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Resource Person:

Prof. Atul Sarma

Ex-Vice Chancellor, Rajiv Gandhi University, Itanagar.

A talk organised by the CIQA, KKHSOU has laid bare the anatomy of qualities and challenges associated with a academic and institutional leadership in the context of our present time. Prof. NN Sarma, the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor(i/c) and Director, CIQA of the University opened the discussion with a few introductory remarks where he speaks how the idea and the presence of the leadership in found in all areas of our activities. The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor (i/c) also makes it clear that quantum of leadership would vary right kind of leadership is necessary and a desire to improve leadership qualities including skill and style is necessary. Prof.Atul Sarma, former Vice Chancellor of Rajiv Gandhi University and an important member of the 13th Finance Commission has opened his presentation with his deeply engrossed personal experiences in this field with emphasis on his role in leading the only Central University in Arunachal Pradesh.

He has outlined the challenges in the area and categorically pointed out the essential qualities of academic leadership from his vast and resourceful personal experiences. The former Vice Chancellor Prof. Sarma has stated that academic administration is not government administration. Here the respect for academic things must stand out ignoring the personal behaviour of individuals. He has laid down the four pillars of academic administration

- 1. It is built on trust
- 2. Integrity and honesty must be absolute
- 3. Every decision must be based on objective criteria.
- 4. Willingness and ability to pursue the cause with decisiveness.

Prof. Atul Sarma has further pointed out in his response to a question from the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor (i/c) Prof. N N Sarma that the objective criteria for making a decision in the higher academic institutions is that what is good for the University is a good and right decision.

Dopati Choudhury, Adminstrative Officer of CIQA introduced the speaker.

The session was followed by Q&A session.


