

ASSESSORS' ORIENTATION PROGRAMME

INDIA HABITAT CENTRE, NEW DELHI

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The **National Assessment and Accreditation Council** is an organization that assess and accredits higher education Institutions in India. For assessing the quality of education offered by an institution of higher learning, it takes the help of the eminent academicians of various field specializations. Therefore, bringing an objectivity and consistency in the way different assessors draw inferences becomes a major concern of NAAC. NAAC believes that the quality of the assessment depends on the quality of the assessor. Hence, NAAC organises periodically the Assessors Orientation Programmes with a view to update the assessors with present assessment system efficiently and effectively and which is a crucial part of accreditation. It is with this prime agenda that this programme is organized.



The **Assessors Orientation Programme (AOP)** held on **14th May' 2019** which was celebrated also as **first Anniversary of NAAC Delhi Office**. With the above objective assessors from different Universities of Delhi-NCR and neighboring area participated and were oriented in tune with new Revised Accreditation Framework (RAF). A total of 53 academicians of various categories such as Vice-Chancellors, Directors, Professors and Principals belonging to various disciplines participated in the programme.



Dr. Latha Pillai, Adviser, NAAC Bangalore welcomed the distinguished guests and the esteemed participants to the Assessors' Orientation Programme (AOP). In her welcome address, she briefed about the evolution process of guidelines of NAAC for A & A process. She highlighted the journey of NAAC, how the transformations happened from non-acceptance to acceptance.

The chief guest of the programme was **Prof. Virander S.**



Chauhan, Chairman, EC, NAAC. He described the various reforms taking place in NAAC and in Higher Education in his keynote address. He requested assessors to be the part of assessing team with full dedication and consider the peer visit as their contribution towards higher education more specifically towards the society.

Then, Participants were requested to introduce themselves. This was followed by a Group photograph.



In Session - I, **Dr. Pratibha Singh**, Deputy Adviser, NAAC Delhi presented an overview of RAF. The Assessors Orientation Programme (AOP) was also aimed at equipping the Assessors with salient features of the Revised Assessment and Accreditation Framework (RAF). She described the structure of RAF, weightages, metrics, benchmarks various question etc. present in the framework

The session was followed by a tea break.





Session - II, was taken by **Dr. Priya Naraynan**, Assistant Adviser, NAAC Bangalore. The topic of the session was ICT integration of A & A Process. She explained the entire framework's ICT integration and features of various portals. She demonstrated the assessor portal and deliberated on the various features present in it. She also spoke about report writing in portal, assigning scores, filling travel Performa etc. in portal

Session - III - **Dr. Pratibha Singh**, Deputy Adviser NAAC, dealt with On-site Visit and Logistics. She highlighted the requirements, code of conduct, assessment outcome document, and expectations of NAAC from assessors who accept the NAAC visit.

This was followed by Lunch.

Session - IV - **Dr. Pratibha Singh**, Deputy Adviser, NAAC introduced the Group Activity. Participants were divided in to seven groups. Each group was asked to prepare the report and score sheet for the SSR which was presented during the second half of the day. The scores given by all the group members were compared. The criteria and scores were discussed amongst the members.



In the open forum, **Dr Pratibha Singh** and **Dr Priya Naraynan**, clarified the doubts regarding new RAF methodology and procedure and also requested the assessors to be ambassadors of the NAAC and to promote the quality in Higher Education.



In the vote of thanks **Prof. (Dr.) Mohinder Kaur Grewal**, Academic Consultant NAAC, thanked The Chairman, EC The Director NAAC, all advisers, officers, invitees, senior academicians and staff members. She extended vote of thanks to **Dr. Pratibha Singh** and **Dr. Priya Naraynan**, for their special lectures on workflow and execution of peer team and also to NAAC speakers for providing a detailed overview of new RAF system. She also extended special thanks to Committee members, PAE staffs for all kinds of

support and help to make the programme successful.

The programme ended on a Good Note followed by High Tea.
