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1. 5 days Faculty Development Program (FDP) at SACOP, ACU, BG Nagar, KS

- Executive Summary: HESDARC conducted FDP for 5 days from 28 Jan to 1 Feb 2025 with the theme: Curriculum Designing, Planning and Implementation. All participants were from SACOP, ACU, BG Nagara. 36 faculty participated actively & engaged fully in the 5 days FDP.
- HESDARC Resource Persons for the W/S were, Dr BG Nagavi, Mysuru; Dr P Jayashekar, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala; Dr Sabitha M, Kochi, Kerala; Dr BG Sangameshwar, Mysuru and Dr MN Shamasundar, Mysuru
- Pre -Learning Check & Post LC were conducted. FDP included activities, Self reflections, Presentations, Discussions in TEAM's, SDL & TBL. Assessment at the end included Best of 3/ average of Quizzes in Post LC, Assignment, PPT making & Video presentation to evaluate knowledge of the topic/s, writing, presentation and other skills. SMART LO's were identified for each session and learning measured against the LO's using MCQ's in Google classroom. Totally about 100 SMART outcomes were prepared for the Program and all Sessions. Google classroom was created 3 weeks before the commencement of W/S for seamless communication and clarifications
- HESDARC observations about Open Book Assignment, PPTs and Video: Good study plan discussed in few cases; Overall PPTs are good as you have been using during regular classes; In few study plan concept not clear; PLO & CLOs not written in SMART was and 01 or 02 have written very good PLOs and CLOs; The word Understand, Know should not be used as they are not measurable. Few have used
- Your suggestions and future programs: Workshop on PBL; Framing MCQs; ; Performance gap. Need frequent consultation with your organization; More about attitude domain; Design of PLO; Designing PO; How to implement critical thinking in students
- Initiate FD Cell in SACOP: Create a voluntary and like- minded special interest group (SIG) of faculties; Meet





Outstanding Star Performer

Excellent Star Performers



Dr. Naga Prashant K

Dr. Prakash S Goudanavar

Dr. Vedamurthy Joshi

Dr. Rajesh V,

Dr. Ravindra B.N

Dr. Tripathy Amrutanand S

weekly and make formal presentations on topics related to Teaching, Learning, Classroom, Assessments etc; Make a time-table for semester & one faculty to become the coordinator of FDC; Regular presentation by faculty & others

- What next after the FDP? Review meetings on Regulation and Curriculum March 2025 and finalize the draft; Approval and ratification by statutory bodies: BOS, Academic council, University & communicate to PCI etc - April / May 2025; Implementation from 2025-26 AY commencing July/ August 2025; Get ready to hold about 100 or more meetings at individual, department, institution and with HESDARC

Rs 5,000/- Kalesh memorial cash award was given to Outstanding Star performer Dr. Naga Prashant K along with a memento and book on Leadership. Other 5 Excellent Star performers were given a memento and book on Leadership

- Thank you: HH Swamiji / Chancellor; Vice-Chancellor Registrar and other officers of ACU ;Dean, Academics and Accreditation; Principal – SACOP; All the faculties; HESDARCs Resource persons for the FDP; Organizers, Volunteers, Caterer, Sound, Digital media etc. Well-wishers and others directly or indirectly connected with the FDP



Certificate to 36 participants were given by VC, Registrar, Principal and HESDARC M on 5 March 2025.

2. 2nd conclave of Deemed and Private Universities and Autonomous institutions” 21 Feb 2025, Bengaluru.

The conclave was jointly organized by Adichunchanagiri University and Dayananda Sagar University, Bangalore, in association with the Higher Education and Skill Development Assessment and Research (HESDAR) Centre, Mysuru, and the Indian Pharmaceutical Association (IPA) Karnataka State Branch, on February 21, 2025, at BGSCET, Bengaluru.

The conclave centered on the theme "Transforming Deemed and Private Universities Academically Beyond Ranking and Accreditation in India." The distinguished Guests were Dr S. Chandrashekar Shetty, President, Forum of former Vice Chancellors of Karnataka (Regd.) and former VC, ACU, BG Nagar and RGUHS, Bengaluru. Dr MA Shekar, VC-ACU, BG Nagara, KS, Dr BG Nagavi, Founder HESDARC Mysuru, Karnataka, Dr. C. K. Subbaraya, Registrar, ACU, Dr RN Saha from BITS Pilani, Dr Ramesh B Dean Academics & Accreditation ACU, Dr Pushpa Sarkar, Dean, Health Sciences, Dayanand Sagar University, Bengaluru, Karnataka, etc. among others, who participated and enlightened the conclave with their visionary and experience talk. The event witnessed the participation of few vice chancellors, Registrars, and high-ranking officials from various universities across India. Dr BG Sangameshwar, former Vc JSSUT, Mysuru, Dr P Jayashekar, TVM and Dr sabitha M, Kochi were also the resource persons and chaired the session.

36 registered delegates engaged in fruitful discussions, sharing best practices and exploring potential collaborations to drive academic excellence.

The Conclave served as a pivotal platform for academic leaders to introspect and redefine the paradigms of quality in higher education. The speakers discussed their experiences of modifying curriculum & regulations in their national and international universities. A panel discussion was held. By focusing on transformation beyond conventional rankings and accreditation, the conclave inspired institutions to adopt innovative approaches that prioritize meaningful learning outcomes and societal contributions. The collective insights and collaborative spirit exhibited during the event are poised to catalyze a new era of academic excellence in India's deemed and p

Important recommendations

1. Set up a training and research cell to help member institutions
2. Teachers to adopt new pedagogies which are AI driven
3. Voice our concerns to the regulators and the Govt. so that autonomy is implemented in true spirit
4. Enhancing the ethical orientation of stake holders



3. New year (2025) celebrations at Burj Khaifa, Dubai & meeting professional friends in Abu Dhabi

New year 2025 was welcomed at a function in front of Burj Khalifa, Dubai along with family and very close friends on 31 Dec 2024 midnight. It was a colorful event full of joy and fun as we welcomed the new year. We were hosted by a close family friend Smt Usha and Sri Devkumar Kambli whose residence is in front of the tallest tower, Burj Khalifa in Dubai. Happy New Year 2025. Let 2025 be filled with health and happiness for all. We also met our professional friends Anil Kumar and Arun Dsouza in Abu Dhabi along with



Ajith Nagavi.

4. Golden Jubilee meet of batch of 1972-76 on 3 Feb 2025, at GCP, Bengaluru

B Pharm batch of 1972 celebrated with their teachers at Govt. Pharmacy College, Bengaluru on 3 Feb. 2025. Dozen of us who came from near and far from USA, Canada, UAE, Malaysia and different places in Karnataka and Kerala joined for the colorful celebrations and sought blessings and good wishes from the teachers of the bygone era. All the alumni were in their 70's and teachers in their 80's made a formidable combination and inspired students and teachers of GCP B in a formal function. Alumni donated a SMART board to the college.

Later with family, alumni spent 3 days in a resort in Coorg



Family & alumni spent 3 days in a resort in Coorg for retreat and rejuvenation.

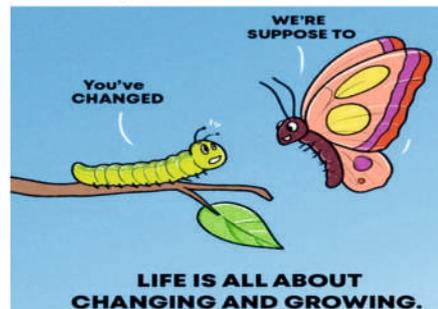
for retreat and rejuvenation. Long live GCPB

5. Science exhibition, Telescope show and Drone demo at Yarazari Village, MBL Tq, Vijayapur Dt, 10 Jan 2025

It was organized jointly by HESDAR Center, Mysuru and Gravity Science Foundation, Ch. Nagar. Mr Abshisekh AS and Mr. Manoj lead the science exhibition & activities. About 100 rural children enjoyed seeing dark spots on the Sun and other objects through the telescope. There was breath taking drone show and water gun rocket experiment which children enjoyed. About 15 teachers and village



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