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YASHWANTRAO CHAVAN MAHARASHTRA OPEN UNIVERSITY, NASHIK – 422 222

(NAAC ACCREDITED 'A' GRADE)

Date: 28/08/2024   **Time: 11.30 AM**

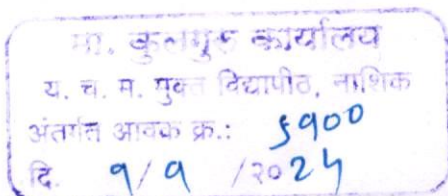### MINUTES OF CIQA COMMITTEE MEETING

The Fourth meeting of CIQA was held on 28/8/2024 at 11.30 am under the chairmanship of Prof. Sanjeev Sonawane, Hon. Vice Chancellor, YCMOU, Nashik. The meeting was attended by following members listed below:

1. **Prof. Sanjeev Sonawane,** Hon. Vice Chancellor, YCMOU, Nashik - **Chairman**
2. **Prof. Manas Panigrahi,** Pro Vice-Chancellor and Dean Academics, Sangam University, Bhilwara (Rajasthan)
3. **Prof. Nilesh K Modi, Director** & Coordinator, Centre for Internal Quality Assurance, Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Open University, Ahmedabad **(Attended Online)**
4. **Prof. Chetana Kamlaskar,** Director, School of Science, YCMOU, Nashik
5. **Dr. Surendra Patole,** Director (I/C), School of Commerce & Management, YCMOU, Nashik
6. **Smt. Shubhangi Patil,** Assistant Professor, Student Services Division, YCMOU, Nashik
7. **Mr. Dilip Bharad,** Registrar, YCMOU, Nashik
8. **Mr. Bhatuprasad Patil,** Controller of Examination ,YCMOU, Nashik
9. **Dr. Govind Katalakute,** Finance Officer ,YCMOU, Nashik
10. **Prof. Hemant Rajguru,** Senior Academic Consultant, YCMOU, Nashik **(Invitee)**
11. **Prof. Madhukar Shewale,** Director, CIQA, **Member Secretary**

Agenda for Meeting

The meeting proceeded as per the agenda, with discussions held on each item:

1. **To discuss about Binary Accreditation its importance and relevance:**
   The new accreditation process i.e. Binary Accreditation was discussed in details. It was resolved (decided) that YCMOU will opt for grading option only.

2. **To discuss about submission of AQAR (2023-24) overview:**
   The overall progress regarding AQAR was briefed to the committee. The data compliance for AQAR is almost complete and data verification is in process.

3. **Faculty exchange with other HEIs for mutual benefit:**
   YCMOU will initiate faculty exchange program with Indian Universities as well as Foreign Universities, Asian Universities, as well as other State Open Universities.

4. **To identify recent trends and areas for training to teaching and non-teaching staff:**
   It was discussed to focus on various areas of training for teaching and non- teaching staff. The list of areas presented during presentation may be considered for further identification. Indicating probable areas are as mentioned below:

For Teaching Staff:
- Digital Literacy: Training on LMS, e-learning tools, and multimedia resources.
- Pedagogical Strategies: Active learning, flipped classrooms, and differentiated instruction.
- Assessment: Online assessment tools and data analytics.
- Student Engagement: Enhancing online participation and support.
- Professional Development: Research skills and staying updated with trends.

For Non-Teaching Staff:
- Administrative Efficiency: Use of management software and workflow improvement.
- Customer Service: Effective communication and conflict resolution.
- Project Management: Tools and skills for managing tasks and projects.
- Compliance: Understanding regulations and data protection.
- Technology Adoption: Integration of new tools and staying current with tech advancements.

5. **To discuss student satisfaction survey and its implications for quality improvement:**
   Proposed implementing a feedback mechanism involving Students, Regional Centres, LSCs Coordinators etc. E mail verification at the admission level and there feedback collection from learners as well as counsellors suggested by the committee. It was suggested to adapt OTP verification based admission confirmation.

6. **Development and sharing of e-learning/ e-resources for the benefit of HEIs:**
   Committee discussed the implementation of Open Educational Resources (OER) policy and creating an OER Repository at University.
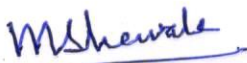
The committee deliberations are presented below:
1. Dr. Madhukar Shewale, Director CIQA & Member Secretary welcomed Hon. Chairman and all the respected members.
2. At the outset Prof. Hemant Rajguru presented the activities, programs and initiatives taken by CIQA.
3. Hon. Vice Chancellor Prof. Sanjeev Sonawane briefed about newly established schools and centers in the University. He also expressed the views on Teacher-Student Ratio and vacant academic positions to be filled in the University. It was informed that the proposed staffing pattern would be 01 Professor, 01 Associate Professor and 03 Assistant Professors would be recruited in each new school. This will help to rectify the Teacher-Student Ratio, thereby helping to improve the NIRF ranking score. He emphasized on development of e-content in Marathi and Hosting Scholarship for post-doctoral research through Prof. Ram Takawale Research & Development Centre of the University. Prof. Sonawane focused on new programmes like Diploma in Educational Technology (DET), Advocate Assistance, Stipend oriented program with the Maharashtra Chamber of Commerce, Cyber-crime Investigation program to be initiated. For NIRF ranking YCMOU is striving to achieve higher level Teacher training. The University looks ahead to launch PG programs such as M.A. /M.Sc. in Education Technology, M.A. /M.Sc. In e-learning etc., in addition to Certificate, Diploma and UG programs in the respective fields.
4. Prof. Manas Panigrahi discussed on ODL & OL programmes and highlights on how to increase Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER) through qualitative and on demand courses like M.A. in Education and M.Sc. in Educational Technology. Also Prof. Panigrahi emphasized on identifying and

developing courses for mass learning embedded with internship, on- the- job training and Semester pattern.

5. Prof. Nilesh Modi highlighted several key initiatives for YCMOU. He proposed the establishment of a Centre for Online Education to manage and oversee the implementation of online programs. Additionally, he recommended the introduction of B.Sc. in Cyber Security, specifically designed to focus on cyber-crime investigation and tailored for professionals in the Gujarat Police Department. To enhance the credibility of student feedback, he suggested implementing email verification for feedback surveys. Lastly, Prof. Modi advocated for the creation of an Open University Consortium to foster collaboration and resource sharing among open universities.

6. Dr. Nilesh Modi discussed about PG Diploma duration, restricted number of programmes and implementation of M.Sc. (IT) implementation and other restrictions imposed by UGC-DEB. Prof. Sonawane explained that expecting positive things in NEP based new regulations are awaited.

7. Prof. Sonawane, VC, YCMOU elaborated the concept and current status of MAHASWAYAM at YCMOU. The MAHASWAYAM portal is being developed as a consortium including 04 conventional Universities, namely, SPPU, Pune, Mumbai University, SNDT Women's University, Mumbai and Shivaji University, Kolhapur. The YCMOU is the lead partner in this project. Two programs for faculty training are being conducted under this project. The MAHASWAYAM portal would soon make available innovative e-learning resources mainly by using Marathi as the language of instruction.

8. In order to strengthen research in ODL, the University has established Prof. Ram Takwale Research &Development Centre (RT-RDC) in 2023. The YCMOU is in process to offer 04 research fellowships to Post doctorate scholars to carry out research in the specified & relevant areas. Similarly, the YCMOU has sanctioned approval to 39 Minor Research Projects and 01 Major Research Project to the faculty and co-ordinators. The total financial support involves an amount of Rs. 40 lakh. This initiative would encourage the researchers to probe into new and demanding problems especially in ODL domain.

9. Prof. Manas Panigrahi emphasised on identification of core areas of research in ODL. In addition, he pointed out importance of experimental and survey methods especially for ODL. He further expressed to include new tools such as use of AI, Chat-GPT, AR and VR in ODL research as well as e-learning resources development.

Prof. Madhukar Shewale concluded the meeting with the vote of thanks to Chair and the Members.

Prof. Madhukar Shewale
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Vice Chancellor & Chairman
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