

SANT GADGE BABA AMRAVATI UNIVERSITY, AMRAVATI.
INTERNAL QUALITY ASSURANCE CELL

MINUTES

The meeting of the ‘**Internal Quality Assurance Committee (IQAC)**’ held on **Wednesday, 08th April, 2026**, at **03.00 pm** at IQAC, Meeting Hall, Sant Gadge Baba Amravati University, Amravati, and the following Hon’ble members were present...

Dr. M. A. Barhate	-	Chairman
Dr. M. P. Dhore	-	Special Invitee
Dr. Mrs. M. M. Kodape	-	Member
Dr. Mrs. M. M. Chimote	-	Member
Dr. Mrs. S. S. Sherekar	-	Member
Dr. K. U. Raut	-	Member
Dr. A. B. Naik	-	Special Invitee
Mr. Kunal Chavhan	-	Member
Dr. S. A. Waghuley	-	Member Secretary

Hon’ble members Dr. P. B. Raghuwanshi, Dr. S. S. Patil, Dr. Mrs. V. N. Nathar, Dr. R. D. Sarode, Dr. A. M. Asanare, Mr. Ranjit Band, Mr. Vijay Jadhao, Mr. Kiran Paturkar, and Mr. Parvin Thombre communicated their inability to attend the meeting due to their preoccupied schedules, and the committee granted a leave of absence.

At the outset, the Member Secretary welcomed the Hon’ble Chairman and Hon’ble Members of the IQAC and requested the Hon’ble Chairman to commence the business of the meeting. The Hon’ble Chairman welcomed the members and started the meeting with the agenda Items.

Item No. 01

Confirmation of minutes of the IQAC held on 21st November, 2025.

Confirmed the minutes of the ‘Internal Quality Assurance Committee (IQAC)’ held on 21st November, 2025, circulated in Book No. 01 vide page No. 01 to 05.

Item No. 02

To note the action taken report (ATR), the ‘Internal Quality Assurance Committee (IQAC)’ meeting held on 21st November, 2025.

Noted the action taken report (ATR) of the Internal Quality Assurance Committee (IQAC) meeting held on 21st November, 2025, circulated in Book No. 01 vide page No. 06 to 23 with the following directives...

Item No. 02(1) Publication of Research Papers – The Committee reviewed the progress regarding the publication of quality research papers, as noted under Item No. 14(1), with respect to the directives issued by the IQAC. Upon review, it was observed that after repetitive instructions, some of the faculty members had not submitted their information pertaining to the publication of quality research papers as directed by the IQAC. The committee expressed its grave displeasure and directed the issuance of a final reminder letter to all non-compliant faculty members, instructing them to ensure compliance with the earlier IQAC directives within the stipulated timeline. Non-compliance with this direction may invite appropriate action as per university norms.

Further, in alignment with the University’s academic quality benchmarks, directed that a subsequent review be undertaken to monitor continued progress.

Item No. 02(2) Value Added Course –The Committee reviewed and noted the progress of offering Value-Added Courses, as noted under Item No. 14(2), and further directed that a subsequent review be undertaken to monitor continued progress. During the review, it was observed that the Department of Chemistry has not submitted the Action Taken Report on the IQAC directives. IQAC directed to send remainder to the HoD of Chemistry.

Item No. 02(3) Status of MoUs and activities thereunder – The Committee reviewed and noted the details of the existing MoUs along with the activities conducted under each MoU, as noted under Item No. 14(3). During the review, it was observed that the Department of Chemistry has not submitted the Action Taken Report on the IQAC directives. IQAC directed to send remainder immediately to HoD of Chemistry. After due deliberation, the committee directed that the joint MoU process shall be expedited and all expired MoUs shall be renewed. All the concerned should be informed accordingly.

Item No. 02(4) Entrepreneurship, Start-ups and Skill Development Activities– The Committee reviewed and noted the progress for collaborative engagement pertaining to entrepreneurship, start-up initiatives, and skill development activities to be organized by the University’s Incubation Centre, as recorded under Item No. 14(4), and further directed that a subsequent review be undertaken to monitor continued progress as per its earlier directives. It was also directed to send a reminder to all remaining departments to take appropriate action on the directives of the IQAC in this regard.

Item No. 02(5) Teacher Seed Money– The committee noted the action taken received from the Development Section, as noted under Item No. 14(5), and directed to constitute a sub-committee as follows:

Committee No. 01/2026

Dr. P. B. Raghuwanshi	-	Chairman
Dr. Mrs. M. M. Kodape	-	Member
Dr. Mrs. S. S. Sherekar	-	Member

The aforementioned committee shall draft a legal instrument for Teacher Seed Money and submit its recommendations by the end of May 2026.

Item No. 2(6) Review of the Quality Initiatives by the IQAC– The Committee reviewed the initiatives undertaken by the IQAC, including the visits conducted by IQAC members for monitoring the functioning of IQACs in affiliated colleges and institutes, as noted under Item No. 14(6). After due deliberation, it was directed to strengthen the visits to various colleges for monitoring the functioning of IQACs. The Committee further directed that the inspection report proforma submitted to the IQAC should now include the names of the signatories.

Item No. 2(7) To consider the issue regarding providing an API certificate by the IQAC of the university for the appointment of the Principals, Deans, Professors, and Associate Professors– The Committee reviewed the progress regarding the issuance of API Certificates by the IQAC of the University for appointments/selections to the posts of Principal, Dean, Professor, and Associate Professor, as earlier recorded under Item No. 14(6) and noted the action taken received from the IQAC in this regard. Further, it was directed to expedite the process for the collection of information from other universities in this regard and that the compiled information be placed in the next meeting of the IQAC for consideration.

Item No. 2(8) To discuss regarding the issuance of a plagiarism certificate for the Ph.D. Synopsis/Summary/Thesis– The Committee reviewed its earlier directives regarding the issuance of a plagiarism certificate for the Ph.D. Synopsis/Summary/Thesis, as earlier recorded

under Item No. 16. The Committee held a detailed discussion on the matter and considered the views expressed by the members of the IQAC. After comprehensive deliberation, the Committee resolved as follows:

Hereafter, the term “Similarity Check Report/Certificate” shall be used in place of “Plagiarism Certificate.” Such reports/certificates shall be generated exclusively through the software made available at the University Knowledge Resource Centre. This revised terminology shall be incorporated, with immediate effect, in all relevant University statutes, ordinances, regulations, and directions, with particular reference to the Ph.D. Directions. The above resolution shall be formally communicated for strict compliance to all recognized Research Centres of the University through the Ph.D. Cell, as well as to the University Knowledge Resource Centre, for immediate implementation.

Item No. 2(9) To peruse the evaluation report of the University Departmental Ranking Framework (UDRF)– The Committee perused the action taken in accordance with the provisions laid down in the concerned Government Resolution for UDRF.

While noting this action, the committee hereby places on record its heartfelt congratulations and deep appreciation to the executive body of the Alumni Association of the University for the successful organization of the Grand Alumni Meet. The committee further expresses its sincere gratitude to all alumni, faculty members, organizers, and stakeholders who contributed to the success of the event. Further, while adopting the above resolution, the Council/Committee requested the Alumni Association to contribute a generous amount to the University under the head “Alumni Contribution.”

It was also resolved that all Departments of the University shall actively appeal to their respective alumni to make voluntary contributions directly to the University as part of the Alumni Contribution initiative. The committee further directed the Finance Section to circulate the official donation account details and mandate of the University to all Departments, to facilitate and streamline the process of receiving such contributions.

Item No. 03

To note the Government Resolutions dated 11th February, 2026, regarding prescribing procedures to bring more transparency in the recruitment process of (non-agricultural) teachers in public universities in the state.

Noted the Government Resolutions dated 11th February, 2026, regarding prescribing procedures to bring more transparency in the recruitment process of (non-agricultural) teachers in public universities in the state, circulated in Book No. 01 vide page No. 24 to 32 and recommended it to the Management Council for perusal, through the administrative section.

At the conclusion of the meeting, the Hon’ble Member emphasized the urgent need for the formulation and implementation of a “Student Code of Conduct,” particularly for the University Departments. In response, the Member Secretary apprised the Committee that the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) had already issued directives for the preparation of various Codes of Conduct, including those for students, teachers, and administrative staff. In view of the aforesaid directives of the IQAC, the Committee resolved to undertake rigorous follow-up action in this regard and to submit a detailed status report in its subsequent meeting.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks proposed by the member secretary.

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Dr. Sandeep A. Waghuley
Director, IQAC
Member Secretary

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Dr. Milind A. Barhate
Hon’ble Vice-Chancellor
Chairman