

Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel University of Agriculture & Technology, Meerut - 250110

6.5.3: Incremental improvements made for the preceding five years with regard to quality (in case of first cycle NAAC A/A)

Response:

The university has made several incremental improvements concerning quality for the preceding five years.

Academic improvement:

- ➤ The 05 Undergraduate, 19 Masters and 16 Doctoral Programmes have been introduced and updated existing ones considering the needs of the job market since 2018.
- Total student intake and female student representation have increased from 385 to 742 and 17.62 % to 28.08%, respectively. University students have qualified for various competitive examinations like JRF, SRF and GATE conducted by the national premier institutions for higher education and got admission to IITs, IARI, CAUs and SAUs. Students are placed across the country and globe in various public and private institutions.
- The teaching-learning process has been improved due to the upgradation of classrooms with new features such as ICT-enabled smart boards and projectors.
- CCTV Cameras in the classroom have been installed for monitoring teaching by the Vice-Chancellor in order to improve quality.
- > Three new computer laboratories have been established.
- ➤ Online course material/Blended Learning Programmes and E-contents have been developed and uploaded on the Learning Management System on the university website.
- A Central Instrumentation Facility has been established to promote high quality research and ensure the optimum use of research equipments.

E-governance:

- An E-governance is regularly enhanced at the university to bring transparency and efficiency.
- An Academic Management System has been implemented for online admission, registration, fee submission, examination and results without physically visiting the university offices.
- > Student grievances, applications for answer book viewing, provisional certificates, duplicate mark sheets, degrees, transcripts, scrutiny and challenge evaluations are handled online.
- A recruitment portal has been developed to invite online applications for various posts.

Infrastructure Development:

- The College of Horticulture, The College of Technology, The College of Post-Harvest Technology and seven new KVKs have been established with all the buildings, laboratories and other facilities.
- A state-of-the-art centrally air-conditioned library building with modern facilities has been started. The library operation has also been automated through the SOUL software from INFLIBNET.
- ➤ Ph.D. thesis theses are being uploaded on Shodhganga. Implementation of Plagiarism check through DrillBit software.
- Solar panels of one Megawatt capacity have been installed resulting in saving of 30% electricity expenditure.
- > The Gymnasium and other sports facilities have been strengthened.

Rainwater harvesting units have been developed on the premises of each building.

Finance:

- Financial powers to the Registrar, Directors/ Deans/HoDs/OICs and Controller of Examination etc. have been given for the smooth functioning of teaching, research and extension activities.
- ➤ Bank accounts of the university were reduced from 18 to 8.
- The compliance report of audit paras has been submitted.

Appointments:

- The university has implemented the orders of Raj Bhavan in the appointments process for transparency in the selection process of teaching posts.
- A recruitment process has been initiated to fill up vacant teaching and non-teaching positions. The Director of Extension and 53 SMS positions have also been filled.

 Registrar

Awards/Recognition:

Awards and recognition for both teachers and students have been started.

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