Centre for Internal Quality Assurance (CIQA) 2019–20 Annual Report

KSOU has established the Centre for Internal Quality Assurance (CIQA) 5-8-219 as per Clause 8 of UGC Notification on ODL Regulations of 23rd June 2017, to maintain quality in the service provided to the stakeholders and to assure quality standards are maintained in all its academic and administrative activities. The committee for CIQA interacts with the stakeholders and initiates various measures to promote quality of services at every stage i.e. from the enrolment of students till they accomplish their goals in their academic pursuit. The activities of CIQA are guided by an Action Plan which is approved by the CIQA Committee, KSOU. Prof. Jagadeesha, was appointed as the first Director of CIQA. Currently Dr. Niranjan Raj S is serving as the Director of CIQA. The Vice Chancellor has constituted the Centre for Internal Quality Assurance (CIQA) comprising the following members for a period of two years to provide high quality programmes of higher education in Distance Learning mode.

Submission of PPRs

The program project report for 15 new subject i.e., MSc., Botany, M.Sc., Zoology, M.Sc., Food and Nutrition, B.Sc. with various combinations, M.A., Telugu, B.Sc., Computer Applications, B.Sc. Information Sciencec, Law, etc., were prepared and submitted to the UGC.

Framing ordinances

The ordinances for Skill Development Programmes, Online Programmes and Choice Based Credit System were framed with the academic section of the KSOU.

CBCS meetings

CIQA has conducted several meeting with the staff of the university in order to implement the choice-based credit system (CBCS) for undergraduate courses from the academic year 2020-21. It will enable students to study inter-disciplinary subjects along with their core subjects. The CBCS matrix and also the Ordinances for CBCS were prepared in consultation with other stakeholders.

NAAC Committee meetings

The CIQA held the meeting of the NAAC High-Power Committee was on 26-5-2020 under the chairmanship of Prof. S. Vidyashankar, Vice-chancellor, KSOU. The meeting stock of the progress of the work done after the NAAC High-Power Committee was established and made a few suggestions for the work related to NAAC. Various subcommittees related to the NAAC work were formed and the names of the committee members were finalized. It was decided that all the committee members must be provided with the NAAC manual for efficient preparation of the required data and documents. Academic and administrative audit of the university was long due, and a AAA committee was formed to work out the mechanism for ensuring timely, efficient and periodic progressive performance of academic and administrative activities.

Details of various meetings / seminars conducted by Centre for Internal Quality Assurance Department (CIQA)

SI. No.	Date	Subject of the meeting
01	26.09.2019	Annual report placed before CIQA committee for approval
02	14.11.2019	Special seminar organized for teachers of KSOU – reg. "Preparation of research projects, submission of proposals and opportunities of financial help for research".
03	16.11.2019	Meeting was organized to orient the teachers of the science departments for preparing project proposals and submitting to VGST for FY 2019-20
04	02.12.2019	Special Lecture was organized by Dr. Komal Prasad, Scientist, Institute of Molecular Medicine, University of Helsinki, Finland. for teachers of KSOU reg- "Understanding the Molecular Mechanism of Disease Pathogeneses and Identifying novel Treatments for Haematological Malignancies"

05	05.12.2019	S. Umashankar from Dassault systems - The 3D Experience
		Company Bengaluru, presented a talk on Simulations for medical
		devises and also Dr. Preethi Kapadia from Delhi, also discussed
		creation of an incubation centre in KSOU.
06	26.03.2020	NAAC committee meeting was held to discuss about various sub-
		committees to be formed and also to device strategies for NAAC
		assessment and preparation of the self- study report and other
		documents required for NAAC assessment.

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