Agartala, April 11:

Professor V N Rajasekharan Pillai, the former Chairman of University Grants Commission, was today all praise of only private University of Tripura saying ICFAI University Tripura would soon become a centre of educational excellence in entire North East.

Besides holding the highest office of University Grants Commission, Professor V N Rajasekharan Pillai had served as Vice Chancellor of Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU) and many other Universities of national repute during long academic and administrative career.

Professor Pillai had arrived Agartala on Sunday on a three-day visit to Tripura. He took stock of infrastructural facilities, academic curriculum and standard of teaching at Kamalghat Campus of University. Later on in the afternoon, Professor Rajasekharan Pillai held a meeting with faculty members where Professor Biplab Halder and Dr. Avula Ranganath, respectively the Pro-Vice Chancellor and Registrar of ICFAI University Tripura were also present.

During long interaction with the faculty members, Professor Pillai advised them to be student friendly all through and to take up research works for self excellence. He urged upon the faculty members to continuously inspire the students to adapt to inter disciplinary connectivity and take up additional courses.

He said, the faculty members are always required to encourage students towards research works and advise them to take at least one additional online course. Professor Pillai also advised the University authority to introduce short-term certificate course on add-on programs and award diploma to successful candidates on completion.

Professor Pillai informed the faculty members about existence of different Contract Research Organizations which allow intending teachers to carry out research works. He advised the faculty members to attain credibility of publication, fine tune their quality and know about impact factor of a journal.

Former UGC Chairman urged upon all teaching and non-teaching employees of ICFAI University to work with basic target of qualitative student growth and said, by doing so ICFAI University Tripura would soon become a centre of educational excellence in North East.

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