

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Quality Advisory Committee (QAC) for IQAC  
held on 6-7-2019 at 11.30 am in the ICSSR Mini Conference Hall, O U Guest  
House, Osmania University**

**Members Present:**

1. Prof. S. Ramachandram	Vice Chancellor	Chairman
2. Prof. CH. Gopal Reddy	Registrar	Member
3. Prof. T. Krishna Rao	OSD to VC	Member
4 Prof. R. Limbadri.	Vice Chairman, TSCHE,	Member
5. Prof. B Satyanarayana	President, OUTA	Member
6. Dr. Lakshmipathi Rao	Retd. Prof. of Physics	Member
7. Prof. A. Ravindranath	Dean, Faculty of Technology,	Member
8. Prof. V. Appa Rao	Principal UCC & BM	Member
9. Prof. Syeda Sameen Fatima	Retd. Professor of CSE	Member
10. Dr. G. Kumara Swamy	Scientist-F, CSIR-IICT	Member
11. Prof. Sriram Venkatesh	Controller of Examinations	Member
12. Prof. T. Mrunalini	Dean, Faculty of Education	Member
13. Dr. D. Vijay Kumar	Founder Director, Indus universal School & General Secretary, Alumni Association, UCE, OU -	Member
14. Prof. C. Ganesh	Director, PGRRCDE	Member
15. The Finance Officer	Osmania University	Member
16. Dr. J. Upender	Nodal Officer, Statistical Cell	Spl. Invitee
17. Dr. C. Srnivasulu	Coordinator, IQAC	Member
18. Prof. R. Nageswar Rao	Director, IQAC	Member- Secretary

At the outset the Director, IQAC raised the curtain by welcoming all the members of QAC for IQAC, followed by a brief address by the Chairperson, QAC & Vice Chancellor, Osmania University, Prof. S. Ramachandram. The meeting started by the taking up the agenda of QAC. Following are the discussion and related resolutions.

The Director, IQAC has briefed the activities of IQAC during the year 2018-19. Out of several activities the committee primarily focussed on the suggestions / recommendations of NAAC peer team committee during their visit in the month of August, 2017.

- Peer committee suggestion:** Vacant teaching and other supporting staff positions should be filled.  
**QAC Recommendations:** The University has already constituted a committee to fill up the support teaching staff, and the State Govt. has already initiated the process to fill up the teaching positions. The committee has also reiterated that 1: 1.5 (teaching vs Non teaching) ratio to be maintained.

2. **Peer committee suggestion:** More project based research fund be procured in Arts, Social Sciences, Law, Education and Management.

**QAC Recommendations:** The committee has observed that as far as the faculty of Sciences is concerned they are getting more projects that are of national importance. However, the committee felt that there is a need to encourage / motivate the rest of the faculties to move towards research oriented projects. The committee suggested the possibility to establish Dean, Research to monitor such activities.

3. **Peer committee suggestion:** Energy conserving measures should be strengthened including solar energy based power.

**QAC Recommendations:** The committee suggested to approach the concerned nodal Govt. agencies to establish a solar power based projects as OU has an abundant physical space to construct such projects. For this purpose, The Director, Office of the Infrastructure, may be directed to initiate the process.

4. **Peer Committee suggestion:** More skill and job oriented courses should be started. New courses such as Architectural Engineering, Environmental Engineering as well as in fine arts, music and painting to reflect the regional culture.

**QAC Recommendations:** Committee thoroughly discussed on this aspect came to the conclusion that more industry oriented courses should be introduced in accordance with the industry needs, skill oriented courses. This includes introduction of new online courses such as MOOCS, SWAYAM etc. In addition to the above mentioned engineering courses. The committee also felt the need of outcome based programmes/ courses.

5. **Peer Committee suggestion:** Number of seats in present courses especially in sciences and engineering faculties should be increased.

**QAC Recommendations:** The committee felt that after recruitment of both teaching and non-teaching the seats can be enhanced to meet the current requirements.

6. **Peer Committee suggestion** Some large faculties like arts and science should be split into smaller faculties for better academic and administrative management.

**QAC Recommendations** The committee has strongly recommended going for school concept that includes the School of Life Sciences, School of Earth Sciences, School of Physical Sciences, School of Management on a priority basis.

7. **Peer Committee suggestion:** Vision document for next 20 years should be planned and implemented.

**QAC Observation:** The vision document for the next 10 years has been prepared and the same is being used as template for future development activities.

8. **Peer Committee suggestion:** Strengthen the collaborative efforts in R & D with higher educational institutions

**QAC Recommendation:** The efforts are been initiated as Osmania University is going for several project applications and MoU are being signed with various organisations in the area of R & D.

9. **Peer Committee suggestion:** IQAC should made pro active:

**QAC Recommendation:** (a) It is proposed to take the self appraisal report from each faculty member. This report includes the research articles, scholar's research work, projects, patents, responsible towards Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR). (b) and to make more proactive, the Director, IQAC can be included as Member of the Standing Committee.

10. **Peer Committee suggestion:** The facilities of ICT enabled smart and interactive class rooms' needs to be further strengthened.

**QAC Recommendation:** The process has already been initiated as the University Data Centre has already commenced & functioning.

11. **Peer committee suggestion:** Adequate funds for maintenance of buildings must be provided.

**QAC Observation:** As rightly pointed out by the NAAC peer committee, necessary process will be initiated by discussing this aspect in appropriate bodies.

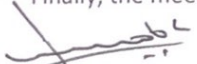
12. **Peer committee suggestion:** Effective online feedback mechanism should be obtained from all stake holders.

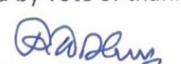
**QAC Recommendation:** The QAC has accepted the peer committee suggestion and requested the IQAC to initiate necessary process to adopt/ obtain the online feedback mechanism from all its stake holders.

13. Furthermore, the QAC also resolved the following

- a. The QAC committee also resolved to recommend introducing of skill based courses/ curriculum to strengthen the both written and oral communication skills of the students.
- b. As suggested by NAAC peer team the University to put all necessary efforts to improve the NIRF ranking from the present state.
- c. IQAC should establish a practice of Academic Audit as laid down by the UGC and same need to be discussed in the appropriate bodies.
- d. To have a green campus, all the college principals should identify the spots to arrange for wet & dry dust bins.

Finally, the meeting concluded by vote of thanks by Dr. C. Srinivasulu, Coordinator, IQAC.

  
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