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<b>Minutes of the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) meeting held on 23.12.2021, 11.00 am through online mode.</b>	FORMAT REF. NO.	
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**Members present:**

1. The Vice Chancellor, JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research, Mysuru.
2. Dr. Shimpa Sharma, Pro-Vice-Chancellor, D.Y.Patil Medical College, kasaba Bawada, Line Bazar, Kolhapur, Maharashtra – 416006.
3. Dr. Yogisha. S, Msc, Ph. D, Director & Founder, Skanda Life Sciences Private Limited, Sri Shaila Bramara Complex, Sy.NO. 47, #10-12, Srigandada Kaval, Nagarabhavi, Banaglore - 560091.
4. Dr. Pratosh Bansal, Professor, Department of Information Technology, Institute of Engineering & Technology, Devi Ahilya Vishwavidyalaya, Khandwa Road, Indore, MP, India.
5. The Controller of Examinations, JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research, Mysuru.
6. The Director (Academics), JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research, Mysuru.
7. The Director (Research), JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research, Mysuru.
8. The Dy. Registrar (Sr. Grade), JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research, Mysuru
9. The Dy. Director (Authorities), JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research, Mysuru.
10. The Dy. Directors (Academics), JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research, Mysuru.
11. The Coordinator (IQAC), JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research, Mysuru.
12. The Dy. Director (Research), JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research, Mysuru
13. The Principal, JSS Medical College, Mysuru.
14. The Principal, JSS Dental College & Hospital, Mysuru.
15. The Principal, JSS College of Pharmacy, Mysuru.
16. The Principal, JSS College of Pharmacy, Ooty.
17. The Head, School of Life Sciences, JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research, Mysuru.
18. The Coordinator, Dept. of Health System Management Studies, JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research, Mysuru.
19. Dr. M N Suma, Vice Principal, JSS Medical College, Mysuru.
20. Dr. Deepa Bhat, Associate Professor, Dept. of Anatomy, JSS Medical college, Mysuru.
21. Dr. Sunil Kumar. D, Associate Professor, Dept. of Community Medicine, JSS Medical college, Mysuru.

22. Dr. Vijaya Vagheesh Y, Associate Professor, Dept. of Physiology, JSS Medical College, Mysuru.
23. Dr. Kuldeep. G. B, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Hospital Administration, JSS Medical College, Mysuru.
24. Dr. B. R. Chandrashekhar, Professor & Head, Dept. of Public Health Dentistry, JSS Dental College & Hospital, Mysuru.
25. Dr. Bhagyalakshmi A, Reader, Dept. of Orthodontics, JSS Dental College & Hospital, Mysuru.
26. Dr. Premalatha B R, Reader, Dept. of Oral Pathology, JSS Dental College & Hospital, Mysuru.
27. Mrs. Shilpa Palaksha, Associate Professor, Dept. of Pharmacy Practice, JSS College of Pharmacy, Mysuru.
28. Mrs. A. M. Mahalakshmi, Lecturer, Dept. of Pharmacology, JSS College of Pharmacy, Mysuru.
29. Dr. K. P. Arun, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Pharmacy Practice, JSS College of Pharmacy, Ooty.
30. Dr. Jeyaprakash M.R, Lecturer, Dept. of Pharmaceutical Analysis, JSS College of Pharmacy, Ooty.
31. Dr. Chandan. S, Assistant Professor, Division of Biotechnology, Dept. of Water & Health (FLS), JSS AHER, Mysuru.
32. Dr. Kiran Kumar M N, Assistant Professor, Division of Bioinformatics and Biotechnology, Dept. of Water & Health (FLS), JSS AHER, Mysuru.
33. Dr. Gangadharappa H V, Associate Professor, Department of Pharmaceutics, JSS College of Pharmacy, Mysuru.

Dr. Prashanth Vishwanath, IQAC Coordinator welcomed the members and requested the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor to provide the opening remarks. The Vice Chancellor welcomed the external members and internal members for the meeting.

He emphasized on the action plan for performance evaluations, assessment and accreditation and quality upgradation of the institution in alignment with the NAAC. He mentioned that IQAC is an integral part of the Institutions working system towards the realization of the goals for quality enhancement which is a continuous process. The IQAC is processing various strategies for developing the system for the conscious and continuous improvement for the overall performance of the Institution.

Dr. Prashanth Vishwanath, IQAC Coordinator thanked the Vice Chancellor for his valuable inputs. He extended a warm welcome to all the members for the 21<sup>st</sup> IQAC meeting of the JSS AHER.

**AGENDA NO. 21. 1:**

**To consider the minutes of the 20th meeting of IQAC held on 08.02.2021**

The members confirmed the minutes of the 20<sup>th</sup> meeting of IQAC held on 8<sup>th</sup> of February 2021 at 11.00 am through online mode.

**AGENDA NO. 21. 2:**

**To consider and approve the Action Taken Report (ATR) on the decisions taken in the previous meeting of the IQAC.**

The Following were the notable resolutions and actions taken which were highlighted for the approval from the Cell:

1. The institution had formed a committee to oversee the implementation of the NEP 2020 and the programs offered in the Life Sciences have been structured as per NEP and the resolution has been approved in the respective Board of Studies.
2. Online PBAS and many other initiatives have been taken into the Online platform

Dr. K A Raveesha, Head, School of Life Sciences, briefed about the implementation of NEP 2020 in both UG & PG as per the Government of Karnataka's resolution. He mentioned that a 3 days' workshop was conducted for the faculty and heads of various departments for orientation and brainstorming on the NEP 2020. The salient features of the programmes implemented under NEP 2020 are as follows

- Flexibility to foster lifelong learning
- Multiple entry and exit options
- More practical/Skill oriented
- Scope for earning additional Credits through SWAYAM/MOOCs/NPTEL
- Introduction of AECC (Ability Enhancing Compulsory Courses), SEC (Skill Enhancement Courses), Open Elective, Value Based and Activity Based courses
- Increased weightage for continuous internal assessment (CIA)
- Credit mobility of the students done on the SWAYAM based courses to the regular undergraduate/postgraduate program for which they have been admitted.
- Adoption of "Academic Bank of Credits in Higher Education of UGC Regulations 2021" at JSS AHER.

He also mentioned that all the 11 PG courses have also been totally revised and modified for the Learning Outcome Based Curriculum Framework (LOCF) forms as per the UGC and has been implemented.

Dr. Prashant V thanked the Director (Academics), Dean Faculty of Life Science and the team for the support given for implementation of the NEP 2020 and informed that the syllabus is revised across all the courses of Life Sciences as per the National Education Policy.

It was mentioned by Dr. Prashant that as a part of the Technology Driven Initiatives – Online PBAS and other technology driven Initiatives have been implemented at the JSS AHER

The salient features of the data capturing through PBAS at JSS AHER are as follows

#### Part A

1. General Information

#### Part B

2. Specific Information collected in 3 categories

#### Category I

- Teaching learning and evaluation related activities:

#### Category II

- Co-curricular, Extension, Professional Development related activities

#### Category III

- Related to Research

Dr. Prashant V informed that based on the advice given by the Vice Chancellor, the analytics tool has been developed for the Online Performance Based Appraisal System which allows for the analysis of performance of faculty. He thanked the Chief Information Officer and his team for the support given for the implementation of Online PBAS.

With regards to progress made in the Innovation and Inventions, Dr. Prashanth S, Dy. Director (Academics) briefed about the Innovation and Entrepreneurship support system developed by the JSS AHER through the Sparkle Cine which is a section 8 company and deals with empowering the entrepreneurship and innovation activities.

He briefed about the progress of activities from Sparkle Cine through JSS AHER which are as follows.

- 10 Entrepreneurship Development Programs
- 13 Innovation Support Activities
- 03 Virtual Incubation
- 01 Centre of Excellence in Entrepreneurship Development (CEED)

He mentioned that the JSS AHER has established the Centre of Excellence in Entrepreneurship Development (CEED) in association with the Technical Consultancy Services Organisation of Karnataka (TECSOK), Department of Industries and Commerce, Govt. of Karnataka.

Dr. Sunil Kumar D, IQAC Coordinator, JSS Medical College briefed about the DocTutorials which is a tool for the online Medical Entrance Exam Preparation being offered to the medical

students at the JSS Medical College. He mentioned that Dr. Mitakshara Chawla, a student of JSS Medical College and a user of DocTutorials could secure 53<sup>rd</sup> Rank in all India PG NEET entrance examination.

Dr. Yogisha expressed concern about the industry readiness of the students and suggested training in skill laboratories for the students. He also suggested including animal handling and blood collection training for the medical students.

Dr. Shimpa Sharma suggested having presentations on an inter departmental platform as a part of the annual quality reviews wherein the departments can present what they have achieved for the past 6 months or 1 year under all criteria and the best and performing departments are encouraged by the giving awards or recognition.

#### **AGENDA No. 21. 3:**

##### **To consider the Annual Quality Assurance Report (AQAR) for the academic year 2020-21**

The IQAC coordinator briefed that The Annual Quality Assurance Report (AQAR) has been prepared as per the revised formats of NAAC. The key metrics from each criterion was presented by the IQAC Coordinator for the information and feedback from the members.

Dr. Prashant requested the Vice Chancellor and Registrar for the conduct of the Internal IQAC meeting before submission of the AQAR report.

#### **AGENDA No. 21. 4:**

##### **To consider the Outcomes from the Subscription of the Elsevier Products SciVal, Digital Commons and Funding Institutional for JSS AHER.**

It was briefed to the members that the JSS AHER has from the year 2021 subscribed to 3 major products of the Elsevier apart from the subscription of Scopus which was existing from the year 2015. The three products are as follows:

#### **SciVal:**

- Helps visualize Research Performance of more than 14000 research institutions from 230 nations worldwide.
- It allows benchmark the institutions progress and perform an in-depth analysis to meet our specific objectives within the country and globally.
- Assists develop collaborative partnerships and analyse existing and potential collaborations and partnerships.
- Analyse Research Trends and Identify our relative strengths and weaknesses for research planning and strategy.

It was brought to the notice of the members that based on the analysis, JSS AHER has got high number of citations for publications and the Field – Weighted Citation impact is 3.12 with an

average of 27.4 citations per publication and the TIMES higher education ranking gives 40% weightage for the citations.

The JSS AHER has been analysing the publication outcomes using SciVal and comparing the research outcomes against top health sciences institutions. SciVal has also helped in identifying researchers across the world in specific research areas and joint proposals like Indo-Japan, Indo-Russia and Indo-German joint call for proposals have been applied for

#### **Digital Commons (Institutional Repository)**

- Can Serve as additional tool for the library and conferences and webinars can be hosted which can be Indexed in Scopus.
- Host Institutional Special Collections/Archives, Artifacts
- Highlight Faculty Research through visibility to faculty publications.
- Indexing of the institutional Journals in Scopus

It was informed to the members that the Journal International Journal of Health and Allied Sciences published by the JSS AHER has been moved to the Elsevier platform and is now indexed in Web of Science. The JSS AHER has initiated a student research Journal “Digital Journal of Clinical Medicine” which has been hosted in the institution repository. The JSS AHER institutional repository “RESCON” signifying Research Connect has been developed.

#### **Funding Institutional**

The funding institutional provides information and access to more than 4500 funding agencies across the world in one portal and the JSS AHER has been applying to various funding agencies nationally and internationally. There have been submissions to unique call for proposals like Nidhi-Prayas, DST-PURSE and DST-STUTI along with proposals for foreign agencies like Bill and Melinda Gates foundation, etc.

#### **AGENDA No. 21. 5:**

##### **To consider the various ranking of JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research (JSS AHER) for the year 2021.**

The IQAC members were briefed about the rankings and recognitions of JSS AHER in the National and International rankings announced by various agencies

##### **1. Times Higher Education -World University Rankings 2022**

Times Higher Education (THE), a Global Ranking Agency, had released World University Rankings 2022 on 2nd September 2021 which included more than 1,600 Universities across 99 countries and territories, making it the largest and most diverse University rankings to date. The JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research (JSS AHER), Mysuru, has been ranked in the band of 351 – 400 by Time Higher Education in the global rankings 2022. JSS AHER is in the top 3 institutions in India among the 71 Universities across the country that participated

in the rankings. JSS AHER is at 2nd position in India after IISc., Bengaluru. The ranking methodology assessed the institution's performance across four areas: teaching, research, knowledge transfer and international outlook. JSS AHER is amongst the top 8 universities/institutes in the world and number 1 in India for the citations generated from its publications. It stands at number 4 in India for International outlook.

## **2. NIRF-2021**

The JSS AHER is ranked 34<sup>th</sup> and sustained its top 50 university ranking in India for the consecutive years from 2016-2021 among 1657 entries in university category and ranked 56<sup>th</sup> among 6000 entries in Overall Category.

The results of rankings of the constituent colleges of JSS AHER are as follows:

- JSS Medical College = 24<sup>th</sup> (among 111 entries)
- JSS Dental College & Hospital = 12<sup>th</sup> (among 117 entries)
- JSS College of Pharmacy, Mysuru = 9<sup>th</sup> (among 351 entries)
- JSS College of Pharmacy, Ooty, Tamil Nadu = 7<sup>th</sup> (among 351 entries)

## **3. THE World University Rankings by Subject 2022**

The JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research has been ranked in the top 100 in clinical and health studies category in the Times Higher Education World University Rankings by Subject - 2022.

THE's rankings of 1,523 universities in 98 countries as per the quality of education provided in clinical and health, life sciences, physical sciences and psychology were released on 16.09.2021. The JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research has been placed in the 93<sup>rd</sup> position in this ranking globally and 1<sup>st</sup> in India.

## **4. Times Higher Education Emerging Economies University Rankings-2022**

The JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research has featured among top 100 Universities/ Higher Education Institutions in Times Higher Education Emerging Economies Rankings-2022, which was released on 19.10.2021. The JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research bagged the 73<sup>rd</sup> position (Top 100 Globally) in this ranking globally among 906 entries and 2<sup>nd</sup> among 89 Indian HEIs.

## **5. QS World University Rankings: Asia 2022**

The QS Asia University Rankings 2022 was released online in QS APPLE Summit 2021 on 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2021. The JSS Academy of Higher Education and Research (Deemed to be University) moved up to 261-270 among 687 participating Universities /HEIs in Asia. Since 2020, JSS Academy of Higher Education and Research improved on its 2021 performance by moving from 351-400 to 261-270. Over the 3 consecutive years, the institution moved up twice and did not present negative performances according to the fact file of QS Rankings. In the 2022 edition, JSS Academy of Higher Education and Research performed among the top

38% in the QS Asia University Rankings 2022. The “Staff with PhD” indicator is the strongest one and ranked 61 for JSS Academy of Higher Education and Research followed by “Faculty Student ratio” at 99th position in Asia.

Amongst the institutions evaluated from India, JSS Academy of Higher Education and Research has retained its top 50 position for the 3<sup>rd</sup> consecutive year with 42<sup>nd</sup> position in India. JSS AHER has secured 1<sup>st</sup> position under the category 'Staff with PhD' and 2<sup>nd</sup> position in "Paper per Faculty in India. The JSS AHER takes the 3<sup>rd</sup> Position in Karnataka after Indian Institute of Science at 56<sup>th</sup> and Manipal Academy of Higher Education in 194<sup>th</sup> rank in the Asia rankings.

## **PRIVATE RANKINGS BY NEWS MEDIA AND MAGAZINES**

### **1. CAREERS360**

Careers360 Ranking 2021 was announced on 26th April 2021. The JSS AHER was ranked 39<sup>th</sup> in overall category, 2<sup>nd</sup> in Karnataka and 1<sup>st</sup> in Mysuru. The JSS AHER was at 6<sup>th</sup> rank in private category, 3<sup>rd</sup> rank Pharmacy category and 4<sup>th</sup> rank in medicine category under India's Best Colleges and University Rankings 2021. Department of Health System Management Studies of JSSAHER was rated with AAA in Top Private MBA Colleges in Karnataka.

### **2. INDIA TODAY**

India Today Best University Ranking – 2021 result was announced on 30<sup>th</sup> July 2021. The JSS AHER was ranked 10<sup>th</sup> among Government and Private Medical University in India and 4<sup>th</sup> Rank under best faculty student ratio category.

**3. OUTLOOK MAGAZINE:** Outlook – ICARE Ranking- 2021 for India's top best Institutes results was announced on 2<sup>nd</sup> August 2021. JSS AHER was ranked 3<sup>rd</sup> under India's Top 25 Private Medical Colleges in India, 6<sup>th</sup> Rank under India's Top 25 Private Dental Colleges and 50<sup>th</sup> Rank under Private Science Colleges in India. The rankings of JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research for the year 2021 are placed before the Academic Council for information.

### Recognition with the World Health Organization

The WHO recently organised the Current Good Manufacturing Practices (cGMP) – Online workshops for pharmaceutical units. A first of its kind, Virtual Workshops on Good Manufacturing Practices (cGMP) have been organized and implemented by all three levels of WHO (Country Office, Regional Office, Headquarters) in collaboration with JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research (JSS AHER), Mysuru and in association with the Indian Pharmaceutical Alliance (IPA) under the guidance of Ministry of Health. The activity aimed to strengthen the capacities of pharmaceutical manufacturing in the small and medium enterprises (SEMs) in the country and share global practices to promote availability and access to quality medical products.

### **AGENDA No. 21. 6:**

**To consider the Publications and Patents Statistics for the JSS AHER**



The members were appraised about the publication statistics of the University and its constituent colleges and University Departments. As on 30<sup>th</sup> November, the JSS AHER had a total number of 9919 Publications and 939 Publications were published in the year 2021 out of which 579 publications were indexed in Scopus and 332 in the Web of Science. The total number of Patents filed/Published were 47 of which 12 were filed in last one year.

**AGENDA No. 21. 7:**

**Key thrust areas of IQAC for the year 2022**

The members were informed that the IQAC has developed the key thrust areas for the year 2022 which are:

1. Technology Enabled Teaching-Learning Process – The IQAC will facilitate the incorporation of technology in the Teaching-Learning process. The JSS AHER has initiated Programs in the Online Mode for which technology has been adopted and inhouse Learning Management System (LMS) has been adopted. A similar platform would be developed for the regular programs being offered at JSS AHER which would enhance the learning experience of the students.
2. Faculty Driven Interdisciplinary Research – The IQAC shall take lead in driving interdisciplinary research by motivating faculty and having intense workshops for faculty who have not submitted any research projects.
3. Thrust on the Environment Friendly initiatives – The IQAC shall initiate Green Audits for all its campuses and pursue initiatives which would reduce the consumption of electricity, reduce carbon footprint, and implement effective waste management.

Dr. Shimpa Sharma congratulated the JSS AHER for the ranking at both national and international platforms. She congratulated the Faculty of Life Sciences for the implementation of NEP 2020 and appreciated the improvement in the research output. She suggested that JSS AHER could adopt campus learning which can be implemented within the campus through the adoption of QR code in the garden which could provide technical information about the medicinal uses of the plants which could be helpful for the students in terms of additional curriculum, community knowledge and toxicology.

Vice Chancellor Dr. Surinder Singh thanked the external members for their valuable inputs and suggested to interact with Dr. Yogisha regarding the industrial experience; basic laboratory skills and techniques in a structured manner and for the hands-on work for the students and evaluate the same with the students.

Dr. Prashant Vishwanath, IQAC Coordinator proposed vote of thanks.



COORDINATOR

**VICE CHANCELLOR**  
JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research  
Mysuru

**ACTION**

**TAKEN**

**REPORT**

Resolution of the Minutes	Decision Taken	Action taken
<p><b>AGENDA NO. 20.3:</b></p> <p><b>To consider the Annual Quality Assurance Report (AQAR) for the academic year 2019-20.</b></p> <p>The Annual Quality Assurance Report (AQAR) 2019-2020 has been prepared as per the revised formats of NAAC and is placed before the members for approval. The data received from Constituent Colleges and University Departments has been compiled and the draft is submitted for kind inputs.</p> <p>Dr. Prashant briefed about the final draft of AQAR wherein there are two parts. Part A consists of the Institutional information as well as information about the IQAC Part B consist of 7 criteria of NAAC. They are mentioned below:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Criteria 1: Curricular Aspects</li> <li>2. Criteria 2: Teaching – Learning</li> <li>3. Criteria 3: Research, Innovation &amp; Extension.</li> <li>4. Criteria 4: Infrastructure and Learning Resources.</li> <li>5. Criteria 5: Student Support and Progression.</li> <li>6. Criteria6: Governance, Leadership and Management.</li> <li>7. Criteria 7: Institutional values and best practices.</li> </ol> <p>There are major changes in the previous format to the present format of the AQAR. Earlier all the data had to be submitted online but now for self-study report, only part of the information needs to be filled and the excel needs to be uploaded into the portal.</p> <p>The following discussions took place with regards to the various criteria in the AQAR.</p> <p>Dr. Prashant V mentioned that one of the major achievements of the IQAC was receiving the funding amount of Rs.23,58,000 from the UGC under the UGC Paramarsh scheme. The key feature of the Paramarsh scheme is that the institutions that have been accredited with higher grade of A+ and A++ can mentor 5 institutions for NAAC Accreditation. Out of 164 institutions across the country we are also one among such institutions recognized under the Paramarsh scheme.</p> <p>The progress made under the Paramarsh scheme is being presented as a separate agenda.</p>	<p>The data was circulated amongst all the constituent colleges and University Departments and based on the inputs received the final AQAR for the Academic Year 2019-20 was submitted on the NAAC Portal on the 7<sup>th</sup> of February 2021 and has been Annexed as <b>Annexure 2(A) on Page No.: 9-77</b></p>	

Dr. Prashanth S briefed about the incubation and startups.

- Industry Academia partnerships where MoU's will be signed with startups from JSS ATE, Noida, seeking consultancy. Currently there are 9 techno commercial projects out of which 3 will be taken up in phase 1 of the first quarter of 2021.
- Pre incubation facilities will be extended to the in-house innovations and 9 of such viable concepts is being supported for future developments.

**Revenue generated from Corporate Training by the institution:**

During the lockdown period virtual training for entrepreneurship pan Karnataka was done through Sparkle Cine and from TECSOK wherein we had received consultancy fees.

Dr. Prashant V requested the constituent colleges/ university departments to increase the number of extension activities for the year 2020-21 which decreased due to COVID as this will have an impact on the awards and recognition criteria.

Dr. Basavanagowdappa, Principal, JSS Medical College stated that the Smaran project and the comprehensive report involving the Medical Education Unit has been prepared with regards to the COVID\_19 related activities which can be considered under the extension activities for the JSS Medical College. Similarly, COVID prevention knowledge delivery was done through webinars and public education programs.

Dr. Prashant V stated that we have MoU's with Institutions of National, International repute along with other industries, corporate houses and as on date the JSS AHER has over 100 MOU's. It was suggested to increase the number of programs for career guidance and competitive examinations for the Medical and Dental Colleges. The Pharmacy college has partnered with ARIVU agency which conducts regular programs on career counselling and competitive examinations.

**Faculty Empowerment Strategies:** Many of the international conferences have reduced the fees and the online conferences cost less than the regular ones. The university can consider the attendance of such online conferences. Faculty can be provided with the membership fee for professional bodies like IDA, IMA, and their association bodies. Any new faculty can be supported with fees for the membership for the professional bodies.

Dr. Jeyprakash stated regarding the formation of parent's teacher association and there was a discussion on the engagement of parents with various activities of the institution.

<p>Vice Chancellor stated that the vision of digital technology can be implemented which will bring a lot of speed, efficiency, and economic utilization of all resources at our disposal.</p> <p>Dr. Prashant V stated that the SSR (Self Study Report) contains information for 5 years and NAAC may verify the AQAR data with the SSR and hence the AQAR report must be considered seriously.</p> <p>The Vice Chancellor suggested that the data be circulated to constituent colleges and university departments to identify the gaps in the data provided and ensure that consistency is maintained in the data being submitted.</p>		
<p><b>AGENDA NO.20.4:</b></p> <p><b>To consider the Subscription of the Elsevier Products SciVal, Digital Commons and Funding Institutional form JSS AHER.</b></p> <p>The JSS AHER has from the year 2021 subscribed to 3 major products of the Elsevier apart from the subscription of Scopus which was existing from the year 2015.</p> <p>Dr. Prashant V requested Mr. Vijay Reddy from Elsevier to give a brief explanation about the products.</p> <p>Dr. Vijay Reddy briefed about the 3 products, which helps in strengthening the research at the university and other constituent colleges of JSS AHER.</p> <p><b>SciVal:</b> It is basically the analytical tool of the data from Scopus where metrics evaluates the performances. The aim is to gain the performance of the university compared to other universities.</p> <p><b>Digital Commons:</b> It is a best in class and hosted solution to openly publish, manage, and showcase the spectrum of the university research and scholarship which means not only the journals, articles or conference papers but also many other activities from the university which can be show cased as our strength to the world and it will be contribute positively towards the academic reputation, which will help in attracting more citation.</p> <p><b>Funding Institutional:</b> It aims towards increase in grant success, improve funding and to take decision where it can improve the inflow of the grants to the university. Sponsored research is one of the head which give weightage in all the ranking body like NIRF.</p>	<p>The outcomes of the Subscription would be presented as a separate Agenda</p>	

<p>Dr. Shubra stated that the 3 products will help JSS AHER with lot of insight to make good research and informed discussion on strength to build up the areas to work on including the funding areas. Dr. Vijay Reddy briefed about the 3 products by presentation.</p> <p>The Pro Chancellor stated that the 3 products that are brought by the institution are for strengthening the capability of the research. With these products we can do directed research and position ourselves with regards to increase in citations and h index. It will also be useful to enhance our collaborations, especially the international collaborations which will also help in increasing the citations from the institutions. The researchers would be able to look through other researchers in the same field which will assist in collaborations which will help the researchers grow in their respective fields and move forward with greater vision. This will help the university to strengthen internally and externally.</p>														
<p><b>AGENDA NO. 20.5:</b></p> <p><b>To consider the progress by the IQAC through the UGC Paramarsh Scheme for the mentoring of 5 institutions for NAAC Assessment and Accreditation.</b></p> <p>The JSS AHER has been recognized as a mentor for 5 institutions under the UGC Paramarsh Scheme for which a Grant of ₹23,57,000/- has been sanctioned by the UGC. The JSS AHER has additionally mentored the JSS College of Physiotherapy, Mysuru for the NAAC Assessment and Accreditation Process. The progress made is given below for the information of the cell.</p> <p>The four institutions of JSS ATE, Noida, JSS ATE Bengaluru, JSS Ayurveda Medical College and JSS College of Nursing, Mysuru would be submitting the SSR by the 31st of March 2021. The JSS STU would be submitting their SSR by the 31st of May 2021. The matter is placed for the kind information of the members.</p> <p><b>5 institutions for NAAC Assessment and Accreditation.</b></p> <table border="1" data-bbox="39 1590 933 1960"> <thead> <tr> <th>Sl. No</th> <th>Name of the Institution</th> <th>No. of Orientation Programs/ Workshops conducted</th> <th>No. of Reviews of Draft SSR</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>01</td> <td>JSS Academy of Technical Education, Bengaluru</td> <td>02</td> <td>02</td> </tr> <tr> <td>02</td> <td>JSS College of Physiotherapy, Mysuru</td> <td>05</td> <td>03</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Sl. No	Name of the Institution	No. of Orientation Programs/ Workshops conducted	No. of Reviews of Draft SSR	01	JSS Academy of Technical Education, Bengaluru	02	02	02	JSS College of Physiotherapy, Mysuru	05	03	<p>Noted</p>	
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05	JSS College of Ayurveda	03	01		
06	JSS Science and Technology University, Mysuru	01	Nil		

**AGENDA NO. 20.6:**

**To consider the QS World University Ranking -Regional Asia Ranking 2021.**

The QS World University Rankings -Regional Asia Ranking 2021 result were announced on 25.11.2020. JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research moved to rank band 291-300 from the rank band of 351-400 in the QS World University Rankings Regional Asia Ranking 2020. At 98th rank in Asia (Regionally top 100), the Faculty Student indicator is the strength to JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research.

The JSS Academy of Higher Education is ranked 1st in Papers per Faculty, 1st in Staff with Ph.D., 14th in Citations per Paper and 19th in Faculty Students in India and the matter is placed before the IQAC for information.

Dr. Nilani stated that QS Ranking have initiated the employer survey for which a minimum score of 40% is required for the world university ranking. The link for the survey will be shared to every officer of constituent colleges and university departing for voting.

Noted

**AGENDA 20.7:**

**To consider the Key thrust areas of IQAC for the year 2021.**

The IQAC has developed the key thrust areas for the year 2021 which are:

- Facilitating the alignment of the institution towards implementation of the National Education Policy 2020** – The IQAC will constitute a committee consisting of external experts and internal members to oversee the institutional alignment for the implementation of the National Education Policy 2020 and steps required to ensure a smooth transition for the adoption and implementation of the measures as described in the NEP 2020.

The vice chancellor stated the implementation of key for the year 2020-30 will be prioritized and implemented in a phased manner. The comments will be invited from the constituent college and university departments to adapt the various components of NEP 2020.

The institution had formed a committee to oversee the implementation of the NEP 2020 and the programs offered in the Life Sciences have been structured as per NEP and the resolution has been approved in the respective Board of Studies

<p>2. <b>Technology Driven University</b> – The IQAC shall take lead in implementation of technology driven initiatives across various facets and functioning of the University. Some of the key initiative we have taken is optimize the utilization of JSSU online.</p> <p>3. <b>Thrust on the Innovations and Inventions</b> – The IQAC shall strive for making the year 2021 as the year of innovations and inventions by promoting the culture for innovations through a series of workshops and seminars and delivering tangible outcomes in collaboration with CINE SPARKLE</p> <p>Through a series of seminars and workshops, the Cine Sparkle will drive the thrust for the innovations and inventions. Dr. Manjunath, Registrar suggested that the work of the hospital should also be included as part of the university.</p> <p>Mr. Sauparna Dey, VII term MBBS student spoke about the student’s perspective.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• He requested adequate training and orientation to National Exit Test (NEXT) which has been informed by the National Medical Commission</li> <li>• He also requested for assistance for clerkships and field trainings to facilitate students to prepare for the USMLE</li> </ul>	<p>Online PBAS and many other initiatives have been taken into the Online platform</p> <p>The initiatives will be presented by Dr. Prashanth S, Dy. Director (Academics)</p> <p>The JSSMC has subscribed to the Doc Tutorials, a reputed company providing training for NEET. The Online content will help the students prepare for the NEET and NEXT as notified by the NMC <b>Annexure 2(B) on Page No.: 78 - 81</b></p>
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Sl No.	Theme of the workshop/Seminar/Conference	Tentative Period	Institution Responsible for the conduct of the Event (tentative)
1	Reforms in Higher Education in the Post-Covid Era	July 2020	JSS AHER
2	Functioning of the IQAC in the context of the Higher Education Institution (HEI)	August 2020	JSS Medical College
3	Best Practice in Educational Institutions – What? Why? And When?	October 2020	JSS Dental College
4	Benchmarking Quality – The Do’s and Don’ts	December 2020	JSS College of Pharmacy, Mysuru
5	Digitization of Quality Assurance	February 2021	JSS College of Pharmacy, Ooty.