

To
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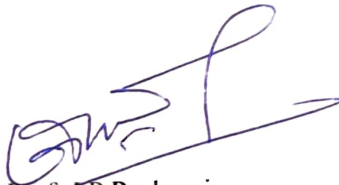
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Dear Madam,

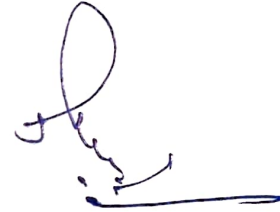
As per the directions of your good selves, regarding the Academic, Administrative Audit of HNB Garhwal University, Srinagar, the committee has conducted Academic, Administrative Audit of all three campuses viz. Srinagar, Pauri and Badshahithaul (Tehri) from 07.02.2022 to 09.02.2022 successfully.

Please find herewith the Academic, Administrative Audit Report for your kind perusal and further necessary action.

With regards



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**Academic, Administrative Audit (AAA) Report
of
HNB Garhwal University Srinagar Garhwal**

Date of Visit: 07.02.2022 to 09.02.2022

The Registrar of the university initially welcomed the members of Academic, Administrative Audit Team on 07.02.2022 at Seminar Hall, Academic Activity Centre Chauras Campus alongwith the Directors, Deans, Faculty Members, IQAC Director and Assistant Directors, Officers and other staff of the University. After that, he has requested to the Director, IQAC to present the overview of the University alongwith Academic, Administrative activities before the committee and other members presenting in the seminar hall.

The Director IQAC has presented all activities running in the university highlighting the strength and weaknesses of the university through power point presentation followed by presentations of all Deans of the faculties & officers of the University. The members of the AAA raised queries during the presentation of the report and necessary clarification/suggestions were given for the improvement of quality in higher education.

On the basis of interactions with the Director, IQAC, Deans, Librarian, Finance Officer, Registrar, Controller of Examination and other in-charges, the following observations and suggestions are given for the improvement .

General Observations

The central university was established along with its three campuses viz. Srinagar, Pauri and Badshahithaul (Tehri Garhwal) during the year 2009. The University has the total area of 267.93-acre along with buildup area of 179000 square meters (one lakh seventy-nine thousand). Apart from these campuses, the university has 72 affiliated colleges situated at various area of the Garhwal Region.

1. The University having 11 school of studies covering 49 departments.
2. The university offers 14 UG, 54 PG, 01 Integrated Master's, 03 Diploma and 06 PG Diploma programmes. Besides, Ph.D. is offered in 43 subjects. In addition to these, 04 other programmes are also offered.
3. The total numbers of students in all campuses 13315 in three campuses . Out of 137 programmes, 81 are running under CBCS system and university has switchover the New Education Policy in 2020.
4. University has introduced value added courses along with skill developments and professional courses following guidelines of New Education Policy.
5. University also introduced the feedback mechanism from the students about the curriculum and faculties' performance and point raised thereby are settled as per norms.
6. In most of the department of the campuses are lacking the use of ICT platforms, such as Teaching through LCD projectors, using of smart phones etc.
7. Only one or two departments have developed courses on SWAYAM platform and MOOCS.
8. The concept of the program outcome and course outcome are not clearly defined and correlated.
9. The ability enhancement Compulsory courses of Environmental Sciences, English Communications and other modern languages in UG programs already operational in Srinagar campus but not available at Pauri and Badshahithaul Campus.
10. University has not mentioned the student progression and drop out of admitted students.

11. Although the passed percentages in all disciplines are satisfactory but there is no mention of actual teaching days in each semester?
12. How many online courses are approved by the University and follow up action thereon is not explicit which is an important point according to NEP.
13. Being a central University, the numbers and quality of publications are not sufficient and satisfactory.
14. To promote the research and innovative program, the university should provide more facility and conducive environment to the faculty and other stake holders.
15. It seems that only few departments have been published quality research papers while other departments of the campuses are silent and not making any sincere efforts in this regard.
16. Although National Collaborations with various organizations are made but the details of MOUs signed for various purposes such as exchange program of students, teachers, nature of research works are not enumerated.
17. The university has not given any reference about Institutional Development Plan for the future.
18. Although placement cell is active at Srinagar Campus but not existing at Pauri and Badshahithaul, resulting a less number of placements of students in various organizations.
19. The central library at Srinagar Campus and campus library at Pauri are partially automated.
20. The university has different cells and centers for various purposes and doing good work under outreach program.
21. The examination system of the university although not fully automated but it is robust, transparent, and catering the requirements of the students upto satisfactory level.
22. The IQAC cell of the university is functional.

23. The participation of the students in sports and other cultural activities is noteworthy therefore more efforts be made to encourage the students.
24. It is noteworthy that the most of the courses are having value added components in their courses.
25. University follows e-Governance and has adopted e-file, FTS, admission through SAMARTH portal, ERP, online filing, e-market, PFMS.
26. The regular internal audit along with the audit by CAG is in place.
27. During visit in the campus, it is observed that the maintenance of the buildings, labs, classrooms, gardens, hostels is not worthy and satisfactory.
28. No efforts are made for interdisciplinary research program.
29. It is praiseworthy to note that Pauri Campus is publishing Two Peer Reviewed Research Journals regularly for the benefit of the stake-holders since 2005.
30. There is shortage of various kinds of infrastructure facilities at Pauri and Badshahithaul Campuses.
31. The list of distinguished alumni is not available.
32. The infrastructure modifications for the physically challenged persons/students in some buildings are not available.
33. It is also observed that there is lack of coordination between IQAC Cell and Departments.
34. At Badhsahithaul campus, a significant contribution is made by using waste/ old papers for recycling and making handmade papers which can be followed by other campus also.
35. The legal aid programme by law department at Badshahithaul campus is praiseworthy.

Suggestions

1. Efforts be made to appoint regular teaching and non-teaching staff against vacant posts.
2. Placement cell need to be strengthen in all the campuses.
3. Departments should take help from SWAYAM platform and massive open online Courses and develop new courses on these platforms.
4. University is required to elaborate with evidences regarding continuous evaluation system, minor and major test and redressal grievance raised by the students.
5. Mechanism to be developed to find out program and course outcomes.
6. It would be better to reduce the hindrance by the administration in the smooth running of the projects by the Investigators and Project Investigators should be given more freedom as per terms and conditions of the granting agencies to improve the research environment.
7. The Best Reader Award should be given to the students.
8. Best Teacher Award in Teaching/Research should also be given.
9. Faculty needs to increase the research publications in reputed journals.
10. Faculty should be motivated to submit research projects in various funding agencies.
11. Alumni of the University should be motivated for the placements of the students and generate funds for research and teaching.
12. **“Earn while you Learn”** scheme should be initiated for the students in each school and library.
13. E-copy of the Journals published by the university should be uploaded on the website.
14. Sufficient trained staff need to be appointed in the Pauri/Badshahithaul/Srinagar libraries for the proper functioning.
15. Corpus fund for the research should be created for young Faculty.
16. More efforts should be made by the students to qualify NET/JRF/GATE/SRF etc.
17. University should made short- and long-term Institutional Development Plan for the future development.
18. University should have separate remedial measures for slow and advanced learners.
19. All the campus libraries should be automated and interconnected.
20. One Account Officers/ Assistant Registrar should be placed in other campus (Pauri/Badshahithaul) for the smooth running of the campus.

21. Both the directors (Pauri/Badshahithaul) should be given Financial Power for the proper administration and maintenance of the campus.
22. Attention should be made the creation of need-based infrastructure at Pauri/Badshahithaul.
23. Training Program for Non-Teaching staff should be organized for the upgradation of the knowledge.
24. Adventure sports in collaboration with THDC should be introduced at Badshahithaul Campus (Tehri Garhwal)