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Minutes of the 16th Meeting of the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC)

The Sixteen meeting of the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) was held on September 11, 2024, at 02:30 pm in the Senate Room, Academic Block AC-1, of NIIT University, Neemrana.

The following members were present in the meeting:

1. Prof. Prakash Gopalan	-	Chairperson
2. Prof. Vandana Suhag	-	Director, IQAC
3. Prof. Parimal Mandke	-	Member
4. Dr. Shivendra Mathur	-	Member
5. Maj Gen A. K. Singh	-	Member
6. Dr. Ganapathirao Maradana	-	Member
7. Dr. Ratika Kaushik	-	Member
8. Dr. Ritu Dangwal	-	Coordinator, IQAC
9. Mr. Shail Deen	-	Data Analyst
10. Dr. Vinay Kumar Kainthola	-	Invitee
11. Dr. Utkarsh Raj	-	Invitee
12. Dr. Dr. Ajay Kumar Singh	-	Invitee
13. Mr. Gurwinder Singh Mann	-	Invitee
14. Dr. Ratna Sanyal	-	Invitee
15. Dr. Gautam More	-	Invitee
16. Dr. Arghya Guchhait	-	Invitee
17. Dr. Mani Madhukar	-	External Member
18. Ms. Rainy Varshney	-	Student Member
19. Mr. Somya Ranjan Swain	-	Student Member

The following members were absent in the meeting:

1. Dr. Achintya Roy	-	Member
2. Dr. Mamta Pankaj Jain	-	Member
3. Mr. Raj Singh Chauhan	-	External Member
4. Mr. Harsh Vinayak	-	External Member
5. Mrs. Aarati Srivastava	-	External Member
6. Prof. Bishwajit Kundu	-	External Member
7. Mr. Ronald Tony	-	Alumni Member
8. Ms. Tanu Agarwal	-	Alumni Member



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Prof. Prakash Gopalan, Chairperson IQAC welcomed all the members present at the 16th meeting of the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) and invited input on the action taken report from the 15th IQAC meeting. Prof. Gopalan also thanked the previous Director and Coordinator of IQAC and welcomed the newly appointed Director and the Coordinator. He informed that the University is preparing for the NAAC Peer Team Re-Visit which is scheduled from September 19th to September 21st. The members of IQAC were requested to ensure proper coordination.

Prof. Vandana Suhag, Director IQAC introduced the external expert, Dr. Mani Madhukar, Program Manager – Global University, an external member (employer) to all IQAC members. The two student members representing the student community in this meeting were also welcomed.

Thereafter, the following meeting agenda items were taken up for discussion:

Agenda Item 16.1: Review and confirmation of the minutes from the 15th meeting of the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC). Since there were no comments received against the minutes, the minutes were confirmed,

Agenda Item 16.2: The Action Taken Report from the 15th meeting was discussed. All points were completed like implementation of NEP guidelines and OBE attainment. IQAC had conducted many sessions and hands-on workshops for the faculty which was appreciated by all present. Since there were no carry-forward actions to this meeting. The action taken report was confirmed by IQAC.

Agenda Item 16.3: Faculty Workshops – The Vice President, Prof Parimal V Mandke presented updates on the Monthly Faculty Workshops (FW), which is a regular feature at NIIT University. These workshops aim to develop faculty in key areas such as effective student learning, engaging in research, student mentoring, and faculty participation in institution building. More details are attached as **Annexure 1**.

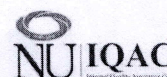
The IQAC noted the benefits and appreciated the efforts in this direction.

Agenda Item 16.4: Examination Processes / Result Analysis: Dr Arghya Guchhait Controller of Examination presented initiatives taken by the examination cell to strengthen processes as part of quality initiatives. The following points were highlighted during the meeting:

1. Examination process reforms, including:
 - Question papers aligned with Course Outcomes (COs) using Bloom's Taxonomy.
 - Grade sheets with enhanced security features.



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- Transcripts with QR codes.

2. The course-wise MGPA analysis for the academic year 2023-24 for all classroom courses was presented.

Agenda Item 16.5: Prof. Eswaran Narasimhan, Dean CIC and Coordinator mentor mentee presented a report on mentoring and training for the use of the mentor portal for the new faculty. Key points discussed included:

- What is mentoring?
- How is it different?
- Who am I mentoring?
- Conducting and recording a mentoring session.
- Using the mentoring portal.

The detailed report on mentoring is noted. Enclosed as **Annexure - 2**

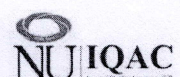
Agenda Item 16.6: Report on Industry Linkages– The report on Industry linkages was presented by Associate Dean CIC, MS Geetika. The members noted with appreciation that since inception, NIIT University has attracted over 700 unique Industry Practice partners, including top-tier companies. These partners seek students with not only technical knowledge but also leadership potential, communication skills, and an enterprising attitude when offering internships.

The Centre for Industrial Collaboration (CIC) at NU invites leading companies to participate in the university's summer internship and Industry Practice programs, ensuring students find a suitable match for their career paths.

Partners for Industry Practice (IP) include well-known companies like IBM, KPMG, EY, Airtel, Apollo Hospitals, Big Basket, Biocon, Coca-Cola, Genpact, and CISCO, among others. NIIT University's ability to attract repeat recruiters is due to the broad skill sets found across the student body, which are developed through a research-driven and customizable curriculum. The details are enclosed **Annexure 3**.

Agenda Item 16.7: The induction program at NU, called "RESONANCE," aims to orient students to the 24x7 campus life and familiarize them with the daily routines on campus. It helps instill team spirit, a sense of responsibility, and cooperation among students, while emphasizing the importance of maintaining a healthy body, mind, and soul, as well as raising awareness of sustainability and environmental protection.

Dr. Utkarsh Raj presented the key updates on the programming proficiency test and the "Know Yourself" activities. More details are attached as **Annexure - 4**





Agenda Item 16.8: Knowing the Students at the Entry Point: Upon entering the University, students are required to complete three surveys that help assess their uniqueness from three different perspectives. While this information was previously collected but not used, since 2021-22 it has been leveraged to shape roles in the Additive Curriculum project. The methods for collecting this information continue to evolve each year.

- **Survey 1: Know My Learning Style (KMLS)** – Identifies each student’s unique learning style.
- **Survey 2: Career Aspirations** – Students share their career goals in their chosen program of study.
- **Survey 3: Skill Sets** – Students disclose their current skills across various parameters, which are utilized in Additive Curriculum projects.

The members noted the details of the activities conducted. Details are enclosed as **Annexure – 5**

Agenda Item 16.9: Report on the "Design My Future" workshop was presented, this workshop aims to take first-year students on a journey of self-awareness, helping them articulate their purpose, develop a vision for their professional lives, and prepare a roadmap to achieve their goals. NIIT Foundation has been conducting this workshop for NU first-year students since 2018. "This year, the workshop was both enjoyable and fruitful for the new students." Further details are enclosed as **Annexure - 6**

Agenda Item 16.10: Quality System ISO Surveillance Report was presented by The Director IQAC and the Head of Operations during the meeting. The surveillance of ISO certifications (ISO 9001, ISO 14001, and ISO 50001) was conducted on August 9, 2024, to review and monitor performance. The report enclosed as an **Annexure – 7**

Agenda Item 16.11: Energy, Green, and Water Audits - Audits were conducted in June 2024, and the auditors submitted the report in July 2024. The Head of Operations presented the audit report at the meeting. The members appreciated that NIIT University is compliant of the audit observation. Details are enclosed **Annexure - 8**

Agenda Item 16.12: Feedback Analysis.

The reports on feedback from alumni, students, and industry were presented, covering the following parameters:

- Ratings and feedback on technical knowledge.
- Areas for improvement in soft skills.
- Feedback on technical knowledge and software packages.
- Efficiency of the interview and selection process.





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- Feedback on the university curriculum and recruitment process experience.
- Suggestions for improvement, including enhancing technical training, offering professional life skills courses, and continuous feedback for improvement.

The detailed report is attached as **Annexure – 9**

The members appreciated the efforts by academics, placement and alumni in this direction.

Agenda Item 16.13: Research Updates: Dean Research Dr. Ratna and Coordinator CIIES Dr. Vikas presented updates, discussing major points such as:

- Extended policies.
- New committees.
- New guidelines and incentives for PhD students.
- New incentives for faculty members.
- Initiatives for improving the quality and quantity of publications.

The detailed report on the same is attached as **Annexure - 10**

Agenda Item 16.14: Library Initiatives: Dy Librarian, Dr Vinay Kainthola presented the library initiatives and shared the report in the meeting. He also presented the progress on the digital access facility in the library.

Some of the salient features of the report are as under:

- Addition of new eContent Packages
- Physical Facilities
- Infrastructure development
- INFLIBNET Initiative
- Information Literacy
- Future plan with timeline

The details are enclosed as an **Annexure - 11**

Agenda Item 16.15: Slow and Advanced Learners Report and Gender Sensitization Report were presented.

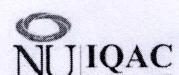
It was emphasized that it is important as nurturers to be sensitive about the topic and be equipped to handle such cases without affecting our teaching-learning process.

Based on cognitive ability there are we have 3 broad categories of students

- Slow
- Average/Fair (majority fall in this category)
- Advanced



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The above initiative is aligned with the NEP 2020. This was noted by the IQAC. The report is attached as **Annexure - 12**

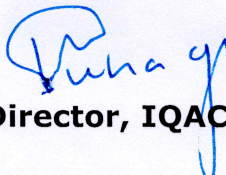
Agenda Item 16.16: TALF-The Asian Lenses Forum: Coordinator TALF, Dr. Ratika Kaushik briefed about TALF that the University has conceptualized TALF as a forum of thought leaders, opinion makers, and informed youth who view the world through diverse Asian perspectives. The forum has hosted expert speakers well-versed in Indian knowledge systems, educating students and faculty about Indigenous practices such as hygiene, Ayurveda, yoga, meditation, Vedic mathematics, and more. These initiatives reflect NU's dedication to preserving and promoting Indian languages, traditional knowledge, arts, culture, and heritage. This was noted by IQAC. More details are attached as **Annexure - 13**

Agenda Item 16.17: Many events have been conducted since January 2024. The event of Blood donation camps organized since the university's inception on a regular basis was appreciated by the IQAC.

There being no agenda, the meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair.

The Chairperson, Prof Prakash Gopalan thanked all members for their valuable suggestions during the meeting.




Director, IQAC