bringing out another edition of its Newsletter "DLL Times". The publication is intended to keep all the stakeholders informed about the plethora of educational and other curricular activities carried out by the Directorate for maximum community participation. This issue of the Newsletter highlights all the activities carried out by the Directorate during the year 2011-12.

I congratulate the Director, Directorate of Lifelong Learning and his team for bringing out this publication and hope that the Directorate would work with renewed vigour and enthusiasm to realize the objectives of Lifelong Learning and Extension.

Professor Zafar Ahmad Reshi
Registrar



Message from Director

It is a great pleasure for me to publish 3rd issue of Directorate's Newsletter '**DLL Times**'. This endeavour not only highlights the activities carried out by the Directorate annually but also keeps the people informed about the new initiatives and strides taken by the Directorate for the overall social good.

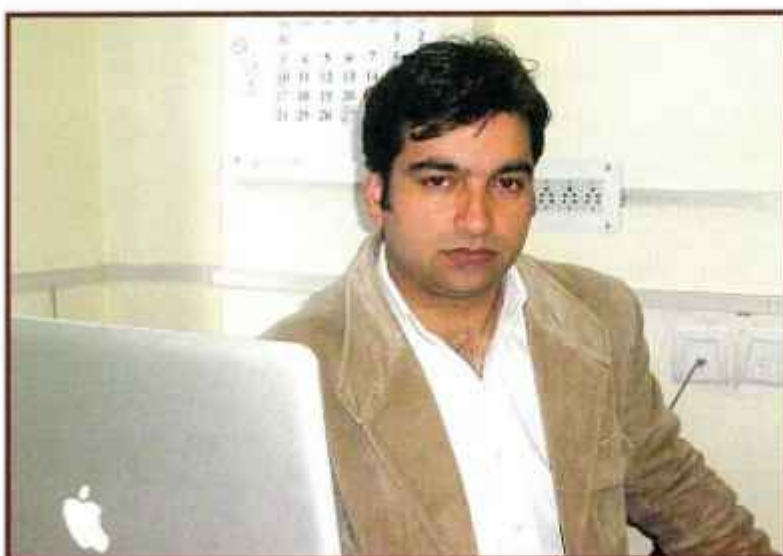
The core activities of the Directorate are highlighted through '**DLL Times**' with a view to inform the entire community, stakeholders, academia, practitioners, trainers, field functionaries regarding the activities carried out by the Directorate including trainings, courses, skill development programmes, workshops, conferences, Non formal education, Quality of life improvement Programmes, equivalency and many other community based activities which are focused for the community at large and the youth in particular.

I hope that this Publication would prove instrumental to all concerned at all levels. We at DLL welcome all for any comments and suggestions to make the next edition more ideal. This and all other efforts for the community were made possible only because of the visionary leadership of the Honourable Vice Chancellor Prof. Talat Ahmad and his constant encouragement to us in serving the community.

Dr. G.H.Mir

Director

Editor's Desk



The prime objective of the DLL Times was and remains to serve a link between its various stakeholders and to keep the masses updated with the plethora of activities and trainings which serve their interests. It was a cherished goal with which DLL Times was started some years back to inform & keep update its Internal as well as external publics. It is in place to mention here that

this endeavour proved highly beneficial for the Directorate and to its publics at large. Notwithstanding, a splendid acclaim from the society, this publication comes up with the new diversity in pages with every new issue to free it from the clutches of monotony. A renewed sense of hope always prevails among the people in the community everytime the new issue hits the stand. Celebrating the success of its programmes which has largely benefited the society, this issue of 'DLL Times highlights the programmes and new initiatives taken by the Directorate in the year 2011-12.

The primary point we need to understand is that the education is undergoing transformations at all levels, liberated from the confines of classroom, the systematic change revolving around the technological arenas has put the graph of traditional education in parallel to the need of skill education. We realize that education with technical skills can do wonders in elimination of unemployment and can serve a tool for development of entrepreneurship and self help. The geographical remoteness and the lack of industrialization in the State of Jammu & Kashmir has handicapped the potential manforce in the State with the graveness of unemployment assumes alarming magnitude; aiming to swell up with the skilled manpower. The Directorate of Lifelong Learning, University of Kashmir is taking a step

forward to deal effectively with this problem by capacitating the youth with job oriented trainings to develop entrepreneurship in the State and prepare a skilled manpower for the Corporates, Government, non Government sectors and other allied services consequently augment the employability of the youth in the State.

Improved training and skill development is critical for providing decent employment opportunities to the growing youth population and necessary to sustain the high growth momentum, there is a need for concerted action in several key areas in order to ensure that skill formation takes place in a demand driven manner. Also a need is to establish an institutional mechanism for providing access to information on skill inventory and skill maps in the light of global scenario .

It will not be out of place to mention here that any organisation works successfully only when proper networking and adequate lasing are put in action.

I hope that this Newsletter will reflect the purpose and readers would find the pages that follow information and interest. This effort is to let the readers/ stakeholders/society to know about the activities carried out by the Directorate in order to create an end to the disconnect of information between the people and the Directorate.

I welcome all for any queries, suggestions and positive criticism for making the next issue more enhanced and improved.

I must thank the worthy Director of the Directorate Dr. G.H. Mir for his keen interest and constant encouragement in making this publication a success.

Altaf Hussain
Editor



Operational Areas of DLL





Concept of Lifelong Learning

Lifelong Learning is a rainbow concept with many shades of meaning embedded with a wide spectrum of purposes. The idea of learning throughout life has a long history, yet lifelong learning has been reinvented and has assumed new importance for educational policies. Lifelong Learning is a life wide, voluntary or self-motivated learning activity which is undertaken throughout the life. It is a process of constant learning and development that incorporates professional development, whether in a formal, Non formal or informal way so as to create an enriching and dynamic society. The main focus is to upgrade the skills to develop self-confidence and also to involve oneself in the community through social networking and upliftment programmes. The main characteristics of lifelong learning may be described as to acquire and apply the skills to promote the creativity, knowledge and personal fulfilment. It can also be taken as an approach to learning which is more flexible, critical and capable and above all a sort of learning which exercises tolerance, mutual respect and understanding for each other. It is important to form a lifelong learning society in which people can freely choose learning opportunities during their lives and proper recognition is accorded to those learning achievements. It also includes the skills, knowledge, attitudes and behaviours that people acquire in their day to day life experiences. It is undertaken throughout the life with the aim of improving knowledge, skills, and competence within a personal, civic, social and employment related perspective to promote the development of knowledge that will enable each citizen to adapt to the knowledge based society and actively participate in all spheres of social and economic life. Learning opportunities should be available to all citizens on an ongoing basis i.e. each individual should have learning pathways suitable to his needs and interests at all stages of his life. Lifelong learning also provides second chances to update basic skills and offer learning opportunities at more advanced levels. The idea of lifelong learning should be facilitated by bringing together formal education and vocational education in central aspects of different policies such as education, youth, employment and research and whose core values lay in learning and exploring which are coupled with benefits for the mind, body and spirit making it incredibly powerful tool for personal transformation and enhancement.

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About DLL

Launched in the year 1978, the Directorate of Lifelong Learning (DLL), provides access to lifelong learning programs to the people in communities and for workplace organizations in the Kashmir Division. DLL recognizes the needs of the communities at large and work in progression to the mission and felt needs of the people with reference to lifelong learning programs which earns transformation in communities and in the workplace in general. Our core learning processes involve the rich resourcing in manpower and talent. Each and every DLL participant - whether they work for the Directorate or in a rural community earns a skill from the Directorate which determine the needs to learn and then journey with others to secure practical and professional outcomes. In the process, significant benefits arise like growth in individual self-esteem and skill enhancement and entrepreneurship.

The focus is to provide a wide variety of lifelong learning opportunities to all sections of society with a special emphasis on equivalency programmes, quality of life improvement programmes, individual interest promotion programmes, vocational education, skill

trainings etc. Also the impetus is given to help the youth to set up profitable entrepreneurial units and to promote their professional abilities through required inputs.

Lifelong Learning has achieved a greater significance and relevance in the modern times due to various socio-economic indicators. In a technology driven knowledge based competitive economy; the landscape of learning is fast changing in India. The growth of Indian economy and tremendous expansion of Information and Communication technology with the rapid globalization have all been instrumental in bringing changes in the job skills. The workforce keeps on learning and updating their skills to earn sustainability in a globally competitive market. The country's economic performance depends significantly on accessibility to newer technology and progress in the skill sector to compete in the global economy equipping the people with learning and training opportunities. University of Kashmir through the window of one of its prestigious institution; Directorate of Lifelong Learning has been playing a pivotal role in developing the skill enhancement in the youth of valley through various programmes and initiatives.

In contemporary times, the demand for skilled and trained workers has increased manifold, the Directorate on the lines of such demand has focused on developing technical, entrepreneurial and professional skills among the youth to create skilled human resource base so as to cope with the demand of fast changing professional world. Considering all the above features, the Directorate has been conducting various professional cum vocational courses which include various certificate courses in varied fields. Since the Directorate of Lifelong Learning offers need based courses, there is always scope to add more and more programmes which are specifically as per the community needs.

When compared to formal system of education, the Directorate has many advantages. The focus on continuing education for the changing world of work takes a big leap in the continuing education thus provides a series of continuing education courses/ trainings/ programmes to equip the talent with the self employment skills to lead them to be the best entrepreneurs of the future. The Directorate has been playing a key role in focusing the practical needs of the marginalized and weaker section of the society through its diverse outreach programmes thereby developing a significant and continuous affinity between the University and the society.

The Directorate of Lifelong Learning impress upon the extension programmes which are qualitatively different from other organizations especially NGOs and other non-governmental agencies. Hence it takes up the activities with the purpose of developing innovative models of extension. These activities are well planned with the active participation and collaboration of the various Government and Non government agencies of the valley.

The Directorate has been actively involved in offering multiple programmes recognised

by University Grants Commission (UGC) and Rehabilitation Council of India (RCI) in order to help the community to plan and prepare critical understanding of requirements of the population. The Community Skill Schools established by the Directorate are actively providing new opportunities based on possible interventions and inclusions.

The Directorate of Lifelong Learning in addition to this also provides trainings in various skill based, job oriented professional and income generation courses for the aspirants especially for the youth of region. These programmes usually include the present day need based trades and courses. Furthermore, various academic certificate courses and other diploma courses are also in the conduit for the community people.

Various skill oriented programmes were carried out by the Directorate throughout the year and the successful candidates are felicitated by DLL at the platforms of fame, the motive is to promote the skill education by encouraging the talent through the felicitation drives. The felicitation functions also provide the opportunities to the trained youth to meet the eminents of the Corporates, Industries, Government and other employers of the State and the Nation.

The Directorate has been conducting various outreach activities in terms of exchange/exposure visits, explorative ventures, advocacy policy meetings and grass root level community interactions for the betterment of un-reached masses. These activities were focused to expand the people's capabilities to become increasingly aware about different disadvantaged areas and enhanced scientific knowledge to combat the adverse circumstances in order to improve the quality of living. Such programmes resulted greater acceptance and implementation of message meant for human welfare.

The programmes of the Directorate always entail the objectives outlined by the UGC for lifelong learning at large. In other words, the University system has to prepare the student to be a lifelong learner, only then the youth will be able to sustain the knowledge and skills at an international benchmark level. Lifelong learning systems have to integrate between the formal and non-formal system of education, as such DLL opens its doors to adult learners for lifelong learning programmes and plays a dynamic role in the development of the human resource, especially professional manpower in the area of lifelong learning.

Since lifelong learning has become a fundamental goal of recent educational policies, it is often advocated as a channel to achieve socio-economic development and a tool for promoting knowledge. DLL has focused in making lifelong learning as a discipline of study and field of practice and has been making concrete efforts to reach out to larger sections of society especially to deprived groups through its multi-innovative programmes. Thus considering a wide range of on-campus and out of campus activities of DLL, it won't be out of way to recognize the Directorate as a focal agency with a catalytic role in the development of academic and technical resource support for community

based activities in collaboration with University Departments and State level colleges of academic and professional level. It has also developed a network with Government and Non-Governmental agencies, National and International Organizations as well as industries and corporates in the best interests of the people.

Notwithstanding all, the DLL has been on the forefront in the overall development of those unreached and deprived locales which entail the urban status, but when outlooked from the prismatic view of development, they hardly score anything. DLL in one such model adopted an area of Saida Kadal(Mir Behri) few Kilometres away from the University campus under the scheme of Area Based Community Development approach(ABCD). In the initial phase of the programme, a skill school was thrown open for the youth of the particular area, where they learn various skill based courses and earn a certification in the respective skill trades. Also getting other basic amenities related to health, education, counselling together with the awareness generation and capacity building programmes. The step although in its infancy has been lauded by all sections of the society.

With all, the Directorate is heading towards its defined goal with great zest and dedication under the confined framework and policies of the UGC and the University norms. Therefore we at DLL, pledge to serve the Society for the greater benefit of the people at large and the youth in particular.



Work Realms



The focus of Directorate is to reach out to maximum sections of the society for enhancing lifelong learning opportunities so as to bring them in tune with the fast expanding global knowledge scenario. The lifelong learning has become the fundamental goal of recent educational policies in order to create socio-economic development and knowledge based society. The Directorate of Lifelong Learning working in line with the UGC Policies has been taking multiple initiatives through various components of lifelong learning which mainly encompass:

- a) Continuing Education
- b) Adult Literacy
- c) Professional/ Vocational Courses
- d) Awareness Generation
- e) Workshops/ Seminars/ Trainings
- f) Community Outreach Activities
- g) Adoption of Marginalized Areas

Course	Eligibility	Duration
Information Technology		
Cisco Certified Networking Associate - (CCNA)I,II	10+2	6 Months
Cisco Certified Networking Associate (CCNA)- III&IV	10+2 with CCNA I &II	6 Months
Auto CAD 2D	10+2 with computer knowledge	2 Months
AutoCAD 3D	10+2 with AutoCAD 2D	1 Month
Carpet Designing CAD	10+2 with computer knowledge	3 Months
Basic Computer & Internet	10th	3 Months
Web Designing	10+2 with computer knowledge	3 Months
Tally ERP 9	10+2 with computer knowledge	2 Months
Media & Communication		
Digital Photography	10+2	15 Days
Photography (Advanced)	10+2 with Course in Photography	1 Month
Videography	10+2	15 Days
Non -Linear Editing	10+2 with computer knowledge	1 Month
Television Anchoring	10+2 with Proficiency in Speaking English or Urdu or Hindi	15 Days
3D Animation Production	10+2 with computer knowledge	2 Months
Camera & Lighting Techniques	10+2	1 Month
Sound Recording and Radio Production	10+2	1 Month
Spoken English & Personality Development	10+2	3 Months
Communication Skills	10+2	1 Months
TV and Radio Production	10+2	3 Months
Public Relations	Graduate	3 Months

Course	Eligibility	Duration
Craft & Design		
Cutting Tailoring/ Fashion Designing	8 th	1 Month
Dress Fashion Technology(Advanced)	8 th with Fashion Designing	2 Months
Interior Designing	10 th	3 Months
Art& Craft Design	10 th	15 days
Handicrafts	8 th	15 days
Floriculture	8 th	15 Days
Medicine Pharmacy		
Regimental Therapy(Illag-bil-Tadbeer)	10 th	2 Months
Unani Medicine Pharmacy	10 th	2 Months
Service Sector		
Plumber & Fitter	8 th	3 Months
Repair & Maintenance of Cell Phone	10+2	3 Months
Basic Electrical Training	10 th	3 Months
Repairing of Home Appliances(A.C , Refrigerators)	10 th	1 Month
Repair & Overhauling of 2 wheelers (motor cycle)	10 th	1 Month
Repair & Overhauling of engine systems(petrol/diesel)	10 th	1 Month
Basic Welding(Gas/Arc)	10 th	1 Month
Laptop Repairing	10+2 with computer knowledge	1 Month
Photocopy Operation and Maintenance	10 th	1 Month
Taxation & Accounting		
Indirect Taxation	B.Com /BBA/ MBA/MFC	3 Months
Auditing & Accounting	B.Com /BBA/ MBA/MFC	3 Months
Food Science		
Food Processing	10 th	3 Months
Recipe Making	8 th	1 Month

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The programme was attended by Additional Deputy Commissioner Pulwama, Block Development Officer, Chief Medical Officer, Chief Education Officer, and Zonal Education Officer of District Pulwama. Officials from the various Government Departments including

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Directorate of Health Services, Department of Rural Development, and Directorate of School Education, J&K Government, various members from the local community, civil administration and the teachers constituted the main clientele group of the workshop.

While inaugurating the workshop, the Additional Deputy Commissioner, Pulwama emphasized on the awareness of such issues and said that it is a need of the hour to take concrete steps in order to have better future for this group of community. He also stressed upon the importance of teacher in planning and organizing a classroom management of differently able children.



Speaking on the Occasion, Head, Department of Psychology, University of Kashmir deliberated upon the Psycho-social problems of the differently able children. The workshop was divided into various sessions and in each session various disability issues were focused by the experts on the specialized fields. In the workshop various types of child disabilities i.e. mental retardation, visual and hearing impairments and their classroom issues were discussed. The members stressed upon to formulate the strategies to create accessibility to such kind of education which will benefit such beneficiaries and make them equal part of the society without any discrimination.

The main finding of the programme was to raise the awareness level of the community in general and that of the parents in particular to make the inclusive education a successful venture and truly exploit the inner and hidden potentialities in question to ensure the balanced development.

DLL Organized Orientation Programme on Special Education



The Directorate organized one day training cum orientation programme titled “Special Education and Role of Government Functionaries” regarding their services for the upliftment of the Differently Able Children of the valley. The main target groups were field functionaries of Government Departments including Health, Social Welfare, Education, Rural Development and civil society members. The prime aim of the workshop was to train and update the knowledge of the Government field functionaries working for the Disabled or differently able Children in the society.

The event was organised at Town Hall, Tral in District Pulwama, J&K on 15 March 2011. The Programme was attended by the local District Administration, Additional Deputy Commissioner, Pulwama, Tehsildar, Tral and various officials from Health, Social Welfare and other Government and semi-Government organizations including eminent civil society members of District Pulwama, experts from Department of Psychology, University of Kashmir; Composite Regional Centre (CRC) Bemina, Srinagar and Directorate of Lifelong Learning, Kashmir University.

In the second session of the programme, experts delivered lectures on the subject of special education. Later, an interactive session was held among the field functionaries and experts where various issues related the said education were discussed threadbare.

DLL Distributed Study Material, Awarded Students with Merit Certificates



The Directorate of Lifelong Learning, University of Kashmir started computer based design courses for the students of the valley. In this regard, the Directorate took an initiative to start a course in Computer Aided Design and Drafting (Auto CADD) with the collaboration of CADD Centre, Srinagar. Creating access to the study material, Directorate organized free study material distribution Camp in the KU campus on 17th March 2011 in which large number of students participated. The experts in the field updated and informed the students about the latest trends and services with respect to this trade. The Directorate distributed the free study material among the enrolled students for the said course. The event was graced by the Registrar, Kashmir University, Prof. Syed Fayaz, Dean Academic Affairs, Prof.A.M.Shah, Director,DLL, ,Director,USIC, Head, Department of Computer Sciences, Assistant Dean DSW, Engineers from Civil &software engineering wings of the State , experts from CADD Centre, Faculty & Staff of DLL and other functionaries of the Programme. While speaking on the occasion, Prof Syed admired the initiatives taken by the Directorate in the development of community through non formal system of education. He asserted the role played by the Director DLL in bringing the life to the Directorate. On this occasion, the trainees of Web Designing Course were felicitated with Certificate of Merit who were happy and lauded the step taken in shaping and enhancing their capabilities for the development of their professionalism.

Directorate Organised Workshop on Project Management

The Directorate organised 3-Day Faculty Development Workshop on "Project Designing, Monitoring and Evaluation" which was held on 22-24 March 2011 in Conference Hall of Gandhi Bhawan, University of Kashmir. The workshop was inaugurated by former Dean, Academic Affairs, University of Kashmir, Prof. A.R. Yousuf. It was attended by a galaxy of academicians including the faculty of the University of Kashmir from Business School, USIC, Psychology, Economics, Education and Women Studies. In addition to this, scores of



participants from various Government Degree Colleges, State level ITI's, CAD Centres and the students from various District Headquarters participated in the workshop.

The workshop was aimed to train various faculties to manage and handle different projects with skilful approach to earn best results. It started with the inaugural speech of the Director of the Directorate. Welcoming the guests, Director, DLL said, "It has been the endeavour of the Directorate to reach people of far flung areas for equipping them with trainings in handling various projects to solve their practical problems". He further added, DLL is focusing on the youth of the Valley to empower them with skilled trainings.

The workshop continued with the brainstorming session and interaction of participants with the experts who deliberated upon various topics like Time Management, Management of interpersonal Conflicts for Efficiency and Performance of Projects, which yielded a positive and result oriented debate.



Addressing various professional participants in the workshop, former Dean Academic Affairs Prof. A.R.Yousuf said that there is no dearth of funds and various agencies are ready to fund the projects unless we have projects and ideas beforehand. He appreciated the steps taken by DLL for training people in technical jobs.

Then Head, Department of Economics and now Controller of Examinations Prof. Abdul Salam lauded the role of DLL for holding various counselling cum coaching classes for students, particularly AIEEE. He further said that he was impressed with the quality of education being provided to the youth through DLL.

Associate Professor, Business School Prof. Mushtaq A Darzi stressed the need of Time Management. In his presentation, Prof. Mushtaq presented techniques of Time Management in the timely completion of Projects.

On the concluding day of the workshop, the experts from Business School and University Science and Instrumentation Centre (USIC), University of Kashmir presented the presentation on the role of team building and management in project development and implementation and also a presentation on Project Designing, Maintenance and Evaluation respectively which were highly appreciated by the members with formal interactive sessions at the end of presentations.

Workshop on DLL Initiatives and Future Perspectives

Directorate of Lifelong Learning (DLL), University of Kashmir organised 2-Day in-house workshop on DLL Initiatives and the Future Perspectives at the Directorate's Conference Hall. The workshop was attended by Director, DLL, faculty and staff of the Directorate, field functionaries of DLL including liaison officers, field coordinators and various representatives from District Skill Development Centres (SDC's) of the valley.



The workshop started with discussion on various related issues and developments with regard to future initiatives of the Directorate in the light of the UGC mandate. During the workshop many strategies regarding the future course of action in taking the Directorate to newer heights were formulated. The experts from the education management and Extension sectors delivered lectures on the status of non formal education system in the State.

Empowering Women through the Model Window of DLL

Women in the society have a positive and meaningful role in shaping the societies and civilizations for the better. The University of Kashmir through the Directorate of Lifelong Learning has been working for the upliftment of downtrodden section of the society through its various programs. The Directorate for the welfare of the downtrodden section of the



society especially women organised a function in which donations were provided to the beneficiaries. The function was attended by Minister for Forest and Environment, J&K Government Mian Altaf Ahmad, then Vice Chancellor, Kashmir University, Prof. Riyaz Punjabi, Director DLL, Dr. G.H.Mir, Chairperson, Madar-e-Meharban Women and Child Welfare Institute, Miskeen Bagh, Srinagar, Madam Suriya Mattoo, President Private B.Ed College Association Prof. C.L.Vishnu, Director Social Welfare, Kashmir, Hilal Ahmad Parray, prominent social personalities including Mumtaz-un-Nissa Soz and Dr. Girja Dhar.

In his speech, the Honourable Minister maintained that the Government is endeavouring to solve the problems of the people particularly the problem of unemployment. He said it was not possible to provide jobs to all in public sector but the youth could be trained and acquainted with technical know-how to venture in private sector. In this connection he praised the initiatives of the DLL for nurturing technical cultural in the valley by equipping and abreasting the employed youth with gainful training in the job oriented trades adding that the present function is a well conceived effort in this direction. He said



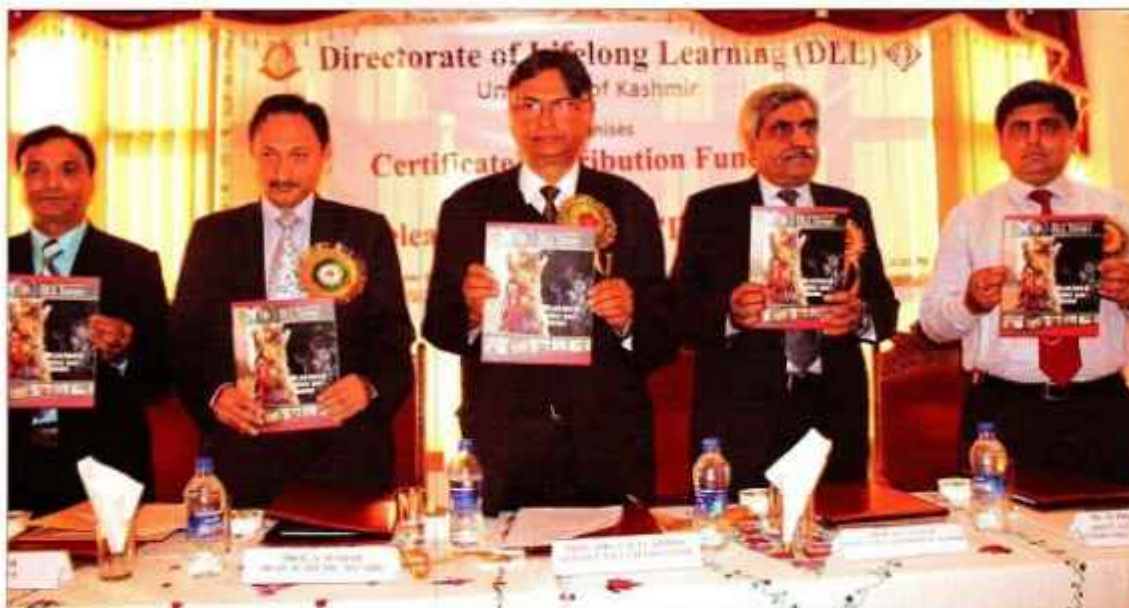
that the beneficiaries that have been provided donations will also be imparted training in various trades to enable them to take up self employment. The function which was organised at Madar-i-Meharban Women and Child Welfare Institute, Miskeen Bagh, Srinagar witnessed more than 400 women who were provided donations.

World Literacy Day observed with great fervour



The Directorate of Lifelong Learning (DLL), University of Kashmir, organized a road march in District Ganderbal on the eve of World Literacy Day. The event was organized in collaboration with Boys Higher Secondary School, Ganderbal. Hundreds of students, teachers, civil society members and local youth from various Districts of the State gathered in the Ganderbal town to mark their presence in celebrating this day. On the occasion, District Development Commissioner (DDC), Mr. Showket Ahmad Mir and Director, DLL Dr. G.H. Mir flagged off the Road Rally. The DDC lauded the role played by the Directorate in organising such programmes for the people's welfare. The central theme of the programme was to highlight the importance of literacy, particularly functional part of it among the common masses in general and the youth in particular. The march was thrown open in various hamlets of the area and the highway of the District holding various placards, banners and other hoardings highlighting the importance of literacy. The event was highly appreciated by the local District administration and the people of the area.

DLL Distributed Certificates among successful candidates, released Annual Newsletter



Vice Chancellor, Kashmir University, Prof Talat Ahmad on 18th October, 2011 released the DLL Times, the annual newsletter of the Directorate of Lifelong Learning (DLL) and presented certificates to the students of Directorate who successfully completed various professional, vocational short term courses during the current academic year.

The function was organized by the Directorate of Lifelong Learning, University of Kashmir and witnessed large number of participants from various quarters of the society. The function was also attended by Dean Academic affairs, Prof. A.M. Shah, Director DLL, Dr. G. H. Mir, Prof. B.L. Zutshi, Deputy General Manager Franchisee, Amoha Education Pvt. Ltd. Chennai, Mr. Prem Jammad and other luminaries of the academia.





Speaking on the occasion, The Vice Chancellor appreciated the efforts of DLL in reaching to the people and preparing the youth of the valley in the skill education.

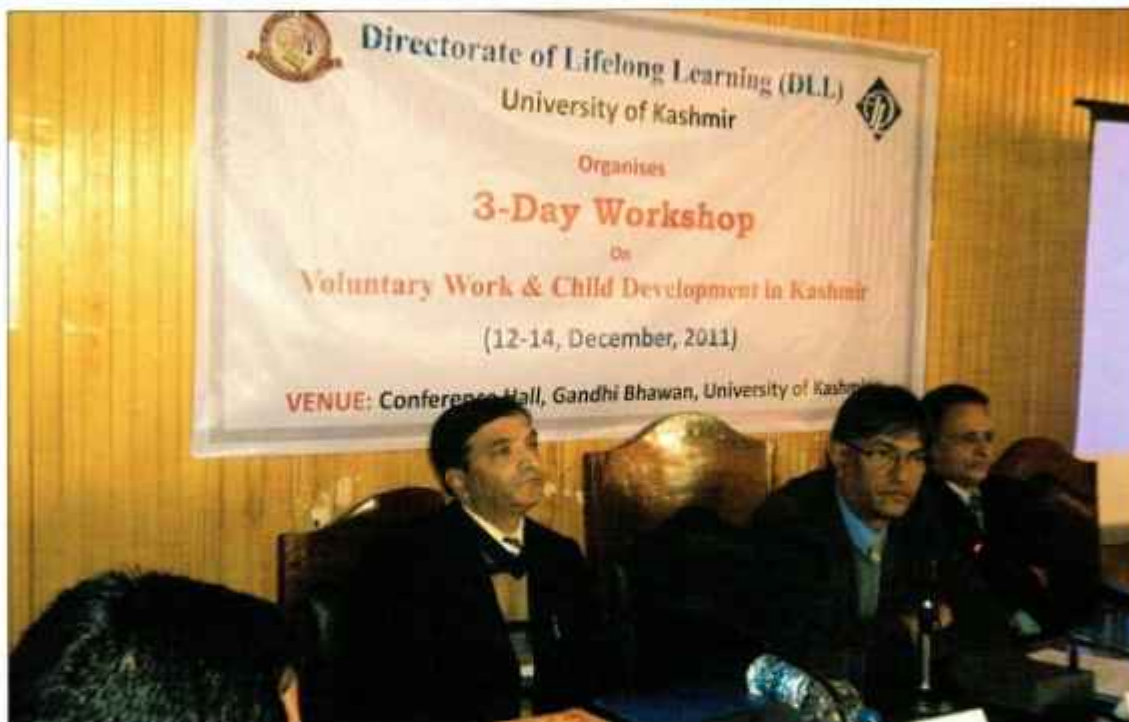


While appreciating the efforts of DLL, Prof. A.M.Shah maintained that the said Directorate is bridging gap between the University and the Community. He further added, that DLL reaches out to the unreached for improvement in their quality of life, a healthy practice of the Directorate.

Highlighting the role DLL has been playing in reaching to the people, Director DLL, Dr. G.H. Mir stressed that the Directorate caters all the sections of the society in providing the need based programmes and job oriented courses.

Directorate organized 3-Day Workshop on the theme Voluntary Work and Child Development in Kashmir

A 3-day Workshop was held on 12-14, December, 2011 at Gandhi Bhawan, University of Kashmir which was organized by Kashmir University's Directorate of Lifelong



Learning (DLL) on the theme "Voluntary Work and Child Development in Kashmir". The workshop was aimed to involve voluntary organizations working in the valley to come on the common platform to work on the various modalities for the upliftment of the children of weaker sections. The workshop was inaugurated by Vice Chancellor, Prof Talat Ahmad. He appreciated the initiatives of the Directorate towards the upliftment of the community.

Various aspects of voluntary work including role and problems faced by the children with special needs were discussed threadbare in many technical sessions by the experts from various fields of voluntary work.

Powerpoint presentations on disabilities among children, their rehabilitation, inclusive education and multiple schemes and welfare programmes of social welfare Department for the children were presented in a 3-day workshop.

The conclusive session of the workshop was presided over by Dean, Social Sciences , Prof. Mohammad Ashraf Wani , who lauded the role played by DLL in reaching to the

unreached section of the society and stressed upon all the stakeholders of voluntary work to organize such workshops in future also for the greater benefit of the society.



Many experts in social & extension work including noted social work activist and psychologist Prof. A.G.Madhosh, Director DLL, Dr. G. H.Mir ,Chairman IRRT, Advocate



A.R. Hanjura, District Social Welfare Officer , Ganderbal , Mr. Qazi Irfan; Chairman, Humanity Welfare organization, Mr. Javed Tak , Associate Professor , CRC, Dr . Zaffar Iqbal, representatives from Madar-e Meharban Welfare Institute, Miskeen Bagh, various NGO's and Faculty members of DLL participated in the workshop.

DLL organised 10- Day Training Programme for School Teachers



Directorate organised 10-day training programme for the University Model School teachers from 29 February-10th March 2012 at Conference Hall, Institute of Kashmir Studies, University of Kashmir. The programme was aimed to build capacity of University Model School Teachers. Many experts from various fields of education delivered lectures on various topics related to the school education. The experts in the programme stressed upon the role of teachers in the society for the positive development in the children. On the occasion, Director DLL said that the teachers are the role models for the students and one should inculcate the best teaching practices for the positive results. He stressed upon to organize such kind of programmes for the greater benefit of the teachers at large. Appreciating the efforts of the Directorate in organizing such programs for the capacity building of teachers at school level, the teachers maintained their satisfaction in the said training programme.

DLL Holds Extension Lecture on Lifelong Learning



Dr. N. V. R. Kapali, Professor & Head Department of Adult and Continuing Education, University of Madras delivered an extension lecture on the importance of Lifelong Learning at the Conference Hall, Institute of Kashmir Studies University of Kashmir on 13th March 2012. The lecture was arranged by the Directorate and attended by the faculty members of various faculties, experts from lifelong learning and extension and large number of students.

In his inaugural address, Director DLL, Dr. G. H. Mir highlighted the activities of the Directorate with a special focus on lifelong learning.

Sharing his experiences, Dr. Kapali deliberated upon the methods of propagation on extension education with special reference to the University of Madras. He stressed upon the Universities to adapt continuing and extension education with more focus. The lecture concluded with the interactive session among the participants of the programme.

DLL Organised Awareness Programme for Carpet Weavers

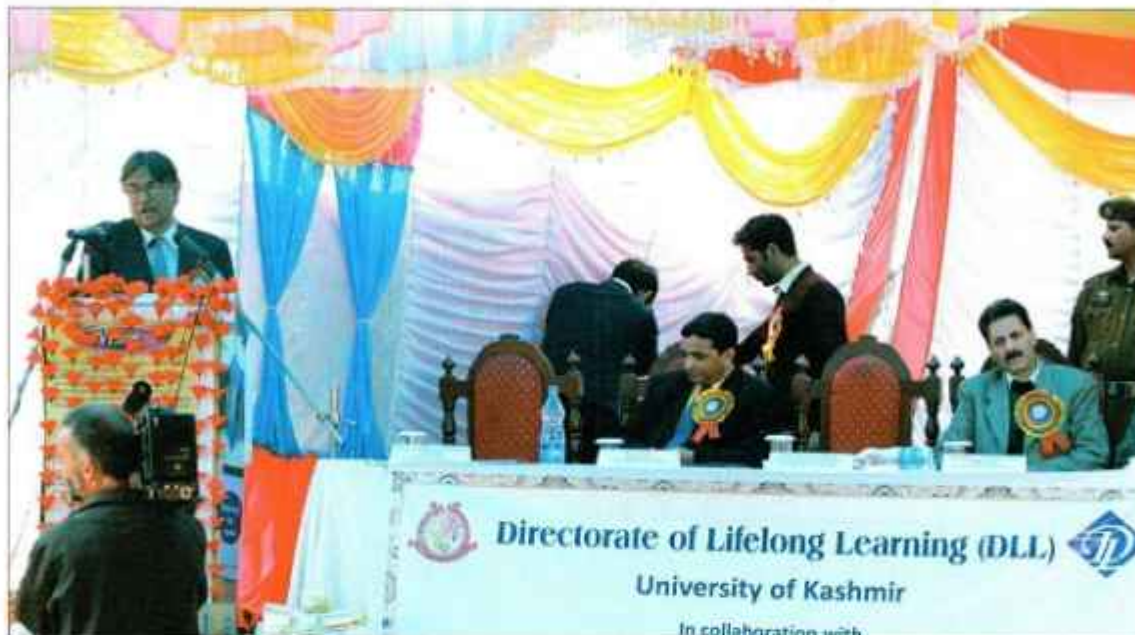


One day awareness programme on livelihood enhancement and importance of functional literacy for carpet weavers in collaboration with Indo Global Social Service Society(IGSS) was organised by the Directorate on **28 March, 2012** at Al-Huda College of Education, Pattan, Baramulla. The Chief guest on the occasion was District Development Commissioner, Baramulla, Mr. Bashir Ahmad Bhat. The programme was in light of the project taken up by the IGSS in participatory verification and monitoring for carpet weavers of Kashmir. The prime motive of the workshop was to capacitate and educate the weaver community in making their living conditions good. The Programme was aimed to promote the functional literacy of the carpet weavers of District Baramulla. The programme was attended by large number of carpet weavers of the District Baramulla, who showed their satisfaction over such kind of programmes for the greater benefit of their community.

On the occasion District Development Commissioner, urged people to come forward for participating in such programmes in making the life and condition of such people better.

Director DLL, Dr G. H. Mir while lauding the role played by DLL in the community development said, that the carpet weavers in the valley are not in a standard living conditions though it is a lucrative business for the international market, he assured the weavers that such kind of workshops will be held in future also to benefit weaver community.

DLL organised Integrated Community Development Camp at Saida Kadal(Mir Behri)



With the prime aim of providing the disadvantaged group of people health care facilities, the Directorate of Lifelong Learning, University of Kashmir organized Integrated Community Development Camp in the interiors of Saida Kadal, Mir Behri, Dal area Srinagar on **30th March 2012** in collaboration with Sher-e-Kashmir Institute of Medical Sciences (SKIMS), Soura, Srinagar.



The event was inaugurated by the worthy Vice Chancellor, University of Kashmir Prof. Talat Ahmad. Many representatives from Government and Non Government Organizations including Department of Social Welfare, Sher-e-Kashmir Institute of Medical Sciences



(SKIMS), Indian Red Cross Society, ISM Dispensary, Nandpora were present on the occasion, among them Director Social Welfare Dr. Hilal Ahmad, Director DLL, Kashmir University, Dr. G.H. Mir and Organising Secretary , Community Medicine (SKIMS) Dr Abdul Majeed also graced the occasion.

The event witnessed large number of locals from the adjoining hamlets of Dal, Mir Behri, Saida Kadal, Rainawari, who were provided free medicines and consultations by the doctors from various specialized fields like, Medicine, Endocrinology, Gastroenterology and others.

Speaking on the occasion, Prof. Talat Ahmad directed the DLL authorities to make available such kind of community centered programmes to the downtrodden society of the valley. He assured that the University will come forward to provide counselling, Non formal education, Information on Health Hygiene and Skill Education to such locale.

In his welcome address, Director DLL, Dr. G. H. Mir deliberated upon the role of DLL in empowering the society for better; He further added that such programmes will be offered to the community in future also. Director DLL appreciated the way the DLL team including Altaf Hussain, Waseem Hassan, Shinera Sajad and Zahoor Akram are taking forward the goals of the Directorate with passion and vitality.

DLL introduced new course in Unani Medicine



Directorate of Lifelong Learning (DLL), University of Kashmir introduced new courses in the field of Unani Medicine. A 3-Month Certificate Course in Unani Medicine & Pharmacy and a Certificate Course in Ilaj- Bil Tadbeer witnessed huge response. The course was run in collaboration with Kashmir Tibbiya College, Srinagar. The people lauded the DLL efforts in the development of Skills in herbal medicine and other allied fields for the youth of the valley.

Directorate Kickstarts Skill School in City Outskirts



Directorate has been always in news for the overall development of the poor communities in the Society. In one of its milestone initiatives, the Directorate thrown open a skill school in the interiors of the Dal Lake adjacent to the campus. In its initial phase, the school is providing four different short term skill trainings which include certificate courses in





Basic Computer, Fashion Designing, Plumber & Fitter and Electrician enrolling 56 youth for the trainings. Pertinently, DLL adopted the said area under the scheme of Area based Community Approach. Also the Directorate has facilitated counseling in the sectors of health and education, The step although in its infancy has been lauded by all sections of the society at all levels. The Directorate has proposed to induct more skill trainings in the area in near future to make the youth of the area skilled and employable.

Director attended Workshop on Vocational Education

Dr G.H. Mir, Director, Directorate of Lifelong Learning, University of Kashmir attended one day National Workshop on “Vocational Education Qualification Framework in Jammu Kashmir” on December 17, 2011 at University of Jammu. The workshop was organised by All India Council for Technical Education, New Delhi in collaboration with Department of Higher Education, J&K Government and University of Jammu. The workshop was attended by many luminaries of academics, largely the prominent figures in vocational education. In his formal interaction with the prominent members of the Workshop, Director DLL, briefed about the domains and strengths of the diversified programmes carried out by the Directorate for the people of the State. The role played by the Directorate was lauded by experts of vocational education.

Among the dignitaries Commissioner Secretary Higher Education, J&K State Government, Ms. Tanveer Jehan, Vice Chancellor University of Jammu, Prof. Varun Sahni, Chairman AICTE, New Delhi Prof. S.S. Mantha were also present in the Workshop.

Director DLL presented paper at Shri Natnagar Shodh Samasthan, MP



3- Day National Research Seminar was held at Sitamau, Malwa Madhya Pradesh from 26-28 December 2011 under the auspices of Shri Natnagar Shodh Samasthan, Sitamau. The theme of the seminar was "Sources of Cultural History of India (through the Ages)". Many papers related the subject themes were presented by the participants from across the nation. On the occasion, Director DLL, Dr.G.H.Mir also presented paper on "Re-interpreting Kashmir's Transition towards Islam: A Study in Non Conventional Sources". Pertinent to mention, this theme is the most important research area which has attracted the scholarly attention about the medieval Kashmir in the process of the spread of Islam in the valley. The participants of the seminar highly applauded the respective paper on non conventional sources.

Director attends National Seminar on Skill Development and Lifelong Learning



The role and importance of Lifelong Learning in India has increased in recent times due to several socio economic factors. It is a cherished goal of the education, which presupposes universal literacy, provision of opportunities for youth, housewives, agricultural, industrial workers and professionals to continue the education of their choice at the pace suited to them. The present wave of demand includes technical skills, soft skills, leadership skills, appropriate life skills etc. Keeping in view the above dimensions, 2-days National Seminar on Skill Development and Lifelong Learning was organised on 20-21 January, 2012 at Department of Lifelong Learning, Acharya, Nagarjuna, University, Andhra Pradesh. Director, Directorate of Lifelong Learning, University of Kashmir Dr. G.H.Mir attended the Seminar and presented the paper on "Skill Development and Employability".

The Seminar was attended by various experts from the field of adult, continuing education and Lifelong Learning. The Director DLL, University of Kashmir presented a paper titled "Skill development and Role of Lifelong Learning" on the occasion, which was highly appreciated by the participants. Later a discussion on the importance of the skill development in the present scenario was held.

Director attends International Conference



Dr.G.H.Mir attends 3-day International Conference on Shah-i-Hamdhan's Contribution to Learning and Society on 13-15, March 2012 at Gandhi Bhawan, University of Kashmir and presented paper on the theme of the Conference . The Conference was organised by Shah Hamdhan Institute of Islamic studies, University of Kashmir .

Prominent Personalities who Visited Directorate in 2011-2012

Prof. B.S.Garg,

Chancellor ,Janardhan Rainagar Vidyapeeth University, Udaipur, Rajasthan

Prof.S.S.Sarangdewot

Vice Chancellor, Janardhan Rainagar Vidyapeeth University, Udaipur, Rajasthan

Dr. M.S.Ranawat

Director, Shri Natnagar Shodh Samasthan, Sitamau

Dr. V. Mohan Kumar

Director Indian Adult Education Association, New Delhi

Shri K.C. Chowdhary

Chancellor, International Institute of Adult and Lifelong Education, New Delhi



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A Success Story

Beginning her studies at 16, DLL Girl longing to be an IAS



Reeling under the cold temperatures of January, Shaheena, 27 is busy in the household chores in the city outskirts of Anchar area of the Srinagar. A class 12th student Shaheena started her studies at the age of 16, due to poverty and undesirable circumstances at her

home, she linger illiterate till the age of 16. But to her, life altogether got transformed when the Directorate of Lifelong Learning (DLL), University of Kashmir erstwhile Centre for Adult Continuing Education & Extension (CACEE) stepped in her life to prepare her to study from the primary class. "I used to be illiterate because we don't have sources at home for education, but I always dream to be a student and wish I could study, but one day the CACEE, people came forward and offered me a free education to start. I was overwhelmed and started with them". She further added, "it is because of the consistent help from the University's DLL Department that I am counted among the literate people now." said Shaheena with wet eyes. She added, "My mother feels ecstatic the moment she sees me writing, signing and reading, earlier I used thumb impression, thanks to Almighty I now am able to write and sign.



I wish to be the IAS of the country and by the grace of God I will reach to my goal with dedication and commitment

Enrolled as a regular student in class 12th at Government Girls Higher Secondary School, Soura, Shaheena is knowledge thirsty and have high hopes to excel in her life. She lost her father at the early age who used to be only breadwinner of the family. Her mother is survived with 6 daughters and 4 sons, among them Shaheena is the only daughter who is literate and is struggling to achieve the milestones in her career. Ironically her all Siblings are illiterate and unemployed except her younger sibling who has started his study while finding a role model in her sister.

“We at DLL take many initiatives for drop outs and Illiterates under non formal education system , Shaheena’s case was one among those beneficiaries of the Directorate”. said Director DLL Dr.G.H.Mir. He further added, “Years back Centre identified her and was given chance to study under the said programme. We are happy enough that she has become a role model for those Illiterates who wish to get education at adulthood stage, hats off to her” .Lauded the Director DLL

She is continuing her studies by earning and learning herself and supporting a family of 11. Dreaming to be the Indian Administration Services (IAS) Officer, she burns midnight oil to reach to the defined goal of her life. “There is a common belief in some of the communities of the valley that girl education is not important. But I believe that girls can outshine boys in every sphere of life if education is provided to them. I wish to be the IAS of the country and by the grace of God I will reach to my goal with dedication and commitment. I credit my success to the Directorate of Lifelong Learning (DLL) University of Kashmir, who made me capable by all support and help” added Shaheena.



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