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**REPORT OF THE ONE DAY WORKSHOP ON AWARENESS FOR AUTONOMY OF COLLEGES,
NAAC REVISED ACCREDITATION FRAMEWORK (RAF) & NIRF**

This is to certify that following is the report of the One Day Workshop on Awareness for Autonomy of Colleges, NAAC Revised Accreditation Framework (RAF) and National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) organized by IQAC, Sant Gadge Baba Amravati University & Joint Director (Higher Education), Amravati Division held on 17th February, 2020

Name of Workshop	Number of Participants	Date
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The Sant Gadge Baba Amravati University has been re-accredited by NAAC in the year 2010 with "B" grade (CGPA 2.63). Since then, the University is striving to bring-in the academic and administrative quality measures by implementing the recommendations of the NAAC team. Most of them have been brought into practice. The University has been re-accredited (3rd Cycle) by NAAC in 2016 with "A" grade (CGPA 3.07)

The workshop is aimed at highlighting the importance of autonomous colleges, the UGC document on the profile of higher education in India clearly states that: "The only safe and better way to improve the quality of undergraduate education is to delink most of the colleges from the affiliating structure. Colleges with academic and operative freedom are doing better and have more credibility. The financial support to such colleges boosts the concept of autonomy."

The basic eligibility for autonomy of the Colleges (of any discipline) depends upon whether the college is aided, partially aided and unaided/self financing are eligible provided they are under Section 2(f) of the UGC Act. The college should have at least 10 years of existence. The colleges must be accredited by either NAAC with minimum 'A' Grade or by NBA for at least three programmes with a minimum score of 675 individually or a corresponding accreditation Grade/score from a UGC empanelled accreditation agency. However, if the number of programmes being run by the Institution is less than three, then each of the programmes should secure 675 or more marks. Accreditation status must be valid at the time of application. Provided further, the existing autonomous colleges will be required to comply with this eligibility condition within a maximum period of five years from the date of notification of these Regulations. The constituent colleges shall also undergo separate accreditation by NAAC/NBA/UGC empanelled accreditation agency to be considered eligible. (i) Colleges accredited with a score of 3.0 and above, up to 3.25 on a 4 point scale of NAAC/corresponding NBA score / corresponding accreditation score from a UGC empanelled accreditation agency at the time of application shall be considered for grant of autonomous status with an on-site visit of the duly constituted Expert Committee. (ii) Colleges which have a NAAC score of 3.26 and above, up to 3.50 or a corresponding NBA score or a corresponding accreditation Grade/score from a UGC empanelled accreditation agency for one complete cycle and also accredited accordingly in the second cycle, shall be considered for grant of autonomous status without onsite visit by the Expert Committee. (iii) Colleges with 3.51 and above in a 4 point scale of NAAC or a minimum



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of three programmes have been accredited by NBA with a minimum score of 750 individually or a corresponding accreditation Grade/score from a UGC empanelled accreditation agency at the time of application shall be considered for grant of autonomous status without onsite visit by the Expert Committee.


The present workshop has focused on various issues related to the terms and conditions, eligibility criteria for granting autonomy to the affiliated colleges of Sant Gadge Baba Amravati University, revised accreditation framework (RAF) of NAAC and National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) so as to achieve best possible outcome. The workshop has provided excellent information regarding the awareness for autonomy of colleges, NAAC revised accreditation framework and national institutional ranking framework so as to motivate the colleges for adopting the same. The workshop has also provided NAAC revised guidelines for the accreditation of colleges under RAF with effect from 04.02.2020 based on the feedback received by NAAC over a long period through various Consultative Meetings, Expert Group Meetings, which comprised of eminent academicians representing the University and College sectors. In addition, the NAAC also solicited feedback through the web from the stakeholders and specifically from the academia during the Assessors Interaction Meetings (AIM). The entire revision exercise has successfully resulted in the development of an assessment and accreditation framework which is technology enabled and user friendly. Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) desirous of seeking accreditation from now on will need to understand the changes made in the process. Keeping this in mind, the Manuals have been revised separately for Universities, Autonomous Colleges and Affiliated/Constituent Colleges. The Self-Study Report (SSR) forms the backbone of the entire process of accreditation. Special effort has been made to differentiate some of the items to render them more applicable to different categories of institutions. The proposed workshop has created awareness among the colleges by educating the affiliated colleges regarding the revised accreditation framework as per the new guidelines of NAAC and it will certainly help the HEIs to prepare for the revised process of assessment and accreditation.

The first half part of the programme ended with talk of **Chairman and Hon'ble Vice Chancellor of Sant Gadge Baba Amravati University Dr. Murlidhar Chandekar** on "One Day Workshop on Awareness for Autonomy of Colleges, NAAC Revised Accreditation Framework (RAF) and National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF)". He mentioned about the mechanism, challenges and excavation of A & A.

Overall, One Day Workshop on Awareness for Autonomy of Colleges, NAAC Revised Accreditation Framework (RAF) and National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) for affiliated colleges was successfully conducted by the Director, IQAC under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Vice Chancellor through the IQAC, Sant Gadge Baba Amravati University. All the participants have expressed their fullest satisfaction and highly appreciated the overall organisation of the NAAC Accreditation Awareness Workshop for affiliated colleges including Registration, Hospitality, Travel Arrangements, Technical Sessions including facilities provided for the group activity for report writing by each group and accommodation. Various dignitaries of highest repute were felicitated by offering a Memento by the hands of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor. Dr. Vijay Joshi, Advisor, RUSA has delivered expert lecture on "**Awareness Programme for Autonomy of Colleges**" during the technical session I. Dr. Avinash Moharil, Dean Faculty of Humanities has delivered expert talk on "**Revised Accreditation Framework of NAAC**" during the technical session II. Dr. S.F.R. Khadri, Director, IQAC has delivered expert talk on "**National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF)**" followed by interaction and feedback by the participants.

Finally, Dr. S.F.R. Khadri, Director, IQAC & Professor and Head, Dept. of Geology, S.G.B. Amravati University offered a vote of thanks to all the participants, dignitaries, resource persons, university authorities, administration and various team members who have helped in making this programme a grand success.

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