

MINUTES OF IQAC. 24.11.23

Today's session aims to address three important topics.

1. Confirmation of the proceedings.
2. Post submission of AQAR
3. Other matters that may organically arise.

Prior to this, most IQAC meetings were conducted online, with the exception of a few internal committee meetings. However, this being the final meeting to be presided over by the present Co-ordinator, the committee unanimously decided to have an offline session in the Principal's Office. To start with, the Co-ordinator read out last meeting's resolution the plans of action adopted in the last meeting were disseminated among members after which Professor Sandeep Banerjee addressed a discussion on the action pathways. He informed that the AQAR was submitted on 3rd of November and accepted on 14th of November 2023. He also informed that the entire result data would be successfully uploaded for both UG and PG sections. Prof. Tanay Naskar was requested to tend to the final uploading of AQAR. Prof. Debabrata Lahiri raised a question whether the complete information regarding the college website is available or not. It finally came to light that each year's data is accessible at the click of a link. Only except the 2021-22 data. The Prospectus, the Academic calendar and the minutes of meetings are available only for the current academic year and not the years before. Even the Government orders are not readily available, which was a point of concern among members. They agreed that these issues need immediate redressal. The Principal concurred on this matter and informed about a space-constraint issue in the website. He was hopeful that a new contract in signing from 2024 would resolve the situation and that the Principal himself would look after that. Professor Sandeep Banerjee informed about certain unfilled columns in the AQAR tabulation. It was understood that vertical upgradation is imperative for the enhancement of college's grades. There was a general consensus around the fact that more seminars, doctoral programs and projects need to be brought in to achieve the desired upgradation. It was noted that the number of publications has drastically reduced. This reduction was especially visible in the case of core listed publications. Naturally a question arose as a consequence what initiative could be taken to improve the research project culture? In this matter insights were sought from the research committee and the Principal was accepted to furnish relevant data.

Sandeep Banerjee suggested all the important committees of the college to produce at least single pager annual reports to the IQAC, in the absence of which it was difficult to satisfactorily contact the committee's operation. This expectation was inline with the emerging of digitised repository. Of flourish in the sector of core listed journals would have significant positive correlation with not just promotional aspect of things but also in the improvement of the colleges perception before the visiting NAAC teams. The practical challenges for the said implementation were touched upon by the Principal. Professor Atanu suggested the professors of library and information science department to host some workshops and panel discussions on 'Recent trends on Artificial Intelligence.'

Finally some financial challenges were discussed. The Principal informed that the governments allocated funds were mostly inaccessible to the college. He also informed that a tender was released on 2nd of November 23, however exact information on the commitment of the work was not furnished to the Principal and no proposal was submitted by the PWD either.

