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### **Minutes of the IQAC meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> August 2023**

Review meeting of IQAC for academic year 2023-24 was held on Saturday, 12/08/2023 at 11:30 a.m. in the Conference Room of the college.

#### **Members present:**

Principal Dr. (Ms.) Shobana Vasudevan

Vice Principal Prof. Vinita Pimpale

Mr. S. Pagare

Ms. Vrushali Kaneri

Ms. Sunita Panja

Mr. S. U. Patil

Mr Ravi Kadam

Mr. Sunil Joshi

Mr. Sanjay Shetye

Mr. Archit Gokhale

Mr. Mahesh Deshpande

Ms. Shikha Kothari

The agenda of the meeting:

- 1) Confirm minutes of last meeting
- 2) Discuss the plans for 2023-24
- 3) Preparation of AQAR 2021-22 and 2022-23
- 4) Implementation of NEP curriculum from 2023-24
- 5) Any other matter with the permission of the chair.

The IQAC Convener welcomed the Chairperson and other committee members. Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Sanjay Shetye. New members were introduced.

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The following points were discussed and accepted in the meeting:

**Agenda 1:** Minutes of the last meeting were read out by Ms. Sunita Panja and were confirmed.

**Agenda 2:** The Convener proposed the plans for 2023-24 and after discussion with all members the following were adopted for the academic year:

1. To conduct NEP curriculum by adhering to norms given by the Government of Maharashtra.

The Principal informed members that as per directives of the Government of Maharashtra and University of Mumbai, all autonomous institutions have implemented the NEP curriculum from this academic year. The College had made adequate plans and due process was followed in preparing the NEP curriculum. The College have received approvals from the University and the Government for the same. The lectures for the first batch of learners under the new curriculum have begun with the orientation session series that began on 25th July 2023. The sessions were conducted for the learners along with their parents.

2. To conduct training programmes for faculty on use of advanced IT tools for teaching, learning and research.

The Convener suggested that new software for Teaching Learning activities be explored and adequate training be arranged for faculty and staff. Librarian Santosh Patil informed the members that the Media room is fully functional and teachers need to make good use of it. It was suggested that a training programme be arranged to familiarise teachers about the facility. Mr. Patil agreed to conduct the session for the teachers.

3. To promote research opportunities and projects.

The Chairperson of IQAC requested all members to apply for research projects and undertake research activities. The Principal suggested that the Research Course work for PhD students be conducted this year and Dr Tejashree Patankar would be requested to initiate the process.

4. To augment infrastructure for teaching and learning.

The Principal informed members that additional classrooms for Teaching Learning has been made and furthermore infrastructure work shall be undertaken to augment the teaching learning environment in the campus.

5. To create awareness about mental health of all stakeholders through workshops and outreach programs.

The Convener informed members that a series of workshops on mental health shall be organised by the Self Development Centre in association with Disha Counseling Centre for learners, teachers and parents.

6. To review quality manuals and systems in light of NEP implementation.

The Convener suggested that the quality manuals be revisited to align with NEP implementation. Ms Sunita Panja and Sudarshana Saikia to be responsible for the same.

7. To support and facilitate inclusiveness in the college campus.

Ms. Vrushali Kaneri suggested that the learners need to be sensitised about the diversity amongst learners and it was decided that the Inclusive Cell shall conduct sensitization activities.

8. To continue with previous IQAC initiatives.

The Convener suggested that the theme for IQAC for the academic year be: Engaging and empowering stakeholders. All members agreed to the suggestion and the theme was adopted and suggested that all stakeholders be informed about the same. All the members unanimously agreed to the implementations of the plans and the Theme for 2023-24.

**Agenda 3:** Preparation of AQAR 2021-22 and 2022-23


The Principal informed the members that the AQAR submission work for 2021-22 is under progress and urged the members to complete the submission at the earliest.

**Agenda 4:** Implementation of NEP curriculum from 2023-24

The Principal informed the members that upon directives from the University of Mumbai and the government of Maharashtra, the NEP 2020 curriculum shall be introduced at the first year level for all UG and PG programmes. She informed the members about the various meetings held to finalize and approve the changes to be incorporated in the system for implementing the new curriculum. The curriculum has been designed and approved by the Board of Studies, Academic Council and the Governing Body. Prof Manjusha Sawant would be appointed as NEP co-ordinator.

The Meeting ended with a vote of thanks by the Convener.

*(Minutes prepared by IQAC Coordinator Sudarshana Saikia)*



Principal Dr. Shobana Vasudevan