The Annual Quality Assurance Report (AQAR) of the IQAC

Name of the Institution: Dr. Ambedkar College of Arts and Commerce, Yerawda. Pune – 411 006
Year of Report: 2005-2006

Part A: The plan of action chalked out by the IQAC in the beginning of the year towards enhancement and the outcome achieved by the end of the year.

Our objective in 2005-06 was to complete the following tasks:

a. To develop playground and to furnish the Gymkhana.
b. To upgrade the existing computers and to acquire latest computers for Computerization of office.
c. To start courses like Travel & Tourism, Call center training, Bachelor of Education, Diploma in Education, Bachelor of Business Administration, Master of Business Administration, Computer training.

Out of the above only following tasks are completed.

a. A playground is partially developed. Volleyball court is installed. Gymkhana furnished with all the necessary equipments required for physical fitness.
b. Five new computers acquired through donation from local development fund of local MLA and installed for office use.

Part B:

01. Activities reflecting the goals and objectives of the institution:

Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar founded People’s Education Society to educate students from socially and economically deprived communities. To make them respectable, knowledgeable and self-sufficient are the goals of this society. Keeping this in mind the present institute was started in a socially and economically backward area of Yerawda, Pune.

We nurture the educational and social needs of the people. Most of the students admitted in this College come from the poor families of illiterate parents. Naturally they, on an average are poor in their studies, lack confidence and concentration. With the help of the existing staff and invited Guest lecturers, we try to boost the confidence of the students and improve their knowledge.

Provision is also made to pay fees in installment. It enable students to take admission in the college.

02. New academic programs initiated (UG and PU): None

03. Innovations in curricular design and transaction: Prof. Shivaji M. Kakade, a member of the Board of studies of Commerce Faculty of University of Pune, in 2005-
04. Inter-disciplinary programs started: None

05. Examination reforms implemented: Examinations are held according to rules and regulations of University of Pune.

06. Candidates qualified: NET/SLET/GATE etc.: UGC has passed a resolution on 05/09/2006, for the relaxation in NET/SLET to the lecturers completing M. Phil. Two of the teaching staff members will get the relaxation on completing their M. Phil.

07. Initiative towards faculty development programme:
Lectures by experts organized to enhance and update knowledge of the students.

Field excursions organized by Department of Geography and for the subject Environment Awareness. In 2005 – 06 students visited Randha fall and Bhandardara dam site. Certain concepts and ideas taught using slides and transparencies.

Quality Improvement Program organized for development of faculties.

Following Lectures and Seminar were organized under Quality Improvement Program, as per University circular No. PU/NVV/1174.

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08. Total number of seminars/workshops conducted:
   Seminar: 01       Workshop: None
   One day seminar was organized under Quality Improvement Program, on 28/01/2006
by Department of History.

Seminar was inaugurated by Dr. Vasant Shinde, Dept. of Archaeology, Deccan College, Pune.
Special Lectures delivered by:
1. Prof. Ganesh Raut : 20 vya Shataktil Samajik Parivartan
2. Prof. Aruna More : Samajik Sudharana aani Samatecha Ladha
3. Dr. Dhanasing Jagtap : Adhunik Maharashtratil Parivartanacha Itihas
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Lecturers of the Colleges affiliated to the University of Pune, the Graduate students and Post-Graduate students attended the Seminar.

09. Research projects
   a) Newly implemented: None
   b) Completed: None

10. Patents generated, if any: None

11. New collaborative research programs: None

12. Research grants received from various agencies: None

13. Details of research scholars: None

14. Citation index of faculty members and impact factor:

15. Honors/Awards to the faculty: None

16. Internal resources generated: Rs.32,500/- received as donations.

17. Details of departments getting
    SAP, COSIST(ASSIST)/DST.FIST, etc. None

18. Community services:
    Community services provided through National Service Scheme and Environment Awareness program. Student volunteers participated in the cleanliness drive organized to clean the area around the College Campus. The aim of this drive was to increase the awareness about the disposal of garbage and necessity for sorting of the garbage in to wet and dry garbage.

    On 5th, 9th and 10th day of Ganapati festival, during the immersion of Lord Ganesh Idols about 30 student volunteers worked for the Nirmalya collection (floral and other Offerings made during 10 day worship of Ganapaty). This was to avoid river water pollution and save the community from the water borne diseases.

    Blood Donation camp organized by NSS in collaboration with Tarachand Hospital on 27th Sept 2005, College Foundation day. 54 student volunteers participated in the
Winter camp, for ten days was organized between 8 to 17 Dec 2005 in the village Valen, tal. Mulshi, dist. Pune. Contour bunds build to check the down flow of water from the hills, to help increase the seepage of water.

19. Teachers and officers newly recruited: None

20. Teaching – Non-teaching ratio: 3:1

21. Improvements in the library services: Annexure - I

22. New books/journals subscribed and their value: Annexure - I

23. Courses in which student assessment of teachers is introduced and the action taken on student feedback:
   Student assessment is introduced for both, Arts and Commerce faculty. Assessment on two levels, Behavioral and Teaching skills introduced. Evaluation report submitted to the Principal. Teachers assessed badly are informed of their drawbacks and are asked to improve.

24. Unit cost of education: Rs.934 /- per student

25. Computerization of administration and the process of admissions and examination results, issue of certificates:
   One member of the administrative staff has acquired MS-CIT certificate. Others are still undergoing training. Hence full use of available computers is not yet made. We hope to bring all the information on computer very soon.

26. Increase in the infrastructure facilities:
   Four lecture halls and a new gym are the additions to the first floor of the existing building of the college.

27. Technology upgradation:
   LCD projector (Panasonic PT-LM2E) acquired for better presentation and simplification in explaining the subject. Students find it easier to understand the topic with diagrams and pictures displayed on the screen.

28. Computer and internet access and training to teachers and students:
   College possesses 15 Computers and internet access provided by VSNL.

29. Financial aid to students:
   Students get financial aid in the form of various scholarships and free ships provided by the government. In case of the needy students who can not afford to pay their fees, financial support is provided through the Students’ Welfare Fund.
30. Activities and support from the Alumni Association:
Alumni Association not yet registered with the Charity Commissioner.

31. Activities and support from the Parent – Teacher Association:
Parent – Teacher Association is not yet shaped.

32. Health services:
Registered Medical Practitioner is called for Yearly medical check up of Students of F.Y.B.A. and F.Y.B.Com.

33. Performance in sports activities:
Boys participated in individual and group events for Inter- Collegiate competitions.


For group events teams participated in following games:
1. Volleyball – games held at,
   b. Dr. Ambedkar College, Wadala, Mumbai, on 6-7 Jan.2006

2. Kabaddi – at Dr. Ambedkar College, Wadala, Mumbai, on 6-7 Jan. 2006

34. Incentives to outstanding sports Persons: None

35. Student achievements and awards: None

36. Activities to the Guidance and Counseling unit:
Counseling cell exists 2002. Students are guided to solve their educational and even the personal problems.

37. Placement services provided to students:
Placement cell of the College extends its services to find the job opportunities

38. Development programs for non-teaching staff:
Members of Administrative staff were sent to complete MS-CIT. One of the office staff has successfully completed the course.

39. Healthy practices of institution:
For the personality development of the students various activities are carried out. Meditation practice is one of them. It is a fact that meditation helps increasing concentration, calmness and cool attitude of a learner. He / She can do a balanced thinking, which helps him / her in the day today activities and also in the studies. Hence discourses with demonstrations on Meditation are organized from time to time for learner.
Special study tours are organized to impose the importance of the Natural Environment and to make them aware of the problems faced by human beings with the destruction of this environment. Factors responsible for environmental degradation and the efforts to be made to improve our environment are discussed on the spot. Students were taken to Randha fall and Bhandardara dam sites in Nasik district, Maharashtra for Field excursion in 2005-06

40. Linkages developed with National/International, Academic/Research bodies:
   None

41. Any other relevant information the institution wishes to add:

A. Dr. Nitin Birmal (Reader in Politics), worked on following assignments in different capacities.

   Total cost of the Project - Rs. 300, 000.

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B. Prof. Manoj Pandkar (Senior Lecturer in Economics), is working on following projects since April 2004 and Sept 2004 respectively.


II. **Research Investigator – Project**: “Political Economy of Maharashtra”. Analysis of Zilla Parishad Budget and Maharashtra Budget.

C. Dr. Savita Ghate (Reader in Geography) presented a paper in following conferences:

   **Title of the Paper**: Geoarchaeological Investigations at Kelshi, a coastal town in Maharashtra.
Worked as Coordinator for one session of the conference.

II. XXXIII National Conference of Indian Society for Prehistoric and Quaternary Studies at Bangalore University, Bangalore, organized by Institute of Indology, Bangalore, held between 15 – 18 Dec 2005.

Title of the Paper: Geomorphological and Geoarchaeological changes along the Konkan coast during Quaternary Period – A Review.

Part C: Detail the plans of the institution for the next year:
The plan of the institute for next year is:

1. Total development of Playground.
2. To construct new water tank for drinking water.
3. To extend our services to the settlements (slums of Ashok nagar, Laxmi nagar and Laman vasti) surrounding our College campus. Programs like, Adult education, AIDS & general hygiene awareness and awareness amongst women for their rights & laws would be implemented.
4. To introduce Marathi and Geography on Special level.
5. To start new faculties like BBA, MBA.
6. To construct Recreation Hall.

Priority will be to complete the incomplete tasks of 2005-06.