

# Invitation

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**Dr. B.R. AMBEDKAR OPEN UNIVERSITY**  
*and*  
**PROF. G. RAM REDDY MEMORIAL TRUST**  
*Organising*

***Prof. G. Ram Reddy Memorial Lecture  
and Presentation of  
Prof. G. Ram Reddy Award  
for Excellence in Open and Distance Learning***

***Date:***  
***4th December, 2025 at 10.30 a.m.***

***Venue:***  
***CSTD Mini Auditorium, BRAOU Campus.***

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### ***Prof. G. Ram Reddy Memorial Lecture***

***on 4th December, 2025 at 10.30 a.m.***

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*Chief Guest*

### ***Prof. Rajendra Prasad Das***

*Vice-Chancellor, Krishna Kanta Handiqui State Open University (KKHSOU), Assam*

*will deliver a Lecture on*

***"Re-envisioning Indian Open Universities in the Era of NEP 2020"***

### ***Prof. G. Pushpa Chakrapani***

*Director (Academic), Dr. BRAOU*

*will be the guest of honour*

### ***Prof. Ghanta Chakrapani***

*Vice-Chancellor, Dr. BRAOU*

*will preside*

***Dr. L. Vijaya Krishna Reddy***

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### **Prof. G. Ram Reddy Award for Excellence in Open and Distance Learning 2025**

To

**Prof. Uma Kanjilal**

Vice-Chancellor, IGNOU, New Delhi

**on 4th December, 2025 at 12.00 noon**

**in CSTD Mini Auditorium, BRAOU Campus.**

*will be the Chief Guest*

*Guests of Honour*

**Prof. V. S. Prasad**

Former Vice-Chancellor, Dr. BRAOU

**Prof. Haragopal**

Retd. Prof, University of Hyderabad

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### **Prof. Uma Kanjilal**

Prof. Uma Kanjilal, an eminent academician and a leading authority in Open and Distance Learning (ODL), is being honoured with the Prof. G. Ram Reddy Award of Excellence in Open Distance Learning for her exceptional contributions spanning more than 36 years. As the first woman Vice-Chancellor of IGNOU, she has significantly advanced digital education, ICT-enabled learning, and inclusive access to higher education in India. A Fulbright Fellow at the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, she has made notable academic contributions in Library & Information Science, Digital Libraries, e-Learning, and Educational Technology, and has strengthened IGNOU through her service as Professor, Librarian, Director of Online Education, Pro-Vice-Chancellor, and in multiple national leadership roles.



Her visionary guidance has shaped major national digital learning initiatives, including her role as National Coordinator for SWAYAM and SWAYAM PRABHA, impacting millions of learners across the country. Through her scholarship, institutional leadership, and commitment to expanding technology-enabled and open learning, she has significantly strengthened India's digital education ecosystem and global ODL presence. In recognition of her outstanding leadership and lifelong dedication to education, Prof. Uma Kanjilal is honoured with the Prof. G. Ram Reddy Award of Excellence in Open Distance Learning for the year 2025 by Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Open University, Hyderabad.

### **Prof. Rajendra Prasad Das**

Prof. Rajendra Prasad Das, a distinguished academic with nearly four decades of service, has contributed immensely to higher education and open and distance learning. He currently serves as the Vice-Chancellor of KKHSOU, and has previously held key leadership roles including Pro-Vice-Chancellor, IGNOU and Vice-Chancellor, Berhampur University. His administrative experience spans major academic bodies and councils across several universities in India.



A respected scholar, Prof. Das has authored five books, published over 100 research papers, and guided many Ph.D. scholars. His excellence in teaching and leadership has earned him several prestigious awards, including recognitions from Rotary Club, Lions Club, and a Lifetime Achievement Award. He is honored for his outstanding dedication to academic growth, policy development, and institutional leadership.

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