

ISLAMIAH WOMEN'S ARTS AND SCIENCE COLLEGE

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EXTERNAL ACADEMIC AUDIT REPORT

PERIOD OF ASSESSMENT 2022-23

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REPORT OF THE EXTERNAL ACADEMIC AUDIT CONDUCTED FOR THE
ACADEMIC YEAR – 2022-2023 OF
ISLAMIAH WOMEN’S ARTS AND SCIENCE COLLEGE

We, Dr. T. MOHAMED ILYAS, Principal, Islamiah College (A), Vaniyambadi, and Dr. J. NAFEESA BEGUM, Professor of CSE, Government College of Engineering, Bargur, Krishnagiri Dist. deputed to be the External Academic Auditors for Islamiah Women’s Arts and Science College are pleased to present the findings and recommendations of the external academic audit conducted by us on 21.10.23.

This audit aimed to assess and evaluate various aspects of the academic processes, faculty performance, student outcomes, and overall educational quality of the college. Simultaneously, we looked into the extent to which the Academic Departments and Support Services are in accordance with the relevant rules, laws, policies and standards.

The standard procedure of External Academic Audit entails physical inspection and review of the pertinent documents of the Academic Departments and Support Services, interviews, meetings and abstract information obtained from the relevant Academic Departments in addition to reviewing the report of Internal Academic Audit carried out by the Internal Academic Auditors.

The External Academic Audit for the Academic Year 2022-23 was conducted on 21.10.23. This report is based on the report of Internal Academic Audit and the External Academic Auditor’s Meeting with IQAC and Heads of the Departments.

Notably, all the Academic Departments and Support Services of Islamiah Women’s Arts and Science College were actively involved in a wide range of academic, co-curricular and extra-curricular activities throughout the year. There are numerous Academic, Research and Extension Activities carried out by various Academic Departments and Support Services but only the most significant and qualitative initiatives are mentioned in this report.

External Academic Audit Report

We, as the External Academic Auditors, are quite glad to make the following observations:

Accreditations and Affiliations

- The College has got permanent affiliation with Thiruvalluvar University, Vellore and is approved by the Government of Tamil Nadu.
- It is also recognized by the University Grants Commission under sections 2(f) and 12(B) of the UGC Act of 1956.
- It has been accredited by NAAC with B Grade.
- The College was also granted Minority status in 2019.
- Further, several MOUs and Collaborations have been established with governmental and non-governmental organisations with activities ranging from conduct of Naan Mudhalvan Programs to NASSCOMs employment/placement drives.
- Certificate of Accreditation was conferred by the Mahatma Gandhi National Council of Rural Education, and later, by the National Science Foundation, on the College after assessment of the campus' Green initiatives.

Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC)

- The IQAC has organized several Orientation Programmes/ Seminars/Workshops/ FDPs during the Academic Year 2022-23.
- Orientation programmes for all the First Year Undergraduate Students were organized by the IQAC at the commencement of the year.
- IQAC has given much importance to promote Research and Research Publications by organizing Seminar/ FDP/ Workshops for faculty members and Research Scholars.
- AQAR for the Academic Year 2021-2022 was duly submitted and AQAR 2022-2023 at the verge of submission.
- Internal and External Auditing is periodically conducted.
- NIRF, AISHE and other forms of documenting processes are completed on time.
- Several quality measures have been initiated during the year, including, strengthening the mentorship program, scholarship initiatives, placement drives, curricular, co-

curricular and extra-curricular reforms, encouraging the engagement of the students in cultural and physical activities, Library upgradation, programs for the non-teaching faculty etc.,

The role and contribution of IQAC, during the Academic Year 2022-23 in enhancing and sustaining the quality of education is satisfactory.

Curricular Aspects

- The University has significantly revised and updated the curricula to meet local, national and global needs while ensuring focus on recent advancement and trends. Enhancing employability, entrepreneurship and skill development received adequate attention.
- 6 Certificate Courses were offered by the Academic Departments to develop varied skills among the students during the period.

Teaching and Learning

- Most of the Faculty members are qualified with NET, SET or PhD, and majority of them have over 15 years' experience in their respective specializations.
- Teaching Methodologies include chalk and talk to some extent and ICT resources to a greater degree including Moodles (Google Classroom & MS Teams), Powerpoint presentations, online lectures, experiments, projects and case studies.
- Academic planners and work diaries have been meticulously maintained by all the faculty members of the College for the academic year 2022-23.
- Staff Members have participated in BOS Meetings, Doctoral Committee Meetings, and External Examinations in M.Phil. & PG Viva Voce.
- Majority of the faculty members have actively participated in Orientation Programmes/ Workshops/ Faculty Induction Programmes/ Refresher Courses (Physical and Digital medium) organized by various bodies including the MHRDC, Govt. of India.
- Most of the departments have conducted Remedial Coaching Classes for the Slow Learners and have taken initiatives to encourage the involvement of the Advanced Learners in various Competitions and Hackathons.

- 14 Students from the departments of Food and Nutrition, Mathematics, Biochemistry, Interior Design and Décor, Commerce CA and Business Administration have secured University Ranks during the year.

Research and Innovation

- Faculty members and Research Scholars have published research articles in UGC CARE listed journals besides publishing books and book chapters in various other publications.
- Currently 4 Research Scholars are doing their PhDs in the College.
- The Department of Interior Design and Décor has been actively engaged in innovation and has a flourishing incubation cell with students' creations being sold both online and in the physical store of their own.
- Numerous workshops on research have been conducted by the Research Cell and the IQAC besides publication of research papers and journals in collaboration with national and international organisations.

Infrastructural Facilities

- The campus of Islamiah Women's Arts and Science College is spacious enough to include sufficient number of Classrooms, Seminar Halls, Auditorium, Indoor Stadium, Laboratories, and Computer Labs. Additionally, all the departments are equipped with LED projectors and Wi-Fi.
- It is important to draw attention to the specific care taken by the Management and Principal to create more ICT classrooms, and consequently, all the departments are equipped with ICT enabled classrooms.
- The College has adequate athletic infrastructural facilities including a large open ground and an Indoor Stadium in which Zonal Tournaments, intercollegiate and Interdepartmental sports events are conducted.

Students' Support and Progression

- All the departments conduct Bridge course at the commencement of each year for all the first year UG students.

- There is an institutionalized mentoring system that helps every student to stay connected to their mentors and which consequently helps them overcome various challenges through their academic journey.
- Advanced Learners are encouraged to publish their research and motivated to participate in various competitions and hackathons organized by external organisations.
- All the departments regularly conduct Speech, Essay, Painting, Collage, PPT and various other creative competitions to foster a healthy learning attitude among the students.
- Almost all the Academic Departments have had their students engage in internships, projects, Career Guidance programs and training for competitive examinations.
- All the Academic Departments have actively pursued exceptional best practices for the holistic development of the students.

Coordinator of Examinations

The Office of the Coordinator of Examinations operates efficiently and effectively in upholding security, confidentiality and transparency while conducting Examinations for the Undergraduate and Postgraduate students. For the purpose of improving quality, upholding security and confidentiality, the Office of the COE has introduced many reforms in the Examination System. The End Semester Examinations have been conducted in accordance with the directions and instructions of the regulatory authorities of Thiruvalluvar University. The College proactively seeks to solve student's Exam related grievances with the University.

The College has also provided the venue and its resources to conduct TNPSC and Police Examinations.

Out of the 648 students who participated in the End Semester Examinations held in June 2023, 557 have successfully passed with the departments of Zoology, Interior Design and Décor, Biochemistry and Computer Applications securing 100% results.

Department of Library and Information Science

- The College Central Library has nearly 30,000 books on its shelves.
- The College Library has numerous Best Practices which include Orientation Programs, Publication of Library Handbook to help the Library Users, Best Library

User Award, one compulsory Library hour, Book reading competitions and several such other practices to inculcate library culture in the students.

- The Digital Library provides access to thousands of e-books and e-journals via INFLIBNET, DELNET etc.

Department of Physical Education

- The Department has conducted various Games, Track, Field and indoor games and events like Chess, Badminton, Throw Ball, Volley Ball, Kho Kho, Kabaddi, Table Tennis, Tennikoit, Carrom, Shotput, Javelin, Discus, 100 mts race, Relay and Cricket for the students and faculty members of all the departments during the academic year 2022-23.
- Skating classes are being conducted two days a week and Silambam thrice a week.
- Over 10 students have won at various games like – Handball, Table Tennis, Cricket, Volleyball, Football, Cross Country and Roll Ball Skating, at National championships in 2022-23.
- Nearly 200 students have participated and won prizes at Inter-collegiate, Zonal and National games.
- The college is adequately equipped with the infrastructural and instructional facilities for the promotion of these sports and the students are additionally provided funds to participate in games away from home. The winners are especially honored by the management with special incentives.

Training and Placement Cell

- The Training and Placement Cell is dynamic and vibrant as it has organized many programmes during the Academic Year 2022-23.
- It has organized several awareness programmes on Competitive Examinations besides conducting sessions on Career Guidance and Counselling.
- The Cell has organized orientation programmes within the campus and has also facilitated students' participation in several such programs in major jobs fairs and universities through the Cell. Several students have received Offer Letters from reputed organizations.

National Service Scheme (NSS)

- National Service Scheme unit of Islamiah Women's Arts and Science College is very active and was instrumental in organizing a plethora of activities of immense social importance.
- Numerous Tree Planting and Cleanliness campaigns were carried out within and outside the campus.
- A 7 Day camp was organized in the adopted Nekkundhi village to promote hygiene and social awareness among the rural population.
- The NSS has conducted a Fit India Freedom Walk, observed the Rashtriya Ekta Diwas, Constitution Day, Career Guidance Program under the Naan Mudhalvan Scheme, and actively engaged in celebrating the World Yoga Day.

National Cadet Corps (NCC)

- The NCC unit of the college is robust with the cadets going through a rigorous schedule of classes and training within the college besides attending the camps conducted all over India.
- The Cadets had attended training camps at VIT, Vellore and Don Bosco College, Yelagiri, Soka Ikeda College, Chennai, NTA, Edayapatti, Madurai, and Kolhapur Military Camp, Maharashtra in the year 2022-23.

Youth Red Cross (YRC)

- The Youth Red Cross of Islamiah Women's Arts and Science College had organized Blood Donation Camp in the academic year 2022-23.
- The YRC had conducted competitions and programs to create awareness on important issues observing days of national and international significance like, International Non-Violence day, World Blood Donors Day, World Mental Health Day, World Diabetes Day, World AIDS Day, National Pulse Polio Day, etc.

Enviro Club

- The Enviro Club has been actively working towards creating environment-friendly campus through various awareness programmes conducted throughout the year.
- The Club had also facilitated an environmental audit working closely with MGNCRE and acquired A+ Grade for the College.

- Audit on Environment and sustainability was conducted by Nature Science Foundation, Coimbatore on 16.02.23 and awarded certificates in specific categories including a Green Campus Award.

Entrepreneurship Development Cell

- There are five Self-Help Groups operating in the campus, namely, Spektra-IDD, Nutri-Foodee, Com-Express, Digital Ninjas and Market Players. Various entrepreneurial tasks are carried out by the members of these groups like Bazaars, Food Fests, and Exhibitions to engender entrepreneurial skills and enable them to become economically independent.
- The Cell organized workshops and programs to promote innovation and entrepreneurship in students.

Red Ribbon Club

- Several programs have been conducted to promote awareness and facilitate the procurement of government services in the campus.
- Voter's Day, Aadhar Correction Camp, HIV Awareness, Health and Hygiene, Medical Camp were conducted in the year 2022-23.

Feedback Mechanisms

- Feedback is collected from various stakeholders every year and the system has improved over time in terms of collection, analysis and implementation of suggestions.
- Students, Parents, Teachers, Employers and the Alumni have responded positively and have provided valuable suggestions for further development of the institution.


Recommendations

- Placement needs to be strengthened.
- Number of qualified and experienced faculty to be improved.
- Students' interest in sports is commendable. Further improvements can be made in terms of infrastructure and qualified trainers.
- Few departments may require innovative approaches and remedial measures for their slow learners.

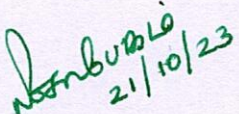
- While the institution's research and publications are adequate, there is room for improvement to meet international standards. Increased focus on publications in databases such as SCOPUS and Web of Science is recommended.
- Remedial measures to be taken in departments where Student enrolment has noticeably dwindled.

Conclusion

We express our deep sense of gratitude to the Management and Principal of Islamiah Women's Arts and Science College for having given us the opportunity to serve as the External Academic Auditors. We are also profoundly grateful to the Internal Academic Auditors, Heads of the Departments and the Staff Members for their profuse cooperation.


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