

Report on Two Days National Level Workshop on " Ensuring Quality in Institutions of Higher Education Located in Rural Areas:A Road Map"

Organized by IQAC,Chilarai College,P.O-Golakganj, District-Dhubri, State-Assam,North East

Sponsored by NAAC, Bengaluru

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Venue: Chilarai College, Golakganj, Dhubri, Assam

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A two day long national level NAAC sponsored workshop on "Ensuring Quality in Institutions of Higher Education Located in Rural Areas: A Road Map" was organized by the Internal Quality Assurance Cell(IQAC) of Chilarai College on Friday and Saturday, 27th and 28th Sept./2019 in Chilarai College, Golakganj. Around 100 participants including faculties and IQAC coordinators of different colleges , research scholars and the students of Chilarai College, Golakganj, participated in the workshop. Eminent professors across Assam and Bengal, directly associated with the process of assessment and accreditation in their respective Universities joined the workshop as resource persons and effectively conducted the workshop.

The opening ceremony of the workshop was formally inaugurated by Prof. Nagendra Nath Roy, President, G.B., Chilarai College, with traditional lighting of the lamp ceremony. Dr. Bharat Bhusan Mohanty, the i/c Principal of the college and the Chairperson of the workshop offered the welcome address. Dr. Prahallad Basumatary, the Registrar i/c, Bodoland University, Kokrajhar, offered keynote address by offering an outline of the present state of quality culture in HEIs in rural areas. The inaugural session concluded with vote of thanks by Mr. Prakash Chakrabarty, Coordinator, IQAC, and the Co-Chairman of the workshop and Mr. Nitai Ch. Roy, Coordinator, Academic Council, Chilarai College, Golakganj. Dr Santanu Sarma, HoD,Geology & Co-ordinator,IQAC,Cotton University,Guwahati , in the first two technical sessions made PPT presentation on the key aspects of parameters of quality enhancement in NAAC's revised methodology and quality management practices. Dr. Protima Neogi and Dr. Dwijendra Nath Bhakat chaired the sessions respectively.

On day two Dr Amal Kumar Harh, HoD, Philosophy & co-ordinator, IQAC, Cooch Behar Panchanan Barma University,West Bengal talked about ensuring quality in teaching,learning,evaluation & curriculum designing and the session was chaired by Dr. Bharat Bhusan Mohanty. Dr Utpal Sarma,Professor in the department of Instrumentation & USIC and Former IQAC co-ordinator, of IQAC made PPT presentation on the online assessment and accreditation methodology in revised accreditation framework and the session was chaired by Dr. Amal kumar Harh .In the last session Dr Dhruba Chakraborty,Principal & a NAAC Peer Team member to HEIs ,B.N.College,Dhubri made deliberation on diversity in stakeholder's perception of quality and re-thinking the role of IQAC as an internal monitoring agency and the session was chaired by Mr. Prakash Chakraborty .The last session included valedictory address by the President,G.B,feed back from the participants on the workshop and rapporteur's presentation on the proceedings of the workshop.

The two day long programme ended with a colourful cultural event, performed by the students of Chilarai College and vote of thanks by the organizing secretary, Mr Arup Sarma, Assistant Professor of English, Chilarai College, Golakganj.

The workshop covered the following sub-themes during the two day long workshop.

The sub-themes of the workshop were:

- i. Diversity in stakeholder's perception of quality higher education
- ii. Parameters of quality enhancement in NAAC's Revised Methodology
- ii. Maintaining quality in teaching-learning, evaluation and curriculum designing
- iii. Quality management practices
- iv. Present scenario of quality culture in HEIs of rural areas
- v. Re-thinking the role of IQAC as an internal quality monitoring agency
- vi. Online assessment and accreditation methodology in Revised Accreditation Framework

The two day long workshop covered all the objectives of the workshop.

