THE WEST BENGAL NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF JURIDICAL SCIENCES

Minutes of the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) Meeting held on 08 December 2023

In Room No. 119 at 5:00 p.m.

The following members were present in person in the meeting with the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor as the Chair:

Prof. (Dr.) Sandeepa Bhat B. - Co-ordinator, IQAC

Prof. (Dr.) Kavita Singh - Member

Dr. Sarfaraz Ahmed Khan - Member

Dr. S.K. Chakraborty - Member

Dr. Bikramjit De - Member

Dr. Shameek Sen - Member

Dr. M.P. Chengappa - Member

Mr. Tanmay Roy - Member

The following members were absent:

Shri Manish Jain, IAS - Principal Secretary, Departments of School Education & Higher Education,

Govt. of West Bengal

Mr. Ujjwal Kanti Karan – Executive Engineer, Bidhannagar Municipality

Prof. (Dr.) Sreenivasulu N.S. -Member

Ms. Malobika Sen – Member

Mr. Abhiroop Mukherjee - Member

Mr. Kavan Patel - Member

Mr. Samarth Sansar - Member

Mr. Nishant Beniwal - Member

The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor welcomed all the members who were present in the meeting. The following points were discussed and disposed of:

Agenda No. 1

Approval of Minutes of the last meeting held on 13 September 2023

Resolution:

All the members of the IQAC have approved the Minutes of the IQAC Meetings held on 13 September 2023. It has been decided that one copy of the said Minutes is to be sent to the Office of the Registrar to place it before the Executive Council in its next meeting, and another copy is to be sent to the A.R. (Academics) to place the Minutes before the Academic Council in the next meeting.

Agenda No. 2

Finalization of Criteria-wise Progress for NAAC Accreditation:Report on Academic and Administrative Activities:

The key academic and administrative initiatives were reviewed that were planned and implemented over the past quarter. This includes curriculum revisions, faculty development programs, student engagement activities, research collaborations, infrastructure enhancements, and other quality-improvement measures. Feedback and suggestions were invited from the members of the committee regarding possible solutions to address these challenges. This involved recommending policy adjustments, allocating additional resources, improving coordination between departments, or

revising timelines for project completion. A clear action plan was formulated to ensure the successful completion of pending tasks and set a roadmap for further improvements in academic and administrative functions over the next quarter.

Agenda No. 3

Implementation of Alumni Engagement and Industry Partnership Initiatives:

The panel reviewed the status of ongoing alumni engagement efforts and partnerships with industry, focusing on programs that enhance student internships, placements, and mentorship opportunities. It was observed that while several initiatives are in place, there is room for greater alumni involvement and expansion of industry collaborations. Actions were taken to formalize new strategies aimed at strengthening alumni-industry relations, including the creation of a dedicated platform for alumni to offer career guidance and mentorship to students. Additionally, partnerships with key legal firms and corporate entities were discussed, with action points assigned to the placement committee to pursue these collaborations further. The panel also initiated plans to hold alumni-industry networking events and workshops, aiming to enhance skill development and career readiness for students, especially in the final year of their studies.

Agenda No. 4

Discussion on LL.M Regulation Modifications and UGC 2024 Curriculum Guidelines, Including Dissertation Originality Certificate Format

The University recognized the need to amend the existing LL.M. Regulations and to revise the inclusion or exclusion of certain papers. In alignment with the National Education Policy (NEP 2020), the "Guidelines for Multiple Entry and Exit in Academic Programmes offered in Higher Education Institutions, 2021," and the "Curriculum and Credit Framework for Post Graduate Programmes, 2024," it was proposed that a one-year postgraduate program with coursework and research components should comprise 40 credits. A revised credit allocation for all papers and the dissertation was presented to the members for review. After a detailed discussion, the members approved the revised credit distribution and the updated Format for Guide Certificate for LL.M. Dissertations, with modifications, to be implemented in the next academic year.

The meeting ended at 6:30 p.m.

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Approved By:

Vice Chancellor

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