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ACTION TAKEN ON THE REPORT OF PEER TEAM OF NAAC IN 2008

Actions taken on the recommendations given in the report of Peer Team of NAAC in 2008 are as follows:

Suggestion No. 1: Holistic development of the university as an institution of equal opportunity for liberal arts, humanities and social sciences at par with professional courses, science and technology.

Action taken: University has restructured itself and now has School of Social Sciences and School of Languages, Comparative Languages & Culture to provide opportunities for liberal arts, humanities and social sciences. University is striving for bringing these Schools at par with other Schools including science and technology in future.

Suggestion No. 2: Introduction of CBCS to facilitate interdisciplinary and interdepartmental interaction in teaching and research programmes.

Action taken: Within department, CBCS is being followed by offering core courses with electives. Efforts are being made to implement CBCS at interdepartmental level.

Suggestion No. 3: Establishment of computer-assisted language laboratory with suitable software to provide communication skills and life skills to all sections of students.

Action taken: Computer-assisted language laboratory with suitable software to provide communication skills has been established in the University with the UGC XI plan assistance. Career Counselling Cell also organizes various programmes for life skills to all sections of students.

Suggestion No. 4: Establishment of centralized placement cell to facilitate career guidance and employment opportunities to students of all streams.

Action taken: University has established in the University with the UGC XI plan assistance-Career Counseling and Equal Opportunities Cells and well coordinated departmental placement cells which facilitate the career guidance and employment opportunities to students of all the streams. A University Placement Coordination Cell has also been created at central level.

Suggestion No. 5: Formal establishment of industry-institute partnership cell with statutory consultancy rules to intensify consultancy activities and industry interaction.

Action taken: Executive Council of the University has approved guidelines for Consultancy. The guidelines are in operation since 2008. University has setup two cells, namely 'University-Industry Partnership Cell' and 'International

Cooperation Cell'. Regulations are being framed for research, patenting and consultancy under a University Research Policy. These steps will intensify consultancy activities and industry interaction in future.

Suggestion No. 6: Establishment of Grievance Redressal Cell, Prevention of Sexual Harassment Cell, Counseling Centre for students and staff with formal guidelines.

Action taken: The University has established Grievance Redressal Cell, Prevention of Sexual Harassment Cell, Anti Ragging Cell, Anti Ragging Squads, and Counseling Cell for students and staff. A task group on 'Student Support and Progression' is preparing formal guidelines.

Suggestion No. 7: Modernization of examination process to bring transparency, security and justice.

Action taken: Modern Technology is being used in Examination Result Management System (ERMS) for processing the results and preparation of Grade Cards. Processes of enrollment of students, submission of examination forms and issue of admit cards have been made online. Transparency exists in the Schools/Institute under Ordinance 31 since 1990. Affiliated colleges examination processes have been modernized and answer copies of the examinations are shown to the colleges also from 2012. Transparency is observed in evaluation of answer books of over 1,70,000 students. Review of answer sheets has been introduced for ensuring justice and transparency in addition to revaluation process. Security has enhanced due modernization of examination process.

Suggestion No. 8: Encouragement of pro-active community based academic and extension programmes for students to nurture values and social responsibilities.

Action taken: University has setup a task group on 'Promotion of Human Values and Professional Ethics' to nurture values and social responsibility among stakeholders. Innovative steps such as 'Green Policy' and 'Green Calendar' for developing eco friendly campus and environment friendly attitude for Schools/Institutes, setting of additional NSS units and pro-active community based academic and extension programmes have increased the outreach activities in rural areas.

Suggestion No. 9: Augmentation of in-depth research programmes through sponsored and industry supported research and through UGC-SAP/DST/DBT and related programmes/funding agencies.

Action taken: Four of its teaching departments are now supported under UGC-SAP. Two departments are now supported under DST-FIST and one by DBT, Government of India. University has received over Rs. 13 Crores through major research project grants during 2009-2013 for research projects funded by various agencies such as : UGC, CSIR, DBT, ICAR, DST, ICSSR, MPCOST.

Suggestion No. 10: Intensification of quality sustenance and quality enhancement activities on continuous basis through formalized Internal Quality Assurance Cell

and Academic and Administrative Audit Committee as per the norms of NAAC & UGC respectively.

Action taken: University has established IQAC in November 2008 as per UGC guidelines. IQAC Committee has Vice Chancellor as Chairperson and has members as per UGC and NAAC guidelines. IQAC is fully functional and proactively coordinates with the Cells within the departments. IQAC regularly strives for quality assurance, sustenance and enhancement.

Academic Audits are conducted for each academic year in the Schools/Institutes. IQAC committee monitors the Academic Audit and Deputy Registrar (Admn.) has been assigned task of coordinating the Administration Audit.