

Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC)

Introduction

Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) was established as a post-accreditation quality sustenance measure in the college. Immediately after the College was accredited at B+ level by the NAAC IQAC was founded with Dr. K Sasidharan as the coordinator. It was formally reconstituted following the guidelines of the NAAC in 2012. Dr. Suresh was in charge of the coordinator in 2014-15. Dr. J. Mayadevi is the current coordinator. Since quality enhancement is a continuous process, the IQAC has become a part of the institution's system and works towards realisation of the goals of quality enhancement and sustenance. The prime task of the IQAC is to develop a system for conscious, consistent and catalytic improvement in the overall performance of the college. For this, during the post-accreditation period, it is channelising all efforts and measures of the college towards promoting its holistic academic excellence.

The functioning of the IQAC is the first step towards internalization and institutionalization of quality enhancement initiatives. Its success depends upon the sense of belongingness and participation it can inculcate in all the constituents of the college. It is not a record-keeping exercise in the institution. It is a facilitative and participative voluntary system of the college. It has the potential to become a vehicle for ushering in quality enhancement by working out planned interventionist strategies to remove deficiencies and enhance quality.

Objective

The primary aim of IQAC is

- To develop a system for conscious, consistent and catalytic action to improve the academic and administrative performance of the college.
- To promote measures for institutional functioning towards quality enhancement through internalization of quality culture and institutionalization of best practices.

Strategies

IQAC shall evolve mechanisms and procedures for

- a) Ensuring timely, efficient and progressive performance of academic, administrative and financial tasks;
- b) The relevance and quality of academic and research programmes;
- c) Equitable access to and affordability of academic programmes for various sections of society;
- d) Optimization and integration of modern methods of teaching and learning;
- e) The credibility of evaluation procedures;

- f) Ensuring the adequacy, maintenance and proper allocation of support structure and services;
- g) Sharing of research findings and networking with other institutions in India and abroad.

Functions

Some of the functions expected of the IQAC are:

- a) Development and application of quality benchmarks/parameters for various academic and administrative activities of the institution;
- b) Facilitating the creation of a learner-centric environment conducive to quality education and faculty maturation to adopt the required knowledge and technology for participatory teaching and learning process;
- c) Arrangement for feedback response from students, parents and other stakeholders on quality-related institutional processes;
- d) Dissemination of information on various quality parameters of higher education;
- e) Organization of inter and intra institutional workshops, seminars on quality related themes and promotion of quality circles;
- f) Documentation of the various programmes/activities leading to quality improvement;
- g) Acting as a nodal agency of the Institution for coordinating quality-related activities, including adoption and dissemination of best practices;
- h) Development and maintenance of institutional database through MIS for the purpose of maintaining /enhancing the institutional quality;
- i) Development of Quality Culture in the institution;
- j) Preparation of the Annual Quality Assurance Report (AQAR) as per guidelines and parameters of NAAC, to be submitted to NAAC.

Benefits

IQAC will facilitate / contribute

- a) Ensure heightened level of clarity and focus in institutional functioning towards quality enhancement;
- b) Ensure internalization of the quality culture;
- b) Ensure enhancement and coordination among various activities of the institution and institutionalize all good practices;
- c) Provide a sound basis for decision-making to improve institutional functioning;
- d) Act as a dynamic system for quality changes in HEIs;
- e) Build an organised methodology of documentation and internal communication.

Composition of the IQAC

Chairperson: Mr. C Vinod Kumar (Principal)

Coordinator: Dr. J Mayadevi

Members

Ms. S K Jeothilakshmi

Mr K P Vineesh

Ms. P K Sheela

Mr. V R Sudheesh

Ms. M R Susaji

Ms. K R Lasitha

Ms. T M Vinarsha

Mr. E S Abhilash

Adv. P M Ramesh Babu (Management)

Mr. M Suresh Babu (External Expert)

College Superintendent

The IQAC helps the institution in planning and monitoring. IQAC also gives stakeholders or beneficiaries a cross-sectional participation in the institution's quality enhancement activities..