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D.E.S'Brihan Maharashtra college of Commerce (Autonomous), Pune

Report of the External Peer Members of the Internal Quality Assurance Cell:

On the overall functioning of the college as autonomous institution, For the academic year 2017-18:

Name of the College: DES' Brihan Maharashtra College of Commerce (Autonomous), Shivajinagar, Pune - 411004

External Peer review team:

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Introduction: Brihan Maharashtra College of Commerce is a premier institute imparting education in Commerce and Management since 1943. The renowned institution namely the Deccan Education Society established the College. The Deccan Education Society was founded by Lokmanya Bal Gangadhar Tilak with a view to developing sense of nationalism among student community. The Brihan Maharashtra college of Commerce has been a trendsetter in a number of areas of commerce education. It runs the regular and professional courses in Commerce at the Graduate and Post-Graduate level i.e. B.Com, M.Com. BBA, BBA (IB), BBA (CA). It is also a recognized Research Centre and conducts Ph. D and M. Phil. Courses in Commerce. The College celebrated its Golden Jubilee in 1993-94, Diamond Jubilee in 2004-2005 and Platinum Jubilee in 2017 - 18.

Remarks of the Peer Review Team:

a) **Curriculum Development**: Curriculum of all the courses updated thoroughly by the respective faculty of the college under the guidance of subject experts invited from diverse fields. The statutory bodies like Board of Studies approve it and Academic

- Council .All under graduate and postgraduate courses under the autonomous status of the college has Semester with Choice Based Credit System.
- b) **Teaching Learning Processes**: The members of IQAC of the college, during meetings, have suggested varied teaching methodologies like use of case studies, group projects, participative learning. The college has integrated it with use of ICT and experiential learning. This has been effectively undertaken by the faculty. Various add on courses have also been introduced under a unique board called the Experiential Learning Board. Two new programmes –B. Com with Strategic Finance, integrated with CMA (USA) and B.Com with International Finance integrated with ACCA(The Association of Chartered Certified Accountants) UK, will be offered to the students from next academic year .the intake capacity of both the programmes is 30 students each.
- c) **Research:** Students and faculty are encouraged to imbibe Research culture through Research cell of the college. Research methodology, use of statistical tool and report writing workshops conducted for students and faculty members.
- d) **Infrastructure (including IT) and facilities**: BMCC already has a good infrastructure in place. It is further strengthened by adding IT infrastructure in teaching —learning process.
- e) **Student enrolment and progression:** Student enrolment for FY B.Com is done through open merit system wherein students across states apply through online system. Applications are scrutinised and students are selected as per the merit. Their progression to higher levels is monitored systematically through continuous evaluation.
- f) **Examination process:** A few changes in the examination process like online MCQs, internal continuous evaluation have been introduced. ERP system is being used right from filling up the examination forms to generation of mark sheets.
- g) **Governance and Policy making:** This is done effectively by the parent body of the institution i.e. the Deccan education society and the College Development Committee and IQAC of BMCC. There is transparency and decentralisation in the process.
- h) **Human Resource Development:** Human resource development has been achieved by up gradation of knowledge of faculty through workshops, seminars, research and Faculty development programmes.
- i) **Management of Finance:** Finance management is done in a transparent manner. The principal in consultation with CDC and Finance Committee takes all the decisions.
- j) **Incentivisation of faculty for undertaking research and for upgradation** is done by appreciation and recognition of faculty by the Management and Head of the institution during meetings and functions of the college.
- k) **Outreach programmes:** It is observed that students are motivated to undertake projects for community development through NSS, Red Cross, Nature club etc. Many NGOs have been given donations in cash and kind by the college.
- 1) **Measures for making campus eco- friendly**: the college has undertaken measures like rain water harvesting and wet garbage management. A bio gas plant has been installed near the college hostel. Solar panels installed in both the hostels are operational and useful.

- m) IQAC: The College has a functional IQAC. Regular meetings with stakeholders and in house member are conducted. Major decisions of the committee are implemented.
- n) NAAC: The college has been accredited by NAAC for three cycles. It has achieved A grade in all the cycles.
- o) RUSA: Proposal for RUSA grants has been prepared and presented before the committee.
- p) CPE: The college has been awarded the CPE status. Grants received under this scheme have been utilised accordingly.

Suggestions/Recommendations:

- 1. Faculty research needs to be encouraged through incentivisation.
- 2. Reforms in evaluation method to be introduced.

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