

**Directorate of Internal Quality Assurance (DIQA)
GOA UNIVERSITY**

Minutes of the DIQA Advisory Committee Meeting

A meeting of the Advisory Committee of Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) / DIQA was held under the Chairmanship of the Vice-Chancellor on 30/08/2023 at 3.30 p.m. in the Council Hall, Administrative Block, Goa University.

Following members attended this meeting:

1. Vice Chancellor, Chairperson
 2. Registrar
 3. Finance Officer
 4. Head, Computer Centre
 5. Prof. Kaustubh Priolkar, Director-DDLI
 6. Prof. Jyoti Pawar, Director- DUBA
 7. Prof. Rajendra Gad, Director, DRDRM
 8. Dr. Rupesh Patre, Director, DSPAR
 9. Shri Ramrao Wagh, President, Goa University Teachers Association
 10. Prof. Sunder N. Dhuri, Director-IQAC, Member Secretary
- Other members could not attend the meeting due to their prior commitments.

Vice-Chancellor/Chairperson welcomed the members and thereafter requested the Member Secretary to take up the agenda of the meeting.

Agenda 1: Confirmation of the Minutes of the DIQA/IQAC meeting held on 25th May, 2023.

Member Secretary informed that the minutes of the meeting held on 25th May, 2023 were approved by Chairperson and then circulated to the committee Members. Prof. Gad mentioned that with reference to the agenda number 3, the RIF points should not go beyond 10 for UGC Care list journals as per the RIF circular and hence suggested to incorporate the correction in minutes instead of 25 points. Chairperson informed that any amendments in RIF scheme requires the approval of Executive Council and hence he requested Director-RDRM submit a proposal. Prof. Gad pointed out that w.r.t to agenda 4, the Dir-RDRM is taking initiative of the transdisciplinary work of the Shenoji Goembab School of Languages & Literature, as instructed by Hon. VC. He mentioned that in AOB there was discussion on the status of Bench marks of NAAC Criteria which needs to be assessed for last two years and better to be known to committee so that proper planning could be done. He suggested to add this point

added in the minutes. Chairperson instructed to make the necessary corrections suggested by the final minutes. Committee authorised Hon. VC to approve minutes and processed further.

Action: DIQA

Agenda 2: Discussion on Skill Based Courses.

Chairperson explained the aspect of the skill-based courses and the idea behind implementation of the application of the skilled based courses. Chairperson informed the members that based on the prevailing employment conditions it is necessary to include such courses so that the students are able to face the challenges in their careers. He further explained that the subject of maths can be included in all Science Programmes, in order to prepare the students for competitive exams and logical thinking. The maths subject should be popularised through Extramural studies.

Chairperson requested Director, DSPAR, Dr. Rupesh Patre to brief on the initiatives taken in coaching of the students for IAS and whether any courses can be included which can be helpful. In this regard it was informed to the Committee that two resource persons will visit in October to carry out the activities in this direction. Chairman instructed the DSPAR office to chalk the appropriate plan of conducting the coaching for students for UPSC civil service examination.

Action: DSPAR/DEMS

Agenda 3: Briefing on the Report of a Committee formed by MoE on Transformative Reforms

Member Secretary informed that the Ministry of Education had constituted a committee to look into the Transformative reforms in accreditation and ranking processes. He informed that the above committee has submitted the report and it is in public domain. He mentioned that 60-page report on the Transformative Reforms covers various aspects of accreditation and likely to be implemented from January, 2024. The said report was presented to the members for information. He mentioned that the transformative reforms include proper implementation of NEP-2020 and the methodology will be based on input, process, output and impact analysis. It was mentioned that that there would be major change in the current system and the reforms hints on one nation one data initiative. Chairman informed that with regards to these reforms the University has implemented NEP-2020 at UG and PG level and many other are strengthened. Dir-UBA mentioned that several Green initiative activities are conducted and some are in pipeline.

Action: DIQA

Agenda 4: Reporting of NIRF/India Today Ranking for 2023

The Member Secretary presented the reports of NIRF/India Today ranking. He mentioned that the University has retained its rank of 101-150 in the 7th edition of NIRF. Chairperson compared the points with the other Universities and suggested that efforts should be taken to improve the rank. Member Secretary informed that this year final Score is 37.99 which has improved from last year score of 37.12. University has improved its score in TLR and RPC in this compared to last year. Chairperson invited suggestions from the members for further improvements of NIRF ranking.

Director, DDLI suggested that more enrolment of students for various programmes is required at University as the student's strength is not that good. He suggested that inclusion of UG Programmes would be helpful in this regard. Further, it was also suggested that at least 80% faculty should have PhD to get better scores in Teaching, learning & resources category. Chairperson informed that more weightage is for TLR, RPC and GO, categories and he stressed upon improvements in these criteria.

Further it was informed that EC has suggested not to go for India Today / The Week Survey ranking from this year onwards. Member Secretary mentioned all the top HEIs participates in these rankings and their methodology is quite impressive and robust. These agencies present the final results in professional manner like other rankings and covers large amount of data on TLR. Such has rankings has been helpful for improvement of perception of the HEIs at National level and they do not charge any fees. Member secretary requested Hon. VC to consider the future participation in above rankings and not to discontinue the participation. He promised that with the help of in house IQAC staff, India Today and The Week Survey data will be submitted and no appointment of consultant would be required. The matter was deliberated by the committee and other members supported the participation in India Today and the Week Survey. Committee then agreed for the participation using in house man power resources. Hon. Vice-Chancellor suggested the Member Secretary to put up the matter for EC approval.

Action: DIQA

Agenda 5: Setting up a dedicated Moodle or similar Learning Management Systems server with adequate infrastructure for use of all faculty members to connect to students.

Prof Ramrao Wagh mentioned that there are lot of online lectures / activities are happening on Google meet, however, he pointed out that Google Meet is not a good platform for such activities. He suggested, in order host online course / lectures/ modules a dedicated Moodle or any other platform may be made available so as to reach out to more students on dedicated portal. Director, DDLI also supported this idea to use Moodle and where University can provide the You Tube lecture links there. Member Secretary agreed with suggestion as it is important for NAAC and NIRF ranking that students take the

online courses on internal LMS or SWAYAM or any AC approved platforms.. HOCC informed that in the new infrastructure, their office will work out to accommodate Moodle / other such platforms.

Action: DDLI/Computer Centre

AOB with permission of Chair

Waste Management: Prof. Gad suggested to generate the infrastructure towards green energy initiatives under category of solid waste management in Criteria 7 of NAAC. This facility will generate biofuel for running the canteen/hostels from the solid/wet waste generated from residential quarters, canteens and various biomasses. Committee deliberated and approved to install a 100 kg /day capacity solid waste unit on campus for generation of biofuel.

The meeting ended with thanks to all.

Prof. S. N. Dhuri
IQAC, Coordinator & Member Secretary

Prof. H.B. Menon
Chairperson & Vice Chancellor

Action taken on the items discussed in meeting held on 23rd May, 2023

Item	Action taken
1. Training programme for new teachers without PhD	FDP conducted by DRDRM in collaboration with UGC-HRD, Goa University from 03.07.2023 to 08.07.2023
2. Augmenting cash flow to University	Faculty are encouraged to take up research projects
3. Transdisciplinary research	Project with NCPOR is initiated by SGSSL coordinated by DRDRM
4. Annual report data collection	Annual Report Committee will coordinate DIQA office
5. Social Media Strategy for the University	The process of hiring services of agency is initiated by AR-PR in consultation of DIQA
6. Conference on Artificial Intelligence	Conference is proposed by GBS
7. Smart & Green Bus stand for the students and staff at the university	Estate division will work out the plan
8. Alumni Meet & opportunities	Alumni meet is planned in 23 rd Dec. 2023
9. IQAC calendar for AY 2023-24	IQAC workshop conducted on 11/10/2023
10. Proposed format and structure of Dissertation/Internship/ Fieldwork report (for PG programmes) in NEP 2020.	Approved in AC held on 13/10/2023
AOB: Bench mark assessment and current stand of last two years	IQAC has started working on the evaluation on bench marks.