

Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC)

Minutes of Meeting

19th July 2019

Minutes of the IQAC meeting held on 19th July 2019

President of the meeting welcomed the members and requested them to suggest one quality initiative to be implemented during the following year.

It was suggested to give select topics to the students as assignments at the end of every class to encourage self-directed learning.

The committee observed that there was a need to address some of the important topics that need to be stressed and suggested their inclusion in the foundation course for the new batch of medical students. These topics can also be considered for capability enhancement programs to the other students, interna and postgraduate students.

The topics of relevance were

- 1) Ethics and Professionalism
- 2) Group dynamics
- 3) Communication skills
- 4) Documentation Maintaining accurate medical records
- 5) Research methodology

The committee acknowledged the need to train the students for competitive examinations and job placement as a value addition to the existing good quality education in our institution. Committee suggested mobilizing the existing infrastructure to conduct mock entrance exam for the subsequent batch of prospective PG students. The committee was informed that multiple choice questions have to be provided by each department for the mock exam.

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The committee appreciated the persistent effort of the Principal and the coordinator for integrated teaching for giving concrete shape to it addressing felt needs of the students. They reiterated that the same needs to be replicated to the students of other years.

The committee reviewed the progress made with respect to some of the suggestions given in the previous meeting.

The committee was informed about the efforts of Medical Education Unit to start short term certificate course in association with UIC, Chicago in different aspects of Medical education, like teaching-learning, assessment, innovative techniques and educational research. Committee felt the need to encourage other departments to look at the options of starting such courses and come-up with concrete proposals.

Committee expressed reservations about limited use of library resources. It was suggested to devise methods to capture the utilization of resources through remote access and the use of departmental library as number of footfalls in the central library may not be true indicator of usage.

Committee suggested that the faculty members should be encouraged to create e-learning resources and make extensive use of e-learning platform and content available. The committee suggested augmenting Wi-Fi facilities in college, hostels and hospital with dedicated broad band connections to improve the accessibility of e-content.

The committee suggested fixing the day for the meeting as it will be easy to plan for the other activities. It was proposed to have the quarterly meeting on first Saturday of each quarter failing which, it can be conducted on the second Saturday of that month.

The institution has an active international student cell. The committee felt that the students should be kept informed about the same for them to explore and make use of student exchange programs. Further, it was expressed that the students and faculty members should be made aware of the different grievance redressal committees functioning in the institution for their welfare.

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The committee suggested creating a strong Alumni data base by interacting with local/regional Ramaiah alumni associations existing all over the world. A strong bondage with the Alumni is mutually beneficial.

The committee appreciated the encouragement given by the institution for the co-curricular and extra-curricular activities of the students. They acknowledged the excellent performance of the students in different sports and cultural events.

The committee opined that the Vision and Mission of the institution should be made known to all the stakeholders by displaying the same in each of the department and prominent places in the institution.

President thanked the members for their active participation.

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