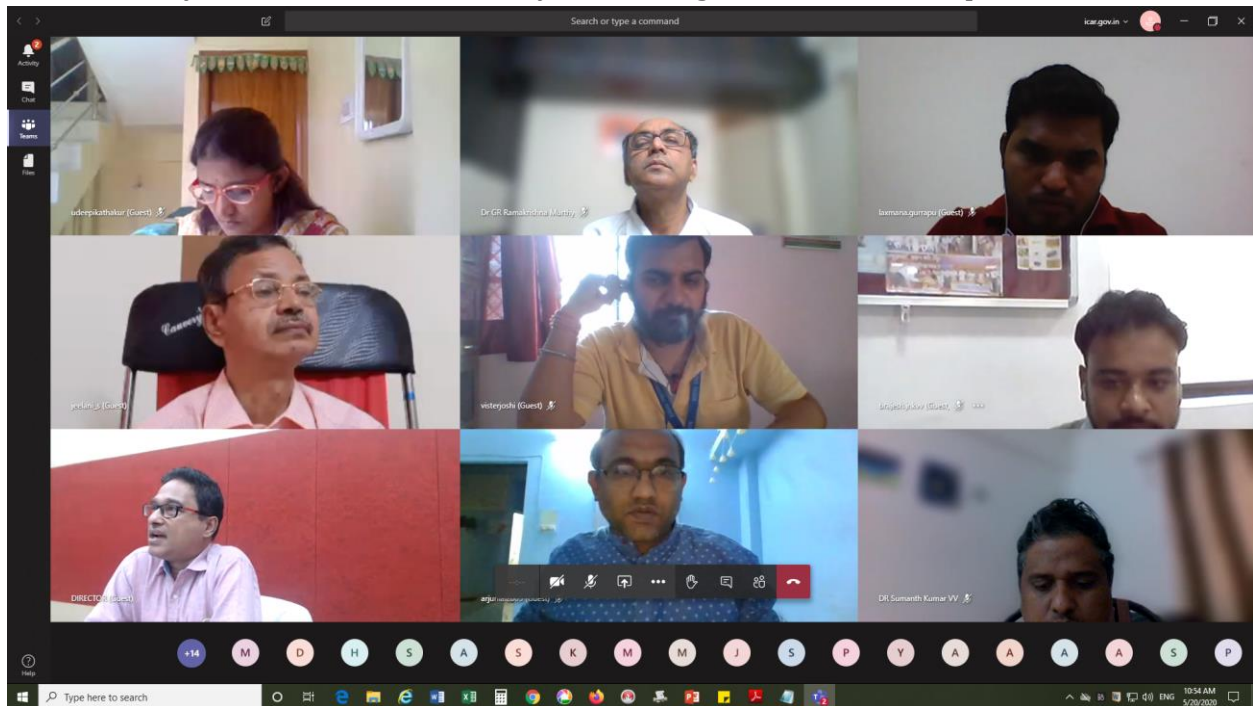


Online Contact Sessions for PG Diploma on Educational Technology Management Launched by ICAR-NAARM

The Academy successfully completed the contact sessions for one-year distance education program i.e., PG Diploma in Educational Technology and Management (PGDETM), using online mode, during May 20-29, 2020. This is first of its kind to conduct contact sessions through online amidst challenges faced due to Covid-19 scenario. Addressing the participants in the inaugural session, Dr Ch Srinivasa Rao, Director, NAARM expressed the importance of formal exposure to educational practices to become an effective teacher. Prof Jeelani, Director, University of Hyderabad wished all the participants to derive the maximum benefit of stay home contact sessions by interacting with the resource persons.



The traditional method of conducting contact sessions at Academy is totally replaced through online process. This involved providing technical support to the about 50 candidates and the resource faculty concerned with seven subjects who are distributed in different parts of the country. The candidates from states viz., Andhra Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, New Delhi, Gujarat, Haryana, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Pondicherry, Telangana, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal were attended from their respective places. Academy provided complete capacity building in using the online methodology for participating in online classes, besides scheduling and managing the contact sessions. All the seven courses of the PGDETM programme involving eight resource persons with 28 hours of contact sessions were conducted online, thereby saving the resources and efforts of participants and continuing the academic calendar for the programme without any modification.