Awadhesh Pratap Singh University, Rewa organized a one-day NAAC Awareness Workshop on 15th February 2019 for the principals of its affiliated colleges. The workshop was held at the initiative of the National Assessment and Accreditation Council, Bengaluru. It was held in the Conference Hall of the Business Administration Department of the University. The workshop was held in four sessions. The Inaugural Session began at 10.30 in the morning. It was presided over by Prof. K.N.S. Yadava, Honourable Vice Chancellor of the University. Prof. A.K. Srivastava, retired Professor from our Department of Psychology was the Chief Guest at the function. Dr. A.V. Prasad, Assistant Advisor at NAAC Bengaluru, and the Chief Resource Person, was the Special Guest at the inaugural session. Dr. Pushpa Sonwani, Registrar and Finance Controller of the university, Prof. A.P. Misra, Coordinator of the workshop, Prof. Anjali Srivastava, DCDC and Co-Coordinator, Prof. Mrinal Srivastava and Prof. Atul Pandey, Assistant Coordinators, all Professors and Officers of the university, about one hundred principals or their nominees from the affiliated colleges of the university and other guests were present at the inaugural session. NAAC facilitators from some of the colleges were also present. Dr. Prasad gave an introductory glimpse of his presentation that followed in the other sessions of the workshop. Prof. Yadava, Honourable Vice Chancellor, stressed the need for this kind of a workshop, specially for the targeted audience. He thanked the authorities of NAAC for having taken this initiative. Prof. A.K. Srivastava threw light on the practical problems that arise while meeting the parameters of NAAC and the need to reformulate a suitable set of parameters. Prof. Anjali Srivastava, Dean, College Development Council of our university spoke about how imperative it is for all colleges to prepare themselves for the rigorous exercise of a NAAC assessment. Prof. A.P. Misra Coordinator of the workshop pointed out the urgent need of NAAC assessment for all higher education institutions in order to procure more funds. Dr. Pushpa Sonwani, Registrar of the university expressed her pleasure at the enthusiastic participation of all delegates and assured her help, needed at any phase.
Prof. Atul Pandey, Assistant Coordinator of the workshop and facilitator of the successful management of this event, proposed the vote of thanks at the end of the inaugural session. This session was effectively anchored by Prof. Mrinal Srivastava, Assistant Coordinator of the workshop.

After a short tea-break of fifteen minutes, the First Technical Session began at 12.30 p.m. This session was presided over by Dr. Vinod Srivastava, Retd. Additional Director, Higher Education, Rewa Division. It was chaired by Prof. Anjali Srivastava. The session was completely given over to Dr. A.V. Prasad who made a detailed power point presentation of every step of a NAAC peer team visit. He informed that application for a NAAC visit by the peer team could be made online now. He explained the entire format of SSR and how necessary changes have been made in it by NAAC to suit or include even low-budget colleges or colleges lying in remote areas. Besides this he also pointed out those areas in SSR which have now been deemed optional as per the status of the institution. He also informed that in order to ensure transparency and fairness, the selection of NAAC peer team members is now done with the help of a software. Earlier this was done manually. Dr. Prasad threw light on many other aspects of NAAC like the fee structure for Assessment and Accreditation process, clarification of IIQA, QIF, the grading system adopted in the RAF etc. The session concluded with the address by Dr. Vinod Srivastava who spoke about many practical aspects of a NAAC peer team visit based on his experiences as Principal of a college and Additional Director, Higher Education. The first technical session was followed by lunch at 2 p.m.

The Second Technical Session which was chaired by Prof. Atul Pandey, started at 3 p.m. with the power point presentation of Prof. Shashikant Tripathi, Professor at Mahatma Gandhi Chitrakoot Gramodaya University, Chitrakoot. This university is an 'A' graded University by NAAC. Therefore it was very fitting and apt to have him address our audience so that a first-hand knowledge about the preparations to be made for NAAC assessment could be gained from him. Prof. Tripathi, with the help of his PPT spoke extensively and drew attention even to the minute details of the preparations. Thereafter,
Dr. Prasad resumed his presentation and informed further about the expectations of the NAAC peer team and the performance of an institution.

**The Third Technical Session** began after a tea-break of fifteen minutes. This session was devoted to the interaction of the stake holders with the resource person. A number of points were discussed, doubts raised and allayed, suggestions given and taken. The session was made lively by the active participation of all. Prof. A.P. Misra, then invited the delegates to share their experiences about the workshop. Dr. R.N. Tiwari from Science College, Rewa and Dr. Amarjeet Singh from Girls' Degree College, Rewa spoke about their experiences about NAAC peer team visits and on behalf of all participants profusely thanked the university for having organized this very useful and informative workshop.

The workshop concluded with the formal vote of thanks delivered by **Prof. Atul Pandey**.
Prof. A.P. Mishra
Coordinator
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