## Meeting with the LSCs on NAAC A & A process Organized by Centre for Internal Quality Assurance (CIQA) Netaji Subhas Open University

Date: 10/4/2021 at 3.30pm; Venue: Digital platform



This meeting was mainly organised to show our regard and gratefulness to university 's one of the most important stake holders i.e. Learner Support Centres. Meeting started at scheduled time, around 45 participants attended the meeting. There were Principals, Co-Ordinator and Asst- Co-ordinator of various LSC's present. It was mainly to share the joy of success and give due credit to our LSCs.

Innovation and Reform for enhancing quality of education has become the watchword of the present educational system. That is possibly the reason why National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) — the apex committee for evaluation, assessment and accreditation of higher educational institutions, from time to time, has set forth certain benchmarks to maintain the quality of higher education. Keeping in mind the changing needs of higher education and to develop and transform the educational set up in Netaji Subhas Open University undergone through the NAAC A & A process.

The National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) which assesses a higher educational Institution on seven criteria including curricular aspects, teaching-learning and evaluation, research, innovations and extension among others have found NSOU's performance satisfactory and accredited NSOU with **prestigious 'A' grade**. The Vision and Mission of the University which aims at reaching the unreached and institutionalising real educational democracy across the state has got a real boost. It is worth special mention that it is the first Higher Education Institution in state wise Open Distance Learning (ODL) category to be accredited by NAAC with such a prestigious grade in its first cycle.

The Centre for Internal Quality Assurance (CIQA) of Netaji Subhas Open University, as a part of executing its responsibility, organized a meeting under the patronage of honourable Vice-Chancellor Prof. Subha Sankar Das and was graced by the Prof. Anirban Ghosh, Director, CIQA. Besides Dr. Ashit Baran Aich (Director, Study Centre), Prof Manan Kumar Mandal (Director, School of Humanities), Dr. Atindra Nath Dey (Director, School of Education) of different Schools, Faculty and other Officers were also present. Principals, Coordinators/Assistant Coordinators, Staff of different LSCs were present in this thanks giving meeting.





To begin with, Dr. Ashit Baran Aich presented his views about the overall process of assessment before the participants and laid emphasis on the importance of being NAAC accredited for our university.

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Professor Anirban Ghosh recapitulated the entire process in details like SSR Preparation, Student Survey and Data validation and Assessment, Evaluation and Certification process as integral part of NAAC A &A process. While explaining the important criteria as basis for assessment, Prof. Ghosh had also elaborated the suggestions given by NAAC peer team which may be important for quality assurance and better ranking for next cycle.

EC member and Principal of Sarojini Naidu College SC, Dr Urmila Ukil requested shared her happiness for this great achievement, and requested our Hon'ble V.C to visit once her LSC and Spl LSC. The Coordinator of Burdwan Raj College, Dr Mamata Bhattacharya shared her views and expressed their happiness to be associated with the university. Dr. A. Hati, Principal of Taraksewar College, Coordinator of Bijoy Krishna Girls' College have also shown their happiness for this success. After This Dr Premananda Jana, Director, Reginal Centre Kalyani also shared his views and thanked all the participants from LSCs for their whole heated support.

Professor Subha Sankar Sarkar and others sincerely acknowledge to every stakeholder especially the Principals, Coordinators/Assistant Coordinators, Staff of different LSCs for their contribution to this maiden endeavour.

Principals, Coordinators/Assistant Coordinators also exchanged their views on the areas of Infrastructure and learning resource, learner support and progression, governance, leadership and management, institutional values and best practices also reflected in an impressive way in the process of accreditation. It is high time that everyone recognises the essence and spirit of NSOU which is perhaps the need of the hour and best suited to address the hopes and aspirations of the youth capital of the world.

Meeting ended with vote of thanks proposed by Dr. Abhedananda Panigrahi (Coordinator B.Ed).

