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## Sophia College (Autonomous)

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# Action taken report for the IQAC meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> May 2023

Agenda proposed	Action taken	
Short term plans for	the academic year 2023-2024	
As discussed in the previous meetings, Mentor- Mentee system to be implemented in the academic year 2023-2024	Preliminary considerations have been completed. It will be implemented in this coming year. It will include all students and will go cross-faculty. The possibility of peer mentoring will also be explored	
As discussed in the previous meetings, Campus care initiative to be implemented in the academic year 2023-2024.	Preliminary work is completed. 150 students will be part of this initiative. They will be stationed in the campus. This program will be initiated by painting the walls of the college. The logistics will be worked out.	
To submit the NAAC Self-study report (SSR)	The last AQAR will be submitted by June 2023 followed by IIQA. SSR will be submitted by September 2023.	
To continue with the feedback analysis and to take action for the feedback received i.e., the outcome will be conveyed to the stakeholders. To upload the same on the college website.	This will be done in the next academic year i.e., 2023- 2024	
To upload the minutes and the action taken reports of the statutory and non-statutory committees on the college website. To decide on the format of minutes and action taken report	Yet to be done	
As discussed in the previous meetings, to revive and activate Sophia College Ex-students association (SCESA) and to form a teacher's alumni group. To keep the record and contact details of teaching and non-teaching staff updated so that the details are there when required after the staff member retires.	In progress	
To continue with the green campus and Energy Conservation	Yes, it will be done	
To conduct Academic and administrative audits every year	Will be conducted	
As discussed in the previous meeting, CAS scrutiny/process to be completed in June 2023	The scrutiny will be completed in the second week of June 2023	
To constitute a new External IQAC Committee consisting of two professors	Discussions on this are going on	
Long Term Plans		
To develop a Research corpus and to mobilize funds to augment research infrastructure	Some of the suggestions given in the meeting are as follows:	

	Research committee can look for the advertisements released by the governments for grants, A committee can investigate into the possibility to generate funds, People who are willing to donate funds for the corpus generation will be approached, external staff members can link their research to Sophia College and the College can get 10% of the grant amount, some of the repetitive prize distribution awards can be diverted for research or development of a research centre, some industries will be approached, appeal letters can be uploaded on the college website so that it is visible to the industries. It was mentioned that the corpus fund will be defined and a transparent record will be kept of the utilization of the funds.
Training to Non-Teaching (Personality Development, Soft Skills, Finance Management, health safety, and environment) and Teaching Staff (Computer Skills, Soft Skills, Personality Development Finance Management, health, safety, and environment).	These programmes will be organized via IQAC program sub-committee
To organize training programs on Programme objectives-outcomes, programme specific objectives- outcomes, course objectives- outcomes, Evaluation of the existing syllabi and these objectives and outcomes, Implementation of the same at Department and College level, conveying to students for their skill development and taking their feedback on the same, and uploading it to the website.	IQAC will take this forward in the next academic year via IQAC program sub-committee
Research Orientation of New staff and senior staff members	Few of the suggestions given were: to increase the publications, and to collaborate with research institutes for the research projects which will lead to publications
To focus on Placement and Entrepreneurial Skills of students in order to ensure Employability, Inclusion of industry related concepts in the syllabi so that students are equipped for the jobs. To have placement programs for the MSc students.	The placement cell conveys the career options and internship details to the students. It was suggested in the meeting to have campus interviews. The possibility to conduct campus interviews will be explored.

**Dr. T.C. Roy** IQAC Coordinator



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**Dr. Anagha Tendulkar Patil** Principal, Sophia College Autonomous



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Internal Quality Assurance Cell

## Minutes of the proceedings of the IQAC online meeting held on

May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 10:00 am.

Platform: Zoom

Meeting link https://zoom.us/j/94649569250?pwd=YU9WaVhZOUIZODhFVjFsSHN1Mk1OUT09

Meeting ID: 946 4956 9250 Passcode: 591271

Members present:

- 1. Dr. Anagha Tendulkar Patil
- 2. Dr. Rashna Poncha
- 3. Dr. Rajbinder Kaur Dehiya
- 4. Dr. Chinmoyee Vatsyayan
- 5. Dr. T.C. Roy
- 6. Dr. Sangeeta Dubey
- 7. Ms. Tanaz Asha
- 8. Mr. Vijay Vig
- 9. Dr. Arjumanara Surti
- 10. Mrs. Boskey Martis
- 11. Ms. Leena Krishnan
- 12. Dr. Medha Rajadhyaksha
- 13. Ms. Aditi Gupta

Members absent:

- 1. Dr. (Sr.) Ananda Amritmahal
- 2. Ms. Sandra Mendes
- 3. Ms. Rajni Desai
- 4. Mrs. Nevah D'Mello
- 5. Ms. Mihika Hajela

Principal (Chairperson, IQAC) Vice-Principal (Arts) Vice-Principal (Science) Consultant, IQAC Coordinator, IQAC IQAC Subcommittee IQAC Subcommittee IQAC Subcommittee Senior Faculty member Representative of Office Staff Representative of Other Non-Teaching Staff Ex-Faculty Student Body President

Dean & Administrator Senior Faculty member Ex-student Ex-student Cultural Secretary The meeting began with Dr. Anagha Tendulkar Patil welcoming the committee members.

- Dr. T.C. Roymon shared the minutes of the previous meeting held on 12th April, 2023, with everyone. Ms. Tanaz Asha proposed the minutes and Dr. Poncha seconded it.
- Dr. Roymon discussed the following plans with all the members.

## Short-term plans for the academic year 2023-2024

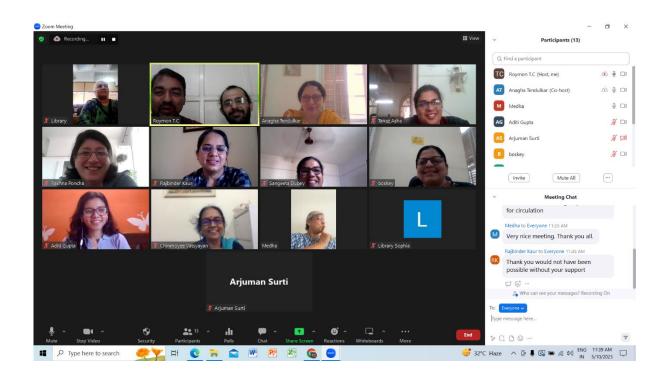
- Mentor- Mentee system: The Mentor-Mentee system will be finalized. Preliminary considerations have been completed. It will be implemented in this academic year (2023-2024). It will go across faculty and will include all students. Work definition of the Mentors will be defined. Dr. Roymon suggested assigning a limited number of students to each staff member. He also suggested the idea of peer mentoring along with the mentoring by the teachers. Dr. Medha Rajadhyaksha agreed and said that peer mentoring works well and the department of life sciences had done that in the past, with MSc students acting as peers for UG students. Dr. Poncha said that during the online mode, Ex-SBP had initiated the system Peerpal. The possibility of reviving the same will be explored.
- **Campus Care initiative:** It will be implemented in the academic year 2023-2024. It will involve 150 student volunteers. Ms. Gupta said that these student volunteers will be stationed on the campus. This initiative/program will begin with painting the walls of the college with the vision of beautifying the campus. The logistics will be worked out.
- NAAC SSR: Tentative timelines have been decided. The last AQAR (for the AY 2022-2023) will be submitted by June 2023, followed by the submission of IIQA. The Self Study report (SSR) will be submitted by September 2023.
- **Feedback analysis and action:** Feedback forms have been sent for the Academic year 2022-2023. Feedback analysis and outcomes will be conveyed to the stakeholders and will be uploaded to the website. The feedback forms will be evaluated to check whether they require any revision. Dr. Dubey mentioned that all forms are precise and compact. The feedback forms will be sent for the next academic year as well.
- **Format of the minutes and action taken reports**: Dr. Roymon suggested that action taken reports of all the meetings of the Statutory and Non-statutory committees should be made and uploaded to the College website along with the minutes of the meeting. Dr. Tendulkar said that IQAC can decide the broad format of the action taken report which is flexible. It will be approved/ratified by the principal and then shared with all the lecturers/committee members.
- **SCESA and Teacher alumni:** SCESA will be revived. A teacher's alumni group will be formed for all the teachers who have retired. Records and contact details of teaching and non-teaching staff will be kept updated so that the data is available whenever it is required after the staff member retires.
- **Green campus and Energy conservation:** The college will continue with the green campus initiative and conservation of energy.
- Academic and Admin audits: Academic and Admin audits will be conducted every year.
- **CAS:** The CAS process is completed, and the scrutiny is scheduled for the second week of June.

• **Constitution of the new external IQAC committee**: A new external IQAC committee will be formed. This committee will have two members and the minimum qualification is a professor.

## Long-term plans

- **Research Corpus and mobilization of funds:** –A Research Corpus will be formed and funds will be mobilized to augment the research infrastructure. Dr. Medha Rajadhyaksha suggested that the research committee can look for the advertisements released by the governments for grants, and a committee can investigate into the possibility of generating funds. Some other suggestions were also given: People who are willing to donate funds for the corpus generation will be approached, external staff members can link their research to Sophia College and the College can get 10% of the grant amount, some of the repetitive prize distribution awards can be diverted for research or development of a research centre, some industries will be approached, appeal letters can be uploaded on the college website so that it is visible to the industries. Dr. Vatsyayan pointed out that industries ask for the justification of the funds utilized. It was mentioned that a transparent record will be kept of the utilization of the funds so it can be presented whenever required.
- **Training of Teaching and Non-Teaching staff**: Training of teaching and nonteaching staff will be done in the following areas: Personality Development, Soft skills, Finance management, Computer skills, health safety and environment. This will be a long-term plan.
- **Training, evaluation, and Implementation of POs, PSOs and COs**: Training programs on Programme objectives-outcomes, programme specific objectives-outcomes, and course objectives- outcomes will be organized, existing syllabi and the objectives and outcomes will be evaluated, revised, and implemented at the departmental and College level. These changes will be conveyed to students in order to develop their skills and their feedback will be collected on the same. These objectives and outcomes will be uploaded to the College website. IQAC will take this forward in the next academic year via IQAC program sub-committee.
- **Research Orientation of new staff:** Research orientation will be given to the new staff members. It will be given to the other teachers as well. It was suggested to encourage staff members to publish their research work, and to collaborate with research institutes for the research projects which will lead to publications.
- Focus on placement and entrepreneurial skills-Student Employability is one of the long-term plans of the IQAC and industry related concepts will be included in the syllabi so that students are equipped for the jobs. Dr. Dubey mentioned that the placement cell conveys the career options with the internship details to the students. Dr. Surti suggested having campus interviews. Though challenging, the possibility of having campus interviews will be explored. Ms. Gupta suggested having placement programs for MSc students. She also said that teachers can spot the employability skills of students in the mentor-mentee program.

Dr. Anagha Tendulkar thanked the IQAC members, the Vice-Principals, NEP committee and the meeting ended with the vote of thanks by the IQAC Coordinator.



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## NOTICE

There will be an Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) Committee Meeting, on Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> May, 2023, at 10:00 a.m., online on ZOOM Platform.

#### The AGENDA is as follows:

1. Discussing short term plans for the AY 2023-2024.

2. Discussing long term plans for quality assurance for the college.

3. Discussing on inclusion of external members as per the revised rules.

## The following Core Committee Members are cordially invited to the meeting:

1.	Dr. Anagha Tendulkar	Principal (Chairperson, IQAC)
2.	Dr. (Sr.) Ananda Amritmahal	Dean & Administrator
3.	Dr. Rashna Poncha	Vice Principal (Arts)
4.	Dr. Rajbinder Dehiya	Vice Principal (Science)
5.	Dr. Chinmoyee Vatsyayan	Consultant, IQAC
6.	Dr. T.C. Roymon	Coordinator, IQAC
7.	Dr. Sangeeta Dubey	IQAC Subcommittee
8.	Ms Tanaz Asha	IQAC Subcommittee
9.	Mr. Vijay Vig	IQAC Subcommittee
10.	Dr. Arjumanara Surti	Senior Faculty Member
11.	Ms Sandra Mendes	Senior Faculty Member
12.	Mrs. Boskey Martis	Representative of Office Staff
13.	Ms. Leena Krishnan	Representative of other non-teaching Staff
14.	Ms Rajni Desai	Ex-Student
15.	Mrs. Nevah D'Mello	Ex-Student
16.	Dr. Medha Rajadhyaksha	Ex-faculty
17.	Ms Aditi Gupta	Student Body President
18.	Ms Mihika Hajela	Cultural Secretary

If any of you are unable to be present for this meeting, please inform us by email to iqac@sophiacollege.edu.in

Thank you so much.

4<sup>th</sup> May, 2023

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Dr. Anagha Tendulkar Patil Principal