

# **INSTITUTE FOR SENIOR EDUCATORS**

The Developing countries strive to provide education to various client groups through formal education and alternative education programmes in their endeavour to achieve universalisation of school education .

The Open and Distance Learning mode of education is fast becoming a mode of providing education all over the world. The National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS) has emerged as one of the most viable models to cater to the educational needs of unreached section of Society.

The Commonwealth of Learning (COL), an inter-governmental organization created by the Commonwealth Heads of Government has been encouraging the development and sharing of open learning, distance education knowledge, resources and technologies to improve access to quality education and training.

One of the collaborative activities between COL and NIOS has been to host an Institute for Senior Educators from Developing countries of the Commonwealth. This provides an excellent opportunity to gain information on the operational processes of an open school, enabling them to establish or enhance open schooling in their countries.

As in the previous years, the NIOS will be hosting Institute for twelve Senior Educators from 14-22 September 2006.

## **OBJECTIVES:**

The objectives of the programme are to:

- study the operational processes of the NIOS
- interact with practitioners of open schooling to learn about sharing of expertise and resources with other institutions
- provide opportunities for interaction with organizations associated with NIOS such as IGNOU, NCERT, NIEPA etc.
- develop a proposal for establishing and/ or enhancing open schooling in home countries

## **PARTICIPANTS**

Participants for the Institute would include senior level educators and education planners from developing countries like Ghana, Sierra Leone, Nigeria, Papua New Guinea, Pakistan etc.