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Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC)

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Minutes of the 1st Meeting of IQAC held on Tuesday 27th October, 2015 at 3.30 PM in B dome Conference room.

PRESENT	Prof. Sasikumar Punnekkat (Chairperson, IQAC), Prof. Prasanta Kumar Das
	(Convener, IQAC), Prof. D.M.Kulkarni, Prof. Sunil Bhand, Prof. A.P.Koley, Prof.
	Vinayak N. Shet and Prof. S.D.Manjare (as an invitee)
ABSENT	Prof. Ashwin Srinivasan, Dr. Jayanth Sridhar, Prof. Meenakshi Raman and Prof. J.
	V. Rao

Matter discussed:

- 1.1 Prof. Sasikumar Punnekkat (Chairperson, IQAC) welcomed all IQAC members. He described the objectives and importance of the IQAC meeting and discussed about several measures that need to be taken to meet those IQAC objectives.
- 1.2 Prof. Prasanta Kumar Das (Convener,IQAC) gave a presentation on IQAC: he described its features and several operational details. He mentioned about the importance of best practices to ensure quality. He also mentioned some of the practices that the BITS-Pilani University has currently having at their disposal related to the monitoring of PhD thesis (through DCC, DRC and DAC committees) and usage of anti-plagiarism software Turnitin in order to maintain the highest quality and originality of PhD thesis, First degree Thesis and Higher degree Dissertation etc. He also discussed about the Annual Quality Assurance Report(AQAR) (a part of NAAC accreditation), and also shown the proposal for BITS-Goa IQAC website to the members.
- 1.3 Prof. D. M. Kulkarni described at a length about how reforms in HR e.g. Faculty recruitment, through an external agency as well as through a multi-stage selection process, has been able to improve the quality of faculty.
- 1.4 Prof. Sasikumar mentioned that salary processing, faculty leave approval etc are being done through an integrated ERP solution so as to ensure continuous improvement of administrative procedures.