

REPORT OF THE EXTERNAL ACADEMIC AUDIT FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2021-22 OF ISLAMIAH COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS)

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Introduction

The External Academic Auditors namely Dr. P. MANOHARAN, Additional Registrar, VIT University, Chennai Campus, Chennai and Dr. M. VALARMATHI, Principal, KMG Arts & Science College, Gudiyattam, conducted the External Academic Audit for the Academic Year 2021-22on 03.06.2022.

External Academic Audit is conducted to evaluate the adequacy of the management control framework as well as the degree to which the Academic Departments are in compliance with the applicable rules, regulations, policies and standards. We, the External Academic Auditors, congratulate the Management, Staff and Students of Islamiah College [Autonomous] for having obtained the 80th place at the National Level and 33rd place at the State Level amongst private Autonomous College Rankings as assessed by Education World [April 2022] Magazine.

The normal procedure of External Academic Audit includes physical inspection and review of the relevant documents of the Academic Departments, interviews, meetings and abstract information obtained from the Academic Departments concerned in addition to the review of the Report of Internal Academic Audit conducted by the Internal Academic Auditors.

The External Academic Audit for the Academic Year 2021-22 was conducted on 03.06.2022. The External Academic Report is based on the Report of Internal Academic Audit and the External Academic Auditor's Meeting with IQAC and Heads of the Departments.

Internal Academic Auditors of the College, senior faculty members, have reviewed the relevant documents of Academic Departments & Support Services and they have prepared a comprehensive Internal Academic Audit Report for the Academic Year 2021-22.

It is noteworthy to mention that all the Academic Departments and Support Services of the College were actively involved in diverse Academic Activities, especially during the Even Semester of 2021-22. There are umpteen number of Academic, Research and Extension Activities of the Academic Departments and Support Services but in this report only qualitative initiatives and most important activities are highlighted.

External Academic Audit Report

We, the External Academic Auditors, are very much pleased to make the following observations:

Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC)

- ✓ IQAC is organizing Orientation Programmes/Workshops regularly.
- ✓ To enhance and sustain Higher Education, IQAC has organized a NAAC Sponsored State Level Seminar on 'Enhancing and Sustaining Quality in Higher Educational Institutions through New Accreditation Framework of NAAC' on 21.10.2021 A milestone in the history of the IQAC and College.
- ✓ Orientation cum Induction Programme for College Students was a new initiative.
- ✓ IQAC has organized a Faculty Induction Programme for new staff members.
- ✓ IQAC has given much importance to promote Research by organizing workshops/Orientation Programme for Staff Members and Research Scholars for Humanities and Life Sciences.
- ✓ To assist and guide students to develop their career, a Career Building Programme was organized in the beginning of the Academic Year.
- ✓ IQAC has also organized a Orientation Programme cum Workshop on 'Mapping and Attainment of Learning Outcomes' to strengthen the Outcome Based Education and ensure the effective implementation of the same.
- ✓ AQAR for the Academic Year 2020-21 was duly submitted.

 The role and contribution of IQAC, during the Academic Year 2021-22, in enhancing and sustaining the quality of education is commendable.

Curriculum Aspects

- Most of the Academic Departments have revised and updated their syllabi substantially to cater to the local, national and international needs focusing on current developments and trends. Much attention is given to enhance employability/entrepreneurship/skill development.
- Most of the Academic Departments have introduced new courses/subjects.
- ➤ Nearly 15 Value Added Certificate Courses are offered by the Academic Departments to develop skills among students.

Teaching and Learning

- ✓ Academic Planner and work diary for the Academic Year 2021-22 has been maintained by all the Staff Members.
- ✓ Staff Members have participated in BOS Meeting, Doctoral Committee Meetings, External Examinations in M.Phil. & Ph.D. VIVA VOCE etc.
- ✓ Most of the Staff Members have actively participated in Orientation Programmes/Workshops/Faculty Induction Programmes/Refresher Courses (Mostly through Online) organized by HRDCs of Central Universities/Islamiah College (Autonomous), Vaniyambadi.

Research and Innovation

- ✓ Staff Members and Research Scholars have published many Research Articles in UGC CARE Journals and also published Books during the Academic Year 2021-22.
- ✓ Active Research is going on in all the Research Departments with nearly 80 Ph.D. Research Scholars.

Infrastructural Facilities

- ✓ The College has spacious campus comprising adequate number of Classrooms, Seminar Halls, ICT Halls, Laboratories, Computer Labs with Internet facility, Sophisticated Instrumentation Labs and Wi-fi facilities.
- ✓ It is noteworthy to mention the special attention given to develop more ICT Classrooms.
- ✓ The College has excellent infrastructural facilities for Sports and Games including Aquatic Sports Centre, Gymnasium, Indoor Stadium, Spacious Play Ground etc.

Students' Support and Progression

- ✓ The Mentoring System in the college is effective.
- ✓ The Department of English conducted Bridge Course for all the First Year UG Students.
- ✓ Various Academic Departments have conducted Quiz Competitions (both Online & Offline mode).
- ✓ The Departments are found to have unique best practices.

Office of the Controller of Examinations

The functioning of the Office of COE is efficient and effective in maintaining security, confidentiality and transparency. The Examination System has been reformed for Quality Improvement. The Office of the COE has been strictly adhering to the rules and regulations of the regulatory authorities from time to time. End Semester Examinations have been conducted as per the directions of the regulatory authorities.

As per the directions of the Tamil Nadu Government by following the Covid-19 SOP, the 76th Graduation Ceremony was conducted in Four Phases. Autonomous Odd Semester Examinations were conducted from 20.01.2022 to 12.02.2022 and results were declared on 21.02.2022.

UG Students should spend at least 20 Hours per semester in the Library for reading and PG Students should spend at least 30 Hours per semester for reading books, journals, magazines, research articles etc.

Students' Grievances

The college is highly considerate to the grievances of the students. Students grievances are redressed through effective mechanism as per the guidelines of Tamilnadu State Council of Higher Education and UGC.

Department of Library and Information Science

- o Department of Library and Information Science has nearly 83000 books in its shelves.
- O The College Library has many Unique Best Practices which include Publication of Library Handbook to help the Library Users, Best Library User Award to motivate the Library Users, Regular conduct of Orientation Programmes etc.
- o Library is equipped with big volumes of books with the latest arrivals of nearly 1400 text books and provides number of e-resources through INFLIBNET, DELNET etc.

Rotaract Club

Rotaract Club of Islamiah College was involved in many activities. Rotaractors of the college participated in a programme during the National Polio Eradication Campaign held at Primary Hospital, Vaniyambadi, in which Polio Drops were given to the Children aged below 5 years. Blood Donation Camps were organized by Rotaract Club in association with RRC, YRC, NSS and Government Hospital, Vaniyambadi.

Equal Opportunity Centre

Equal Opportunity Centre has organized Orientation Programmes for students on 'Relevance of Social Justice' and 'Employability and Life Skills for Students'.

Young Innovator Cell

Young Innovator Cell of Islamiah College has instituted a unique Award for the Young and Aspiring Student Innovators through Annual Young Innovator Nurture Award [AYINA] 2022 with Cash Prize of Rs 5000/-, Rs 3000/- and 2000/- as First, Second and Prize respectively to promote Entrepreneurship and Innovation.

Citizen Consumer Club

Citizen Consumer Club celebrated the National Consumer Day and World Consumers Rights Day. An awareness programme on Consumerism in the current scenario was organized by Citizen Consumer Club.

Incubation Centre & Entrepreneurship Development Cell

Incubation Centre & Entrepreneurship Development Cell (ICEDC) of Islamiah College has organized a one day seminar for Aspiring Student Entrepreneurs.

LEO Club

Leo Club of the College organized Eye Check-up Programme exclusively for students and Heart Check-up Programme for general public in and around Vaniyambadi.

ICT Academy

ICT Academy, in association with HDFC Parivartan, organized an Entrepreneurship Campaign 'Aspiring Entrepreneurs Program 2021' on 29.12.2021.

Five Days' Faculty Development Programme on Digital Teaching Technique and Idea Generation Methods were conducted by ICT Academy Chennai.

IPR Cell

To create awareness on IPR, IPR Cell organized a National Level Free Online Workshop on IPR – Patents and Design Process, in association with Rajiv Gandhi National Institute of Intellectual Property Management (RGNIIPM).

Red Ribbon Club

An Awareness Programme on Cyber Crime and Preventive Measure was organized by Red Ribbon Club in association with Cyber Crime Branch, Tirupattur. RRC also organized an Awareness Programme on Road Safety and Rules.

Conclusion

We, the External Academic Auditors, express our sincere gratitude to the Management and Principal for having given us the opportunity to serve as the External Academic Auditors. We are also thankful to the Internal Academic Auditors, Heads of Departments and the Staff Members for their unstinted cooperation.

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