

### NRI COLLEGE OF PHARMACY

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## 6.5.1 Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) has contributed significantly for institutionalizing the quality assurance strategies and processes

The IQAC of NRI College of Pharmacy was established in 2021 in accordance with the NAAC guidelines. The IQAC of the Institution has opportunities to receive inputs from various stakeholders and initiate changes in whole process to achieve academic excellence. IQAC has contributed significantly and continuously for institutionalizing quality assurance strategies and processes.

#### **FUNCTIONS OF IQAC**

- Continuous development and implementation of quality benchmarks/parameters for different academic and administrative functions of institution.
- Facilitating the creation of a learner centric environment conductive to impart quality education and continuous faculty skill up gradation to adapt to required knowledge and technology for relevant participatory teaching-learning process.
- Obtaining feedback responses from students, parents and other relevant stakeholders on academic quality related institutional processes.
- Sensitization and dissemination of relevant information with regard to various quality parameters of higher education.
- Organizing and conducting various inter and intra institutional workshops, seminars on quality related subject areas and continuous promotion of quality circles.
- Effective documentation of different programmes / activities conducted to resulting into continuous quality improvement.
- Functioning as a protocol nodal agency of institution regarding quality-related activities.
- Continuous development and maintenance of Institutional database by means of effective MIS for purpose of maintaining / enhancing the Institutional quality standards.
- Continuous development and sustainance of quality culture in institution.
- Collecting relevant information and préparation of the Annual Quality Assurance Report (AQAR) for onward submission to the NAAC as per applicable quality parameters.

The college institutionalizes IQAC initiatives and effective implementation of corrective measures where required. Two such practices institutionalized resulting out of IQAC initiatives are:

#### 1. COLLEGE AUTOMATION PROCESS:

With initiation of IQAC, the institute has procured automation software in 2021 from Webpros solutions. This software was effective to record at process online feedback of students, maintaining the Admissions Data and student's data base.

# 2. INSTITUTIONALIZATION OF INTERNSHIPS AND CERTIFICATION COURSES:

The management suggesting to introduce student internship in 2017, the policy was implemented in 2018. With this, students are informed, motivated and encouraged to take up suitable Internships and relevant online courses of their choice, offered by various online platforms such NPTEL, SWAYAM, COURSERA, Spoken tutorials of different IIT's to capitalize the relevant domain and inter disciplinary knowledge.

This strengthed the students confidence, by improving the self-learning skills, and helps them to be creative and original, based on their own choice. On the other hand, IQAC also motivates and facilitates faculty to undertake advanced learning in their respective domains, acquire new knowledge and get certified in advanced courses, and upgrade their overall skill set suitable to the out-come based education approach.

#### 3. OUTCOME:

With the untiring effort of IQAC towards Internships and certification courses has resulted in promoting the culture of internships among students. Faculties are also participating in the online certification courses both by mentoring the students and also undergoing certification.

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