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Chhatrapati Shahu Ji Maharaj University organizes an online State level NAAC Webinar.

“Accreditation will be a major quality benchmark in the New NEP policy” – Dr. Pratibha Singh

The Purpose of the web seminar was to enlighten about the technicalities, functionalities, modalities of NAAC Accreditations in the UP-State Universities and Colleges.

The Chairman of this webinar was Prof. Vinay Kumar Pathak, Vice-Chancellor, CSJM University Kanpur and the Guest of honor of the event was Mrs. Monika S. Garg, Principal Secretary, Higher Education, Govt. of UP, Lucknow. Other Distinguished Speakers at this webinar were Dr. Pratibha Singh, Deputy Adviser, NAAC, Delhi Office, Prof. J. P. Pandey, Vice-Chancellor, M.M.M. University of Technology, Gorakhpur, Prof. Shailendra Saraf, Pt. Ravishankar Shukla University, Raipur, Chhattisgarh and Prof. Rajiv Manohar, Director, I.Q.A.C., University of Lucknow, Lucknow.

The Presidential Address at this event was given by Prof. Vinay Kumar Pathak, Vice-Chancellor, CSJM University Kanpur where he said this seminar is a brainstorming session for participants for NAAC accreditation. Adding that the NEP 2021 allows for uniformity and excellence in education at all educational institutes so there should be an ecosystem among educational institutes to mentor developing colleges for attaining eligibility for NAAC accreditations. CSJMU is rigorously moving in the direction of excellence. Furthermore, pointing at the lack of data for documentation he said the CSJMU has developed in-house software for the collection of data and will avail it to every college at no cost. Furthermore, the university has taken up 20-25 performing colleges in the university to apply for NAAC accreditation and will provide them with mentorship and financial aides and setup academic audit unit. Lastly, he said that We have a long way to go regarding education in the global context and for that, the continuous culture of quality has to be adopted, only such effort can make us eligible for global accreditation of the Future.

The Guest of honour Smt. Monika S. Garg, Principal Secretary, Higher Education, Govt. of UP, Lucknow in her address said - The status of NAAC in the UP is deplorable and there is a need for educating universities and colleges about NAAC SoP. Furthermore, she said that Research work

in academia should be priority while adding that the timely audit should take place. She also advised for governance and financial reforms in the Universities. During the speech, she praised the Time-bound characteristic of Vice-Chancellor Prof. Vinay Kumar Pathak. In the end, she suggested a follow-up of this seminar to educate colleges about the NAAC Portal developed by the university.

Dr. Pratibha Singh, Deputy Adviser, NAAC, Delhi Office in her presentation about the Accreditation Functions and Modalities of NAAC said – Accreditation will be a major quality benchmark in the New NEP policy. It aims at increased access, equality, and inclusion of masses in the higher education. To Fulfil the parameter of and Assessment and Accreditation the university and Colleges must understand the framework of the NAAC. In her presentation, she explained the outline and criteria, Key Indicator, and metrics for eligibility of Assessment and Accreditation from NAAC. In the Q&A session university during the technical session answered many doubts from the participants.

Prof. J. P. Pandey, Vice-Chancellor, Madan Mohan Malviya University of Technology, Gorakhpur talking about NAAC Accreditation of UP State Universities and Colleges gave tips to the IQAC cell for being the key component in making the University eligible for Assessment and Accreditation form NAAC. He also emphasized the need for data availability over the website and participation of students while applying for the NAAC accreditation process. Adding, he said that CSJMU is going to be the vanguard for all universities of UP to be NAAC accredited. Lastly, he told the NEP 2021 has a new framework for accreditation, we need to adapt to that.

Prof. Shailendra Saraf, Pt. Ravishankar Shukla University, Raipur, Chhattisgarh in his address about the purpose of NAAC Accreditation and Academic Excellence explained the difference between Approval and accreditation. adding that Dynamisms and Vision are needed for NAAC while Institute should focus on accreditation and instead of Grades while emphasizing the development of In-house expertise and establishing a robust Intercommunication within and between institutions and peers.

The Coordinator of the webinar was Prof. Munesh Kumar, NAAC Steering Committee, C.S.J.M. University, Kanpur and the conveyor of this seminar was, Dr. Charu Khan and the vote of thanks was proposed by Dr.Shiddant Mishra and Dr. Sandeep Singh, Media Coordinator Dr. Viivek Singh Sachan, Dr. Siddhartha Mishra, Dr. Sandesh Gupta, Dr. Praveen Katiyar, Dr. Alok Kumar, Dr. Abhishek Kumar, Dr. Jitendra Kumar Dabral, Mr. Vijay Agarwal, Mr. Nitin Dhawan were in the Program committee.