

## MINUTES OF THE FIRST IQAC MEETING (2021-23)

Held on 19.03.2021 at 10.00 AM

The following members were present:

- Dr.V.E. Annamalai, Principal, SSNCE, Chairman – IQAC
- Mr. V. Kumarasubramanian, Sr. Manager (Retd), TI-IIIC (Murugappa Group), Director (Technical), Zygote India
- Mr. N. Sivasankaran, General Manager, Preethi Kitchen Appliances Pvt. Ltd., Chennai.
- Dr. C. Aravindan, Prof., CSE
- Dr. G. Sethuraman, Librarian
- Dr. C. Vinothkumar, Asso. Prof / ECE
- Dr. M. Pandi Kumar, Asso. Prof / EEE
- Dr. Kilaru Harshavardhan, Asso. Prof / Chemical
- Dr. D. Thenmozhi, Asso. Prof / CSE
- Dr. V. Thanikachalam, Asso. Prof / IT
- Dr. Julie Charles, Asso. Prof / Physics
- Dr. P. Sreehari, Professor / Civil
- Dr. J. Suganthi/ Dr.J.Vijay, Asso. Prof / BME
- Dr. Sunita Nair, Prof., Chemistry
- Mr.Anam Saatvik Reddy, IV B. Tech. (IT)
- Ms. S.Sadhana Smruthi, IV B.E. (CSE)
- Mr Mohinish Kumar, Data Analyst, LatentView Analytics
- Mr. Santosh Naranapatty, Product Engineer, Kaay Labs Pvt. Ltd.
- Dr. N. Venkateswaran, Professor / ECE , Coordinator -IQAC

Leave of absence:

- Mr. T. Shivkumar, Group Manager, Projects
- Dr. S. Nanda, Student Counsellor
- Mr. R. Gopalakrishnan, Dy. Manager - Admin
- Dr. S. Ramanagopal, Prof., Civil
- Dr. S. Narasimman, CoE & Prof., Maths

Agenda

- To confirm the minutes of the last meeting of IQAC and approve the Action Taken Report
- To propose quality improvement / sustenance /enhancement strategies for the year 2020-21:

Key Areas

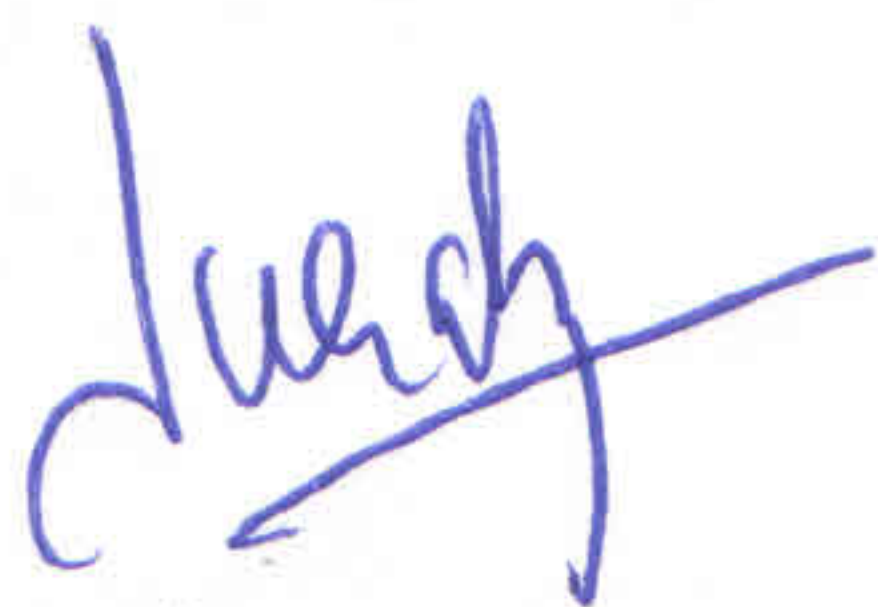
- Curriculum development
- Teaching and learning
- Examination, evaluation and reforms
- Promotion of Research and development

- Consultancy and Innovation ecosystem
- Library
- Physical Infrastructure
- Human resource management
- Industry interaction
- Student feedback
- Any other item with the permission of the Chair.


## Minutes

- The IQAC coordinator welcomed the members and gave a brief introduction of the members of the committee. He thanked previous IQAC members for the timely submission of AQAR and Action taken report for last year (2019 -20) to NAAC. The details of the same is available in our college webpage. In his opening remark, he briefed about the importance and focus of Internal Quality Assurance Cell to ensure quality culture at all levels of the institution He also briefed about the importance of Annual Quality Assurance Report (AQAR) to be submitted to NAAC every year as per the format prescribed and available online.
- In his opening address, the chairman -IQAC, Dr.V.E. Annamalai, briefed about the curriculum revision (R2021), wherein number of new courses being introduced with an emphasis on academic flexibility. This exercise is expected to be completed by April 2021. The chairperson further briefed about the different facilities provided during the pandemic for teaching and learning using Online platforms such as Zoom, PANAPTO and Microsoft teams with the help of Dr.C. Aravindan. With reference to Examination and evaluation the chairman said Dr. Narasimhan, CoE team is exploring the possibility of conducting open book type of Examination.
- The chairman further explained steps taken to promote R&D activities. The institution encourages faculty to obtain external funded projects and inter disciplinary collaborative projects. With reference to innovation, he further said SSNCE is preparing for Atal Ranking of Institutions on Innovation Achievements (ARIIA) this year. However, he agreed that the institution has to improve upon activities related to consultancy and collaboration with industries.
- With reference to library access chairman said remote access is provided during pandemic through online library management system. With reference to physical infrastructure the chairman said it is always challenging as ever-expanding activities in the campus. He mentioned about the R&D projects worth 12.05 crores received from DST by Prof Ramasamy requiring additional infrastrure.
- The chairman pointed out that clean transparent performance appraisal scheme for incentives and promotions is in place. He also said our institution has the unique scheme wherein faculty members are encouraged to go for internship with industries.

- Mr. V. Kumara Subramanian, Expert member from industry and a consultant to number of industries agreed to extend his help for faculty interaction with industries. He invited details about the faculty strength in different domains.
- Mr. N. Sivasankaran, another member from industry informed the gap that exists between industry expectations vis -a vis level of the student at the time of passing out. He wanted students should be trained on leadership skills with sense of urgency (entrepreneurship). He also insisted that institution can showcase its strength through demo day.
- Mr. Mohinish Kumar, Data Analyst opined that through online platforms the content absorbed by students and tests are in general not effective. He suggested that students may be asked to compile notes on a weekly basis on the topics he/she learned.
- Mr. Santosh Naranapatty, Kaay Labs said that students on entering in to industry have to relearn/ new learn many subjects and also found lack of communication skills. The chairman responded the new regulation R2021 have incorporated more open electives and introduced activity-based learning i.e., learning by doing. Students also encouraged to take up NPTEL courses in exchange of electives in the final semester.
- With reference to communication skills both the industry experts Mr. V. Kumara Subramanian and Mr. Siva Shakaran have agreed that students may be trained more on Soft skills and group discussion and they should be free from any mind set blocks. The chairperson responded that in the revised curriculum R2021 new course on industrial practices with lab component is being introduced.
- Student representative Mr. Anand Satvik brought to the notice of flow of false and misinformation and wanted to reduce the information gap between students and college.
- Another student representative Ms. Sadhana Smrithi, wanted inculcate gender-sensitivity programs and workshops, considering the diversity of the members in the institution. Ms. Sadhana also wanted college to set up a redressal system/body for women.
- The chairperson thanked the members for their active participation in the meeting.



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Co-ordinator -IQAC



Dr.V.E. Annamalai  
Chairman (IQAC)  
Principal