



THE MADURA COLLEGE

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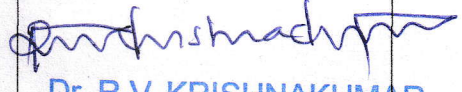


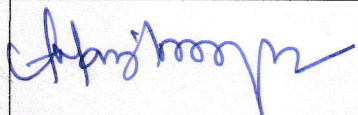
Vidya Nagar, T.P.K. Road, Madurai – 625 011

EXTERNAL PEER TEAM REVIEW (for the academic year 2022-23)

DATE: 16-10-2023

TIME: 11:30 AM

VENUE: Chamber of the Principal

Chair Person	Dr. J. Suresh Principal	
External Members	Dr. C. Gopinathan, Professor & Head Department of Solar Energy School of Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Madurai Kamaraj University Madurai – 625 021.	 Dr. C. Gopinathan, M.Sc., Ph.D. Professor and Head Department of Solar Energy School of Energy, Environment and Natural Resources Madurai Kamaraj University Madurai - 625 021, TN State, India
	Dr. R. V. Krishnakumar, Associate Professor of Physics Member-IQAC Thiagarajar College Madurai – 625 009	 Dr. R.V. KRISHNAKUMAR ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF PHYSICS, THIAGARAJAR COLLEGE, MADURAI-625 009.
Internal Members	Prof. S. Sivaramakrishnan Dean (Academics)	
	Dr. I. Sahul Hamid Dean (Planning and Development)	
	Dr. A. Xavier Principal Nominee	
	Dr. A. Mayilmurugan Principal Nominee	

EXTERNAL PEER TEAM REPORT

The External peer review was conducted on 16-10-2023 at 11:00 AM to monitor the extent to which autonomy, granted by the UGC has been effectively utilized by The Madura College (Autonomous), Madurai – 625 011.

On reviewing the activities during the academic year 2022-23, the peer team has observed the following.

Core Aspects	Observations
General & Statutory	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Common Board of studies was held on 19-05-2023 for all the departments to revise the curriculum. The composition was in accordance with statutory regulations.2. The Academic Council was held on 12-10-2023 to pass the curriculum approved by the Boards of studies. The meeting is well documented and the composition is well represented by academicians, nominees from the University and Members from the industry.3. The finance committee met twice to approve the budget and take up financial matters.4. All statutory committees like Anti-ragging Cell, Internal Complaints Committee for the prevention of sexual harassment at educational institutions, Students grievance redressal Cell are functional and hoardings are displayed at prominent places. The details of the committees are displayed in the college website and printed in the students' handbook. The committees meet atleast twice a year or as and when there is a grievance. No complaints were received during 2022-23.5. The Internal Quality Assurance Cell is functional and takes care of planning and implementation of the quality initiatives of the college.6. The college website is functional with all information as mandated by statutory bodies.7. The functioning of the examination section and the examination system is satisfactory and complies with all statutory regulations with adequate grievance redressal mechanisms in place.8. Examination system is periodically reviewed and examination reforms are introduced through the Examination Cell.9. Financial audits are conducted as per statutory regulations in place.10. Introduction of Add-on courses enriching slow learners is appreciated. It also remarkable that self-study courses have been introduced.

Academics

1. The college has implemented Learning Outcome Based Education (LOBE) curricular framework for all UG programmes from 2020-21 and for all PG programmes from 2021-22.
2. Choice Based Credit System (CBCS) is followed for all UG and PG Programmes.
3. Mandatory courses like 'Value Education and Professional Ethics' and 'Environmental and Gender studies' have been included in the curriculum.
4. All UG students take up atleast 4 Skill Based Elective courses.
5. A certificate course in Soft Skills was offered to all UG and PG students.
6. Credit transfer against elective courses is allowed from Swayam / MOOCs.
7. Students are encouraged to take up internships. A total of 34 students took up internship during the year.
8. Student Induction Programme was organized for UG students from 01-08-2022 to 06-08-2022 and for PG students from 18-07-2022 to 19-07-2022 under the aegis of UGC Quality Mandate.
9. A total of 55 certificate /diploma / Add-on courses were offered by the institution. The gross enrolment in all these courses is 3193.
10. Marks for test mode of assessment in Continuous Internal Assessment (CIA) has been reduced from 15 to 10 and other components of assessment like quiz, seminar, assignments and active learning tools has been introduced.
11. The college has 205 faculty on roll against the sanctioned teaching positions of 203.
12. A total of 125 teachers are doctorates.
13. The college has entered into MoUs with various professional bodies for curriculum enrichment.
14. The Harvey Library has more than 50000 books. In addition, a total of 54 books have been added during the year. Further, libraries at individual departments also cater to the needs of students. The college has subscribed for N-LIST and all students, faculty and research scholars are giving access.
15. The demand ratio (for admission) is satisfactory.
16. A total of 68 classroom are ICT enabled and there are 3 number of smart classrooms.
17. A total of 13 seminars / workshops were conducted.
18. A total of 06 placement training programmes were conducted.
19. A total of 132 no. of students got placed through placement drive conducted by placement cell.

<p>Research and Consultancy</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A total of 9 departments are recognized as research centres by Madurai Kamaraj University. 2. A total of 52 teachers are recognized as research guides by Madurai Kamaraj University. 3. A total of 2 research projects amounting to Rs.8,00,000/- is under progress. 4. A total of Rs.16,000/- was granted as seed money to promote research. 5. The number of research publications in UGC-CARE listed journals during the year 2022-23 is 29. 6. The faculty members have published chapters in 13 books during the year 2022-23. 7. The college has subscribed to N-LIST and access has been given to all teachers, students and research scholars.
<p>Extension</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Extension activities are carried out as part of the curriculum for all UG students. 2. A total of 12 extension programmes were organized during the year. 3. The institution has been appreciated by various NGO's/ trusts for its active participation in extension activities.
<p>Infrastructure</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A total of Rs.2,44,58,446.55/- has been spent for infrastructure augmentation during the year 2022-23. An auditorium (NR Hall) was constructed from an alumni donation augmented with management funds. 2. The college has adequate classrooms and laboratory infrastructure. 3. The college has Fiber Internet connectivity powered by ACT. 4. Wifi powered by JioInfoComm with limited connectivity 30MB/day/user is available at all corridors and dedicated fiber internet has been provided to all departments. 5. Fire extinguishers and safety equipment are available in all buildings.

Suggestions / Recommendations:

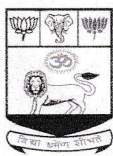
1. Internship / Project may be introduced in all UG programmes in the next syllabus revision.
2. Multidisciplinary and interdisciplinary courses may be introduced for the benefit of students.
3. Expenditure on Library and smart classrooms may be enhanced.
4. A studio for educational media creation may be pondered.
5. The college shall have a YouTube channel for producing educational media.
6. The college shall strive to get research centre approval for all departments.
7. Teachers may be encouraged to apply for research projects in large numbers.
8. Teachers may be encouraged to publish their research work in UGC-CARE listed journals only.
9. The college shall subscribe to more e-resources for the benefit of students.

Comments:

The peer team is pleased to note that the college is striving to fulfill all the statutory obligations and transparency requirements with all information being published in the college website. All statutory committees are functional and contribute to the overall development of the college. The efforts taken by the institution to modernize its curriculum in-tune with the needs of the industry is appreciated. The committee is of the opinion that the college is utilizing its autonomous status to cater to the needs of the student community with a robust curricular framework. The college has its presence felt in the research arena with the quantity and quality of publications. The community engagement initiative of the college is appreciated.

In all, the committee feels that The Madura College, Madurai is taking all efforts in the right direction to justify its status of Autonomy granted to it by the University Grants Commission.

The committee expresses its sincere appreciation to the administration of The Madura College for the support rendered in the completion of this exercise. We wish the institution well in all its future academic expeditions!



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DECLARATION

This is to certify that the college has followed the following conditions given in the UGC Autonomous guidelines for the year 2022-23.

- 1) IQAC cell is established in the college for regular monitoring of the college under intimation to UGC. The Cell is having an external Peer Team comprising of academicians of repute and report of the peer team is enclosed. The report is also put on public domain on the website of the College. The external peer review is conducted on 16-10-2023.
- 2) The college has uploaded in its website information regarding the courses offered, the fees for the courses, the details of the faculty along with qualification and unique ID, the admission procedure, the details of relevant infrastructures, research activities of the college along with the details of Ph.D. students enrolled, if any, with the date of enrolment, topic and supervisor.
- 3) The college has also put on its website the creation of various Committees/Cells as mandated in the various UGC Regulations notified from time to time. The college has conducted the meetings of the statutory bodies regularly and uploaded the minutes of the meetings in the college website.
- 4) All the Regulations notified by the UGC is/shall be followed in letter and spirit by all the Autonomous Colleges and an undertaking to this effect shall be uploaded on the College website.
- 5) The number of contractual faculty in the college is not more than 10% of the total number of sanctioned faculty positions in the college.

Dated: 16.10.2023



Signature of the Principal
with college seal
PRINCIPAL

The Madura College (Autonomous)
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