

Minutes of IQAC Meeting
Tuesday, 20 November 2018
Board Room, Director's Office

1a. Roll Call (Agenda Item #1)

The meeting commenced at 4:30 PM.

Committee Members (in attendance)

1. Dr. K.S. Dasgupta (Chairman IQAC)
2. Anil Roy (Director IQAC)
3. Soman Nair (Executive Registrar)
4. Mr. Hasendrasinh Jhala
5. Binita Desai (Chairperson, Gender Cell)
6. Suman Mitra (Dean (AP))
7. Sanjeev Gupta (Dean (R&D))
8. Ranendu Ghosh (Dean (Students))
9. Asim Banerjee (faculty)
10. Sanjay Srivastava (faculty)
11. Mr. Bhargav Makwana
12. Ms. Anupama Panchal

Committee Members (absent)

1. Mr. Suresh Rangachar (Management Representative)
2. Mr. Samarth Parikh
3. Mr. Swapnil Khandelwal
4. Mr. Anamitra Das

1b. Welcome (Chairman IQAC) (Agenda Item #1)

Prof. Dasgupta welcomed all and started the meeting with his opening remarks. Then he handed over to Anil Roy for further proceeding of the meeting.

Questions & Comments

No comments

2. Action Taken Report (all previous meetings starting from 15 July 2015 – 20 March 2018) (Anil Roy) (Agenda Item #2)

A compiled list of all actionable items was circulated to all members. This list had comments/observations of the IQAC Director. Most of the items fell under Dean (AP) and Registrar's purview.

IQAC Director suggested all to go through the report carefully and corresponding persons should provide with the suitable data of these points.

It was decided that the IQAC Director would send the part of the report to the Dean (AP) and the part of the report to the Registrar which belonged to them. Both were requested to revert to the IQAC Director as soon as possible.

Actionable item:

1. IQAC Director will send the report to the Dean (AP) and Registrar seeking the closure report from them. RESPONSIBILITY: IQAC Director.

3. Placement Analysis (Anil Roy) (Agenda Item #3)

A short analysis was presented by the IQAC Director posing a question if the ICT blend of the program was eroding. Is Placement Cell looking only for numbers and ignoring the mandate of soliciting the right balance between IT-CT-EL to ensure the vision of ICT? A counter argument was given that there were no service companies in communications whereas 90% of jobs were with service companies in IT sector. And if there are only 5% jobs nationally in EC/CT sector, then how and why we expect a different trend of job offers in DA-IICT?

It was concluded to wait and watch but to keep an eye on the placement trend year-on-year. Also to find out which programs these students are joining in higher studies. If they are going to specialize in communications, it is a good sign that we have ignited the spark.

Actionable item:

NONE

4. PhD Admissions Analysis (Anil Roy) (Agenda Item #4)

Data of admissions in our PhD program of last 6 years were presented.

Year	No. of Applications Received - Autumn	No. of Applications Received - Winter	Interviewed	Offered Admission	Total Admitted	Sponsored Admitted
2013	105	11	31	10	12	1
2014	97	27	27	9	6	0
2015	86	20	22	9	13	0
2016	83	35	32	24	18	0
2017	105	34	45	16	17	1
2018	94	-	23	8	6	1

Concern was shown on two accounts: a) in general a low admission in PhD program and b) a very low admission in the AY 2018-19 despite an average number of applications received. On which the Dean (AP) told that in general everywhere including it's the PhD intake had gone down because the job market was showing an excellent trend. A few commented that it was because of low stipend paid to a PhD scholar in DA-IICT.

Actionable item:

1. Dean (AP) was told to look into the matter and to find out from the studying PhD students if the stipend was the issue why applicants were not interested in taking admission here at DA-IICT.

5. Any other item with Chair's permission (Agenda Item #5)

- Prof. Sanjay Srivastava raised the issue that even after the formation of our DA-IICT Alumni Association we could not establish a smooth process of our alumni entry in the campus. He informed that he had been receiving complaints of many such unpleasant occurrences. On this the Director advised Prof. Srivastava to work on this on priority with help of the Registrar and make sure that the Alumni would get a hassle-free entry in the campus.

Actionable item:

1. Prof. Srivastava and Mr. Soman Nair to form and execute a process of entry.

Adjournment

Meeting concluded at 5:45 PM

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Anil K. Roy', is written over a horizontal blue line.

MoM Prepared by – Dr. Anil K. Roy, Director-IQAC