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Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) Annual Report 2023-24

Introduction:

The Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of Christ College of Science and Management continues to play a pivotal role in driving quality enhancement and assurance across academic and administrative dimensions of the institution. For the academic year 2023-24, IQAC has undertaken a series of initiatives aimed at improving teaching-learning practices, fostering research, enhancing infrastructure, promoting sustainability, and engaging stakeholders. This report provides a comprehensive account of the activities undertaken and the outcomes achieved.

Key Activities and Outcomes for 2023-24:

1. Academic and Administrative Audit (AAA):

 The IQAC conducted a comprehensive audit from March 6-9, 2024, assessing departmental performance, teaching practices, and administrative efficiency. The audit identified key strengths and areas for improvement, which were shared with departments for action.

2. AISHE Data Compilation and Submission:

 Institutional data for the academic year 2023-24 was meticulously compiled and is ready for submission to the All-India Survey on Higher Education (AISHE) for 2024-25.

3. Policy Formulation and Review:

 Policies for various institutional cells and committees were developed and submitted for review. These policies are designed to ensure streamlined operations and adherence to quality standards.

4. **IQAC Data Hub Updates:**

 The IQAC Data Hub has been regularly updated with information submitted by departments, fostering transparency and ease of access to critical data for institutional planning.

5. ICT-Enabled Classrooms:

o To enhance the teaching-learning process, all classrooms have been equipped with Information and Communication Technology (ICT) tools, enabling interactive and technology-driven education.

6. Orientation and Bridge Courses:

 A structured Orientation Programme and Bridge Courses were conducted from July 25 to August 11, 2023, to help new entrants transition into the academic environment. These sessions provided an overview of institutional expectations and foundational knowledge for students.

7. Certificate Courses:

 Departments designed and implemented 30-hour certificate courses on advanced topics. These courses aimed to equip students with industryrelevant skills and additional knowledge beyond the curriculum.

8. Subject Workshops:

 Advanced topic workshops were organized across departments with expert resource persons. The workshops provided students with insights into emerging areas and hands-on experience.

9. Learning Management System (LMS):

Faculty were trained on effective LMS usage during the 'LMS Mastery Faculty Training' session on May 9, 2024. Weekly reports on LMS
utilization have shown significant improvement in engagement and
content creation.

10. Reconstitution of Committees and IQAC:

 IQAC restructured various institutional committees and clubs, ensuring alignment with strategic goals. This reorganization was based on a review of previous performance and emerging institutional needs.

11. Extension Activities:

 Activities aligned with SDGs were actively pursued, including lake rejuvenation on June 5, 2024, and awareness talk shows on July 6 & 8, 2024, aimed at promoting sustainability and environmental responsibility.

12. Faculty Development Program (FDP):

 A Faculty Development Program titled 'Research Writing & Academia Collaboration' on May 22, 2024, strengthened research capabilities and academic collaboration among faculty members.

13. Examination Reforms:

Orientation sessions for faculty and students were conducted on May 22,
 2024, introducing new examination patterns designed to enhance assessment quality and transparency.

14. Digital Resource Utilization:

 With increased reliance on digital tools, 60% of tasks and assignments were conducted using digital resources, streamlining operations and improving accessibility.

15. NAAC Accreditation Preparation:

 A detailed roadmap for NAAC accreditation was prepared. The Self-Study Report (SSR) was initiated, and committees were formed to systematically address accreditation requirements.

16. AICTE Approvals:

 The institution successfully obtained the Letter of Approval (LoA) dated 12 June 2024, from AICTE for the BCA, BBA, and MBA programs, marking a significant milestone in institutional development.

17. Student Feedback Mechanism:

Feedback from students was actively solicited through a **Student** Satisfaction Survey conducted on November 25, 2023, enabling the institution to address areas of concern and enhance overall academic experiences.

18. Alumni Engagement:

• Efforts to establish a robust alumni association are ongoing, with plans to leverage alumni networks for mentorship and institutional development.

19. Clean and Green Campus Initiatives:

 IQAC initiated several measures to promote a sustainable campus environment, including waste management practices and green landscaping projects.

20. **Strengthening Research**:

 Faculty members were encouraged to publish research papers in reputed journals, with financial support for publication fees provided by the management.

21. Annual Academic Calendar:

 A well-structured academic calendar was created, aligned with the university calendar. Regular follow-ups ensured the timely execution of planned activities.

Significant Events:

1. Vidhyarambham Ceremony:

o On **August 03, 2023**, a formal ceremony was held to welcome new students, marking the commencement of the academic year.

2. Workshops on Research Methodology:

 The Department of Commerce (PG) conducted a workshop for MCom students on June 07, 2024, focusing on research techniques and methodologies.

3. Model and Remedial Examinations:

 Model examinations for UG students were conducted from June 10-14, 2024, followed by remedial examinations from June 24-27, 2024, ensuring academic readiness.

4. LIC Visit:

 The institution successfully coordinated the Local Inspection Committee (LIC) Visit on June 10, 2024, meeting regulatory standards.

Future Directions:

- Strengthen alumni relations and fully establish the alumni association.
- Continue efforts for NAAC accreditation with focus on achieving higher grades.
- Expand faculty and student engagement in research and innovation.
- Promote sustainability initiatives through green campus practices.
- Increase digital resource utilization and integration of technology into academic processes.

Conclusion:

The academic year 2023-24 has been marked by significant achievements and initiatives, underscoring the institution's commitment to quality and continuous improvement. The IQAC remains steadfast in its mission to enhance academic standards, promote stakeholder engagement, and achieve sustainable growth.

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