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Workshop on "The Role of IQAC in Enhancing Quality in Higher Education" conducted at GNLU

Even God (nature) has an Internal Quality Assurance Cell!

IQAC can help achieve the aim of the new National Education Policy of having an education system by 2040 that is second to none

Gandhinagar, November 21, 2020: Gujarat National Law University (GNLU) organized a workshop on "The Role of IQAC in Enhancing Quality in Higher Education."

The workshop was conducted by Prof J. R. Sharma and GNLU Director Dr S. Shanthakumar.

Prof J. R. Sharma, a former Professor of the National Institute of Financial Management for IAS and IRS officers, advances mastery quality academics, national and global accreditation & ranking. He has consulted with over 200 colleges and universities in academic quality and accreditation.

Prof Sharma explained to the participants how to set up an effective Internal Quality Assurance Cell for creating and maintaining a Quality Culture at the Institute for attaining a top grade in the NAAC accreditation process and better ranking in NIRF rankings. He took the participants through the European Standard Guidelines as well as ISO 9001-2015 guidelines for Quality Management Systems (QMS) and guided them on how to create a hybrid QMS to suit their specific requirements. He advised the participants not to limit themselves to just quality assurance but go beyond and focus on quality improvement as global leaders like Harvard and Cambridge do.

Stressing on the importance of Internal Quality Assurance Cell, Prof Sharma said that even God has an Internal Quality Assurance Cell! He said that the universe works on a quality model. The model has set the standards and also a mechanism for review and correction in an auto mode. Distortions, destructions and pandemics, triggered by nature's fury, are essentially the products of reckless human behaviour. If one tries to tamper with the standards set by God's IQAC, it may have disastrous consequences. For example, if one tries and varies the average temperature of the earth by 5 degree Celsius, one might not even live to watch the resultant disaster!

GNLU Director Dr Shanthakumar gave an overview of the IQAC and explained how it can help the country achieve the aim of the new National Education Policy of having an education system by 2040 that is second to none.



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The workshop was a huge success with the participation of nearly 150 academicians. The participants included Deans, Principals, faculty members and research scholars from various universities across the country.

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