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8th IQAC Meeting Saturday, 05 November 2022 at 1600 hrs. Virtual Meeting through Cisco Webex platform

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

Prof. (Dr.) S. Shanthakumar, Director, GNLU & the Chairperson of the IQAC welcomed all the members and Special Invitees to the meeting of the IQAC on behalf of GNLU.

The IQAC noted the absence of following members of IQAC:

- 1) Hon'ble Mr. Justice C. K. Thakker (Retd.), Supreme Court of India
- 2) Ms. Manita Doshi, Partner -CAM & Alumni -GNLU
- 3) Prof. J. R. Sharma, Managing Director, STEMVOVEL Consulting
- 4) Mr Yogesh Nai, Former Sarpanch, Koba Village

These members expressed their inability to attend the said meeting due to their prior commitments.

IQAC Agenda Item No.: 1

Adoption of the Agenda & Verification of quorum

Resolution:

The meeting commenced with verification of quorum, it was found by the IQAC meeting that out of the total number of members 17 members were present and 04 members were absent, accordingly the quorum required for the conduct of meeting is satisfied and the IQAC adopted the agenda for the meeting.

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IQAC Agenda Item No.: 2

Minutes of the 7th IQAC Meeting held on 12th November 2021

Resolution:

The IQAC approved the minutes of the 7th IQAC meeting held on 12th November 2021.

IQAC Agenda Item No.: 3

Research Report

Dr. Viral Pandya, Head, Research and Publication Division & Associate Professor of Management (Special Invitee to the IQAC 8th Meeting) was invited to make a presentation on the GNLU Research and Publication Division. Dr. Pandya explained the progress made by the division during the last one year and elaborated about the objectives and functioning of Research Department. He explained about the Course Work conducted by the division for Ph. D. research students. It was further informed about proposed action plan for research projects, consultancy project status report, details of Ph. D. enrolled and awarded students and, various other activities of research centers of GNLU, research papers and articles by Faculty Members.

Dr. Ranita Nagar, member of IQAC, informed about the reporting system of TRAs working with various centers of GNLU and requested that it should be strengthened. Dr. Nagar also suggested that the earlier practice of weekly reporting to the Dean (Head) of Research and suggested that it should be again implemented. Dr. Pandya informed that monthly activity reporting is in practice, however, necessary steps will be taken to strengthen the TRA working pattern.

Dr. Pradeep Mallik inquired about involvement of students in the Research carried by faculty members. He proposed various methods in which how it can be used in a better way.

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Dr. Pandya requested Dr. Mallik to share his suggestions so that the same can be incorporated at GNLU for the betterment of Research.

Resolution:

The IQAC appreciated the Research and Publication Division for its various initiatives. However, it was suggested for the requirement to have more research articles in UGC care list of journals, Scopus and Web of Science indexed journals. The IQAC also appreciated Dr. Nagar and Dr. Mallik for their valuable inputs for the betterment of the Research and Publication Division.

IQAC Agenda Item No.: 4

Report of NIRF, GSIRF and other Rankings

Dr. Girish R, Convenor, GNLU Accreditation Assessment Ranking & Rating Committee (GAARRC) presented a detail report on the following rankings:

- 1) NIRF Ranking
- 2) GSIRF Ranking
- 3) India Today Ranking
- 4) Outlook Ranking

Dr. Girish R. presented status of the GNLU Ranks along with points secured in various criteria by the University in the above-mentioned rankings. Dr. Girish R explained the areas in which GNLU lost the points in NIRF ranking and suggested measures in which the University can do better in the next edition. The IQAC suggested to make improvements, especially in the areas of Research and Publication, Graduation Outcome w.r.t Ph. D. and criteria related to Perception. Ms. Harsha Rajwanshi, Ms. Heena Goswami and Mr. Rohan Luvkumar shared their views and suggestions on this agenda.

Resolution:

The IQAC took note of GNLU performance in various Rankings and encouraged to work hard in the area of Research and Publication, Graduation Outcome with Ph.D. and criteria related to Perception.

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IQAC Agenda Item No.: 5

MoUs of the University

Dr. Niyati Pandey (Special Invitee to the IQAC 8th Meeting) made a presentation on the MOUs entered by GNLU with other Universities and Institutions. Dr. Niyati explained about the MoUs signed by the University in the last one year and briefed about the features of these MoUs.

Dr. Nagar inquired about the status and the content of the MoU with the University of Economics and Law, Vietnam. Dr. Pandey explained the status of the same.

Dr. Ranita Nagar congratulated the University for National and International MoUs and further inquired about the scope of Law and Economics in these MoUs.

Resolution:

The IQAC took note of the MoUs signed by the University.

IQAC Agenda Item No.: 6

Participation of Faculty Members in the NIRF Workshop organized by IAE.

Dr. Girish R. explained about the IAE and its workshop for preparing institutions to participate in NIRF Ranking and informed the IQAC that in view of GNLU's regular participation in NIRF, the University nominated three faculties for the said programme. The details of the faculty members are mentioned below.

- 1) Dr Girish R., Assistant Professor of Law, & IQAC Coordinator
- 2) Ms Harsha Rajwanshi, Assistant Professor of Law
- 3) Ms Heena Goswami, Assistant Professor of Science & Technology

Resolution:

The IQAC took a note of and appreciated the authority step to nominate the faculty members for such a useful training programme. It was suggested to include/encourage staff members also to attend such training programme.

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IQAC Agenda Item No.: 7

Launch of GNLU Wellness Initiative Cell (GWIC)

Ms. Harsha Rajwanshi, Convenor, Wellness Initiative Cell (GWIC), made a presentation on the Launch of GNLU Wellness Initiative Cell (GWIC) and explained to the members of the IQAC about this initiative and how it function and its utility to students. Ms. Rajwanshi made a detailed presentation on this agenda and informed about the vision, mission, structure, and collaboration with 'YourDost'. This initiative helps students in their day-to-day life and come out of any stress they are undergoing. It was reported that 100 plus students are taking advantage of this initiative and help the students to seek help from depression and other related issues. It was reported that the student's problems are addressed 24 X 7 and confidentiality is maintained. The institution shares the monthly report with the University's nodal officer and inform the course of action.

Resolution:

The IQAC took note of this initiative and appreciated this measure as students' mental health is very important.

IQAC Agenda Item No.: 8

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Inauguration of Use of Tele-Medicine Consultation Kiosk

Dr. Jagadeesh Chandra T.G., the Registrar (I/c) of the University, made a presentation on Tele- Medicine Consultation Kiosk, an initiative at GNLU for health checkup. The University has started this initiative on a pilot project. It was used by a few faculty and staff members for their medical issues.

In addition to this, it was reported that the University has recently appointed 03 Nurses on a shift basis to provide better medical facilities to students, faculty members and staffs.

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Resolution:

The IQAC took note of this and also took note of the quality initiative of appointing 03 nurses on shift basis for providing better medical facilities to its students, faculty members and staffs.

IQAC Agenda Item No.: 9

Any other item with the permission of the Chair

With the permission of the Chair, Dr. Girish R invited members to discuss any other agenda, if any.

The Director- GNLU, Prof. Shanthakumar requested Dr. Girish. R that the IQAC Meeting should take place as per the mandate of NAAC. It was proposed to convene the next IQAC Meeting in the month of January, 2023.

The Meeting was concluded with a Vote of Thanks by the Chairperson and the IQAC Director/Coordinator.

Signature of Member- Secretary, IQAC-GNLU:

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Member Secretary
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Signature of IQAC Director/Coordinator-GNLU:

Dr. Girish. R

IQAC Director
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