

**A Brief Report on One Day NAAC Sponsored National Seminar
on
*Revised NAAC Framework: Opportunities for Excellence in Higher Education
organized by IQAC, Renuka College, Besa, Nagpur held on 4th Jan 2019***

Convener: Dr. Jyoti Patil, Principal Renuka College, Besa, Nagpur

Venue: Auditorium, Renuka College, Besa, Nagpur

Internal Quality Assurance Cell of Renuka College, Besa, Nagpur organized One Day NAAC Sponsored National Seminar on Revised NAAC Framework Opportunities Excellence for Higher Education on 4th Jan 2019 at the college auditorium at 9.30 a.m. The Seminar began by lighting the traditional lamp followed by a devotional song presented by a group of students written by Rashtrasant Tukadoji Maharaj after whom the university has been named. The Chief Guest Dr. Siddhathvinayak P. Kane, Vice Chancellor of RTM, Nagpur University formally inaugurated the seminar in which he emphasized that the measuring tools of regulatory body such as NAAC needs to be taken into consideration by HEIs while undergoing the process of A&A and they need to get themselves adjusted according to the measuring tools. It was followed by digital release of online Peer Reviewed ISSN at the fingertip of the Keynote Speaker Dr. Devender Kawday Deputy Adviser, NAAC, Bangalore to encourage digitization in which 27 research articles have been published along with three invited talks of the Resource Persons. The Guests of honour were Mr. Himanshu Gedam, President, and Secretary, Mrs Manjusha Gedam of Renuka Shikshan Prasarak Mandal, Nagpur.

The welcome address was made by Dr. Jyoti Patil, Principal and Convener of the seminar followed by the Keynote address by Dr. Devender Kawday, Deputy Adviser, NAAC, emphasized that the revised NAAC framework was quite simple and lucid by virtue of objectivity and transparency. He further added that the revised NAAC framework was institutional friendly and the some of the questions were curtailed in the revised SSR. He also highlighted that the option of non-applicable metrics was also provided to the Institutions but in each criterion it should not be more than 20%. He talked at length about Students satisfaction survey (SSS), Data verification and validation (DVV), Quality Indicator Framework (QIF)- Qualitative Metrics & Quantitative Metrics, procedure of A & A, pre-qualifier & grade-qualifier, changes in the seven criteria, key indicators, SSR, Student Satisfaction Survey, fee structure, bench marks and penalty clause. The discussion and deliberation was made by the delegates with Dr. Devender Kawday and got satisfactory replies. The inaugural session was concluded with a vote of thanks proposed by IQAC Coordinator Asst. Prof. Abdul Shamim.

The first technical session was conducted by **Dr. Prantik Banerjee, IQAC Coordinator**, Hislop College, Nagpur who threw light on Institutionalization of IQAC and he stressed that it was possible by giving democracy and autonomy to IQAC to become proactive and dynamic. He also informed regarding the system of mentor institution in which the mentor institute could under take three non-accreditation institutions as mentees and could guide them

for A&A. He encouraged the institutions for initiation of the best practice of the institution, institutionalization of the best practice and internalization of it. The rapporteur of the session was **Dr.Neehal Sheik** IQAC Cordinator,Santaji College, Nagpur and it was ended with the discussion and deliberation with the delegates .

The Resource Person for the second Technical session was **Dr.Veena Prakash**e, Information Scientist, RTM,Nagpur University who emphasized the use of ICT effectively and efficiently for streamlining the process of NAAC.She explained the significance of preparing the online courses by the faculty members and give link on the institutional websites for the students to have their access. She talked about smart and virtual classrooms, online evaluation and assessment in the process of NAAC.The session ended with the healthy interaction from the delegates.

The Symposium session was chaired by **Dr.Vinayak Deshpande**,Director,Business Management Department,RTM,Nagpur University who began the session on **Opportunities for Quality Enhancement in Higher Education** by highlighting the avenues of quality enhancement in higher education. The Expert **Dr.Urmil Dabir**,Principal,Rajkumar Kewalramani College discussed regarding documentation in Criterion II - Teaching Learning and Evaluation and in criterion V- Students Support and Progression.She emphasized to substantiate the documentation to bring efficacy in the process of A&A.Another Expert **Dr.Jyoti Patil**,Principal,Renuka College,Besa, Nagpur spoke on IQAC in which she talked about the constitution of IQAC the role and responsibilities of the IQAC Coordinator and the revision made in the recent AQAR. She also threw light on AAA, NIRF and AISHE.

The Valedictory session was graced by Dr. **Dr.Babanrao Taywade**,Former Principal of D.N.C and President of Sacchidanand Shikshan Sanstha,Nagpur who was the chief guest of the session . Few delegates were invited for the feedback who appreciated the theme of the seminar and were satisfied with the informative talks of the keynote speaker, resource persons and the chairperson and the experts of the symposium session. They applauded the discussion and deliberation session conducted after each session for 10 minutes in which they got the opportunities to interact with the resource persons and their doubts and difficulties were resolved. The Chief Guest Dr. **Dr.Babanrao Taywade**, in his valedictory address encouraged the non-accreditation institutions for gearing up for the process of A&A and the accredited institutions to understand the nitty gritty of RAF in order to augment their grading. He also underlined that the contribution of humblest placed employee to highest placed employee is utmost important in the exercise of A&A. It is teamwork and can be executed with the coordination and cooperation of each member of the institution from non-teaching, to supporting and teaching staff. A gathering of 123 delegates including Principals, IQAC Coordinators, IQAC members and other stakeholders took active part in this seminar out of which 15 delegates came from other states namely Chhattisgarh and Madhya Pradesh. The IQAC Coordinator Asst. Prof. Abdul Shamim presented a brief report on the seminar and proposed a vote of thanks. The seminar ended with the National Anthem.















