

Proceedings of IIIrd IQAC Meeting 23 January, 2023

The Third meeting of the Internal Quality Assurance Cell of the University was held under the chairmanship of Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor on 23/01/2023 in the Vice-Chancellor's committee Room. Dr. Anil Sirohi, Director (IQAC), SVPUAT, Meerut welcomed all the members to the 3rd meeting of IQAC and requested the Chairman of the cell Dr. K.K. Singh, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor to offer introductory remarks on the meeting.

The Chairman Dr. K.K. Singh, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor briefed on the activities in Teaching, Research, Extension and Administration which needs to be improved for uplifting the quality of the University viz., publications in Scopus journals; improving H & I Index; adoption and dissemination of popular technologies among the farming community. He informed the house that for quality teaching hi-tech smart class room with cameras have been established in the University for proper monitoring of classes. All efforts are being made to start under graduate programme on B. Tech sugarcane technology from the upcoming session July, 2023 and stressed upon to design need based Diploma and certificate courses along with value added courses in the university. He further stressed on the need of post harvest processing and value addition and change of cropping pattern. Best practices on 2-3 themes per KVK should be identified and popularized. Also requested all officers and entire staff of SVPUAT, Meerut to join their hands in overall development of the University.

- ❖ Later, Dr. Anil Sirohi briefly presented the activities of IQAC and action taken report of the previous meeting. He also presented on the areas in teaching, research extension and administration where SVPUAT needs to be strengthened. After the thorough deliberations on developmental issues of the University, the following points were emerged.

The IQAC approved the action taken report of the 2nd Meeting presented by the Director IQAC.

- ❖ **As per agenda item 1** of previous meeting courses of different degree programmes have been revised by the Deans of the colleges, process to initiate a new course on agree business management has been initiated, process to upload the e-content on national portal Agri-diksha has been initiated, PG and Ph.D thesis are being digitised and agenda and proceedings of IQAC are being uploaded on University website regularly. The identified best practices and distinctness of the University were discussed and approved.
- ❖ **As per agenda item 2** Regarding strengthening of research in colleges appropriate actions have been taken by the Deans of the Colleges and Director Research.
- ❖ **As per agenda item 3** all the twenty policies discussed in the previous meeting were finalised and got approved by the academic council.
- ❖ **As per Agenda 4** IQAC will regularly monitor feedback on various curriculum aspects from students, teachers, parents, alumni and employers through departments. IQAC will analyze the feedback collected from all stakeholders as per their relevant suggestions. On the basis of relevant suggestions, IQAC will prepare their report for further action and forward it to the appropriate bodies.

Objectives:

- ❖ To get suggestions from employers to make our curriculum suitable for employment as per local regional, national and global needs.

- ❖ To obtain suggestions from Alumni on the basis of their work experience in various fields to further improve the curriculum to meet the expectations of the employers and other part of the society
- ❖ To get inputs from the teachers for enrichment of the curriculum to meet the global standards as per recourses available with the University
- ❖ To get feedback from students and their parents on the suitability of the syllabus to meet their expectations and further improvement required if any.

Director IQAC informed that as per the directions of the 2nd meeting of the IQAC Feedback forms in offline and online mode were circulated by Deans of different colleges among all stakeholders to collect their inputs. The obtained feedback was analyzed using statistical techniques. Suitable action has been taken on the basis of relevant suggestions obtained from all stakeholders. From the feed back following points emerged and approved:

On the basis of Student's feedback, the following appropriate action were taken:

- ❖ **Feedback-1:** Curriculum required more flexibility and diversity among the courses offered by the University across all programmes.
- ❖ **Action:** Most of the PG programmes were restructured as per choice based credit system (CBCS) to provide more flexibility with diverse choices across the programmes
- ❖ **Feedback-2:** More courses leading to employability, skill development and entrepreneurship should be added to the curriculum.
- ❖ **Action:** More relevant courses focusing on employability, skill development and employability are included in the revised syllabi.
- ❖ **Feedback-3:** Relevant courses for competitive examination, and also balance between theory and practical.
- ❖ **Action:** Need-based changes have been incorporated in the syllabus from time to time by adding optional/elective or specialized courses.

On the basis of teacher's feedback, following modifications in the curriculum have been made:

- ❖ **Feedback-1:** The curriculum should be designed to balance the gap between theory and practical classes.
- ❖ **Action:** Practical based PG programmes were rationalized appropriately.
- ❖ **Feedback-2:** Freedom to adopt new techniques/strategies of testing and assessment of students.
- ❖ **Action:** Appropriate changes in the assessment process have been made.
- ❖ **Feedback-3:** Syllabus designed to bridge the gap between academics and industry?
- ❖ **Action:** The appropriate changes in the curriculum have been made to bridge the gap between academics and industry.

As per agenda 5 of previous meeting process for creating social welfare fund has been initiated, whole campus has been made Wi-Fi enabled, Health management camps are being organised by the University Hospital, and seed production of improved varieties of sugarcane and paddy has been taken up by University farm.

All the four Agendas proposed in the meeting were approved by IQAC.

- ❖ Dr. S.K. Garg appreciated the progress of training and placement in the University. He suggested that a modern Animal Farm may be developed at Chirori farm in the interest of University.

(OIC, LRC/ Dean CoVAS)

- ❖ Dr. Pitam Chandra suggested to increase the income of the University for Self Sustainability. He also suggested to increase self employment for rural youth skill development programme may also be prepared and started in the University.

(Deans of the Colleges)

- ❖ Dr. Umesh Shrivastava suggested that Research work and farming of protected cultivation of flowers and vegetables should be initiated in the college of Horticulture. He stressed that planting material of horticultural crops should be prepared and provided to the farmers and Local problems based research should be prepared and submitted to the outside funding agencies to generate the funds and facility in the University. Dr. Shrivastava also suggested that New Education Policy (NEP) should also be implemented in phased manner.

(Dean Horticulture/ Registrar)

- ❖ Shri Manohar Singh Tomar, Member, Hon'ble Board of Management, SVPUAT, Meerut suggested that research work and demonstration unit of aeroponics and hydroponics should be established in the University. Quality seed of high yielding sugarcane varieties recommended for Western Uttar Pradesh should be produced and made available to the farmers. He also suggested that farmers participatory research may be more fruitful for the development of high yielding varieties of cereal, pulses, oil seed etc crops.

(Director Research/ General Manager Farms/ Dean Agriculture/ Dean Horticulture)

- ❖ Dr. K. K. Singh, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor and Chairman IQAC expressed his opinion to start new PG programme related to Agri Business Management and activities to be carried out to increase number of JRFs and SRFs. He also stressed on to further strengthened the need of feedback from staff, alumni and employers to the officers before initiating activities in respect of quality improvement.

(Registrar/ Deans)

A meeting ended with vote of thanks.

[The above proceedings approved by the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor and Chairman of IQAC]

It is requested all the concerned officers/scientists to take necessary action according to the proceedings and submit the same to IQAC for further compilation as directed by the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor and the Chairman of IQAC, SVPUAT, Meerut.


(Director IQAC)

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- 1) All members of the IQAC for information and needful action
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