

MAHARAJA AGRASEN COLLEGE

INTERNAL QUALITY ASSURANCE CELL

Quality Assurance in higher education is no longer a novel concept today. Across disciplines and organizations and geographical boundaries, an increasing interest in quality and standards is being witnessed. Practicing quality assurance reflects the seriousness with which an organization takes interest in assuring quality and standards to its clients. Commitment to reinforcing quality is the need of the hour. With diversity and multi-disciplinarity as the hallmarks of higher education, it is imperative that the institutes of learning may adopt a broad based liberal approach towards ensuring quality. Procedures and guidelines, thus, should invoke a sense of respect and commitment in the stakeholders, the students of an institution. To secure quality culture in an institution is no mean task. The terms, quality, standards, and good practices have varied meanings and cannot be bracketed within the narrow confines of dictionary definitions. They can mean different things to different people. What stands at its core is the need to adhere to a certain set of rules, procedures, better guidelines and good practices in pursuit of higher standards and meaningful purposes leading to accountability and improvement. Convergence and relevance of common good practices can take higher education a long way.

Against this backdrop, NAAC, in its latest set of guidelines proposed the setting up of the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) in higher institutions. It also elaborately laid down guidelines and a set of procedures for the functioning of IQAC which are easily available on the UGC website. Respecting this call, the IQAC at Maharaja Agrasen College was set up on 3rd October, 2015 comprising the Principal, Members of the Governing Body and Conveners of Academic Planning Committee, Academic Supervisory Committee and Research Committee. In December 2015, it was further reconstituted with the following members:

1. Shri Siddharth Verma (Chairman, Governing Body)
2. Prof. Srimati Chakarvarti (Member, Governing Body)
3. Dr. Sunil Sondhi (Principal, MAC) Chairperson, IQAC
4. Dr. Prem Kumari Srivastava (Associate Professor, Dept. of English)
Director, IQAC
5. Dr. Shashi Singh, Associate Professor, Dept. of Hindi
6. Dr. Niraj Kumar Singh, Associate Professor, Dept. of History
7. Dr. Anju Aggarwal, Associate Professor, Dept. of Political Science
8. Dr. Sangeeta Mittal, Associate Professor, Dept. of English
9. Dr. Shekhar Kumar, Associate Professor, Dept. of Hindi
10. Dr. Gitanjali Chawla, Associate Professor, Dept. of English
11. Dr. Maneesha, Associate Professor, Dept. of Electronics
12. Dr. Charu Arya, Assistant Professor, Dept. of English
13. Dr. T.N. Ojha, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Hindi
14. Ms Veena Ralli, Advocate, Supreme Court (Member, Civil Society)
15. Dr Gautam Chaubey, Assistant Professor, Dept. of English, ARSD
College (Member Alumni)
16. Mr Dipin Arora, A.O.
17. Mr. Rajender Singh, S.O. (Accts)
18. Mr. Satya Prakash, Librarian

The minutes of its several meetings held in December 2015 and January 2016 give a glimpse of the decisions and discussions taken and held. Additionally, the reports of various IQAC Initiatives showcase the proactive commitment of MAC-IQAC to take forward the mandates laid down by NAAC for ensuring and assuring quality in Institutions of Higher Learning.