HINDU COLLEGE

University of Delhi

IQAC

Minutes of Meeting

Date: 2.5.2018

Time: 11:00 AM

A meeting of the IQAC cell was held at the IQAC room on 2nd May 2018 at 11:00 AM to discuss about the educational and administrative initiatives the institute would be taking in due course of time for taking it to greater heights and bring global recognition.

The meeting was chaired by Prof. Anju Srivastava, Principal, Hindu College and the brief points of discussion were outlined by Dr. Shalini Suryanarayan, Co-ordinator, IQAC.

The following members were present:-

Dr. Anju Srivastava, Offg. Principal
Dr. Reena Jain, Bursar
Dr. Shalini Suryanarayan, Coordinator, IQAC
Dr. Lata Garg
Dr. Mancesha Panday
Dr. Priyanka Aggarwal
Prach American
Dr. Devanshi Magoo
Dr. Bimlendu Tirthunker
Or. Dr. Lalit Kumar Church

• International collaborations with foreign institutes

All the members were informed that Hindu College had succumbed to collaborate with the National University of Singapore, Singapore for exchange programmes which was indeed a great academic accomplishment and would continue with the collaborative assignments.

<u>Collecting Feedbacks from Students</u>

According to research by Grattan Institute, a well-developed strategy to collect student feedback can improve teachers' effectiveness by 20-30%. The college would soon be implementing an innovative feedback mechanism which would involve the online circulation of detailed google forms every three months with a mandatory submission on the deadline so

as to acquire insights into how the students are taught and the direct impact the teaching has on their academic performance and overall success.

• <u>Improving Synergy between Academic and Co-Curricular Activities</u>

The need to organize specialized workshops on improvement of synergy between academic and co-curricular activities was strongly realized by the IQAC cell.

One of the members highlighted in a recently published article "A significant body of educational research has investigated the impact of these activities on academic performance and the acquisition of discipline complementary skills and competencies and found that the time commitments imposed by extra-curricular activities can be challenging." So there is a need to balance and maintain the synergy between academic and co-curricular activities which indeed requires special training and also meditation sessions that can prove to be beneficial.

Principal made a strong point during this discussion that "we need to continue our efforts to offer educational experiences that move beyond the provision of discipline-specific knowledge and provide both a more holistic education and a more compelling experience. Definitely, a balance is required to as to ensure that a child does not face unnecessary pressure and is a sufferer at the academic end, hence there should be a strong regulation of activities being conducted and meetings being held at the societal and departmental levels and time should be thoughtfully planned so as to not disrupt the regular classes of a child."

• <u>Need to introduce new courses such as "Green Chemistry: Building a Sustainable</u> <u>Tomorrow</u>

Members were informed that Hindu College had organized an International Conference on "Advancing Green Chemistry: Building a Sustainable Tomorrow" on 3-4 October 2017 at University Conference Centre, University of Delhi in collaboration with Green Chemistry Network Centre, University of Delhi which had successful impacts as many of the young participants were motivated by the magical contributions of green and sustainable chemistry. Principal herself being an ardent follower of Green Chemistry mentioned that we should be initiating specializes courses on Green Chemistry in collaboration with the global green chemistry networks across the world in near future and proposed a title for the same "Green Chemistry: Building a Sustainable Tomorrow" which could be undertaken by all the disciplines of students undertaking various undergraduate courses in the college.

• <u>Initiatives towards Train the Trainers</u>

The institute would be taking several initiatives on training the trainers wherein the faculty could take up refresher courses or MOOCS to keep abreast with the latest in theory and practice of learning.

• <u>Classroom Initiatives by Hindu College: Supplementing the traditional</u> <u>methodology</u>

IQAC director announced that the host of modern teaching-learning methods adopted by the faculty members in making teaching-learning process more effective:

- Use of audio-visual aids like power point presentations, videos, infographics and other such mind mapping tools that not only help maintaining the attention span of students but also help in grasping the concept in a better way.
- Introducing real world experiences through field trips (industry/ museum/ hospital etc.), interaction with experts and scholars etc. that enable students relate better to the topic/course
- Use of flipped classroom strategy for active engagement and participation of pupil as well as enabling the instructor to deal with mixed levels and student difficulties in a better way
- Organizing quizzes and debates through various specialized societies of the college to keep up the inquisitiveness
- Pre and post lab sessions with students of science streams to inculcate the importance of self – learning
- Regular assignments and tests for continuous evaluation
- Organizing group projects on real case studies to promote team work and leadership
- **ICT enabled classrooms and labs**: Well-equipped and ICT enabled classrooms and labs are an added feature of the college infrastructure that plays an important role in providing a conducive environment to stimulate a student's mind to think and learn better. The faculty and support staff are well versed with the use of ICT for developing computer aided teaching and learning material.

The principal appreciated the efforts of the faculty in contributing towards the academic accomplishments of the institute and the meeting concluded by the formal vote of thanks by IQAC Coordinator.

Dr. Shalini Suryanarayan Coordinator

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