A snap of Inauguration Session: on the dais Dr. D.K. Kamble, AssistantAdvise, NAAC, Prof. D.T. Shirke, Pro-Vice-Chancellor, Shivaji University, Dr. V. D. Nandwedekar, Registrar, Shivaji University

A workshop on Revised Accreditation framework was organized by the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of Shivaji University, Kolhapur on March 13, 2020 for the benefit of the affiliated colleges of Shivaji University, Kolhapur. The workshop was sponsored by National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC). The said workshop was conducted in the auditorium of the Languages Building. A brief report regarding the deliberations of the workshop is as follows:
Inaugural Session (10 am to 10.30 am):

The inaugural session was chaired by Professor D.T. Shirke, Pro-Vice-Chancellor of the Shivaji University, Kolhapur. The opening remarks were made by Prof. R.K. Kamat. He elaborated on the very rationale behind the workshop. This was followed by the remarks by Dr. V.D. Nandwadkar, Registrar of the University as regards to the need of such a workshop to sensitize the affiliated colleges regarding the NAAC assessment.

Prof. D.T. Shirke, Pro-Vice-Chancellor addressing the audience during inaugural session

Prof. D.T. Shirke, Pro-Vice-Chancellor, Shivaji University, Kolhapur in his presidential remarks took an overview of the status of NAAC accreditation of the
affiliated colleges of Shivaji University, Kolhapur. He also highlighted on an unique scheme to support funds for the non-grant colleges from University for the purpose of their institutes getting accredited.

Session I: Key Note Address by Dr. D.K. Kamble, (10.30 am to 12 noon):

Dr. D.K. Kamble, Assitant Adviser, NAAC delivering Key Note Address

The Key note address was delivered by Dr. D. K. Kamble, Assitant Adviser of NAAC, Bangalore. At the outset he explained the need of assessment and accreditation. This was supported by facts and figures on a pan India basis. Thereafter he gave an overview of quality framework of NAAC and the emergence of the new RAF. The 70-30% pattern was elaborated with many case studies to support the implicit meaning of the metrics of the new framework. Comparison of old and new framework enlightened the participants to realize the appealing
features of the RAF. Criterion wise overview was taken in depth by Dr. Kamble. There were many queries and doubts by the participants which were clarified by Dr. Kamble.

Dr. V.D. Nandevedekar, Registrar, Shivaji University addressing the audience

Session II: New Metrics in RAF by Prof. R.K. Kamat (12 noon to 1.30 pm)

Prof. R.K. Kamat, Director, IQAC, Shivaji University focussed on the new metrics introduced in the RAF. He gave detailed procedural views on the Student Satisfaction Survey (SSS). The innovation ecosystem was explained in depth with details of how to setup incubation centre and incentivise the innovators. Alumni have been regarded as one of the most important stakeholders in the new RAF, from this perspective the alumni association, meetings thereof and contribution was discussed. The intent and rationale behind best practices and their documentation was dealt satisfying many owes of the participants.
Session III: Data Management by A.A. Redekar (2 pm to 3.30 pm)

A.A. Redekar, Statistics Officer, Shivaji University delivered a very useful talk on Data Management in the entire RAF process. The session was predominantly hands on wherein the participants were given a feel of the data templates. The participants were made aware the consistency in data management in the entire quality framework starting from AISHE, NIRF, NAAC and the MIS portal of the government. The concept of massive use of ICT for data collection using as simple tools as Google forms was exemplified.

Session IV: Panel Discussion (3.30 pm to 5 pm)

This was an open session in which the participants expressed their doubts and the panellists clarified the same. In this interesting brainstorming session, participants raised their doubts right from submission of IIQA to SSR submission and DVV process.

Overall the workshop paved way towards a very positive quality inculcation culture amongst the participants. Shivaji University authorities are grateful to NAAC authorities for sponsoring the workshop and enabling the sensitization of quality culture amongst the affiliated colleges.