

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

MINUTES

The meeting of the ‘**Internal Quality Assurance Committee (IQAC)**’ held on **29th July 2025**, 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. P. B. Raghuwanshi	-	Member
Dr. Mrs. M. M. Chimote	-	Member
Dr. S. S. Patil	-	Member
Dr. Mrs. S. S. Sherekar	-	Member
Dr. Mrs. V. N. Nathar	-	Member
Dr. K. U. Raut	-	Member
Dr. R. D. Sarode	-	Member
Dr. Mrs. M. M. Kodape	-	Member
Dr. S. A. Waghuley	-	Member Secretary

Hon’ble members Dr. P. A. Wadegaonkar, 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. 08

Confirmation of minutes of IQAC held on 21st April, 2025

Confirmed the minutes of the ‘Internal Quality Assurance Committee (IQAC)’ held on 21st April 2025, circulated in Book No. 01 vide page No. 92 to 94.

Item No. 09

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

Noted the action taken report (ATR) of the Internal Quality Assurance Committee (IQAC) meeting held on 21st April 2025, circulated in Book No. 01 vide page No. 95 to 108 with the following directives...

Item No. 9 (1) Publication of Research Papers – The committee reviewed the compliance status of faculty members concerning the directives issued by the IQAC regarding the publication of quality research and has noted with concern that certain faculty members have submitted only one or no research paper(s) for the academic session 2024–25. Taking serious cognizance of this non-compliance, the committee expressed its deep dissatisfaction and resolved that the faculty members who have failed to comply with the IQAC directive of publishing a minimum of three quality research papers in the academic session 2024–25 shall immediately appear before the Hon’ble Vice-Chancellor with a written explanation and submit an action taken report to the IQAC by 11th August 2025. Non-compliance with this resolution may invite appropriate action as per university norms.

The Committee took serious cognizance of the handwritten submission made by Dr. S. P. Joshi regarding research publications, which was found to be inconsistent with the prescribed format and academic standards expected by the IQAC. Accordingly, the committee directs Dr. S. P. Joshi to appear before the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor with a written explanation and to submit an Action Taken Report (ATR) to the IQAC on or before 11th August 2025.

Furthermore, it was also resolved that all faculty members shall continue to publish a minimum of three quality research papers during the academic session 2025–26, in alignment with the university's academic quality benchmarks. The committee further resolved that all faculty members shall be acquainted with this directive, and the IQAC shall conduct periodic reviews of compliance and submit progress reports to the committee at regular intervals. The committee directed to ensure that all details of published research papers by faculty members are uploaded to the Institutional Repositories managed by the Knowledge Resource Centre of the university.

Item No. 9 (2) Value Added Course –Upon reviewing the submissions made by various departments regarding the offering of Value-Added Courses and by the earlier directives of the IQAC, it was further resolved that every department shall strictly comply with this directive, and the IQAC shall conduct periodic reviews of the implementation and submit progress reports to the Committee at regular intervals.

Item No. 9 (3) Status of MoUs and activities thereunder – The committee expressed deep dissatisfaction over the non-submission of details pertaining to the MoUs, along with the activities conducted there under and directed that all departments, the Director, IIL and the Development Section must furnish the complete information in this regard without further delay.

Item No. 9 (4) Alumni Association – The Committee reviewed the submissions made by the Chairman, Alumni Association, and directed that the Association shall confirm the status of the change report and ensure compliance with all statutory requirements. It was further advised that the Alumni Association adopt a proactive role in coordinating alumni engagement and departmental alumni activities. A centralized database of alumni shall be maintained, and all departments are instructed to share details of alumni-related activities with the Chairman and Secretary of the Alumni Association.

Item No. 9 (5) Entrepreneurship, Startups and Skill Development Activities– The committee considered the proposal submitted by the Head, Incubation Centre, and after due deliberation, resolved that the Incubation Centre shall continue its activities within the allocated grant, to be jointly hosted with various departments on the university campus.

Item No. 9 (6) Teacher Seed Money– The committee directed to remind the development section to expedite the procedure for the teacher seed money scheme. Furthermore, it was also directed to encourage faculty members' claims for financial support towards attending the regional, national, and international conferences and symposia.

Item No. 9 (7) Review of the Quality Initiatives by the IQAC– The committee reviewed the initiatives taken by the IQAC from the year 2022 to 2025, and after reviewing, directed to include the following initiatives:

- a) Promotions of 33 faculty members under CAS in the various teaching departments of the university.
- b) Evaluation of academic records, including API-PBAS and primary scrutiny of the CAS applications.

- c) Collaborative and independent activities, including workshops, conferences, and other events that were conducted, should be listed to enhance the quality of education.
- d) Strengthening IQAC as per the provisions laid down in the Maharashtra Public University Act 2016, u/S 95, towards monitoring and guiding the IQACs of the colleges/institutes within university jurisdiction.
- e) Nomination of the Director of IQAC on the Management Council and the Academic Council as a permanent invitee as per the state government directives.
- f) Successful implementation of the most prestigious School Connect Programme dedicated to NEP-2020 implementation and enhancement of GER.
- g) Establishment of NEP Cell at the university level and monitoring and guiding the NEP cells of the colleges/institutes.

While directing to include the aforementioned initiatives, the committee directed to send a reminder letter to all colleges regarding visits of IQAC members for monitoring the IQACs in the colleges/institutes. Furthermore, it was also directed that the Director of IQAC shall prepare a proforma for the inspection report to be submitted by the IQAC members who visited the college/institute, which shall be approved by the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor.

Item No. 10

To note the UGC Public Notice regarding UGC-CARE Journals dated 11th February 2025 and 16th July 2025.

Noted both UGC public notices regarding UGC-CARE Journals dated 11th February 2025 and 16th July 2025, circulated in Book No. 01 vide page No. 109 to 116. The committee has gone through various aspects of these public notices, and after brief deliberation, it was resolved to constitute an 'Internal Review Committee' for reviewing the research publications published by the various faculty members on the university campus, as under:

Director, IQAC	-	Chairman
Dr. Mrs. M. M. Chimote	-	Members
Dr. Mrs. V. N. Nathar	-	Member
Dr. D. Y. Chacharkar	-	Member
Dr. R. D. Sarode	-	Member

Furthermore, it was also directed that all faculty members be acquainted with these public notices.

Item No. 11

To discuss regarding Sustainability (Green Initiatives), including community Activities, Waste and Water Management, progressing towards Net Zero, Green Audits and Initiatives, and collaborations with Industry/ NGOs.

The committee thoroughly discussed sustainability (Green Initiatives), including community Activities, Waste and Water Management, progressing towards Net Zero, Green Audits and Initiatives, and collaborations with Industry/ NGOs, and after brief deliberation, it was directed that the engineering section shall conduct an energy and green audit by the end of this year. Moreover, the engineering section shall initiate some MoUs with potential industries as well as NGOs towards sustainability and green initiatives.

Item with the permission of the Chair

Item No. 12

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 thoroughly discussed the issue regarding providing an API certificate by the IQAC of the university for the appointment of the Principals, Deans, Professors, and Associate Professors, and after brief deliberation, it was resolved as follows...

- a) The Committee resolved that all affiliated colleges and recognized institutes must mandatorily include in their recruitment advertisements for the posts of Principal, Professor, and Associate Professor, a clause stating that candidates are required to obtain an API Certificate from the University IQAC. It was further resolved that no approval shall be granted in the absence of a valid API Certificate issued by the IQAC of the University.
- b) The Committee resolved that, upon a written request from the concerned candidate, the University IQAC shall issue an API Certificate for appointment/selection to the posts of Principal, Dean, Professor, and Associate Professor. A processing fee of Rs. 5000/- (Rs. Five Thousand Only) shall be charged, and the certificate shall be issued following the due procedure by the University IQAC. The amount so far generated from this process shall be deposited as a consultancy fee in the university's general fund under the concerned head.

The said directives of the committee shall be communicated to the collegiate as well as the establishment section for immediate implementation.

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