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Dear Principals, IQAC Coordinators, Co coordinators, teaching and non-teaching staff.

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The COVID 19 pandemic has created huge impact on education system, and that has led us to explore new opportunities in teaching, learning and evaluation process. We have successfully explored various opportunities like using online platforms for teaching, Eexaminations, E-classrooms, Moodle's, online Faculty Development programmes (FDP) and so on. The ongoing pandemic has failed to stop us from conducting curriculum and extra curriculum activities for the benefits of our higher education fraternity be it webinars, online classes, e competitions, training programmes, Learning Management System (Karnataka LMS).

Quality education is not a one-time implementation, in fact it is continuous process consists of Quality implementation, Quality Sustenance and Quality Enhancement. Clubbing and effective maintenance of these three will lead us to an academic leader. Government of India has adopted National Education Policy 2020 and State of Karnataka has become of the first to adopt NEP 2020 in Higher Education. On the platform we urge everyone to work collectively for an effectively implementation of NEP 2020 along with Quality initiatives in our colleges.

We SQAC DCE would like to appreciate the efforts of all the GFGCs in taking part in National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF 2020) with atmost interest in initiating quality assurance in HEIs.

It is also observed that, Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) has been working effectively at college level developing Calendar of Events (CoE), Regular meetings, submission Annual Quality Assurance Reports (AQARs), Stakeholder's feedback mechanism and various quality initiatives.

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Under the guidance of Sri. Pradeep P _{1AS}, Commissioner- Collegiate and Technical Education, with the support of Sri. Malleshwarappa S, Director- DCE, Sri. Mugeshappa and with cooporation of all the regional joint directors and Special officers, The SQAC DCE is pleased to release our third newsletter (Vol. 02, Issue.01) for the period of January to June 2021. We are proud to share that, six of our GFGCs have successfully completed Accreditation and Reaccreditation process by securing good grades by NAAC and presently 49 colleges are under process of NAAC A & A process at various stages.

The new academic year is commencing 01st October 2021 and The SQAC DCE would like to convey the best wishes to the all the stakeholder of Higher education for fruitful academic year ahead.

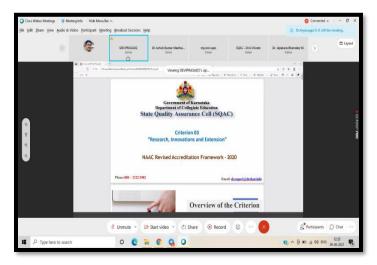
Three Week Workshop on Revised NAAC Accreditation Framework for 201 Colleges

Assessment and accreditation play an essential role in enhancing quality efforts in Higher Education Institutes. Our Commissioner's aim is for all GFGCs in Karnataka to be accredited by 2021-22 without delay. In line with accreditation motto, SQAC DCE under the guidance of Sri. Pradeep P, IAS, Commissioner- Dept. of Collegiate and Technical Education, Prof. Malleswarappa S, Director - DCE has conducted Three Week e-workshop on Revised NAAC Accreditation Framework to identified NAAC going 201 GFGCs from 4.05.2021 to 21.05.2021. The objective of the workshop was to keep the colleges ready for NAAC A & A process as per the revised accreditation framework of NAAC 2020.

These 201 colleges are ready to undergo NAAC assessment and accreditation process. The objectives of the workshops were to create awareness about revised accreditation framework 2020 of the NAAC, to clear the doubts and queries of the colleges in NAAC process. The workshop started with introduction to NAAC, submission of IIQA, AQARs, detailed discussions on criteria and relevant documentation process. The workshop was conducted for three week and region wise sessions were taken by resource persons from SQAC DCE and RJD



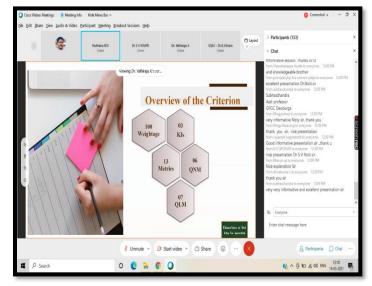
offices. During the first day of each region workshop, the respective Regional Joint Directors have taken part and addressed the colleges on importance of NAAC accreditation in the development of the colleges, and also instructed colleges involve in NAAC process without any delay.



Bengaluru region workshop was conducted on 04th, 10th and 17th of the May 2021. Dr. K Vikram, SQAC DCE has presented about introduction to NAAC, fee structure, IIQA submission process, and other important aspects of the NAAC. Criterion 01 was presented by Dr. Y Ramesh and Criterion 02 was by Sri. Ananth Kumar on 04th May 2021. Criterion 03, 04, 05 was handled by Dr. Ashok Kumar M, Dr. Anitha C V and Sri. Jagadeesh respectively on 10th may 2021. On 17th May 2021, Criterion 06 and 07 was taken Sri. Vinay K Y and Dr.

Anupama Sabhapathy. During this resource persons give insight on each criterion of the NAAC A&A process, addressed the questions and doubts were also clarified.

Dharwad region workshop was scheduled on 05th, 11th and 18th May 2021. On 05th May Dr. K Vikram, Dr. Yathiraju, Smt. Nuthana B D spoke on introduction to NAAC, Criterion 01 and Criterion 02 respectively. Criterion 03, 04, 05 was taken care on 11th by Smt. Sudha Hegde, Dr. Anitha C V and Sr. Ananth Kumar. Remaining criteria 06 and 07 were handled on 18th May by Dr. Ashok Kumar M and Sri. Vinay K Y. The colleges were able to understand the process of NAAC and insights of the each criterion. The efforts of SQAC was apricated by participating colleges for smooth and systemic conduct of workshop. The workshop for Kalburgi region



GFGCs was on 06th, 12th and 19th May 2021. Dr. K. Vikram, Dr. Yathiraju K and Sri. Ananth Kumar spoke on 06th May covering introduction to NAAC, Criterion 01 and 02. On 12th May, Criterion 03, 04, 05 we covered by Dr. Ashok Kumar M, Dr. Raghavendra Gudagunti and Dr. Anitha C V. Dr. S V Nishti and Sri. Vinay K Y covered Criterion 06 and 07 on 19th May 2021. During three day workshop, participants of the identified colleges were able to get insights about NAAC process.



For colleges of Mysuru region, the workshop was scheduled on 07th, 13th and 20th of May. Dr. Yatiraju K and Smt. Nuthana B D spoke on Criterion 01 and 02. On 07th May 2021. On 13th May, Dr. B K Kempegowda B K, Sri. Shankara S L and Dr. Anitha C V discussed about Creation 03, 04 and 05 respectively. Sri. Vinay K Y and Dr. Ashok Kumar M spoke about criterion 06 and 07. The sessions had helped the colleges to understand in-depth about NAAC and A & A process and keep the documents ready for the same. On 08th, 15th and 21st May sessions were organized for colleges of Mangalore and Shivamogga region. Dr. Vidya Joseph and

Sri. Ananth Kumar spoke about Criterion 01 and 02. Sri. Deviprasad, Dr. Yathiraju K and Sri. Vijay Kumar spoke about Criterion 03, 04 and 05. Criteria 06 and 07 were taken care by Dr. Ashok Kumar M and Sri. Vinay K Y.

The detailed three-week workshop for 201 identified NAAC going colleges has made fruitful impact to get ready for NAAC process. SQAC DCE would like acknowledge Dr Shashishekhar Reddy, Associate Professor, GFGC Sedam Road, Kalburgi for providing WebEx platform for the three-week E workshop.

Two Day e-Work Shop On "Revised NAAC Accreditation Framework – 2020" (For Autonomous Colleges)

A Two-Day e-Work Shop on "Revised NAAC Accreditation Framework – 2020" has been conducted Exclusively for nine Autonomous Govt. First Grade Colleges under Department of Collegiate Education on 19th and 20th January 2021, Using Google Meet Platform by SQAC DCE.

The workshop was inaugurated on 19th January 2021 @ 10:30 am. During inauguration, Prof. Ashwath G.R. Joint Director (Academics), DCE, spoke on insights about the necessity for e-workshop especially for Autonomous colleges and instructed colleges make use of these workshop's regularly conducted by authorities. Prof. Prasad K, Additional Director, DCE, gave necessary instructions and suggestions to colleges to maintain the autonomous status by acquiring good grades in NAAC A & A process. Dr. K. Vikram, Nodal Officer, SQAC, DCE, gave a Brief introduction about

NAAC, SQAC, AQAR, IIQA, Profile of the College and Executive Summary. Dr. Yathiraju K, SQAC, DCE, gave a detailed presentation on Criterion -1: Curricular Aspects, participants doubts were clarified accordingly relating to PSO, PO. Ms. Nuthana B D, SQAC, DCE, gave a detailed presentation on Criterion -2: Teaching Learning and Evaluation, since this criterion is having highest weightage many doubts were clarified



with respect to Student Enrolment and Profile, Evaluation Process and Reforms and SSS.



Dr. Ashok Kumar M, SQAC, DCE, gave presentation on Criterion – 3: Research, Innovations and Extension, many insights, suggestions and ideas were shared relating to Research and funding agencies. Dr. Anitha C V, SQAC, DCE, gave a detailed talk on Criterion – 4: Infrastructure and Learning Resources, and clarification was given relating to Library Automation using free software's available in open sources and in maintenance of physical

infrastructure. Criterion 05 was handled by Sri. Vinay K Y, SQAC, DCE, Student Support and Progression, a brief guidelines was shared on how an HEI can support students in Financial and Non-financial basis. Sri. Ananth Kumar, SQAC, DCE, gave a detailed presentation on Criterion – 6 and 7: Governance, Leadership and Management and Institutional Values and Best Practices, Faculty Empowerment Strategies, Financial Management and Resource Mobilization in criteria 6, Best Practices in criteria 7 were discussed in a discussion mode. At the end of each criterion participant's doubts were clarified using case studies of various colleges. Criteria wise SOPs with supporting documents were shared to Autonomous WhatsApp group.

One Day Workshop on "NAAC Revised Accreditation Framework (RAF)" for Hassan District Govt. College Principals, IQAC Co-Coordinators and Co-coordinators

Government First Grade College, Channarayapatna in association with State Quality Assurance Cell, Department of Collegiate Education, Government of Karnataka, Bangalore and Office of the Regional Joint Director, Mysore Division, Mysore on 25th January, 2021 has conducted One Day Workshop on "NAAC Revised Accreditation Framework (RAF)" for Hassan District Govt. Colleges to train the Principals and IQAC coordinators of Hassan District GFGCs.



The National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC), Bangalore developed Revised has Accreditation Framework (RAF) during 2017 and revised in 2020 to make the existing assessment and accreditation process more robust, objective, transparent, outcome oriented and stakeholder friendly. In view of mandatory assessment and accreditation of HEIs for improving quality of higher education in the country. The main objective of the workshop was to bring together all the Principals and IQAC Coordinators of Hassan Districts Govt. Degree Colleges and to create

awareness among them about the NAAC's Revised Accreditation Framework.

The workshop was inaugurated by Shri Puttaswamy Gowda, Zillapanchayat Member, Kasaba. hobali. He greeted with warm wishes and appreciated the steps taken to improve the quality of education in Govt. Colleges. Followed by Prof Mugeshappa - Regional Joint Director of Mysore region inspired coordinators to work unitedly with the colleagues to fulfil the NAAC criteria and together achieve A+ grade. In presidential address, Dr. M N Lokesh, Principal, GFGC, Channarayapatna, extended a very warm welcome to the participants and the resource persons. He emphasized on the need for accreditation of the colleges and appreciated SQAC for the support in



organizing the workshop. Dr.Shankara S L special officer NAAC at RJD office Mysore welcomed the gathering and vote of thanks was proposed by S Nagaraju B G, IQAC coordinator, GFGC, Channarayaptna.

Dr. K. Vikram, Nodal officer – SQAC Spoke about introduction to NAAC, objectives, NAAC process, fee structure, SSR Report preparation, and detailed insights on criterion 01. Smt. Nuthana B D spoke about Criterion 02 and weightage of the criterion in Teaching learning and Evaluation process. During the post lunch session, Dr. Ashok Kumar M spoke on Criterion 03 and importance of research and extension activities in academic institutions. Criterion 04 was handled by Dr. Anitha C V, spoke on various aspects of academic and physical facilities. Criterion 05 was handled by Dr. Yathiraju K, he spoke about need of student support and their participation in curricular, cocurricular and extracurricular activities. Sri. Vinay K Y spoke about Criterion 06 and 07, he highlighted the initiatives to be taken by colleges in Governance, Best practices and Institutional distinctiveness.



During the valedictory session, participants quires and doubts were addressed by resources persons. Sri Nagaraju B G, IQAC Coordinator, briefed about proceedings of the workshop and expressed his gratefulness to the Resource Persons for taking efforts in making workshop successful. He also thanked DCE, Bangalore, JD Office Mysore and SQAC Bangalore for extending support in conduct of the workshop. The workshop concluded with taking online feedback and with distribution of certificates to the participants.

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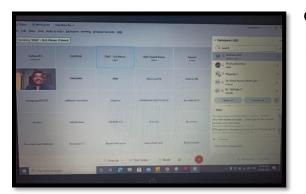
Workshop on Revised Accreditation Framework 2020 with Special Reference to DVV

The SQAC DCE organized One Week Workshop on Revised Accreditation Framework 2020 of NAAC with Special Reference to DVV to 34 NAAC going colleges from 07th June 2021 to 14th June 2021. The main objective of the workshop is to remove the fear of the colleges on NACC DVV process. The uniqueness of the workshop was that The IQAC coordinators of recently NAAC DVV completed colleges were selected as resource persons to share their experience of NAAC process. 34 colleges' principals, IQAC coordinators, IQAC co-coordinators, IT coordinators, and criterion heads were part of the workshop.

On the First day of the Workshop, 07.06.2021 Dr. Y Ramesh, Special Officer, RJD office Bengaluru presented about introduction to NAAC, Submission of IIQA, objections raised during IIQA DVV and Extended profile. Criterion 1 was presented by Dr. Kempegowda B K Special Officer, RJD office Mysuru. Dr. Pruthviraj, IQAC Coordinator, Sri Mahadeshwara Government First Grade College Kollegal has shared their experience on DVV process with respect to Criterion 01.

On Second day of Workshop 09.06.2021 Dr. Jayakara Bandari Special Officer, RJD office Mangaluru presented on Criterion 2 and Criterion 3 was presented by Sri. Deviprasad Special Officer, RJD office Mangaluru. DVV experience of the criterion 02 and 04 was shared by Sri. Kantharaju IQAC Co-Coordinator of Dr K Shivram Karanth Government First Grade College Bellare





On Third day of Workshop 11.06.2021 Dr. Shankar B L Special Officer, RJD office Mysuru presented Criterion 4 and Dr. C Swaminathan IQAC Coordinator, GFGC Malleshwaram shared Criterion 4 DVV experience. Smt. Sudha Hegde Special Office, RJD office Dharwad presented Criterion 5 and Smt. Shailaja S Huddar IQAC Coordinator GFGC Kalagatagi shared DVV experience on Criterion 5.

On Fourth and last day of Workshop 14.06.2021 Sri. VijayKumar

Special Office, RJD office Shivamogga presented Criterion 6 and Dr. M Swamy, Principal, JCBM College Sringeri shared Criterion 6 DVV experience. Dr. Anupama Sabhapathy Special Office, RJD office Bengaluru presented Criterion 7 and Dr. Prasanna IQAC Coordinator GFGC Tumkur shared DVV experience on Criterion 7. The SQAC DCE would like to thank the support and Guidance given by all the Regional Joint Directors, Special officers and Dr. Shashishekhar Reddy for providing WebEx platform for workshop.

Review Meets on NAAC A & A process of Government First Grade College, Malleswaram

Government First Grade College Malleswaram is located in one of the prime locales of Bangalore City with an impressive student strength of 1000 and adequate staff strength of 30 regular teaching faculty. The College was established in 2007 and since then there has been no looking back. As part of the integrated campus, it derives the best of ambience and amenities. It is all well set to take up its first cycle of NAAC, thanks to the commitment and enthusiasm of the Head of the Institution and the Faculty. The Review Meet to ensure the preparation of the institution to officially apply for accreditation was a fruitful venture, with all the Teaching and Administrative Staff converging as one to achieve the single motto at present, viz., Accreditation by NAAC.

The teachers seem to have left no stone unturned to realize their goal and in spite of several lacunae, they are in

no mood of a compromise of value and purpose at this stage. The buoyance and tenacity of the institution, if exercised till the end would certainly yield the desired outcome of an admirable grade by NAAC. On 04th January 2021 the Review Meet chaired by Dr. K Vikram, Nodal Officer, SQAC-DCE Bangalore and the entire team of Dr. Yahiraj, Sri. Vinay, Sri. Ashok Kumar, Sri Ananth Kumar and Smt. Nuthana were jointly coordinated by the team of the Office of the Regional Director that



comprised of Dr. Y. Ramesh, Dr. Anupama Sabhapathy and Sri. Virupaksha.



The Review Meet was a systematic presentation of Power Points by the Co-ordinators of the respective criteria that was well worked out by the teachers. The suggestions and observations made by the Nodal Officer and the entire team were well received by the institution who assured of incorporating the changes and fine-tuning the content. The active involvement from the SQAC and the RJD team leaves no speculation about the success of the process. The Review Meet closed at 5pm with the agenda satisfactorily accomplished.

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Review Meets on NAAC A & A process of Government First Grade College, Tumakur

GFGC Tumkur, one of the most established and reputed colleges in Tumkur, with a student strength of 3420 and a faculty strength of 60 has geared up for its First Cycle of NAAC. The college is located in the prime centre of the city with imposing structures of class-rooms and various supporting amenities such as Labs, sports complex and different functional wings of the College. Taking up the Accreditation process has been the main focus of the institution and the entire team, along with the Principal and all the Coordinators volunteered for a Review Visit by the SQAC and the Regional Office of Bangalore. The Preview Visit was scheduled on 28-01-2021 to encourage and motivate and understand the preparations of the College before their submission of the Self-Study Report. The Visiting team comprised of Dr. K. Vikram-Nodal Officer-SQAC-DCE Bangalore, Dr. Yathiraju. K. SQAC-DCE-Bangalore, and Dr. Anupama Sabhapathy. Special Officer. Regional Joint Director's Office. Bangalore.



The Visit commenced with personal interactions with all the faculty members of the of the various departments and students, including the library and the Labs. This was followed by the Power-Point Presentation by the IQAC Co-Coordinator. Dr. Haridas. During the presentation quiries of the staff and college has been addressed as and when arised. A Staff- Assembly was convened for recommending corrections and finalizing the Self-Study Report (SSR). Changes were incorporated and suggestions for all improvisations were well-received by the Principal and the faculty. The visit ended with the assurance that the SQAC and Regional Team would stand by the College at every step of the process of Accreditation.

Workshop on "Role of NAAC in Quality Initiatives for HEIs" at KLE'S Law College

A One-Day Workshop was organized as a collaborated venture by the Office of the Joint Director, Bangalore, the SQAC-DCE and KLE Society's Law College, Bangalore on the 2nd of March 2021. This was one of the first ventures initiated to orient and direct the Law Colleges on NAAC accreditation process. It was hence organized for all the Government and Aided Law Colleges in the region along with all the Law Colleges of KLE Society. Six Law colleges were part of the workshop.

Sri. G R Ashwath, Joint Director (Academics) Department of Collegiate Education was the chief guest of the workshop and spoke about importance of NAAC A & A process in the quality enhancement of higher education institutions. Dr. Y Ramesh, Special Officer, Office of the joint director, Collegiate Education, Bengaluru region spoke about supporting and Mentoring initiatives of the department in the NAAC accreditation process. Dr. Vikram K, Nodal Officer SQAC spoke on revised accreditation framework and process of A & A process. Presidential remarks were made by Dr. J.M. Mallikarjuniah Principal. KLE Law College. Bangalore.



Detailed presentation and discussions were taken care as per the criterion wise by the resource persons from SQAC DCE



and RJD office Bengaluru. Dr. Anitha C V spoke on criterion 01 and 05, Criterion 02 and 04 were taken care by Smt. Nuthana B D and Sri. Ananth Kumar. Dr. Ashok Kumar spoke on Criterion 03, 07 and Dr. Anupama Sabhapathy spoke on Criterion 06. During each presentation detailed discussions were made and queries of the participants were addressed. Later in the evening, Sri. K Prasad, Additional Director, DCE was the chief guest for valedictory Programme. Participants of various colleges have expressed that, workshop was very essentials and gave detailed inputs about accreditation process.

Workshop on "Role of NAAC in Quality Initiatives for HEIs" at Siddhartha First Grade College. Tumakuru

A One-Day Workshop was organized at Siddhartha First Grade College, Tumkur on 16-03-2021. The event was attended by all the Government and Aided Colleges of Tumkur Dists. The objective of the programme was to orient the colleges towards the Revised Framework of Accreditation (RAF) process. it focused exclusively on preparing the Colleges taking up the First Cycle of Assessment and Accreditation. The Program was formally inaugurated by Prof. K. Prasad, Additional Director-DCE. Bangalore. The dignitaries present on the dais were Dr. K. Vikram, Nodal Officer, SQAC-DCE, Prof. Kumar, Principal of the College, Shri. Y. N. Reddy. Management Secretary of Siddhartha Institutions. It was also graced by Regional Special Officer for Bangalore, Dr. Y. Ramesh

Criterion I: Dr. K. Vikram who encapsulated the entire purpose and framework of NAAC in its latest format. He vividly brought out the role and importance of the Curricular Aspects that are crucial in the functioning of the academic scenario of HEIs.

Criterion II: Shri. Ananth Kumar, Assistant Nodal Officer, SQAC-DCE who dealt with one of the major criteria viz., Teaching. Learning and Evaluation. The presenter focused on student-centric activities, the use of ICT-based pedagogy and the reforms and transparency in evaluation.

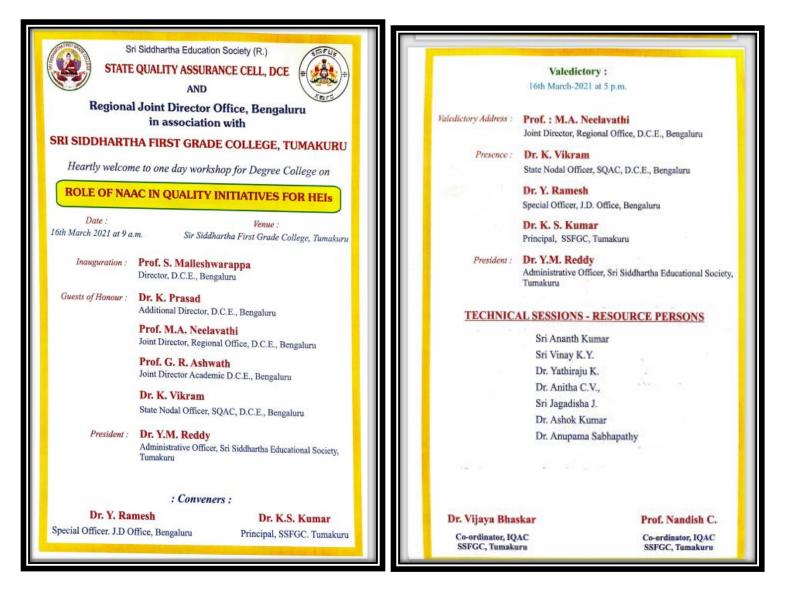
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Criterion V: This was explained by Prof. Jagadisha. J. Special Officer for NAAC, Regional Joint Director's Office, Bangalore. He emphasized the importance of student-centric activities in terms of Placement, Coaching for Competitive Exams, Student activities such as Sports. NCC, NSS and other activities that are crucial for students in their careers.

Criterion VI: This was taken up Dr. Anupama Sabhapathy, SO for NAAC, Regional Joint Director's Office. She stressed the significance of the administrative and financial aspects of the institution and most importantly, the major role of the Internal Quality Assurance Cell in Colleges. Criterion VII: This was explicated by Dr. Ashok Kumar who brought out the importance of the Institutional Values, Distinctiveness and Best Practices.



The Valedictory session was fulfilled on a gracious note with Certificates distributed to the participants. The Valediction was graced by the Principal, the Management Secretary of the College, Dr. K. Vikram and Dr. Y. Ramesh. The teachers expressed that it was a major need of the hour to Aided Colleges and the SQAC's move to include and mentor such Colleges was a welcome move. The initiative encouraged several colleges to familiarize with the new Revised Framework of NAAC.

JANUARY TO JUNE 2021

Workshop on NAAC A & A process at Government First Grade College, Chikkballapur

A District Level Work-shop, initiated by the Regional Joint Director's Office, Bangalore under the aegis of SQAC-DCE and organized by Government First Grade College, Chickaballapur was a confluence of all Government and Aided Colleges with one motto of taking the right intent and content of NAAC. The Workshop was to reinforce the significance of being accredited and the new modes of functioning towards NAAC. The Revised NAAC Framework (RAF) demands a more technological understanding by the HEIs and as a support initiative and responsibility, it was ventured to organize a purposeful Meet for a focused programme. The deliberations of the discussions and presentations were the outcome of 13 HEIs in Chickaballapur District and HEIs in proximity comprising Principals, IQAC, IT and Criteria Coordinators and participation of 150 teachers.



The workshop was inaugurated by Prof. Neelavathi M A, Joint Director, Bangalore region of Department of Collegiate Education. Dr. Y. Ramesh- Special officer, Office of the regional joint director gave introductory talk on workshop and NAAC process. Dr. K Virkam, Nodal Officer – SQAC DCE was a key note speaker of the session and spoke about need of NAAC accreditation in the todays higher education scenario. The inaguaral session was presided by Prof. Chandriah Principal – GFGC Chikkaballapur. The detailed

presentation on NAAC criteria under Revised Accreditation framework 2020 was carried out by Dr. Yathiraju K, Smt. Nuthana B D, Sr. Ananth Kumar, Dr. Anitha C V and Dr. Ashok Kumar M from SQAC DCE. During the technical sessions, resource persons has made attempts to cover all the aspects of NAAC process and also participants queries and doubts were addressed accordingly.

The workshop has inspired the colleges to move forward with updated information and ideas to improve their data and work pattern. The Colleges said that workshop was on par with an International Meet, which had given them a thorough knowledge of the entire process. As a result of the effective support provided by SQAC DCE, the Colleges' final conclusion and choice was to score high in the evaluation and accreditation process. The workshop concluded with participant comments and valedictory remarks from the principals of GGC Chikkaballapur and Chintamani.



Report on the Workshop Organized at RBANMS on "NAAC Preparation as per RAF 2021"

A One-Day Workshop was organized at RBANMS on 09-03-2021 to train the IQAC and staff members has HEI is due for its 4th Cycle of Accreditation. The event was also attended by a few neighboring Govt First Grade and Pvt. Aided colleges. The objective of the Programme was to orient the colleges towards the Revised Framework of Accreditation (RAF) 2020 of the NAAC. The Program was formally inaugurated by Dr. K. Vikram, Nodal Officer, SQAC-DCE, Dr. Pratap, Principal of the College, Shri. Veerabhadriah, Management Secretary of RBANMS Trust. It was graced by Regional Special Officer, Dr. Y. Ramesh and the Vice-Principal of the College. Prof. Ravindra. During the inaugural session. Dr. K Vikram Spoke about Importance of NAAC Accreditation to higher education institutes, the recent changes taken place in RAF 2020 and adoption of technology in accreditation process.

Criterion I: Dr. K. Vikram who encapsulated the role and importance of the Curricular Aspects and importance of conducting Certificate Courses as well as feedback system. Criterion II: Shri. Ananth Kumar, Assistant Nodal Officer, SQAC-DCE who dealt with one of the major criteria viz., Teaching. Learning and Evaluation. The presenter focused on student-centric activities, the use of ICT-based pedagogy and the reforms and transparency in evaluation.

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Inauguration of Smart Classrooms and Distribution of PC Tabs to students

Report of Regional joint Director office Dharwad from January to June 2021

As it is rightly said, quality is never an accident; it is always the result of intelligent effort. In this regard Office of the Regional Joint Director, Dharwad has left no stone unturned to ensure that the government run HEI's of our region meet acceptable levels of education quality and has been assisting and mentoring them to get accreditation by the NAAC with the guidance of SQAC.



The Joint Director's office has been doing sustained efforts to promote quality awareness among the HEI's of our region and has conducted several programmes to enhance the quality aspects of the HEI's. One of such initiatives was the evaluation of the colleges on the quality parameters as conceptualized by the SQAC under the guidance of Honorable Commissioner of Collegiate Education. This exercise has helped the colleges to measure their preparedness for accreditation process and to identify the scope for improvements. To help the colleges design their

websites in an effective manner the NAAC special officers of Dharwad Region had conducted an online workshop on 'Managing Website Contents of GFGCs' of Dharwad Region on 11-01-2021. To help the colleges improve their library infrastructure, online workshop on 'Library Upgradation and Automation' was conducted on 16-01-2021 and Nodal Librarian for Dharwad Region Dr. Manjunath G Lamani had participated as the resource person.

A one-day district level workshop on 'NAAC Revised Accreditation Framework' for the GFGC's of Gadag district was conducted on 04-02-2021 at Government First Grade College and PG Centre. All the 9 Government Degree colleges of Gadag district had attended the workshop and Shri. Satyanarayana C. N. Joint Director, Dharwad Region addressed the participating colleges and elaborated on the importance of accreditation process. NAAC Special Officers conducted a mock peer team



visit to GFGC Chikbasur on 12-02-2021 in the wake of upcoming peer team visit to the college. A one day workshop

on 'NAAC Revised Accreditation Framework' was conducted for the staff of Bailahongal, K K Koppa, Sadalaga, Mundgod, Nesargi and Lokapur on 12-01-2021, 27-02-2021, 21-01-2021, 22-01-2021, 20-04-2021 and 23-04-2021 at the respective colleges.

A hands-on training on Website Maintenance for the selective government colleges of Dharwad Region was conducted on 18-03-2021 at Government First Grade College and PG Centre, Dharwad by Shri. Manikandan S, Nodal Officer, Website Maintanance, DCE. Shri. Satyanarayana C. N. Joint Director, Dharwad visited Govt First Grade Women's College, Bailahongala on 06-03-2021 along with NAAC special officers and oversaw the SSR preparation status and motivated the college staff.





A one-day district level workshop on 'NAAC Revised Accreditation Framework' for the GFGC's of Haveri district was conducted on 02-03-2021 at Government First Grade College, Bankapur. All the 14 government degree colleges of Haveri district had attended the workshop and Shri. Satyanarayana C. N. Joint Director, Dharwad Region addressed the participating colleges and elucidated the importance of quality management practices in the current global scenario.

Apart from this, the NAAC special officers

with the support of Assistant Nodal officer for Dharwad Region have been regularly conducting online workshops with regard to NAAC process and review meetings of NAAC going colleges. Since January 2021, 4 government colleges of our region successfully completed NAAC process with B grade. 1 college has successfully submitted SSR and awaiting the peer team visit. 5 colleges are undergoing NAAC process. In the days to come, we expect 52 shortlisted colleges of our region to successfully complete the accreditation process under the patronage of respected Commissioner of Collegiate Education and the guidance of SQAC team at DCE and JD office level.

Report of Regional joint Director office Bengaluru from January to June 2021

The SQAC and the Regional Office of Bengaluru took up various strategies in accentuating the NAAC process in HEIs. The statistics of the regional status of NAAC in Bangalore as on 31st June 2021 is presented below: NAAC being a systematic process requires monitoring of certain core aspects. Every possible effort has been evinced to ensure that the colleges work on the following important areas of: Website Updation, Case Studies and Reports, Online Meets, On-Site Visits to HEIs, SSR Reviews before the official submission to NAAC.

Review of College Websites: The New Year of 2021 set off as brisk as ever to accelerate the NAAC process in both Government and Pvt-Aided Colleges. HEIs were all focussed on updating their College Websites that is one of the key platforms for DVV procedure. A thorough "Review" of the college websites of all the colleges in the region was taken up to ensure that the fundamental data of colleges are all uploaded. The HEIs that had issues with uploading were facilitated with "Website Training" by Prof. Manigandan who reinforced the importance of website updation and provided "Online" training



skills. Consequently, most of the colleges availed the benefit of the training and proceeded with their updations. Furthermore, individual colleges were also given exclusive training programs along with Workshops. This was one of the most significant stages in facilitating the HEIs towards NAAC. The process of Website Updation that commenced in the month of January has yielded its result with all the HEIs of Bangalore region having their college websites updated.



Regular website checks are done by the SQAC and the Regional Offices of colleges, particularly, going for NAAC since January 2021. The average status of updation has been above 65 percent that explains the success of the efforts evinced by the SQAC and the Regional Office.

Case-Studies and Reports on Colleges: The next emphatic step taken up was the Case-Study Projects of individual colleges. An in-depth analysis of each college revealed the key areas of attention and improvement needed viz., infrastructure, academics, library, staff etc. The reports were shared with the SQAC and the SWOT analysis made thereon. The data was then consolidated to study the features/areas of concern common to HEIs. This approach



gave tremendous insights on the functioning of colleges and enabled to make a comparative study of HEIs. It provided

clues on why some HEIs were ahead in the field and others trailing behind. The consolidated sheet of data was analysed at the State Level by the SQAC and corresponded with all the HEIs showcasing their performances/functioning. This awakened the HEIs to gear up and keep pace with their counterparts who were forging ahead and taking up the process seriously.

Online Meets: The Covid pandemic has made Online Meets as the new norm of life. Adhering to this, a series of Online Meets were conducted both individually and collectively for colleges. This became more vigorous and the only method during the months of May and June when the State came under Lockdown. Nevertheless, the SQAC and the Regional Offices across the State took up a massive three-week Workshop for the 201 HEIs that have been identified as the next target group to undergo NAAC. This was tremendously successful. This paved way for another workshop for the 41 HEIs who are already in the process. The focus of the workshop was specifically on DVV Clarifications where most of the institutions were bound to be hit hard. The Meet put all apprehensions at bay and instilled confidence in the HEIs that are in the process. Besides, several colleges were addressed individually to address their in-house issues such as infrastructure and criterion-based queries.

On-site Visits/Workshops: Online Meets did their valuable rounds no doubt, yet there was the compelling need to pay



physical visits to the HEIs for first-hand know-how of the college. A series of colleges in the regions of Ramanagara, Tumkur, Kolar and Bangalore region were visited despite the risk of the pandemic. The purpose of the visits to the HEIs was to obtain the first-hand experience of the preparedness of the college in taking up NAAC. It also provides the opportunities for suggestions of improvements and a personal interaction with the staff. The visits were certainly fulfilling in terms of assuring them confidence that they were supported by the regional and the State teams all

along the way. The teams have further planned for the next series of individual visits to colleges and give them the personal attention to address their issues.

SSR Review Meets: The next stage is that of the submission of the SSRs which is the most crucial stage in the whole process of NAAC. The SQAC and the regional office conducts a micro-level on-line Meet with the staff of the HEI exclusively and scrutinizes every criterion to prevent any duplication or deletion of data or content. This initiative has helped the HEIs vastly by reducing the loss of weightage. This is also the true hand-holding effort carried out by the teams at the State and the regional levels.

Report of Regional Joint Director office Shivamogga from January to June 2021

The Shivamogga SQAC team visited the Vani Sakkare GFGC at Hiriyuru on 12/2/2021 prior to the submission of the SSR and did a last-minute verification of the SSR. At the same time a students and alumni meeting were also organized

by the college in which the SQAC team participated. The team members impressed on the student community the importance of NAAC and the way the SSS should be answered. The SQAC team also visited the Sringeri GFGC and Thirthahalli GFGC and held workshops for the faculty. Besides these activities, SQAC Shivamogga has consistently followed up with the colleges with regard to their progress on NAAC activities through Google meets and WhatsApp groups. The support and commitment of DCE-SQAC has strengthened our resolve to ensure that no college in our region remains without accreditation.



Review Meeting

The SQAC activities of Shivamogga region began with the organization of an offline meeting of Government College



Principals of Kuvempu University on 8/1/2021. The meeting also gave the SQAC team an opportunity to provide one-on-one training to the principals about the modifications in NAAC evaluation process. A meeting of principals of Private Aided Colleges of Shimoga Region was organized on 10/1/2021 to discuss NAAC evaluation process. Similarly, another offline meeting of Principals of GFGCs of Davanagere University was also organized on 10/2/2021. A hands-on workshop was organized at DVS Arts and Science College Shivamogga on 8th February 2021.

Two Private Aided Colleges – Tunga College, Thirthahalli and JCBM College, Sringeri faced NAAC Peer Team visits in the month of January and February. The SQAC-Shivamogga team visited both the colleges to provide moral support to colleges as well as to represent the department of Collegiate Education during the PTV.



Report of Regional Joint Director office Mangalore from January to June 2021

Special officers of Regional Joint Director Office, Mangalore have been Regularly monitoring 6 Government First Grade

Colleges which have been currently listed to undergo and started preparing for NAAC A & A Process. Out of these 6 Colleges, 5 have successfully submitted IIQA and preparing SSR. GFGC, Bellare has prequalified in DVV and waiting for Peer Team Visit. Special Officers of Mangalore region along with regional joint director had visited various colleges to review the preparedness of the NAAC process and guided the colleges on various aspects with respect to IQAC and NAAC process. Visits were very fruitful and made positive impact on colleges to undergo NAAC process without any hurdles.



GFGC, Karkala has been identified as the first college in the state for pilot testing of the proposed NAAC related data



Unnamed Road, Kachoor, Karnataka 576210, India Lat N 13° 27' 50.256" Long E 74° 45' 31.536" 30/06/21 03:56 PM entry portal project initiated by SQAC, DCE, which is currently under designing. 03 meetings have been conducted with Principal, IQAC and Teaching Faculty of this college, by SQAC along with SOs of RJD, Mangalore. Special Officers of RJD Office have been also invited as a resource person for conducting Training Workshops related to Revised Accreditation Framework of NAAC. 02 such programs have been conducted, as shown below:

SI. No	Name of the College	Date
1	Besant Evening College, Mangalore	10-03-2021
2	SDM College of Business Management, Mangalore	23-03-2021



Report of Regional joint Director office Mysore from January to June 2021

College Visits

Dr. B K Kempegowda and Dr. S L Shankara, Special Officers, visited to the Government First Grade College, Koppa, Maddur Tq. on January 21, 2021, to physically verify all NAAC templets and documents in the College and to upgrade

the website, and suggestions to the Principal and all faculty members. On 03.02.2021 Special Officers visited the Government First Grade College for Women, K R Pete, for physical verification of all NAAC templets and documents in the College and Website upgradation, as well as giving suggestions to the Principal and all faculty members. On the 11th of February 2021, Special Officers visited the Government First Grade College, T Narasipura, to verify all NAAC templates and all essential papers preserved at the College, as well as to make comments to the principal and all faculty members. All the metrics were displayed by all of the faculty members.





Dr. B K Kempegowda and Dr. S L Shankara, special officers, visited Government First Grade College, Halaguru, on February 17, 2021, to evaluate all essential documents kept in the College. All QnM and QlM verified, measures were and recommendations were made to change the metrics in accordance with NAAC Manual. Provided the appropriate suggestions for

improvement. On 18.02.2021 Special Officers to Visit the Government first grade College, Sri Rangapatana, for physical verification of all Criteria wise NAAC templates and documents in College and Website upgradation, also give to the suggestions to Principal and all faculty members. On 25.02.2021 Special Officers Visited Government First Grade College for women, Maddur, for physical verification of all Criteria wise NAAC templates and documents in College and Website upgradation.

Online Meetings

Specila Officers conducted online meeting on 07.01.2020 with 2f and 12B pending Government First Grade College Principals and IQAC Coordinators in collaboration with SQAC-DCE. During the meeting procedures and required documents to obtain 2f and 12(B) status was discussed. The Programme was successful and appreciated by all. This online meeting addressed by Prof. R Mugeshsappa Joint Director, Smt. Nuthana Assistant Nodal Officer, Special Officers Dr. B K Kempegowda and Dr. S L Shankara Regional Joint Director Office, Mysore region Mysore. The VC was conducted on 28.012021 to discuss about updating of NAAC Criteria wise templates to google drive for revaluation

process. The Principals and IQAC coordinators of the Mysore region GFGCs were taken part in the event. The VC was conducted on 28.01.2021 with Government First Grade College for Women, Maddur. regarding upgradation of all criteria wise NAAC templets and College website. VC was conducted 19.02.2021 with Government First Grade College, Talakdu for criteria wise upgradation of document. VC was conducted on 20.02.2021 with Government first grade College,

Bharathinagara for criteria wise upgradation of document.





Report of Regional joint Director office Kalburgi from January to June 2021

The NAAC Team of Regional Joint Director's Office, Kalaburagi has conducted NAAC Progress Review Meeting for Private Aided Colleges and organised a Workshop on Revised NAAC Guidelines on 29 January, 2021. The programme was inaugurated by Dr Sreeshakumar H Y, Joint Director, Regional Office, Kalaburagi and Presided by Dr Rajendra Konda, Principal V. G. Women's Degree & P G College, Kalaburagi. The review meeting was for 12 Aided Colleges and about 45 participants from different Colleges have attended the Workshop. New NAAC guidelines were discussed and the queries from IQAC coordinators were answered. Special officers explained the different NAAC Criteria.





The NAAC Team of Regional Joint Director's Office, Kalaburagi has organised a Hands-on Training Programme on College Website maintenance to IT Coordinators of GFGCs at Ambedkar Degree College, Kalaburagi on 10th February, 2021. The Programme was

inaugurated by Dr Sreeshakumar H Y, Joint Director, Regional Office, Kalaburagi, and

Presided by Dr Marutirao Male, President of the Karnataka People's Education Society, Kalaburagi. This programme was organized to make the IT coordinators of the GFGCs to be well trained for updating their college websites. Sri. Manikandan, IT Section, DCE and Dr Ashok Kumar, Assistant Nodal Officer, SQAC, Bengaluru were the Resource



persons. Around 50 participants from different GFGCs have got benefitted from training program.

The NAAC Team of Regional Joint Director's Office, Kalaburagi has organized a Hands-on Training Programme on College Website Updation to IT Coordinators of GFGCs at Govt. Commerce and Management College, Ballari on 11th February 2021. The Programme was inaugurated by Dr Raghavendra Gudagunti, Special Officer, RJD Office, Kalaburagi and Presided by Sri Narayanappa, Principal of the College. This programme was organized to make the IT Coordinators

of the GFGCs to be well trained for updating their college websites. Sri. Manikandan, IT Section, DCE and Dr Ashok Kumar, Assistant Nodal Officer, SQAC, Bengaluru were the Resource persons. Around 35 participants from different GFGCs have got benefitted from this training programme.

Visits were scheduled for GFGC Gurmitkal and Chittapur to review the progress with Dr. Ashok Kumar, Assistant Nodal Officer, SQAC on 7th January 2021. These two Colleges are going for NAAC assessment in 2021. Both have submitted IIQA and SSR. GFGC, Gurmitkal SSR has been prequalified for assessment.





Regular VCs conducted to College Principals and IQAC Coordinators by Joint-Director, Nodal Officer of SQAC and Special officers regarding progress in preparations to NAAC A & A process.



SQAC DCE would like to congratulate the colleges successfully completed the NAAC accreditation/reaccreditation process during January – June 2021



Sl. No	Name of the College	Region	CGPA Points	Grade
01	Government First Grade College Muddebihal, Bijapur	Dharwad	2.03	В
02	Government First Grade College Chikkabasur, Haveri	Dharwad	2.28	В
03	Government First Grade College Kalgatagi	Dharwad	2.29	В
04	Smt L.G.S Government First Grade College Savanur	Dharwad	2.16	В
05	Government First Grade College Harohalli, Ramanagara	Bengaluru	2.48	В
06	Government First Grade College Channapatna, Ramanagara	Bengaluru	2.64	B+

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