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## Minutes of the 18<sup>th</sup> IQAC Meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> May, 2024 at 10.30 am in Conference Room 105, A2 block, Amity University Maharashtra, Mumbai

1. The 18<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), Amity University Maharashtra, was held on Friday, May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at 10:30 a.m. The on-campus meeting was conducted at A2, Conference Room 105. Prof. (Dr). A.W. Santhosh Kumar, Vice Chancellor, and Chairman of IQAC, AUM, chaired the meeting.
2. The agenda items for the 18<sup>th</sup> IQAC meeting and minutes of the 17<sup>th</sup> IQAC were circulated earlier to all the members.
3. A list of the IQAC members and invitees (Hols) who attended the IQAC meeting is given below.

Sr.No.	Name of the IQAC Member	Designation
	Prof. (Dr.) A W. Santhosh Kumar	Honorable Vice Chancellor, Chairman IQAC
	Prof. (Dr.) Shrikant Charhate	Pro VC & I/C Dean Academics & I/C Director ASET
	Prof.(Dr.) Sunil Dhaneshwar	Dean IQAC & Hol(I/c) ASAS
	Prof. (Dr.) Penna Suprasanna	Dean Research & Director –AIB
	Dr. Hira S Vyas	Registrar
	Mr. M.Purushottaman	Controller of Examinations
	Prof.(Dr.) Supriya Nene	ASAP
	Prof. (Dr.) Bhawna Sharma	I /C Director ABS
	Prof. (Dr.) Suneela Dhaneshwar	Director AIP
	Dr. Sanjay G Patil	Director RICS
	Prof. (Dr.) Gigimon V S	Director ALS
	Prof. Rajesh Sisodiya	Hol ASCO & ASF
	Prof.(Dr.) Manjiree Vaidya	Hol ASL
	Prof. (Dr.) Deepak Hawaldar	Hol AILA
	Prof. (Dr.) Manoj Devare	HOI AIT & Director IQAC
	Dr. Bivek Datta	Hol AITT
	Mr. Bhuvnesh Gowda	Hol ASFA
	Mr. Mohamed Aadil Dalvi	Hol CII School of Logistics
	Dr. Mitima Sachdeva	Head IQAC
	Dr. K K Singh	Dy Director Hostels & Security
	Prof. (Dr.) Deepa Parasar	Professor CSE ASET
	Dr. Bharti Nathwani	Associate Professor Mathematics ASAS
	Dr. Nilesh Wagh	Assistant Professor AIB
	Mr. Shreyash S Nair	Student Amity Law School
	Ms. Riya Goyal	Student Amity School of Communication
The following could not attend the meeting		
	Prof. (Dr.) Gautam Gawali	DSW & Director AIBAS
	Prof. (Dr.) Bhawana Chanana	Director ASFT Ms. Neha Surudkar presented
	Dr. P S Sali	Director (Academics), RBEF
	Mr. Shomendra Roy	Reliance Industries
	Dr. Manju Tanwar	Organic Recycling Systems
	Mr. Abhishek Kandathil	AUM Alumni, Senior Research Scientist ICMR-CAR at NIMHANS, Bengaluru



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The agenda points were discussed and the detailed discussion that ensued by the members has been recorded in the following points.

After obtaining permission from the Hon'ble **Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Dr. A. W. Santhosh Kumar Chairman - IQAC**, Prof Dr Sunil Dhaneshwar Dean IQAC proceeded with the agenda for the 18<sup>th</sup> IQAC meeting at AUM and the fourth quarterly IQAC meeting for the year 2024-25.

**Agenda No. 18.1:** Prof Dr Sunil Dhaneshwar Dean IQAC, welcomed the members of the IQAC. He further informed that all the stakeholders have been invited to the meeting and two student nominees are present.

**Agenda No. 18.2:** Prof Dr Sunil Dhaneshwar Dean IQAC invited Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Prof. Dr. A.W. Santhosh Kumar, Chairman of the IQAC for delivering the opening remarks.

Prof. Dr. A.W. Santhosh Kumar highlighted the importance of IQAC in the development of university regulations and improving quality of education and overall experience of the students. The IQAC stands as a pivotal role for incorporating innovations and culminating novel ideas in academic, administrative, and research activities. He informed the members about the different rankings AUM has participated including NIRF as well as the NBA expert team visit on 25<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> April. Honorable Vice Chancellor expressed that Hols should be more responsible and pro-active in the development of school activities and focus on society-oriented activities.

**Agenda No. 18.3: Quality Improvements on Teaching Learning Processes of the Individual Schools**

All the schools' Heads of Institutions (Hols) presented a brief overview of their school's activities, publications, achievements, UG, PG and PhD admissions, during the period of 1<sup>st</sup> January to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025.

**Amity Law School:** Prof Dr. Gigimon presented the school report. ALS has published 2 papers by LLM students and 20 more in pipeline. The school has conducted 9 events and 20 more are planned. Hon'ble VC conveyed to focus on the legal aid cell activities.

**Amity School of Engineering & Technology:** Prof. Dr. Shrikant Charhate, I/C Director-ASET/AIT stated that the faculty had published 7 Papers indexed in Scopus, 4 project proposals have been submitted. He reported that the faculty members have 7 different achievements including Best Paper Award and appointed as reviewer of research papers. He has also reported that there are 9 student achievements such as best paper awards, GATE qualification and Best postal awards. Hon'ble VC was satisfied with the progress of the school but suggested to increase the no. of research proposals submission for extra mural funding.



**Amity Institute of Behavioral & Allied Sciences:** Since Prof Dr Gautam Gawali was on leave, Dr Penna Suprasanna presented a brief report about AIBAS. The faculty has not published any papers.. There are 11 events conducted by the school and 15 are proposed next year. Hon'ble VC reinstated the importance of counselling and emphasized that the students should be made aware of the counselling cell, so that they can approach the concerned counselor as per the need of the situation.

**Amity School of Fashion Design & Technology:** Since Prof Dr Bhawana Chanana was on leave, Ms. Neha Surudkar presented the school report of ASFDT. Faculty and students have published 2 International Scopus Indexed Journals, 2 Book Chapters, 1 Student Publication, 1 Magazine. She mentioned that, there are 03 faculty achievements and student achievements by fashion school such as participation in sports and cultural events and paper presentations. They have published one patent and two design patents have been applied The school has conducted 8 events and 7 are proposed.

**Amity Institute of Biotechnology: Dr. Penna Suprasanna,** Director of AIB presented the school report. The total publication of the school is 16 (9 research, 2 review, 5 Book chapters) in this quarter 7 ongoing projects and 5 project proposal is submitted. There are 3 faculty and 12 student awards and achievements. Hon'ble VC insisted that more funded research projects to be submitted by faculty as AIB has all Ph.D. faculty from reputed institutions.

**Amity Institute of Pharmacy:** Prof (Dr.) Suneela Dhaneshwar presented the achievements of the school. The school has 3 papers, and 3 book chapters accepted. There are two design patents granted to the AIP faculty members. There are 3 events proposed by AIP.

**Amity School of Architecture and Planning: Dr. Supriya Nene,** Director of ASAP, presented the school report. The faculty had published 1 paper and 2 papers are under review. The school highlighted the student's achievement in various events conducted by IITs and winner position achieved by ASAP students in Island of Sharks, the proposal pitching competition organized by ABS and winners in Amity Kho Kho league. The school conducted 03 Site visits, 05 Guest Lectures, 01 Bamboo Workshop, 02 Seminars on Design Practices.

**Amity School of Applied Science: Prof Dr Sunil Dhaneshwar** presented the report. The faculty had a total of 9 publications and 5 are communicated. Currently, there are 2 ongoing funded projects- SERB-SRG & DST WISE-PhD fellowship in the school. There are 03 faculty and 8 student achievements the school is working on 02 MoU proposals. VC Sir instructed that the monthly achievements of the faculty and students should be informed to respective University Officials.



**Amity Institute of Information Technology: Dr. Manoj Devare** HOI presented the report. The faculty published 03 Journal Papers and 02 Book Chapters. 01 UK Design Patent granted, There were 04 faculty achievements and 08 students achievements. There are 13 events conducted and 5 proposed at the AIIT school. VC Sir commented about the large no. of UFM cases.

**Amity Business School: Dr. Bhawna Sharma**, Officiating HOI ABS, presented the report. The faculty had 1 Scopus, 1 ABDC paper publication, and students have 54 UGC CARE or peer reviewed publications. There are 2 faculty and 7 achievements of the students highlighted. The school has also conducted 48 events and has proposed 50 events next year. VC Sir commented about the large no. of UFM cases.

**RICS School of Built Environment: Dr. Sanjay Patil**, HOI of RICS-SBE, presented the school report. The faculty has published 3 Scopus, Book Chapters – 5 Scopus & Conference papers 2 (Non-Scopus) and one consultancy project with Birla Estate is ongoing. It was informed that there are 2 faculty and 11 students awards and achievements in the reporting quarter. There are 09 events conducted and 3 events proposed.

**Amity School of Communication & AFS: Prof. Rajesh Sisodia**, presented the school report. The ASCO faculty & student have no publications but 2 are accepted. The faculty has 2 and students have 11 awards or achievements. They have conducted 8 events and 25 are proposed. VC Sir commented that the school should focus on admissions for Amity Film School.

**Amity Institute of Liberal Arts: Dr. Deepak Hawaldar**, Officiating HOI, presented the school report. They have 3 (1 published in Scopus, 1 accepted in Scopus, 1 published in peer reviewed) publications. They have no funded projects. One faculty received Ph.D. There are 3 student achievements. The school conducted 4 events 02 events conducted. Hon'ble VC suggested to focus on publications and extra mural funding.

**Amity Institute of Travel and Tourism: Dr. Bivek Dutta Hol**, presented the school report. The school has 3 Publications, 4 Projects submitted for funding ( ICSSR, ICRG, India-Bhutan Foundation), and STR Consultancy-04(Academic Counsellor IGNOU). AITT has conducted 12 events and proposed 12 events. One faculty has 01 faculty has published a patent and 01 student has edited a book. VC Sir asked AITT to increase field visits.

**Amity School of Fine Arts: Mr. Bhuvanesh Gowda** presented the school report. The faculty has no publications, no existing or submitted research projects, no consultancy. The faculty has received 2 awards but no student achievement. They organized 3 events and have



proposed 6 events. Hon VC commented that their performance is very poor and needs very significant improvement & that more activities to be conducted.

**Amity School of Languages: Dr. Manjiree Vaidya**, Head of the Amity School of Languages, presented the school's progress report. The faculty has 3 Research papers in International Peer reviewed Journals and 2 Book Chapters. The school has organized 6 events and proposed 9 events. They have no ongoing or submitted research projects. There is 1 faculty and 1 student achievement.

**Amity - CII School of Logistics (CII-SOL):** Mr. Mohamed Aadil Dalvi, I/C of the school, presented the report. They have no publications or patents. There are several events conducted by school. VC Sir instructed to focus on the publications, patents, funded research projects and consultancy. He also asked the HoI to send the outcome reports of all events to Director Outcomes regularly.

**Agenda No. 18.4: Quality Improvement in Academic Activities:** As I/C Dean Academics Dr Shrikant Charhate presented the Academic activities of the quarter like monitoring of NEP programs and add ups, the status of ALMS usage at AUM. Academic audit conducted for all the schools. Hon'ble VC conveyed to Dr. Charhate to ensure that faculty do not replace quizzes by assignments, to conduct flipped classes and invite Professor of Practice as Visiting Faculty.

**Agenda No. 18.5: Quality Improvement in Student Welfare Functions:**

Dr Gautam Gawali, DSW presented the report on activities organized under the banner of DSW like celebration of our major event Aminova, and social outreach programmes. Hon'ble VC Sir, emphasized on the discipline of the students. The DSW has proposed 7 programmes in the coming odd semester namely Anti ragging awareness, Teacher's Day, Model United Nations 2025, Blood Donation camp etc.

**Agenda N. 18.6: Quality Improvement in Research Activities**

Dr. Penna Suprasanna, I/C Dean of Research, presented the AUM research progress report. The AUM total publication is 62 in this quarter, 4 books & 13 book chapters and 48 H index. 8 patents published and 1 copyright granted. 3 MoUs' have been signed. Dean research emphasized on the 04 publications by Science Engineering and Technology, and 02 publications by faculty members of other disciplines. VC Sir informed that the meetings of the Bio Safety Committee should be conducted regularly. He further emphasized that faculty should be encouraged to increase student publications.

**Agenda No. 18.7: Quality Improvement in the Examination Function:** Mr. Purushottaman, CoE presented the examination department activities like Training session for Exam Coordinator



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**Agenda No. 18.8 Any other point with permission of Chair:**

After all the presentations, VC Sir asked Dean IQAC about his presentation. As this was not in the agenda items, with permission of the Chair, Prof Dr Sunil Dhaneshwar informed the members about the submission of SAR for NBA accreditation of B.Tech. Biotechnology, finalization of pre-qualifiers for MBA programs of ABS and RICS ASBE , preparation and submission of data for NIRF rankings and Times Higher Education rankings, India Today best university and college rankings etc. VC Sir entrusted the preparation of strategic plan 2025-30 to IQAC.

The forum was then opened for further discussion. The Chairman of IQAC Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Sir stressed on increase in Faculty & Student research publication, MoUs to be increased, each school to identify niche areas in their respective fields, to have AI related books on separate shelf, to procure quality books and increase requirement of e-books, each faculty to conduct 2 quizzes, 1 assignment and 4 flipped classes per course per semester. He asked the Hois' to increase lectures by industry experts for the benefit of the students.

Prof.Dr. Sunil Dhaneshwar Dean IQAC delivered the vote of thanks, and the meeting concluded with the permission of the Chair.

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