

INTERNAL QUALITY ASSURANCE CELL

Minutes of the Internal Quality Assurance Meeting (AY 2018 – 2019)

Date / Time: 20 October 2018 / 11.00 AM

Venue: Raman Hall, VIT-AP University, Amaravati.

Members present:

As per enclosed attendance sheet

Agenda

1. Role of IQAC at VIT-AP

2. Preliminary analysis on quality radars on selected parameters

3. Targets set forth for the AY2018 – 2019

4. IQAC calendar for AY 2018 - 2019

Minutes

- 1. The Meeting started with a welcome note and a brief Presentation about the campus activities from Dr. D. Subhakar, Vice Chancellor, VIT-AP University and the Chairperson of VIT-AP-IQAC.
- 2. This was followed by self-introduction by the members of the committee.
- 3. Mr. M. Kalyan Chakravarthi, Coordinator, VIT-AP-IQAC made a brief power point presentation highlighting the status of VIT-AP-IQAC and the responsibilities set. Some of the salient features pointed out in the presentation were:
 - a. Constitution of VIT-IQAC (Annexure 1)
 - b. Responsibilities of VIT IQAC (Annexure 2)
 - c. On the parameters taken up for initial analysis and development of quality.
 - d. Areas identified for improvement
 - i. To increase the number of research papers in journals as against the number of publications in conference proceedings
 - ii. To increase the number of review articles so as to increase the h-index of the University and therefore its visibility
 - iii. To increase the number of extramural projects
- e. Academic and administrative audit parameters (Annexure 3)

After the presentation there was an open discussion. The following are the suggestions / comments from the external members:

- a. Grievance Cell in the campus is can have external experts and academic redressal can be internal.
- b. The h-Index and citation index of the publications is crucial and is important for ranking.
- c. Sabbatical leave can be given to faculty for getting trained in industry. Professors should work in industry for 2 to 3 months in industries.
- d. MOOC's for faculty to be included in performance Evaluation.
- e. Campus development activities or challenges can be given to students (crowd sourcing). This can also in turn trigger many ideas and lead to incubation.
- f. Learning basic concepts by the students need to be strengthened
- g. The paperless campus concept was appreciated.
- h. Has encouraged for creation of centers of excellence.
- i. Develop the culture in students to take up the competitive examinations
- j. Has suggested for improving government and private funded extramural projects and consultancy projects.
- k. The students are expected to have an environment for starting up their own venture companies in the campus.
- 1. The online coding examinations and their evaluation software are to be changed. Skill rack to be implemented.

Vice Chancellor commended the suggestions from the experts and informed that a mechanism is already in place to overcome some of the issues raised by the external members:

- a. The TBI is being created in the VIT-AP campus and will target the Consultancy, Incubation and Extramural Projects.
- b. In order to strengthen the fundamental concepts, open book examination has been introduced. Also the comprehensive examination that is conducted for the students, tests the basics in the core courses.
- c. Centers of Robotics and center for Artificial intelligence is in the pipeline and process is already laid for their establishment.
- d. MOOC's may be included in performance evaluation of the entire faculty.
- e. The online coding examinations and their evaluation software used was module called E-BOX. Now V-Propel, software designed by VIT, Chennai, shall be implemented for evaluation the coding based exams.

The following are the decisions taken:

a. To provide quantitative information for discussion during the next IQAC meeting b. To come up with quantitative quality parameters at various levels and for bench marking.

The following are the targets put forth for the academic year 2018 - 2019:

• Create the space for IQAC on Website.

- Creating provisions for data availability on VTOP, a data management system.
- · Making the repository of the processes in the university.
- Conduction of File audits and monitoring the Stock Audits.

[8] The IQAC calendar for the AY 2018 – 2019

Convening First IQAC meet on 20th of october'18 for Quarter 1.

- Deficiencies to be listed based on ATR of First IQAC meet and fulfilled throughout the Academic Year.
- Internal Auditing of labs and course files of Fall18-19 during 24th Nov'18- Second week of Dec'18

• Convening Second IQAC meet in March'19 for Quarter 2.

• Continuous assessment of Examination outcomes and University Goals set to different Coordinators.

• Convening Third IQAC meet in May'19 for Quarter 3.

• Internal Auditing of labs and course files of Winter 18-19 Before Summer Vacation.

• Convening Fourth IQAC meet in August'19 for Quarter 4.

• Submission of First AQAR to NAAC in the month of September'19.

Dr. D. Subhakar

Chair Person (VIT-AP, IQAC) & Vice Chancellor (VIT-AP)

