# Workshop on Progress Review of Internal Quality Assurance Units of State Universities

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- **University:**
  - **University of Jaffna**
- **Director of IQAU:**
  - **Prof. S. Srisatkunarajah**
- **Date of Establishment:**
  - **February 2014**

# Faculty QA Cells

| Faculty | Date of Establishment | Coordinator |
|---|---|---|
| Science | July 2015 | Prof R Vigneswaran |
| Engineering | August 2015 | Dr P Kathirgamanathan |
| Arts | July 2015 | Prof Ms S Ramesh |
| Management and Commerce | July 2015 | Mr M Karunanithy |
| Medicine | October 2015 | Dr Ms M G  Sathiadas |
| Agriculture | July  2015 | Dr Ms  N Gnanavelrajah |
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| Applied Sciences | July 2015 | Mr S Thirukumaran |
| Business Studies | July 2015 | Mr Y Nanthagoban |
| Graduate Studies | July 2015 | Prof G Mikunthan |
| Siddha Medicine Unit | July 2015 | Dr Sivashanmugarajah |
| Agriculture | July  2015 | Dr Ms  N Gnanavelrajah |
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# Activities on Quality Assurance Completed (up to 15.03.2016)

| Name of Activity | Responsible Entity (University/Faculty) | Objective | Period/ Dates of Activity |
|---|---|---|---|
| COLRIM | University | Institutional Management Review | August 2013 to September 2014 |
| Institutional Review by QAAC | University | Running the Institution effectively | 9-13 May 2011 |
| Feedback survey on QA at UoJ | IQAU | Assess QA practices | 4-5 August 2014 |
| Workshop on QA Awareness at UoJ | QAA and IQUA | Web based monitoring and SLQF | 02 May 2013 |

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| Preparing QA Policy Document for UoJ | IQAU | Strenghening QA practices | December 2015 |
| Preparing bylaws relating to Faculty cells | IQAU in consultation with cells | Running the cells effectively | January 2016 |
| Preparing Academic Accountability document for UoJ | IQAU and the Senate | Adopting Work norms and ethics | November 2015 |
| Preparing policy document on publications | IQAU and the Senate | Preventing predatory publications and maintaining quality | February 2016 to date |

# Activities on Quality Assurance Proposed (after 15.03.2016 and till 31.12.2016)

| Name of Activity | Responsible Entity (University/Faculty) | Objective | Proposed Period/Dates |
|---|---|---|---|
| Developing the University Calendar | IQAU and the Senate | Having a handbook on academic affairs | March –June 2016 |
| Developing Operation Management guide for UoJ | University and IQAU | Having a Management guide on the operations of the University administration | March-June 2016 |

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| Name of Activity | Responsible Entity (University/Faculty) | Objective | Proposed Period/Dates |
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| Developing Self Evaluation Report | IQAU | To undertake EQA review | June –August 2016 |
| Reviewing the Policy documents on Research Repository, IT and Web service, academic affairs | IQAU and the Senate | Improving the services and ranking | August- December 2016 |

# Best Practices of IQAU (3 best)

* **Responding to a changing environment and strives meet stakeholders need and expectations**

* Began as in-experienced in QA related matters and accomplishing the tasks as experienced with the able guidance from QAAC experts

* **Developing IQUA manuals and bylaws for ensuring the implementation of Internal Quality strategies**

# Constraints faced by IQAU (3 most pressing)

- All universities have **quality** problems and the identified issues are neither unique or insurmountable as educational processes are affected by many internal and external factors

- **Commitment** from all the **internal stakeholders** was essential to conduct any institutional quality process for improvement

# Constraints faced by IQAU (3 most pressing)

- **Grass root level acceptance  of QA practices rather slow**

- **Part time  IQAU officials and lack of logistic support are not favourable for sustaining QA culture**

# *Thank you !*