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IQAC ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2023-2024

Executive Summary:

Vivekananda Degree College: A Legacy of Growth and Excellence

Established in June 1982 by the Janatha Education Society (JES), Vivekananda Degree College embarked on its journey with a modest intake of 150 students across B.A., B.Sc., and B.Com. programs, supported by eight faculty members and two administrative staff. The college's steady progress was fueled by generous contributions from JES members, leading to remarkable growth. By 1986-87, the college served 700 students with a faculty of 15, necessitating infrastructure expansion, including new buildings and fully equipped laboratories. In 1987, following the non-grant period, the college secured Grant-in-Aid status from the Government of Karnataka, strengthening its foundation for future advancement. Achieving UGC recognition under sections 2(f) in 1991 and 12(B) in 1994 enabled the college to further its development.

The Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) at Vivekananda Degree College, affiliated with Bangalore City University (BCU), has since played a critical role in advancing educational quality and institutional improvements. This annual report highlights the IQAC's achievements, initiatives, and strategies for continued enhancement during the 2022-2023 academic year.

Introduction:

The IQAC is an essential component of Vivekananda Degree College and is dedicated to maintaining and enhancing the quality of education through continuous improvement, adherence to best practices, and fostering a culture of excellence.

Vision:

• To ensure quality culture as the prime concern for the Higher Education Institutions through institutionalizing and internalizing all the initiatives taken with internal and external support.

Objective:

The primary objective of IQAC is

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

Composition of IQAC:

The IQAC comprises the following members: <u>https://vdcjes.edu.in/wp-content/uploads/2024/12/2-Notification-of-IQAC-Composition-2023-</u>24.pdf

Minutes of IQAC Meetings:

https://vdcjes.edu.in/wp-content/uploads/2024/12/IQAC-Minutes-of-the-Meeting-04-2023-2024-1.pdf

Activities and Achievements:

The college has provided avenues for learning with good infrastructure and library. The College offers 236 UG courses as per the syllabi of NEP. The College offers many Certificate Courses, Skill Development Programmes to the students under Placement Cell and various Departments to become competent enough for their future career. The academic year 2023-2024 was enrolled with 259 students for UG I Semester UG Programmes and the total number of outgoing final year students is 327 and total Number of students during the year is 828 with 40 Teaching staff.

The College organized Induction Programme for the students at the beginning of the academic year 2023-2024 and oriented both students and parents regarding the introduction of NEP. During the academic year 2023-2024, faculty members have joined the institution. The faculty members have published articles and have attended Faculty Development Programme, Professional Development Programmes, workshops etc. The institution has signed several MoUs with academy and institutions. All the departments association has been inaugurated for the academic year 2023-2024 and conducted various programmes on teaching and learning process.

Highlights of Academic Progression for the Year 2023-2024

- The institution organized around 30 IQAC- driven events, including seminars, expert talks, workshops, and awareness programmes.
- An orientation programme and Bridge Course was organised for I Semester B.A., B.Sc., and B.Com. Students, facilitating their transition into higher education.
- The Department of Commerce in collaboration with IQAC organized a Workshop for Commerce Lecturers titled "Curriculum Orientation Workshop for V Semester B.Com. Courses".
- The Department of English in collaboration with IQAC and POET organized Workshop on "Teaching Pedagogy for Generic English IV Semester B.A., B.Sc., B.Com. (NEP) BCU 2023.
- The Science and Research Forum conducted Seminar Series titled "Nobel Laureates Lecture Series Programme."
- A Faculty Development Program on "Professional Ethics, Team work and Cohesiveness" was offered by IQAC.
- Women's Wing organised a Seminar on "Gender Equity" on International Women's Day.
- Organised Cultural Fest VIDVIVEKA 2024.
- Ten outreach programmes were conducted by various clubs and cells.
- Graduation Day and College Day were celebrated with enthusiasm.
- Students received awards and medals in cultural and sports events.
- NSS organized 10 extension activities, including awareness programs, rallies, and street plays.
- Students actively participated in intercollegiate cultural events, earning several accolades.
- The college observed 10 national and international days as per government guidelines.

Feedback Mechanisms:

• Feedback from students, faculty, and other stakeholders was collected through surveys.

• The feedback was analyzed to pinpoint areas for improvement and initiate corrective actions.

Conclusion:

The IQAC at Vivekanada Degree College remains steadfast in its commitment to excellence in education. We take pride in the progress made over the past year and eagerly anticipate the opportunities and challenges that await us in the future.

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