



# Swami Rama Himalayan University

Swami Ram Nagar, PO. Jolly Grant, Dehradun

## Office of the Director IQAC

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### 21<sup>st</sup> IQAC Minutes of the Meeting

The 21<sup>st</sup> Meeting of the Internal Quality Assurance Cell of Swami Rama Himalayan University was held on **15<sup>th</sup> January, 2026 at 03.00 pm** in the Conference Hall, HIMS. The following members were present in the meeting:

<b>1. Dr. Rajendra Dobhal, Vice Chancellor</b>	<b>Chairperson</b>
2. Dr. Vijendra D. Chauhan, Director General (Academic Development)	Member
3. Dr. Sanchita Pugazhendi, Principal, HCN	Member
4. Dr. Sanjay Gupta, Dean, SBS	Member
5. Dr. Pramod Kumar, Dean, SST	Member
6. Dr. Preeti Kothiyal, Dean, SPS	Member
7. Dr. Ritvik Dubey, Vice Principal, SMS	Member
8. Dr. Subodh Saurabh Singh, Principal, SYS	Member
9. Commander Challa Venkateswar (Retd.), Registrar	Member
10. Dr. Archana Prakash, Controller of Examinations	Member
11. Prof. Yogendra Singh, University Librarian	Member
12. Dr. Rajesh Maheshwari, Medical Supt., Himalayan Hospital	Member
13. Dr. Amjad Husain, Director, HCIE	Member
14. Mrs. Sadhana Mishra, Director, Operations	Member
15. Mr. Vinay Chaturvedi, GM, HR (Representative of CHRO)	Member
16. Dr. Reshma Kaushik, Vice Principal (PG), HIMS	Member
17. Dr. Anuradha Kusum, Vice Principal (UG), HIMS	Member
18. Dr. Kiran Bhat, Vice Principal, Paramedical, HIMS	Member
19. Prof. P.D. Juyal, Former Vice Chancellor, NDVSU	Member
20. Prof. R.C. Sundriyal, Former Professor, HNBGU	Member
21. Dr. Grace Madonna Singh, Professor, HCN & Attribute 7 Coordinator	Member
22. Dr. Nikku Yadav, Associate Professor, HIMS & Coordinator Accreditations and Rankings	Member
23. Dr. Vikas Singh Jadon, Associate Professor, SBS & Attribute 9 Coordinator	Member
24. Dr. Ashutosh K. Chaudhary, Associate Professor, SST & Attribute 6 Coordinator	Member

25. Dr. Vibhor Sharma, Associate Professor, SST & Attribute 2 Coordinator	Member
26. Dr. Geeta Bhandari, Assistant Professor, SBS & Attribute 3 Coordinator	Member
27. Mr. Amar Sathe, Assistant Professor, SMS & Attribute 8 Coordinator	Member
28. Dr. Atul Aggarwal, Professor, HIMS	Member
29. Mr. Ruchir Pandey, GM-Information Technology	Member
30. Mr. R.P.S. Rawat, DGM	Member
31. Mr. Girish Uniyal, Head (E&M)	Member
32. Mr. Vikas Chamoli, Manager Placement Cell	Member
33. Ms. Diksha (MBBS - 2021 Batch)	Member
34. Dr. Ayushman Srivastav, Assistant Registrar, R&D Cell (Representative of Director Research)	Member
<b>35. Dr. Pradeep K. Varshney, Director IQAC</b>	<b>Member Secretary</b>

The following members could not attend the meeting due to their prior engagements. They were granted leave.

1. Dr. Ashok Kumar Deorari, Pro Hon'ble Vice Chancellor	Member
2. Dr. Renu Dhasmana, Principal HIMS	Member
3. Mr. Avnish Shalya, Finance Officer	Member
4. Dr. Hem Chandra, Director, Hospital Services, Himalayan Hospital	Member
5. Dr. Bindu Dey, Director Research	Member
6. Mr. Rajmani Krishnakumar Pandey, Chief Human Resource Officer	Member
7. Dr. Rajeev Bijalwan, Dy. Director, Rural Development Institute	Member
8. Dr. Vinit Mehrotra, Director, Student Affairs & Welfare	Member
9. Mr. Manu Kochar, Madhuban Hotel, 97 Rajpur Road, Dehradun	Member
10. Dr. Mukesh Bijalwan, Professor, SST	Member
11. Dr. Deep Shikha, Professor, HIMS & Attribute 1 Coordinator	Member
12. Dr. Ruchi Juyal, Professor, HIMS, & Attribute 10 Coordinator	Member
13. Mr. Summanyu Bhatt (B.Tech-DS&ML - 2024 Batch)	Member
14. Mr. Bijendra Singh, F/O Ms. Diksha, Dehradun	Member

Dr Rajendra Dobhal, Hon'ble Vice Chancellor chaired the meeting and welcomed all the members including both external member Prof. Juyal and Prof. Sundriyal and new members. The meeting began with a prayer by Director General (Academic Development). He directed Director IQAC to present the agenda of the meeting.



Director IQAC formally welcomed all the members and presented the agenda items with detailed deliberations. Resolutions on each agenda alongwith recommendations and observations of members are presented hereunder.

**Agenda Item No. 21.1: To confirm the minutes of the last meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> Oct., 2025.**

The minutes of the 20th IQAC meeting held on 15 October 2025 were confirmed, as proposed by Dr. Preeti Kothiyal, Dean SPS and seconded by Dr. Sanjay Gupta, Dean SBS.

*(Annexure-1)*

**Agenda Item No. 21.2: Update on Accreditation and Ranking / Rating work of IQAC**

The Director IQAC apprised the house that the IQAC Cell of the University, with the collective support of all academic and administrative units, has implemented the following initiatives:

- i) **NAAC Survey form** submitted on 9.10.2025.
- ii) **Times Sustainability** submitted on 10.11.2025.
- iii) **QS-I-Gauge** application uploaded on QS Portal on 27.11.2025.
- iv) **QS-Hub Data for QS-Asia** submitted on 30.12.2025.
- v) **Perception of University** -Academic and Industry Experts details submitted for QS Asia Perception work.
- vi) **NIRF-2026** (Overall, Medical and SDG)- In progress.
- vii) **NAAC-AQAR** – In progress.

He informed the members that **SRHU was selected by NAAC as a model University under the Health Science category** for submission of the NAAC Survey Form. The Director General (Academic Development) **further highlighted that only a very limited number of universities were chosen by NAAC** for submitting the Survey form. This achievement was **widely appreciated and applauded by all the members.**

Director IQAC informed that QS I-Gauge application submitted on QS portal by the IQAC team and requested everyone to applaud for Dr. Nikku Yadav Coordinator and entire team under the leadership of Director General (Academic Development) and Hon'ble Vice Chancellor. The progress of QS Asia, NIRF-2026 and NAAC-AQAR was also apprised to all members.

Hon'ble Vice Chancellor also directed IQAC to propose International Students Admissions plan in the Annual Operational Plan.

**Agenda Item No. 21.3: IQAC Team Revised and Notified** in view of 10 Attributes of NAAC Level Based Binary System.

The information was shared with all the members about the revised IQAC team. The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor asked Director IQAC to highlight the changes made. He replied that

- i) Two members additionally added as decided in the last IQAC meeting i.e., CHRO and Placement Cell Officer.



- ii) Also included DSAW under Administration
- iii) Due to change of IQAC Team, the new members exchanged with new ones.
- iv) One student member changed as he passed out.

The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor enquired about the absence of the CHRO in the meeting. The Director, IQAC informed that the CHRO was engaged in an in-house staff training scheduled from 2:30 PM to 4:30 PM and had conveyed through email that Mr. Vinay Chaturvedi, GM, would attend the meeting on his behalf. The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor advised that such information should be communicated in advance prior to the commencement of the meeting.

The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor emphasized the need for active participation and constructive inputs from all members, noting that the Committee holds significance equal to that of the Academic Council (AC), Board of Management (BOM), and Board of Governors (BOG). He further highlighted that the role of IQAC is to strengthen internal quality systems through the collective responsibility of Unit Heads in achieving academic excellence. He further stressed that all members should accord due seriousness to the Committee and ensure their attendance in future meetings.

Director IQAC requested Hon'ble Vice Chancellor to make compulsory to all IQAC team members to report in NAAC-IQAC Cell on every Thursday instead of Saturday. The same was unanimously agreed and approved by the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor. He also requested all Dean/Principal to keep them free from routine time table from upcoming next semester as they will work for different Accreditation and Ranking work of the University. In this regard, a mail will be sent to all Deans/ Principals from the office of Director General (Academic Development).

#### **Agenda Item No. 21.4: Workshops Organized by IQAC**

The information of following workshops / events was shared with all the members:

- i) **QS Quality Assurance Program on "Achieving Academic Excellence through Accreditation & Ranking"** -19<sup>th</sup> August 2025
- ii) **QS Orientation Programme** -29<sup>th</sup> August 2025
- iii) **Workshop on NAAC Binary Accreditation Systems Aligned with New Guidelines** -01<sup>st</sup> Dec., 2025

Dr. Yogendra Singh pointed out that CLIM is often not included in such workshops/events. The Director, IQAC clarified that the invitation had been circulated to all concerned by the office of the Director General (Academic Development), which was duly confirmed by the DG-AD during the meeting. The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, however, directed the Registrar to ensure that CLIM and the Director, HCIE are mandatorily invited to all meetings and included in all related communications.





**Agenda Item No. 21.5: Update on NEP Policy Implementation** by the Academic Units and creation of Website Tab under IQAC.

Director IQAC apprised all the members that University has implemented NEP policy in 21 programmes starting from 2023-24 AY. The same information will be updated on university website under IQAC tab, which is as per the requirements of regulatory bodies.

**Agenda Item No. 21.6: Implementation of Swayam/ Swayam Plus / MOOC Guidelines** for Online Courses by the Constituent Academic Units and creation of Website Tab under IQAC.

The Director IQAC, briefly informed the members that, as per the UGC notification dated 9 December 2025, SWAYAM courses have been made mandatory to the extent of a minimum of 20% and a maximum of 40% of the curriculum, and that the Department of Higher Education, Uttarakhand, has directed all universities to implement the same vide its letter dated 21 December 2025

He also presented the status of SWAYAM course implementation by the University's academic units and students. Since 2022, approximately 340 students have registered for SWAYAM courses, out of which 233 have successfully obtained certification. As compliance with SWAYAM is a mandatory requirement for both NIRF and NAAC, it was proposed that SWAYAM guidelines, in line with UGC regulations, be notified to ensure effective implementation of credit-based SWAYAM courses by the academic units.

It was further proposed that these guidelines be recommended by the Board of Studies and approved by the Academic Council. The proposal was duly approved by the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, who directed all Deans and Principals to implement the same from the forthcoming semester. Considering the importance of the matter, the Director, IQAC, along with the SWAYAM SPOC, will organize a meeting with all Deans and Principals under the chairmanship of the Director General–Academic Development in the near future.

Director IQAC also mentioned that following points will be included in the Swayam guidelines:

- i) 20% Course or Minimum One Course per semester by every student with credit consideration after mapping with Swayam Courses.
- ii) The courses mapping %age will be decided in the meeting for finalizing the guidelines.
- iii) All academic units shall ensure 100% students' registration for the identified mapped course with Swayam list.
- iv) Adjustment of Rs. 1000/- Registration fees per course in the next semester fees subject to submission of list and fee receipts by the concerned Dean/Principal of the Academic Unit.

The Director, IQAC also informed the members that information related to SWAYAM/MOOCs courses will be updated on the University website under the IQAC tab, in compliance with the requirements of the regulatory bodies.



**Agenda Item No. 21.7: New initiatives to be taken in view of NAAC Level Based Binary**

The Director, IQAC briefly presented the key points that emerged from the NAAC Binary Level Workshop for implementation from the current semester onwards. It was also decided that an Indian Knowledge Systems (IKS) Centre will be set up in the School of Yoga Sciences. Accordingly, the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor directed the Director, IQAC to convene a separate meeting with all Deans/Principals under the chairmanship of the Director General–Academic Development in the near future.

- i. Promotion of Indian Knowledge System (IKS) in all Academic Programmes by**
  - a) Introducing Certificate Courses
  - b) Components of IKS in core curriculum,
  - c) Faculty & Students Research projects in IKS
  - d) Establishment of Centre for IKS
- ii. Faculty Development / Training Programme attended by the faculty members of minimum 03 days at GOI-such as MMTTC, AICTE, UGC, ARPIT and similar.**
- iii. Faculty sponsored for Industrial Training and Fellowships for 2 months.**
- iv. Teaching Lesson Plan to be revised by introducing Learning Strategies like Self, Game based, Technology based, collaborative, Cooperative, Peer teaching, problem based, Project based learning etc.**
- v. Introduction of Bridge Courses, Advanced Courses**
- vi. Teaching and Examination in Bhartiya Bhashas including text books**
- vii. Participation of other Institutions in Clubs activities and involvement of Industry/ Professional bodies.**
- viii. Introduction of Value Education Courses (Values, Ethics, morals etc) in Curriculum in place of Value-Added Courses (VAC).**
- ix. Formation of Quality Circles (Group of Employees to identify, analyze, and solve work-related problems, aiming to improve quality, productivity, and the work environment)**
- x. Promotion of Students and Faculty Exchange, Joint Degree & Research Programmes through National & International Collaborations.**
- xi. No. of External Awards/ Prizes/ Recognitions received by the students in both curricular and sports at Inter-University/State/ National / International Events.**
- xii. Research Grants – More than 10 Lakhs from Govt. and More than 1 Lakh from Non-Govt will be considered.**
- xiii. Promotion of Open Educational Resources (OERs) like textbooks, videos, courses) released under open licenses.**
- xiv. NSS activities need to be increased and NCC may be explored.**
- xv. Strengthening of Employability.**

**Agenda Item No. 21.8: Update on Action Taken Points of University Level Internal and External “Academic Audit” and “Administrative Audit” for AY 2024-25.**

The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor directed the Director, IQAC to present the progress on action points recommended by the University-level Internal and External Academic and Administrative Audits for AY 2024–25 and to confirm that the same had been formally communicated to all Deans and Principals for necessary action.





The Director, IQAC informed the Committee that the action points were duly circulated to all Deans /Principals for implementation and presented a brief overview of the progress achieved, as summarized below:

S.No.	Recommendations	Status
1	Functional ERP for both Academic and Administrative units with all required modules and components.	In progress.
2	To explore the possibilities of getting NBA Accreditation of Engineering and Management Programmes of the University, for better placements opportunities.	SST, SMS and SPS have started their work. Dean SPS apprised the progress in the meeting.
3	Research & Development Cell Data need to be properly documented, presented and secured for wider dissemination for both in-house and outside stakeholders.	In progress.
4	Improve upon Quality Placements.	In progress.
5	Need to Strengthen Alumni Connect /Network.	In progress.
6	Focus on Outreach Activities for enhancing the perception of the University.	NIRF and QS Asia data submitted.
7	Faculty Development Programmes to be organized by the Academic Units in the emerging areas in collaboration with IQAC of the University.	The Chair informed that academic units have started recommending cases for attending FDPs but they should also submit proposals to funding organizations for organizing FDS at University level in challenging areas or thrust areas.
8	Roles and Responsibilities of officials and staff of all administrative units should be well defined and described.	The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor informed that this information is available with HR department. They should share this information with all Dean/Principals for maintaining a file for necessary implementation.
9	SOPs and Procedures for all Academic and Administrative units to improve their functioning.	The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor informed that SOPs are available for the majority of the units. Units where SOPs are not yet in place are required to develop and implement the same at the earliest.

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**Agenda Item No. 21.9: Revision of Monthly Report Data Sheets** in view of NAAC Level Based Binary Matrix.

Director IQAC informed all the members that monthly report data sheets are under revision in view of the NAAC Binary Level matrix. The revised sheets will be shared with all concerned for compilation of monthly report from January 2026 onwards.

**Agenda Item No. 21.10: Preponement of Academic Calendar** of all concerned Constituent Academic Units for increasing the **Placements and Higher Studies data** of the University.

Director IQAC mentioned that academic units need to plan their academic activities in such a manner that all examinations must be completed in May or November which will help to increase the placements and Higher studies data in NIRF and other accreditations.

The Director General (Academic Development) informed the members that the academic calendar of one academic unit had earlier been extended up to July; however, upon being brought to his notice, it was subsequently revised and preponed to conclude by 15 June 2026 for all concerned academic units, keeping in view the commencement of the next semester classes in July. He further mentioned that, owing to delayed admissions in certain programmes, the first-semester classes and examinations should be planned in such a manner that the commencement of the next semester from the first week of January.

**Agenda Item No. 21.11: Regular Website Update** in view of Accreditation, Rankings and Ratings work of the University.

Director IQAC requested all the Deans/Principals, Directors of various units to update their achievements on monthly basis which will help University in Accreditation and Ranking verification processes. The Director General (Academic Development) informed the Committee that all units had been given a deadline of 15 January 2026 to update their websites; however, as per inputs received from the Media Team, additional time has been sought, and the revised completion deadline has been extended to 31 January 2026.

The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor firmly directed all Unit Heads to ensure their respective websites are updated on a monthly basis, with active coordination and support from the Media Team.

**Agenda Item No. 21.12: Any other point with the permission of the Chair.**

The following points were discussed with the permission of Chair:

- i) Prof. R. C. Sundriyal, External Member, appreciated the proactive initiatives of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Director General (Academic Development), and Director, IQAC in convening regular meetings and implementing systematic measures to enhance institutional quality. He also commended the leadership for its consistent



commitment to attaining the highest standards in accreditation and national as well as international ranking frameworks.

- ii) Prof. P.D. Juyal, external member mentioned that preponement of academic calendar word may be replaced with Revised academic calendar in agenda item no. 21.10.
- iii) Dr. Amjad Hussain, Director, HCIE informed the members that "Startup Day" will be celebrated on 16 January 2026 at the B.C. Roy Auditorium and requested all members to attend the event.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.

 29. Jan. 2026

Dr. Pradeep K. Varshney  
Director, IQAC



  
Dr. Rajendra Dobhal, FNASc  
Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor



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All Members of the IQAC

## Glimpses of 21<sup>st</sup> IQAC Meeting held on 15.01.2026 (Thursday) at 3:00 PM in the Conference Hall, SRHU

