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This is to inform you that the **31st IQAC Meeting** will be held on **26.08.2025 at 11:00 AM** in the **VC's Board Room, VMRFDU**, in hybrid mode.

All members from Salem are requested to attend the meeting in **offline mode**, and the outstation members to join in **online mode** as per the schedule.

Agenda

1. Welcome Address by the Chairperson
2. Introduction of the New IQAC Members
3. Action Taken Report on the Minutes of Previous Meeting
4. Discuss about the Upcoming Conference in January 2026
5. Sustainable Development Goals(SDG) initiatives
6. Any other with the permission of the Chairperson

Dr.Sabitha Gokulraj
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31st IQAC MEETING

Minutes of the Meeting

Date: 26th August, 2025 **Time:** 11:00 AM

Venue: VC Board room, University Campus, Salem

Attendee List

S.No.	Name	Signature
1	Dr. P. K. Sudhir	OnDuty
2	Dr. J. Sabarinathan	OnDuty
3	Dr. A. Nagappan	OnDuty
4	Dr. SAV Satyamurthy	Online
5	Dr. A. Rajan Samuel	Offline
6	Mr. P. Rajasekaran	Online
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Actions Taken Report on the minutes of previous meeting held on 28.02.2025

S. No	Action Points	Action Taken
1	Ranking Parameters	The guidelines of ranking parameters were shared to all the coordinators of constituent colleges
2	Establishment of SDG cells in each college and initiation of SDG	Five SDG goals have been identified by VMRF(DU) as focus areas for activities. Activities finalised are: 3.Good Health and Well-being 4.Quality Education 7.Affordable and Clean Energy 13.Climate Action 17. Partnerships for the Goals
3	Workshop on data collection	Quality Workshop on "Demystifying Accreditation and Ranking in Higher Education" was conducted on 22nd April, 2025
4	Workshop about research initiatives of VMRFDU to students	Director Research initiated the same and scheduled in constituent colleges : Research Capacity Building Workshop for UG students on 9th April 2025 & SciVal Training for faculty on 10th April 2025 at Salem
5	Research portal for students	Director Research initiated and it is now the portal is open for students
6	A&R Annual Calendar	The Accreditation and Ranking calendar for the year 2025-26 was framed and approved.
7	SPOC for each institution	A&R Head would be a single point of contact for all data collection from institutions
8	AAA audit format	The revised AAA audit format was given to the Institutions and the Internal audit for various Institutions were conducted between June 4th to 13th

Minutes of the meeting held on 26.08.25

1. Welcoming Committee Members

Dr. Sabitha Gokulraj, Director In Charge warmly welcomed all committee members and informed them that Prof. Dr. P.K. Sudhir, Vice Chancellor, Prof. Dr. J. Sabarinathan, Pro Vice Chancellor, Prof. Dr. A. Nagappan, Registrar were unable to attend due to another official meeting.

She further informed the participants that a new IQAC committee was constituted in July 2025, with a two-year tenure from **2025 to 2027**. She emphasized the committee's focus on Inclusivity, Quality enhancement, and Collaborative efforts for the continuous development of the university.

Dr. Sabitha extended her gratitude to all members for accepting to serve as the VMRF(DU) IQAC committee member and encouraged active discussions and deliberations toward the university's growth. The meeting commenced with the agenda.

Dr. Rajan Samuel, Director – Academics, highlighted the significance of fostering a culture of quality across Curriculum, Teaching, Infrastructure, and Research Outputs. He also emphasized the importance of aligning institutional goals with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.

2.Introduction of new IQAC Members

All committee members, including administrators, faculty, students, alumni, industry representatives, and employers, introduced themselves and shared their backgrounds. They expressed strong commitment to the mission and objectives of the IQAC.

Dr. S.A.V Satyamurthy, Director – Research, reaffirmed that research contributions would continuously support the university's Accreditation and Ranking efforts.

3. Actions taken on the Previous Meeting

A review of the action points from the previous meeting held on 28.02.2025 was conducted and passed. Key achievements by the Accreditation and Ranking Cell were discussed. Successful submission to NIRF, AQAR 2023–2024, Times Higher Education and Recognition received in IIRF and other National and Global rankings was conveyed.

4. Upcoming National Conference on Accreditation (January 2026)

The university's Accreditation and Ranking Cell is planning to host a National Conference on 21st January, 2026 as a part of the university's Silver Jubilee celebrations.

The conference will focus on preparedness for the new NAAC draft and is expected to feature 3 to 4 expert lectures in a comprehensive one-day format.

The Director of Research recommended including workshops on QS and Times Higher Education rankings.

Members agreed to prioritize sessions on the new NAAC draft.

Future sessions would address other global rankings and accreditation frameworks.

5. Discussion on Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

Dr. Rajan Samuel informed that the university has prioritized the following SDGs for focused implementation:

SDG 3: Good Health and Well-being,

SDG 4: Quality Education,

SDG 7: Affordable and Clean Energy,

SDG 13: Climate Action

SDG 17: Partnerships for the Goals

A plan is in place to involve all constituent institutions in Mapping their academic and operational activities to the relevant SDGs. It was proposed that each institution be encouraged to identify and focus on additional SDGs aligned with their strengths and strategic interests.

Mr. P. Rajasekaran, informed the committee that the management is working on a software to systematically map and document institutional activities aligned with the SDGs.

6. Any Other with Permission of the Chairperson

Representatives from the industry and employer sectors emphasized their willingness to support health-related initiatives and emotional well-being programs and expressed their positive intent to actively contribute to the implementation and progress of SDG-related initiatives in collaboration with the university.

The meeting concluded by vote of thanks by Dr. Sabitha Gokulraj who thanked Prof. Dr. P.K. Sudhir, Vice Chancellor VMRF(DU), Prof. Dr. J. Sabarinathan, Pro Vice Chancellor VMRF(DU), Prof. Dr. A. Nagappan, Registrar VMRF(DU) who have been the support of all the university activities and all members for their valuable input and active participation. She reiterated the importance of continuous engagement and collaboration to achieve the strategic goals of the IQAC and the university at large.

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30-10-2025

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All members from Salem are requested to attend the meeting in **offline mode**, and the outstation members to join in **online mode** as per the schedule.

Agenda :

1. Welcome Address by the Chairperson
2. Action Taken Report on the Minutes of Previous Meeting
3. Discussion on NIRF Ranking 2026
4. Any other matter with the permission of the Chairperson

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32nd IQAC MEETING

Minutes of the Meeting

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Actions Taken Report on the minutes of previous meeting held on 26.08.2025

S. No	Action Points	Action Taken
1	**National Conference on Accreditation**	The national conference on accreditation was postponed to a later date.
2	Establishment of SDG cells in each college and initiation of SDG	Five SDG goals have been identified by VMRF(DU) as focus areas for activities. Activities finalised are: 3.Good Health and Well-being 4.Quality Education 7.Affordable and Clean Energy 13.Climate Action 17. Partnerships for the Goals, The identified goals, their targets to be achieved by various institutions had been circulated to all the Head of the institutions.

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Minutes of the meeting held on 14.11.2025

1. Welcoming Committee Members

The meeting commenced with a warm welcome by Prof. Dr. P.K. Sudhir, Chairperson who greeted all the committee members and expressed his appreciation for their presence and continued commitment towards the quality enhancement initiatives of the University.

Prof. Dr. P.K. Sudhir acknowledged the dedicated efforts of the Accreditation and Ranking Cell and appreciated the consistent support extended by the committee members. He emphasized the importance of collective responsibility in strengthening the academic and research standing of the University.

All the committee members introduced themselves, marking the formal commencement of the meeting proceedings.

2. Actions taken on the Previous Meeting

The IQAC Coordinator presented the Action Taken Report (ATR) on the resolutions passed in the previous meeting. The report detailed the progress made on each action item, highlighting that a majority of the initiatives had been successfully implemented. The remaining activities were reported to be in progress, with defined timelines for completion.The committee carefully reviewed the ATR and formally approved the report.

3. Discussion on NIRF Ranking 2026

Prof. Dr. P.K. Sudhir, Vice Chancellor, informed the committee that Vinayaka Mission's Research Foundation would be participating in the National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) 2026 rankings. He proudly announced that the University had secured the 99th rank under the Pharmacy category in the previous cycle, acknowledging the dedicated efforts of the faculty members and the administration.

He further expressed confidence that, with strengthened academic initiatives, enhanced research output, improved documentation practices, and coordinated institutional efforts, the University is expecting a significantly better performance across all applied categories in the forthcoming NIRF cycle.

Prof. Dr. J. Sabarinathan, Pro Vice Chancellor, elaborated on the categories under which the University would be applying for NIRF 2026. He informed the committee that applications would be submitted in the following disciplines:

1. Overall
2. Innovation
3. Research
4. Medical
5. Dental
6. Pharmacy
7. Engineering
8. Sustainable Development Goals (SDG)

He emphasized the need for systematic data collection, verification, and documentation to ensure accuracy and transparency in submissions.

The Pro Vice Chancellor also highlighted the importance of sensitizing all Heads of Institutions (HOIs) regarding the significance of NIRF rankings in enhancing the University's national visibility, reputation, stakeholder perception, and overall institutional growth. He stressed that coordinated efforts across all constituent institutions are essential to improve ranking performance.

The committee discussed strategies for strengthening parameters such as research output, perception, innovation, outreach, and inclusivity, and resolved to intensify preparatory measures well in advance of submission deadlines.

4. Any Other with Permission of the Chairperson

Further discussions focused on initiatives related to Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Members deliberated on aligning institutional activities with SDG parameters and improving documentation of outreach, environmental sustainability, community engagement, and social impact initiatives.

It was suggested that structured monitoring mechanisms be introduced to ensure effective implementation of SDG-related activities across all institutions under the University, with properreporting and evidence collection.

The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks proposed by Dr. Sabitha Gokulraj. She expressed her sincere gratitude to:Prof. Dr. P.K. Sudhir, Vice Chancellor,Prof. Dr. J. Sabarinathan, Pro Vice Chancellor,Prof. Dr. A. Nagappan, Registrar for their continuous guidance and unwavering support towards all university initiatives. She also thanked all committee members for their valuable suggestions, active participation, and constructive contributions.

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11-03-2026

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This is to inform you that the **33rd IQAC Meeting** will be held on **24.03.2026 at 11:00 AM** in the **VC's Board Room, VMRFDU**, in hybrid mode.

All members from Salem are requested to attend the meeting in **offline mode**, and the outstation members to join in **online mode** as per the schedule.

Agenda:

1. Welcome Address by the Chairperson
2. Action Taken Report on the Minutes of the Previous Meeting
3. Updates on National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) Ranking 2026
4. Discussion on Times Higher Education Ranking 2027
5. Implementation of Green Audit
6. Conduct of Academic and Administrative Audit (AAA)
7. Any Other Matter with the Permission of the Chairperson

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33rd IQAC MEETING
Minutes of the Meeting

Date: 24.03.2026 **Time: 11:00 AM**

Venue: VC Board room, University Campus, Salem

Attendee List

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1	Dr. P. K. Sudhir	Offline
2	Dr. J. Sabarinathan	Offline
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Actions Taken Report on the minutes of previous meeting held on 26.08.2025

S. No	Action Points	Action Taken
1	Communication of SDG activities and the targets	The identified five SDG goals, the activities the institution has to carry out with their targets to be achieved had been circulated to all the Head of the institutions on January 2nd 2026. Deputing of a coordinating for the same has also been communicated. The adopted goals are as follows: 3.Good Health and Well-being 4.Quality Education 7.Affordable and Clean Energy 13.Climate Action 17. Partnerships for the Goals,
2	NIRF Ranking 2026	Sensitization on the various NIRF Parameters and the importance on the NIRF ranking was discussed with the medical Dean of faculty and the HOI of the three medical colleges by Pro Vice Chancellor. Sensitization on the various parameter with the engineering, medical, dental and pharmacy accreditation coordinators was also done

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Minutes of the meeting held on 24.03.26

1. Welcome Address and Opening Remarks

The meeting commenced with a formal welcome by the Registrar, VMRF(DU), Dr. A. Nagappan, who greeted all the committee members.

This was followed by a warm welcome from Prof. Dr. P. K. Sudhir, Chairperson, who, on behalf of Vinayaka Mission's Research Foundation (Deemed to be University), extended his greetings to all members. He briefly apprised the committee of the university's submission to the National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) under various categories, expressing optimism for improved rankings this year.

He further informed the members about the forthcoming Academic and Administrative Audit scheduled for 31st March. He highlighted that, in addition to the audit process, a review of the action taken on the compliance of observations from the previous audit will also be undertaken.

Prof. Sudhir emphasized the importance of critically understanding the institution's strengths and weaknesses as a key step toward continuous quality enhancement and institutional growth.

2. Action Taken on the Previous Meeting

Dr. Sabitha Gokul Raj, IQAC Coordinator, VMRF(DU), presented the Action Taken Report (ATR) on the resolutions passed in the previous meeting. The report outlined the progress achieved on various Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) initiatives, which had been communicated to the constituent institutions along with clearly defined goals and targets to be accomplished by 2nd January 2026.

Dr. Rajan Samuel, Director – Academics, further emphasized the communication circulated to the institutions and highlighted the sensitization efforts undertaken in this regard.

The committee was apprised of the sensitization sessions by Pro Vice Chancellor. conducted on various NIRF parameters and the significance of NIRF rankings. These sessions involved the Medical Dean of Faculty and the Heads of Institutions (HOIs) of the three medical colleges

Additionally, sensitization programmes on various accreditation and ranking parameters were conducted for the accreditation coordinators of Engineering, Medical, Dental, and Pharmacy institutions.

The committee carefully reviewed the Action Taken Report and formally approved the same.

Further, the achievements and activities carried out by the Accreditation and Ranking Cell were also presented and noted by the committee.

3. Discussion on NIRF Ranking 2026

Dr. Sabitha Gokul Raj informed the committee that Vinayaka Mission's Research Foundation (Deemed to be University) had successfully submitted the data for the National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) 2026 under the following categories:

1. Overall
2. Innovation
3. Research
4. Medical
5. Dental
6. Pharmacy
7. Engineering
8. Sustainable Development Goals (SDG)

She further stated that the overall data submission was completed on 9th March 2026.

In addition, the key NIRF parameters and their respective weightages were presented and discussed in detail for the benefit of the committee members, enabling a better understanding of the evaluation framework.

4. Discussion on Times Higher Education (THE) Rankings 2027

The members were informed that the University would be applying for the Times Higher Education (THE) Rankings 2026 under the following categories:

University (Overall)

Clinical and Health

Arts and Humanities

Engineering

A detailed discussion was held on the University's performance in the previous year's rankings. The Pro Vice Chancellor highlighted that securing a position within the top 1000 in THE rankings would provide significant advantages, particularly in enhancing opportunities for collaboration with reputed international universities.

5. Implementation of Green Audit and Energy Audit

As part of the University's sustainability initiatives, it was resolved that Green Audit and Energy Audit shall be conducted mandatorily across all constituent institutions. These audits hold significant importance in various national and international assessment frameworks such as the National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF), Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) reporting, and NAAC accreditation processes. Proper documentation and effective implementation of these audits contribute positively to institutional performance in rankings, accreditation, and sustainability reporting.

In this regard, the services of Nature Science Foundation (NSF), Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu, India was identified for conducting the required audits. NSF is an ISO/IEC 17020:2012, ISO/IEC 17021-1:2015, and ISO/IEC 17021-3:2017 accredited Type 'A' Inspection and Certification Body (Reg. No.: IB 121 & QM 097), accredited by the National Accreditation Board for Certification Bodies (NABCB), Quality Council of India, Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Government of India.

6. Conduct of Academic and Administrative Audit (AAA)

The committee was informed that the Academic and Administrative Audit (AAA) would be conducted across all four campuses, covering all constituent institutions. The audit will be carried out by an internal audit team comprising University officials and is scheduled from 31st March 2026 to 30th April 2026.

It was further informed that detailed communication regarding the audit had already been circulated to all institutions. This included the audit schedule, checklist, and the prescribed Head of Institution (HOI) presentation template. The same was also shared with all members of the audit team by the Director (In-charge), Accreditation and Ranking.

During the audit visit, compliance with the observations from the previous audit will be reviewed. In addition, a sample audit of one department will be conducted, which will include interactions with students, faculty, and non-teaching staff.

The Vice Chancellor emphasized that the audit is a quality enhancement initiative and not a fault-finding exercise. He stressed that the process should be facilitated in a constructive manner. He also highlighted that the audit would assess the implementation of various University initiatives, as included in the audit checklist.

7. Any Other Matter with the Permission of the Chairperson

Dr. N. Meikandan, Parent Member, appreciated the initiatives and progress made by the University. He shared his insights on further enhancing quality, emphasizing the importance of a University newsletter. The Pro Vice Chancellor noted that a University newsletter is already in place and further suggested that all constituent institutions may also publish their own institutional newsletters.

The Vice Chancellor interacted with the student members regarding the student-centric activities being carried out in their respective institutions. During the discussion, Dr. Rajsekar emphasized the need to increase the number of internship opportunities for students. Dr. Senthil further highlighted that, as per AICTE norms, it is mandatory for all engineering students to undertake internships.

The meeting concluded with a vote of thanks delivered by Dr. Sabitha Gokul Raj, IQAC Coordinator. She expressed her sincere appreciation to the Vice Chancellor, Pro Vice Chancellor, and Registrar for their continuous guidance and support. She also thanked all the committee members for their active participation, valuable insights, and constructive suggestions, which contributed to the success of the meeting.

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