The State Level Workshop on “Understanding the New Frame Work of NAAC” was inaugurated at 10.00 a.m. In the Inaugural Session Shri Kh. Raghumani Singh, IAS, Commissioner, Higher and Technical Education, Government of Manipur was the Chief Guest and Shri W. MalemnganbaChenglei, IAS, Director, University and Higher Education, Government of Manipur was the President. Dr. R. K. Radhakrishore Singh, Principal, Manipur College, Dr. A. P. Padhi, Former Vice-Chancellor, Berhampur University and Dr. R.P. Kaushik, Former Ambassador and Retired Professor, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi were the Guests of Honour in the Inaugural Session.

The welcome address to the workshop was given by P. Shantikumar Singh, Under-Secretary, Higher and Technical Education and OSD, Directorate of University and Higher Education, Government of Manipur. The Keynote Address was delivered by Dr. G. C. Bag, Principal/OSD, the Convener, State Level Quality Assurance Cell, Manipur (Directorate of University and Higher Education, Government of Manipur). In his Keynote address Dr. Bag highlighted the importance of NAAC assessment and accreditation. He mentioned that only 26 colleges in Manipur have been NAAC accredited, 55 colleges are yet to be accredited and 10 colleges have completed 2nd Cycle of Accreditation. He also explained in brief the seven criteria, 32 Key indicators and number of questions to be answered while preparing SSR.

In his speech as the Chief Guest Shri Kh. Raghumani Singh, IAS, Commissioner, Higher and Technical Education, Government of Manipur emphasized the importance of NAAC assessment and accreditation by all the colleges in Manipur. The Chief Guest set the deadline of eight months for NAAC assessment and accreditation by the colleges in Manipur. The Chief Guest also assured that the State Government is trying to get required funds for the infrastructure development and other requirements in the colleges from Union government.

In his Guest of Honour speech Dr. R. K. Radhakrishore Singh, Principal, Manipur College welcomed all the Guests and those attending the workshop. He mentioned that Manipur College is due for 3rd Cycle NAAC and working for assessment and accreditation with higher grade. In his Presidential address Shri W. MalemnganbaChenglei, IAS, Director, University
and Higher Education, Government of Manipur reiterated to provide necessary support and encouragement to all the colleges for NAAC assessment and accreditation in Manipur. He emphasised on equity, access and quality. The vote of thanks was provided by Dr. N. Somorendro Singh, Coordinator, IQAC, Manipur College, Imphal who first expressed the gratitude to NAAC, Bengaluru for financial assistance by sponsoring the workshop. He thanked all the Guests, Keynote Speaker, Principals, Coordinators and members of IQACs of different colleges and teachers who participated in the workshop and those who contributed to the successful organization of the workshop. He concluded by emphasizing the necessity of becoming team leaders and spirit for achieving the national objective of quality education under NAAC.

After the tea break the first technical session was started at 11.30 a.m. Dr. A. P. Padhi, Former Vice-Chancellor, Berhampur University addressed on the theme of “Preparing for NAAC Assessment and Accreditation”. He highlighted on the importance of NAAC assessment and accreditation in the higher education institutions. Dr. A. P. Padhi simplified the process of NAAC by giving examples of the various steps to be undertaken by the higher education institutions. This was followed by discussions in which questions were raised by the participants including some Principals and response/clarifications were given by Dr. A. P. Padhi.

After lunch the second technical session was addressed by Dr. R.P. Kaushik, Former Ambassador and Retired Professor, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi on the theme of “An Overview of the Revised Assessment Frame Work (RAF)”. Dr. Kaushik explained the new assessment framework of NAAC with examples. He mentioned about the situational context and the shortage of faculty. After the address the questions raised by the participants were answered by Dr. Kaushik. He emphasised the role of effective communication by the teachers and students.

The Workshop was attended by the Principals, Coordinators and Members of IQAC of government colleges, Govt-aided colleges and private colleges. The teachers of the host college – Manipur College and officials of the Directorate of University and Higher Education, Government of Manipur also participated in the workshop. The total number of participants in the workshop was a little over 200. The local media also covered the workshop which was published in the newspapers and telecasted in TV channels.
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