



Directorate of Internal Quality Assurance Cell and Accreditation & Ranking

ACTION TAKEN REPORT FOR THE MINUTES OF THE 17TH MEETING OF THE IQAC HELD AT 04:00 PM ON TUESDAY, THE 28TH SEPTEMBER, 2021

The Action Taken Report and follow up process for the 17th Meeting of IQAC for the 2021-22 is furnished in the below table.

Description of the Minutes	Action Taken Report
<p>17.1: Confirmation of the previous minutes of the meeting of IQAC Note on Agenda Item 17.1:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ The last Meeting was held on 12th February 2021○ The minutes are presented in the Annexure – 1○ The Minutes may be Approved by the Ho'ble Members <p>The minutes of the IQAC held on 12th February, 2021 have been circulated and presented among the members and the same has been approved.</p>	<p>The minutes were prepared and approved</p>
<p>17.2: Proposing 4 meetings of IQAC per year, preferably one in each quarter i.e.,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ 3rd Monday of February○ 3rd Monday of May○ 3rd Monday of August○ 3rd Monday of November <p>Note on Agenda Item 17.2 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Revised Guidelines prescribe to conduct at least 1 meeting in every Quarter○ For administrative convenience, the meetings are proposed to be conducted preferably on 3rd Monday of Feb, May, Aug & Nov every year.○ The next meeting will be scheduled on 3rd Monday of Nov i.e., Nov15, 2021 <p>The agenda point has been placed before the board and has approved the same.</p>	<p>The Decision was communicated to members.</p>

<p>17. 3: Hereafter, it is proposed to have the agenda s for the IQAC under the following categories :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Curricular Aspects • Teaching Learning and Evaluation • Research, Consultancy and Extension • Infrastructure and Learning Resources • Student Support and Progression • Governance, Leadership and Management • Institutional Best Practices • ODL/OL Mode of Learning <p>Note on Agenda Item 17.3 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ As the University is preparing for the third cycle of Assessment, it would be a better and preferable idea to have the agenda items under the following ○ Categories, which are scrutinized by NAAC, as well : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Curricular Aspects • Teaching Learning and Evaluation • Research, Consultancy and Extension • Infrastructure and Learning Resources • Student Support and Progression • Governance, Leadership and Management • Institutional Best Practices • ODL/OL Mode of Learning <p>The suggestion proposed by Director, A&R was appreciated by the members and approved.</p>	<p>The Decision was communicated in minutes.</p>
<p>17.4.1: New Academic Programmes introduced during AY 2021-22</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 17.4.1:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 12 New UG & 37 New PG Programmes have been introduced in AY 2021-22 ○ List is Furnished in Annexure – 2 ○ A total of 122 Programmes are being Offered (63 UG and 59 PG) for the Current AY, across all campuses (Annexure – 3) <p>The Director, Academic Affairs has deliberated on the agenda item pertaining to new academic programmes and the same was noted.</p>	<p>Noted</p>

<p>17.4.2: Introduction of Online Curriculum Management System (e-CMS) Note on Agenda Item 17.4. 2:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ It is a part of the Complete Automation of our Academic Process ○ An automated system which supports the entire curriculum process ○ from Planning to Implementation to Assessment ○ It empowers every Process Owner to perform the Tasks online with the authorization of the respective Head ○ Supports OBE (Annexure – 4) <p>The Director, Academic affairs has deliberated the importance of the new proposed online curriculum management system and said that it will ease the process of management of courses. The members suggested for implementation in light of NEP and approved.</p>	<p>Noted and suggestions forwarded to D' Academic Affairs</p>
<p>17.4.3: Submission of the minutes of the last meeting of the Academic Council for Information Note on Agenda Item 17.4.3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The MOM of last Academic Council is presented (Annexure – 5) ○ NEP Policy Implementation is discussed ○ Establishment of GITAM School of Physiotherapy ○ Introduction of New programmes with TCS Support ○ Introduction of Professional development course titled "Food Product Development and Commercialization" in collaboration with M/s. NutrifyIndia. <p>The Director, Academic Affairs has shared the key insights of the Academic Council minutes and the team has noted the same.</p>	<p>Noted and filed</p>
<p>17.5.1: Result Analysis of the End Semester Examination / Graduates of AY 2020-21 Note on Agenda Item 17.5.1 (Annexure 6)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Total No. of Students Graduated : 6006 ○ UG : 5126 ○ PG : 880 ○ Ph.D. : 157 ○ Pass Percentage : 90% 	<p>Noted</p>

<p>The Director-Incharge, Evaluation has shared the result analysis based on the agenda item and same has been noted and appreciated for successful implementation of online mode of exam.</p>	
<p>17.5.2: Result Analysis of all Semester Students for AY 2020-21 Note on Agenda Item 17.5.2 (Annexure 7)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ First Year : 84% ○ Second Year : 92% ○ Third Year : 94% ○ Fourth Year : 94% ○ Fifth Year : 90% <p>The Director-Incharge, Evaluation has shared the result analysis based on the agenda item and the same has been noted.</p>	Noted
<p>17.5.3: Implementation of Moodle Platform for the LMS Note on Agenda Item 17.5.3 (Annexure 8)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Open Source Software ○ Customized by GITAM Team ○ Cloud based ○ G-Vidya App was developed for Mobile Access <p>The Director, Digital Learning has shared the new initiatives for improved Teaching and Learning process and appreciated by the board.</p>	Noted
<p>17.5.4: Integration of Turnitin in the Moodle LMS Note on Agenda Item 17.5.4 (Annexure 9)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Plagiarism check Software "Turnitin" was integrated in Moodle LMS for similarity check ○ It helps in improving the quality of assignment submissions and auto grading for students <p>The Director, Digital Learning has deliberated the importance of quality practices for Teaching and Learning process and the same have been appreciated.</p>	Noted
<p>17.5.5: Integration of Grade Book for Continuous Assessment Note on Agenda Item 17.5.5 (Annexure 10)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Grade Book also got integrated in the Moodle LMS for ease and transparency 	Noted

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ This set up helps in easy and automated computation, once the teacher prescribes the Rubrics for Evaluation ○ The marks awarded will be transferred to Examination portal for the final award of Grades <p>The Director, Digital Learning has deliberated the functionalities of Grade Book and its integration in Moodle and the members appreciated the efforts of the team.</p>	
<p>17.5.6: Adoption of online Interactive Platform “Code Tantra” for proctored examination</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 17.5.6 (Annexure 11)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Code Tantra, an Online proctored Examination system was adopted to conduct all the online examinations during the last one year ○ Students will be proctored online along with Video Footage and AI tools ○ It also helps in reduction of malpractices ○ It reduces the time of examination management system <p>The Director – Incharge, Evaluation has deliberated the need arised out of Coivd Crisis for conduct of exam in online mode and the initiative taken up have been appreciated.</p>	Noted
<p>17.5.7: Status of GITAM Certificates uploaded in National Academic Depository.</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 17.5.7 (Annexure 12)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ As per UGC Guidelines, GITAM Certificates are uploaded in the NAD Portal ○ It also enhances the verification process by the prospective employer and HEI for Admissions ○ Can be downloaded from a remote location and easy transfer of secured documents. <p>The Director – Incharge, Evaluation has deliberated on the status of Certificates uploaded in NAD as per Govt.</p>	Noted

<p>Initiatives and GITAM has registered in NAD and uploading the Degree certificates. The same has been noted by the Team.</p>	
<p>17.6.1: Details of funded Projects sanctioned for the FY 2020-2021 by external agencies Note on Agenda Item 17.6.1 (Annexure 13)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A Total of 05 Projects have been sanctioned by Govt. Agencies to a tune of Rs. 57.63 Lakhs. ○ One project has been sanctioned by a Private Agency to a tune of Rs. 52.61 Lakhs ○ The major funding agencies include DST, SERB, UGC-DAE-CSR etc <p>The Director, Research has placed forward the research activities in GITAM and the same has been noted.</p>	<p>Noted</p>
<p>17.6.2: Details of Projects Submitted to funding agencies for the FY 2020-21 Note on Agenda Item 17.6.2 (Annexure 14)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A Total of 121 projects have been submitted during FY 2020-21 for an amount of Rs. 4718.87 Lakhs ○ Percentage of Success Rate : Some Results are awaited <p>The Director, Research has placed forward the research funding details and the members appreciated the same.</p>	<p>Noted</p>
<p>17.6.3: Implementation of New IP Policy Note on Agenda Item 17.6.3 (Annexure 15)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Applicable to all students, scholars and faculty of GITAM ○ PROGITAMS – Invention Disclosure Software developed and deployed ○ Signed an MoU with M/s. Prometheus as our Patent Agents ○ The entire cost will be borne by GITAM <p>The Director, Research has deliberated the key insights of the IP Patent Policy that came into effect and the members appreciated the efforts of the team.</p>	<p>Noted and the link is placed in website</p>

<p>17.6.4:Introduction of Online portal for Research SEED Grant(s)</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 17.6.4 (Annexure 16)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Complete automation of Research SEED grants ○ Applications can be submitted round the year ○ Scrutiny happens every quarter ○ Last quarter, 24 Projects worth of Rs. 46.54 Lakhs have been awarded to 24 Faculty and 54 projects are under scrutiny this quarter ○ The Grant Term is maximum 12 months. <p>The Director, Research has placed forward the new initiative taken up the Research office to ease the process of granting of SEED projects and appreciated by the members.</p>	Noted
<p>17.6.5: List of MOU's signed during the Year 2020-21</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 17.6.5 (Annexure 17)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A total of 21 MoUs have been signed by GITAM during 2020-21 for Teaching, Research and other Activities with organizations of repute ○ The MoUs include Prometheus Patent Services, Adani Electricity, Harappa Learning, TCS. etc. <p>The Director, Research has deliberated the details of MoUs signed by University for better progress of University in terms of various activities viz., research, training etc. The same has been noted by the team.</p>	Noted
<p>17.7.1: Addition of new Built-up Area during FY 2020-21</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 17.7.1 (Annexure 18)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The Total Built Area (in Sq.M) across the campuses is as follows: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Visakhapatnam Main Campus : 2,98, 246 Sq.M ○ Visakhapatnam GIMSR Campus : 1,29,674 Sq.M ○ Hyderabad Campus : 76, 483 Sq.M ○ Bengaluru Campus : 1,26,813 Sq.M ○ The augmentation was done with approval of competent authorities 	Noted

<p>The infrastructure augmentation details has been shared and noted.</p>	
<p>17.7.2: New IT Infrastructure added to augment online learning during FY 2020-21 Note on Agenda Item 17.7.2 (Annexure 19)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ New IT Services like Cloud subscription, Automation software , ○ Examination software etc., have been added to strengthen the existing ○ infrastructure to a tune of Rs. 135 Lakhs ○ These include Zoom Licences, Grammarly, Turnitin, G-Suite etc., <p>The Director, IT has deliberated the new IT services that came into the system for better governance and the same has been noted.</p>	<p>Noted</p>
<p>17.7.3 : Implementation of Faculty Laptop Scheme and number of Laptops procured Note on Agenda Item 17.7.3 (Annexure 20)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The Scheme was introduced in August 2, 2020 ○ No. of Faculty availed the scheme: 725 ○ Company make : DELL, APPLE <p>The initiative taken up by the University has been shared by Chief technology officer and noted.</p>	<p>Noted</p>
<p>17.7.4 : Usage of ICT Tools for Teaching – Learning Process viz., Grammarly, Zoom Note on Agenda Item 17.7.4 (Annexure 21)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Zoom Licences Subscribed : 1,500 ○ Grammarly Licences Subscribed: 20,000 ○ Turnitin Licences Subscribed : 9,950 <p>The Director, Digital has shared the various subscriptions made by University and same has been noted.</p>	<p>Noted</p>
<p>17.8.1: Report on the Activities of Venture Development Center for the AY 2020 – 21 Note on Agenda Item 17.8.1 (Annexure 22)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Registered as a Section 8 Company under Indian Companies Registration Act, 2013 	<p>Noted</p>

<p>The Dean, VDC has deliberated the various activities conducted by the VDC team and was appreciated by the team.</p>	
<p>17.8.2 : Planning for Student Induction Program for newly admitted student as per AICTE/UGC Guidelines Note on Agenda Item 17.8.2 (Annexure 23)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ As per UGC/AICTE Guidelines, 3 Week Induction Training Programme need to be organized for the Fresh students ○ Schedule for First year Engineering Students : 20 Sept., 2021 ○ Schedule for First year Management Students : UG : 20 Sept., 2021 ○ PG : 09 Sept., 2021 ○ Schedule for Other Students : 29 Sept., 2021 <p>The Director, A&R has shared the schedules of the Student Induction Program and the same has been noted.</p>	<p>Noted and recommended for follow up</p>
<p>17.8.3: Re - orientation of Mentor - Mentee System Note on Agenda Item 17.8.3 (Annexure 24)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Though Mentor – Mentee system is available, as per the new scheme, the same mentor will continue up to completion of duration of the Programme ○ It helps in the continuous monitoring and retrieval of data ○ Ease of parent Communication ○ Affinity between the Mentor – Mentee gets established for a longer time <p>The Director, A&R has shared the Mentor – Mentee System, suggested for implementation, and approved.</p>	<p>Placed forward for implementation</p>
<p>17.8.4: Summary of Placement Details for the year 2020-21 Note on Agenda Item 17.8.4 (Annexure 25)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Total Placements : 3426 ○ No. of Companies Visited : 373 ○ Minimum Package Offered : 1.8 Lakhs ○ Median package Offered : 3.42 Lakhs ○ Highest Package Offered : 32 Lakhs 	<p>Noted</p>

<p>The Assistant Dean, GCGC has shared the Placement progress of the University and the members appreciated the efforts taken by GCGC to improve the career progress of students.</p>	
<p>17.9.1: Extension of Approval for the various Programmes governed by Statutory Regulatory agencies for the AY 2021-22 Note on Agenda Item 17.9.1 (Annexure 26)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Total Programmes : 122 (63 UG + 59 PG) ○ Statutory Approvals by AICTE : Yes ○ Statutory Approvals by BCI : Yes ○ Statutory Approvals by PCI : Yes ○ Statutory Approvals by COA : Yes ○ Statutory Approvals by NMC : Yes ○ Statutory Approvals by NCI : Yes <p>The Director, A &R has shared the various approvals of the University for the Academic year 2021-22 and the same has been noted by the members.</p>	<p>Noted</p>
<p>17.9.2: Updation of the ERP Portal for HR Management – Darwinbox Note on Agenda Item 17.9.2 (Annexure 27)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ An Exclusive HR Module has been added in the GITAM ERP ○ Facilitates automation of various process of HR ○ Integration is in Progress <p>The Director, IT has deliberated the integration steps for HR Management and studying on the aspects of integration with HRMS of GITAM and members requested for possible integration.</p>	<p>Noted and follow up is suggested</p>
<p>17.9.3: Revised Performance Appraisal System for Teaching Staff Note on Agenda Item 17.9.3 (Annexure 28)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The revamping of the Performance Appraisal System is based on the UGC Guidelines ○ Will come in to effect from AY 2020 – 21 <p>The Director, A&R has discussed on the revised Performance Appraisal system that was implemented for Faculty and the members have appreciated the same.</p>	<p>Noted</p>

<p>17.9.4: Revised Performance Appraisal System for Non-Teaching Staff Note on Agenda Item 17.9.4 (Annexure 29)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ New Proforma is prepared for capturing the Performance of NT Staff ○ Will come in to effect from AY 2021 – 22 <p>The Director, A & R has also discussed on the PRS for non-teaching staff and the same has been noted.</p>	Noted
<p>17.9.5: Performance in National and International Ranking Note on Agenda Item 17.9.5 (Annexure 30)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Under University Category, GITAM is ranked at 67 (71 in NIRF 2020) ○ Under THE Rankings ○ THE World University Ranking : 1201+ ○ THE Asia University Ranking : 451 + ○ THE Young University Ranking : 451 + ○ THE Subject Ranking (Physical Sciences) :1001 + ○ THE Emerging Economies Ranking : <p>The Director, A&R has placed the various ranking adorned to the University by various agencies and the same has been appreciated for the efforts made by the team. One of the member has suggested for comparative table for previous rankings to plan strategy plan for coming years. The same was noted and appreciated for the suggestion.</p>	Noted and suggestions were taken for implemntation
<p>17.10.1: Green Practices during the year 2020-21 and their impact on campus Green Practices during AY 2020-21 Note on Agenda Item 17.10.1 (Annexure 31)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Installed capacity of Solar Power Plant : 1540 KVA ○ Solar Power generated : 12,62,233 Units ○ Total Power Consumed : 35,41,552 Units ○ Percentage of savings : 35 % <p>The Green Practices adopted the University towards SDGs was shared and appreciated by the members for</p>	Noted

<p>the actions taken in saving Conventional Power requirements of University.</p>	
<p>17.10.2: Initiation of “The Changemaker Series” – the one that aims to bring dynamic insights from national and global leaders Note on Agenda Item 17.10.2 (Annexure 32)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Initiated in April 2021 ○ Aims to bring dynamic insights from National and Global leaders ○ and bring in positive changes in the stakeholders of GITAM ○ URL : https://changemakers.gitam.edu/ ○ So far 05 Activities @ 1 activity per month <p>The Director, Kautilya School of Public Policy has shared the activities and initiatives of the school and members appreciated the efforts.</p>	<p>Noted</p>
<p>17.10.3: GITAM’s role in COVID Management Note on Agenda Item 17.10.3 (Annexure 33)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ During the first peak of COVID – 19 pandemic itself, GIMSR was recognized as Covid Nodal Hospital ○ More than 3000 patients were admitted and treated ○ RTPCR Lab was established as per Govt. Guidelines ○ Oxygen Plant was launched under support from M/s Divi’s Laboratories <p>GITAM has played a key role during COVID and nominated as Nodal Center and the Fleet has showered flowers for the GIMSR. The members appreciated the same for societal care and concern of the team during crisis.</p>	<p>Noted</p>
<p>17.11.1: Revamping of “Centre for Internal Quality Assurance (CIQA)”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ CIQA is revamped based on the latest UGC Guidelines ○ The new CIQA will initiate activities for the CDL soon <p>The Director, A&R has stated the need of CIQA and suggested for approving the same by the Management and was noted.</p>	<p>Noted with request to Management for plan of action</p>

<p>17.11.2: AICTE Approval for ODL/OL Programmes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ For the MBA and MCA Programmes offered through ODL & OL, the AICTE approval has been obtained for the first time ○ Subsequent UGC Approval through DEB was also obtained <p>The AICTE Approval for the ODL/OL was shared and the same was noted</p>	Noted
<p>17.11.3: Annual Approval by DEB-UGC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The Annual Approval for the ODL & OL Programmes offered by CDL for the AY 2021-22 have been obtained <p>The Annual Approval for Distance Programmes was approved and the same has been placed for information to the team.</p>	Noted
<p>17.12: Any other points.</p> <p>It was suggested by the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor on preparing the reports of various activities under different NAAC Criteria by the Directorate in light of NAAC Accreditation Process. The same has been agreed and noted by the team.</p>	Noted and follow up in progress



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ACTION TAKEN REPORT FOR THE MINUTES OF THE 18TH MEETING OF THE IQAC HELD AT 04:00 PM ON MONDAY, THE 13TH DECEMBER, 2021

The Action Taken Report and follow up process for the 18th Meeting of IQAC for the 2021-22 is furnished in the below table.

Description of the Minutes	Action Taken Report
<p>18. 1: Confirmation of the minutes of the 17th meeting of IQAC Note on Agenda Item 18.1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Meeting was held on 28th September, 2021 (Monday) through Zoom • The various agenda items have been mapped to the NAAC Criteria and accordingly the items were presented & discussed • GITAM's role in COVID Management at Visakhapatnam City was highlighted <p>The minutes of the IQAC held on 28th September, 2021 have been circulated and presented among the members and the same has been approved.</p>	<p>Minutes were prepared and communicated</p>
<p>18.2.1: Submission of the minutes of the previous meeting(s) of the Academic Council Note on Agenda Item 18.2.1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The 20th & 21st Meeting of the Academic Council were held on 11-06 -2021 and 17-09-2021 respectively. • The major agenda items considered for Approval include Introduction of B.Sc. Quantum computing, Master of Public policy, Credit Transfer to Swayam Courses, in addition to, updates in the curriculum and syllabi of all the programmes • The minutes are presented. <p>The Director, Academic Affairs have presented the key insights of the minutes of the Academic Council and the same have been noted by the team.</p>	<p>Noted</p>

18.2.2: Implementation of Relative Grading from AY 2021 - 22

Note on Agenda Item 18.2.2

- Hitherto, GITAM was practicing absolute grading and starting from AY 2021-22, decided to practice relative grading
- Relative grading relies on statistical system to plot the marks of each student on a curve and is based on overall performance of the class which decides the boundaries for how grades are assigned
- The class average mark (μ) is taken as the midpoint of 'B+ (Good)' grade, and relative to this and depending on the sigma (σ , standard deviation) value, the other grades are finalized
- It is relatively a popular and well established mode of assessment practiced in leading Universities

The Director, Academic Affairs has deliberated on the Relative Grading System being implemented from AY 2021-22 and highlight the importance of the system in assessing the performance of students. The efforts made by them were appreciated.

Noted

18.2.3: Revised Academic Regulations as per NEP (for UG Programmes)

Note on Agenda Item 18.2.3

- Fully flexible CBCS
- Flexible Credit System
- More choices to the students w.r.t. the choice of Course, Schedule, Teacher, etc.,
- Withdrawl from a course, term etc., are made possible

The Director, Academic Affairs has deliberated the revised Academic regulations as per NEP implementation. It was shared to the members that the revised regulations will facilitate fully flexible CBCS system and student can chose his own courses of his choice and continue his learning skill in acquiring knowledge. The team noted the Academic Regulations insights and appreciated.

Noted

18.2.4: Introduction of Department Level – All Stake Holders Advisory Committee (DSAC)

Note on Agenda Item 18.2.4

Follow up action in progress

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This Advisory committee would comprise of a minimum of two representatives of all the stake holders viz., Student, Faculty, Alumni, Parents, Employer, Industry etc., • This committee would evaluate the attainment of Vision, Mission, Programme outcomes and other objectives of the Dept. by providing periodical inputs • At least one meeting of DSAC would be conducted in every semester by the respective Dept. <p>The Director, A&R has put forward the importance of Department Level – All Stake Holders Advisory Committee in light of NBA Accreditation and requested the Hon’ble Vice Chancellor to permit the same for further follow up of the Proposal.</p>	
<p>18.2.5: Assigning Additional Responsibilities of Academic Audit to the Programme Committee Note on Agenda Item 18.2.5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In the revised regulation, it is understood that a Course Committee, Programme Committee and School Committee are constituted and the functions are well defined • As a part of Quality Assurance, the Course Plan, Course File, Question papers, Answer sheets etc., need to be audited periodically • This would be a best practice and it fetches more marks in the Accreditation process by NBA • The Audit would essentially ensure the attainment of outcomes (Both COs and POs) <p>The Director, A&R has proposed the idea of assigning responsibilities of Academic Audit to Programme Committee, which was constituted by GITAM. The same was noted by the team and requested for further follow up of the process.</p>	<p>Follow up action in progress</p>
<p>18.2.6: Integration of SDGs into the Regular Curriculum Note on Agenda Item 18.2.6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As Universities are expected to focus on the well rounded personality development of the students, one major 	<p>Follow up action in progress for implementation</p>

<p>aspect is to understand how to co-exist in this Planet with minimum disturbance to the nature.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In this context, several leading Universities have started integrating the United Nations' SDGs in the Curriculum and hence, it is requested the same can be explored in our Academic Curriculum also • Though it is a long process, it would be appropriate to initiate the process now <p>The Director, A&R has placed in the meeting regarding the integration of SDGs into Regular Curriculum. It was deliberated among the members the importance of SDGs in the current era and the same was approved for implementation in due course of time.</p>	
<p>18.3.1: Admissions across various programmes Note on Agenda Item 18.3.1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In spite of Covid Crisis, GITAM as a University has attracted a good number of students through its policies, quality initiatives, teaching learning process, placement record etc., • The number of students admitted for AY 2021-22 is 7865 across four campuses • It stands testimony to our existence • For the AY : 2022-23, the Admission Brochure has been released and the process is set to begin <p>The Admissions across various programmes is GITAM was presented to the team and there is a 23% YoY growth of the students admissions and the same has been appreciated. It was also informed that the admissions process for AY 2022-23 is started and same was noted.</p>	Noted
<p>18.3.2: Various Scholarships offered to Students Note on Agenda Item 18.3.2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The SDG 10 talks about reduced inequalities. Accordingly, GITAM has introduced several scholarship schemes to woo quality students and support the weaker students. • For the AY 2021-22, GITAM has offered scholarships to an amount of 	Noted

<p>Rs.17.5 Crores to 1770 number of students</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In Addition, GITAM students have been awarded various Govt. Scholarships including UGC, AICTE and respective state govt. fellowships for their students (AICTE has awarded 260 scholarships to an amount of Rs. 7.8 Crores) <p>The various scholarships offered to students under different schemes were informed to the members. Also it is informed that AICTE and other statutory bodies were offering scholarships for meritorious students and requested to popularise during admission campaign and may be placed in GITAM website for wide coverage. The same was placed for approval by the Vice Chancellor.</p>	
<p>18.3.3: Successful Deployment of Moodle Note on Agenda Item 18.3.3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moodle – an open source software has been tailor made to take care of GITAM LMS requirements. • Moodle is deployed over the Cloud environment and hence scalability is easier • Currently, 20939 users are active in GITAM Moodle • The usage statistics are shown. <p>The usage statistics of Moodle software, an online Learning Management System were shared among the members and the same have been appreciated for its effective usage.</p>	<p>Noted and statistics were placed for record</p>
<p>18.3.4: Statistics on the usage of Coursera courses by our students and faculty Note on Agenda Item 18.3.4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GITAM has subscribed for Coursera licenses of around 20,000 + • Currently , the usage is found to be 125%, which is a justification for our action • 90% of Coursera registrations are found to be based on their individual interest and non mandatory <p>The GITAM has subscribed to Coursera for enhancing the skills of the faculty, staff and students. Also the statistics reveal that more than 125% utilization is</p>	<p>Noted and placed for record</p>

<p>observed which was a positive stand for the University towards online learning practices.</p>	
<p>18.4.1: Research Promotion Policy (Version 3.0) Note on Agenda Item 18.4.1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In line with the current requirements of GITAM, the Research promotion policy is revised and hence, Version 3.0 of the policy is implemented w.e.f. 01 July 2021 • The major items include revision in the cash incentives, change in the research publication requirements w.r.t. performance appraisal etc., <p>The Director, Research has deliberated the key insights of Research Policy which include incentive to faculty for scholastic publications to an extent of one lakh which shows the efforts of Management for quality research in view of its Vision. The Policy is effective from July, 2021 and will certainly inspire faculty for better quality research. The same has been appreciated by the members.</p>	<p>Policy was updated in website</p>
<p>18.4.2: Workshops/Seminars conducted for Ph.D. Scholars Note on Agenda Item 18.4.2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As a part of the initiatives in improving the research performance / research outcomes, the Directorate of Research and Consultancy has organized several workshops and seminars and the details are provided in the attachment • More than 30 such programmes have been organized mostly in Research Methodology, IPRs etc., <p>The Director, Research has placed on the record that more 30 Workshops were organized for the Research Scholars to aim at better research quality in their chosen works. The initiatives that were taken by the Research Office were appreciated by the members.</p>	<p>Noted</p>
<p>18.4.3: Research outcomes statistics Note on Agenda Item 18.4.3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The major research outcomes are presented <p>The Director, Research has placed in the meeting the statistics of various research activities viz., projects,</p>	<p>Noted and placed for record</p>

<p>publications across different institutes in GITAM. There are around 89 projects proposals worth of Rs.3784 lakhs were submitted during AY 2021-22 and are in pipeline. The total publications was 1525 as reported by the Researgence team and still counting. The progress made in this direction was well appreciated by the members.</p>	
<p>18.4.4: Proposal to establish “Central Instrumentation Centre” for Research Note on Agenda Item 18.4.4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In order to strengthen the Research Infrastructure and to provide a centralized facility for all the Research Scholars, faculty and Students, it is proposed to establish a “ Central Instrumentation Center” by GITAM <p>The Director, Research has deliberated the importance of the agenda item and plans were made to establish the facility to augment for better research culture across multiple disciplines under a central lab. The efforts needed to establish were discussed for effective implementation.</p>	<p>Follow up action was requested to Director, Research</p>
<p>18.4.5: Status of Ph.Ds Awarded as on date and uploaded in Shodhganga Note on Agenda Item 18.4.5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No. of Ph.D’s Awarded in 2020-21 : 157 While GITAM has awarded 663 Ph.D degrees so far, the data available @ Shodhganga is Only 510 Hence, our librarian has been requested to upload the remaining Ph.D. Theses in the Shodhganga Web portal, as it is an important criteria in the NIRF Ranking <p>The Director, A&R has informed that the number of Ph.Ds awarded in 2020-21 was 157. However, the total Ph.Ds awarded was 663 and when viewed in Shodhganga it was 510 with a difference of 153. Therefore, it was requested to assign the responsibility to Librarian to pursue the matter in light of NIRF Rankings. The same was noted.</p>	<p>Noted</p>
<p>18.5.1: Initiated various Audit processes with respect to Green Audit, Energy Audit and Environment Audit. Note on Agenda Item 18.5.1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Annual Energy Audit and Certification (Regular Electrical Loads, Power Factor 	<p>Noted for follow up and action by GITAM Management</p>

<p>Compensation, Harmonics Suppressors, Surge Absorbers etc.)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual Green Energy Audit and Certification (Solar power, Biogas plant etc.) • Green Building Certification for all the buildings across all campuses (Leeds Certificate, IGBC Certificate, etc.) • Campus Environment Audit and Certification (Our best Coexistence with nature) • Efforts to make our campus "Carbon Neutral" and Certification for the same (Including Computation of Carbon Quota) • Audit on "Flora & Fauna" in all our Campuses and Certification for the same • Certification for Solid waste management • Certification for Liquid waste management • Certification for E-Waste management • Efforts to make our campus "Zero Discharge Campus" and Certification for the same • Audit on Water Usage & Reusage and certification for the same <p>The Director, A&R has deliberated the importance of various Audit process required for GITAM in terms of Energy, Green Metrics and Environment. It was also informed that discussions were made with vendors for supporting the process under the leadership Sri. B. R. Meena and positively would be done on priority. These Audits will augment GITAM in QS THE Impact Ranking and best practices adopted.</p>	
<p>18.5.2: Upgradation of Mess with state of the art smoke free kitchen</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 18.5.2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As GITAM is aspiring to become carbon neutral campus, several initiatives including low carbon energy usage is proposed • In this connection, the central mess facilities / kitchen facilities of our student hostel would be converted in to Smoke Free Kitchen (Currently installed in GIMSR Hostel) 	Noted

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This will also ensure that GITAM as an organization ensures responsible consumption and production <p>The Director, A&R has placed in the meeting the recent initiatives related to carbon neutrality in campus and informed that GITAM is on the pursuit of achieving environment ambience with best green practices. The team appreciated the efforts.</p>	
<p>18.5.3: Proposal for enhancing High Performance Computing infrastructure Note on Agenda Item 18.5.3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In order to promote High end research, the IT services of GITAM is contemplating in introducing " High Performance Computing Machines " which would be utilized by all the faculty members and research scholars • The users can have access from their office location and they will get connected to high end computing machines, which would make computation much easier and simpler. Researchers need not wait for several days and hours to complete the complex computations <p>The Chief Technology Officer has informed to the members that survey in form of Questionnaire was made among the stakeholders of GITAM on the requirements of High Performance Computing Environment. The Statistics were shown to the members and said that the requirements were being summarised for establishing the IT Infrastructure by the month end and will be submitted to Management for approval and implementation.</p>	<p>Noted and requested CTO to follow it up</p>
<p>18.5.4: Enhancement of Internet bandwidth for GITAM campuses to 10 Gbps Note on Agenda Item 18.5.4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No. of Access points have been increased from 270 to 730+ • The total capacity of Internet bandwidth of all the four campuses has been increased to 10 Gbps • This would accelerate and support our Teaching Learning processes to a greater extent, as GITAM is migrating to more blended learning including the usage of Coursera 	<p>Noted</p>

<p>The Chief Technology Officer has informed to the members that the internet bandwidth had been enhanced to 3Gbps across three campuses viz., VSP, HYD and BLR reaching to near 10Gbps and able to support the internet requirements of 20,000+ users at higher speed. It helps in effective planning of Blended Learning and online classes that would facilitate better teaching learning delivery model.</p>	
<p>18.6.1: New Initiatives by Student Life activities and their progress Note on Agenda Item 18.6.1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A new student e-magazine viz., "Crescendo" has been published by the Directorate of Student Life • It is fully governed by Student Volunteers and supported by faculty mentors • New student clubs and chapters of Professional Societies have also been established to enhance the skill requirement needed by the industry <p>The Director, Student Life has informed about various initiatives taken up by Student Life to improve the inherent skills of the student. The magazine "Crescendo" published was appreciated by the members. A detailed note was placed in the meeting about various clubs handled by Student Life and the same was noted by the team.</p>	<p>Noted and available in website</p>
<p>18.6.2: Online e -Mentoring App Development and Usage (Mentor – Mentee) Note on Agenda Item 18.6.2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A new mobile App viz., eMpact has been introduced into the GITAM system through which the Mentor – Mentee system of efficacy is ensured. • The objectives include : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Identify career paths ○ Develop student's personal growth ○ Develop ability to make ethical and informed decisions ○ Guide students in developing professional networking skills etc., <p>The Assistant Dean, GCGC has deliberated on the recent initiative taken up by GCGC for Mentor – Mentee through eMpact. Suitable mentors were identified to support students in various activities of their career progression and the efforts were appreciated by the</p>	<p>Noted and functional</p>

<p>team. Further, Director – A&R suggested that the ratio of Mentor – Mentee should be made feasible at 1:15 for handholding the students that good yield best results. The same was noted and requested for possible arrangement in due course of time.</p>	
<p>18.6.3: AICTE Internship Portal Registration and MOU's to be signed Note on Agenda Item 18.6.3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All the three campuses have been registered with the AICTE Internship portal • AICTE is also providing online internship to the students through a web portal "Internshala" • This will act us a link between the industry and students through the Institute • Each campus should have a minimum of 05 exclusive MoUs for Internships with industries, for our students during vacation slot <p>The Director A&R has informed the members that as per AICTE Internship Policy, five MoUs need to signed with Industries and accordingly GITAM has submitted the same for AICTE. However, the Assistant Dean, GCGC requested to look in to this aspect at Institute \ Dept. Level for better engagement. The suggestion was noted and kept forward to follow it up from GCGC as well which is mandatory requirement for AICTE Approval Process and GCGC has good connect with organisations that offer Placements and Internship. Therefore, requested the team to encourage MoUs with industry engagement.</p>	<p>Follow up action is initiated</p>
<p>18.6.4: Alumni Engagement Note on Agenda Item 18.6.4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As Alumni engagement is one of the important NAAC Criteria, the role played by various alumni chapters of GITAM need to be captured and recorded • Similarly, the participation of Alumni and contribution of Alumni need to be captured • A report need to be prepared w.r.t the contribution of Alumni over the years for the development of GITAM as their Alma matter 	<p>Requested Alumni Affairs Dept. to follow it up.</p>

<p>The Director, External Relations has informed the members about various activities of Directorate and its plans for better Alumni engagement. It was also informed that GITAM has Alumni Associations at Dept. Level and suggested that Alumni Association at University\ Campus will facilitate better Alumni engagement. Steps are being take care of in making the Alumni chapters active and getting ready for Alumni Home Coming Event, conducted every year in GITAM from last two years. The progress made was appreciated and noted.</p>	
<p>18.7.1: PRS for Administrators (KPMG consultancy) Note on Agenda Item 18.7.1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A new "Performance Review System" has been introduced with support of KPMG Consultants • The major features of the new PRS scheme has been disseminated through a meeting chaired by the President and Vice Chancellor <p>The Director A&R has informed to the members that the Management has taken initiative to implement PRS system for Administrators with the support of KPMG Consultancy and will be implemented shortly. This system will able to asses Administrators at different perspectives based on the roles and responsibilities. The members appreciated the initiatives of GITAM.</p>	Noted
<p>18.7.2 : Participation in NIRF Subject wise Rankings Note on Agenda Item 18.7.2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As per the directions of the Management and Vice Chancellor, it has been decided to participate in 08 Categories of NIRF Ranking 2022 • Till NIRF 2021, we have been participating only in Overall and University category • The eight categories include Architecture, Engineering, Law, Management, Overall, Pharmacy, Research and University <p>The Director A&R has informed to the members that GITAM has been participating in NIRF Ranking at Overall \ University category since 2017 and this time it was decided to go for Individual subject rankings</p>	Noted and Preparation is progress

<p>viz., Architecture, Engineering, Law, Management, Overall, Pharmacy, Research and University and the same has been approved by the members for better reputation of GITAM.</p>	
<p>18.7.3: Submission of AQAR 2019-20 Note on Agenda Item 18.7.3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The AQAR for AY 2019 – 20 has been successfully submitted and acknowledgement has also been received from NAAC Office • This Directorate is preparing the AQAR for 2020 - 21 which need to be submitted before 01st February, 2022 • Now, the AQAR format is also revised and it is in alignment with NAAC parameters <p>The Director A&R has informed to the members that the Office of A & R has submitted the AQAR for the AY 2019-20 and in process of submitting the AQAR for 2020-21 by end of January, 2021 which is mandatory requirement for NAAC SSR Submission due on March, 2022. It is to be noted that NAAC has revised the AQAR format in similar fashion of SSR parameters submission and accordingly data is being made ready for submission.</p>	<p>Submitted and placed for record</p>
<p>18.7.4: Internal ISO Audit and preparedness for external audit by TUV SUD Note on Agenda Item 18.7.4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The ISO Internal Audit for all the four campuses have been successfully completed by 31st October 2021 • Earlier, a two day training programme was organized to the identified ISO Auditors of all the four campuses, in four batches and appreciation certificates have been awarded • In line with the TUV norms, the external ISO Audit is planned to be conducted during 1st \ 2nd Week of February 2022 <p>The Director A & R has informed that Internal ISO Audit was conducted by Internal Auditors and the external ISO Audit due on Feb, 2022 and will be planned accordingly as per the norms of ISO TUV SUD Quality Management System. The same has been noted.</p>	<p>Noted</p>

<p>18.7.5: Proposal for Academic and Administrative Audit (AAA) during Jan, 2022 Note on Agenda Item 18.7.5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is proposed to organize AAA during the first week of Jan 2022 • It has been planned to invite external experts for the AAA • This would be a supporting document for the ensuing NAAC Accreditation Process <p>The Director A&R has informed that the Office of A & R is planning to organize Academic and Administrative Audit by inviting external experts to Audit the Depts as per NAAC guidelines and would support the NAAC Assessment process for better grading of GITAM.</p>	<p>Noted and follow up action is initiated</p>
<p>18.7.6: " Skill Enhancement Programme " for Non-Teaching Staff Note on Agenda Item 18.7.6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As a part of overall quality enhancement, it is proposed to organize special skill development programmes for the non teaching \ supporting staff of GITAM • Based on this committee approval, the Directorate of HR will be requested to organize such kind of programme in the future <p>The Director A & R has proposed to conduct Skill Enhancement Programme for Non- Teaching Staff to nurture their skills for better office management. The request was approved by the members and placed to Hon'ble Vice Chancellor for assigning the responsibility to HR to initiate the process.</p>	<p>Forwarded to HR Dept. to follow it up.</p>
<p>18.7.7: Identification of the respective departments for Championing the SDGs Note on Agenda Item 18.7.7</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Before integrating the SDGs in to the curriculum, it has been decided to identify and map the relevant Department to a SDG, so that they can champion the cause of the same • In this way, we can improve the achievements of GITAM in terms of UN SDGs • The approximate mapping is presented <p>The Director A & R has deliberated on the task of Championing the SDGs to various relevant</p>	<p>Action plan is in preparation</p>

<p>Departments and the same was approved and suggested for implementation by the members.</p>	
<p>18.8.1: Participation in THE IMPACT Ranking Note on Agenda Item 18.8.1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GITAM has participated in "THE Impact Rankings" for the first time and submitted data for the following UN SDGs - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 17 – Partnership for the Goals ▪ 03 – Good Health and Well being ▪ 06 – Clean Water and Sanitation ▪ 07 – Affordable and Clean Energy ▪ Submitted on 26th November, 2021 ▪ Results will be published during 2nd Week of April 2022 <p>The Director A & R has informed to the members that GITAM has submitted data for THE IMPACT Rankings for UN SDGs and results will be published by April 2022. The same was noted by the team.</p>	<p>Noted</p>
<p>18.8.2: Participation in UI Green Metric Ranking Note on Agenda Item 18.8.2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GITAM has participated in the "UI Green Metric World University Rankings" since 2018 • In 2020, we have been ranked at 533 • Submitted data during October 2021 and the results would be announced on 14 Dec 2021 <p>It was informed to the members that GITAM submitted the data for UI Green Metric Ranking on October and results be published on 14 December 2021 and the exercise helps in identifying the Green practices made by GITAM towards Clean Environment.</p>	<p>Noted</p>
<p>18.8.3: Participation in the Happiness index – QS Agency Note on Agenda Item 18.8.3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Happiness Index is a tool to gain some insights on the level of happiness of "students well-being, engagements in sustainability, and social change projects" thereby enabling institutions to advance these metrics for better outcomes. 	<p>Follow up action is in progress</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This will have a direct bearing on the students' well-being & learning experiences. • Hence, GITAM has decided to participate in this exercise <p>The Director A&R has deliberated on the need of participation of GITAM in Happiness Index and the same was noted and appreciated by the members.</p>	
<p>18.8.4: Establishment of Multi faith Prayer Hall Note on Agenda Item 18.8.4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As GITAM aspires to become a "Top Global University" and is planning to induct more international students to the kitty, it becomes essential to establish a multi faith prayer hall • Upon approval, the Directorate of Student Life will be requested to establish one in GITAM before the Visit of NAAC Committee <p>GITAM is aspiring to be top Global University and in this direction, attempts were made to imbibe foreign nationals in various programmes offered. Therefore, there is a need to establish a Multi faith Hall and the same has been approved and requested Directorate of Student Life to establish the same in each campus.</p>	Submitted for Management and Follow up action in progress
<p>18.8.5: Proposal to initiate International Student club in GITAM Note on Agenda Item 18.8.5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The number of International students admitted in GITAM have been increased from 46 (2018) to 86(2019) to 120(2020) • These international students are from more than 35 countries • Hence, there is a need to establish an International Student Club, which would take care of there needs, across different formats <p>The Director A&R has informed that the Directorate of Foreign Affairs have admitted good number of foreign students across various programmes under different schemes of Govt. and the strength is raising on Year on Year basis. Therefore, it was requested to establish International Student Club that would facilitate a better environment for students. The same was</p>	Proposal sent for Directorate of International Affairs for implementation

<p>approved by the members and placed forward with a request to GITAM Management for establishing the necessary facilities.</p>	
<p>18.8.6: Identification of "Top 200 World University" for Hand Holding and sharing the best Practices of all the 62 departments of GITAM Note on Agenda Item 18.8.6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We are aspiring to become a " Top 100 Global University " by the year 2040 • In order to achieve our target, one of the Best Practices allowed is to identify a " Top Ranked International University " (a Top 200 World University) for " Bench Marking " and " Hand Holding " through various modes of Collaboration, by every department, of this University. • These kind of " Bench Marking Exercise " and " Collaboration " with a top global university, will certainly improve our performance, in terms of Enhancement of " Student Learning Outcomes ", Improvement of " Quality Research Output " & Leverage of Extension Activities, through which substantial contribution to the society could be made • The details of Modes Operandi have already been shared with Director, International Affairs for follow up action <p>The Director A&R has placed to the members the practices to be adopted for reaching the Vision of the University and the suggestions were noted.</p>	<p>Action plan prepared and follow up in progress</p>
<p>18.9.1: Review for ODL programmes Note on Agenda Item 18.9.1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As the next Academic year is fast approaching, the necessary strategies need to be evolved to revive the Programmes offered through ODL and OL. • Already AICTE has made an announcement for the next year Approval Process • In this connection, the sanctioned intake and programmes to be offered need to be decided 	<p>Noted</p>

<p>The Director A&R has discussed on the agenda item and the same was noted.</p>	
<p>18.9.2: Participation in NAAC under University Category</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 18.9.2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The choice of submitting our application for the accreditation by NAAC under University category is available to us, only up to 30th June, 2022 Beyond which, it would be a mandatory requirement to submit our application only in "Dual Mode Category" <p>The Director A&R has shared the information on the above agenda item for record and necessary follow up and the same was noted.</p>	<p>Noted</p>
<p>18.10: Any other item.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Director A&R has shared the comparative statement of Rankings of GITAM in year 2020 and 2021 as requested in earlier IQAC meeting for information and record. 	<p>Noted</p>



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ACTION TAKEN REPORT FOR THE MINUTES OF THE 19TH MEETING OF THE IQAC HELD AT 03:00 PM ON THURSDAY, THE 31ST MARCH 2022

The Action Taken Report and follow up process for the 19th Meeting of IQAC for the 2021-22 is furnished in the below table.

Description of the Minutes	Action Taken Report
<p>19.1 : Confirmation of the Minutes of 18th meeting of IQAC and Action Taken Report Note on Agenda Item 19.1 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ The Meeting was held on 13th December, 2021❖ The Various agenda items have been mapped to NAAC Criteria and were presented & discussed❖ The Minutes of the meeting have been circulated and got approved	<p>The minutes has been approved and Action Taken Report was noted.</p>
<p>19.2.1: Programmes to be offered for the Academic year 2022-23 Note on Agenda Item 19.2 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ List of programmes offered during Academic year 2022 - 23<ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ UG Programmes – 55❖ PG Programmes – 59❖ Programmes need be approved by Statutory Councils and in process.	<p>The programmes were noted and awaiting for Approval from AICTE,BCI, etc.</p>
<p>19.2.2 : Stakeholder's Feedback (Collection, Analysis and Action Taken Report) Note on Agenda Item 19.2.2 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ Online Feedback is collected, analyzed and Actions are taken on the Feedback periodically, for all the stakeholders viz.,<ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ Students❖ Parents❖ Employers❖ Non teaching Staff❖ Alumni❖ These reports are made available in the Institute Website	<p>Stakeholder's Feedback provision was made available online in the GITAM website</p> <p>The analysis & action taken report was noted.</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Sample URL for Feedback : https://s.surveyplanet.com/s6tksvej 	
<p>19.2.3: Participation of Faculty members in Universal Human Values (UHV) - AICTE Note on Agenda Item 19.2.3 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Introduced UHV Course in all the Curriculums, as mandated by AICTE ❖ The UHV Course Teachers have been nominated for various FDPs in order to gather the required knowledge and skills, for appropriate transmission to GITAM Students (approx. 125 GITAM Faculty have been trained so far.) ❖ As an unique initiative, for all the UHV courses, the SFR of 1 : 20 is maintained through the University 	<p>UHV is made Mandate Course for Students and Faculty.</p> <p>100+ faculty have completed the UHV Program offered by AICTE in order to teach students further under mentor mentee system and further improvement is suggested.</p>
<p>19.2.4 : Dept. Level Stake Holders Advisory Committee (DSAC) - Progress Note on Agenda Item 19.2.4 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The DSAC would evaluate the attainments of Vision, Mission, Programme outcomes and other objectives of the respective Depts. periodically ❖ The minutes of the meeting of DSAC will be shared to Directorate of IQAC for progress review and record. ❖ This need to get executed by the respective Depts. 	<p>The Item was approved by the Management. However, the Title was renamed as "School Level Advisory Committee – SLAC" in place of DSAC.</p> <p>Proceedings were issued by the Registrar for the same for followup.</p>
<p>19.3.1 : Preparedness for Admission process for AY 2022 – 23 and Automation Note on Agenda Item 19.3.1 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The Admission Process for the AY 2022 - 23 have been initiated on 06 January, 2022 and the common entrance examination "GAT 2022" is scheduled during April 11 - 15, 2022 ❖ The results are expected to be published by April 20, 2022 ❖ So far, 11,000 Applications have received for various programmes 	<p>GAT 2022 Examinations has started and response is good and progressive.</p>
<p>19.3.2: Proposed Institute Scholarships offer for the Students of AY 2022 – 23 batch Note on Agenda Item 19.3.2 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Scholarships to be offered for AY 2022 - 23 is about Rs. 3,00,00,000 	<p>The item was noted.</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The Scholarships include : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Merit Scholarships ❖ Need-Based Scholarships ❖ Loyalty Scholarships ❖ Employee Children Scholarships ❖ Sports Scholarships. 	
<p>19.3.3 : Moodle and Coursera (Implementation and Update of Usage Statistics) Note on Agenda Item 19.3.3 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Moodle LMS is Deployed Successfully through AWS Cloud Platform ❖ 2,32,368 Coursera courses have been completed so far ❖ Coursera License utilization is more than 94 % ❖ 21,685 Students and 1,605 Staff members have been successfully using Moodle LMS 	<p>The Statistics were noted and informed that GITAM has been awarded as "2022 Coursera Campus Transformation Outstanding Achievement Award."</p> <p>IT Productivity Tools was made mandate for Freshman.</p>
<p>19.3.4 : e - Content Development by GITAM Faculty Members Note on Agenda Item 19.3.4 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The Directorate of Academic Affairs and Directorate of Digital Learning have been planning to create "web resources" for our students during non class hours ❖ Lecture Capturing System need to be augmented ❖ In view of Govt. Digital University Implementation, e-content planning by Faculty will add value to the GITAM System ❖ All these e-content need to be hosted in GITAM Website 	<p>The item was noted and Plan of action need to be initiated.</p>
<p>19.4.1 : Research Seed Grants to Faculty Members Note on Agenda Item 19.4.1 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Research Seed Grants sanctioned for AY 2021 – 22 : 58 ❖ No. of applications received : 151 (Rejected – 36, Sanctioned : 58, Under Review – 57) ❖ Total Amount Sanctioned for current Year : Rs. 1.12 Crore 	<p>The Statistics were noted and seen improvement.</p>
<p>19.4.2 : Workshop Series related to IPRs Note on Agenda Item 19.4.2 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Series of IPR Workshops conducted for AY 2021 – 22 : 06 ❖ Few Topics include : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Hands on Discussion on IPR 	<p>The details were noted.</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Understanding IPR and Patent Drafting ❖ Knowing Trademarks an important type of IPR ❖ IPR & Copyrights etc., 	
<p>19.4.3 : Research outcomes for AY 2021 – 22, so far Note on Agenda Item 19.4.3 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Ongoing Projects : 24 ❖ New Projects sanctioned in the Last AY :11 worth Rs. 418.27 Lakhs ❖ Ongoing Project Worth : Rs. 1199.06 Lakhs ❖ Scopus h –index : 60 ❖ Total Publications : 13,184 ❖ Patents Published : 03 and Granted : 01 	<p>The Scopus index – 60 and Patents published – 03 were noted and commendable for the efforts.</p>
<p>19.4.4 : Ph.D Admissions for Second Session of AY 2021 -22 Note on Agenda Item 19.4.4 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Ph.D. Admission for the Second Session got announced in February, 2022 ❖ Total No. of Applications Received <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ National – 1671 and NRI/ Foreign - 22 ❖ Total No. of Candidates Qualified for Ph.D. Admission Test : 687 ❖ Total No. of Candidates appearing for Interviews : 1051 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Selection Process is on. 	<p>The Ph.D. Admissions had been completed and moving for the next phase as per the regulations.</p>
<p>19.4.5 : MVVS Murthi Research Fellowship offered to Ph.D. Scholars Note on Agenda Item 19.4.5 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Scholarships offered include – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ FT Candidates without NET/GATE/SLET be entitled for Rs.15,000/- per month ❖ FT Candidates with NET/GATE/SLET be entitled for Rs.20,000/- per month ❖ Junior Research Fellowships : 47 ❖ M V V S Murthi Fellowships : 30 	<p>47 JRFs and 30 M V V S Murthi fellowships were offered and noted.</p>
<p>19.5.1 : Periodical Audit processes with respect to Green Audit, Energy Audit and Environment Audit - Highlights Note on Agenda Item 19.5.1 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Periodical Green, Energy and Environmental Audits have been conducted for the AY 2021 – 22 for all four campuses 	<p>Audit certificates were issued and hosted in the website.</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The reports are made available in the Institute Website ❖ Audit Certificates have also been obtained for all the campuses 	
<p>19.5.2 : High Performance Computing Infrastructure Establishment - Progress Note on Agenda Item 19.5.2 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Budget Approval for HPC has been granted ❖ Specifications for HPC Procurement is also finalized ❖ The purchase process is on 	<p>The process of implementation is at final stage.</p>
<p>19.5.3 : Upgradation of Class Rooms in Phased Manner Note on Agenda Item 19.5.3 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Total Class Rooms Available : 590 ❖ Total Seminar Halls : 116 ❖ Phased Manner Upgradation has been initiated <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Plan for Phase – I : 182 (VSP : 84, HYD : 55, BLR : 43) 	<p>Model Classrooms have be renovated at each campus and further upgradation is in progress.</p>
<p>19.5.4 : Addition of Library Resources and Facilities (to include Usage Statistics) Note on Agenda Item 19.5.4 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ For the AY 2021 - 22, Expenditure on Library Augmentation is Rs. 5,92,89,439.61 ❖ No. of e - Journals procured : 13,281 ❖ No. of e – Books Available in the Library : 30,00,091 ❖ Major Databases include CMIE, NDLI, NPTEL, SWAYAM, Scopus etc., 	<p>The Details have been noted</p>
<p>19.5.5 : IT Initiatives - Audit of IT Assets, G - Incident, G - CCTV, G - Gate Pass etc. Note on Agenda Item 19.5.5 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ As part of the comprehensive e – Governance System establishment at GITAM, the office of CATS had developed software for the record maintenance of <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ G- IT Assets ❖ G-Indent ❖ G-CCTV ❖ G-Gate Pass 	<p>The details are noted and implemented in all the campuses with full functionality.</p> <p>Documentation of various portals is in progress.</p>
<p>19.6.1 : New Initiatives by the Directorate of Student Life Note on Agenda Item 19.6.1 : The initiatives include</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ G-SLAM ❖ We the Students ❖ Udaan ❖ New SIG's <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Aeromodelling Club-Hyderabad 	<p>The initiatives have been noted and appreciated.</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The Debate Society-Hyderabad ❖ Aero Astro Club –Visakhapatnam 	
<p>19.6.2 : Online e -Mentoring App (eMpact for Mentor – Mentee) Note on Agenda Item 19.6.2 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ An online mobile application for mentoring students – eMpact is active ❖ 50% of faculty Mentors have started using eMpact for the Mentor - Mentee System ❖ A Max. of 1: 20 is maintained 	<p>The item is noted & Documentation is in progress.</p>
<p>19.6.3 : Scholarship to Students by Govt. and other Agencies Note on Agenda Item 19.6.3 : The Various Scholarships by Govt. are -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ PMSSS – 08 Students have been admitted under Supernumerary Quota for which the Tuition Fee and Hostel Fee will be paid by MoE, Govt. of India. ❖ AICTE Scholarships for UG Students – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Pragathi, Saksham, Swanath, BSCC, WBCC etc., ❖ 248 PG Scholarships have been sanctioned to GITAM by AICTE with a financial commitment of Rs. 8.3 Crores for Qualified students of GATE/GPAT. ❖ These Students will get a Stipend of INR. 12,400 per month for period of two years from AICTE 	<p>The item details were noted. The SII details were captured along with MoU Copy for record.</p>
<p>19.6.4 : Alumni Engagement Note on Agenda Item 19.6.4 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Strong Alumni Network ❖ Revamped the Alumni portal ❖ Portal URL: https://alumni.gitam.edu/ ❖ My Alumni Network Mobile App Developed for better engagement ❖ Some Activities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Panel Discussion on 'Opportunities after Graduation' Department of Aerospace Engineering ❖ Let's Connect - An Outreach Initiative by Department of Biotechnology 	<p>The details were noted and plans need to be made to strengthen Alumni network</p>
<p>19.6.5 : Activities Conducted by VDC (including start ups, entrepreneurs etc.,) Note on Agenda Item 19.6.5 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The Start ups progress is as follows : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Smart Ideas Received : 166 ❖ Coachable Ideas: 111 ❖ Actively Working : 90 	<p>The VDC activities are progressive and awaiting for approval for incubation centers from Govt. Agencies.</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ VDC 1001 : Venture Development and VDC 111 : Entrepreneurship and Innovation for all the Freshman year Students ❖ Entrepreneurship Activities conducted on regular intervals to nurture students ❖ Participation in ARIIA Ranking from this year 	
<p>19.6.6 : Placement Activities by GCGC (Job offers, Higher Studies, internships etc.,) Note on Agenda Item 19.6.6 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Largest number of Offers : 3560+ ❖ Multiple offers : 1180+ ❖ Career Oriented Sessions organized regularly ❖ MoU's signed to guide students in GRE/MAT/CAT/ Study Abroad/ GATE/PSU ❖ MoU's with Software organizations viz., Capgemini, Virtusa, Huawei, NASSCOM 	<p>Placements are good and 04 MoU's have been made towards other career options and 06 are in pipeline to guide students in higher education and other aspects.</p>
<p>19.7.1 : Revised PRS for Employees (Teaching and Non Teaching)</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 19.7.1 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Improved PRS System for Employees ❖ More weightage for Research Activities ❖ Performance Appraisal upgradation through Relative Grading ❖ Performance Assessed separately across individual Disciplines and Institutes ❖ Performance categorized under 06 categories (0 to 10 Scale) 	<p>Details are noted and is in implementation stage.</p>
<p>19.7.2 : Participation and Submission of data to NIRF under 08 Subject Categories Note on Agenda Item 19.7.2 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ GITAM participated in NIRF 2022 Ranking Exercise under the following <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Overall ❖ Research ❖ University ❖ Engineering ❖ Management ❖ Architecture ❖ Pharmacy ❖ Law ❖ Data Submitted successfully and Verification is in process 	<p>Data Validation and Verification from NIRF Agency is in place with queries and responses. Awaiting for Ranks at each level at the earliest.</p>

<p>19.7.3 : Submission of AQAR 2020 – 21 Note on Agenda Item 19.7.3 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ As part of Annual Exercise, GITAM submitted AQAR for 2020-21 on January 28, 2022 ❖ The Submitted AQAR had been uploaded in Website ❖ Five Year AQAR Submission is Mandatory requirement for NAAC Accreditation 	<p>AQAR's are made available in GITAM website and plan are made for AQAR 21-22 Data capture process.</p>
<p>19.7.4 : ISO Audit Findings - TUV SUD Note on Agenda Item 19.7.4 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ ISO TUV SUD Surveillance Audit was conducted <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ At Visakhapatnam GIMSR Campus – 07 Feb, 2022 ❖ At Visakhapatnam Main Campus – 09 Feb, 2022 ❖ At Hyderabad – 08 Feb, 2022 ❖ At Bengaluru – 08 Feb, 2022 ❖ The Scope was extended to Medical Campus, GIMSR this year ❖ Nil Conformance has been issued. ❖ ISO Audit certificates for all the Four campuses obtained successfully 	<p>Audit Certificates have been issued and the same uploaded in the website.</p>
<p>19.7.5 : IIQA Submitted for NAAC Note on Agenda Item 19.7.5 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Submitted IIQA for NAAC on 11 March, 2022 ❖ First Phase of NAAC Accreditation for Cycle 3 Assessment <p>Academic divisions were restructured with revised nomenclature</p>	<p>The Academic divisions were restructured to 12 Schools and the same is noted. Proceedings were issued with this effect.</p>
<p>19.7.6 : Plan of action for NAAC SSR and Peer Team Visit Note on Agenda Item 19.7.6 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Advisory Committee ❖ Working Committee ❖ Monitoring Committee ❖ SSR Submission Approved by NAAC on 23 March, 2022 ❖ Due date for SSR Submission is on 05 May, 2022 (45 Days) ❖ Regular Meetings were conducted ❖ The entire NAAC Team is putting best efforts for A++ Grade 	<p>Plans were made and approved by the Management for further follow up.</p> <p>NAAC SSR Submitted on 12 May, 2022</p> <p>Preparations for Peer Team Visit is in progress.</p>
<p>19.7.7 : Code of Conduct for Teachers, Non Teaching, Students, Administrators, Professionals etc., Note on Agenda Item 19.7.7 :</p>	<p>The details are noted and the same is made available in the website under</p>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The Code of Conduct for all stakeholders viz., <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Administrators ✓ Other Staff ✓ Students ✓ Teachers <p>have been revised and same is made available in the Institute website</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ A Committee is in place to monitor the same ❖ Periodical Meetings of the monitoring committee are conducted 	<p>mandatory disclosure</p>
<p>19.8.1 : Participation and Submission of data for THE IMPACT Ranking 2022</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 19.8.1 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ GITAM Participated for the first time in THE Impact Ranking ❖ Data was submitted on 26 November, 2021 ❖ The four SDGs chosen by GITAM for participation include SDG 3, SDG 6, SDG 7 and SDG 17 ❖ Results will be announced in 27th April, 2022 	<p>GITAM achieved 401-600 Rank in Times Higher Education Impact Rankings -2022 and appreciated.</p>
<p>19.8.2 : Achievement in UI Green Metric Ranking and Webometrics Ranking</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 19.8.2 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ GITAM has submitted data for UI Green Metric in November, 2021 ❖ GITAM got awarded world ranking # 401 (Result published on December, 2021) - (Last Year GITAM was at # 533) ❖ Webometrics World University Ranking <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ 2373 out of 31,277 World Universities ❖ 114 out of 6048 Universities under South Asia Category ❖ 84 out of 5413 Indian Institutes ❖ 	<p>The achievements were noted and appreciated.</p> <p>Preparations of data for next year UI Rank is in process.</p>
<p>19.8.3 : Submission of data for QS World University Ranking</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 19.8.3 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ GITAM participated in QS World University Ranking and QS Asia Ranking ❖ The Data was submitted in 02 February, 2022 ❖ The Ranking would be announced by June, 2022 ❖ GITAM ranked # 501 - 550 in QS Asia University Ranking 	<p>The achievements were noted and appreciated.</p>

<p>19.8.4 : Submission of data for THE World University Ranking</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 19.8.4 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ GITAM submitted data on 18 February, 2022 for THE 2023 ❖ The rankings will be announced in June, 2022 ❖ GITAM Ranked at 401+ in Asia University & 1201+ in World University 	<p>The item was noted and awaiting for results.</p>
<p>19.8.5 : Gender Equity Measures</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 19.8.5 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ More than 35 % of the students ❖ More than 40 % of the faculty members ❖ More than 45 % of non-teaching staff admitted are women. ❖ More than 25 Girls waiting rooms are provided for the comfort of women students. ❖ A minimum of Five gender equity promotion programs have been organized every year. ❖ All the buildings of this institute and the entire campus are under the surveillance of CCTV camera. ❖ Women Empowerment Cell, Internal complaints committee, Professional Counselors etc are in place, to take care of the various needs of the women. 	<p>The statistics were noted and requested for further improvement.</p>
<p>19.8.6 : Green Energy Usage</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 19.8.6 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ 1560 KWp rooftop solar power plant, through which more than 35 % of energy demand is met. ❖ A fully functional Bio-gas plant is in operation, whose average output is 16 m³ per hour. ❖ GITAM has entered in to an agreement with APEPDCL for wheeling the surplus power generated through rooftop solar power plants available in the campus. ❖ As and when the existing electrical gadgets are worn out most of the gadgets installed are sensor based and because of which energy conservation is ensured. This has been evident through the energy audit report also. <p>In the recent days 4.811 KW LED lighting fixture has been installed, replacing the traditional tube lights and CFL</p>	<p>The details were noted.</p>
<p>19.8.7 : Waste Management</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 19.8.7 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The major solid waste viz., food waste from hostels and canteens, garden waste, recyclable 	<p>The details were noted.</p>

<p>waste, sanitary waste are collected periodically and segregated. The bio-degradable wastes are converted in to vermi compost and used as manure for the garden.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Three sewage treatment plants (STP) with a capacity of 1000 KLD are in place in order to treat the waste water and recycle the same for the garden usage. The physical, chemical and bio-logical characteristics of the treated water are test to ensure the efficacy of the STP. ❖ A well maintained and executed color coded system of the collection & segregation of the bio-medical wastes from GIMSR hospital is in place and the identified 3rd party vendor will ensure the safe disposal of the same. ❖ This institution has identified a Govt. approved 3rd party agency for the collection of all the e-waste generated in the campus and the same is being recycled for various applications. ❖ The usage of plastics inside the campus is strictly prohibited. The other waste like used papers are collected by identified 3rd party vendor for recycling and reusing. <p>The usage of Hazardous chemicals and Radioactive materials are strictly as per the SOP of this institute and the waste are safely disposed off, by the identified and Govt. approved vendor</p>	
<p>19.8.8 : Water Conservation</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 19.8.8 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ A well maintained and efficient Rain water harvesting facility ❖ The borewell ❖ Because of the large volume of students and staff members availability in the campus, adequate number of tanks have been constructed to take care of the essential water needs. ❖ The waste water collected are recycled through 4 STPs and the treated water is used for maintaining a lush green campus. It also ensures the recharge of the ground water. ❖ Technology enhanced water distribution system is made available and sensor based water distribution system is put in place, for efficient usage of water resources. 	<p>The details were noted.</p>

<p>19.8.9 : Green Campus Initiatives (Trees and Plants) Note on Agenda Item 19.8.9 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The University encourages the staff and students to use State Road Transport (APSRTC) ❖ The green ambience in GITAM campus ❖ Vehicle parking space ❖ Single-use plastic items ❖ Landscaping in GITAM 	<p>The Green Initiatives were noted and appreciated.</p>
<p>19.8.10: Barrier Free Campus (Ramps \ Lifts etc.,) Note on Agenda Item 19.8.10 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ GITAM is sensitive towards the Divyangjan students. Therefore, the campus provides lift facilities and ramps are built through the campus to provide convenience and prevent tripping accidents. ❖ Ramps are helpful to push a pallet truck, trolley, or wheel chair over a kerb or step by negotiating just a few inches of height difference. 	<p>The Details were noted and implementation is in progress.</p>
<p>19.8.11: Divyangjan Friendly Washrooms and other Amenities Note on Agenda Item 19.8.11 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Separate disabled friendly washrooms ❖ GITAM provides Assistive technology (AT) for Divyangjan students. ❖ There are some students who have difficulty in taking the examination themselves and need scribes to assist. The college allows the students to take the help of scribes in the examination after due permission from the controller of examinations. 	<p>The facilities were noted and appreciated.</p>
<p>19.8.12 : Cultural Activities in campus Note on Agenda Item 19.8.12 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The cultural activities were taken care by Directorate of Student Life ❖ Good number of Activities were conducted 	<p>Item Details are noted.</p>
<p>19.8.13 : Commemorative Functions Note on Agenda Item 19.8.13 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ GITAM organized various functions every year viz., <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Republic Day Celebrations ❖ National Youth Day/Vivekananda Jayanti ❖ Shivaji Jayanti ❖ National Voters day 	<p>Item and Activity details are noted.</p>

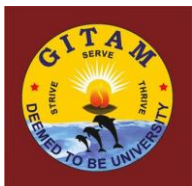
<p>19.9.1 : Review for ODL \ OL Programmes for the AY 2022-23</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 19.9.1 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ As the AICTE Approval for the AY 2022 – 23 has commenced, the decision on the offering of programmes under ODL / OL need to be decided. 	<p>The Management taken decision to drop ODL/OL Programmes and is in process.</p>
<p>19.10 : Any other item, with the permission of the chair</p> <p>Since, there are no other items, The Vice Chancellor has appreciated the efforts made by the A&R (IQAC) and request to plan the necessary arrangements for successful completion of NAAC Accreditation process. Also, it was suggested to make small presentations highlighting the key improvements made by GITAM over Five Years and help for better presentation to NAAC Peer team.</p>	<p>NAAC Peer Team preparations are in process.</p>

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**ACTION TAKEN REPORT FOR THE MINUTES OF THE 20TH MEETING OF THE IQAC HELD
BETWEEN 04:00 PM & 05.30 PM ON FRIDAY, THE 24TH JUNE 2022**

The Action Taken Report for the 20th Meeting of IQAC is furnished in the below table :

Description of the Minutes	Action Taken Report
<p>20.1 : Confirmation of the Minutes of 19th meeting of IQAC and Action Taken Report</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 20.1 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ The Meeting was held on 31 March, 2022❖ The Various agenda items have been mapped to❖ The Minutes of the meeting have been circulated and got approved❖ Enclosed in <u>Annexure - I</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ The minutes of the 19th Meeting of IQAC and Action Taken Report have been circulated to all the members, before the scheduled date of 20th Meeting of IQAC.❖ The members appreciated the promptness of communication and Action Taken on all the Agenda Items
<p>20.2.1: Approval from Statutory Regulatory Agencies for the AY 2022 - 23</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 20. 2.1 :</p> <p>Statutory Bodies Approval Status</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ Engineering - AICTE - In Process❖ Management i.e., MBA - AICTE - In Process❖ Pharmacy - PCI and AICTE - In Process❖ Architecture – COA and AICTE - In Process	<ul style="list-style-type: none">❖ The Approval for all the Programmes offered for the AY : 2022 – 23 have been successfully obtained from the respective regulatory agencies.❖ In addition, a consolidated list of programmes for the AY : 2022 – 23 have been submitted to UGC for its approval.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Law - BCI - Approved ❖ Medicine - NMC - In Process ❖ Nursing - INC - Approved ❖ Physiotherapy - CCP - Approved ❖ Others - UGC - In Process <p>* Current AY : 2021-22 Approvals are made available in the website.</p> <p>❖ Enclosed in <u>Annexure</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ As a best practice the Approval orders have been made available in the University website
<p>20.2.2 : Progress made in the implementation of Fully Flexible CBCS</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 20.2.2 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The fully flexible CBCS is implemented with effect from AY 2021-22 ❖ The students have choice to choose the Courses, Course Teacher, Course Slot, Elective Courses etc. ❖ In addition, the students were given a flexibility to choose the number of credits for registration between 16 and 25 ❖ Some of the students have opted for additional courses to acquire more credits through NPTEL / SWAYAM / Coursera ❖ Enclosed in Annexure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Starting from the AY : 2021 – 22, fully flexible CBCS is implemented with student centric learning and choices for the course, course teacher, course slot etc., ❖ For effective implementation the same has been automated using Moodle LMS
<p>20.2.3 : Introduction of Slotted Time Table from the AY 2022 - 23</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 20.2.3 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The Slotted Time Table is expected to facilitate our students to have more options in the choice of the Category of courses Will be introduced from the AY 2022 -23 ❖ Integrated in Moodle LMS ❖ Enclosed in Annexure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The slotted time table has been introduced and effectively implemented for all the batches of students from the AY : 2022 - 23 ❖ The same is also integrated in the Moodle LMS for the benefit of all the Stakeholders

<p>20.2.4 : Progress in the OBE implementation</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 20.2.4 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ All the programmes offered by GITAM have started practising OBE through well defined PEOs, POs, PSOs, CEOs & COs and they are disseminated to all the Stakeholders ❖ PEO statements are mapped with the mission of the respective schools for all the undergraduate programmes of Schools of Technology, Humanities & Social Sciences and Business. ❖ PO and PSO statements are refined for all the undergraduate programmes and are mapped with the courses in the respective programmes of Schools of Technology, Humanities and Social Sciences and Business for the regulations effective from 2021-22 AY. ❖ Some of the undergraduate programmes of School of Science have also been received. ❖ The PO and PSO statements for the PG programmes of School of Business are made available. ❖ PO attainment calculation for the undergraduate programmes for 2020-21 passed out batches are in progress. ❖ Enclosed in Annexure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The respective Deans of the Schools and Head of the departments have ensured the practice of OBE and the same has been successfully completed. ❖ The Academic departments have also been requested to display the PEOs & POs of their respective programmes in the notice board for better dissemination.
<p>20.2.5 : Mapping of UN - SDGs in to the Curriculum</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 20.2.5 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ In alignment with the International Curriculum, the courses offered at GITAM are also being mapped to the SDGs proposed by UN ❖ In order to nurture our students for well rounded Personality Development, Environment Consciousness, Sustainability, Ethics are introduced in to the Curriculum of all the Programmes ❖ Enclosed in Annexure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The Directorate of Academic Affairs is in the process of mapping the SDGs in to the curriculum.

<p>20.2.6 : Establishment of School Level Advisory Committee (SLAC)</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 20.2.6 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ All the 12 Schools of GITAM have been requested to constitute a School Level Advisory Committee (SLAC) by inducting representatives of all the Stakeholders viz., Students, Teachers, Parents, Alumni, Industries, Employers, Funding Agencies etc., ❖ SLAC is expected to convene at least two meetings per semester and the minutes of the meeting will have to be communicated ❖ Enclosed in Annexure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The Directorate of Academic Affairs has ensured the establishment of SLAC in all the 12 Schools except KSPP ❖ The effective functioning of SLAC is also being monitored
<p>20.2.7 : Salient Discussions in the 22nd and 23rd Academic Council Meeting</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 20.2.7 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The 22nd and 23rd Academic Council meetings were conducted on 01 April 2022 and 17 June 2022 respectively. ❖ The agenda primarily focussed on introduction of new courses and updation of existing syllabus of courses wherever required. ❖ Annexure – Minutes of 22nd AC ❖ Annexure – Minutes of 23rd AC ❖ Enclosed in Annexure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The Director of Academic Affairs has shared the deliberations made in the Academic council Meeting to members and the key outcomes were noted and appreciated for the efforts.
<p>20.2.8 : Participation in Universal Human Values (UHV Courses) - AICTE</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 20.2.8 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ UHV course was offered to the IV semester students of M.Tech, MBA and MCA programmes in the AY 2021-22 ❖ Through our Directorate of Leadership and Training, 150+ Faculty members have so far attended the AICTEs FDP on UHV Programmes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The Director A & R has highlighted the implementation of UHV in the Univesity system. ❖ Accordingly the Director for Leadership & Training have ensured the participation of faculty members for the Mentor programme.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Enclosed in Annexure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The same has been implemented by the Director of Academic Affairs.
<p>20.2.9 : Updates of SWAYAM / NPTEL MOOC courses by GITAM Students</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 20.2.9 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ 1077 GITAM Students have successfully completed NPTEL / SWAYAM Courses during July 2021 – May 2022 and got awarded Certification ❖ GITAM has secured All India # 2 position and # 1 in State of AP, as published by UGC (https://ugc.ac.in/ugc_notices.aspx?id=NDQ4NQ==) ❖ Enclosed in Annexure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The updates on SWAYAM / NPTEL MOOC Courses undertaken by GITAM students have been presented and appreciated by the members.
<p>20.2.10 : Realignment of Vision and Mission of the Schools</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 20.2.10 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ In alignment with the establishment of new schools, the 12 Schools have been requested to prepare the Vision and Mission statements ❖ These statements are being mapped to the Mission statements of GITAM Deemed to be University ❖ Enclosed in Annexure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The realignment has been completed and the same has been made available in the University website for dissemination among the Stakeholders of GITAM system
<p>20.3.1 : Result Analysis of End Semester (Graduands) Examinations 2021 - 22</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 20.3.1 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Pass Percentage of Graduating End Semester Students - ❖ Engineering - 87% ❖ Management - 84% ❖ Architecture - 82% ❖ Pharmacy - 76% ❖ Medicine - In process ❖ Law - In process ❖ Humanities - In process 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The results of End semester examination have been published by the Director of Evaluation and COE. ❖ The improvement in the pass percentage has been noted by the members.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Science - In process ❖ Enclosed in Annexure 	
<p>20.3.2 : Result Analysis of All Semester Examinations during 2021 - 22</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 20.3.2 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Pass Percentage of Semester End Students of All Semesters: ❖ Engineering - In process ❖ Management - In process ❖ Architecture - In process ❖ Pharmacy - In process ❖ Medicine - In process ❖ Law - In process ❖ Humanities - In process ❖ Science - In process ❖ Enclosed in Annexure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The results of all semester examination have been published by the Director of Evaluation and COE. ❖ The improvement in the pass percentage has been noted by the members.
<p>20.3.3 : Moodle and Coursera (Implementation and New Initiatives)</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 20.3.3 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Moodle – the learning management system has been introduced in GITAM and is being used effectively by all Schools excluding the School of Medicine ❖ Coursera has been an integrated part of GITAM for the last 20 months and the adoption has been phenomenal. ❖ Our Coursera utilization has reached 94% with 18887 active learners currently. ❖ Enclosed in Annexure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The initiatives of GITAM for supplementary learning through Moodle and Coursera have been appreciated by the members. ❖ The utilization of Coursera is also appreciated by the members
<p>20.3.4 : Coursera Campus Transformation Outstanding Achievement Award</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 20.3.4 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ “2022 Coursera Campus Transformation Outstanding Achievement Award” for utilization of Coursera Certifications ❖ Enclosed in Annexure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The achievement of GITAM was well appreciated by the members and noted.

20.3.5 : GITAM Admissions (through GAT 2022) for AY 2022 - 23

Note on Agenda Item 20.3.5 :

- ❖ No. of Applications Received so far – More than 26000
- ❖ The Admisssion process is on
- ❖ Enclosed in Annexure

- ❖ The progress made by the Directorate of Admissions w.r.t the numbers are noted and appreciated
- ❖ As the Government agencies have extended the last date, GITAM has also extended the same

20.3.6 : Implementation of AICTE - Parakh Scheme

Note on Agenda Item 20.3.6 :

- ❖ AICTE Parakh Scheme is being implemented by GITAM.
- ❖ Objective is to asses the cognitive skills of the students of Engineering, Management and MCA
- ❖ Data has been uploaded in the web portal and the process is on
- ❖ Enclosed in Annexure

- ❖ The AICTE Parakh scheme is in the process of implementation by the Directorate of Leadership & Training

20.4.1 : Ph.D Admissions

Note on Agenda Item 20.4.1 :

- ❖ No. of Applications received : 1693
- ❖ No. of Candidates shortlisted for interview :1051
- ❖ No. of Candidates qualified for PhD admission : 461
- ❖ No. of Candidates joined PhD program as on 22.06.2022 : 352
- ❖ Enclosed in Annexure

- ❖ The Data pertaining to Admissions shared by Directorate of Research was noted by the members.

20.4.2 : Workshop Series related to IPRs

Note on Agenda Item 20.4.2 :

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- ❖ The activities conducted in terms of Patents registration and publishing have been noted by the members and it is suggested to improve the

22-03-2022	Copyrights	Mr. Ganesh Putta	number of Patents granted & commercialized.
10-05-2022	Semiconductors and Integrated Circuits	Dr. Poornima Chandran	
❖ Enclosed in <u>Annexure</u>			
<p>20.4.3 : Research Seed Grants to Faculty Members</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 20.4.3 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ No. of projects sanctioned : 26 ❖ Amount Sanctioned : INR. 45,83,799 /- ❖ Timeline : 1st March 2022 to 19th June 2022 ❖ Enclosed in Annexure 			❖ The details of Research Seed Grants distributed are noted by the members and this practice is appreciated.
<p>20.4.4 : GEARS - GITAM's Annual Doctoral Symposium</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 20.4.4 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ About GEARS : ❖ GITAM Empowerment and Advancement of Researchers Symposium (GEARS) is the first Annual Doctoral Symposium of the GITAM (Deemed to be University) organized from 9th – 11th August 2021. This symposium follows the format of an academic conference and provides an opportunity to gather, present, and discuss the research work of the scholars. ❖ GEARS 2.0 : ❖ GEARS 2.0, the 2nd Annual Doctoral Symposium was officially launched on 31st May 2022. ❖ The submission of abstracts by the scholars and evaluation, feedback by the reviewers is completely in online mode on GEARS Portal (https://gears.gitam.edu/) ❖ Enclosed in Annexure 			❖ The initiatives made by the Directorate of Research pertaining to GEARS is noted.
<p>20.4.5 : Authorcafe - Research Writing Platform and Progress Monitoring</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 20.4.5 :</p>			❖ The salient benefits of Authorcafe has been noted and appreciated.

<p>AuthorCafe is a software tool designed to track the academic research activities of the research scholars in the GITAM. It was launched on 25th May, 2022.</p> <p>The life-cycle of the scholar can be maintained from the date of registration to the date of PhD awarded. It can take a crucial role to enhance the research activities, collaborations, academic standards etc.</p> <p>Features :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Designed for Academic Research Tracking. ❖ Research knowledge management platform to map Institutional research programs, and help with Enhanced Research Tracking, Visibility & Reporting. ❖ Effective Scholarly Communication (Researchers) ❖ Enclosed in Annexure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ It is expected to add value for the Research Scholars.
<p>20.4.6 : Research outcomes (During 01 April 2022 – 20 June 2022)</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 20.4.6 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Scopus index – 62 ❖ Average impact factor – 2.5 ❖ Citations – 13,000 + ❖ Patents Published - 04 ❖ No. of Research projects sanctioned for Funding : 04 (INR 82.82 Lakhs) ❖ No. of Research Publications : 460 ❖ Enclosed in Annexure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The research outcomes of GITAM as on date were noted by the members.
<p>20.5.1 : Upgradation of Ramps across all buildings as per standards</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 20.5.1 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Enclosed in Annexure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The upgradation of ramps for Divyangjan friendly campus is appreciated by the members.
<p>20.5.2 : Addition of Non polluting Green Vehicles in Four Campuses</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The efforts made by GITAM on the procurement of

<p>Note on Agenda Item 20.5.2 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Enclosed in Annexure 	<p>green vehicles for all the campuses has been noted and appreciated by the members.</p>
<p>20.5.3 : Implementation of G - Security System</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 20.5.3 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ In an Endeavour to make our Campus more secure and safe, the team security has launched a new G-Security System and G - VMS : Visitor Management System. ❖ Enclosed in Annexure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The new initiatives made by GITAM were noted.
<p>20.5.4 : Audit Certificates for Green, Energy and Environment Audits for all four campuses</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 20.5.4 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Green Audit Reports and Certificate were hosted in the website ❖ Energy Audit was conducted in March and report was made available in website ❖ Environment Audit Report is made available in website ❖ These Audits drive GITAM towards Sustainable Development Goals. ❖ Enclosed in Annexure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The Audit Certificates received by GITAM are noted and well appreciated for the efforts made by the team.
<p>20.5.5 : Status of (SMART) Class Rooms - Updates - Model Classroom is Ready</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 20.5.5 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Enclosed in Annexure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Under phase I of classroom upgradation, more than 180 classrooms across all the campus have been upgraded and the same is put into use for the use of Students & Teachers.
<p>20.5.6 : Facility upgradation for Faculty members</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 20.5.6 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Faculty Cubicles are being restructured with Recent Designs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The facility up gradation is in progress.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Enables an environment for Student Discussion ❖ Air Conditioned Rooms are being planned ❖ Enclosed in Annexure 	
<p>20.5.7 : Wash Rooms Renovation / Up gradation</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 20.5.7 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Wash Rooms are being renovated as per new designs ❖ Sensor based Taps are being installed ❖ The washrooms facilities are upgraded to latest models ❖ Enclosed in Annexure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The Renovation is in progress, in a phased manner.
<p>20.5.8 : Enhancing Outdoor Street Lighting Facilities Visit</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 20.5.8 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ LED Lightings are being utilized throughout the campuses ❖ All CFLs are being replaced by LEDs ❖ The Outdoor Street lightings are being upgraded with latest equipment for better visibility and effective surveillance ❖ Enclosed in Annexure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ While most of the facilities have been upgraded, the progress is in place for the remaining.
<p>20.5.9 : Addition of Library Resources</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 20.5.9 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The Library infrastructure have been upgraded ❖ Total no of Volumes : 2,56,163 ❖ Total no of Titles : 70,042 ❖ Remote access through Open Athens ❖ Library Automation done through KOHA ❖ Digital Repository maintained through eprints ❖ Total Sanctioned budget : 4,23,59,096 (INR) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The details shared are noted and appreciated.

❖ Enclosed in Annexure	
<p>20.6.1 : Initiatives by the Directorate of Student Life (Monthly Newsletter etc.)</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 20.6.1 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Monthly Student Life Magazine ❖ ACE 2022 ❖ New SIG- SAGA was established ❖ Enclosed in Annexure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The initiatives made by the Directorate of Student Life have been noted and requested the team to record the outcomes of such initiatives.
<p>20.6.2 : Initiatives by the Directorate of Sports</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 20.6.2 :</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. New events & Activities : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ 23 New events & Initiatives in Sports, Wellness & Yoga ❖ ACE 2022 - An annual student awards show 2. New SIGs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Incubating 2 new SIGs (1. Women's football, 2. Yoga) 3. Health and Wellness Initiatives <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ 3 unique initiatives for promoting student and staff overall health & all round development 4. Sports Infrastructure <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ 3 Renovation & Upgradation projects in VSP ❖ 1 new gymnasium and 5 sports surfaces/infrastructure development projects in Hyderabad ❖ 6 sports surfaces/infrastructure development projects in Bengaluru ❖ Outdoor fitness facilities in all campuses ❖ Enclosed in Annexure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The initiatives made by the Directorate of Student Life have been noted and requested the team to record the outcomes of such initiatives.
<p>20.6.3 & 20.6.4 : Initiatives by the Hostel and Hospitality Team</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The initiatives were noted and appreciated for better

<p>Note on Agenda Item 20.6.3 & 20.6.4 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Food Safety ❖ Food Quality ❖ Cleanliness ❖ Upgraded Housekeeping & Technical services ❖ Front office & Travel desk ❖ Digital Billing management system ❖ Modern infrastructure (Dining Areas) ❖ Pest Control Facility ❖ Enclosed in Annexure 	<p>hygiene environment.</p>
<p>20.6.5 : Launch of new Internship Platform (G - Explore) - GCGC</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 20.6.5 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Enclosed in Annexure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The initiatives were noted and appreciated.
<p>20.6.6 : Activities Conducted by VDC (including start ups, entrepreneurs etc.,)</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 20.6.6 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ G - Venture Capital Fund ❖ Aarambh Event ❖ Enclosed in Annexure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The initiatives were noted and appreciated.
<p>20.6.7 : Placement Activities by GCGC (Job offers, Higher Studies, internships etc.,)</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 20.6.7 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Largest no of Offers: Nearing 4000 ❖ For the first time <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ GSS 370+ offers ➤ GSP 85+ offers ❖ Multiple offers - 1340 ❖ Enclosed in Annexure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ While the placement activities have been appreciated, the number of students admitted for each programme shall be considered for the computation of placement percentage. ❖ This has been an important metric in the Accreditation & Ranking exercises.
<p>20.6.8 : International Student Activities and their progress</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 20.6.8 :</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The progress made w.r.t the International Admissions was noted and

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ GITAM is member of Study-in-India(SII) program of MoE since inception ❖ EdCIL offers International students through two schemes namely SII & COMPEX scholarship programs. ❖ Under SII scholarship, GITAM gets fixed amount of INR 2,50,000 per year. Complex scholarship amount is as claimed. ❖ GITAM has 330 students from 40 countries ❖ Enclosed in Annexure 	<p>appreciated.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The target can be fixed as 5 % out of the total admissions, for every Academic Year.
<p>20.7.1 : Inclusion of NEP parameters in AQAR from 2021 - 22</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 20.7.1 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ NEP Parameters focus on the following : ❖ Multidisciplinary / interdisciplinary ❖ Academic bank of credits (ABC) ❖ Skill development ❖ Appropriate integration of Indian Knowledge system (teaching in Indian Language, culture, using online Course) ❖ Focus on Outcome based education (OBE) ❖ Distance education/online education ❖ Enclosed in Annexure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The points discussed were noted and suggested for implementation and was taken forward for approval in the subsequent Academic council meetings.
<p>20.7.2 : Planning the Academic System based on the NEP Guidelines</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 20.7.2 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Provision for Major Degree and Minor Degree ❖ Fully Flexible CBCS and OBE ❖ Cross Cutting Issues are integrated in to the Curriculum ❖ To become a truly Multidisciplinary University, Academic Divisions are categorized in to 12 Schools based on Disciplines ❖ Enclosed in Annexure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The suggestions made were noted for implementation.
<p>20.7.3 : Establishment of New Software for “Data Capturing” at Source</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The process made in this initiative is relatively less and requested to gear up

<p>Note on Agenda Item 20.7.3 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Planning to develop an indigenous and comprehensive ERP Tool ❖ Planning to capture the various data at the Source itself without duplication ❖ An Exercise has been carried out to identify the various parameters required for regular administration, accreditation and ranking exercises ❖ Directorate of IT Services have been requested for the same ❖ Enclosed in Annexure 	<p>the same for the better administration of University data.</p>
<p>20.7.4 : Updation on NAAC Accreditation Process</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 20.7.4 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Following 03 stages of NAAC Assessment have been successfully completed. ❖ IIQA Submitted on 11 March 2022 ❖ IIQA Approved on 23 March 2022 ❖ SSR Submitted on 12 May 2022 ❖ SSS Completed on 11 June 2022 ❖ Awaiting for DVV Clarifications (Stage 04) ❖ Peer Team Visit Preparations are on (Stage 05) ❖ Enclosed in Annexure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The status update on the 3rd cycle of NAAC assessment has been noted by members.
<p>20.7.5 : Preparations for NAAC Peer Team Visit (University Level and School Level)</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 20.7.5 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ After due consultation with Senior Leaders of GITAM, the Institute Level Coordinators for various activities have been identified ❖ Similarly, the various activities to be carried out by all the 12 Schools have been disseminated 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Preparations are in progress and awaiting for the pre qualification information. ❖ Internal and External Mock Visits are planned for better preparations.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ It is planned to 01 / 02 Mock Audits before the visit of NAAC Peer Team ❖ Enclosed in Annexure 	
<p>20.7.6 : AACSB International Accreditation for GITAM Business School</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 20.7.6 :</p> <p>Process Flow :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Become an educational member of AACSB ❖ Submit unit of accreditation application ❖ Submit eligibility application and develop initial self-evaluation report (iSER) ❖ Pay IAC or AAC acceptance and initial accreditation fee ❖ Enclosed in Annexure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The progress made by GITAM School of Business w.r.t to AACSB accreditation is noted and appreciated.
<p>20.7.7 : Annual Report for Every School / Department / Directorate / Division for the period 01 July 2021 to 30 June 2022</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 20.7.7 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The Office of Registrar has been requested to prepare an Annual Report of all the divisions of our GITAM including Academic and Administrative Units. ❖ The format for the compilation of the Data and Report preparation will be prepared by the Directorate of A&R for uniformity and for effective data compilation ❖ Enclosed in Annexure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ As the responsibility was transferred to the Directorate of A & R and OSD, Annual report was compiled and submitted for Approval.
<p>20.8.1 : Participation and got awarded - “QS I Gauge Happiness Index”</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 20.8.1 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ GITAM has been awarded by QS I Gauge ❖ Received by Pro Vice Chancellor Academics from Hon’ble Minister for Women and Child Development in the Union Cabinet, Ms. Smriti Irani 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ This Achievement has been appreciated by all the members.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ This award is an indication of the satisfaction level of our students ❖ Enclosed in Annexure 	
<p>20.8.2 : Achievement in THE Impact Ranking 2022</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 20.8.2 :</p> <p>World Ranking :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ SDG6 (Clean Water and Sanitation) : #101-200 ❖ SDG 7 (Affordable and Clean Energy) : # 201 – 300 ❖ SDG 17 (Partnership for the Goals) : #201 - 300 ❖ SDG 3 (Good Health and Well being) : #601-800 ❖ Overall : # 401 – 600 <p>❖ Enclosed in Annexure</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The Achievements made by the Directorate of A&R for first time were appreciated and encouraged further for improvement.
<p>20.8.3 : Achievement in THE Asia University Rankings 2022</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 20.8.3 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ GITAM Ranked at #501 in ASIA University rankings 2022 ❖ Enclosed in Annexure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The achievements were noted and appreciated.
<p>20.8.4 : Cultural Activities in campus</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 20.8.4 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ GUSAC Carnival 8.0 ❖ International Dance Day ❖ Blood Donation Drive ❖ MIC Jackson- Kalakrithi Vizag ❖ Enclosed in Annexure 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The activities were noted by the members.
<p>20.8.5 : Commemorative Functions</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 20.8.5 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ World Environment Day 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ The activities were noted by the members.

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Ambedkar Jayanti ❖ Florence Nightingale ❖ Gautam Buddha Jayanti ❖ Enclosed in Annexure 	
<p>20.9.1 : CDL - New Initiatives / Updates</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 20.9.1 :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Online proctored Examination have been successfully conducted for the Existing students ❖ Cocubes Platform is being deployed ❖ Enclosed in Annexure 	❖
<p>20.10 : Any other item, with the permission of the chair</p> <p>Note on Agenda Item 20.10 :</p>	Nil

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