***Opening Remarks***

**Brainstorming session of the Second Annual Colloquium**

**on**

***“Sharing Resources and the Best Practices for Quality Higher Education and Research”***

**(July 19, 2019)**

 A very good afternoon to the august gathering. Today, we have gathered here to deliberate over the significant issue of sharing resources and the best practices for quality higher education and research. We envision to see the impact of our joined hands in form of better classroom experiences, innovative curriculum, collaborative and contextualised research, a vast pool of resources and above all a conducive environment for mutual growth.

Today’s event has brought all the higher education institutions of Haryana together on one platform for sharing the best practices in academics, research and innovations; Innovative practices in curricula designing; and Print, Digital Resources, online courses, research database and laboratories. We may also deliberate upon the strategies for—

* Publication of a common Newsletter in tune with ‘University News’ for sharing of relevant information about participating universities.
* Collaborative programmes for students and faculty for dissertation, project works, internship and extension activities
* Exploring, developing and recognizing collaborative areas of research among faculty of different universities
* Developing a common portal dedicated to sharing best practices and resources.
* Creation of a common ‘Discussion Forum’ to share the best practices and trends at regular intervals

The engaging and informative presentations by the esteemed Vice chancellors and their representative shall give a very clear picture of the resources owned by their institutes and the best practices adopted by them. So, it is the right time to pool the strengths of all institutions and present a unique collaborative model for others to follow. The first step towards this is to craft a smooth path for a seamless journey. May I now open the house for discussion on developing a process of sharing of resources. I now invite all of you to suggest on ways to achieve the objectives of the colloquium.