**Minutes of 25th IQAC Meeting**

**15th December 2022**

The meeting of IQAC began with a silent prayer. Rev Dr Praveen Martis SJ, Principal and Chairman of IQAC Committee welcomed all the members. Special welcome was accorded to the team of external experts Mr Allen C A Pereira, Former Chairman and Managing Director, Bank of Maharashtra and Illustrious Alumnus; Mr Gerard Peter Colaco, Partner, Colaco and Aranha, Mangaluru, Dr Rio D’Souza G L, Principal, St Joseph Engineering College (Autonomous), Vamanjoor and Dr Kishori Nayak K, Professor, Department of English, Mangalore University. Mr Prakash Rao, Proprietor, Kalbavi Cashews, Mangaluru took leave of absence.

Minutes of the previous meeting held on 25 July 2022 were read by the IQAC Coordinator, Mr Sonal Steeven Lobo. He also read the Action Taken Report. The minutes and Action Taken Report were approved.

Principal Rev Dr Praveen Martis SJ presented the updates of the College mentioned below since the previous meeting:

* Aloysian Art Academy which was inaugurated on 14th Sept 2022 in the High School building. Restored the paintings of Br. Antonio Moscheni.
* Al-Kshema Dhama was established on 11th October 2022 in Admin block containing 25 environmental concepts displayed and several medicinal and herbal plants developed in the area. Principal also explained about ‘Own A Tree’ with digital QR code which will be established in Al-vana of the College. Environmental Concern is in-charge for that.
* To inculcate the love for reading among the students the Department of English has initiated the Programme “Huddle”. The event provides a platform for students and staff to share their reading experiences with interaction with participants.
* The Department of History took an initiative to conduct INSPIRE series to equip students and teachers with the power of knowledge to propel and understand their true potential. Mr Binoy P K, Assistant Commissioner, Land Acquisition, An Inspiring KAS officer was the speaker.
* Consultation services have been initiated by the departments of Biotechnology, Biochemistry, Food Science and Technology extending the utilization of Advanced Instrumentation Centre. Departments of Journalism and Psychology too have enhanced their consultation services.
* Internship Programmes were offered to the students in areas like drug and alcohol de-addiction, Dementia and Alzheimer’s.
* A Total of 95 add on Certificate courses have been introduced to the under graduate students. From this year students are expected to successfully complete two add-on courses before they move to the final year.
* 3 Faculty Development Programmes have been organized on teaching skills and Research Capacity Building under UGC STRIDE project.
* Academic and Administrative Audit (AAA) is conducted by the College.
* Departmental evaluation has been conducted and quality benchmarks are set for each of the departments.
* Buddy System is introduced in the College on 11 October 2022 to train students in skills of listening and peer counselling. 60 Students from various disciplines have volunteered to be buddies under this programme.
* A week long Induction Programme for newly recruited staff members and staff those who have completed 2-3 years in the college was organized by the HR Department from 8th August 2022 to 12th August 2022.
* A One-day national level research capacity building faculty development programme (FDP) under the UGC STRIDE scheme titled ‘Handshake with Data Analytics using Jamovi’ was held on August 16 at the AIMIT campus of St Aloysius College (Autonomous), Mangalore.
* Three Day FDP was held at AIMIT on 28,29 and 30 October 2022
* The orientation programme for the AIMIT Non-Teaching staff was held on October 22, 2022
* 2nd Jubilee Cloth Capsule signed by the dignitaries, staff, students and alumni of St Aloysius College (Autonomous), Mangalore to mark Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav on 14th August 2022.
* The College organized a Book Fair from used book factory. The book fair had collections of thriller, classics, horror, fantasy, romance, historical and non-fiction, self-help, Children’s books and more. Mr Thilak who is the CEO has started this unique start up titled ‘Used Book Factory’ based in Chennai.
* The launch of “Choco-lite” a brand of customizable chocolate formulated by Ms Jumana, II BVoc - Food Processing & Engineering was held in October 2022 in Mother Teresa Peace Park.
* Several fests organized such as Epitome by IT Dept. of AIMIT, Electriphy by Physics and Electronics dept.; Infovision – IT Dept of AIMIT; Chemergence by Chemistry Dept.; Econovanza bt Economics Dept.; Commercio by Commerce Dept; Math Fiesta – Maths Dept.
* Rs 30 Lakhs Worth Scholarships were distributed to 542 Students of St Aloysius College (Autonomous) under VIDWATH SPOORTHI (Merit scholarships 2022-23) and KREEDA SPOORTHI (Sports Scholarship 2022-23).
* Observed various national and international days such as World Environmental Day, World Democracy Day, Konkani Manyatha Divas, International Volunteer Day, National Constitution Day, World Food Day, World Mental health Day, Indian Airforce Day, International coastal clean-up day, Teachers Day etc.
* 3-Day International Symposium held on “Ai, Robotics, Humanoids & The Future of Society and Religion on 18th to 20th November 2022 in LCRI block. The symposium was organized by Indian Institute of Science and Religion, Delhi in collaboration with St Aloysius College (Autonomous) and Chair in Christianity, Mangalore University.
* Institute of Konkani, St Aloysius College (Autonomous) organised a national level symposium on the theme “Konkani Bhaas - Novo Sonvsar Novo Distavo” (Konkani language – New World New Perspectives) here on October 15, 2022 in LF Rasquinha Hall of LCRI Block
* The Department of Kannada organized a National Level Seminar on ‘Posa Vosar’ and Competitions for PU students of DK District on 3rd November 2022 in L F Rasquinha Hall of the College.
* 4 books released from St Aloysius Prakashana. ‘Herbs and Shrubs of Aloysius Campus’ by Dr Jyothi Miranda, ‘Pilikula’ by Mr N G Mohan, ‘Public Finance’ by Dr V. Basil Hans and ‘Ko’ntrelantlem’ by Mrs Molly Miranda.
* Give Peace A Chance – An Intellectual Activity held through the Centre for Civic Concern of the College on 15th October 2022.
* The Environmental Concern organised a programme ‘Honest Freegan Effort and Paper Seed Pens’, ‘Coconut Shell Cups’, ‘Sustainable Lifestyle Tips’.
* Mangalore University has appointed 4 Research Guides in Management from AIMIT Campus - Dr Rowena Wright, Dr Beena Dias, Dr Vasantha G. and Dr Rajani Suresh.
* Ms Ranjitha, Department of Chemistry has been awarded Ph.D. for her thesis “Nanostructured Cobalt and Nickel Oxides: Synthesis and Effect of Doping” from Visvesvaraya Technological University. She was successfully guided by by Dr Aarti S. Bhatt, Associate Professor Dept. of Chemistry, N. M. A. M. Institute of Technology, Nitte.
* Ms Arati Shanbhag, Assistant Professor, Department of Business Administration (UG) has been awarded PhD for her thesis entitled "A Study on Issues, Challenges and Marketing Strategies Adopted in New Product Promotion of Private Life Insurance Sector: A Comparative Analysis" from Mangalore University on 18th of November, 2022. She has been guided by Dr Y. Muniraju, Professor, Department of Commerce, Mangalore University.
* 28 National/International MOUs signed signed through the International Collaboration Cell of the College. Besides this, the College also signed an MoU with St Ann’s College of Education, Mangalore; MoU with Atal Incubation Centre, Nitte University, MoU with 3DI (3 Dimension Imagination) Animation Company, Kathmandu and Department of Kannada, St Aloysius College (Autonomous) signed an MoU with Karavali Wikimedians User group on 13 August,2022.
* Open Elective Course in Basic Nutrition under PG Food Science was inaugurated.
* Resources for Internationalisation of Higher Education Institutions in India (RISHII) organised workshop on ‘Curriculum Internationalization’ by Dr Sharmila L Mascarenhas, St Ann’s College of Education, Mangaluru on 29th August 2022 and Dr Karunakar Kotegar, Director, International Collaboration, MAHE, Manipal on 7 September 2022.
* Dr Denis Fernandes and Dr Ronald Nazareth represented the College in The India Regional Launch of the IoA Analyst Competency Framework & The Round Table Discussion on Developing Future Skills at Hotel Shangri-La, Bengaluru.
* Dr Zeena DSouza and Dr Arati Shanbhag represented the College at The India regional launch of IoA analyst competency framework and the round table discussion on developing future skill at Hotel JW Marriot Sahar, Andheri, Mumbai.
* Placement at St Aloysius Institute of Management & Information Technology (AIMIT). 58 companies came to the campus and 96 students placed in various companies with high packages.
* Various activities held at AIMIT campus such as Workshops for students, Soft skills and aptitude training, Hackathon, Subject /Role wise training, Career guidelines session.
* The infrastructure of the College has been upgraded by renovating the Xavier Computer Lab and renovated UG Biotechnology Lab.
* Books authored by our Staff – ‘Business Statistics’ by Ms Rollin Preetha Vaz and Mr Reji John; ‘Advertising Skills’ by Mr Paul DSouza; ‘Encyclopedia in Are Base’ and ‘Hand book about Are Base’ by Dr Vishwanatha Badikana, Dept of Kannada.
* Dr Mona Mendonca & Ms Rethnamma received an honour by Hon’ble Minister Shri B C Nagesh, Minister of School Education, literacy and Sakala, for the contribution in reaching out for the Pre-University students of the entire state by holding YouTube classes during COVID-19 pandemic. This honour was given on the occasion of Educational Conference held in Ujire on 16 September 2022.
* Lt Hariprasad Shetty, Associate NCC Officer of NCC Naval Wing has attended his final NCC refresher training course at Officer's Training Academy, Kamptee, Nagpur from 19 July 22 to 07 August 22 and he has been awarded First in merit.
* Principal Rev. Dr Praveen Martis, SJ received "Life Time Achievement Award "; Mr Kiran Vati K received "Outstanding Young Faculty Award"; Rev. Dr Leo DSouza SJ received "Outstanding Research Award"; Ms Sulakshana received "Outstanding Research Scholar Award" and Ms Sudeeksha Kiran Suvarna received "Outstanding Women Award" by Abhijnya Education Private Limited and Wizdom Ed. On September 05, 2022 in Ocean Pearl, Kodialbail, Mangalore.
* Ms Viola Reshma Lewis, III BCom ( 203676) has received ‘Yuva Ratna Award’ at Karnataka Regional Youth Convention - Yuvajanotsava, Bangalore on 23rd October 2022
* Letitia Nathalia D’Costa, III BA & President, Students’ Council received ‘Young Achievers Award’ by the Bharath Academy along with other youth icons of Mangalore

He also briefed about the preparation for the NAAC Peer Team Visit which will be held on 16 & 17 January 2023.

Dr Rio DSouza appreciated the initiatives taken by the College such as Coffee Table Book, Al-Kshema Dhama and Al-Vana etc. He said that the NAAC team will appreciate this and suggest for such initiatives. Geo-tagged photos are necessary for the documentation. He also spoke about unfair system of the govt for not supporting the single major system. He told to keep everything ready and all the members of the department to know everything about the departmental matter. He wished for NAAC visit.

Dr Kishori Nayak clarified the research guides. Evidence of research after PhD is important. Dr Nayak asked that whether the 4th year degree will be able to offer by the college? She said that BA stream is completely disappearing from most of the Colleges. Lastly, she appreciated the presentation done by IQAC during the meeting.

Mr Allan DSouza said that NIRF should be equally treated for all colleges. He also pointed out that Karnataka is the only state having 3 and 2 major system under NEP and not permitting to offer 1 major subject.

Principal invited the 3 alumni those who present for the meeting to meet the NAAC team during the NAAC visit which will be held on 16th & 17th January 2022. He also said that during the NAAC visit, the Principal, Registrar and IQAC are presenting the report individually with the NAAC team and the Staff are working on expecting that the College to receive 3.75/4 goal the maximum.

Mr Gerald appreciated the development of the College and congratulated the College. He asked that what are the responsibilities of the alumni during NAAC visit. He also asked about the questions of the NAAC Team.

Principal said that the questions will be shared soon to prepare for themselves for the NAAC Team interaction. He said that the Database is uploaded in Criteria 3.

Principal shared the news of All India Jesuit Alumni Meet which will be held on 26-28 January 2023.

Dr Alwyn DSa thanked the members for attending and sharing their views on the growth of the College.