Minutes of the Advisory Committee Meeting of Directorate of Student Placement and Alumni Relations (DSPAR)

The meeting of the Advisory Committee of Directorate of Student Placement and Alumni Relations (DSPAR) was held on 09th July, 2024 at 3.30 pm in the IQAC Room, 'D' Block, Directorates Building, Goa University.

Following members attended meeting:

- 1. Dr. Rupesh E. Patre,
- 2. Prof. Sunder Dhuri,
- 3. Dr. Anthony A. A. Viegas,
- 4. Dr. Harip Kanapuri,
- 5. Dr. Alaknanda P. Shringare,
- 6. Dr. Arvind Haldankar,
- 7. Dr. Narayan Parab,
- 8. Dr. Pinky Pawaskar,

Shashikant Morajkar (AR-PR) sought a leave of absence.

Dir-DSPAR welcomed all the members and proceeded with the agenda for discussion.

1) Goa University Alumni meet

- a) Dir-DSPAR deliberates about conducting Alumni meet and mentioned that one of the ideas is to initiate meet by inviting all the Alumni. It was deliberated and agreed to have Alumni meet on 21st December at 3.30 pm onwards (afternoon session) followed by dinner at 7.00 pm.
- b) Dr. Narayan Parab suggested that we should have registration process and the Alumni may register by paying registration fees which may be used for scholarship etc. By having registration fee, we may have accurate number of participants.
- c) Other members suggested that we can invite one Alumni to speak on any topic.
- d) Dr. Narayan Parab and Dr. Pinky Pawaskar will be the coordinators of Alumni meet.

2) Alumni Renewal

- a) Dr. Harip informed that account statement is under process for renewal of Goa University Alumni Association (GUAA) and the same was discussed with Hon'ble Vice Chancellor.
- b) Dir-DSPAR informed that invitation letter of Hon'ble Vice Chancellor was sent to the prominent Alumni requesting to support for student centered activities of Goa University.

- He further informed that around 600 letters have been already been sent to the Alumni through mail.
- c) Prof. Sunder Dhuri suggested that we can make a reel or short video and post it on the social media and Goa University website which will attract people towards Goa University.

3) Update of DSPAR activities

- a) Dir-DSPAR thanked everyone for giving the approval for hiring a Consultant for DSPAR. He mentioned that appointment of Consultant is approved by the Higher Authorities and his/her qualification will be either MCA/MBA.
- b) The chairperson of Career Counselling Cell of DSPAR informed that they wish to propose a training/coaching program for the Union Public Service Commission to aspiring students from the Goa University campus and graduates from Goa State. He further stated that we have got the approval Higher Authorities and it is under process of inviting quotations.
- c) He informed that DSPAR has signed MoU with The Bodhi Academy for the benefit of the students and will conduct a workshop on 18th July 2024 for the students of SPAS and SEOAS.
- d) The chairperson further informed that he has received a proposal from Rubicon Skills Development Pvt. Ltd that they are intending to hold a 2 hours online workshop and the content they are going to cover are Resume Building and Interviewing skills. Dr. Harip suggested that for Resume Building they can have online workshop but for Interviewing skills they need to conduct in offline mode.

4) Placement Drive

Dir-DSPAR informed that DSPAR will be conducting various placement drives at Goa University. He mentioned that placement invitation letter has been sent to more than 200 companies. Placement coordinators of DSPAR have also identified the potential recruiters to their respective school/discipline and would conduct campus placement at respective schools. He further informed students of MBA don't take job opportunities. He also mentioned that in one of the meetings with Registrar, he asked to find management students placement. Dr. Narayan Parab mentioned that the MBA students don't take sales jobs. He further mentioned that School of Chemical Sciences had 60% of recruitment this time. He also insisted that the offers letters must be collected as it is required for NAAC purpose.

All members acknowledge the efforts made by DSPAR for students training and placement. Dir-DSPAR asked Dr. Narayan Parab to send the proposal to the Higher Authorities regarding finalizing date and time of the Alumni meet through e-Office.

Dir-DSPAR suggested that later on we can have another meeting for preparedness of the Alumni meet.

The meeting ended with thanks to the all.

(Dr. Rupesh Patre) Director, DSPAR