

3rd Minutes of IQAC Meeting for 2019-2020

The 3rd meeting of the IQAC was held on 06.06.2020 in a virtual platform. The following are the members of the Internal Quality Assurance Cell. The meeting was held between 11.00 AM to 01.30 PM. The meeting was presided by the Chairperson of the IQAC, Dr. R.S Neelakandan.

Mode : Online meeting		Date: 06.06.2020	Time: 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM	
Prof. Dr. R.S. Neelakandan		Present	Present	
Chairperson IQAC				
Prof. Dr. B. Sivapathasundaram		Present		
IQAC Coordinator				
Mrs. Jayanthi Radhakrishna	an	Present		
(Rector, MAHER)				
Mr. S. Varadarajan,		Present		
Expert Member				
Prof. Dr. S.Rajasekar		Present		
Registrar MAHER				
Dr. Senthamarai		Present		
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Members	Status	Members	Status	
Dr. N. Arunagirinathan	Present	Dr. K. Revathi	Present	
Dr. R. Muthulakshmi	Present	Dr. K. Parimala	Present	
Dr. M. Ganesan	Apologies	Dr. S. Natarajan	Present	
Prof. K. Saraswathi	Present	Dr. Divya R	Present	
Mrs. Fabiola M. Dhanaraj	Present	Dr. K. V. Rajasekhar	Present	
Dr. M. Thangavel	Present	Mr. Vignesh	Present	
Dr. N. Ambalavanan	Present	Dr. Elangovan R	Present	
Dr. Ursula Sampson	Present	Dr. Manoj Prabhakar	Present	

	Discussion on Action taken for the minutes of the previous IQAC Meetings	
	To apply for COVID-19 Testing Centre for the Virology lab at MMCHRI campus	
	To conduct online classes in the wake of COVID 19 pandemic	
Agenda	E-content development training program for faculty	
	Training on using Online platforms for taking classes	
	COVID 19 – Quality initiatives to prevent spread of infection	
	COVID 19 awareness programs – Precautions to be taken	
	Quality initiatives to be undertaken during the COVID 19 pandemic	
	Staggering of work due to COVID 19 lockdown	

Agenda	Action taken for the previous minutes of meeting of IQAC		
Agenda Discussion on Action taken for the minutes of the previous IQAC Meetings	NIRF nodal officer informed that the data has been successfully uploaded in the DCS portal The required number of projectors, Smart boards, computers and audio-visual aids were procured as required for the new lecture halls established in various constituent colleges The Registrar gave a detailed review of the MoUs that are signed by the Institution along with its functional status. He also said that 7 new MoUs have been signed/under process in 2020 A sensitization program on New Manual for Health Sciences was organized by the IQAC as planned. A total of 63 faculty members attended the program The IQAC coordinator informed that Working committee was formed for each criteria to ensure seamless compilation of data for 2 nd cycle of SSR. The following members from the constituent colleges were identified for the task: Dr. Manoj Prabhakar, Dr. Burnice, Dr. Shyam S, Dr. Manod, Dr. Ponnazhagan, Dr.Muninathan, Mrs. Anitha, Dr. Ursula Sampson, Dr. Parimala, Prof. Fabiola M Dhanraj.		
	The Academic Officer informed that AISHE 2019-20 was completed		

	and submitted on time.		
	The draft of the MAHER Scholarship Scheme and the SOP to avail it was presented by the Registrar The Registrar also presented the list of beneficiaries under various Staff Welfare Schemes		
Agenda	Action to be Taken	Responsible Person	Target
To apply for COVID- 19 Testing Centre for the Virology lab at MMCHRI campus	Vice-Principal MMCH&RI suggested that we could apply for the recognition as a Certified Centre for COVID – 19 testing and generate consultancy All the members appreciated and approved the idea; the concerned Department in Medical College to draft the proposal and submit to get Approval from the Institution	Dr. Ursula Sampson, Vice Principal & Head, Biochemistry, MMCHRI to monitor the process	30.06. 2020
To conduct online classes in the wake of COVID 19 pandemic	All the members suggested that online classes need to be conducted to complete the portions. Chairperson instructed to follow the directions received from UGC from time to time. Dr. Arungirinathan suggested that webinars by international faculty may be arranged for the benefit of students, as this will be an opportunity for the students to have exposure to international faculty,	Heads of the Constituent Colleges	To initiate the process at the earliest

To draw SOP and Code of Conduct for online classes	who will also be willing for giving such webinars. The Chairperson said that code of conduct to be followed by students and staff was prepared and the same needs to be adhered.	IQAC Coordinator to inform all the constituent colleges regarding the Code of Conduct for Online Classes	June 2020
Website renovation	The current scenario, admissions will essentially be an online process. Dr. V. Shanthi informed about the increased likelihood of candidates applying for admissions online this year due to the travel restrictions because of COVID lockdown. Therefore, it was pivotal that the University website has provisions to obtain online applications. A website content providing team to be created with members from each constituent colleges who will be incharge of providing suitable contents about the respective colleges Vendors to be identified regarding website designing; quotations be procured and forwarded to the University for approval	Website Coordinator	June 2020

Plans for Practical Classes & Examinations	Dr. Ursula Samson suggested that the classes may be taken in micro groups since the practical procedures need to be covered. Dr. Fabiola. M. Dhanraj suggested that the candidates may be split into micro groups to prevent gatherings and maintain social distancing norms.	Academic Officer and COE to take appropriate measures	The member unanimously agreed to implement all the suggested measures. A SOP was suggested to be drafted fo conduction o practical classes and examinations in times of COVIE 19 pandemic which would be duly Implemented across all disciplines of MAHER after getting approvation the BOM.
Training program for E-content Development	The IQAC coordinator highlighted the need to acquire skills in e-content creation and development to facilitate online learning It was suggested that Commonwealth Institute, UK offers such training and they can be approached	Registrar to identify the feasibility of conducting the training program and conduct at the earliest	July 2020
Training on using Online platforms for taking classes	Academic officer informed that most faculty members expressed their difficulty in using online platforms for conducting lecture classes The members suggested that a training program be conducted to train the faculty members on using online platforms	Academic officer	June 2020

COVID 19 awareness programs – Precautions to be taken	The members suggested to conduct COVID -19 awareness program to general public as a part of institutional social responsibility. The members suggested that the constituent colleges take the initiative both in online and offline platform	Heads of the Constituent Colleges	July 2020
Quality initiatives to be undertaken during the COVID 19 pandemic	Members suggested that strict compliance to COVID 19 protocol to be adhered as a part of	Heads of the Constituent Colleges	With immediate effect.
Submission of AQAR 2018-2019	The Chairperson asked the progress make in preparation of AQARs. IQAC Coordinator replied that due to lockdown imposed by COVID 19, the work was staggered. The Chairperson advised the members to take all necessary precautions while reporting to work place and to maintain social distancing. He further requested the		With immediate effect
	IQAC members to complete the work at the earliest as the institution is due to submit the SSR.		

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