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**PROCEEDINGS OF THE IQAC MEETING HELD ON 27th May, 2019
AT 4.30 P.M. IN THE SYNDICATE HALL, UTKAL UNIVERSITY**

Members present

1. Prof. Soumendra Mohan Patnaik, Vice-Chancellor, Utkal University
2. Prof. Gitanjali Batmanabane, Director, AIIMS, Bhubaneswar
3. Dr Ajay Parida, Director , ILS, Bhubaneswar
4. Dr Sharat Kumar Majhi, Controller of Examinations, Utkal University
5. Prof. Sabita Acharya, Dept. of Anthropology, Utkal University
6. Prof. Sateesh K Pradhan, Dept of Comp. Science Utkal University
7. Prof. S. Acharya, Dept. of AIHC&A, Utkal University
8. Prof. (Mrs.) N. Rath, Dept. of Sociology, Utkal University
9. Prof. J Dandapat, Dept. of Biotechnology, Utkal University
10. Prof. Nigamananda Das, Dept. of Chemistry, Utkal University
11. Prof. (Mrs.) P.K. Mahapatra, Director IQAC, Utkal University

Proceeding of the meeting

1. Minutes of the last meeting was confirmed.
2. Prof. Pravati Kumari Mahapatra, Director IQAC delivered the welcome address. Then she informed the house about the action taken and important activities of the University.
- a) Utkal University celebrated the Platinum Jubilee year of the University. Eight Platinum Jubilee Distinguished lecture series were organized as part of the celebration. Prof. Mark Allen Peterson, Miami University, USA, delivered a talk on "From responsibility to Empowerment: Changing Politics and Media Cultures in Millennial India" on 23.3.2018. On 24th August, 2018, Padmashree Prof. Tomio Mizikami, Osaka University of Foreign Studies, Osaka, Japan, presented a talk on "Japan-India relations: History & prospective". The third lecture, "Japan-India Relations in a new Era" was delivered by Mr. Kenji Hiramatsu, Ambassador of Japan, New Delhi on 12th November, 2018. Padma Bhusan C. Padmanaban, Former Director, IISc, Bangalore presented the fourth Platinum Jubilee talk "Curcumin from Turmeric: a wonder drug in waiting" on 15th November, 2018. Prof. Ravindra K. Jain, Emeritus Professor, JNU, New Delhi delivered the fifth lecture on "Text and Context: Exploring the Contours of Polyglot Social Sciences in India" on 5th December, 2018. On 13th December, 2018 Mr Bijay Kumar, executive Director, GNDR, United Kingdom presented the 6th lecturer of the series on "Risk Informed Initiatives-Building Lives, Livelihoods and Resilience: Transforming Together". On 17th January Prof Shyam Biswal, Department of Oncology, School of Medicine, Bloomberg School of Public Health, delivered the 7th lecture on "Antioxidants as a drive of tumor growth: Paradox in cancer. Padmashree prof. Manoj Das, Creative writer of International repute delivered the 8th Platinum jubilee Lecture on 8th and 9th February, 2019.
- b) Teaching of new courses at the second campus of Utkal University in Chandikhol has started.
- c) Common Syllabus for all colleges affiliated to Utkal University has been completed.
- d) Various meetings were organized to facilitate the interaction of the Vice –Chancellor with faculty members for quality enhancement in teaching and research.
- e) Academic audit of all post- graduate departments was done on 15th, 16th, 17th April, and 27th May 2019. The Vice-chancellor, Chairman PG Council, Prof. in charge Research and Development and Director IQAC interacted with teachers, research scholars and students of all departments.

- f) "Premamayee Hall" in Parija Library is in the process of renovation for creating a healthy reading space.
- g) The process for appointment of faculty members has been initiated.
- h) "Research Connect" a Conference with Elsevier, the international publishing house, was held on 4th September, 2018.
- i) International Centre of the University has started functioning under the Coordinatorship of Prof. Sabita Acharya, Chairperson PG Council.
- j) As part of beautification of campus, the heritage tree site near Department of Chemistry has been beautified with sponsorship from State Bank of India functioning in the University Campus.
- k) Modalities regarding updating the University website was developed.
- l) University Foundation day was celebrated on 27th November, 2018.
- m) On 25th March, a ceremony for the award of PhD degrees, gold medals and other awards for the session 2016-17 was held in the MKCG, Auditorium. On 29th March, 2019 the 49th annual Convocation of Utkal University was held for the session 2017-18. His Excellency Prof. Ganeshi Lal, Hon'ble Governor of Odisha and Chancellor of Utkal University, presided over the meeting. Hon'ble Chief Justice of Odisha High Court, Shri Kalpesh Satyendra Jhavery graced the occasion as Chief Guest. Dr G. Batmanabane, Director IIMS, Bhubaneswar was guest of honour.

Following matters were discussed by the members

- 3. Reconstruction of campus life (Infrastructure, Academics, Social) following devastating effects of the Cyclone FANI.
- 4. For rain water harvesting in the campus, Chairman of the Indian Institute of Water Management to be contacted for possible plan of action.
- 5. Regarding disposal of waste (Hazardous and nonhazardous), Dr J dandapat, has been requested to coordinate the matter and contact Odisha Pollution Control Board for possible modalities.
- 6. Maintenance and sanitation of Departments: Registrar Utkal University to take required steps.
- 7. Website updating (Hostels, Departments, Office, NSS): Prof. In charge University web site to coordinate with NIC for updating University website.
- 8. Establishment of Yoga Centre
- 9. Guidelines for PhD submission and evaluation
- 10. The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair by Prof. N. Rath.


Vice-Chancellor


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Director, IQAC