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About the University:

Dr. B. R. Ambedkar University, Srikakulam has been established by Andhra Pradesh state government in 2008, with a view to augment the educational facilities in the backward district of Srikakulam. The motto of the University, "Shraddavan Labhate Gnanam" signifies that a sincere seeker gains knowledge. The University is offering 24 Programmes in Arts, Science and Engineering.

About Srikakulam

Formed in the year 1950, Srikakulam District is blessed with seasonal rivers, the Nagavali, the Vamsadhara, the Mahindra Tanaya and the Bahuda. The Sun temple at Arasavilli, the temple of Tortoise incarnation of Lord Vishnu at Sreekurmam, Someswara and Madhukeswara Temples of Srimukhalingam, are famous pilgrimage centers of the District. The District is famous for its fine Khadi cloth woven by weavers of Ponduru and Bronze artifacts of Budithi.

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- To understand the basics of documentation for NAACs Revised Accreditation Framework..
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- To understand the effective conduction of management information system in affiliated colleges. To
 enhance ability to meet regularity requirements and standards by NAAC.

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WORKSHOP OVERVIEW

Introduction:

Technological Advances, changing demographics and Globalization are some of the key driving forces in the future of education system. Accreditation is a periodic assessment of an education system for any discipline against the accreditation standards. Accreditation is also a process that encourages continuous quality improvement through assessment. The recent change in accreditation criteria requires effective learning outcome assessment, with well documented results, broad faculty participation, and coverage of assessment cycle.

Dr. B.R. Ambedkar University Srikakulam has recently acquired 12 B status and also done an innovative exercise in calling common Board of Studies (BoS) for all disciplines and enabled them to develop their respective syllabus in Blooms Taxonomy model. The above factors created an impetus and motivation to go for National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) accreditation.

The Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) coordinator, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar University Srikakulam has corresponded with NAAC, Bangalore for organizing a one day National Workshop on "Assessment and Accreditation of HEIs and Colleges". NAAC acceded and provided financial assistance to conduct the National Workshop at the University Campus for University faculty and Principals of Affiliated Colleges. The IQAC coordinator in consultation with the Honorable Vice- Chancellor has designed a programme and consulted resource person's who are prominent and have rich experience in Assessment and Accreditation.

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Photo 1 & 2- Participants in the National Workshop

Proceedings of Inaugural Function:

- → Prof. K. Ramji, Vice-Chancellor, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar University Srikakulam was president of the National Workshop Inaugural Function. He elucidated that the focus of the Workshop is to enable the participants to understand the rigors in preparation for NAAC accreditation. He propagated the importance of NAAC accreditation for any higher education institution and preparedness to face such challenges by the faculty and non-teaching staff.
- → Prof. K. Ram Mohan Rao, Vice-Chairman, APSCHE was the chief guest of the function. In his inaugural address, he spoke on the importance of NAAC accreditation for any educational institute. He shared his experiences as a trainer on the process of assessment and accreditation. He also enlightened the audience on the common mistakes, myths and misunderstanding while applying for accreditation.

- → Dr. K. Mallikarjuna Babu, Director, Varthaman College of Engineering, Hyderabad was invited as resource person for guest talks. He also spoke about the outcome based curriculum.
- ♣ Prof. T.V. Suresh Kumar, Director-IQAC, GITAM University, Visakhapatnam was invited as Special Guest. He has spoken that most individuals are frightened about NAAC accreditation. He assured the faculty that if they follow the guidelines given by NAAC the process of accreditation will run smoothly. He suggested paying the accreditation after making all the preparations and proper documentation.
- **♣** Guests were felicitated by the IQAC Team.
- ♣ Vote of thanks was proposed by Dr. S. Uday Bhasker, Assistant Principal, Science College.
- ♣ Dr. K. Swapna Vahini supervised the Sessions in the morning and afternoon sessions.



Photo 4- Presidential Address by Prof. K. Ramji in the inaugural function

Chief Guest Address:

Prof. K. Ram Mohan Rao, Vice-Chairman, APSCHE spoke on "NAAC Assessment-Quality Metrics". In his speech he illuminated on the 7 criteria of accreditation and weightage given to each criteria with key indicators. He delivered his message in a participatory method involving most of the participants in the learning process. His lecture enhanced the knowledge of quality metrics among the participants.



Photo 5- Prof. K. Ram Mohan Rao, Vice- Chairman, APSCHE addressing the gathering

Invited Talk- Address by Prof. T.V. Suresh Kumar, Director-IQAC, GITAM University, Visakhapatnam addressed the gathering on "*ICT for Revised NAAC framework*". He demonstrated how to fill the various forms in the NAAC website. Criteria wise a detailed explanation is provided ensuring and clarifying many doubts from the participants.



Photo 6 – Prof. T.V. Suresh Kumar, Director-IQAC, GITAM University, Visakhapatnam addressed the participants.

Invited Talk- Address by Dr. K. Mallikarjuna Babu, Director, Varthaman College of Engineering, Hyderabad, was organized in the afternoon session. He delivered a power point lecture on "Student Centric Learning- A Paradigm Shift on the focus in Engineering Education" to the engineering students in the morning parallel session. He gave speech on "Impact of Outcome based Education on Quality in Higher Education". The session was engrossing and the participants gained clarity on outcome based education parameters.

Forum Discussion

A Discussion forum was organized after tea break in the afternoon to facilitate sharing and experience learning among the participants and various stakeholders such as old students, parents of current students, Alumni, NGOs, and Industry. The discussion was interesting and went on without interruption for more than an hour and key issues such as how to document the daily issues, when to document, what type of documents needs to be maintained, who should maintain records etc came into focus. Few participants shared their experiences on the process of NAAC.



Prof. K. Ramji, Vice-Chancellor, facilitating the Discussion Forum with the Principals. Valedictory Function was organized at the end of the workshop.

