

**Internal Quality Assurance Cell
CHRIST (Deemed to be University), Bangalore**

Minutes of the Twenty-Fourth Meeting of the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) Council, held on 06th August 2021 at 11.00 am on Google Meet Platform.

In the Chair: Dr Fr Abraham V M, Vice-Chancellor.

Members Present

Members as per the attendance list were present.

Leave of Absence

Dr Fr Jobi Xavier

Dr Fr Joseph Varghese

Dr. Fr Abraham V M, the Vice-Chancellor, started the meeting with a silent prayer. He welcomed the newly appointed IQAC Council Members Dr. Balachandran K, Dr. Fr Viju P D, Dr. Fr Jossy P George, Dr. Kavitha D, Dr. Swetha Mukherjee, and Mr. Sanvir Singh (Students Representative). He thanked the outgoing members Dr. Jyothi Kumar, Dr. Vijayashankar A V, Dr. Amalanathan S, Dr. Gaana J and Mr. Anirudh Kulkarni (Students Representative). He welcomed all the members and invitees present in the meeting.

Fr Vice Chancellor expressed his satisfaction on the perception about the institution reflected in the surveys conducted by India Today, The Week, and Outlook magazines. He emphasized the need of improving the documentation process as NAAC Assessment is mainly based on evidence rather than just perception. He thanked the Director of IQAC and his team for preparing the institution for the NAAC assessment.

Prof. Chandrasekharan K A, Director, IQAC presented the agenda of the meeting.

Matters on the Agenda

1. To consider and approve the minutes of the meeting held on 19th February 2021 and to consider matters arising thereon.

Prof. Chandrasekharan K A welcomed the suggestions and clarifications needed in the minutes. The minutes of the meeting of the IQAC held on 19th February 2021 as circulated with the Notice as 'Annexure A' was duly reviewed and approved.

2. To consider the report of Faculty Development Programme - I, 2021.

Dr. Kennedy Andrew Thomas, Director, CEDBEC briefed about the Faculty Development Programme - Preferred Future: Ideas and Strategies. The FDP-I programme was conducted for five days from 16-21 June 2021.

The FDP-I focused on the university-wide orientation to strategize and capitalize on learning from the pandemic to support and promote ways to sustain and improve quality standards continuously. The programme also dealt with the holistic education and development training catering to the skills of personal, interpersonal, and societal.

The action plans developed in the department were expected to be integrated with the strategic plan for the academic departments in the current five-year implementation cycle (2018 - 2023).



3. To consider the Academic Audit Result for the year 2019 -2020.

Dr. Somu C S, Director, Strategic Plan and Audit Cell, presented the results of the Internal Academic Audit for the year 2019-20. He presented the comparative performance analysis of the Bangalore campus departments for three years (2017-18, 2018-19 and 2019-20).

The University Average has improved from 43.64% (2017-18) to 51.18% (2019-20). The overall analysis showed that only two departments have scored over 60%, eleven departments are between 50% to 60% and the average score for fifteen departments is less than 50%.

Departments have done reasonably well on Criterion I but need to improve on Teaching-Learning processes. The departments need to evolve specific strategies/plans in Research, Innovations and Extension. Focus seems to be only on publications while other areas are getting less attention. Student support systems and utilization of learning resources require immediate attention and improvement. An annual target of minimum of 5% improvement in quality initiatives and sustenance may be fixed for departments for the next 3 years.

4. To take note of the NIRF participation, India Today - MDRA and The Week Ranking 2021.

Dr Anil Joseph Pinto, Registrar informed the council members that CHRIST University has been participating in Rankings selectively from 2007 onwards. He presented the various ranking results such as India Today MDRA – India's Best University (Private); India Today MDRA – Best Colleges Ranking; Competition Success (GHRDC) Ranking; The Week Hansa Research Ranking; Outlook - ICARE Rankings 2021 (01 August 2021) and Times Higher Education (THE) University Impact Rankings. He said that CHRIST University is currently focusing on NIRF and NAAC Assessment.

5. To take note of the AQAR (2016-2017) and AQAR (2019-2020).

Prof. Chandrasekharan K A informed that the AQAR Reports for four years have been submitted from 2016 to 2020. The 2020-21 AQAR, which has a new format for uploading the document along with the data, will be submitted before the submission of the SSR.

6. To take note of the status of Self Study Report preparation.

Prof. Chandrasekharan K A informed that with the help of ERP, data and documents uploaded by the departments, offices, and centres in KP were collated metric wise. As the number of documents was very huge, a compilation committee was formed. Each criteria had a compilation committee. The compilation teams are verifying the collated institutional data and documents as per the NAAC SOP.

7. Any other matter with the permission of the Chair.

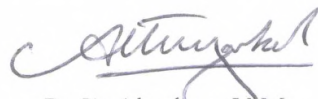
Mr Sanvir Singh, Student Representative for IQAC Council, requested to know about the functioning of the Centre for Placement and Career Guidance. Dr. Anil Joseph Pinto, the Registrar briefed on the functioning and said 89% out of 7000 MBA students have been well placed. Mr Jugnu Uberoi, President of Alumni Association, appreciated and suggested publicizing the details of placements.

Dr. Fr. Abraham V M, the Vice-Chancellor, thanked Prof. Chandrasekharan K A for his efforts in the data and document collection. He thanked all the council members for their valuable suggestions and adjourned the meeting.


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