The National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC), has taken several initiatives to reach out the Higher Education Institutions for quality improvements and quality sustenance. In present COVID 19 pandemic situation, resulting in the Government enforced lockdown and social distancing norms all Colleges, Institutes and Universities are closed. Under this circumstance Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD) has advised and encouraged all institutions, academicians and teachers to make use of online web platforms to reach the students. NAAC has taken new initiative of organising webinars by taking lead with many initiatives to reach the Higher Education Institutions by hosting series of the webinar on Assessment and Accreditation process along with other topics related to quality higher education offered in the HEIs.
Sant Gadge Baba Amravati University, Amravati, Maharashtra has taken up great initiatives to cope up with the crisis in studies and examinations for the betterment of students in the University due to COVID 19 pandemic situations. The IQAC of Sant Gadge Baba Amravati University and various affiliated colleges have successfully organised various webinars on NAAC Accreditation Process for the benefits of the affiliated colleges. NAAC has also arranged more than 60 webinars on Assessment and Accreditation process taking lead from MHRD Minister to reach to all HEI's all over India.

The present Webinar on Revised NAAC Assessment and Accreditation Process jointly organised by IQAC, Sant Gadge Baba Amravati University and NAAC, Bangalore was focussed on various issues related to revised NAAC Accreditation process for the benefit of Principals of affiliated colleges along with all the teaching faculty members of University and affiliated colleges of Sant Gadge Baba Amravati University and also other faculty members from all over India, to help them to prepare for the revised process of Assessment & Accreditation with full confidence to achieve the best possible outcome. Sant Gadge Baba Amravati University has conducted the webinar for the benefit of all the stakeholders to undergo the process of Assessment and Accreditation by NAAC since as per the UGC notification; all the colleges must undergo NAAC Assessment and Accreditation Process. Hon’ble Vice Chancellor has nominated Dr. Avinash Moharil, Dean Faculty of Humanities as the coordinator of the Webinar. Hon’ble Vice Chancellor has constituted a Technical Committee for the successful organisation of Webinar with Dr. S.F.R. Khadri, Director, IQAC and Prof. & Head, Department of Geology as the Convener and Dr. V.M. Thakare, Prof. & Head, Department of Comp. Sci., Dr. Rajesh Bhoyar, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Comp. Sci., Dr. S.P. Deshpande, Prof. & Head Dept. of Comp. Sci. & Technology, Degree College of Physical Education, Amravati, Dr. Nilesh N. Kasat, Prof. Dept. of Electronics and Tele Communication Engg., Sipna College of Engg. & Tech., Amravati and Dr. Pratik...
A national webinar on “Revised NACC Assessment and Accreditation Process” was successfully conducted on Saturday 4th July 2020, organized by National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NACC) Bangalore and Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), Sant Gadge Baba Amravati University, Amravati (Maharashtra). It was a very successful event with huge registrations of 3503 participants from all over India. The IQAC of SGBAU took initiative to organize this first ever webinar during this pandemic situation of COVID 19 with kind support and guidance of Dr. Murlidhar Chandekar, Hon’ble Vice Chancellor, Sant Gadge Baba Amravati University, Dr. R. S. Jaipukar, Hon’ble Pro-Vice Chancellor, Sant Gadge Baba Amravati University, Dr. Tushar R. Deshmukh, Registrar, Sant Gadge Baba Amravati University, Dr. Ganesh Hegde, Advisor, National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) Bangalore Dr. Leena Gahane, Deputy Advisor, NAAC, Bangalore, Dr A. V. Prasad and Dr. N. R. Mohan Assistant Advisor, NAAC Bangalore, Dr. Avinash Moharil, Dean Faculty of Humanities and Coordinator of the webinar associated with Technical Committee of the webinar.

The inaugural function for the National Webinar on Revised NAAC Assessment and Accreditation Process was held on Saturday 4th July, 2020 at 11.00 a.m. under the Chairmanship Hon’ble Vice Chancellor Dr. Murlidhar Chandekar and Dr. Ganesh Hegde, Adviser, NAAC as the Guest of Honour. Hon’ble Vice Chancellor has inaugurated the Webinar. Dr. Nilesh Kasat has conducted the inaugural session during 11.00a.m. to 11.30 a.m. Dr. Avinash Moharil has welcomed the Hon’ble Guest and participants with introductory remarks. Dr. Ganesh Hegde, Advisor, NAAC has given a detailed account of concept note regarding the NAAC Webinar which was followed by inaugural and presidential address by Dr. Murlidhar Chandekar, Hon’ble Vice Chancellor, Sant Gadge Baba Amravati University, Amravati. He addressed the gathering by quoting beautiful explanation with analogical example of journey of education system from Gurukul to Kulguru and also appreciated for efforts taken by coordinator with the whole technical committee team members for overwhelming response of the participants from different states of India. The Inaugural function ended with vote of thanks. There were five technical sessions successfully conducted during this One Day National Webinar by
renowned experts of NAAC assessment and accreditation process for quality in higher education.

**Technical Session I** was started from 11.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. with Dr. S.P. Deshpande as the facilitator 1 to conduct the Technical Session I and Shri Rajesh Bhoyar as the facilitator 2 for youtube and chatbox queries. During the Technical Session Dr. Ganesh Hegde, Adviser, NAAC has given an elaborate talk on the topic “NAAC Assessment and Accreditation Process of AQAR”. In his talk Dr. Ganesh Hegde has given the complete information regarding the AQAR revised guidelines and submission process followed by queries through chatbox by the participants.

**Technical Session II** was started from 12.30 p.m. to 01.30 p.m. with Dr. V.M. Thakare as the facilitator 1 to conduct the Technical Session II and Dr. Pratik Agrawal as the facilitator 2 for youtube and chatbox queries. During the Technical Session Dr. Leena Govind Gahane, Deputy Adviser, NAAC has given an elaborate talk on the topic “NAAC Process – an opportunity for growth”. In her talk Dr. Leena Govind Gahane has given the detailed information regarding the NAAC process with an opportunity for the growth of HEI’s and stakeholders followed by queries through chatbox by the participants.

**Technical Session III** was started from 2.00 p.m. to 03.00 p.m. with Dr. S.F.R. Khadri as the facilitator 1 to conduct the Technical Session III and Dr. Nilesh Kasat as the facilitator 2 for youtube and chatbox queries. During the Technical Session Dr. A.V. Prasad, Assistant Adviser, NAAC has given an detailed informative talk on the topic “NAAC Assessment and Accreditation – New Framework”. In his talk Dr. A.V. Prasad has given the detailed information regarding the revised NAAC accreditation process and the detailed procedure starting from the registration process, submission of IIQA with required fees, submission of SSR to the NAAC, Bangalore by the HEI’s. He has also explained the revised NAAC criteria with quantitative and qualitative matrix, preparation for the PEER Team visit and the process of awarding grade by NAAC to the HEI’s. This was followed by queries through chatbox by the participants.

**Technical Session IV** was started from 3.00 p.m. to 04.00 p.m. with Shri Rajesh Bhoyar as the facilitator 1 to conduct the Technical Session IV and Dr. Pratik Agrawal as the facilitator 2 for youtube and chatbox queries. During the Technical Session Dr. N.R. Mohan, Assistant Adviser, NAAC has given detailed informative talk on the topic “Role of IQAC in Institutionalizing quality culture in HEI”. In his talk Dr. N.R. Mohan has given the detailed information regarding the importance of IQAC in improving the quality culture and its maintenance through the various stakeholders. This was followed by queries through chatbox by the participants.

**Technical Session V** consisting of a panel discussion with the resource persons was organised from 04.00 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. with Dr. S.P. Deshpande as facilitator 1 to conduct
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the panel discussion and Dr. V.M. Thakare as facilitator 2 for youtube and chatbox queries by the participants. During the panel discussion the participants have raised various queries regarding the topics related to Technical Session I to IV pertaining to various aspects of revised NAAC Assessment and Accreditation Process. The four panellist consisting of Dr. Ganesh Hegde, Adviser, NAAC, Dr. Leena Govind Gahane, Deputy Adviser, NAAC, Dr. A.V. Prasad, Asst. Adviser, NAAC and Dr. N.R. Mohan, Asst. Adviser, NAAC have answered all the queries with fullest satisfaction to the participants. Overall all the participants were fully satisfied with their queries by the Hon’ble panellist as evidence by the feedback submitted by the participants. This online National Webinar on “Revised NACC Assessment and Accreditation Process” was a grand success and benefited greatly to community at large. All the technical sessions were very informative, beautifully conducted and attended by various participants through You Tube channel and telegram link across various states of India.

The valedictory function was conducted by Dr. Nilesh Kasat during 4.30 p.m. to 5.05 p.m. with Dr. Rajesh Jaipurkar, Hon’ble Pro-Vice Chancellor as the Chairperson and Dr. Tushar Deshmukh, Registrar as the Guest of Honour. Dr. Tushar Deshmukh has addressed the Webinar by providing necessary details regarding NAAC Accreditation Process which was followed by Feedback by participants from various parts of India who have highly appreciated the content and quality of the Webinar. The feedback given by registered participants was found to be excellent and all the participants have expressed their utmost satisfaction regarding the Webinar. Dr. Rajesh Jaipurkar has delivered presidential address by providing detailed account of NAAC Assessment and Accreditation process being followed by the University. Dr. S.F.R. Khadri has delivered vote of thanks of the Webinar wherein he has conveyed sincere thanks to Dr. S.C. Sharma, Director, NAAC and Dr. Ganesh Hegde, Adviser and all his team members for giving not only an opportunity to Sant Gadge Baba Amravati University for conducting the Webinar but also providing the best possible resource persons thereby making the programme a grand success. The support and encouragement provided by Hon’ble Vice Chancellor, Pro-Vice Chancellor, Registrar, Coordinator and all the members of technical committee and members of the various University authorities was highly appreciated. Finally the cooperation extended by all the participants during the entire period of Webinar was duly acknowledged. Overall, the Webinar was a grand success as it has not only provided full satisfaction to all the participants in clarifying their doubts regarding the revised NAAC Assessment and Accreditation Process but also imparted confidence among the all non accredited colleges to opt for NAAC accreditation process thereby increasing the number of accredited colleges as per the Perspective Plan of the University.

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