



Quality in Autonomous Colleges

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Origin and Concept of Autonomy

- **Aim and Focus**
- **Core features**
- **Responsibility & Accountability**
- **Quality Enhancements**
- **Quality Prerequisites**
- **Quality indicators**
- **Conclusion**





Autonomous



Self + Law

- ❖ Independent / Self-Governing
- ❖ Free From External Control
- ❖ Sense of Responsibility & Accountability





As per Kothari Comm. (1964-66) "Autonomy is a must for intellectual developments"

- Freedom in curriculum design
- Adopting of new teaching-learning methods
- Revision of rules for admission
- Separate evaluation method
- Introduction of specific programs



As per UGC Guidelines

Freedom to

- Determine and prescribe its own courses of study and syllabi
- Prescribe rules of admission in consonance with reservation policy of the State/UT governments.
- Evolve innovative methods of assessments of student work, conduct of examination and notification of results
- Use of modern tools of educational technology to achieve higher standards and creativity.



Concept of Autonomy

- Freedom to prescribe its own courses of studies and device methods of teaching and evaluation
- Freedom in Academic, Financial and Administrative matters accompanied by accountability



Goals of Autonomy..... Quality Education

- Opportunity to the administrators, teachers and students to make innovation.
- Utilization of creative talent by teachers / students / researchers / trainers etc.
- Improving standards of teaching, examination and research
- Proactive response to social needs



Focus of Autonomy

- For academic innovations
- For structural improvements in administration
- For finding out new procedures, evaluation, assessment, grading and other academic matters
- For promoting academic excellence



Responsibility of Autonomy

- Fully accountable for the content and quality of education that is imparts
- Students to receive greater individual attention as per their needs and aptitude
- Encourage the students to think clearly, critically and creatively and to express themselves effectively



Core Features of Autonomy

- Decentralized management culture
- Delegation of responsibility with accountability
- Willing and honest participation of stakeholders and management
- Creative and innovation atmosphere
- Sufficient financial resources
- Capacity to mobilize resources



Basic Dimensions of Autonomy

- Academic Autonomy
- Administrative Autonomy
- Financial Autonomy
- Managerial Autonomy



Stages of Autonomy

Stage-I

- Educational innovations
- Designing curriculum
- Innovative courses of study
- Application/practical oriented Courses
- Innovative teaching-learning methods
- College-Industry link



Stages of Autonomy... Contd.

Stage-II

- Regular updating of syllabi
- Enhancement of faculty skills
- Research and services of value to the industry and society

Stage-III

- Interdisciplinary/Multidisciplinary courses
- Enhancement of curricular, co-curricular and extra curricular skills
- Compulsory life/job oriented courses
- Internal/state/National interaction



Accountability

Internal

- Average work Load
- Average time distribution between lectures, tutorials / practical's
- Teaching aids used
- Programs and activities planned and implemented
- Professional Development of Teachers / Researcher / Trainers / Skilled workers
- Utilization of Infrastructural Facilities
- No. of Books / Journals / Periodicals in the library



Accountability

Contd.....

External

- Contents of the courses
- Course options
- Co-curricular and Extra-curricular activities (Independent/Collaborated)
- Performance of students
- Student employment
- Contributor to generation of knowledge
- Teachers/students contribution to extension (NCC/NSS/CRs)



Governance (Statutory Bodies)

- Governing Body
- Academic Council
- Board of Studies
- Finance Committee
- Examination Cell



Administrative Pattern

- Planning and evaluation committee
- Curriculum review committee
- Grievance and appeals committee
- Admission Committee
- Library committee
- Students welfare committee
- Academic audit committee
- Extra curricular activities committee



Structure of Academic Autonomy

Academic Autonomy

Institution

- Planning
- Implementing
- Innovating

- Departments
- Research centers
- Skill centers
- Cells/committees

Faculty

- Freedom to
 - To propose
 - To develop
 - To validate
 - To evaluate

- Curriculum
- Teaching
- Evaluation

Academic Accountability

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Core UGC Suggestions

- Semester Pattern of Study
- Continuous Internal Assessment
- Credits / Grading System
- Student Feedback
- Teacher Feedback



Quality and Excellence

- Curriculum Design and Content
- Instruction, Teaching
- Faculty-Student Relationship
- Learning Facility
- Infrastructure
- Innovation



Futuristic Approach

- Ability to adopt changes
- Structuring-restructuring of courses with social/geographical relevance
- Fitness For purpose (FFP)
- Consistent quality in curricula



Core Values of Autonomous Structure

- Contribution to National Development
- Fostering global competence among students
- Inculcating a value system in students
- Promoting the use of technology in Toto
- Quest for excellence- (IQAC cell)



Main Aim/Focus in Education

- Teaching (Classroom learning Knowledge)
- Research (New Knowledge)
- Extension Activities (Service to Society/Application of knowledge to life)



Main aspects of Excellence in Education

- Excellence in reputation
- Excellence in resources
- Excellence in content
- Excellence in outcome
- Excellence in service



Capacity building in Education

➤ Capacity

- ✓ For Research and Inquiry
- ✓ For Creativity and Innovation
- ✓ To use High Technology
- ✓ For Entrepreneurial Leadership
- ✓ For Moral Leadership



Freedom in Education

- Freedom to Internationalize Education in Teaching and Research
- Freedom to Experiment
- Freedom to Quality Enhancement



Multidimensional Quality in Education

- Quality in Proposal
- Quality in Implementation
- Quality in Process
- Quality in Products
- Organizational Quality

TOTAL QUALITY



Total Quality Control (TQC)

- Quality is No Accident
- Quality is Not an Act
- Quality is a Habit
- Quality must be Planned
- Quality defines the Degree of Excellence



Developmental Stages of Quality Management

Activity-Oriented- Individual responsibility for quality

- Process-Oriented
- System-Oriented
- Chain-Oriented

Total Quality Management-Oriented



Why Quality Accountability

- Competition - for students, funds, survival
- Customer satisfaction- students, parents, sponsors (DST / UGC / CSIR)
- Value of Money & Time Spent
- Employable skill-sets (ER = Posts / Applicants)
- Satisfaction needs of the labour market
- Maintaining of Standards
- Accountability of Funds utilized
- Improvement of employee Morale and Motivation
- Credibility, Prestige and Status (Brand)
- Image and visibility (Status)



Features of quality Curricula

Curricula is attached to the lives and cultures of learners

- Attracts students
- guides students in making sense of their worlds
- helps students organize and retain the important ideas and skills in a discipline (field)
- moves beyond information to thought and to thinking
- actively involves students as doers and problem solvers
- helps students to demonstrate the efficacy of the ideas and skills
- help students to learn those things recognized by experts, community, adults and the society



Core Quality Pre-requisites

- Quality Syllabus
- Quality Faculty
- Quality Teaching
- Quality Evaluation
- Quality Research
- Quality of Character and Outlook of Faculty and Students



Quality Syllabus

- Regular upgradation
- Advanced theoretical / experimental thrust
- Credibility of contents
- Interdisciplinary/Multidisciplinary orientation
- Adoptability towards betterment
- Relevance to self and society



Quality Faculty

- Computer Literate
- Literacy in Teaching Tools and Techniques
- Sound Knowledge in the Subject
- Personality Characteristics
- Academic / Research Competence



Quality Teaching

- Teacher Student Ratio
- Varied modes of Teaching
- Learner Centered Approach
- Interactive and Participatory Character of Teaching
- Innovative Teaching Methods
- Regularity of Classes
- Student Attendance



Quality Evaluation

- Evaluation with Objectivity, Impartiality and Transparency
- Continuous Internal Assessment (CIA-Formative) 40%
- Semester End Examination (SEE-Summative) 60%
- External Valuation-Central, Double, Moderation / Adjustment of Pass / Fail ratio, Re-evaluation, Re-totaling
- Question Pattern (Short, Medium, Long, MCQs)



Quality Research

- Infrastructure
- Quality of Research Papers / Publications
- Citations
- Quality of Research Projects and Guidance
- Relevance with Society and Future scope
- Student Centric



Quality of Character and Outlook

- Imparting Value Education
- Cultural Connectivity of Educational Process
- Involvement of Students in Projects/ Extension / Exchange Programs / Adopted Villages / Schools / Centers



Quality in Perspective

- In terms of Outstanding High Standards
- In terms of Consistency with Zero Defects
- Fitness for the Defined Purpose
- The value of Time, Space and Money
- Participants (Teacher / Students) Positive Transformation



Good Practices in Education

- Encourage contact between Students and Faculty
- Develops Reciprocity and Co-operation among students
- Encourage Active Learning
- Gives prompt Feedback
- Emphasizes Time on Task
- Communicates High Expectations
- Respects Diverse Talents and ways of Learning



Customers Satisfaction Principles

Customers focus: meeting the needs of the customers

Internal customers



Principal
Heads of Department
Teachers
Trainers

External customers



Students / Aspirants
Parents
Society
Community
Government

Continuous Quality Improvement



Total Quality Management (TQM) Core Values

- Institutional Development
- Educational System Development
- Student Development
- Community Development
- Locality Development



Criteria, Standards and Benchmarks (CSB)

- **Criteria:** Is an aspect or element by which a thing is judged
- **Standard:** Specification of aspects or elements by which quality is judged
- **Benchmark:** A point of reference to make comparisons



Quality Indicators of NAAC

- Curriculum Planning and Design
- Curriculum Transaction and Evaluation
- Research, Development and Extension
- Infrastructure and Learning Resources
- Student Support and Progression
- Organization and Management
- Best practices



Factors Influencing the Student choice of College / Institute

- Reputation of the College
- Availability of the Courses / Programs
- Fee Structure
- Placements
- Freedom in Campus
- Proximity to Home
- Sports Facility (Indoor / Outdoor)
- Hostel Facility
- Transport Facility
- Campus Atmosphere / Facilities
- Extension Activities
- Standard of Canteen / Cafeteria



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