

Malnad College of Engineering, Hassan.

Internal Quality Assurance Cell.

Proceedings of meeting with **Peer Team members, VTU, Belagavi**, nominated for Internal Quality Assurance Cell, MCE, Hassan and conduction of academic audit, held on **18th February. 2026.**

Members Present:

Dr.Amarendra H.J, Chairperson, IQAC

Dr. Reddappa, Member, Peer Team, VTU, Belagavi

Dr.Shivananda Nayak, Member, Peer Team, VTU, Belagavi

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Dr.Y.M.Shashidhara, Coordinator, IQAC

At the outset, Dr. Y.M. Shashidhara, Coordinator of the IQAC, welcomed the Peer Team and other members to the meeting.

The Peer team conducted a comprehensive verification of the documents related to the Academic Audit for the academic years **2023–24** and **2024–25**. The documents were systematically compiled and presented under key institutional criteria, including **Governance, Financial Resources, Physical Resources, Curriculum Aspects, Teaching–Learning Process, Research and Development, Student Activities, Placements, Evaluation, and Other Institutional facilities**. The well-organized documentation enabled the audit team to effectively assess the institution's academic and administrative practices and evaluate its quality assurance mechanisms.

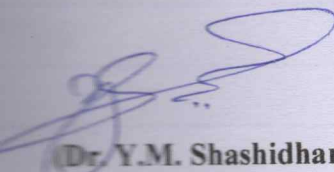
Based on the verification of records, supporting documents, and interactions with the concerned stakeholders, the audit team identified several areas for improvement to strengthen institutional performance and the following suggestions are made.

- The auditors recommended strengthening the delegation of financial powers to promote greater administrative efficiency and accountability. They also emphasized the need for better utilization of the allocated financial resources to support academic development and institutional growth.
- Upgradation of laboratory infrastructure and facilities was suggested to enhance practical learning and research capabilities.

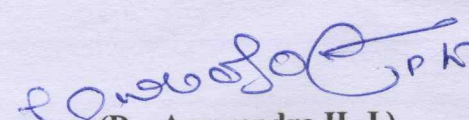
- Advised the institution to establish a systematic mechanism for continuous improvement by regularly monitoring academic and administrative processes. It also recommended organizing additional skill enhancement programmes and value-added courses to improve students' employability and professional competencies.
- In the area of research, the auditors emphasized the effective implementation of institutional Research and Development (R&D) **and** Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) policies. They further recommended adopting proactive measures to promote a vibrant research culture, strengthening research infrastructure, and encouraging faculty members to undertake sponsored research projects, consultancy assignments, and externally funded initiatives.
- The audit team also highlighted the importance of promotion of innovation, entrepreneurship, and startup activities among students and faculty through structured support mechanisms.
- Finally, it recommended strengthening placement-related activities by enhancing industry collaborations, career guidance, and employability training to improve placement outcomes.

Based on the verification of documents, a report was submitted to the authorities and noted that the implementation of these recommendations would contribute significantly to enhancing academic excellence, research productivity, institutional effectiveness, and the overall quality of education.

Meeting was concluded with Vote of Thanks.



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