## ISLAMIAH COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) VANIYAMBADI



## INTERNAL QUALITY ASSURANCE CELL (IQAC) EXTERNAL ACADEMIC AUDIT REPORT – 2014-2015

## **EXTERNAL ACADEMIC AUDITORS**

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The External Academic Auditors namely Dr. K.P. Kandasamy, former Registrar, Bharathiar University and Dr. Major Syed Shahabuddeen, Principal, Islamiah Women's College, Vaniyambadi visited Islamiah College (Autonomous) on 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> April 2015. They visited every department of the College, verified the records maintained by the departments and interacted with the faculty with a view to assess the academic performance of every department criterion wise for the year 2014-2015. The External Academic Auditors are very much pleased to make the following observations:

Controller of Examinations section is systematically doing well. The
confidentiality of the question papers is remarkable. The transparency of
evaluation, the computer generated random dummy number system, the
opportunity for re-valuation etc. are commendable. The External Academic
Auditors congratulate the Controller of Examinations and his team for their
meticulous work.

However, it is suggested that safe locker must be provided by the Management to this section for handling the cash safely.

2. The support services of the College particularly NCC, NSS, YRC, Enviro Club and Sports have been functioning very well. The social service schemes and community oriented programmes of these support services are appreciable. It is remarkable to note that the University Grants Commission has sanctioned 1.7 Crores of rupees for the construction of Gymnasium and laying Running Tracks during the XII Plan Period under the Development of Sports Infrastructure.

The active participation of students in all these support services is congratulated. However, it is suggested that some more steps should be taken by NCC to send the cadets to Republic Day Contingent Camp which is lacking at present.

3. As regards the innovative programmes in curriculum designing, some departments like Commerce, Biochemistry, Biotechnology etc. have done very well. Subjects like 'Recent Trends and Technological Developments in Banking' and 'Recent Trends in Marketing' introduced by the PG Department of Commerce

Awareness' and 'Civil Services and other Competitive Examinations' as innovative programmes. 'Medical Lab Technology' and 'Nano Biochemistry' are the innovative programmes of Biochemistry course. Biotechnology department has introduced 'Herbal Biotechnology', 'Vermiculture' and 'Mashroom Culture'. The Mathematics department provides opportunity to the students on 'Hands on Training with Computer' in the curriculum. The recruitment procedure of public service examinations, bank examinations etc. and training methods of prominent corporate companies are the new topics found in the syllabus of Commerce (Computer Applications). The External Academic Auditors congratulate all these new initiatives in curriculum development.

- 4. The inter-disciplinary programmes of Physics, Computer Science, Chemistry and English are highly commendable. The Physics department offers subjects like 'Fundamentals of Electrical and Electronic Measurements' and 'Maintenance of Home Appliances' as non-major subjects to the B.Sc. Mathematics students. The Department of Computer Science offers 'Introduction to I.T.' and 'Internet and Its Applications' to the students of other departments. The Department of Biochemistry offers 'Diagnostic Biochemistry' for Biotechnology students. The Department of English offers 'English for Communication' and 'Business Writing in English' to the students of other departments. The 'Indian National Movement' and 'Indian Political System' are offered as non-major papers for B.Com. and B.Com. (F & A) students by the Department of History. The Department of Commerce (C.A.) provides 'Income Tax' as non-major subject to the B.B.A. students. Thus it is found that the inter-disciplinary programmes are very good in the college.
  - Solution 1. It is found that some members of the staff have not done Orientation and Refresher courses as per the regulation of UGC. It is pointed out that UGC has given only extension of time upto December 2013 and not exemption, therefore, it is pointed out that those senior professors who have got career advancement without undergoing the required number of orientation and refresher courses should complete the same at the earliest.

- 6. It is very much appreciated that some departments like Biochemistry and Library have organised UGC sponsored seminars. It is suggested that other departments should follow their example and apply for seminars/conferences/workshops to the UGC for financial assistance.
- 7. The publications of some departments like Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry and Commerce are very good. The faculty of other departments should also come forward to publish research articles in national and international journals very seriously.
- The remedial classes conducted for slow learners are good.
- 9. It is very much appreciated that the Department of Commerce conducts a certificate course under career oriented programme of UGC called 'e-Commerce and Footwear Technology'. Similarly the Department of Commerce (F & A) conducts coaching classes for ICWA. Other departments may follow their example.
- 10. The Department of Arabic has a novel programme of picturizing the Arabic words and 5000 words are found picturized. Similarly the monthly magazines published by the students of the Department is commendable. The Urdu Department has introduced DTP as part of the curriculum in the 1<sup>st</sup> Semester.
- 11. The Department of Hindi has done a commendable work by coaching non-Hindi students and making them to appear Hindi examinations conducted by Prachar Hindi Sabha.
- 12. Library of the College is well maintained and it has adequate resources including e-journals and e-books. The virtual library of the College adds another feather in its cap.
- 13. It is found that no major or minor research projects are sanctioned to the faculty except one to Dr. Abdul Jaffar Ali of Biotechnology department by DBT. It is suggested that the faculty should take it up seriously.
- 14. Community service activities have to be initiated and strengthened.

- Parents and alumni meetings are to be held periodically.
- Student evaluation of teachers is to be strengthened. 16.
- It is commendable to note that some departments like Computer Science, 17. Physics, Biochemistry, PG Department of Commerce, Mathematics etc. are maintaining records perfectly and systematically but it is also found that the names of long absentees or the names of those who have left the college are found in the Nominal Roll in some departments. It is suggested that names of such long absentees or of those who have left the college may be removed from the rolls.

Finally the External Academic Auditors thank the Management and the Principal of the College for giving them the opportunity to assess the academic performance of the College. Similarly they are grateful to all the members of the staff both teaching and non-teaching for their kind cooperation.

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