

MINUTES OF THE SECOND MEETING OF THE IQAC

(A. Y. 2021-22)

Date: 02.07.2021 Time: 4.00 P.M.

The second meeting of the Internal Quality Assurance Cell was conducted on 2^{nd} July, 2021 and the following members were present for the meeting:

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| 1 | Dr. S. V. Kota Reddy, Vice Chancellor, VIT-AP |
| 2 | Dr. Sekar Viswanathan Vice President- VIT- AP |
| 3 | Dr. C. L. V. Siva Kumar, Registrar |
| 4 | Prof. K. M. Mehata, Director -SPORIC |
| 5 | Dr. Jagadish Chandra M, Dean Academics |
| 6 | Dr. Ravindra Dhuli, Dean – Academic Research |
| 7 | Dr. P. S. Rama Sreekanth, Coordinator, Admin VC |
| 8 | Dr. N. Madhusudhana Rao (SAS) - Professor |
| 9 | Dr. Saroj Kumar Panigrahy (SCOPE) - Associate professor |
| 10 | Dr. A. V. V. S. Subbha Lakshmi (VSB) - Assistant Professor |
| 11 | Prof. L. Suganthi, -Society Member |
| 12 | Mr. Arbinndo Sinha-Student |
| 13 | Mr. Aditya Kathal -Student |
| 14 | Ms. Tummala Alekhya – Student |
| 15 | Mr. Krishna Elavarasu, Director (Engg), Dell International |
| 16 | Mr. Amresh Kumar, Senior Engineering Manager, HPE |
| 17 | Dr. Chandu DS – Coordinator IQAC |

The following members were absent in the meeting

- 1. Dr. K. T. Rangamani Administrative Official
- 2. Mr. Haribabu Parent Member

The coordinator of IQAC, presented the Agenda points. The committee members have suggested the following points after the presentation from the IQAC coordinator:

- The meeting started on a welcome note by Vice Chancellor, Dr. S. V. Kota Reddy followed
 by a presidential address by Dr. Sekar Viswanathan. The Vice President has emphasised
 that the IQAC is just not for the purpose of NAAC and it is for the overall quality assurance
 of the University in terms of academics and research.
- 2. Teaching practices in the University: Prof. L. Suganthi, has highlighted the importance of correlation between teaching and research work. She suggested that effective teaching practices can be achieved with high quality research culture in the University.
- Entrepreneurship: The members of IQAC suggested that entrepreneurship should be the Key quality parameter for the University and felt that the students must be trained to behave as corporates.
- 4. Academia-Industry Relations: Mr. Krishnan Elavarasu, shared his experiences about quality circle in the industry and expressed that the patents in the University should be published with an industrial view. In this regard, Mr. Krishnan said that he is willing to extend his support to the University for patent publication.
- 5. Balance between teaching and non-teaching skills: Mr. Amresh, has appreciated the quality maintenance at VIT-AP in terms of student placements and academic publications. He suggested that the students should have a right balance between technical and non-technical skills. For this purpose, he opined that the soft skills of a student should be nurtured

Other points for discussion:

- Prof. Rama Sreekanth shared his experiences about the "FIRE" program at IIT Delhi and suggested that practices like Entrepreneurship sabbatical can improve the selfdevelopment, innovation and foster collaborations. It was acknowledged that the current TBI cell is working towards this goal.
- Prof. K. M. Mehata has suggested that the interaction with academia and industry should be the main measurable outcome of quality in terms of internships, patents and start-ups.

3. Student members expressed their satisfaction with the existing system. Mr. Aditya suggested that students should be a part of the sponsored projects and patents. It was acknowledged that the University is encouraging the student participation in entrepreneurship, innovation and incubation and sponsored projects.

The conclusions of the meeting and proposed action plan for the academic year (2021-22) is as follows:

It is decided to conduct periodic discussions on individual NAAC criteria's and focus on the shortcomings of specific criteria.

- Discussion with Criteria coordinators on enhancing Key Indicators
- 2. It is planned to conduct Academic Audits in the 1st quarter and arrange IQAC seminars for effective teaching learning process,
- 3. It is decided to collect periodic feedback from stakeholders and teachers for overall quality monitoring and improvement.
- 4. The committee members have opined to maximize the incubation and entrepreneurship and it is decided to strengthen the support for incubation and entrepreneurship activities.
- 5. It is planned to conduct 'Alumni Meet' in the 3rd quarter and decided to register Alumni Association.

IQAC Coordinator informed that the next quarter meeting would be held on October, 2021. The meeting ended with a formal vote of thanks from the Registrar, Dr. C. L. V. Sivakumar.

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