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Meeting Of IQAC no.10

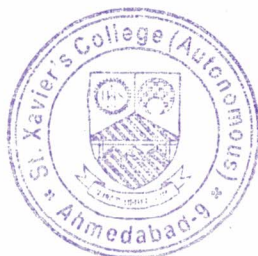
Date: 5th August 2023

Agenda

1. Welcome & Introduction
2. Approval of Minutes of 9th IQAC meeting
3. NAAC Peer Team Visit & the accreditation process
4. Activities of the IQAC in 22-23
5. Strengthening Placement & Training Cell
6. Discussion on admissions
7. Guidance for financial grants
8. Next meeting
9. Any other point with permission
10. Conclusion

Members invited:

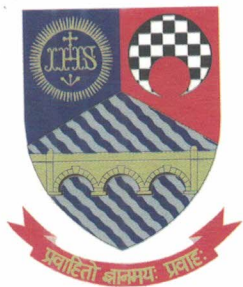
Fr (Dr) Vinayak Jadav SJ (Chair Person), Dr Anindita Mehta (External Expert), Mr. Shyam Parekh (External Expert), Dr. Atanu Bhattacharya (External Expert), Dr Mallika Sanyal (IQAC-Coordinator), Fr (Dr) Johnson M (Management Representative), Dr Nirmal Desai (CoE), Dr Arti Oza (Teacher), Dr Uma Harikrishnan (Teacher), Dr Shital Doshi (Teacher), Dr Sanjeev Gupta (Teacher), Dr Rashmi Yadav (Teacher), Mr Agnelo Gonsalves (Administration) and Mr Johnson Christian (Administration).



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Minutes of the Internal Quality Assurance Cell Meeting

Meeting No. 10

Held on: 05th August 2023

Time: 4 pm onwards

Venue: Board room SXCA

10th Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) meeting of St. Xavier's College, Ahmedabad was held on 5th August 2023 at Board room at 4 pm onwards.

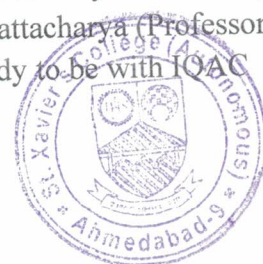
Fr. (Dr.) Vinayak Jadav SJ, (Chair Person and Principal) Chaired and conducted the meeting.

1. Introduction and Welcome.

It was informed that this is the first meeting after the retirement of the old Chairperson and Principal of the College and also after the resolution of the new IQAC members formation. It was also informed that the meeting of IQAC with external members were taking place after long time but internal members met in between for decision makings.

Dr. Mallika Sanyal IQAC coordinator, took this opportunity to thank the previous external members Dr. Sudhir Jumanji, Dr. Surendra Bakshi and Ms. Dipali Vijh for their valuable support and contribution to the IQAC members. She also thanked Dr. Fr. Lancelot D'Cruz SJ for his immense support and leading the team through the Peer team Visits of NAAC, and guiding further.

Dr. Sanyal welcomed the new external experts Dr. Anandita Mehta (Chief General Manager and Lab Director of Consumer Education Research Centre Ahmedabad) Mr. Shyam Parekh (Bharatiya Vidhya Bhavan's Rajendra Prasad Institute) and Dr Atanu Bhattacharya (Professor Centre for English Studies, Central University of Gujarat) who were ready to be with IQAC team to guide and contribute their inputs to take the college further.



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Along with this warm welcome was extended to Fr. Dr. Vinayak Jadav SJ who is the new Chairperson as well as the new principal of the College.

2. Approval of Minutes of 9th IQAC meeting

Approval of minutes of IQAC Meeting No. 9 had been emailed to all the members prior to this meeting. The minutes were considered as read and it was unanimously approved by the members without any modification.

Action Taken Report of 9th IQAC meeting

Action taken report of the suggestions put up in the previous meeting and action taken is as follows.

Sr. No.	Suggestions/ Recommendations	Action Taken
1.	Prequalifying and Peer Team Visit	NAAC accreditation process over and certified college as A+ with 3.27
2.	Short term courses and certificate courses	Implementation of NEP wherein inclusion of shortterm courses and certificate courses are there.

3. Update on NAAC peer Team Visit and Accreditation Process.

The Chair updated about the NAAC accreditation process and the progress with glimpse of photographs and the score board. The recommendations given by the peer team were looked at and also discussed about the changes can be possibly made, along with the implementation of the recommendations already done.

4. Activities of IQAC in 2022-23

The members were informed about the activities undertaken by IQAC which are as follows:

1. Challenges and Opportunities of SXCA Post Accreditation: IQAC in Dialogue with Management
2. Strategies for Navigating Uncertain Times



3. Social Entrepreneurship: Making Change makers
4. Faculty Development Program: Working Together Growing Together
5. Perspectives on the NEP: Challenges and Opportunities
6. NEP 2020: School Education Opportunities, Challenges and the way ahead
7. Unravelling the challenges in implementation of NEP 2020 For Higher Education Institutions
8. National Intellectual Property Awareness Mission 2.0
9. Curriculum Framework as per NEP 2020
10. NEP Implementation: Challenges & Solutions

An important note was made that though the initiative of the NEP regarding information were imparted by the IQAC, a separate NEP task force was formed under the leadership of Dr. Rajesh Iyer. Implementation of NEP 2020 is taken up by this task force formed in the College.

It was also stated that IQAC has undertaken various feedbacks and surveys along with the participation in different Ranking bodies and audits.

NIRF, GSIRF, INDIA TODAY and The WEEK are the few to name in which college participated and IQAC took the initiative to do the needful for the same.

In NIRF college was ranked 96th and only college in top 100 from Gujarat State.

NIRF ranking was compared and studied in detail with the members present and it was concluded that steps to be taken to improve placements and in areas of peer perception.

Even the scoring of GSIRF, India Today and The Week also were compared.

Regarding feedbacks and Surveys conducted by the IQAC, it was listed as follows

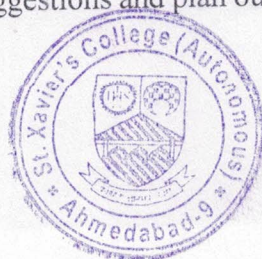
1. Student Satisfaction Survey (SSS): The questions asked and the responses received were highlighted.
2. Graduate Exit Survey: Along with the response the action taken were also projected.
3. Faculty Feedback: The Principal office was submitted with the analysis done received by the responses, of each teaching faculty.

5. Strengthening Placement & Training Cell

The data regarding the placement and student progression for the year 2020-21 and 2021-22 were presented before the forum which had set a discussion and following were suggested:

- a) Career Counselling and weekly lectures to be arranged
- b) Make aware and facilitate students for UPSC and GPSC exams
- c) Increase MoUs with local industries and facilitate research in collaboration with them to promote in hand training
- d) Clear path to achieve more placement has to be formulated
- e) Courses related to more employability to be started in college

It was decided to come up with concrete suggestions and plan out by IQAC for implementation in college for improvement of placements.



Few actions were taken till time to promote placement and training like rolling surveys like SSS, faculty feedback, graduate exit survey, admission feedback, and placement survey.

Placement survey will help in acquiring data from current students about their plans for higher education or placement, expected salary, preferred location, bonds are acceptable etc will help to arrange various activities based on the analysis done from the responses

6. Discussion on admissions

The admission feedback survey circulated among the semester 1 students will help to get responses and the analysis will give a scope of improvement in future admissions. The data collected through this survey were also presented.

7. Guidance for financial grants

The data regarding the financial grant specially for research was presented

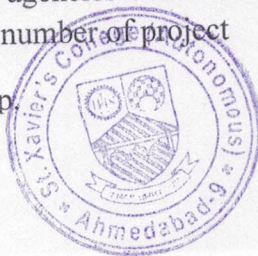
Projects	2021-2022	2022-2023	Expected for 2023-24
Total external funding for college	229,000,00	286,000,00	500,00,000
Total internal funding for college	16,000,00	40,000,00	

To achieve expected result the following actions were currently put into practice

- Started with project seed money
- Focus on more MoUs with premier institutions
- Research Colloquium for inter- disciplinary research
- Target set for the Publications/ Book Chapters
- FDP program on Research grants, publications, patent

Various methods and strategies for improvement suggested were:

- A list of Govt. and Non-Govt. agencies can be made and data to be shared with the departments for increase in the number of project
- Consultancy unit need to set-up.



- Alumni fund for research activities
- More research lab on the name of alumni donors name can be setup
- Reward the Professors and Students for their work
- For higher research paper with maximum impact factor can be awarded – this gives motivation & energy
- Similarly, among student's research need to popularize by giving financial support to attend seminar/conference.
- Some relaxation to staffs who involve in the research activities.

These steps taken can be impactful in increasing the visibility and recognition of the Institute, increasing the author publications by research grants, enhances H-index of the professors, creates research Environment and ultimately enhances the NAAC ranking directly.

8. Any other point

Following suggestion were chipped in by the external experts

- MOU can be worked out CERC for which Dr. Anindita will help out.
- Shyam Parekh had the opinion of having syllabus including new technological terms included.
- Internship will help to increase placements
- Promotion of the skill based subject to be highlighted more

9. Next Meeting

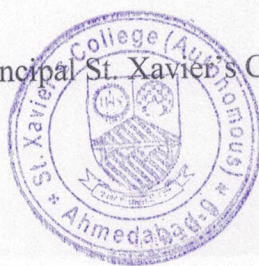
The next meeting date will be informed which will be tentatively in the month of November.

10. Vote of thanks

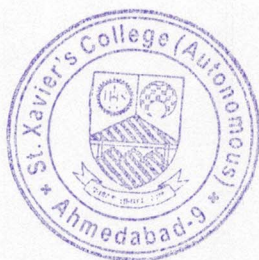
On behalf of IQAC members Arti mam thanked each one present and their active participation in the meeting.

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