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Minutes of the Meeting of the Research Staff/ IQAC Working Group of Gokhale Institute of Politics and Economics held on Tuesday, April 30, 2019

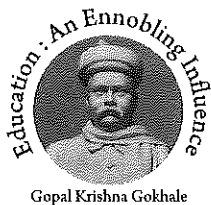
A meeting of the Research Staff/ IQAC Working Group of Gokhale Institute of Politics and Economics was held on Tuesday, April 30, 2019, at 11.30 a.m. at the Institute. The following members were present:

1. Prof. Rajas Parchure (*In Chair*)
2. Prof. Deepak Shah
3. Prof. Sangeeta Shroff
4. Prof. Kailas Thaware
5. Prof. Anjali Radkar
6. Prof. Jayanti Kajale
7. Dr. Nanaji Shewale
8. Dr. Prashant Bansode
9. Dr. Anurag Asawa
10. Dr. Lalitagauri Kulkarni
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12. Dr. K. S. Reddy
13. Dr. Prema Borkar
14. Dr. Amruta Suryavanshi
15. Dr. Dilip Kajale
16. Dr. Ashish Kulkarni
17. Dr. Savita Kulkarni
18. Dr. Sunil Bhosale
19. Shri Pramod Joshi
20. Dr. P. N. Rath

Prof. Kakali Mukhopadhyay, Dr. Naresh Bodkhe, Dr. Vini Sivanandan, Dr. K. S. Hari, Dr. Debashis Nandy, Dr. Suddhasil Siddhanta, Dr. Neha Dhanawade and Dr. Balgovind Chauhan could not attend the meeting.

Minutes:

1. The Research Staff members discussed about the revised NAAC Guidelines, based on the latest NAAC Manual, Data Template and the Standard Operating Procedure sent to the Research Staff by the Officiating Registrar earlier. Then the members discussed about the steps to be taken for achieving minimum 3.26 score in the next cycle of NAAC accreditation which is due in 2021. In this connection, the Officiating Director made a presentation highlighting the Recommendations for Quality Enhancement made by NAAC Peer Team which visited the Institute during 18-20 February 2016. The Research Staff discussed thoroughly on the recommendations and arrived at following decisions:



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Sl. No.	Recommendation	Present Status	Action Plan
1	Institute should develop administrative structure as per UGC Regulations	The Institute has already submitted its revised MoA and Rules modified as per UGC (Institutes Deemed to be Universities) Regulations 2016. However, as a new Regulation was notified by UGC in March 2019, and Institute is yet to receive any framework from UGC regarding implementation of the same, the MoA is yet to be modified and sent to UGC for approval.	Institute will expedite the process by approaching UGC and get the modified MoA and Rules as per 2019 Regulations in place at the earliest.
2	Efforts should be initiated for generous funding from UGC/ MHRD to establish as a premier centre of learning	The Institute has been making continuous efforts to secure generous funding from UGC. As Institute was not having 12B status earlier, funding was almost stopped by UGC. Now the Institute has been accorded with 12B status by the UGC, it is expected that flow of funding from UGC will be more regular and generous.	Institute may submit specific proposals for approval by UGC and continuously approach UGC for releasing of the pending grants first before regularization of the funding pattern.
3	Student enrolment needs to be enhanced	With the introduction of Undergraduate Programme, the student enrolment is likely to be increased.	The Institute may start one year post graduate diploma in certain niche areas to satisfy the requirement of having four years undergraduate course as required for getting admission to Masters' degree programme by most of the foreign universities. The Institute is also likely start M. Sc. in Development Economics and M. Sc. in Population and Health Sciences within a couple of years. All these programmes will add to increase of student enrolment in the Institute.
4	Efforts needed to attract Post-doctoral students	There is no provision in the Institute at present for Post-doctoral students though they are encouraged to work on projects and join as visiting teachers.	GIPE may institute three post-doctoral fellowships of a duration of one year each extendable by one more year. The post-doctoral fellows will be engaged in teaching and research projects of the Institute.
5	Regular Director along with other faculty members need to be filled up	The Institute has written several times to Ministry of Human Resources Development, Government of India, for their nominee in Search-cum-Selection Committee for the post of Director, however, so far the MHRD has not gave its nominee due to which the matter is pending. Likewise because of the ban on	The Institute has again written to MHRD for the nominee on Search-cum-Selection Committee of the Director. The BoM has approved creation of three new posts of Assistant Professor and the Institute is soon going to place the advertisement for the same.

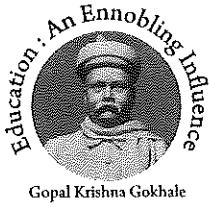


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		recruitment by the grantors, the Institute is not able to recruit faculty members.	Regarding other posts, the NOC from Government of Maharashtra will be sought and further action will be taken after receipt of the NOC.
6	Feedback from all stakeholders needs to be obtained and analysed.	The Institute has sought feedback from Alumni for Syllabus revision.	Feedback from Alumni, prospective employers, and students should be obtained periodically. The Institute may introduce NAAC system for feedback which may be incorporated in the NOC form in Google.doc. that is already there for Alumni.

2. The members of Research Staff discussed about introduction of Academic Audit in the Institute. The members resolved that Prof. R. S. Mali, former Vice Chancellor of North Maharashtra University be requested to deliver a lecture on Academic Audit.
3. The Research Staff members discussed about the future infrastructure development of the Institute and resolved that the following construction works may be taken by the Institute in order of priority: (i) Two more floors in the New Academic Building; (ii) Construction of new Boys' Hostel; (iii) Construction of two more floors in the New Girls' Hostel; (iv) One more floor above existing Multipurpose Hall; and (v) Demolition of some staff quarters and construction of new staff quarters.
4. The Research Staff members discussed about following a standard method for preparation of syllabus and resolved as follows: (i) Suggestions for revision of Syllabus should come from all the stakeholders and sent to IQAC in a separate mail id to be created by the Institute; (ii) Feedback regarding Syllabus should be made as a part of Student Feedback System and clearance to students may not be given unless the same is filled-in; (iii) The Syllabus should start with an outline of entire lecture plan comprising the teaching-learning and evaluation method to be followed and the books to be read beforehand and one lecture should be devoted for expectation of the students from the Course; (iv) Adequate focus on employability should be given in the learning outcome portion of the Syllabus; and (v) The Course Coordinators be given the responsibility of obtaining proper lecture plan as per the above guidelines from the faculty members who are going to teach the course, which should be circulated amongst the Course Coordinators, Academic Section and the students before commencement of the Semester; and (vi) in the Students' Feedback Form, there should be a question about whether the lecture plan has been adhered to by the concerned teacher.

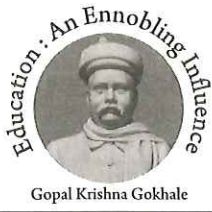


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5. The members of Research Staff discussed about Research, Innovation and Extension activities of the Institute and resolved that Institute may start an Innovation Centre in collaboration with other agencies engaged in R & D activities. The extension activities done by faculty members be reported regularly to the IQAC Cell of the Institute. To increase publication output, the Research Staff members resolved that all the reports prepared by faculty members after completion of projects should be made publishable with required editing and sent to reputed UGC listed journals (other than Artha Vijnana). In this connection, it is also resolved that every faculty member of the Institute should try to publish at least two papers in reputed UGC listed journals in a year. Also, the faculty members may compile the lecture notes and other papers used by them to deliver and record their lectures for MOOCS, and publish the same as a textbook in the concerned subject.
6. The members discussed about having academic flexibility in accordance with the NAAC parameters and resolved as follows: (i) Students may be given the option of completing the Research Methodology Course, if offered on MOOCS, in lieu of an elective paper in the Syllabus; (ii) Dissertation by students, if done in collaboration with a faculty members, be allowed as a separate paper in lieu of an existing course; (iii) Credit transfer arrangement with foreign universities be allowed in case the Institute has exchange programme with a foreign university.
7. The Research Staff discussed about maintaining institutional values and following best practices as per the requirement of NAAC accreditation and resolved as follows: (i) The Institute shall be part of few major programmes which are having direct bearing on the upliftment of the society such as Ayushman Bharat Yojana, River Interlinking Project, etc. Institute should also take initiative to undertake several trans-disciplinary projects under UGC's STRIDE Scheme; (ii) The Institute may prepare Code of Ethics to Check Malpractices and Plagiarism, Code of Conduct for Students, Code of Conduct for Teachers and Officers of the Institute and provide the link for the same in the Institute Website as prescribed in the NAAC Standard Operating Procedure for Universities.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.




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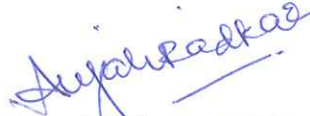
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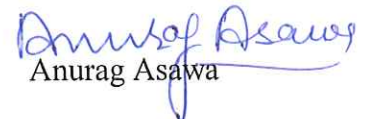

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