

Report on Expert Lecture by Prof. S.K. Garg on “National Board of Accreditation (NBA)”

Name of the Expert	Dr. S.K.Garg, Director East Delhi Campus and former Pro Vice Chancellor, Delhi Technological University
Date and Time	25-02-2025, 10:00 AM - 12:00 Noon
Target Audience	All faculty, MSIT
Organized by	CSE Department
Attended Participants	101

Introduction

CSE department organized an expert lecture on the topic "National Board of Accreditation (NBA)" by Prof. S.K. Garg, a renowned expert in the field of education and accreditation. The session aimed to educate academic institutions, faculty members, and administrative personnel on the significance of NBA accreditation and the steps involved in obtaining this prestigious recognition.

Prof. Garg's extensive experience in academia and his involvement with accreditation processes made the lecture highly insightful and valuable for the attendees. The session provided a thorough understanding of NBA accreditation, its impact on institutions, and the steps involved in the process.

Key Highlights of the Lecture

1. Importance of NBA Affiliation:

- **Enhancing Institutional Reputation:** Prof. Garg emphasized that NBA accreditation is a mark of quality that enhances the credibility and reputation of educational institutions, especially in the technical and professional fields like engineering, management, and pharmacy.
- **Global Recognition:** NBA accreditation ensures that an institution's programs meet high standards of quality, which can be recognized both nationally and internationally. This opens doors for collaborations, student exchange programs, and employment opportunities for graduates.
- **Quality Assurance:** The NBA process evaluates not just the infrastructure and resources but also the curriculum, faculty qualifications, teaching methods, and student support systems. This promotes continuous improvement within institutions.

- **Better Placement Opportunities:** Graduates from NBA-accredited institutions are often preferred by top industries and companies due to the high quality of education and skill development associated with accredited programs.
2. **Procedure for Obtaining NBA Affiliation:**
- **Eligibility Criteria:** Prof. Garg explained that institutions must meet certain criteria, including having a certain number of faculty members with relevant qualifications, well-defined program outcomes, and adequate infrastructure, to be eligible for NBA affiliation.
 - **Self-Assessment Report (SAR):** One of the key steps in the process is the preparation of a Self-Assessment Report. This document provides detailed information about the institution's programs, resources, teaching methods, and outcomes. The SAR serves as the basis for the accreditation review process.
 - **Online Submission and Fee Payment:** Institutions are required to submit their SAR online along with the necessary fee. The submission includes evidence supporting their claims and data related to the quality of their programs.
 - **Peer Review Visit:** After the SAR submission, a team of experts (peer review committee) from NBA visits the institution for a thorough evaluation. This team assesses the institution's adherence to the standards set by NBA. They review infrastructure, faculty qualifications, curriculum design, student support, and research initiatives.
 - **Outcome and Accreditation Status:** Based on the findings from the peer review visit, NBA grants accreditation status. This can range from a few years to a longer period, depending on the institution's performance. Institutions are required to submit regular progress reports to maintain their accreditation status.
 - **Post-Accreditation Follow-up:** Prof. Garg also highlighted the importance of post-accreditation actions. Institutions must continually improve and adhere to the NBA guidelines to retain their accreditation. This includes periodic reviews and updates to the academic programs and teaching methodologies.
3. **Challenges Faced During the Accreditation Process:**
- **Documentation and Compliance:** One of the main challenges identified by Prof. Garg is the complexity of the documentation required during the accreditation process. Institutions often struggle with organizing and providing sufficient evidence for all the requirements.
 - **Continuous Improvement Requirement:** Accreditation is not a one-time process. Institutions must continuously improve their programs and processes to maintain NBA accreditation. This involves monitoring and adapting to changing academic standards and industry needs.
 - **Cost and Resources:** The accreditation process can be resource-intensive, requiring significant financial investment, administrative effort, and time. Smaller institutions may face challenges in meeting the required standards or in providing the necessary resources.

Conclusion

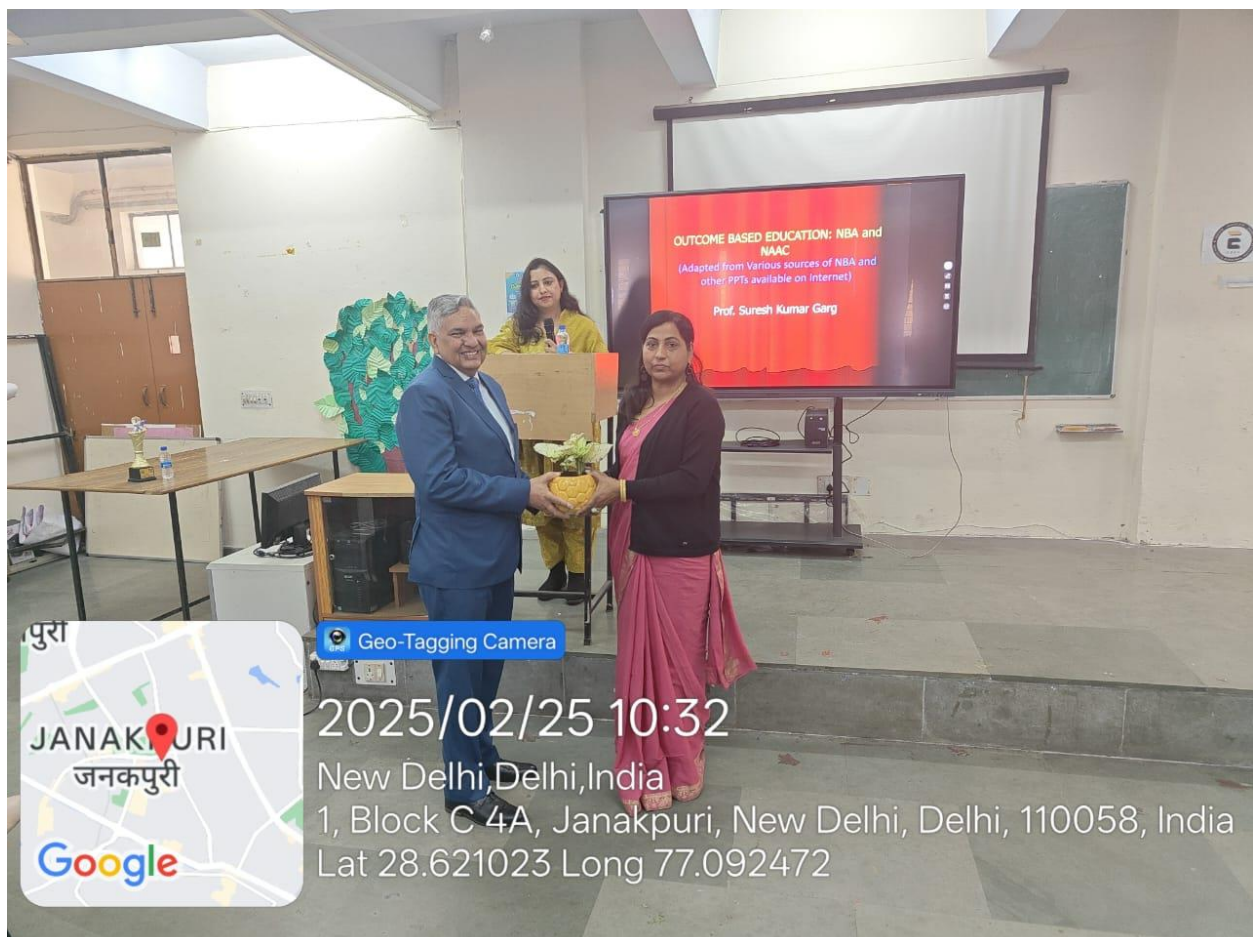
The expert lecture by Prof. S.K. Garg provided a comprehensive understanding of the significance of NBA affiliation and the steps institutions must take to obtain it. The session was highly

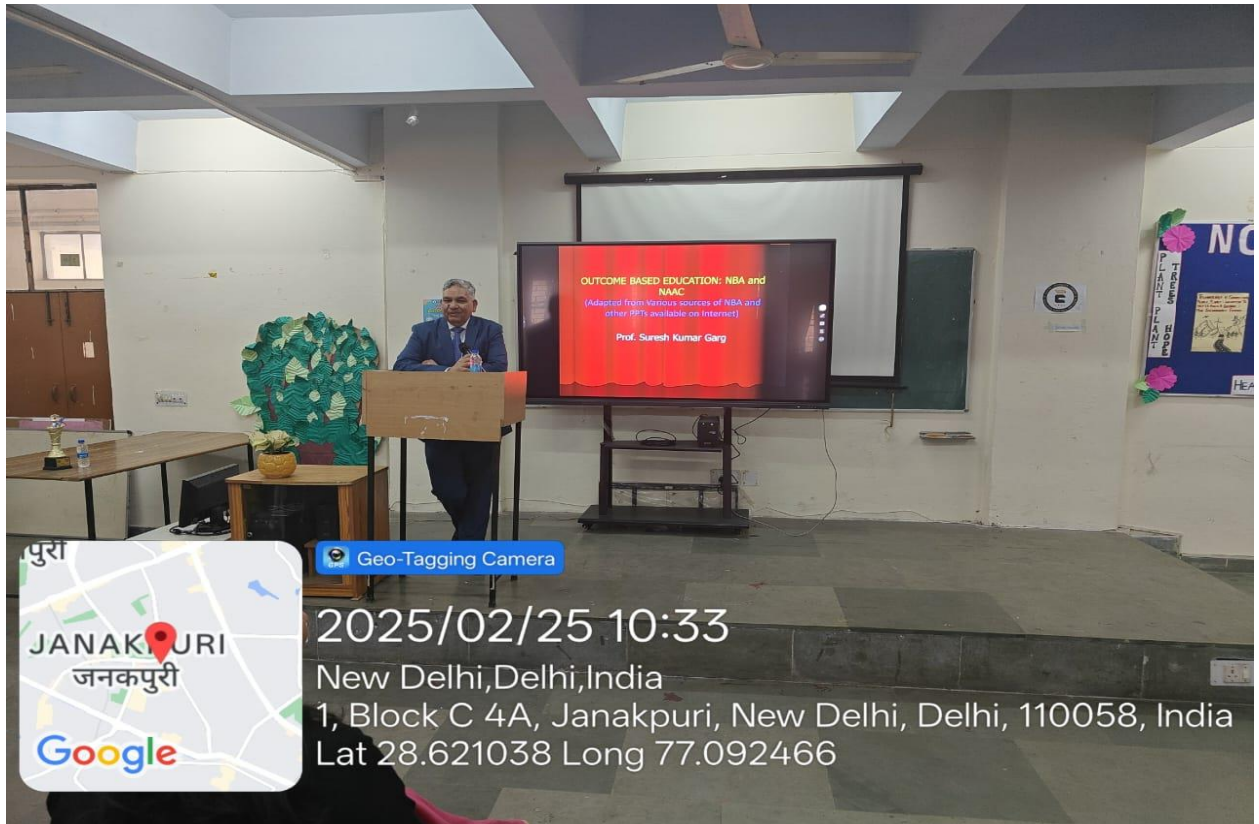
beneficial for educational administrators, faculty, and other stakeholders who are keen on improving the quality of education and gaining national and international recognition. Prof. Garg's insights into the importance of NBA accreditation, coupled with practical advice on the procedure and challenges involved, were invaluable for institutions aiming to enhance their academic standing and contribute to quality education in India.

Recommendations for Institutions:

- Begin the accreditation process early to ensure adequate time for preparation and documentation.
- Invest in continuous professional development for faculty and staff to meet NBA standards.
- Implement systems for ongoing quality assessment and improvement to maintain accreditation status.
- Ensure that all stakeholders in the institution understand the NBA process and collaborate towards achieving the accreditation goals.

This expert lecture was a step forward in fostering awareness of NBA accreditation and its role in improving educational standards across India.





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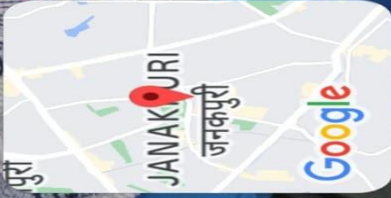
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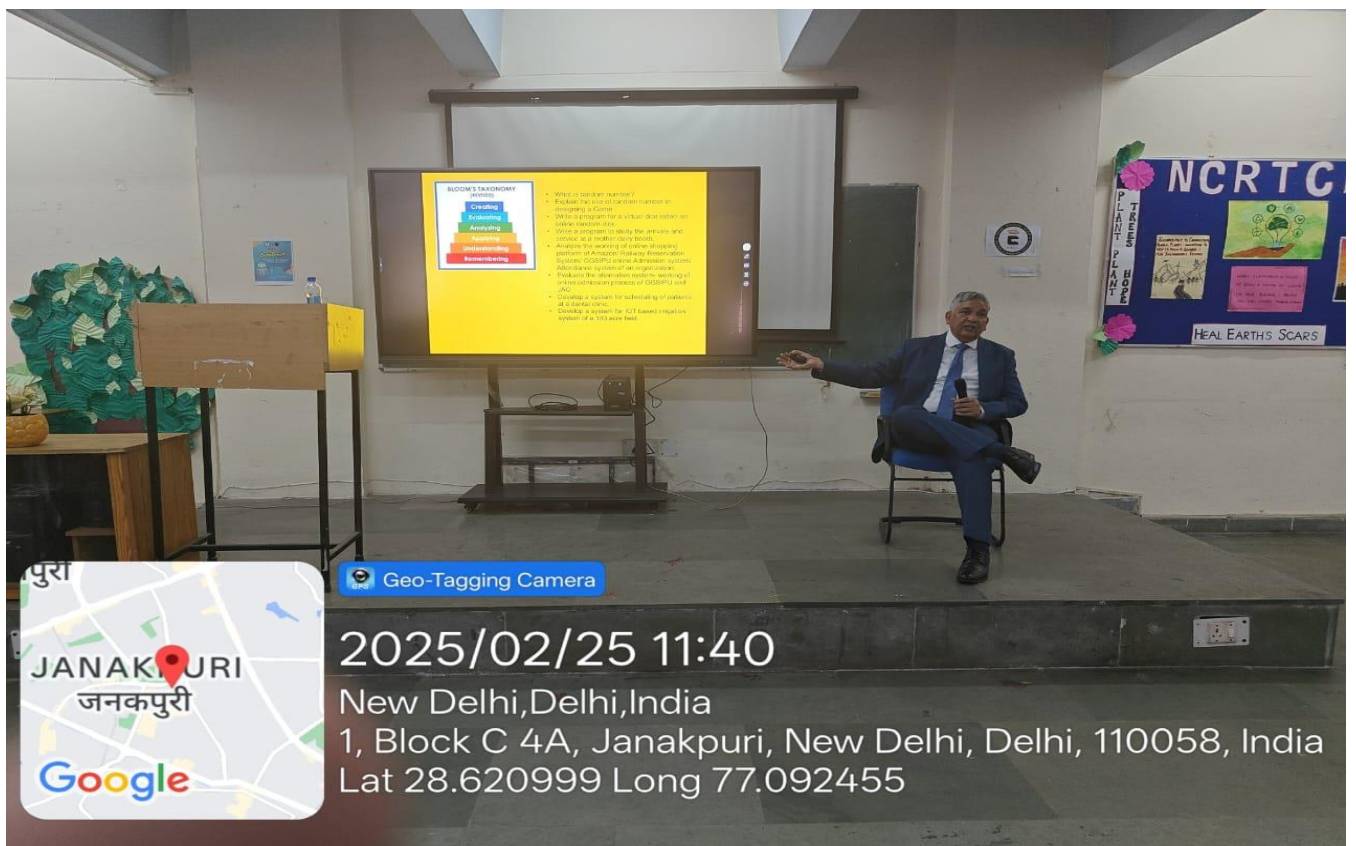
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