





The IQAC meeting was conducted on 27th September 2023 in the IQAC Boardroom at 1.00 pm.

Meeting was attended by the following members.

Dr. Rajesh Pillai, Principal

Dr. Biju Balachandran, Administrator

Dr. Faisal Fibin Thaha, Trustee <

Mr. Chacko K Varkey, Finance Manager

Dr. Sudeep S, Professor (Prosthodontics)

Dr. Sunila Thomas, Professor (HOD, OMR)

Dr. Deepu Leander, Professor (Orthodontics)

Dr. Ambili R, Professor (HOD, Periodontics)

Dr. Arunima P R, Professor (Periodontics)

Dr. Afzal A, Professor (Conservative & Endodontics)

Dr. Sunjith Sudhakar (Reader, Dept. of Oral Pathology, Associate Dean Academics)

Dr. Anna P Joseph, Professor, (HOD, Oral and Maxillofacial Pathology)

Mrs. Beena Ajith, Member, Block Panchayath, Nedumangadu, Trivandrum

Dr. Abe Antony MDS – Alumni representative

Dr. Basim Burhan (PG Student)

Dr. Smitha C, Professor (Microbiology) - IQAC Coordinator

Dr. Ananthalekshmi S S Assistant Professor (Periodontics) – Assistant IQAC Coordinator

Absentee:

Mr. K. Gireesan, (Chief Technician, Dentech Dental Lab, Nedumangadu, Trivandrum)

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Meeting Agenda

- 1. Confirmation of the minutes of IQAC meeting held on 23rd June 2023.
- 2. Quality related matters
 - 1) AQAR 2022-23 related matters
 - 2) Participation in QAS related matters
 - 3) NABH
 - 4) Preparations for NIRF 2024
- 3. Review of criteria activities and discussion of proposals.

Dr. Rajesh Pillai, Principal welcomed the members for the meeting.

IQAC coordinator read out the minutes of the previous meeting and confirmed the action taken report.

Dr. Smitha C, IQAC coordinator informed the members that NIRF 2023 result analysis was presented before Chairman Dr.P.S.Thaha. Chairman reinforced that we should aim to be in first top five dental colleges in India within next five years.

Dr. Rajesh Pillai commented that with the passing of National Dental Commission Bill 2023 by the Lok Sabha dentistry in India is fast forward moving towards a new era and it is our responsibility as teachers to equip our students for the challenges. All members supported the comment.

Dr. Rajesh Pillai also informed the committee that the proposals of ten Add- on courses were approved by the Curriculum committee and would be completed by September – October 2023.

Dr. Smitha C, IQAC coordinator suggested that the Add-on course schedule may be included in Academic Planner from the next Academic year onwards. She also pointed out that the policy and guidelines of Add-on course need to be reviewed in the next Academic committee. Members welcomed the suggestion.

Dr. Biju Balachandran informed committee regarding the procedural completion for the commencement of paradental courses- Dental Operating Room Assistant (DORA), Dental Mechanic (DM) & Dental Hygienist (DH). Dr. Afsal A, suggested to appoint a Course coordinator in the institution for the same, suggested Dr. Sangeeth K Cherian for the post and assign him to develop a detailed course structure. The committee unanimously agreed for the suggestions.

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Principal informed the members that induction ceremony of UG (2023-24) and PG (2023-24) batches have to be planned. Also Yoga courses for the year 2023-24 is to be planned soon.

Dr. Sunjith S suggested organizing a Faculty Development Program focusing on digital teaching tools and methodologies for enhancing the faculty skills in using e-learning tools, online student engagement and digital assessments. The suggestion was well-received and Dr. Smitha C was entrusted to plan the program.

Dr. Ambili R informed the committee that the college is improving with respect to the number of paper publications by faculty and applying for funding of research projects from various funding agencies. Hence requested the committee to have a strategic plan to create a research culture in the campus.

The management representative, Dr. Faisal Fibin Thaha advised to allot more seed money for research activities and entrusted Dr. Biju Balachandran and Finance Manager, Mr. Chacko K Varkey to do the needful.

Dr. Arunima P R, Criteria Head for Infrastructure and Learning Resources emphasized and highlighted the need to upgrade the LMS for its better visibility and content delivery. Also requested the committee to suggest more video lecture to be added to our e-learning depository.

Dr. Arunima P R also proposed a plan of setting up an Oral hygienic clinic associated with the Public Health Dentistry Department to educate patients on preventive dental care and address oral hygiene issues effectively. The proposal was unanimously approved.

Dr. Deepu Leander, Criteria Head for Governance and Leadership informed the committee members that the new dialysis unit at Palliative care center is ready for a flag off. The committee members congratulated the team involved in this initiative. The management representative, Dr. Faisal Fibin Thaha advised to fix a date for its inauguration.

Dr. Sudeep S, Associate Dean (Faculty) assigned the committee to encourage the faculty members to enroll for Faculty Development Programs conducted by MOOC platform like SWAYAM, Coursera to broader their expertise in emerging topics. The committee entrusted the Assistant IQAC co-ordinator, Dr. S.S.Ananthalekshmi, who is also the institutional nodal officer for SWAYAM to do the necessary following ups and facilitate access to such courses.

Dr. Faisal Fibin Thaha, the management representative informed the members regarding the emerging arena of dental tourism by offering specialized packages for international patients extent our outreach programs.

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Dr. Sudeep S suggested to declare this opportunity through social media platform along with organizing regular outreach programs to extend dental care services to rural and undeserved communities. Both initiatives were approved in principle.

Dr. Anna P Joseph informed the committee that Dental Education Technology Department (DETD) is contributing greatly in maintaining the quality of ABLE system; the student centric mode of education system in the campus and recommended the committee to advise reconstitution of the DETD for enhanced training and monitoring of academic processes.

The committee agreed and suggested Dr.Smitha.C to do the necessary follow up. Dr. Biju Balachandran informed the committee that the same list has to be send to KUHS as well.

Mrs Beena Ajith, Panchayath representative informed the committee that the benefits of Susmeram project is being acknowledged by the local community and people are utilizing the advantage of this project. She congratulated and thanked PMS CDSR on behalf of the local body.

Dr. Abe Antony, alumni representative informed the willingness of initiating international alumni chapters in different corners of the world. The committee set a target of six months for the same and appreciated the notion. Also suggested an action plan for the same.

Principal advised committee members that a timeline for each initiative may be prepared by the respective Criteria Heads and to be shared in the next meeting. The program will be reviewed in the next meeting.

The meeting concluded at 3.00 pm

Dr.Smitha C

IQAC Co-ordinator

Dr.Rajesh Pillai

Principal

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