

# Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC)

## Shiv Nadar University Chennai

### About IQAC

The IQAC of Shiv Nadar University Chennai has been constituted on December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021 in accordance with the UGC guidelines following the recommendations of National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC). The IQAC of the University is an initiative to plan, monitor, sustain and enhance the quality of all the activities of the University. The IQAC of SNU intends to ensure this through continuous reviews of the effectiveness of the carefully laid down structures and processes, and periodic meetings with external experts, to work out flexible strategies to improve quality and meet the quality requirements of all its stakeholders.

### Vision

To develop and promote quality consciousness as the primary characteristic of Shiv Nadar University Chennai, through internalization and continuous institutionalization of best practices with internal and external support.

### Goals of IQAC

- To develop a quality system for conscious, consistent and catalytic programmed action to improve the academic and administrative performance of the University;
- To promote measures for institutional functioning towards quality enhancement through internalization of quality culture and institutionalization of best practices.

### Functions of IQAC

- Development and application of quality benchmarks/parameters for the various academic and administrative activities of the University;
- Facilitating the creation of a learner-centric environment conducive for quality education and faculty maturation to adopt the required knowledge and technology for participatory teaching and learning process;
- Arrangement for feedback responses from students, parents and other stakeholders on quality related institutional processes;
- Dissemination of information on the various quality parameters of higher education;

- Organization of inter and intra University workshops, seminars on quality related themes and promotion of quality circles;
- Documentation of the various programmes/activities of the University, leading to quality improvement;
- Acting as a nodal agency of the University for coordinating quality-related activities, including adoption and dissemination of good practices;
- Development and maintenance of Institutional database through MIS for the purpose of maintaining/enhancing the institutional quality;
- Development of Quality Culture in University;
- Preparation of the Annual Quality Assurance Report (AQAR) of the University based on the quality parameters/assessment criteria developed by the relevant quality assurance body (like NAAC, NBA, AB) in the prescribed format;
- Bi-annual development of Quality Radars (QRs) and Ranking of Integral Units of HEIs based on the AQAR;
- Interaction with SQACs in the pre and post accreditation quality assessment, sustenance and enhancement endeavours.

### **Expected Outcomes of IQAC**

- Heightened level of clarity and focus in institutional functioning towards quality enhancement
- Internalization of the quality culture;
- Enhancement and integration among the various activities of the institution and
- institutionalize good practices;
- Creation of a sound foundation for decision-making to improve institutional functioning;
- Development of a dynamic system for bringing in quality changes in the University;
- Development of organized methodology of documentation and internal communication.
- Annual Quality Assurance Reports
- Pre and Post Accreditation Quality Assessment for – NAAC, ABET, ACBSP, AACSB, RSC as the case may be
- Pre and post Accreditation Assessment of quality for National Ranking – NIRF
- Pre and post Accreditation Assessment of quality for International Rankings/Ratings

### **Members of the SNU Chennai-IQAC**

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