

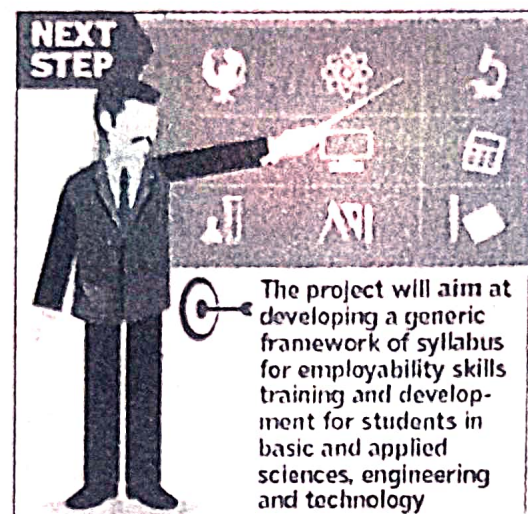
GRI, US varsity joint project to augment students' employability

Staff Reporter

DINDIGUL: Gandhigram Rural Institute, in association with the University of North Florida, will undertake a project on 'Augmenting curriculum of higher educational institutions with an online integrated cognitive-based employability skills assessment system', using signal and video analytics for the next three years.

A sum of Rs. 1.25 crore had been sanctioned by the UGC for this project under International Cooperation, said P. Shanmugavadivu, Indian Project Team Lead and Head of the Department of Computer Science and Applications, GRI, on Monday.

The US team would be led by Asai Thambi, Director, School of Computing, University of North Florida, USA. The GRI faculty members and research scholars M.G. Sethuraman, M. Mary Shanthi Rani, V. Sivakumar and



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It will evolve a feasible training mechanism for students to acquire other essential skills

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P.S. Eliahim Jeevaraj were in the the project.

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It would deliver an 'integrated employment skills assessment system' to measure

technical, analytical, reasoning and communication skills and emotional quotient of students. It would deliver a system to train graduating students in employability skills and gauge their employability skills. It would help less-privileged students in rural areas acquire employability skills.

This project was given under Indo-US 21st Century Knowledge Initiatives to eight institutions – four from the US and four from India.