## STATE LEVEL ONE DAY WORKSHOP ON

## THE ROLL OF IQAC IN QUALITY ENHANCEMENT

State level one day workshop on "The Roll of IQAC in Quality Enhancement" was organized by IQAC of our college on 5<sup>th</sup> Oct.2013. Principal Dr.(Ms) M.K. Pejaver was convener and Prof.(Ms.) M.J. Gholba worked as organizing Secretary. Principals, IQAC coordinators were invited to participate in the workshop. Ninety participants attended the workshop.

The workshop begun with Saraswati Vandana and Saraswati Poojan followed by inauguration by the chief guest DR.B.S.Madhurkar, Deputy Advisor, NAAC, Bangalore and Dr. M.R. Kurup **Founder Principal of Vaze College, Mulund.** 

Then a newly introduced college song was presented by College Staff Ms.Sonal and Mr.Aashutosh.The song was written and composed by vice principal Dr.R.P.Athalye.

Principal Dr. Madhuri Pejaver in her welcome address elaborated the role of NAAC and IQAC. She expressed that each and every one must audit himself/herself through introspection and should have his/her own Internal (Internal voice) Quality Assurance. She said, everyone has to understand their own duties, accept the responsibilities and also put the efforts towards in doing each and every work. She assured that present workshop will provide innovative ideas for quality enhancement.

**SESSION - I:** In first session Dr. B. S. Madhukar presented the data on the number of colleges in different grades A,B,C and said that it is a task to the college to move from lower level grade to higher level grade.

In further guiding interaction he urged that "The colleges should move form State regulation to Self regulation." He elaborated basic principles of Assessment of Quality and pointed out the lacunae in IQAC function. He also emphasized the concept of Student focus and cost focus. He elaborated the concept of Measurement Matrix (Rubrics) with a very good example of Teacher Rubrics.

**SESSION -II:** In second session Dr.M.R.Kurup gave an exhaustive 20 points program for Quality Enhancement. The highlights of his talk includes: "Think of Tomorrow", "Curriculum Enrichment can be done through add-on certificate courses, "Teachers Enrichment is essential" and the program should be "practical oriented(Do It Yourself)", "teaching should be done, "student should be motivated to hear", "Go beyond Excellency through consultancy" "Student Centric".

There was a brief question answer session following his talk, Dr.Kurup while answering a question said that the staff should have desire to progress and enhance the quality. Answering another question he said 'NAAC only validates your claims, through AQAR you are accessing yourself.

**SESSION-III:** I after lunch in the third session, Prof. K. Venkatramani **Registrar**, **Padmashree Dr. D.Y. Patil Deemed University, Navi Mumbai** gave a brief idea about Academic audit. He enlighten the participant by sharing his thoughts the teaching and learning method which helps to the staff and student to sharpen the skills. He also discussed the duties of the Audit Committee.

For example: According to him the audit committee should identify -The peoples or departments who works a lot but poor are in documentation or those who do the things at last moment and those who do not do anything and do corrective measure tactfully.

He said, Audit Committee should set up the benchmark for learning outcomes and also has to enhance the employability of the student. He emphasized on phased exposure of student to reading material; their capacity building and confidence building. He said audit should not criticize but should give good suggestion

**Dr. Vijay Joshi Principal, K.J.Somaiya College** shared his experience as a principal of autonomous college. He elaborated the novel practices which are implemented in his college. He explained how interdisciplinary optional credits are made available to students.

**Session IV: There was a Panel Discussion in the last session.** Dr. B. S. Madhukar, Dr. M. R. Kurup, Prof. K. Venkatramani, Dr. (Ms.) M..K. Pejaver, Dr. (Ms) S.A. Singh, Dr. Vijay Joshi were the experts. The discussion was very fruitful and lead to many innovative thoughts regarding practices to be followed.

Some of them are listed below:

**Dr. M. R. Kurup:** He said everyone should Play his/her role properly this will surely improve quality.

**Dr.(Ms.)** Singh: She said "each institute should find and evolve their own differentia"

**Dr.B.S.Madhukar:** He expressed "There are other assessment models as well other than NAAC which we should study. Only teachers can bring QUALITY in education".

**Prof. K. Vekantramani** He said that the "value education can be through literature only. Try to be the fittest"

Dr. R. P. Athalye summarized points discussed. He stated the bright side as well as the dark side of the NAAC assessment. He brought to notice of the audience that, we are moving towards more and more documentation and hence the teachers are less getting time for the Reading, Research, Consultancy and Student interaction, etc. However he concluded saying "Let us all have desire to improve ourselves, let we try to do our best and let we try to be the fittest."

The workshop was concluded by vote of thanks.

The feedback was taken from all participants. Almost everybody has appreciated the time management and selection of Speakers. Many participants have requested to organize such workshops again.