



**Dr.S.Fiayaz Ahmed**  
**Regional Director**

Dr.S.Fiayaz Ahmed has assumed charge as Regional Director at IGNOU Regional Centre, Hyderabad on 31.12.2016.

Dr.S.Fiayaz Ahmed, Ph.D. in Applied Linguistics from the University Hyderabad, specializes in English Language Teaching and English Language Teacher Education, trained at Central Institute of English and Foreign Languages, Hyderabad (now English and Foreign Language University) in ELT at M.Phil. and Post Graduate Certificate in the Teaching of English (PGCTE) Programmes where he was the UGC Teacher Fellow during 1993-94. Besides this, he has been trained in the field of Distance Education and has acquired Diploma in Distance Education and M.A. in Distance Education from IGNOU, PG Diploma in Higher Education (PGDHE) and Certificate in Computing(CIC) from IGNOU.

Dr.S.Fiayaz Ahmed began his teaching career as a Lecturer in English, Osmania College, Kurnool (now Autonomous college and accredited with A grade) in November 1987 after completing his M.A. in English from Sri Krishnadevaraya University, Anantapur, B.Ed. and M.Ed. from Sri Venkateswara University, Tirupati where he stood First and has got First Rank both at the M.A. and M.Ed. programmes respectively. During his tenure of teaching for more than a decade at the college, he has the experience of teaching Language and Literature to both the Intermediate and Undergraduate learners and was actively involved in a number of committees and the prominent among them was the Student Welfare Committee as its Secretary. Other than teaching, he was also actively involved in the Extension activities of the college as a Member of the Advisory Committee for the UGC Coaching Centre for Minorities for the Competitive Examinations, and was also the core teaching faculty (subject expert) for the teaching of English for competitive examinations. He has been instrumental in training of a number of learners for competitive examinations and was also associated in many activities like the member of Flying Squad of S.K.University and an Examiner in English for various other universities.

Dr.Fiayaz joined the Indira Gandhi National Open University in 1998 as Assistant Regional Director and was posted at IGNOU Regional Centre, Pune. He has worked at IGNOU Regional Centre, Hyderabad. In 2006 he was promoted as Deputy Director. On transfer in January 2011, his services were placed as Deputy Director at

IGNOU Regional Centre, Vijayawada. In December, 2016 Dr.Fiayaz has been posted as Regional Director at IGNOU Regional Centre, Hyderabad. During his tenure with IGNOU from 1998 at the three regional centres, he has actively been involved in the Student Support Services and the various other academic activities. He was the Head of the Admission Cell, Student Support Services Cell and Evaluation Cell, Promotional and Publicity Cell, Monitoring Cell at Pune, Hyderabad and Vijayawada.

Among the several other tasks in which has been engaged and is actively associated in the design and development of publicity literature related to IGNOU programmes. He has been instrumental in promotional activities both at Hyderabad and Vijayawada Regional Centres by delivering talks at Gyan Vani Radio station , All India Radio and other higher educational institutions and has also participated in live and Interactive TV Programmes. He has been the resource person for a number of orientation programmes for the Academic Counsellors of IGNOU, subject expert for the training programmes organized for the coordinators' and functionaries of the Learner Support Centres at Regional Centres and by STRIDE at Hyderabad. He has been the subject expert for the training programme organized at Armed Forces College of Nursing, Pune, Yashwantrao Chavan Academy of Development Administration, Pune, Bharati Vidyapeeth University, Pune, MANUU, Hyderabad among several other academic initiatives in which he was involved. He has been the academic Counsellor and Evaluator for various courses of English, PG Diploma in Distance Education, MA (Distance Education) and Education courses in IGNOU and has also participated in counseling the learners through Radio. He has organized a number of Extended Contact Programmes for PGDHE and other programmes. He has also coordinated the translation of various programmes of IGNOU from English to Telugu – CAFÉ, DAFE and CPF. He has also been the member of the team which completed the DEC project entitled 'Status of Distance Higher Education in Andhra Pradesh'. Also, he has been associated with the number of regional committees at Regional centres, and a member of the committee of the IGNOU Community Colleges.

Dr.Fiayaz has published a number of articles (more than seventy five) in the reputed national dailies and Journals in the field of Education and English Language Teaching. He has attended a number of International/ National and Regional Seminars/Conferences/Workshops at various universities, chaired the sessions and was the invited speaker for the various Seminars/Conferences in ELT and Education and Distance Education. He is also involved in the design and development of English Curriculum and was the Subject Expert for the design of the Curriculum for the B.Ed. English Methodology with the APCHE and other English courses in the higher educational institutions. He has been invited as the Guest Faculty at a number of higher educational institutions in the field of Literature and ELT and Education. He is the member of many professional organizations. His

research interests include English Language Teaching, English Language Teacher Education, Curriculum Design and Development in English, Study Skills, Distance Education and Higher Education.