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PROCEEDINGS OF THE MEETING OF THE RGNUL INTERNAL QUALITY ASSURANCE CELL (IQAC) AND ACTION TAKEN REPORT (ATR)

HELD ON 31.03.2022
THROUGH ONLINE MODE
AT
03:00 P.M. ONWARD

LIST OF IQAC MEMBERS

1.	Professor (Dr.) G.S. Bajpai <i>Vice-Chancellor RGNUL, Punjab</i>	Chairman	14.	Dr. Brindpreet Kaur <i>Assistant Professor of Economics RGNUL, Punjab</i>	Member
2.	Professor (Dr.) Naresh Kumar Vats <i>Registrar RGNUL, Punjab</i>	Director	15.	Dr. Gaganpreet <i>Assistant Professor of Law RGNUL, Punjab</i>	Member
3.	Professor (Dr.) G.I.S. Sandhu <i>Former Registrar RGNUL, Punjab</i>	Member	16.	Dr. Gurmanpreet Kaur <i>Assistant Professor of Law RGNUL, Punjab</i>	Member
4.	Professor (Dr.) Deepak Chauhan <i>Department of Laws Central University, Punjab</i>	Member	17.	Mr. Rajat Dixit <i>Assistant Professor of Law RGNUL, Punjab</i>	Member
5.	Professor (Dr.) Davinder Singh <i>Department of Laws, Panjab University, Chandigarh-160014 devinder@pu.ac.in</i>	Member	18.	Ms. Dewangna Chillar <i>Student Alumni</i>	Member
6.	Advocate Gagan Anand <i>Legacy Law, Chandigarh</i>	Member	19.	Ms. Bhumika Modh <i>Student Alumni</i>	Member
7.	Professor (Dr.) Rakesh Mohan Sharma <i>Advisor- Forensic Laboratory and Librarian RGNUL, Punjab</i>	Member	20.	Ms. Vibhuti Jaswal <i>Student Alumni</i>	Member
8.	Dr. Niraj Pasricha <i>Finance Officer, RGNUL, Punjab (Sr. Administrative Officer)</i>	Member	21.	Ms. Simran Sabbarwal <i>UG Student Representative, RGNUL, Punjab</i>	Member
9.	Mr. Maninder Singh <i>Advisor (Finance), RGNUL, Punjab (Sr. Administrative Officer)</i>	Member	22.	Ms. Sanika Malik <i>PG Student Representative, RGNUL, Punjab</i>	Member
10.	Dr. Harjinder Kaur <i>Assistant Librarian RGNUL, Punjab</i>	Member	23.	Ms. Lovepreet Kaur <i>Ph.D. Student Representative, RGNUL, Punjab</i>	Member
11.	Professor (Dr.) Anand Pawar <i>Professor of Law RGNUL, Punjab</i>	Member	24.	Dr. Tanya Mander <i>Assistant Professor of English RGNUL, Punjab</i>	IQAC Coordinator
12.	Dr. Sharanjit <i>Associate Professor of Law RGNUL, Punjab</i>	Member	25.	Dr. Renuka Soni <i>Assistant Professor of Law RGNUL, Punjab</i>	IQAC Co-Coordinator
13.	Dr. Kamaljit Kaur <i>Associate Professor of Law RGNUL, Punjab</i>	Special Invitee			

RGNUL IQAC MEETING

31ST MARCH 2022

The Meeting of the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) was held on 31st March 2022 at 03:00 p.m. on through Online Mode, under the Chairmanship of Professor (Dr.) G.S. Bajpai, Vice-Chancellor, RGNUL. The following members were present:

1.	Professor (Dr.) G.S. Bajpai <i>Vice-Chancellor RGNUL, Punjab</i>	Chairman	11.	Dr. Kamaljit Kaur <i>Associate Professor of Law RGNUL, Punjab</i>	Special Invitee
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10.	Dr. Sharanjit, <i>Associate Professor of Law, RGNUL, Punjab</i>	Member			
<p>Professor (Dr.) Davinder Singh, Department of Laws, Panjab University, Chandigarh could not attend this meeting. Dr. Harjinder Kaur, Assistant Librarian, RGNUL, Punjab; Ms. Dewangna Chillar, Student Alumni; Ms. Bhumika Modh, Student Alumni; Ms. Vibhuti Jaswalm Student Alumni; and Ms. Sanika Malik, PG Student Representative, RGNUL, Punjab</p>					

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MEETING OF THE RGNUL INTERNAL QUALITY ASSURANCE CELL (IQAC) AND ACTION TAKEN REPORT (ATR)

ITEM (1)	TO CONFIRM THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE PREVIOUS IQAC MEETING WHICH WAS HELD ON 28.01.2022 THROUGH ONLINE MODE AT 3:00 P.M. ONWARD AND ACTION TAKEN REPORT (ATR) OF THE LAST MEETING IS ANNEXED HEREWITH (<u>ANNEXURE-1</u>).		
AGENDA NOTE	DISCUSSION	DECISION	ACTION TAKEN
Proceedings of the previous meeting and ATR of IQAC which was held on 28.01.2022, annexed for the perusal of the members.	The members perused the proceedings and were satisfied with the progress being made by the RGNUL IQAC in all the areas.	Members placed on record appreciation for Dr. Kamaljit Kaur, former Coordinator RGNUL IQAC for all the work. Members congratulated the University for its partnership with National Forensic Sciences University Gujarat and collaborating with it for Cyber Forensics Course.	The relevant part of the para were circulated for implementation of the decision taken in the IQAC meeting.

ITEM (2)	TO REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF IQAC ABOUT THE NEW RULES THAT HAVE BEEN DRAFTED TO REGULATE, STREAMLINE AND STRUCTURE THE WORK UNDERTAKEN BY RGNUL, RESEARCH CENTRES.		
AGENDA NOTE	DISCUSSION	DECISION	ACTION TAKEN
Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab has established various Research Centres to promote the research activities by the faculty members. The centres have already been approved by the University Bodies and many centres are successfully functioning at the University. In order to bring uniformity in functioning of the centres, as well as to clarify the issues related with support to be provided by the University, the new rules have been drafted to regulate, streamline and structure the work and also act basic guidelines for the Research Centres (<u>ANNEXURE-2</u>).	The members expressed satisfaction. They suggested that the Research Centres should also come out with a Newsletter – documenting contemporary developments in the areas of research centre along with their Annual Report	The suggestion to be incorporated in the new rules.	Copy of the proceedings to be made available to the Coordinators of RGNUL Research Centres and to be added to the rules.

ITEM (3)	TO REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE IQAC ABOUT THE REVISION OF PROJECT SCHEME (AS PART OF INTERNAL ASSESSMENT) FOR B.A.LL.B. INTEGRATED COURSE.		
AGENDA NOTE	DISCUSSION	DECISION	ACTION TAKEN
The Scheme of Study followed at RGNUL has a component of Project (Internal Assessment) for 35 marks in each subject in B.A.LL.B. (Hons.) FYIC. Over the years Project Work had become tedious and was not able to achieve its aims as it became restrictive and prescriptive. However, the RGNUL has revised and revamped its Project Scheme. In order to expose the students to various practical measures of the subjects offered in different semesters as per scheme of study. The multiple options to choose from, offers students to engage with ideas with research and imagination (<u>ANNEXURE - 3</u>).	The new project scheme was deliberated upon in detail. Members expressed appreciation for the same.	To be implemented	The rules to be made part of the RGNUL Regulation on Curriculum. The copy of the proceedings to be made available to Registrar Office.

ITEM (4)	TO REPORT TO THE MEMBERS ABOUT THE CHANGE OF SCHEME OF STUDY FOR B.A.LL.B. INTEGRATED COURSE AND SEEK SUGGESTIONS IF ANY.		
AGENDA NOTE	DISCUSSION	DECISION	ACTION TAKEN
To apprise the members that the RGNUL is in the process of revising its Scheme of Study for B.A.LL.B. (Hons.) FYIC and LL.M. (One Year Course). The revision has been approved in the meeting of the Academic Council on 28.12.2021 and Executive Council on 29.12.2021. Considering the transformations in the field of law as new and emerging areas appear; the Scheme of Study is attempting to make ample space for new subjects of Law. A proposal of the same is under consideration. However, there is need to work out its modalities.	The members discussed in detail and suggested that an external expert should also be nominated along with RGNUL Curriculum Development Committee (CDC) to revise the scheme (as approved by the Hon'ble Academic Council and the Executive Council)	RGNUL Curriculum Development Committee along with an external expert to be nominated by the Vice-Chancellor to speed up the revision work of the Scheme of Study. The deadline for the work will complete July 2022.	Copy of the proceedings to be made available to members of RGNUL CDC.

ITEM (5)	TO CONSIDER THE ACADEMIC BANK OF CREDITS (ABC) PROGRAM LAUNCHED BY THE GOVT. AND TO DISCUSS FURTHER MODALITIES FOR THE SAME (ANNEXURE - 4).			
	AGENDA NOTE	DISCUSSION	DECISION	ACTION TAKEN
	<p>Ministry of Education, Government of India has recently launched the scheme of Academic Bank of Credits (ABC), with the aim to enable students mobility across Higher Education Institution, seamless, integration of skills and experiences into a Credit Based System. It has been established on the lines of National Academic Depository (NAD). ABC enables students to register or commence credit transfer, the final outcomes of credit redemption and issuance of certificates, as well as the compilation of awards records are administered by academic institutions. There is a need for:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Committee to understand the nuances (senior faculty member and exam branch training for ABC). 2. A detailed document on steps needed to initiate the process; highlight it on the website and prospectus and how to make it functional for the present batches of the students. 	<p>During the discussion the members were apprised that the RGNUL has already registered for the Academic Bank of Credits, on the Government Portal. However, after the notification on 29 July 2021, the Government is yet to notify further procedure / rules etc.. The members also discussed that once the final notification is made by the UGC, the RGNUL can initiate working on draft modalities and an online meeting with other NLUs to draft further modalities.</p>	<p>To wait for final notification</p>	<p>No action required presently</p>

ITEM (6)	TO CONSIDER FRAMING A CLEAR POLICY DOCUMENT ON ACCORDING CREDITS FOR THE ACADEMIC PROGRAMMES AND COURSES BEING OFFERED AT THE RGNUL.			
	AGENDA NOTE	DISCUSSION	DECISION	ACTION TAKEN
	<p>The University Grants Commission (UGC), had recently introduced Choice Based Credit System (CBCS) to ensure flexibility for the students along with mobility to different institutions. CBCS makes space for interdisciplinary, intra-disciplinary and skill based courses. The RGNUL had adopted CBCS, however in the present situation RGNUL is: 1) revising its scheme of study 2) has to work on Academic Bank of Credits and therefore it's appropriate to nominate a committee to draft rules and norms for awarding credits to Academic Programme and Courses being offered at RGNUL.</p>	<p>The members discussed the need and importance of the same. It was suggested that CDC during its revision of Scheme of Study can work on Credits for Academic Programmes and Courses</p>	<p>RGNUL Curriculum Development Committee to prepare detailed document on Credit and their criteria for both Academic programmes and courses.</p>	<p>Copy of the relevant para to be made available to the members of RGNUL CDC.</p>

ITEM (7)	TO CONSIDER THE MEMORANDUMS OF UNDERSTANDING SIGNED WITH VARIOUS UNIVERSITIES / INSTITUTION / ORGANIZATIONS AND RENEW IN CASE OF EXPIRATION.		
AGENDA NOTE	DISCUSSION	DECISION	ACTION TAKEN
The RGNUL has over the yeas been signatory to number of MoUs between Higher Education Institutions, Corporate Organization and NGOs with the aim to enable to students with best of knowledge, experience and training. There is a need to review the MoUs and their expiration so that expired MoUs can be signed again (<u>ANNEXURE -5</u>).	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Members, perused the appended information. It was suggested to associate a faculty member to look into the work with regard to MoUs. 2. New MoUs with International Association worked out. 3. To enter into MoU with Asia Pacific Dean Forum. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Vice-Chancellor to nominate the faculty members 2. A Calendar of MoUs to be maintained; and six months before the expiration the process to renew to be initiated. 	Copy of the relevant para to be made available to the VC office for further action.

ITEM (8)	TO REPORT TO THE MEMBERS ABOUT THE RESEARCH INITIATIVES / INCENTIVES OFFERED BY THE UNIVERSITY IN FORM OF GRANTS / FELLOWSHIPS.		
AGENDA NOTE	DISCUSSION	DECISION	ACTION TAKEN
<p>To apprise the members that the RGNUL in order to promote and incentivise quality publications as initiated grants:</p> <p>a) Rs. 21000/- to faculty members for a research paper published in a journal which is indexed in Scopus or Web of Science or ICI Grant (restriction to one paper per annum per faculty members).</p> <p>Financial grant of up to Rs. 1,00,000/- (One Lakh) for research proposal on the recommendations of external evaluators to faculty members to meet expenses on equipment, books and journals, contingency, consumables, travel and field work and any other special requirements for promotion of quality research. Maximum of three cases of research grant shall be chosen every year in accordance with the recommendations of a committee constituted by the worthy Vice-Chancellor. Suitable norms for this will be devised. A faculty member who has received the grant under the scheme will become eligible of the next year grant only after the submission and approval of the project report. Academic year shall be taken in view for both the schemes (<u>ANNEXURE-6</u>).</p>	<p>Members appreciated the incentives as they motivate the faculty.</p> <p>The Vice-Chancellor also told the members of the IQAC about new rules (approved by RGNUL Academic Council and Executive Council) for student achievements Rs. 5000/- - 10,000/- cash prize for mootng, writing etc.</p>	IQAC to maintain annual record of the same	IQAC to maintain record

ITEM (9)	TO APPRISE THE MEMBERS OF RGNUL ALUMNI INITIATIVES AND START-UPS			
	AGENDA NOTE	DISCUSSION	DECISION	ACTION TAKEN
	<p>The RGNUL alumnus has been doing very well. We have number of students as Officers, JAG Officers, Army Officers, Judicial Officers, Assistant Professors, Corporate Lawyers and Bureaucrats.</p> <p>Recently Mr. Athenam Velan the Alumni of RGNUL, Punjab who graduated in 2012, has established its start-up named "Law Maitri Pvt. Ltd." Law Maitri has prepared the acceptable model of course curriculum for schools level students and is expected to achieve its objective. They are offering course titled "TEEN LL.B." imparting basic legal education to school children (<u>ANNEXURE-7</u>).</p> <p>Further, Mr. Anmol Malhota, the alumni of RGNUL (Batch 2020). He is working on a start-up called "Newsahoot". They provide jargon and negativity-free news specially written for children between 8-15 years, they believe reading about real-world events makes kids more insightful and empathetic. Some examples of news they have covered include (a) the global silicon shortage; (b) the closing of the ozone hole; and (c) the Russia-Ukraine conflict. Although Newsahoot is yet to launch officially (<u>ANNEXURE-8</u>)</p>	<p>Members appreciated the work done by RGNUL IQAC to compile the information pertaining to achievements of the Alumni.</p>	<p>IQAC to compile the information pertaining to achievements of the Alumni.</p>	<p>Action has been already initiated by IQAC</p>

ITEM (10)	TO CONSIDER THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE CLASSES FOR RGNUL INSTITUTE OF COMPETITIVE EXAMINATION (RICE)			
	CURRENT AGENDA NOTE	DISCUSSION	DECISION	ACTION TAKEN
	<p>The RGNUL Institute of Competitive Examination has been established with the aim of providing aspirants of Civil and Judicial Services required competence, guidance and mentorship. RICE because of pandemic has not been functional for last two years. In the present session there is need to renew classes as per schedule. It would require advertisement in Newspapers and a pool of academicians who can teach on the campus.</p>	<p>Members discussed the relevance of an Institute for Competitive Examination and also underscored the need to run it professionally in a transparent manner with clean management and tangible outcomes.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Registrar RGNUL to draft a revamping plan for RICE. 2. A student body of meritorious students to be formed for consultation on Career building and to short list the subjects for which coaching is required. 3. IQAC to assist in finding and empanelling instructors for RICE 	<p>The copy of the relevant para to be made available to the Registrar Office.</p>

ITEM (11)	ANY OTHER ITEM WITH THE PERMISSION OF THE CHAIR.			
	AGENDA NOTE	DISCUSSION	DECISION	ACTION TAKEN
	RGNUL IQAC to take up Capacity Building, Faculty Development programmes for the staff, faculty and students of the University.	Professor (Dr.) G.S. Bajpai, Vice-Chancellor, RGNUL tabled the idea of IQAC taking proactive approach to organize, and execute short terms courses, FDPs and capacity building programmes. They should be theme based.	IQAC to plan short term courses. IQAC to plan these courses quarterly.	Noted

The meeting concluded with vote of thanks to the members of their valuable suggestions.

Dr. Renuka Soni
Co-Coordinator IQAC and
Assistant Professor of Law

Dr. Tanya Mander
Coordinator IQAC and
Assistant Professor of English

Proceeding Verified

Professor (Dr.) Naresh Kumar Vats
Director IQAC and
Registrar RGNUL

Proceedings Confirmed to be put up before Academic / Executive Council for Approval and further necessary action.

Professor (Dr.) G.S. Bajpai
Chairman IQAC and
Vice-Chancellor RGNUL