

## Madras Christian College (Autonomous)

### INTERNAL QUALITY ASSURANCE CELL (IQAC)

#### Minutes of IQAC Meeting (Q3 and Q4) with External Members on 20 May 2024

**G-Meet Link:** <https://meet.google.com/mdk-txdu-dgo>

**Agenda:**

01. Opening Prayer
02. Welcome address and introductory remarks
03. Activities of IQAC between Jan – May 2024 (Q3 and Q4)
04. Responses from External Members
05. Closing Prayer

The meeting started with opening prayer by Dr. Ashik J Bonofer, Associate Coordinator, IQAC.

Prof. R. Sridhar gave welcome address and made introductory remarks. He emphasised the upcoming milestones in the NAAC Accreditation process. He mentioned that by the end of this month, the College will submit the IIQA, a crucial step in our journey. This will be followed by submitting the Self Study Report and the Pear visit, which are equally significant. He also stated that The College is proud of its achievements in NIRF, India Today, The Week, etc. These rankings are a testament to our commitment to excellence; however, our work goes beyond mere numbers.

Dr. C. Amirthavalli, IQAC Coordinator presented the following activities of IQAC between Jan 2024 to May 2024.

- IQAC, Madras Christian College has submitted the required data to NIRF 2024 on 31 January 2024. This time, the data curation was strategically approached and improved the finance data, based on the 'Data Definition' manual given by NIRF. The improvement in the number of publications and citations under the parameter 'Research and Professional Practice' was also mentioned.
- The methodology of conduct of academic audit was presented. Initially, the data templates and the manual were sent to the Departments for 2022-23 Data Capture. The IQAC team comprising of Criterion Team members verified the evidences and evaluated the quantitative metrics on 30 November 2023. The core team comprising of Vice-Principals, Deans, Controller of Examinations, Academic Coordinators validated the evaluation of

IQAC team. Lastly, Internal Audit for 2022-23 was conducted for all the departments between December 2023 – March 2024. The Departments presented their data and documents and evaluation was carried out by a panel consisting of our Principal and an External Member. This internal audit evaluation will be considered for the 'Best Performing Department Award 2022-23'. The outcomes of the internal audit were presented by the Principal in the Heads meeting on 13 February 2024.

- The Faculty Feedback, which was collected in April 2023 was analysed. The overall scores fall within the range of 4 to 5. The students express high to very high satisfaction levels across all the surveyed aspects, indicating their contentment with the quality of teachers and their teaching methodologies. The individual faculty analysis was shared with the Departments for further actions.
- All the four AQAR which are falling in the assessment cycle were submitted and except 2022-23, other three AQARs are accepted by NAAC.
- Other submissions completed by IQAC: India Today Rankings 2024 (20 March 2024), The Week Survey 2024 (15 March 2024), AISHE Survey 2024 (5 April 2024) and University Proforma 2024 (13 May 2024)
- The Ongoing submissions are: UGC-Autonomy Review – 30 May 2024 and Institutional Information for Quality Assurance – before 27 May 2024.
- IQAC is the collaborating unit for two FDPs: (i) FDP on The Art of Research and Publishing in Indexed Journals (organized by Dean R & D and MCC-Research Colloquium – 13 to 22 May 2024) and (ii) FDP on 'A design workshop on mastering E-content creation' (organised by Dr. Chandran Devanesan Centre for Human Resource Development and Meston Centre for Teaching and Learning – 20 to 24 May 2024)

#### **Responses from the External members**

- During the meeting, Mr. Sameer Nagarajan expressed his concern about the college's ability to submit the AQARs in a short period. In response to this query, Dr Amirthavalli clarified that the earlier AQARs were opened for correction, and all the data was verified and submitted during the period.
- Prof Sridhar drew attention to the significant improvements in data capture over the past couple of years, which are a testament to our commitment to quality. He also highlighted the substantial infrastructure development the College has witnessed in the past five years. Additionally, the College has signed more MoUs recently, and the old MoUs have also been successfully renewed. Significant improvements have been observed in the College, particularly in the placements this year. The placements have exceeded 600, which is double the number from last year. The College has also appointed a full-time Placement officer. In

terms of admissions, the College received over 45000 applications for around 2400 seats. New courses like M.Sc Data Science and B.Sc. Computer Science have been introduced, and courses like History Vocational, specialising in Archaeology and Museology and Hospitality and Tourism (H &T) have been reintroduced. The college's digital infrastructure has also seen considerable improvement. However, there is still a need to increase physical infrastructure to meet the rising demands.

- Mr. Ashok Thomas enquired whether the increase in placement is due to more companies visiting the college for recruitment, as the market shows otherwise. Prof Sridhar responded by mentioning that despite the slow market, MCC has seen more companies recruiting students, and the median salary offered to the students has also increased this year.
- Ms. Initha raised the issue of why the College wants to apply for accreditation using the old pattern. Prof Sridhar mentioned that the College is well prepared to submit the data using the current pattern. As the new pattern is still under discussion and there are no concrete plans, the college decided to go with the current pattern after detailed deliberations.
- Mr. Sameer wanted to know whether the College has conducted enough Faculty Development Programmes (FDP) to keep the faculty abreast of new developments. Dr Amirthavalli responded that the College had made absolute efforts to help faculty hone their academic skills. Even during the summer holidays, two FDPs are being conducted for the faculty. Adding to this response, Prof. Sridhar mentioned that the college invests heavily in helping faculty advance their skills.
- Ms. Initha, while commending the efforts taken by the IQAC, noted that there should be more manpower to help the team. Dr Amirthavalli, responding to the query, said that the IQAC has over 100 faculty members working tirelessly to get data from various departments and units. Data procurement is a collective effort involving the entire College community.
- Concluding the meeting, Prof Sridhar thanked all the external members for their contributions in the last two years and requested their support in the coming years. Dr Annal Priyadarshini ended the meeting with a prayer.
- The meeting ended with closing prayer by Dr. Annal Deva Priya Darshini, Associate Coordinator, IQAC.



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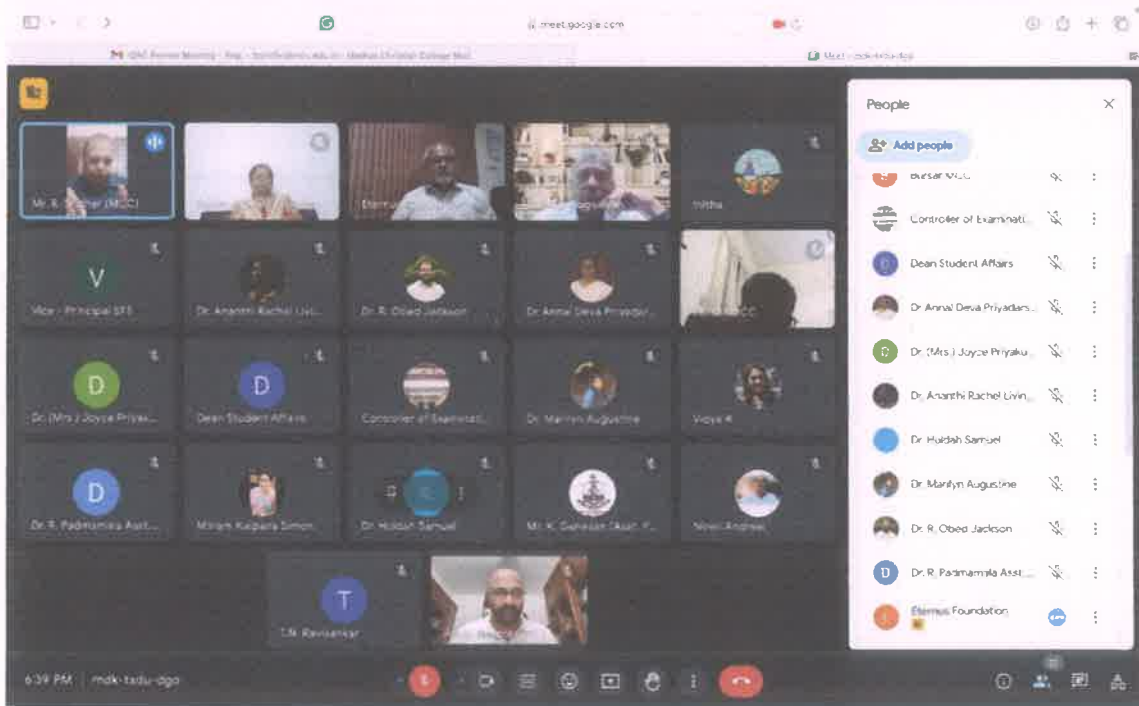
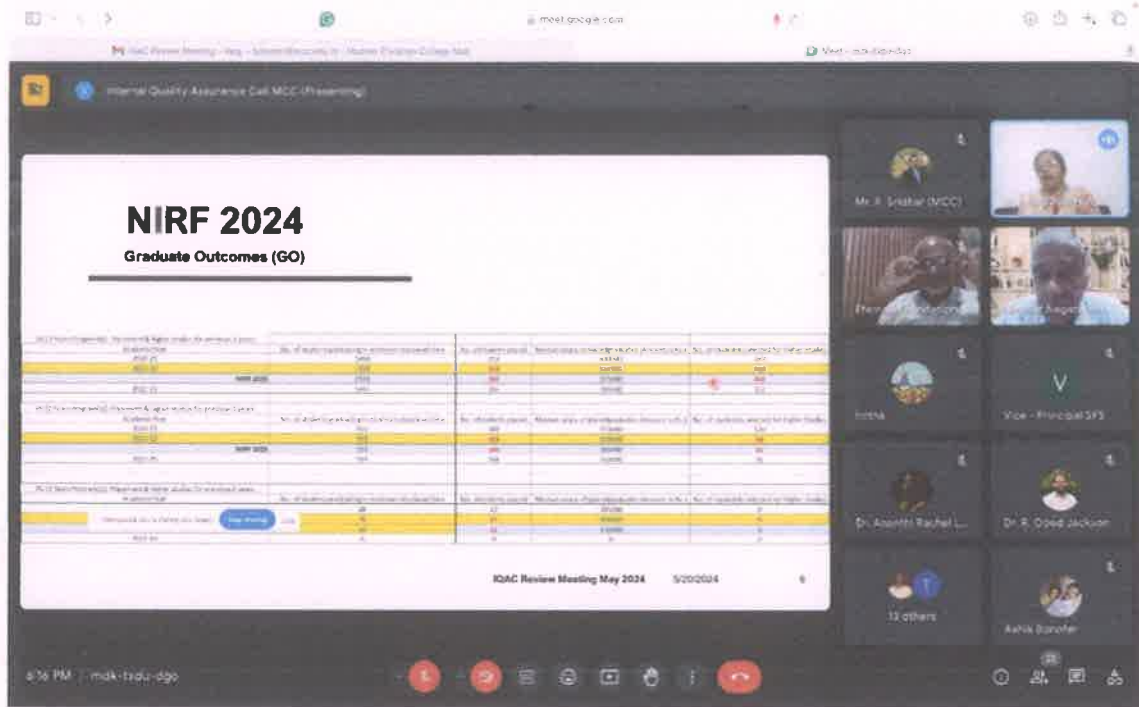
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