



Minutes of a Meeting of the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) of Birpara College, held on 10 October 2018

A meeting of the IQAC was held under the chairmanship of Vice-Principal, Dr. Shyam Sundar Pradhan, on 10.10.2018 at 1 p.m.

The resolutions adopted in the meeting are as follows:

1. Reading and confirmation of the resolutions adopted in the previous meeting of the IQAC held on 10.09.2018.
2. Progress report of academic activities:
 - a) The House was informed that the University of North Bengal (NBU) has introduced Choice Based Credit System (CBCS) in undergraduate courses in all affiliated colleges
 - b) As planned, the College has introduced BSc Program course under CBCS with Physics, Mathematics and Computer Science as the subjects. The said course is self-financed. As of now, the maximum intake capacity in BSc is 20.
 - c) Efforts are on to introduce Chemistry as a new science subject with funds from the college.
 - d) As planned, Physical Education has been converted from self-financed to regular course, thus benefitting the BA Program course students who opt for the said course.
3. Other activities:
 - a) The House was informed that the new academic building has been handed over to the college by North Bengal Development Department
 - b) The House was informed that the foundation stone of the new Science Block has been laid
 - c) The House was informed that the College has been earmarked for a grant to Rs 1 crore under Component II of RUSA 2.0 for a Ladies' Hostel. Application for the same is under process.
 - d) The College continues to put in effort to introduce the National Cadet Corps (NCC) for its students.
4. Miscellaneous:

- a) The House was informed that efforts are on to start an IGNOU Study Centre at the College
- b) Different departments of the College offering Honours and Program courses are encouraged to organise Special Lectures by experienced faculty from nearby colleges for the benefit of the students.
- c) Mr Tenzin, the Managing Director of Penden Cement Pvt. Ltd, a Bhutan-based company, made the following suggestions as an external member of the IQAC:
 - i) The students of Birpara College must be offered workshops, training programmes, etc. focused on making them industry ready
 - ii) The staff of the college must multi-task for optimum utilisation of resources
 - iii) The college should consider sponsorship for targeted students' groups
 - iv) The teachers must consider sharing digital resources with the students

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair.