

MINUTES of the 1st Joint Meeting of IQAC and Steering Committee***9th Meeting of Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), CHARUSAT******7th Meeting of Steering Committee***

The first joint meeting of IQAC and Steering Committee was held at Board Room, Central Administrative Building, CHARUSAT, Changa on September 21, 2016 at 02:00 p.m. in presence of the following members:

Sr. No.	<u>Executives</u>	<u>IQAC involvement at CHARUSAT</u>
1.	Dr. B G Patel, Provost	Chairperson
2.	Mr. Devang Joshi	Registrar
3.	Mr. Harish Desai	Deputy Registrar
4.	Mr. Ashok Patel	Advisor
5.	Prof. H. J. Jani	Advisor
6.	Prof. Amit Ganatra	Dean, Faculty of Technology and Engineering
7.	Dr. A.D. Patel	Principal CSPIT
8.	Prof. A V Thomas	Professor, Department of Civil Engineering
9.	Dr. R V Upadhyay	Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences
10.	Dr. Govind Dave	Dean, Faculty of Management Studies
11.	Dr. Atul Patel	Principal, CMPICA
12.	Dr. M Balaganapathy	Principal, ARIP
13.	Dr. Anil Sharma	Principal, MTIN
14.	Dr. Vijay Parmar	Associate Professor, RPCP
15.	Dr. Naresh Ved	Former V.C., Bhavnagar University
16.	Prof. S J Bhatt	Former HoD, PG Department of Mathematics, SP University
17.	Mr. Vivek Brahmabhatt	Student
18.	Dr. Anuradha Gajjar	Member Secretary, IQAC
19.	Dr. Mayur Sutaria	Deputy Coordinator, IQAC
<i>Following members could not attended the meeting due to other assignments</i>		
1.	Prof. R.M. Patel	Advisor
2.	Shri. H T Patel	BOM Member
3.	Dr. Mahesh G. Patel	CEO, Champion Paints
4.	Mr. Ankit Gandhi	Alumnus
5.	Mr. Keyur patel	Student

Agenda

- 1. Confirmation and Approval of the minutes of the last meeting of IQAC**
- 2. Sharing of NAAC Peer Team visit report**
- 3. Sharing information on Revised grading system of NAAC**
- 4. Sharing information on Future perspectives of NAAC**
- 5. Presentation of the CHARUSAT Road Map 2020**
- 6. Letter from NAAC about AQAR submission**

7. AAA formation and work undertaken

8. Any other item with the permission of the Chairman

- a. Deliberations on the article suggested by Dr. V G Patel. "How India's colleges under-prepare students when it comes to competing for the jobs of the future". (ref. attachment).
- b. Deliberations on India Today Article "Numbers That Don't Count" featured in July 11, 2016 issue of India Today. (ref. attachment).
- c. Deliberations on action plan for Road Map 2020.

Initiation |

Dr. B G Patel, Chairperson welcomed all the members, and briefed about quality aspects in higher education systems.

The Chairperson then requested the Member Secretary to present the agenda.

Agenda Item No.1 | Confirmation and Approval of the minutes of the last meeting of IQAC

Proceedings

The minutes of the 8th meeting were circulated to all the committee members, suggestions received were incorporated.

Resolution:

The minutes of the 8th meeting were approved by the Committee. It is enclosed as **Annexure 1**.

Agenda Item No. 2 | Sharing of NAAC Peer Team visit report

Proceedings:

Member Secretary, IQAC shared the peer team report describing the Institutional Strength, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Challenges. Recommendations/ Suggestions given by the NAAC Peer Team were also presented by Member Secretary.

Resolution:

1. Prof. S J Bhatt suggested to prepare a workable/ practical plan on implementation of the suggestions given by the NAAC Peer Team.
2. The Chairperson will form a committee to take up the implementations of the various suggestions given in NAAC Peer Team report.

Agenda Item No. 3 | Sharing information on Revised grading system of NAAC

Proceedings:

Chairperson briefed about previous 4-point and new 8-point grading system, and where we stand as per new grading system. He also emphasized to set higher quality standards in carrying out university activities to maintain and enhance the grade in the next cycle.

Resolution:

The committee wished good luck for all the future activities of the University.

Agenda Item No. 4 | Sharing information on Future perspectives of NAAC

Proceedings:

Member Secretary requested Dr. H J Jani to discuss about future perspectives of the NAAC. Dr. Jani mentioned that NAAC is planning to initiate improvements and refinements in the process of assessment and accreditation. For this purpose, NAAC feels that there is a need to provide certain guidance notes to the members of the peer team committees as well as to the NAAC staff to enhance rigour and objectivity to the assessment and accreditation process. In this regard, for quantification purpose, out of 196 indicators, 25 indicators each have been chosen / identified as core and desirable indicators, for which additional information may also be sought from the institution for the assessment period. Dr. Jani mentioned that it seems that in future evaluation criteria will become more stringent and demanding.

Resolution:

Document on future perspective (enclosed as **Annexure 2**) of the NAAC may be considered as base document for setting up the goals.

Agenda Item No. 5 | Presentation of the CHARUSAT Road Map 2020

Proceedings:

Member Secretary presented Road Map 2020 of CHARUSAT to all members. She explained on how planning and goal setting by individual staff members would lead to institute/department goals, leading ultimately to the achievement of University goal by 2020.

Resolution:

The committee wished good luck for all the steps being taken to achieve the university goal.

Agenda Item No. 6 | Letter from NAAC about AQAR submission

Proceedings:

Member secretary mentioned that letter from NAAC has been received for formation of IQAC and submission of AQAR. She mentioned that a functional IQAC is already in place at University and methodology for preparation of AQAR has been already discussed in the previous (8th) meeting of the IQAC.

Resolution:

The committee expressed satisfaction about the process and made suggestions on smooth execution of the same.

Agenda Item No. 7 | AAA formation and work undertaken

Proceedings:

Member Secretary presented the planned schedule to take up Academic and Administrative Audit at the University. She mentioned that the draft of the Academic and Administrative Audit (AAA) report (format) was circulated in the the previous (8th) meeting of the IQAC.

Resolution:

The committee expressed satisfaction about the activities. Draft of AAA Report is enclosed as **Annexure 3**.

Agenda Item No. 8 | Any other item with the permission of the Chairman

- a. **Deliberations on the article suggested by Dr. V G Patel. "How India's colleges under-prepare students when it comes to competing for the jobs of the future". (ref. attachment).**
- b. **Deliberations on India Today Article "Numbers That Don't Count" featured in July 11, 2016 issue of India Today. (ref. attachment).**
- c. **Deliberations on action plan for Road Map 2020.**

Proceedings:

Detailed and elaborate discussions on following points has been carried out.

In view of the quality aspect in higher education systems, Chairperson put forth and discussed about following two articles:

- a. Article published on "How India's colleges under-prepare students when it comes to competing for the jobs of the future"; the author (Associate Dean, College of Information Science and Technology, University of Nebraska, Omaha), based on his interactions over last two decades with many incoming Indian students, observed a consistent gap in the educational training of incoming students. The gap was observed in five aspects- Applied Knowledge, Critical Inquiry, Entrepreneurial Thinking, Academic Integrity, and Multidisciplinarity.
- b. India Today article published on "Numbers That Don't Count"; the author mainly emphasized that in higher education quality aspects is more important as compared to quantity (number) aspect.

Discussion on action plan for Road Map 2020 was carried out and following suggestions have been made.

1. Committee emphasized to set the realistic and achievable goal.
2. Prof. S J Bhatt mentioned that self-awareness among staffs and students would pave the way for creativity and innovativeness in University academic culture. This would go a long way in realization of the goals.
3. Prof. S J Bhatt suggested to brainstorm over the issues raised in TOI and INDIA Today articles and how they will be taken care at CHARUSAT?

Resolution:

The committee expressed satisfaction in University activities.

Prof. S J Bhatt has prepared a document on "Thoughts on R&D at CHARUSAT" and same has been handed over to IQAC for future reference.



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