

**REPORT ON VISIT BY DIRECTOR QAC-UGC TO
UNIVERSITY OF SRI JAYEWARDENEPURA, 2019**

Prof Nilanthi de Silva, Director, QAC-UGC, visited the University of Sri Jayewardenepura on 6 November 2019 to participate in meetings on quality assurance related activities in the University. Arrangements were facilitated by Prof Samantha Senaratne, Director, Internal Quality Assurance Unit.

The first meeting, from 9.00 am to 11.00 am, was with the **Management Committee of the Internal Quality Assurance Unit**, chaired by the Vice-Chancellor, Prof Sampath Amaratunga (see Annex 1 for list of attendees).

The Vice-Chancellor made a presentation that gave an overview of the University, and the most recent university-wide initiatives to promote excellence in all aspects of university activities. He noted that USJ has decided to set up a unit that will handle both QA activities, and the university corporate plan, because these are closely linked.

This was followed by a presentation by the Director, IQAU who summarized the current status of internal quality assurance activities in the university and the results of the external QA reviews that have been conducted in USJ to date. She then went on to present the university's action plan for implementation of recommendations contained in the IR Review Report of 2017. The University Action Plan will be shared with the QAC after final Council approval, no later than 30 November 2019.

During the ensuing discussion, members of the MC sought clarification on several QA related matters, including preparations for EQA reviews in 2020, plans for review of External Degree Programmes and Postgraduate Degree Programmes in 2021, and plans for review of criteria, standards and processes used for EQA reviews in the current, 2nd cycle, prior to commencement of a 3rd cycle of EQA reviews. The need for a glossary that clarifies the use of certain phrases in the review manuals, the need for discipline-wise assessment of the EQA review process, and how to avoid duplication of workload ensuing from professional accreditation and QAC reviews were among the other topics raised during the discussion.

The second meeting took place from 11.15 am to 1.00 pm, with the Dean of the **Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences**, the Heads of Dept, and members of the Faculty Quality Assurance Cell (see Annex 2 for list of attendees).

The FQAC Coordinator Ms Irosha Chandrasekere presented a brief overview of the FQAC activities to date, the main recommendations made in the five reports on the Programme Reviews conducted in 2017. It was noted that overall, they received three B grades, and one D grade. Many of the recommendations have been addressed through the proposal submitted by the Faculty for funding under the AHEAD project, and for which funding has already been received.

Work on development of an Action Plan for implementation of recommendations in the Programme Review Reports commenced in January 2019, and is now near completion. Each of the degree programmes that were reviewed will have a separate Action Plan, all of which will be forwarded to the QAC no later than 30 November 2019. A major curriculum revision is under way at present, based on the review recommendations, and utilizing AHEAD project funding.

Some of the issues raised during the ensuing discussions included the possibility of accommodating double major degree programmes in the SLQF 2015, and how to promote student engagement in QA and promote a sense of ownership of their learning.

The meeting with the **Faculty of Management Studies & Commerce** took place on 22 November 2019 from 2 - 4 pm in the Faculty Board Room (see Annex 3 for attendance). The Dean, Dr U Anura Kumara spoke on the emphasis laid on the quality of all 12-degree programmes offered by the Faculty. Prof P D Nimal, Chair of the Faculty Quality Assurance Cell, made a short presentation on the Faculty's experiences and observations on the programme review process, and presented the Director QAC with a report on the same.

During the ensuing discussion, several issues were brought up including the format of the Action Plan for implementation of recommendations made by external reviewers, the possibility of conducting internally initiated reviews of the degree programmes offered by the Faculty, improvement of the programme review process in the 3rd cycle, early exit and fall back options, credit transfer and recognition of prior learning.

It was agreed that the Action Plan for implementation of recommendations made in the review reports would be developed according to the revised structure recommended by the QAC, and submitted to the Director QAC by 31 December 2019.

Prof Nilanthi de Silva

Director, QAC-UGC

6 and 24 November 2019

Annex 1. Meeting of the IQAU Management Committee

1. Prof Sampath Amaratunge, Vice-Chancellor
2. Prof Samantha Senaratne, Director, IQAU
3. Prof Ajantha Dharmasiri, Director, PIM
4. Prof S C B Heenkenda, Dean, Faculty of Humanities & Social Sciences (FHSS)
5. Prof Laleen Karunanayake, Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences (FAS)
6. Prof E Dayaratne, Acting Dean, Faculty of Management Studies & Commerce (FMSC)
7. Prof S G Yasawardene, Dean, Faculty of Medical Sciences (FMS)
8. Prof Sunethra Thennakoon for Dean, Faculty of Graduate Studies (FGS)
9. Dr A H L Nilmini for Dean, Faculty of Technology (FT)
10. Dr K M C Konthesinghe Dean, Faculty of Engineering (FE)
11. Prof D M S Fernando, Acting Dean, Faculty of Allied Health Sciences (FAHS)
12. Prof Nilanthi de Silva, Director, QAC-UGC
13. Prof Kalyani Perera, Consultant, IQAU
14. Mr K G Britto, Registrar
15. Dr Nayana Wijayasundara, Librarian
16. Ms K T C Priyangani, Bursar
17. Dr R B Marasinghe, Director SDC and Coordinator IQAC - FMS
18. Prof Rasika Perera, Coordinator elect IQAC – FMS
19. Ms Irosha Chandrasekere, Coordinator IQAC – FHSS
20. Prof Dinithi Peiris, Coordinator IQAC – FAS
21. Prof P D Nimal, Coordinator IQAC – FMSC
22. Dr Rajitha Gunaratne, Coordinator IQAC – FT
23. Dr Inoka Uluwaduge, Coordinator IQAC – FAHS
24. Dr H M V N Y Mudunkotuwa, Coordinator IQAC - FE
25. Prof Pradeepa Jayawardane, Co-chairperson, Research Council
26. Dr Ranil Peiris, FMSC
27. Mr R N Weerasinghe, Chairperson, Corporate Plan
28. Dr A R Nihmiya, Corporate Plan Committee, FT
29. Dr G B Sakura, Corporate Plan Committee, FT
30. Mr E M S Bandara, IQAC – FAHS
31. Dr. Saman Yapa, Chairperson, AACSB- FMSC
32. Ms R M Gunaratna, Secretary - IQAU
33. Ms Sandani Ranatunga, RA – IQAU

Annex 2. Meeting with IQAC, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences

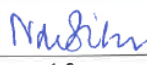
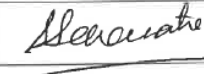
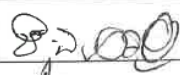





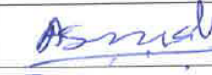



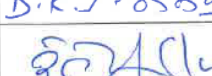

1. Prof S C B Heenkenda, Dean
2. Prof Samantha Senaratne, Director IQAU
3. Prof Nilanthi de Silva, Director, QAC-UGC
4. Prof Kalyani Perera, Consultant IQAU
5. Irosha Chandrasekere, Coordinator IQAC-FHSS
6. M D I K Abeynayake, Dept of History & Archaeology
7. Nilan Cooray, Dept of History & Archaeology
8. D P K Manel, Dept of Social Statistics
9. Ven N Anuradha, Dept of Sinhala & Mass Communication
10. M K G I Dharmasena, Dept of Sinhala & Mass Communication
11. Geethika Rathnayaka, Dept of Sinhala & Mass Communication
12. Asha Nimali Fernando, Dept of Philosophy & Psychology
13. Chitra Jayathilake, Dept of English & Linguistics
14. N A N J Maduwansa, Dept of Social Statistics
15. Nelum Kanthilatha, Dept of Anthropology
16. Sunethra Thennakoon Dept of Geography
17. K T L Sathsara, Dept of Geography
18. R N Sunil, Dept of Criminology
19. K B Deepal Gunasena, Dept of Lang, Calstd & Performing Arts
20. K R P Tilakasiri, Dept of Lang, Calstd & Performing Arts
21. D P Withanage, Dept of Economics
22. Rev S Shanthasiri, Dept of Languages
23. Ven D Sumanasara, DELT
24. Ven P Yasassi, Dept of Buddhist Civilization
25. Ven K Vineetha Thero, Dept of Pali & Buddhist Studies
26. Dunesh Gunathilake, Dept of Pali & Buddhist Studies
27. R M K Ratnayake, Dept of Geography
28. P L T Purasinghe, Dept of Political Science
29. B W R Damayanthi, Dept of Economics
30. W A S Wijekoon, Dept of Sociology
31. W B P Vitharana, Dept of Languages & Cultural
32. H D Y D Jayatilleke, Dept of Anthropology
33. Gnanadasa Perera, Dept of Philosophy & Psychology
34. Kusumalatha Lankamulla, Dept of Sinhala & Mass Communication
35. Buddhi Seneviratne, Dept of Social Statistics
36. Nishani Ranaweera, Dept of Criminology & Criminal Justice
37. Priyanthi Weerasinghe
38. W M S Madhuwanthi AR / FHSS
39. Sampath Pushpakumara, DELT
40. Ravindra Gunasekera, Dept of Political Science
41. Prof K M Alexander, Dept of History & Archaeology
42. Sandani Ranatunga, RA, IQAU
43. DMCD Dissanayake, RA, IQAC-FHSS





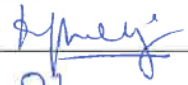




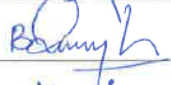

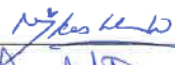

Faculty of Management Studies and Commerce
Quality Assurance Meeting

Attendance List

Date: 2019.11.22

Time: 2.00 p.m.

No.	Name	Signature
1	Prof. Nilanthi de Silva (Director/ QAC)	
2	Prof. Samanthi Senarathne (Director, IQA)	
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Management Faculty Members		
1	Prof. P.D. Nimal (Chairman)	
2	Dr. U. Anura Kumara (Dean/ FMSC)	
3	Dr. A.A.J. Fernando (Deputing Coordinator)	
4	Dr. M.W. Kalyani /Head/Business Administration	
5	Dr. L.A.P. Madhuwanthi / Head/ Department of Public Administration	
6	Senior Prof. E. Dayarathne /Head/Department of Commerce	
7	Dr. N.C. Wickramarachchi / Head/ Department of EMV	
8	Dr. A.H.N. Kariyawasam/ Head/ Department of Accounting <i>For.</i>	
9	Prof.. Amila Jayarathne / Head/Department of Marketing	
10	Dr. G.D.N. Perera / Head/Department of HRM	
11	Dr. P.A.N.S. Anuradha/ Head/ Department of Finance	
12	Dr. D.R.J. Siriwardhane / Head/Department of Business Economics	
13	Ms. D.M. Endagamage / Head/Department of Decision Sciences	

14	Dr. P.D.K.A. Kumara/ Head/ Department of Information Technology	
15	Mr. M.V.S.S. Udayanga/ Head/Department of Entrepreneurship	
16	Dr. F.M. Irshad / Business Communication Unit	
17	Mr. M.A.N. Chandrathilaka/Head/Legal Unit	
18	Mr. P.H.B.A. Shantha /ITRC	
19	J. Edirisinghe	
20	Dr. T.L. Sojovani	
21	Dr. Bhedra Arachige (by invitation)	
22	J.N. Jayasinghe (IT)	
23	MHA Isira Kumara	
24	Saman Yapa (DSC)	
25	T.G.U.P. Perera	
26	D.H.B.U. Ranasinghe (CENT)	
27	Ishari Madukala (BCC)	
28	Nikeshala Weerasekara (Business Admin)	
29	Ayoma Sumanasiri (COM)	
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