



MARIS STELLA COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), VIJAYAWADA
A College with Potential for Excellence
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A Brief Report on
INTERNAL ACADEMIC & ADMINISTRATIVE AUDIT (IAAA)
Academic Year: 2022-23

The objective of the Academic and Administrative Audit (AAA) is to assess the effectiveness of the institution's various departments and to make recommendations for future quality enhancements in curriculum, teaching-learning, evaluation, research, innovation, extension, and administration.

The IQAC of the college conducted an Internal Academic and Administrative Audit for the academic year 2022-23, from 02.05.2023 to 04.05.2023 to review the quality of the academic process in the college and to assess the efficiency of its administrative practices.

The format, 'Departmental Data', a self-study report from each department, of its performance during the academic year 2022-23 on curricular aspects, teaching-learning and evaluation, research, innovation and extension, student support and progression, best practices and distinctiveness was submitted by each department with valid documents to support claims.

Members of the Internal AAA:

1. Dr. Sr. Jasintha Quadras, Chairperson, IAAA
2. Dr. Sr. Leena Quadras, Academic Officer
3. Ms. K. Hannah Anuhya, Vice-Principal
4. Dr. S. Vanilatha, Dean, Academic Affairs
5. Ms. A. Jyothsna Valentina, Dean, Academic Affairs
6. Dr. G. Little Flower, Head, Dept. of Physics & Dean, Student Affairs
7. Dr. K. Naga Sundari, Director, MBA
8. Dr. B. Josephine Sandhya Rani, Head, Dept. of Economics
9. Dr. C. Krishnaveni, IQAC Coordinator & Coordinator, IAAA

The Schedule

S. No.	Department	Date	Time
Day 1 May 2 Tue	English; Telugu; Sanskrit; Hindi	02.05.2023	9.00 am - 11.00 am
	History; TTM; Economics; Political Science		11.00 am - 1.00 pm
	Social Work; Journalism; Mathematics; Statistics		2.00 pm - 4.00 pm
Day 2 May 3 Wed	Physics; Chemistry; Computer Science; Electronics	03.05.2023	9.00 am - 11.00 am
	Botany; Zoology; Food Science & Technology; Microbiology		11.00 am - 1.00 pm
	Biochemistry; Biotechnology; Agriculture & Rural Development		2.00 pm - 4.00 pm
Day 3 May 4 Thu	Commerce & Management Studies; MBA; Library & Information Sciences	04.05.2023	9.00 am - 11.00 am
	Examination Section; Administrative Office; IT Department		11.00 am - 1.00 pm
	Physical Education; NSS; NCC; STARS; Cells / Committees		2.00 pm - 4.00 pm

Each department had 20 minutes to use PowerPoint to present their "Departmental Data" and the department's strengths, weaknesses, Opportunities and challenges.

The committee reviewed the "Departmental Data" of each department and made notes on its findings and suggestions for an academic framework that prioritises quality. The committee also reviewed the records and documentation that each department (both individual and departmental) and the committee are required to keep and update in accordance with the check list.

The IQAC was presented with the Internal AAA report in order to examine the actions of the departments and the institution and to create a strategy for carrying out the recommendations.

Distinguishing Attributes of Maris Stella College

Maris Stella College is a vibrant educational institution that stands out for its progressive curriculum, cutting-edge infrastructure, and unwavering commitment to student development and support.

1. Curriculum Excellence:

1.1 Autonomy: Maris Stella College operates with academic autonomy, empowering the institution to design and revise its curriculum to align with evolving educational needs and global trends. The college employs a semester-based academic structure, promoting a dynamic and focused learning approach throughout the academic year.

1.2 Updated Curriculum: Maris Stella College emphasizes the continual evolution of its curriculum, ensuring that it remains relevant and incorporates the latest advancements in various disciplines.

1.3 Whole-person Education: Beyond academics, the college is committed to nurturing students holistically, focusing on character development, soft skills, and ethical values.

1.4 Distinguished Faculty: The institution boasts a faculty of accomplished educators who are both highly qualified and experienced, ensuring top-quality education for its students.

1.5 Experiential Learning: Students engage in field trips, study tours and industrial visits, enabling them to gain practical insights into real-world applications of their studies.

1.6 Hands-on Training: The college emphasizes participative learning, offering experiential opportunities that bridge the gap between theory and practice.

1.7 Holistic Engagement: Co-curricular and extra-curricular activities abound, encouraging students to explore their talents, interests, and passions beyond the classroom.

1.8 Skill Enhancement: Capacity development and skill enhancement programmes are integral to the curriculum, preparing students with the practical skills demanded by the job market.

1.9 Career Guidance: Maris Stella College provides comprehensive career guidance and placement support, assisting students in making informed decisions about their professional trajectories.

1.10 Mentoring and Counseling: Students benefit from personalized mentoring and counseling services, fostering their emotional well-being and academic success.

1.11 Value Added Courses: An array of value-added certificate courses supplements the core curriculum, equipping students with specialized skills and knowledge.

1.12 Internship Opportunities: The college facilitates internships, enabling students to gain real-world experience and establish connections within their chosen fields.

1.13 Community Engagement: Maris Stella College promotes community service, service-learning, and outreach programmes via STARS, and green initiatives reflecting environmental responsibility instilling a sense of social responsibility and civic engagement.

2. Infrastructure Facilities:

2.1 Advanced Connectivity: The campus is fully WiFi-enabled, providing students with seamless access to online resources and learning platforms.

2.2 Cutting-edge Laboratories: Well-equipped laboratories offer students hands-on experience and practical training in various scientific disciplines.

2.3 Modern Infrastructure: The college boasts excellent facilities that provide a conducive environment for effective teaching, learning, and research.

2.4 Digital Library: A digital library with internet access empowers students to conduct research and access a wide range of academic resources.

2.5 Smart Classrooms: Classrooms are spacious, well-ventilated, and equipped with WiFi connectivity and modern teaching aids, enhancing the learning experience.

2.6 Comprehensive Accommodation: Hostel facilities cater to the needs of outstation students, offering a secure and comfortable living environment.

2.7 Green Campus: The lush green campus serves as a serene backdrop for intellectual growth and personal development.

2.8 Skill Development Centers: E-Learning and Skill Development Centers enable students to enhance their technical and vocational skills.

2.9 Athletic Facilities: Sports facilities, including a sports ground, indoor stadium, and gymnasium, promote physical well-being and sportsmanship.

2.10 Canteen & RO Plants: The college provides a canteen and clean drinking water via RO plants for staff and students.

2.11 Convenience Services: On-campus amenities include a bank, stationery and photocopy center, ensuring students' practical needs are met.

2.12 Modern Learning Environments: Virtual and digital classrooms utilize technology to enhance the educational experience.

2.13 Accessibility: Lifts and ramps ensure that the campus is accessible to all students, and staff regardless of mobility challenges.

2.14 Sustainability: Solar panels contribute to the college's commitment to environmental sustainability.

2.15 Safety Measures: Fire extinguish services are in place to ensure the safety and security of all students and staff.

3. Comprehensive Student Support:

3.1 Sports and Wellness: The college promotes physical fitness and well-being through sports and games, enhancing students' overall health.

3.2 Language Enhancement: Collaboration with the US Consulate brings English language programmes, improving students' communication skills.

3.3 Engagement with Parents: Regular parent-teacher meetings foster a strong partnership between the college and families.

3.4 Citizenship Programs: Participation in organizations like NCC (Army & Naval) and NSS cultivates leadership, discipline, and community service.

3.5 Student Clubs: Specialized clubs cater to students' interests in arts, science, commerce, and literature, promoting camaraderie and skill development.

3.6 Cultural Enrichment: The college hosts cultural and literary activities, celebrating diversity and nurturing creativity.

3.7 Resource Access: A book-bank facility ensures that students have access to essential academic resources.

3.8 Nutritional Support: Mid-day meals contribute to students' well-being, ensuring they receive proper nourishment.

3.9 Academic Assistance: Remedial coaching and peer teaching initiatives provide additional academic support to students who need it.

4. Research:

4.1 Guideship: The PG Department of Business Administration achieved recognition as a 'Research Centre' by Krishna University, with three faculty members gaining recognition as research supervisors. This recognition speaks to the college's commitment to promoting research and contributing to academic advancements.

4.2 MoUs: The institution signed two new and renewed some of the existing Memorandums of Understanding (MoUs) to foster collaborative activities.

4.3 Publications: The college's emphasis on research is evident through a substantial number of research publications in reputed journals and books.

4.4 FDPs & Training: The institution also demonstrates dedication to nurturing students' leadership and professional skills through various training and leadership programmes.

Faculty Development Programmes and training programmes, as well as research activities, underscored the institution's commitment towards faculty and student development.

5. Awards & Recognition:

5.1 The College received an 'Award of Appreciation' for imparting knowledge, education and women empowerment from Rotary Midtown, Vijayawada on 25.04.2023.

5.2 In the Education World Rankings 2022, Maris Stella College is ranked 86 at the national level and 11 at the state level.

5.3 Maris Stella was placed 51, 54, and 89 respectively among Arts, Science, and Commerce Colleges in AP and Telangana in The Week Hansa Survey 2023.

5.4 Among Indian colleges of arts, science, commerce, and business administration, the college was ranked 87, 97, 129, and 47 in the year 2023 India Today Rankings.

Other observations:

1. Less Industry - Academia
2. Weak in revenue generation from consultancy and corporate training
3. Weak in resource mobilization
4. Less student pursuing higher studies
5. Less patents

Recommendations:

1. Scope for funded National / International Level conferences and Symposia
2. Scope to take up funded research projects
3. Scope to generate e-content
4. Scope for interdisciplinary and sponsored / funded projects