Report of the One day Workshop on
"NAAC Accreditation Process: A Road Map"
(NAAC Awareness to Principals and IQAC Coordinators of RCU Affiliated Colleges)

Inaugural Session

The Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of Rani Channamma University conducted a One day workshop on **"NAAC Accreditation Process: A Road Map"** (NAAC Awareness to Principals and IQAC Coordinators of RCU Affiliated Colleges) on 03-02-2021 with an objective to create awareness about the NAAC accreditation process to Principals and IQAC coordinators of RCU Affiliated colleges.

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Speaking as the inaugurator of the workshop, Dr, M. S. Shyamasundar, Advisor, NAAC, Bengaluru, highlighted the various phases of obtaining accreditation and its significance and benefits to colleges and Universities. He further stated that NAAC is not meant for only punitive measures, but has been functioning to guide towards quality education in the country. He impressed upon all the authorities of affiliated colleges that NAAC is always ready to extend help to universities/institutes to get better accreditation grades.

Dr. M. S. Shyamasundar, Advisor, NAAC Bengaluru, spoke as an inaugurator highlighting phases of accreditation

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Prof. M. Ramachandra Gowda, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, RCU, Belagavi,gave his presidential remarks. He shared his experience of a recent meeting of all Vice Chancellors with the Hon'ble Minister of Higher Education, Dr. C Ashwathnarayan. He informed that the Minister expressed dissatisfaction over institutes hesitating to apply for NAAC accreditation and also strictly instructed the Vice Chancellors of the Universities which have less number of accredited colleges under their affiliation to prepare an action plan to educate and motivate the institutes to come forward for accreditation. Hon'ble Vice Chancellor said that the workshop was a part of the Action-Plan prepared by Rani Channamma University, Belagavi. He urged the participants to make best use of the workshop and soon initiate the accreditation process in their colleges.

Prof. BasavarajPadmashali, Registrar, Prof. S. M. Hurkadli, Registrar (Evaluation), and Prof. D. N. Patil, Finance Officer, graced the function as Guests of Honour.

Nearly 150 participant delegates from 90 affiliated colleges participated in the workshop.

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Session-I: Revised NAAC Accreditation Process: A Road Map
Speaker: Dr. M. S. Shamasundar, Advisor, NAAC Bangalore
Session Chair: Prof. R N Mangoli, Chairman and Director, School of Criminology and Criminal Justice, Rani Channamma University, Belagavi

Dr. M. S. Shyamsundar, Senior Advisor, NAAC, explaining about accreditation to the participants

He talked about the importance of acquiring NAAC accreditation and explained about both the long term and short term benefits of NAAC accreditation. The highlights of his talk are as below:

1. He stated that NAAC is ahead of all other accrediting agencies in the world with nearly 13500 visits to universities/ institutes so far.

2. He informed that NAAC has signed MoUs with Quality Assurance agencies around the world. This helps to ensure the quality of institutes among the countries of member agencies.

3. He told that Indian students are deprived of job opportunities in countries outside India, if they have not studied in accredited institutes/universities. They are allowed to pursue post-graduation in institutes/universities outside India even after completing a3 year degree course unlike a 4 years' degree course in some countries provided the students have graduated from an institute accredited with an "A" grade. Hence, more students prefer to study in accredited institutes.

4. He alerted the participants that by the time NEP 2020 gets implemented completely it will be compulsory for all HEIs to be accredited by NAAC or else their existence may be at stake by means of withdrawal of their affiliation/recognition.

5. He made aware of the various funding of UGC, RUSA and other bodies which would be available for HEIs once they obtain NAAC accreditation.

6. He said that the institutes acquiring CGPA of above 3.5 could start any new program outside India and institutes with a CGPA of 3 could start any new program within India without the approval of any authorized body.

7. He opined that Documentation was weak even in highly accredited institutes of India and the practice of database creation started because of NAAC. There is awareness of various quality dimensions once the institutes start planning for NAAC accreditation and it also improves the quality of the teaching-learning process. He expressed that small initiatives go a long way in quality enhancement and attitudinal crunch was the main hindrance. He felt that internal communication in institutes can be improved through assessment process.

8. He advised the Principals and IQAC coordinators about establishment of a strong IQAC and creation of a thought provoking environment. He requested them to convince and motivate their managements for improvement and plan for NAAC accreditation.

9. He also informed that State Level Quality Assurance Cells are functioning and act as a bridge between NAAC and HEIs. He requested to re-define HEIs by initiating best practices, motivating the teachers to publish papers and also to obtain their Ph.D. degrees. He recommended for a strong alumni association.

10. He completed his talk expressing hope that all the participant colleges would soon plan for NAAC accreditation.

Session Concluded by Prof. R. N. Mangoli, Director& Chairman, School of Criminology & Criminal Justice, RCU, Belagavi

Prof .R. N. Mangoli gave the introduction of the speaker Dr. M.S. Shyamasundar, Senior Advisor, NAAC, Bengaluru and invited the Honorable speaker to speak on the main theme of workshop and ignite and motivate the participants to take the serious initiative to go for quality assurance.

Session-II: Online Submission of IIQA,SSR and Process of DVV
Speaker: Dr. N R Mohan, Assistant Advisor, NAAC Bangalore
Session Chair: Dr. J Manjanna Chairman and Director, School of Basic Sciences, Rani Channamma University Belagavi

The second session of the workshop was chaired by Prof. J. Manjanna, Director, School of Basic Sciences, Chairman, Dept. of Chemistry, RCU, Belagavi.

Prof. J. Manjanna introduced the second speaker for the session Dr. N. R. Mohan, Assistant Advisor, NAAC, Bengaluru and invited the speaker to shed light on detailed process to go for NAAC accreditation and the participants about the step by step procedures involved in the accreditation process.

He elaborated about the steps mentioned below:

1. Registration through the HEI portal on the NAAC website.
2. Submission of IIQA.
3. Compilation of the Extended Profile and Self Study Report (SSR) after acceptance of IIQA and Submission of SSR.
4. Data Verification and Validation (DVV), Student Satisfaction Survey (SSS) and Bibliometric Data Collection from INFLIBNET after successful submission of SSR.
5. Peer Team Visit after clearance of DVV.
6. Computation of CGPA and Grade allotment.

Session-III: Panel Discussion
Panelists :
Dr. M S Shamasundar, Senior Advisor, NAAC Bangalore
Dr. N R Mohan, Assistant Advisor, NAAC Bangalore
Moderator: **Prof. Shivanand Gornale, Director** IQAC RCU, Belagavi

The participants expressed their doubts about compulsion of obtaining 2(f) and 12(B) recognition, lack of infrastructure, etc., to apply for accreditation. The resource persons cleared their doubts informing that presently there is no requirement of 2(f) and 12(B) recognition to apply for accreditation and institutions also institutes even with minimum infrastructure can apply for the Quality Assurance Process.

The queries collected from the participants during registration were also discussed and clarified. Prof. Shivanand Gornale, Director, IQAC assured to extend all the support to the affiliated colleges in preparing for the NAAC process.

The participants gave a positive feedback about the workshop stating that it was very motivating, educative and informative. Many Principals expressed their willingness to initiate the accreditation process at their institutes.

<u>Valedictory:</u>
- ❖ Opinion of Principals and IQAC Coordinators
- ❖ Concluding Remarks: **Prof. Basavaraj Padmashali,** Registrar, Rani Channamma University, Belagavi.

Closing remarks by Prof. Basavaraj Padmashali, Registrar, RCU, Belagavi .

Prof. Basavaraj Padmashali lauded the organizers for conducted a very successful workshop and stressed all the participants to make use of the workshop and take initiatives to start working on preparing for NAAC accreditation. Prof. Shivanand Gornale, Director, IQAC proposed the vote of thanks

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