

ALAGAPPA UNIVERSITY

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INTERNAL QUALITY ASSURANCE CELL (IQAC)

Minutes of the Meeting of the IQAC held on 24th June 2020 at 11 am through video conference

The following attended the Meeting:

- 1. Prof. N. Rajendran, Vice-Chancellor
- 2. Dr. H. Gurumallesh Prabu , Registrar
- 3. Dr. E. Kannapiran, Controller of Examinations i/c
- 4. Mr. S. Karunanithi, Finance Officer
- 5. Dr. C. Sekar, SO (Planning & Development)
- 6. Dr. K.R. Murugan, Dean of Arts
- 7. Dr. M. Senthil, Dean of Management
- 8. Dr. P. Paul Devanesan, Dean of Education
- 9. Dr. G. Ravi, Dean, Industry and Consultancy
- 10. Dr. A. Narayanamoorthy, Dean of Research
- 11. Dr. A. Veera Ravi, Dean i/c, CDC
- 12. Dr. M. Selvam, Syndicate Member, Alagappa University
- 13. Dr. N. Kalaiselvi, Director, CSIR-CECRI, Karaikudi
- 14. Dr. K. Balakrishnan, Chairman, Jan Shikshan Sansthan, Kundrakudi
- 15. Ms. B.C. Muthubharathi, Research Scholar, Dept. of Biotechnology
- 16. Ms. D. Bharathi, Research Scholar, Dept. of Social Work
- 17. Dr. D. Bakkiyaraj, Senior Scientist, Bio Pharma Division, Appasamy Ocular Devices
 Pvt Ltd, Chennai
- 18. Dr. C.V. Madhusudhanan, Practicing Company Secretary in KSR & Co, Company Secretaries LLP, Coimbatore
- Dr. Krishnan Venkateswaran, Chief Scientist, Research & Technology Innovation
 ITC Limited, Life Sciences & Technology Centre, Bengaluru
- 20. Dr. P.M. Murali, Chairman of Jananom Private Ltd., Bengaluru
- Prof. S. Karutha Pandian (Senior Professor & Head, Department of Biotechnology and Dean of Science), Director: IQAC

At the outset, the Chairperson of IQAC and Vice-Chancellor of Alagappa University Prof. N. Rajendran extended a warm welcome to all the Members of the IQAC. The Director, IQAC Prof. S. Karutha Pandian briefed about the activities undertaken by the IQAC during the past 12 months for quality sustenance / enhancement at Alagappa University. Thereafter, each agenda item was taken up for discussion. After a detailed discussion on the agenda, the following resolutions were made.

RESOLUTIONS

- Resolved to appreciate the strenuous efforts made by the NIRF TEAM for the achievement of NIRF ranking 2020.
- 2. Resolved to appreciate the Faculty members who have scored above 60% i.e \geq 216 out of the total score of 360 in the Academic Audit conducted for 2018-19.
- 3. Resolved to request the Faculty members to improve their performance in the areas of development as mentioned in the Evaluative Reports submitted by the Faculty Deans.
- 4. Resolved to upload AQAR 2018-19 through online.

- 5. Resolved that the improvement measures shall be taken as per the Evaluative Reports submitted by the Deans of Faculties on the Student Feedback forms: S1 (Program Course-wise), S2 (teachers), S3 (Overall feedback on program and teaching), S4 (student feed back at the time of exit by the final year students), S5 (Student Feedback on programs), S6 (all aspects), S7 (Student Feed back on Admission, Curriculum, Faculty and happiness), S8 (Curriculum revision) and S9 (Student proforma for Academic Audit).
- 6. Resolved to implement the following suggestive measures given by the Director, Centre for Women Studies on the basis of Gender Audit forms collected from the Staff and students:
 - The main findings of the gender audit shows that gender fairness prevails in Alagappa University in all cadres. However, the University may further promote gender awareness among students in order to enhance gender fair society in its premises.

- It is also found that Alagappa University has adopted an appropriate mechanism for monitoring and evaluating the gender issues.
- It is also noted that the Alagappa University has recognized the strength and potentials of the women staff.
- The University shall take necessary steps in improving the level of interaction with gender machineries and women organizations in Tamil Nadu / India.
- The University may organize more seminars/conferences related to women issues
 and coping strategies and mechanism to overcome those issues.
- The University may adopt necessary strategies for getting adequate placement for women students.
- 7. Resolved to implement the following suggestive measures given by the Coordinator, Environmental Awareness Club on the Environmental Audit Forms collected from the Staff and Students through the Coordinator:
 - In future, the oxygen emission of various matured trees and growing trees in the University premises be measured and carbon emission by vehicles and other means be calculated. Accordingly, suitable measures be taken and made into practice in order to reduce the CO₂ emissions.
 - The General awareness and safety measures in Science Laboratories be further strengthened and periodical training/awareness programmes be conducted for the benefit of the Technical Staff, Research Scholars, PG Students and Teaching Assistants for handling hazardous chemicals.
 - The regulated disposal system for chemicals/solvents/bio-waste be further improved and monitored.
 - The Environmental Awareness Club in coordination with the EDM Section shall monitor the laboratory safety and disposal systems periodically and ensure the following:
 - (i) proper disposal of Chemicals / Hazardous materials.in Science Departments.
 - (ii) all the exhaust systems are connected to the chimneys and reduce the circulation of hazardous gases released from furnace /chemical reactions in the science block premises.

- (iii) Since the drainage pipes in the science laboratories are interconnected and it accumulates toxic liquids which generates the hazardous gases and released from the laboratory sink, the existing drainage pipes be separated or new individual outlet pipe connections for each science laboratories be established to ensure the students safety.
- (iv) Epiphytes be cleared from the trees in the University premises including staff quarters
- 8. Resolved that Student Feedback forms shall be received through online from the Academic Year 2020 2021.
- Based on the valuable inputs/suggestions made by the Members, it was resolved to undertake the following steps/measures for further improving the academic and administrative performance of Alagappa University.
 - Efforts be made to further enhance the modern teaching tools/increase the number of Smart Classrooms.
 - The academia-Industry linkage be further strengthened and Webinars and Interaction Meetings be arranged through the Dean, Industry and Consultancy and Coordinator of ITTC periodically to understand the requirements and expectations of the Industries as well as to involve in joint ventures.
 - Interaction and collaboration be further strengthened with other Universities/institutions from India and abroad.
- Students be encouraged to have Group Discussion on most important/advanced/ recent topics and monitored by faculty for promoting interest in research.
- A Research Advisory Committee (comprising of all the Faculty Members with two
 to three external Experts) shall be formed in all the non-SAP Departments for
 further enhancing the output/quality of research.
- In order to further strengthen the social interaction, the Teachers and Research Scholars may help the neighbouring Schools and Colleges through lecture/demo.
- Transportation facilities be arranged for the conveyance of the Students and Scholars of the Science and Management Campuses to visit the Central Library after the class hours on all working days.

- Incentives/Awards be provided annually to Research Scholars and Faculty SCOPUS/Web of good publications in have made Members Science/SCIE/SSCI journals of repute and filed patents in order to motivate them as well as for emulation by peers. Similarly, Best Teacher Award and Best Library User Award shall also be given every year.
- Green Award be given to those Staff who come to the University by Bicycle.
- NIRF team shall involve and share the parameters with Deans and HoDs before submitting the data.
- 10. Resolved to conduct Criterion wise NAAC Preparedness Workshops/Webinars to the Faculty Members and senior Admin Officers and the Coordinators of the Six Mentee Institutions coming under UGC Paramarsh scheme.
- 11. Resolved to initiate the plan of action for the academic year 2020-2021
- 12. Resolved that as a joint venture, Alagappa University and CECRI may take initiatives to impress upon the Highways Department for having a proper pavement for walkers and bicycle lanes on either side of the road from the Arch of Alagappa University near Faculty of Education to Vallal Alagappar Statue near the AIM.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

Director - IQAC 24 June 20