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Minutes of the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) meeting held on 08.02.2021 , 11.00 am through online.

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Members present:

1. The Pro Chancellor, JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research, Mysuru.
2. The Vice Chancellor, JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research, Mysuru.
3. Dr. Pratosh Bansal, Professor, Department of Information Technology, Institute of Engineering & Technology, Devi Ahilya Vishwavidyalaya, Khandwa Road, Indore, MP, India.
4. The Controller of Examinations, JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research, Mysuru.
5. The Director (Academics), JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research, Mysuru.
6. The Director (Research), JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research, Mysuru.
7. The Director, JSS Hospital, Mysuru.
8. The Dy. Registrar (Sr. Grade), JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research, Mysuru
9. The Dy. Director (BQS), JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research, Mysuru
10. The Dy. Director (Authorities), JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research, Mysuru.
11. The Dy. Director (Academics), JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research, Mysuru.
12. The Coordinator (IQAC), JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research, Mysuru.
13. The Asst. Director (Academics), JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research, Mysuru.
14. The Associate Director (Research), JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research, Mysuru
15. The Principal, JSS Medical College, Mysuru.
16. The Principal, JSS Dental College & Hospital, Mysuru.
17. The Principal, JSS College of Pharmacy, Mysuru.
18. The Principal, JSS College of Pharmacy, Ooty.
19. The Head, Dept. of Water & Health (FLS), JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research, Mysuru.
20. The Coordinator, Dept. of Health System Management Studies, JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research, Mysuru.
21. Dr. M N Suma, Vice Principal, JSS Medical College, Mysuru.
22. Dr. Deepa Bhat, Associate Professor, Dept. of Anatomy, JSS Medical college, Mysuru.
23. Dr. Sunil Kumar. D, Associate Professor, Dept. of Community Medicine, JSS Medical college, Mysuru.

24. Dr. Vijaya Vagheesh Y, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Physiology, JSS Medical College, Mysuru.
25. Dr. Kuldeep. G. B, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Hospital Administration, JSS Medical College, Mysuru.
26. Dr. B. R. Chandrashekhar, Professor & Head, Dept. of Public Health Dentistry, JSS Dental College & Hospital, Mysuru.
27. Dr. Bhagyalakshmi A, Reader, Dept. of Orthodontics, JSS Dental College & Hospital, Mysuru.
28. Dr. Premalatha B R, Reader, Dept. of Oral Pathology, JSS Dental College & Hospital, Mysuru.
29. Dr. P. K. Kulkarni, Vice Principal, JSS College of Pharmacy, Mysuru.
30. Mrs. Shilpa Palaksha, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Pharmacy Practice, JSS College of Pharmacy, Mysuru.
31. Mrs. A. M. Mahalakshmi, Lecturer, Dept. of Pharmacology, JSS College of Pharmacy, Mysuru.
32. Dr. K. P. Arun, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Pharmacy Practice, JSS College of Pharmacy, Ooty.
33. Dr. Ashish Wadhvani, Assistant Professor & Head, Dept. of Pharmaceutical Biotechnology, JSS College of Pharmacy, Ooty.
34. Dr. Jeyaprakash M.R, Lecturer, Dept. of Pharmaceutical Analysis, JSS College of Pharmacy, Ooty.
35. Dr. Chandan. S, Assistant Professor, Division of Biotechnology, Dept. of Water & Health (FLS), JSS AHER, Mysuru.
36. Dr. Kiran Kumar M N, Assistant Professor, Division of Bioinformatics and Biotechnology, Dept. of Water & Health (FLS), JSS AHER, Mysuru.
37. Mr. Roshan K. Tiwari, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Health System Management Studies, JSS AHER, Mysuru.
38. Mr. Aarya Peethbaran, V Term MBBS, JSS Medical College, Mysuru.
39. Ms. Sauparna Dey, III Term MBBS, JSS Medical College, Mysuru.

Members who have sought leave of absence:

1. Dr. Shimpa Sharma, Pro-Vice-Chancellor, D.Y.Patil Medical College, kasaba Bawada, Line Bazar, Kolhapur, Maharashtra – 416006.
2. Dr. Yogisha. S, Msc, Ph. D, Director & Founder, Skanda Life Sciences Private Limited, Sri Shaila Bramara Complex, Sy.NO. 47, #10-12, Srigandada Kaval, Nagarabhavi, Banaglore - 560091.

3. Dr. S. M. Mudda, Director- Global Strategy (Technical), MICRO LABS LTD, 27, Racecourse Road, Bangalore-560 001.
4. Ms. Chandana H, PG Student Dept. of Community Medicine, JSS Medical College, Mysuru.

Vice Chancellor welcomed the members and requested Hon'ble Pro Chancellor to give the opening remarks. Pro Chancellor outlined the path of the university and the involvement and support required from constituent colleges and university departments of JSS HAER to achieve the ambitious goals and highlighted the advice given by board of management to study the National Education Policy and its impact on education.

Dr. Prashant, IQAC Coordinator thanked the Pro Chancellor for his valuable inputs. He extended a warm welcome to all the members for the 20th IQAC meeting of JSS AHER and the external member, Dr. Pratosh Bansal, Professor, Department of Information Technology, Institute of Engineering & Technology, Devi Ahilya Vishwavidyalaya, Khandwa Road, Indore, MP, India.

AGENDA NO. 20.1:

To confirm the minutes of the 19th meeting of IQAC held on 04.04.2020.

The members confirmed the minutes of the 19th meeting of IQAC held on 4th April 2020 at 11.00 am through online mode.

AGENDA NO. 20.2:

To consider and approve the Action Taken Report (ATR) on the decisions taken in the previous meeting of the IQAC.

The following are the notable resolutions and actions taken which are highlighted for the approval of the Cell:

- The JSS AHER has published more than 1000 publications in the year 2020 out of which almost 600 publications are indexed in Scopus.
- A Virtual Colloquium on "Health Science Education: Differentiating Factors during the Pandemic Crisis" was conducted on the 7th & 8th August 2020 in which more than 584 delegates and 20 Resource faculty from 4 countries participated.

- The JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research has received the ACPE certification for the Pharm. D program for a period of 6 years valid till 30th June 2026.

AGENDA NO. 20.3:

To consider the Annual Quality Assurance Report (AQAR) for the academic year 2019-20.

The Annual Quality Assurance Report (AQAR) 2019-2020 has been prepared as per the revised formats of NAAC and is placed before the members for approval. The data received from Constituent Colleges and University Departments has been compiled and the draft is submitted for kind inputs.

Dr. Prashant briefed about the final draft of AQAR wherein there are two parts. Part A consists of the Institutional information as well as information about the IQAC. Part B consist of 7 criteria of NAAC. They are mentioned below:

1. Criteria 1: Curricular Aspects
2. Criteria 2: Teaching – Learning
3. Criteria 3: Research, Innovation & Extension.
4. Criteria 4: Infrastructure and Learning Resources.
5. Criteria 5: Student Support and Progression.
6. Criteria 6: Governance, Leadership and Management.
7. Criteria 7: Institutional values and Best practices.

There are major changes in the previous format to the present format of the AQAR. Earlier all the data had to be submitted online but now for self-study report, only part of the information needs to be filled and the excel needs to be uploaded into the portal.

The following discussions took place with regards to the various criteria in the AQAR

Dr. Prashant V mentioned that one of the major achievements of the IQAC was receiving the funding amount of Rs.23,58,000 from the UGC under the UGC Paramarsh scheme. The key feature of the Paramarsh scheme is that the institutions that have been accredited with higher grade of A+ and A++ can mentor 5 institutions for NAAC Accreditation. Out of 164 institutions across the country we are also one among such institutions recognized under the Paramarsh scheme.

The progress made under the Paramarsh scheme is being presented as a separate agenda.

Dr. Prashanth S briefed about the incubation and startups.

- Industry Academia partnerships where MoU's will be signed with startups from JSS ATE, Noida, seeking consultancy. Currently there are 9 techno commercial projects out of which 3 will be taken up in phase 1 of the first quarter of 2021.
- Pre incubation facilities will be extended to the in-house innovations and 9 of such viable concepts is being supported for future developments.

Revenue generated from Corporate Training by the institution: During the lockdown period virtual training for entrepreneurship pan Karnataka was done through Sparkle Cine and from TECSOK wherein we had received consultancy fees.

Dr. Prashant V requested the constituent colleges/ university departments to increase the number of extension activities for the year 2020-21 which decreased due to COVID as this will have an impact on the awards and recognition criteria.

Dr. Basavanagowdappa, Principal, JSS Medical College stated that the Smaran project and the comprehensive report involving the Medical Education Unit has been prepared with regards to the COVID_19 related activities which can be considered under the extension activities for the JSS Medical College. Similarly, COVID prevention knowledge delivery was done through webinars and public education programs.

Dr. Prashant V stated that we have MoU's with Institutions of National, International repute along with other industries, corporate houses and as on date the JSS AHER has over 100 MOU's.

It was suggested to increase the number of programs for career guidance and competitive examinations for the Medical and Dental Colleges. The Pharmacy college has partnered with ARIVU agency which conducts regular programs on career counseling and competitive examinations.

Faculty Empowerment Strategies: Many of the international conferences have reduced the fees and the online conferences cost less than the regular ones. The university can consider the attendance of such online conferences. Faculty can be provided with the membership fee for professional bodies like IDA, IMA, and their association bodies. Any new faculty can be supported with fees for the membership for the professional bodies.

Dr. Jeyprakash stated regarding the formation of parent's teacher association and there was a discussion on the engagement of parents with various activities of the institution.

Vice Chancellor stated that the vision of digital technology can be implemented which will bring a lot of speed, efficiency, and economic utilization of all resources at our disposal.

Dr. Prashant V stated that the SSR (Self Study Report) contains information for 5 years and NAAC may verify the AQAR data with the SSR and hence the AQAR report must be considered seriously.

The Vice Chancellor suggested that the data be circulated to constituent colleges and university departments to identify the gaps in the data provided and ensure that consistency is maintained in the data being submitted.

AGENDA NO.20.4:

To consider the Subscription of the Elsevier Products SciVal, Digital Commons and Funding Institutional form JSS AHER.

The JSS AHER has from the year 2021 subscribed to 3 major products of the Elsevier apart from the subscription of Scopus which was existing from the year 2015.

Dr. Prashant V requested Mr. Vijay Reddy from Elsevier to give a brief explanation about the products.

Dr. Vijay Reddy briefed about the 3 products, which helps in strengthening the research at the university and other constituent colleges of JSS AHER.

SciVal: It is basically the analytical tool of the data from Scopus where metrics evaluates the performances. The aim is to gain the performance of the university compared to other universities.

Digital Commons: It is a best in class and hosted solution to openly publish, manage, and showcase the spectrum of the university research and scholarship which means not only the journals, articles or conference papers but also many other activities from the university which can be show cased as our strength to the world and it will be contribute positively towards the academic reputation, which will help in attracting more citation.

Funding Institutional: It aims towards increase in grant success, improve funding and to take decision where it can improve the inflow of the grants to the university. Sponsored research is one of the head which give weightage in all the ranking body like NIRF.

Dr. Shubrah stated that the 3 products will help JSS AHER with lot of insight to make good research and informed discussion on strength to build up the areas to work on including the funding areas.

Dr. Vijay Reddy briefed about the 3 products by presentation.

The Pro Chancellor stated that the 3 products that are brought by the institution are for strengthening the capability of the research. With these products we can do directed research and position ourselves with regards to increase in citations and h index. It will also be useful to enhance our collaborations, especially the international collaborations which will also help in increasing the citations from the institutions. The researchers would be able to look through other researchers in the same field which will assist in collaborations which will help the researchers grow in their respective fields and move forward with greater vision. This will help the university to strengthen internally and externally.

AGENDA NO. 20.5:

To consider the progress by the IQAC through the UGC Paramarsh Scheme for the mentoring of 5 institutions for NAAC Assessment and Accreditation.

The JSS AHER has been recognized as a mentor for 5 institutions under the UGC Paramarsh Scheme for which a Grant of ₹23,57,000/- has been sanctioned by the UGC. The JSS AHER has additionally mentored the JSS College of Physiotherapy, Mysuru for the NAAC Assessment and Accreditation Process. The progress made is given below for the information of the cell.

The four institutions of JSS ATE, Noida, JSS ATE Bengaluru, JSS Ayurveda Medical College and JSS College of Nursing, Mysuru would be submitting the SSR by the 31st of March 2021. The JSS STU would be submitting their SSR by the 31st of May 2021. The matter is placed for the kind information of the members.

5 institutions for NAAC Assessment and Accreditation.

Sl. No	Name of the Institution	No. of Orientation Programs/Workshops conducted	No. of Reviews of Draft SSR
01	JSS Academy of Technical Education, Bengaluru	02	02
02	JSS College of Physiotherapy, Mysuru	05	03
03	JSS Academy of Technical Education, Noida	03	01
04	JSS College of Nursing, Mysuru	03	01
05	JSS College of Ayurveda	03	01
06	JSS Science and Technology University, Mysuru	01	Nil

AGENDA NO. 20.6:

To consider the QS World University Ranking -Regional Asia Ranking 2021.

The QS World University Rankings -Regional Asia Ranking 2021 result were announced on 25.11.2020. JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research moved to rank band 291-300 from the rank band of 351-400 in the QS World University Rankings Regional Asia Ranking 2020. At 98th rank in Asia (Regionally top 100), the Faculty Student indicator is the strength to JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research.

The JSS Academy of Higher Education is ranked 1st in Papers per Faculty, 1st in Staff with Ph.D., 14th in Citations per Paper and 19th in Faculty Students in India and the matter is placed before the IQAC for information.

Dr. Nilani stated that QS Ranking have initiated the employer survey for which a minimum score of 40% is required for the world university ranking. The link for the survey will be shared to every officer of constituent colleges and university departing for voting.

AGENDA 20.7:

To consider the Key thrust areas of IQAC for the year 2021.

The IQAC has developed the key thrust areas for the year 2021 which are:

1. **Facilitating the alignment of the institution towards implementation of the National Education Policy 2020** – The IQAC will constitute a committee consisting of external experts and internal members to oversee the institutional alignment for the implementation of the National Education Policy 2020 and steps required to ensure a smooth transition for the adoption and implementation of the measures as described in the NEP 2020.

The vice chancellor stated the implementation of key for the year 2020-30 will be prioritized and implemented in a phased manner. The comments will be invited from the constituent college and university departments to adapt the various components of NEP 2020.

2. **Technology Driven University** – The IQAC shall take lead in implementation of technology driven initiatives across various facets and functioning of the University. Some of the key initiative we have taken is optimize the utilization of JSSU online.
3. **Thrust on the Innovations and Inventions** – The IQAC shall strive for making the year 2021 as the year of innovations and inventions by promoting the culture for innovations through a series of workshops and seminars and delivering tangible outcomes in collaboration with CINE SPARKLE


Through a series of seminars and workshops, the Cine Sparkle will drive the thrust for the innovations and inventions.

Dr. Manjunath, Registrar suggested that the work of the hospital should also be included as part of the university.

Mr. Sauparna Dey, VII term MBBS student spoke about the student's perspective.

- He requested adequate training and orientation to National Exit Test (NEXT) which has been informed by the National Medical Commission
- He also requested for assistance for clerkships and field trainings to facilitate students to prepare for the USMLE.

Dr. Prashant Vishwanath, IQAC Coordinator proposed vote of thanks.


CHAIRMAN 19/3/2021