181st EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING (DATED: 30-06-2021)

ITEM NO (10)

Sub: GRADE & CIQA-Approval for applying for the accreditation of NAAC - Consideration - Reg.

The NAAC accreditation is mandatory for all the higher learning institutes, particularly state universities. Without NAAC accreditation, universities are not eligible for UGC grants, RUSA grants, financial aid etc. On the other hand, NAAC accreditation determines the quality of the institute in terms of education, infrastructure, research, teaching & learning etc.

Benefits of NAAC Accreditation

- 1. NAAC accreditation helps the higher learning institutes to know its strengths, opportunities, and weaknesses through an informed review process.
- 2. NAAC identifies the internal areas of planning and allocation of resources.
- 3. NAAC accreditation will help funding agencies with objective data so that they can take a decision on the funding of higher learning institutes.
- 4. NAAC grade/ assessment will help educational institutes to initiate modern or innovative methods of pedagogy.

Dr.B.R.Ambedkar Open University was established in 1982. Since its inception the university has been offering Certificate programmes, diploma programmes, undergraduate, postgraduate and research programmes from the faculties of Arts, Commerce, Education, Sciences and Social sciences. So far Dr.B.R.Ambedkar Open University has not applied for NAAC accreditation because of the lack of criteria for Open and Distance Educational institutions. The National Government Agency called National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) Bangalore has developed criteria for Open and Distance Educational Institutions in April 2021.

In view of this the university is planning to approach National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) Bangalore for necessary accreditation in 2021. The total process involves at least six months time. The university is planning to form different Committees along with an Advisory Committee for the smooth running of the process. In order to familiarise the process to the officers and faculty members, workshops and training programmes will also be planned. Therefore permission may be accorded to initiate process for the NAAC accreditation.

MATTER FOR CONSIDERATION

To consider the proposal and accord administrative sanction to initiate the process of NAAC accreditation by constituting different Committees for assigning works to the Staff and Faculty members and to organize training programmes to the staff and faculty members.

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Resolution:

Resolved to consider and approve administrative sanction and expedite to initiate the process of NAAC accreditation by constituting different Committees for assigning works to the Staff and Faculty members and to organize training programmes to the staff and faculty members.

REGISTRAR

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