Report

One Day Workshop for Peer group Training
State Project Directorate (RUSA) NAAC

State Project Directorate (RUSA) organized a One-Day Workshop for Peer group Training on NAAC Revised Accreditation on 25 Feb 2019 in Human Resource Development Centre, University of Rajasthan, Jaipur.

The Inaugural session commenced with lighting of lamp ceremony by the Chief Guest Shri Pradeep Kumar Borar, State Project Director (RUSA), Commissioner, College Education Department, and Special Secretary, Higher Education, Government of Rajasthan.

Dr Urmil Talwar, Joint Director, State Project Directorate (RUSA) extended a warm welcome to all and gave a brief introduction on the significance of the workshop. She informed that this workshop is a sequel to the earlier two one day workshops held in 28-29 Sept 2018, on Revised Accreditation Framework of NAAC. The present workshop was conceived to train NAAC coordinators of the Government colleges which have received good grades and CGPA and can be trained to subsequently hand hold other colleges in preparation of NAAC as per the new guidelines.

Thereafter she welcomed Retired Principal, Shri J.P. Tailor from Government College Jaitaran, under whose leadership the college obtained B grade as per the new framework of NAAC. He had been invited to share his experiences on how to go about NAAC accreditation in government colleges. She also introduced Shri Yogesh Sharma, approved NAAC Assessor who has been assessing SSR’s and working assiduously in giving point wise suggestions on the SSR submitted by the colleges.

The Chief Guest of the workshop Shri Pradeep Kumar Borar, in his address welcomed the resource persons and participants and emphasized on the importance of NAAC accreditation for all government colleges. He pointed out that less than 50% of the colleges in Rajasthan have been accredited by NAAC and expected all the eligible colleges to apply for the same. He expressed his confidence that this workshop will help the participants in not only understanding NAAC procedure but also will enlighten them on how to project their works as per the seven components of NAAC ranking and obtain good grades as we have qualified faculty and many inter college and intra college activities are being introduced in the colleges.

Vote of thanks for inaugural was proposed by Dr Vimlesh Soni, Associate Professor, Deputy Project Director, RUSA.

In the next session, Dr B.S. Madhukar, Former Adviser, NAAC, Bengaluru, in his presentation IIQA, Revised Accreditation Framework- An Overview, reiterated that quality is everybody’s business and not just NAAC’s responsibility. He emphasized that the need for quality improvement has to come from within. He informed that in the present era
employers are demanding NAAC accreditation and gave several examples from newspaper advertisements by employers wherein the precondition is NAAC accreditation. Thus all arguments for need for NAAC are over. He emphasized on the issue of maximizing the inherent potential of the institution.

In his presentation he elaborated on different steps of NAAC process and how to manage it ethically. He talked in detail on Qualitative and Quantitative matrix and explained the arithmetic and weightage of each matrix. He laid stress on the use of technology as NAAC is a data intensive process and all work regarding submission of data and forms in NAAC is done on the portal. He advised the participants to spend more time on data collection. He also suggested the participants to hold a workshop in their institutions for teaching/nonteaching staff as well as students on the need for quality enhancement in general and to bring everyone on board.

Dr Pratibha Singh, Deputy Adviser, NAAC New Delhi made a presentation on A&A Process flows of NAAC in RAF, whereby she explained in detail about the work flow of IIQA, SSR, DVV, SSS and Peer time management. Participants were able to satisfy many of their doubts during the demonstration. The resource person also elucidated with the help of various slides the step by step process of Accreditation starting from registration till declaration of results. She pointed out that NAAC procedure is time bound portal based system and needs to be approached accordingly.

In the next session Dr Pratibha Singh demonstrated the various portals for online submission of application to NAAC. She also practically demonstrated on online portal how to fill IIQA, SSR, DVV application forms for the benefit of the participants.

In the next session the participants were asked to introduce themselves, informing the experts about the current grade of the college and about the next cycle of accreditation. The session was coordinated by Dr Madhukar and Dr Pratibha who gave their suggestions to the participants on the problems raised by them and emphasized that NAAC is a learning and evolutionary process.

The last session was a presentation by Dr J.P.Tailor, Retired Principal Government College Jaitaran. Dr Tailor methodically presented various slides enumerating requirements for IIQA, and steps that should be taken prior to preparation of NAAC. He emphasized upon establishing Statutory Cells and creating Infrastructural facilities even before starting the NAAC process. He also discussed with the participants the various problems faced by the college and how they can be handled with promptness and prudence.

The last speaker was, Dr Yogesh Sharma, NAAC approved Assessor, who brought to fore some practical issues and concerns related to accreditation process.