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Minutes of the IQAC meeting held on 25th October, 2024

Review Meeting of IQAC was held on Friday, 25th October, 2024 at 11:30 a.m. in the Conference Room.

Members present:

Mr. Sunil Joshi
Principal Dr. (Ms.) Shobana Vasudevan
Vice Principal Prof. Vinita Pimpale
Ms. Kavita Jajoo- Director in charge SFP
Dr. Suryakant Pagare
Dr.(Mrs) Vrushali V Bhosale Kaneri
Ms. Sunita Panja
Mr. S. U. Patil
Mr Ravi Kadam
Ms. Vela Gaitonde
Mr. Subramaniam Vutha.
Ms. Sudarshana Saikia

Ms. Ruta Vyas joined online and Ms. Swati Kapadia was granted leave of absence

The agenda for the meeting was as follows:

- 1) To confirm the minutes of the last meeting.
- 2) To review plans and progress of planned activities.
- 3) To discuss the AQAR 2023-24 preparations
- 4) Any other matter with the permission of the chair.

The IQAC Convener welcomed the Chairperson and other committee members. The meeting began with the two happy announcements:

- 1) The College has been granted with Empowered Autonomous Status by the University of Mumbai for a period of 10 years.

- 2) Eligible Students from our college can apply for exemption from IAI for few courses taught in Bachelor of Commerce (Actuarial Studies) program. R.A. Podar College is the only UG college, to receive such exemption. To promote this information, the Principal suggested that the college should conduct a seminar for 12th Standard students to make them aware about the exemption.

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:

Review plans and progress of planned activities.

	PLANS	ACTION TAKEN
1.	To conduct NEP curriculum by adhering to norms given by the Government of Maharashtra.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Successfully implemented Second year of NEP curriculum in 6 UG and 5 PG programs. Odd semester exams completed. • Fundamentals of Research Skills course formulated and implemented.
2.	To Promote collaborative exchange with nearby colleges	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Faculty exchange with Vidyalkar Institute of Technology (MoU signed) • Exchange program for Faculty at Nalanda University, Rajgir Patna on 26th, 27th, and 28th of September 2024. (13 Faculty members participated)
3.	To augment the incubation cell and encourage students to apply for patents.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eco friendly device for H₂O Evolution: Design Application- Design accepted and published • R.A.Podar College, Vaishnavi Jadhav, Aryan Tawte, Mayur Sontakke, Gautami Mandala • Financial platform for greener future: Utility application- Under examination • R.A. Podar College, Aryan Tawate, Vaishnavi Jadhav, Neel Baharia

4.	To support and facilitate internships through collaborations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 14/10/2024- Meeting with TCS Smart Hiring for internship opportunities for BSc (Data Science and Analytics)
5.	Augmenting IT infrastructure in the college	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SWAYAM NPTEL Local Chapter established in college • New website design layout work in progress
6.	Digitizing documents and records	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Currently in progress- Till date 30,000 documents scanned and digitized (25% documents digitized)
7.	Promotion of U.U. Bhat Centre for skill development and social outreach in the adopted village	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Mathematics workbook in Marathi has been developed by the students and sessions conducted at the U.U. Bhat Centre. • A Health and Hygiene awareness programme was conducted for the villagers. • A Yoga session was conducted at the Centre in the month of June.
8.	To continue with previous IQAC initiatives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 65+ events organized in the College through 38 active forums • NSS- Yoga workshop- 14th June 2024 • Placement Cell- First Articleship hiring- 18th June to 15th July 2024 • International Yoga Day- 20th June 2024 • NSS- International Day Against Drug Abuse rally- 22nd June 2024 • NSS- Guru Purnima celebrations • Tree plantation activity by NCC, NSS, Podar Nature Club and Podar Hikers' Club-30th June 2024 • Faculty Induction program- 2nd July 2024 • NSS- International World Population day- 12th July 2024 • Anvikshanam- CSR Activity- Ulhasnagar- 13th July 2024 • Two-Day Outdoor Faculty Development Programme on Building Team Synergy and Collaborative Learnings under NEP 2020- 15th and 16th July 2024

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Guru Purnima celebrations by Marathi Literary Circle - 20th July 2024 • FY Orientation- 13th and 20th July 2024 • Podar Hikers' Club- Trek to Sondai Fort- 21st July 2024 • ELC inauguration session- 22nd July 2024 • NSS- Blood donation drive – 23rd July 2024 • Research and Development Cell- Avishkar orientation- 24th July 2024 • Trill-o-thon- Mathematrix pre event- 24th July 2024 • NSS- Stem Cell donation drive- 25th July 2024 • NSS- Kargil Divas movie screening- 26th July 2024 • GLC- Drashtikon - A seminar on professionalism and networking-27th July 2024 • NSS- Beach clean up activity- 28th July to 1st August 2024 • MAP and Inclusive Cell- “Math visionaries” - 29th July 2024 • Anvikshanam- CSR Activity at Blind School in Dadar- 29th July 2024 • FINNAC Intra- 31st July 2024 • GLC- Movie Screening- 31st July 2024 • Student Induction Program for FY students- August 2024 • Lecture series by Mr. Nitin Mirchandani on “IT in Corporate Communication”- August 2024 • Workshop by Dr Savita Kulkarni, GIPE, on “Decoding Behavioral Economics: Insights and Applications” by the Department of Economics - 2nd August 2024 • Panel discussion on awareness and prevention of Tobacco, Alcohol and drug abuse- 2nd August
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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alumni Association- G.P. Palekar Memorial lecture- Scheduled on 27th October 2024 • Alumni Association- Podar Ratna- Scheduled on 7th December 2024 • MONETA- scheduled 12th to 14th December 2024
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Agenda 3: To discuss the preparations of AQAR 2023-24.

Date	Timeline
04/07/2024	Individual mail to all full time faculty members to update professional and research details
05/07/2024	NAAC data template shared with Criterion Heads for updating data templates of respective criteria Criteria-I, II and III has partially updated the data template
As on 25/10/2024	Part-A and Criteria-II completed

Principal asked the IQAC convenor to send reminder to the other criterion head with deadline and mark CC to the principal.

Agenda 4:

Any other matter with the permission of chair

Principal informed the members the following:

- 7 Minor Research RUSA projects submitted by the faculty members.
- Felicitation ceremony of Alumnus Vaibhav Joshi was conducted for being the youngest Army Officer to be recruited.
- The NSS Unit of the Collge received award from Sion Hospital for the Blood Donation Drive
- Letter from NAAC received with regards to the 4th cycle Assessment and Accreditation process and stated that the college can apply after one year from the date of submission of last SSR.

The Principal requested Ms. Vela Gaitonde to make an Instagram post to promote NPTEL local chapter. Prof. Vinita Pimpale suggested that the college website can have a page on Prof. U.U. Bhat and his contribution and the information condensed into a QR code and

put up on the U.U. Bhat Road Signage so as to share information about Prof. U.U. Bhatt in whose memory the road has been named.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks by the Convener followed by refreshment.

(Minutes prepared by IQAC Coordinator Sudarshana Saikia)



Principal Dr. Shobana Vasudevan