

Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC)

Minutes of the Review Meeting held on 29.06.2020

The Second IQAC meeting for the academic year 2019-2020 was held on 29.06.2020 at 12 noon. Keeping in the prevailing Covid-19 Pandemic situation, it was held using MS Teams Online platform mode.

The meeting was chaired by the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, Prof. V. Murugesan.

The meeting was attended by the following members:

Chairperson	Prof. V. MURUGESAN
	Vice-Chancellor
Senior Administrative Officer	Prof. N. KRISHNA MOHAN
	Registrar (i/c)
Director, IQAC	Prof. Dr. S. ARIVUDAINAMBI
	Department of Entomology
Deputy Directors, IQAC	Prof. S. RAMESHKUMAR
	Department of Horticulture
	Dr. S. KARTHIK KUMAR
	Associate Professor, Department of English
	Dr. T. SELVAMUTHUKUMARAN
	Associate Professor, Department of Entomology
	Dr. R. SUBAN
	Associate Professor,
	Department of information Technology
	Dr. K. SANJEEVI
	Assistant Professor,
	Department of Library & Information Science
Senior Teachers (Members)	Prof. A. MURUGAPPAN
	Dean, Faculty of Engineering & Technology
	Prof. D. ILANGOVAN
	Department of Commerce
	Prof. M. V. SRIRAMACHANDRASEKHARAN
	Department of Soil Science & Agricultural Chemistry
	& Director, Centre for Research and Development
	Prof. A. ESWARAN
	Department of Plant Pathology
	Prof. D. SIVAKUMAR
	Department of Electronics & Instrumentation
	Engineering & Member Secretary, Grant Utilization and
	Coordination Committee (GUCC) and Coordinator,
	RUSA
	Prof. L. PALANIAPPAN
	Professor of Physics

	Dr. I. RAVI
	Associate Professor, Department of Economics
	Prof. D. SATHYANARAYANA
	Department of Pharmacy
	Prof. R. SARAVANAN
	Department of Chemical Engineering &
	Director, Centre for Alumni Relations
	Prof. S. T. SOMASUNDARAM
	Department of CAS in Marine Biology
	Dr. A. K. RAVISHANKAR
	Associate Professor, Centre for Population Studies
	Dr. R. LALITHA RAJA
	Assistant Professor, Centre for Advanced Studies in
	Linguistics
External Experts (Members)	Prof. M. SELVAM
External Experts (Members)	
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	Professor, Department of Chemistry & Director, IQAC
	Gandhigram Rural Institute – Deemed University
	Gandhigram – 624 302, Dindigul District
	Prof. C. THANGAMUTHU
	Former Vice-Chancellor, Bharathidasan University
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	Prof. R. ELANGO
	Former Dean, Faculty of Arts, Annamalai University
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Industrial Expert (Member)	Mr. S. MURALI SHANKAR
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Alumni (Member)	Thiru R. KETHARNATHAN
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Student (Members)	Mr. K. SURYA
	IV M.Sc. (Integrated)
	Department of Bio-Chemistry & Bio-Technology
	Annamalai University
	Ms. P. DHANALAKSHMI
	III Pharm. D., Department of Pharmacy, Annamalai
	University
	Ms. R. KEERTHANA
	III B.Sc.(Hons.) Agriculture, Faculty of Agriculture,
	Annamalai University

Special Invitees	Prof. Dr. S. NAGINI
	UGC - BSR Faculty Fellow,
	Department of Biochemistry & Biotechnology,
	Annamalai University
	Prof. V. SELVANARAYANAN
	Department of Entomology &
	Controller of Examinations, Annamalai University
	Prof. A. RAJASEKARAN
	Department of Civil & Structural Engineering &
	Director, Academic Affairs, Annamalai University
	Prof. N. RAMAGOPAL
	Dean, Faculty of Arts, Annamalai University
	Prof. V. VENKATESALU
	Department of Botany &
	Director, Centre for Academic Research,
	Annamalai University
	Prof. K. KRISHNASAMY
	Department of Chemistry & Director, Training,
	Placement & Entrepreneurship, Annamalai University
	Prof. V. ARUTCHELVAN
	Department of Civil Engineering &
	Director - Estate Development & Administration
	Annamalai University
	Prof. M. SADIK BATCHA
	Department of Library & Information Science &
	Librarian i/c, University Library, Annamalai University

Dr. S. Arivudainambi, Director, IQAC, welcomed the members and presented the Action Taken Report on the suggestions received during the last IQAC meeting as detailed below:

- Introduction of the new mandatory course "Constitution of India" as per the guidelines of the Ministry of Human Resource Development.
- Faculty training programmes conducted to familiarize the faculty members with of MS Teams platform.
- Department-wise training workshops to achieve attainment of outcomes using custom made software and Conduct of remedial classes for slow learners.
- A number of 84 of *AUM to NET* and *AUM to PET* programmes were organised in 24 Departments.
- Introduction of Revaluation in all the programmes offered in the University.
- Institutional Best Practise on Societal outreach as suggested by the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor is being compiled.
- Target for the submission of AQAR 2019-2020, IIQA and SSR and progress in compilation outlined.

The Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor insisted on the timely completion of SSR. He informed the members that as per the suggestions of the senior advisors of IQAC, certain centres (Centre for Academic Research and Centre for Research & Development) have been renamed as

Directorates. He added that new regulations and guidelines for Ph.D., D.Litt. and D.Sc. have been drafted. He also pointed out that great care had been taken to maintain the quality and integrity of research.

Prof. M.G.Sethuraman, Director, IQAC, Gandhigram Rural Institute and External member, IQAC, Annamalai University highlighted the functionality of Walk the Scholar programme.

The Vice-Chancellor expressed the idea of assigning small project works, literature compilation, summarizing and online survey for the fast learners and detailed that PG students could join with MPhil & PhD scholars and get themselves acquainted with research.

Dr. D. Sathyanarayana, Professor of Pharmacy, Dr. N.Karunakaran, Director, Annamalai Innovation Centre, and Dr. A.K. Ravishankar, Associate Professor of Population Studies, told that online surveys can be easily done during the Covid-19 pandemic.

The Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor pointed out that the University had organized more than 50 webinars during the Covid-19 pandemic with an overwhelming number of participants. He told that in a webinar entitled "Research Paper publication" organised along with Elsevier alone, more than 4000 participants enrolled, of which 120 are international participants from South East Asia, Europe and North America. He also informed that Alumni Association has conducted more than 5 webinars. Dr. Karunakaran informed the members that the recordings are available in the website.

The Vice-Chancellor told that Raja Muthiah Medical College Hospital (RMMCH) had been identified as a Covid-19 centre with RT-PCR facility capable of testing 200 samples a day. He insisted that this societal service should find a place in the Best Practice. Dr. M. G. Sethuraman offered the suggestion of including this as a societal outreach and presents it as a best practice.

Dr. V. Arutchelvan, Director, Estate Development Authority, highlighted the societal outreach programmes offered by Centre for Skill Development and the need to include it in the best practise.

The Vice-Chancellor highlighted that VISION 2025 and VISION 2030 documents had been prepared and the same will be circulated among IQAC members for their suggestions. Dr. M. G. Sethuraman, told that **Directorate of Distance Education** can be renamed as **Directorate of Distance and Online Education**, and Annamalai University can become first university to establish a Directorate for Online education. He further insisted that while compiling data for SSR, AISHE and NIRF data should be cross-matched and efforts should be taken to make them synchronous. He told that the feedbacks collected should be analysed and ATRs should be prepared. Dr. S. Arivudainambi, Director, IQAC told that the ATR for the academic year 2018-2019 had been prepared.

Dr. D. Ilangovan, Professor of Commerce, suggested starting of a feeder school in the University campus. Dr. A. Murugappan, Dean, Faculty of Engineering and Technology appreciated the activities of the IQAC.

The Vice Chancellor told about the contribution of the Alumni towards the construction of an exclusive and sophisticated Guest House and other seminar halls. The members suggested that a virtual tour of the same can be uploaded in the University Website. Dr. Saravanan, Director, Alumni Relations, explained the activities and the support rendered by Mr. R. Ketharnathan in the conduct of webinars. Mr. R. Ketharnathan assured continued support for the upliftment of the University.

Dr. M. Selvam, Advisor IQAC, Annamalai University, insisted that the alumni contribution should be recorded as "Distinctiveness of the University". He told that *AUM to NET* and *AUM to PET* programmes can be continued and recorded as best practise in the next cycle of accreditation.

Dr. T. Selvamuthukumaran, Deputy Director, IQAC, proposed a vote of thanks.

S.Arivudainambi Director, IQAC