

Minutes of the 15th Meeting of the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC)

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Members present:

Prof. (Dr.) Ram Karan Singh, Vice-Chancellor Dr. Ramesh Chand Ramola, Prof. (Dr.) Arun Kumar Singh Mr. Amit Kumar Bera Chairman Registrar Director, IQAC Member

Special Invitees:

Prof. (Dr.) Latha Pillai, Senior Advisor, ICFAI Group (through video conferencing)

The Chairman welcomed the Prof. (Dr.) Latha Pillai (Senior Advisor, ICFAI Group) and also introduced her to all the members present in the meeting. The Board Members and all the invitees presided over the meeting. The following items were discussed, notified and approved.

15.01 Grant of Leave of absence, if any

All the members attended the IQAC meeting as per the invitation, and no one was granted leave of absence.

15.02 Confirmation of the Minutes of the 14th Meeting of the IQAC

The Minutes of the 14th Meeting of the IQAC of The ICFAI University, Dehradun, held on September 20, 2023 were confirmed. The Board members suggested that the University should ensure that all the points discussed in the previous meeting are implemented in a timely manner.

15.03 Follow up Action on the Minutes of the 14th Meeting of the IQAC

The Board appreciated the proactive efforts of the IQAC in implementing the suggestions given by the esteemed Board members.

Some of them are as follows:

- a) The Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) online courses like MOOCS, SWAYAM, e_Pathshala, NPTEL etc has been successfully prepared and implemented.
- b) The ICFAI University, Dehradun has introduced new PG (Postgraduate) programs in GIS (Geographic Information Systems) & Remote Sensing for the academic year 2023-24 and additional programs for the academic year 2024- 25. The Research and Development Cell (RDC) has revised the syllabus of research methodology. Also, four new syllabi were designed to enhance the course list.



- After deliberations, on the recommendation of the research committee of the university, the Academic Council approved the syllabus.
- c) Based on valuable input from our esteemed members, the IQAC presents the student ratio at IUD for the Academic Year 2022-23, with a male-to-female ratio of 1:0.75. Additionally, we provide data on student categories, including SC, ST, General, etc.
- d) In response to recommendations, the IQAC has initiated a thorough mapping process, aligning Course Outcomes (CO), Program Outcomes (PO), and Program Specific Outcomes (PSO) with Bloom's Taxonomy. This strategic alignment enhances curriculum development and assessment for a more structured and effective educational approach.
- e) The ICFAI University, Dehradun PhD guidelines were revised as per the UGC regulation 2022 and are available on University website. Also revised research incentive scheme to establish a research ecosystem in the university system.

The Board recommended that the University develop well-defined value-added courses in accordance with NAAC guidelines. Also recommended that the University prioritize research and administrative activities in accordance with NAAC guidelines, while maintaining a commitment to delivering quality education.

15.04 Progress Report on AQAR 2021-22

The University has submitted the Annual Quality Assurance Report (AQAR) for the academic year 2021-22 on July 28, 2023, and it was thoroughly discussed during the academic council meeting held on July 24, 2023. Notably, the quantitative matric data in this AQAR has been significantly improved compared to the previous AQAR for 2020-21, offering a more effective representation of the university's achievements and progress. The Board congratulated the chairman and his team for achieving the same.

15.05 Other Information Items

The IQAC informed the Board members of forthcoming implementations, which include the following items:

- a) Stakeholder feedback link on the website.
- b) To improve identification and rectification of slow performers and fast learners in the class, the university will establish a Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) dedicated to this purpose.
- c) The university is considering the establishment of an International Student Cell to cater to the needs and support the interests of its growing number of international students.
- d) The IQAC aims to enhance its examination systems by ensuring the confidentiality of question papers, addressing student grievances related to examinations, developing question banks, and acquiring software to facilitate the mapping of questions with Program Outcomes (PO) and Course Outcomes (CO).
- e) To track alumni students after completion of degree i.e. are they in job or doing any kind of higher degree.
- f) The IQAC will initiative to conduct various courses and workshop in times to come.



g) The IQAC will draft a Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for Academic and administrative audit and is planning to implement.

15.06 Any Other Items

The Board members recommended following points:

- a) The university should implement a more elaborate Choice-Based Credit System (CBCS) in its course curriculum.
- b) The university should establish and maintain an Academic Bank Credit (ABC) portal, enabling the creation of individual student IDs.
- c) The IQAC should organize a seminar or workshop for all faculty and staff to educate them about Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and encourage continued participation in the Impact Ranking by Times Higher Education.

15.07 Date for the Next meeting

It was agreed that the date of the next meeting will be fixed in consultation with the Chairman and will be intimated later.

The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the chair.

Prof. (Dr.) Ram Karan Singh Chairman