

A report on visit of UGC Nepal Delegation to NAAC from 5th to 8th November to understand the online A&A process and renewal of MOC

Prof. Bhim Prasad Subedi, Chairman, UGC Nepal and **Mr. Kedar Prasad Acharya**, Finance controller, UGC Nepal visited NAAC, Bangalore from 6th November to 8th November 2019 to understand the online Assessment & Accreditation (A&A) process of NAAC and for renewal of Memorandum of Co-operation between NAAC and UGC, Nepal. NAAC organized a Delegate meeting with NAAC officials on 6th November 2019, at 10.30 am in the NAAC Board room.

Dr. S. C. Sharma, Director, NAAC, Chaired the meeting. **Dr. Sujata Shanbhag**, Deputy Adviser, NAAC and Convener of the Delegate Meeting welcomed the delegates and officials. She informed that National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC), India and University Grants Commission (UGC), Nepal had signed Memorandum of co-operation initially in the year 2009 for 3 years and later extended for three more years in 2013 to assure quality in Higher Education in both the countries from each other learnings and to share the best practices. She also briefed about the initiatives undertaken towards quality improvement of Higher Education System in the respective countries under these MoCs.



Dr. S. C. Sharma, Director, NAAC in his introductory address welcomed the delegates from Nepal and thanked Chairman, UGC, Nepal for their interest in continuing MOC with NAAC. He also informed that NAAC has revised its Assessment and Accreditation process making it ICT enabled, scalable, transparent,

robust and objective process. **Dr. Devender Kawday**, Deputy Adviser, NAAC made the brief presentation on Revised Accreditation Framework (RAF) of NAAC.

Prof. Bhim Prasad Subedi, Chairman, UGC Nepal briefed about Higher education System of Nepal and its quality assurance mechanisms. He appreciated NAAC support in developing A&A frame work and Quality Assurance Mechanisms for HEIs of Nepal. He also expressed that UGC, Nepal is interested in renewal of the MoC with NAAC. During the meeting, NAAC officials and delegates interacted and shared various issues and clarifications regarding assessment & accreditation process and issues pertaining to Higher Education in India and Nepal.

In the afternoon the delegates interacted with individual NAAC officials and ICT division to know more about the online A& A process of NAAC

On 7th November 2019, they visited Accredited Higher Education Institutions to understand A & A process from their angle, IQAC activities, achievements and the best practices. Dr. K. R. Vishnu Mahesh Assistant Advisers, NAAC coordinated their visit to HEIs.



NAAC signed the MoC for five years with UGC, Nepal in a formal meeting held on 8th November 2019 in the presence of NAAC officials. During the meeting Nepal delegates shared their learning experience and discussed for future collaborative activities under this MOC. The Meeting ended with the Vote of thanks.