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Prof. Dewal has more than 45 years of experience in Radio and Television, especially in the area of educational Media. Presently he is the **Director (ODL & Online Programmes)** and heading the **Centre for Distance and Online Learning** at the **Central University of Rajasthan**.

He superannuated in 2023 as a Professor from the School of Journalism and New Media Studies (SOJNMS), Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU). He has been a faculty with the School since its inception in 2009 and was the **Director of the School** from 2019-2022. He worked as **Joint Director**, at the Consortium for Educational Communication, University Grants Commission (2005-06) and **Deputy Director** at the Electronic Media Production Centre of IGNOU (1999-2009). He also worked as a Senior Producer at IGNOU (1988-99) and as Transmission Executive in All India Radio (1980-88).

Been a Visiting Faculty at Delhi University, GGS Indraprastha University, Gurugram University, Rajasthan University, ML Sukhadia University and many prestigious Private Universities.

He worked as UNESCO Consultant in Kabul, Afghanistan for '**Development of Educational Radio and TV for Teacher Training in Afghanistan**'. He supervised special projects at IGNOU like: *Gyan Vani*, *Gyan Darshan*, *Agriculture Channel*, *EDUSAT*, *North-East Media Focus* etc.

Dr. Dewal did Professional Courses / Trainings from NHK, Tokyo (Japan), Space Application Centre (ISRO) Ahmedabad, FTII, Pune, Manipal Institute of Communication and IIMC, New Delhi. Author of more than 25 publications, he has been a Teacher, Trainer, Ph. D. Supervisor, Course Writer, Paper-setter, Examiner and Visiting Faculty for media- related courses for various institutions and universities of repute. Supervised 7 PhD scholars and 1 M. Phil. Scholar, along with more than 20 Masters level dissertations.

Dr. Dewal produced a number of Radio and TV programmes. Wrote more than 100 scripts and has been a regular Broadcaster for Radio and Television. A National level Jury Member for various Audio/ Video Competitions like CEC-UGC, CIET-NCERT, All India Radio, Doordarshan, CMS *Vatavaran* etc. President of the JICA Alumni Association of India since 2016.

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