

Avinashilingam Institute for Home Science and Higher Education for Women

Internal Quality Assurance Cell

Action taken report for the year 2017-2018

The Internal Quality Assurance Cell has taken necessary initiatives to promote excellence in academic and administrative affairs. Prospective plans to enable efficient functioning of the institute in academic and administrative affairs were chalked out in the beginning of the academic year (July 2017) and implemented during the academic year 2017-2018. Highlights of the activities of IQAC in accomplishing the plans are given below.

S. No.	Prospective Plans	Action taken	Remarks
1.	More number of knowledge dissemination activities to be conducted	More number of International / National conferences and workshops were organized in all the departments on core and interdisciplinary concepts in connection with diamond jubilee celebrations	Conference, Seminars, workshops were organized with focus on recent trends and innovations in respective disciplines enable knowledge enrichment for the students, teachers and researchers.
2.	Extend the availability of e-resources for students, teachers and research scholars	Provision of remote access to e-books (3303) and e-journals (26486) in the library for the benefit of researchers.	Remote access of e- resources has enabled the enhanced utilization of resources by users 24 x 7.
3.	The profile of the newly admitted students is to be carried out.	The basic information regarding the education/socio-economic background of the students were collected through structured questionnaires and the profile of the students was analyzed.	The inference derived from the Annual Students Survey is useful in planning and executing capability enhancement programmes, bridge courses and other skill development programmes.
4.	Student – centric workshops / academic and extracurricular events are to be conducted.	Seventy three students workshops were conducted were conducted on various themes such as Digital marketing, Web designing, Mobile Phone Servicing,	Wide spectrum of students' workshops are beneficial for the students as they are exposed to recent trends in discipline of study and demands of the society and industry.

		Personality development and Disaster Management	
5.	Periodic monitoring of research activities is to be done and publication of research output in authenticated channels is to be encouraged.	Orientation for Scholars on the effective use of available resources, collection of data, were given; Scholars were informed of the significance of publishing in Scopus indexed journals	Timely orientation helps the researchers to effectively communicate the findings of their research work the right platforms.
6.	The institutions plans to go for NAAC assessment	Steering committee for the preparation of SSR and for coordinating the activities was constituted under the leadership of Dr.U.Jerinabi and Dr.K.Sivakamasundari	The categorized groups worked on the seven core criteria of assessment prepared quality indicator frameworks and data templates
7.	To sign more MoUs	14 new MoUs are signed with 4 international /10 national institutes/bodies	MoUs enabled exchange of faculty and student for knowledge sharing and to strengthen the collaborative activities
8.	To invite international experts for delivering guest lectures	Guest lecturers were conducted with experts from foreign institutions/universities on the themes such as Geographical Information systems, Sports administration, Cyber security and Intellectual property rights	The guest lectures delivered with the an international flavour enabled the members of student/teaching fraternity to get acquainted with the advancements in the allied fields
9.	Interaction with personnel from Industry or corporate bodies is to be encouraged	Guest lectures on Smart computing, Digital India, Green technology, Interior Designing were conducted in co-ordination with industries	Students are enlightened on various aspects of technology and development and given hands-on training which expanded the chances of employability

10.	Teachers are to be encouraged to develop e-contents	Teachers applied proposals for developing e-contents in various platforms and contents were developed for e-PG Pathsala and Swayam - MOOC	The e-content preparation will enhance sharing of resource and expertise of teachers
11.	Enrollment of students in Massive online open courses is to be encouraged	Post graduate students were enrolled in the MOOC courses of their choice and relevance and it was made as compulsory component	Massive online open courses bring academic flexibility and offer the students, a chance to explore the field of study of their interest and attitude.
12.	Enrollment of students in PG/ research programmes is to be strengthened	Enrollment of PG students/scholars was increased by giving more publicity and facilitating online admission.	Student strength is a motivating and contributing factor for the growth of the institution.
13.	Participation in conferences/ Seminars is to increased	More number of teachers/ scholars attended National / International conferences and published their finding in conference proceedings.	Deliberations of the academic/research meeting provide opportunity for sharing of knowledge and to develop networks for strengthening research activities.
14.	Infrastructure and allied facilities are to be improved / modernized	The academic and administrative buildings are renovated with tile flooring; renovated space for car parking; green landscaping and expansion of herbal garden and natchathira vanam.	Renovation of infrastructural facilities enable efficient maintenance of the facilities and enhance cleanliness/ sanitation in addition to improving the convenience and aesthetics.

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