

# INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY BANGALORE

## 19<sup>th</sup> IQAC Meeting

## Minutes of Meeting



**Date: June 7, 2023**  
**Time: 11.00 AM**  
**Venue: Board Room**

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**Minutes of 19<sup>th</sup> IQAC Meeting**  
**International Institute of Information Technology, Bangalore**  
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<b>Members Present</b>
1. Prof Debabrata Das, Director - Chairman
2. Prof Chandrashekhar Ramanathan, Dean (Academics) - Coordinator, IQAC
3. Prof Manisha Kulkarni, Dean(Students Affairs)
4. Prof Shrisha Rao, Dean (Faculty)
5. Prof Srinath Srinivasa, Dean (R&D)
6. Prof Meenakshi DSouza, Coordinator (MS/PHD)
7. Prof V N Muralidhara , Coordinator (MTECH)
8. Prof Madhav Rao, Coordinator (iMTech)
9. Prof Bidisha Chaudhury, Coordinator (MSc Digital Society)
10. Dr GR Sinha, Adjunct Professor
11. Mr Vivek Yadav, Adjunct Faculty - Alumni
12. Cmde S R Sridhar (Retd), Registrar
13. Mr S Piramanayagam, Chief Finance Officer
14. Mr Jagadish P Patil, Chief Administrative officer
<b>Others Present</b>
1. Ms Cynthia DMello, Staff Officer to Dean
2. Mr Somashekhar T S, Associate Librarian and Archivist

The Chairman welcomed all the members of the committee staff members present in the meeting and initiated the meeting.

### 19.1 Confirmation of the minutes of the 18<sup>th</sup> IQAC meeting

The committee confirmed the Minutes of the 18<sup>th</sup> IQAC meeting held on December 21, 2022 at 3.00 PM.

### 19.2 Action Taken Report

The committee took note of the points mentioned in the action taken report.

### 19.3 19<sup>th</sup> IQAC - Items for Discussion

Si No	Points Discussed	Discussion
1	Roadmap for value added courses, FDP, seminars, research and outreach programs	<p><b><i>Road Map for Value Added Courses.</i></b></p> <p><i>Prof Manisha briefed the members about enhancing VALUE-ADDED COURSES. She said that new courses are proposed to be introduced as part of the curriculum of all programmes. All members agreed that introducing new Value Added courses is a good idea and is likely to benefit the students by imparting knowledge and skills over and above what is imparted as part of courses in the curriculum. Members suggested that the courses should be mainly on learning life skills. It was decided that Value Added Courses or programs (VALP) would be administered as a non-academic student activity as per the following guidelines:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>(a) VALP will be administered under the supervision of the Office of Dean (Student Affairs).</i></li> <li><i>(b) Certificates of completion will be issued as per the norms of each VALP course</i></li> <li><i>(c) VALP courses will not be listed in the academic transcript since it is not part of academic curriculum of any of the programmes.</i></li> <li><i>(d) Senate approval would be taken for the above and for the information of the Senate, the list of VALP courses actually conducted will be shared with the Senate at end of each academic year.</i></li> </ul>

	<p>Roadmap for value added courses, FDP, seminars, research and outreach programs</p>	<p><b><i>Road Map for Faculty Development Programs.</i></b></p> <p><i>Dean (Academics) suggested that the present format of Faculty Development Programs through Samvaad Lectures is going a long way in meeting the learning requirements of faculty. He suggested that for external faculties, FDPs may be organised on the sidelines of conferences that IIIT-B holds like RISE, RMIT etc.</i></p> <p><b><i>Road Map for Seminars</i></b></p> <p><i>Dean (Academics) brought out that Seminars on various topics and domains are being organized as part of various projects and research centres of the institute. He urged all the Coordinators to plan for more such Seminars. He requested Dean (Student Affairs) to engage with students and urge them to attend such seminars. Coordinator (M Tech) suggested that curriculum linked assignments related to such seminars may be a good idea to enthuse students to attend Seminars.</i></p> <p><b><i>Road Map for Research</i></b></p> <p>Dean (R&amp;D) apprised the members that the institute has appointed distinguished academicians and outstanding industry professionals to teach and mentor students in academic subjects while bringing practical world experience as well. He said that besides engaging in academic lectures, they indulge in mentoring scholars and the young faculty in various academic-driven activities. He also added that the institute has been working on several National and International research projects keeping in mind that the institute believes in research which makes a social impact as well. Some of the projects which have immensely contributed are: -</p> <p>(a) <b>Karnataka data lake project</b> - This project helps to develop a Big Data Management infrastructure to build AI models for supporting policy interventions.</p> <p>(b) <b>Telemanas</b>: Developed the Tele-MANAS technology platform. In addition, provide Technology leadership and end-to-end ownership of the platform.</p> <p>(c) <b>Scalable Early Education with Digital Scaffolding (SEEDS)</b>: SEEDS is aimed at empowering the children and teachers in Visually challenged schools with digital devices that can open the doors of the digital world to them.</p>
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	Roadmap for value added courses, FDP, seminars, research and outreach programs	<p><b><i>Road Map for Outreach Programs</i></b></p> <p>The Registrar informed all members that a PR agency has been commissioned to pitch and position IIIT-B on its fundamental values and goals. He emphasized that through this initiative, IIIT-B is showcasing its faculty members engaged in research projects and noteworthy accomplishments. Additionally, the remarkable achievements of students and alumni are being spotlighted.</p> <p>Moreover, he introduced several new features in the monthly magazine, Naviina and unveiled a new multimedia segment called Picspeak. Furthermore, efforts have been made to amplify our social media presence across various platforms. He highlighted some of the social media posts that have garnered significant engagement, surpassing 10k likes/views/shares.</p>
2	Data collection mechanism	<p>Registrar opined that data collection from various stakeholders of the Institute for various purposes like NIRF, NAAC, AICTE and UGC related activities is becoming a cumbersome task. He suggested that a smooth system should be established where in data gets updated organically as work progress in Institute. Dean(Academics) suggested the Academia platform would suffice for such data collation. He suggested to Registrar that an in-house training by Academia will be conducted.</p>
3	Strengthening research related metrics	<b>Discussed in Point # 19.3.1</b>

4	Initiatives for enhancing visibility and enhancing public perception	<p>Registrar gave the following update on enhancing visibility and public perception: -</p> <p>IIIT-Bangalore launched a comprehensive set of initiatives aimed at enhancing visibility and improving public perception. In June 2023 when IIIT-B emerged as the top engineering college in Bangalore and achieved rank of 74 in NIRF rankings, the press release of the announcements was widely disseminated to the media both in English and vernacular media. One of the key strategies involved strengthening partnerships with leading industry player and encouraging collaborative research projects and showcasing innovative solutions developed by IIIT-B faculty and students. Additionally, the institute intensified its efforts in thought leadership, with faculty members actively contributing articles to prominent publications and participating in high-profile conferences to showcase IIIT-B's expertise in technology and education. IIIT-B's industry collaboration was highlighted in new publications. Furthermore, community engagement was prioritized through the organization of outreach programs, workshops, and interactive sessions aimed at fostering a deeper connection with the local community and highlighting the institute's societal impact. Leveraging digital platforms, IIIT-B hosted UK Royal Academy of Engineering Workshop on Digital Futures that brought together global experts to explore the transformative potential of Digital Public Infrastructure (DPI). IIIT-B also implemented a robust digital marketing strategy, including optimized website content, engaging social media campaigns, and multimedia content creation, to reach a wider audience and effectively communicate its achievements and initiatives.</p>
5	Best Practice ideas for the coming academic year	Registrar suggested that a lot of reforms are being made in the conduct of examinations right from anonymizing the students / examinees during the exams to improve fairness in evaluation. These measures are indeed becoming practices that could be standardized and formalized as Best Practise.

#### 19.4 Any other points with the permission of the Chair

No other points were discussed in the meeting.

#### 19.5 Next meeting will be held on November 15 2023.