REPORT ON NAAC AWARENESS PROGRAMME (NAP) HELD AT D-BLOCK SEMINAR HALL, GGSIP UNIVERSITY, NEW DELHI ON 1ST FEBRUARY 2019

Background:

Education plays an important role in the development of any nation. It is considered as the fundamental element in the economic prosperity. The education helps in producing and developing workforce which is not only qualified but is adequately skilled and trained to contribute to the progress in social, economic, political and technical aspects. The Higher education has therefore an important mission of creating and developing manpower which supports in achieving the above objectives. This requires that both the quantity (i.e. increased access to all) and quality (i.e. relevance, excellence and sustainability) should be given due focus in various academic programs being conducted by various institutions to ensure a steady and consistent quality improvement mechanism.

Realizing the above goals and objectives of Higher Education, the GGSIPU which has over 120 affiliated institutions (both in Govt. Sector and Self Financing mode) in diverse streams proposed to bring awareness among them about establishing and putting in place the quality initiatives in all their endeavors. Although University has a system of Academic Audit of the institutions conducted every year, yet achieving a nationally acceptable accreditation as an indicator of quality systems is not only desirable but essential too. Accreditation is

beneficial to all Higher Educational Institutions (HEIs), Students, Employers, Faculty, Parents, Alumni, Country, etc.

NAAC which plays a vital role in the assessment of quality of education matching with the internationally known best practices supported the idea of NAAC Awareness Programme (NAP) for all the HEIs under the GGSIPU, which was conducted on February 1, 2019 at GGSIPU Campus in collaboration with NAAC, New Delhi.

Participants Profile:

The programme was attended by more than 125 participants mostly the nominees of the affiliated institutions of the University including Directors/Principals. These institutions were a mix of both Govt. owned institutions and Self Financing institutions offering variety of programmes at Undergraduate and Post-Graduate Level such as Medical, Engineering, Management, Mass Communication, Law, Social Sciences, Bio Technology, Environment, Journalism, Computer Applications, etc. Some of these institutions are non-Accredited, some are in the process of submitting their proposals, and some are accredited and are either in the 1st or 2nd cycle of NAAC Accreditation.

Speakers:

The technical sessions in the programme were conducted by highly experienced Prof. B.S. Madhukar, Former Adviser, NAAC and Dr. Pratibha Singh, Deputy Adviser NAAC, Delhi.







Structure and Details of the Programme:

The Programme was conducted in four sessions. The Inaugural session began with welcome address by Prof. A.K. Saini, Coordinator IQAC and Chairman NAAC Activity of GGSIPU and playing of video on NAAC highlighting various facets of NAAC. This was followed by High Tea and involved Interaction among the participants and the speakers. It was followed by first technical session on "Relevance of Assessment and Accreditation and the Overview on Revised Accreditation Framework (RAF)" by Prof. Madhukar. This session covered the criteria wise discussion on various quality assessment parameters as per NAAC SSR and IIQA reports. The second technical

session was conducted by Dr. Pratibha Singh on the theme "Institutional Preparation of Assessment and Process and Accreditation". This session presented the step by step process of going for NAAC accreditation including the parameters, their SSR, Student weightages, IIOA, Satisfaction Survey(SSS), methodology of filling the data, eligibility, minimum marks requirement, fee submission, DVV, third party intervention in the process, peer team visits, etc. This was followed by Lunch Break. The last session was "Open Discussion" which included questions by the participants on various issues, problems faced, and the process of accreditation. The queries were duly answered by both the technical speakers to the satisfaction of the participants. The programme ended with a vote of thanks by Prof. A.K. Saini.

Benefits Achieved

The initiative of the GGSIPU and NAAC for organizing the Awareness Programme was highly appreciated by all the participants. It clarified them participants about the various issues, problems and difficulties faced by institutions, the benefits of Accreditation, the methodology of assessment, Students Satisfaction survey, the data collection, DVV process and its validation, role of third party in various processes of assessment, fee payable, etc. All the participants showed their commitment for quality enhancement and sustenance in their institutions.

