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Notice of First Meeting of IQAC to be held in online mode on 6th September 2024 at 11:00am

NOTICE is hereby given that the first meeting of IQAC for the academic year 2024-25 of Ramnarain Ruia Autonomous College will be held in an online mode on Friday 6th September 2024 at 11:00am

Agenda

Agenda. No. 1: Confirmation of the minutes of the 10th meeting of IQAC held online on 11th May 2024 at 11:00am

Current status: The minutes of the 10th meeting of IQAC held on 11th May 2024 at 11:00 am and Action Taken Report of 2023-24 are being circulated to the members.

Action requested: To confirm the minutes.

Agenda No. 2: Reporting the updates of NAAC accreditation process Submission of IIQA and SSR

Agenda No. 3: To discuss the Plan of Action for the current Academic year (2024-25)

Plan of Action for the Academic year (2024-25)

Areas selected

Augmenting Quality Education

Strengthening Research Domains, Innovation & Entrepreneurship

Uploading SSR and Preparation of NAAC Peer Team Visit

Studying NAAC Reforms and incorporating Outcome Based Education extensively

Agenda No. 4: Any other items with permission of the chair

Dr. Ashwini Deshpande

Coordinator, IQAC

Prof. Anushree Lokur

Principal, Convenor, IQAC

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Minutes of the First Meeting of external members of IQAC held on 6th September 2024 held online

The following members attended the meeting:

- Prof. Dr. Anushree Lokur (Convener)
- Dr. Ashwini Deshpande (Coordinator)
- Dr. Sujata Suvarnapathki (Vice Principal)
- Dr. Sanjeevani Gharge (Convener, Students' Council)
- Dr. Veena Thakare (Librarian)
- Dr. Madhavi Badole (Faculty)
- Dr. Kanchan Chitnis (Faculty)
- Dr. Bhavna Narula (Faculty)
- Dr. Aravind Gajengi (Faculty)
- Dr. Kruti Dave (Faculty)
- Dr. Sachin Palekar (Faculty)
- Dr. Pradeep Waghmare (Faculty)
- Mr. Sudarshan Agre (I/C Registrar)
- Mr. Sahebrao Ghule (Accounts & Finance officer)
- Mr. Shailesh Shelar (Academics)
- Dr. Bhalchandra Bhole (External Member, Advisor)
- Mr. Ulhas Nimkar (*Industrialist*)
- Mr. Shrirang Godbole (*Employer*)
- Ms. Suvarna Moghe (*Parent*)
- Dr. Milind Joshi (*Alumnus*)
- Ms. Bhoomi Gawad (Student Representative)

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Sunil Joshi, Prof. Dr. Vaibhavi Palsule, Prof. Dr. Manish Hate, Prof. Kamini Donde, Dr. Sucheta Ketkar, Dr. Varsha Shukla, Dr. Sunil Shankhadarwar, Ms. Varsha Malwade, Dr. Vaishali Dabke, Dr. Himani Chaukar, Mr. Sachin Rajagopalan and Mr. Amogh Desai



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Dr. Ashwini Deshpande welcomed the new members in the IQAC team.

Agenda 1 - Confirmation of minutes of last meeting 2023-24 held on 11th May 2024 at 11.00 am

Confirmed – B. D. Bhole sir and seconded by Ulhas Nimkar sir confirmed the last minutes of meeting

Dr. Ashwini Deshpande presented the achievements of college, students and faculty.

She announced that Ruia College has been listed in the NIRF rank band of 200-300 in the category of colleges.

She also mentioned that DISHA, a career exposure initiative was conducted for Arts & Science students of Junior college students in May 2024

Dr. Deshpande informed about the establishment of Ruia Professional Development Centre that organises Talks, Workshops & Certificate Courses.

She also informed about the Induction Program conducted for FY UG & PG students by IQAC & Centre for Mindfulness & Wellbeing in association with Heartful campus in July 2024

Mr. Nimkar asked to elaborate on the DISHA program and Dr. Deshpande clarified that it is about preparing students for transition from junior college to senior college which helps in house admissions. She also stated that the Head or faculty of each department orients the students about career prospects of their subject.

Dr. Lokur asked for suggestions about new courses that can be added for expanding these courses to other areas.

Mr. Godbole asked whether the courses under Ruia Professional Development Centre are open for everyone and whether they offer any internship opportunity. He quoted an example of the 2 credits-30 hours Cafeteria Course offered by Pune University MBA Institute, open for all UG and PG courses which imparts additional skills at par to industries.

Dr Sujata Suvarnapathki informed that students earn additional credits through these certificate courses.

Agenda 2 – Reporting the updates of NAAC accreditation process

Dr. Deshpande reported about the status of Accreditation of the 5th cycle

Accreditation of 4th cycle: Valid up to 29th October 2024



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- Institutional Information for Quality Assessment (IIQA) was Submitted on 20th June 2024 in the existing system and it was accepted on 21st August 2024
- The Self Study Report (SSR) needs to be uploaded within 45 days from 21st August 2024
- The work of uploading of SSR is currently in progress
- IQAC is also uploading of Annual Quality Assessment Report (AQAR) 2023-24 simultaneously

Agenda 3 – To discuss the Plan of Action for the current Academic Year (2024-25)

Dr. Deshpande ma'am presented the plan of action for the current academic year and invited suggestions for the same.

1. Augmenting Quality Education:

Upskilling and Capacity Building Workshops for faculty

Continuing with the mechanism to identify special learners – Orage India continuous process of evaluation for SYBSC students beginning in 2^{nd} Sem.

Starting various Skill-based Certificate Courses under Professional Development Centre

2. Strengthening Research domains

Encourage the departments to sign MoUs for internship/ placements.

Apply for research projects to various funding agencies

Provide mentorship for effective project proposal designing

Workshops for research students on research ethics

3. Learning Resources

Reinstating a LMS – to be established for online courses in NEP

Creating a special collection for Competitive/ Entrance Examinations (separation of existing collection and acquiring recent publications) – Library will have collections of entrance exam and competitive exams materials – books, papers.

- 4. Uploading SSR and Preparation of NAAC Peer Team Visit
- 5. Studying NAAC Reforms and incorporating Outcome Based Education extensively

NAAC reforms – incorporating outcome based education systems



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- Binary Accreditation System: Accredited or Not-Accredited (instead of grades)
- Maturity-Based Graded Accreditation: (Level 1 to 5) where Levels 1 to 4 respectively denote Emerging, Developing, Established and Advanced Status of National Excellence of Institutions and Level 5 denotes Institutions' status of Global Excellence for Multidisciplinary Research and Education)
- One Nation One Data Platform: (Replacement of AISHE, NIRF, NAAC)
- 10 Attributes instead of 7 Criteria (Input-Process-Outcomes)

Dr. Deshpande explained that the first 4 Attributes are based on the input process, 5 to 7 are based on the actual process and 8 to 10 will be on the basis of outcomes of the above inputs and processes. Last section includes Uniqueness-Impact /Situatedness are Process based and Outcome based.

From the current year (2024-25) the data would be required to be submitted in this new format on the NAAC portal.

Agenda 4 – Any other matter with the permission of the chair

Dr. Deshpande asked for inputs regarding the Community Engagement Programs that can be offered by students under NEP. These would be 2 credit courses where students need to do something for the community.

Suggestions:

- 1) Dr Lokur suggested that tie-ups could be done with the NGO's to send students systematically i.e. to address one or two causes from the vicinity and give back to the society.
- 2) Dr. Bhole suggested having fewer activities which would be diversified across the departments like one single activity e.g. on Increasing GER stage 1 could be done in a year for the community. NSS Students and other Clubs could come together and select activities for the community. Cleanliness and hygiene (could also be covered under sustainable development) activity could be done inside campus as well as outside campus on streets in the vicinity. Social Responsibility would be the Outcome expected from CEP. College could start net zero and zero waste activities of SDG 13 to set an example for society. This could be the part of 6th Attribute (Extended Curricular Engagements) of NAAC Reforms. These exercises would also help in increasing the participation percentage from students.

Resolved – All members would give the suggestions via email regarding the CEP.

Dr. Deshpande thanked everyone.

Dr. Ashwini Deshpande Coordinator, IQAC

Prof. Anushree Lokur Principal, Convenor, IQAC

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