

BETHUNE COLLEGE

IQAC Report

March 2024 to February 2025

- **NIRF** : Bethune College secured **91st rank Nationally** in NIRF ranking 2023 under college category. It is the sixth time that the College has ranked within first 100 colleges of India.
- **AISHE** : AISHE 2022-23 was successfully submitted to Ministry of Education, Department of Higher Education , Govt. of India on 18th March 2024. Work going on for submission of AISHE 2023-24.
- **AQAR** submission: The AQAR for the session 2022-23 had been submitted to NAAC on 29th April, 2024. It was approved by NAAC on 14th May, 2024. The AQAR for the session 2023-24 has been submitted to NAAC on 2nd February, 2025. Submission confirmation was received and approval of the same is awaited.
- **Orientation Programme** for UG Semester I students – 2024-25 was held on 10th September 2024. Officer-in-charge, IQAC Coordinator, TCS, Convener CCF , Convener Students' Activity Cell and other addressed the students on the occasion.
- **Curriculum and Credit Framework (CCF)** as prescribed by University of Calcutta was successfully implemented at Bethune College under the supervision of IQAC. A CCF committee was formed in 2023 which continuously monitors the courses and takes decision regarding different modalities of the new system as notified by the University from time to time. In order to guide teachers regarding NEP (CCF), Special Seminars with expert resource persons on issues such as, “Summer internships of students” and “Compulsory Value-added courses” were organized which also involved faculty members from other colleges.

An **Orientation Programme** for all Sem 2 students (session 2023-24) on CVAC & Internship was held on 6th June 2024.

- ✓ **Internship** : Students internship was introduced as a compulsory component for all UG students under Credit and Curriculum Framework (CCF). A committee was formed with Nodal officer at helm to monitor internships of students. More than 75 students of Sem 2 CCF completed their internship successfully this year.
- ✓ **CVAC** : Value added life skills: A committee was created to run this course for Sem 2 CCF. A pool of teachers was created by the committee which took classes and conducted end of course exam, thus completing the course successfully.
- **Collaborative activities:**
 - ✓ On 10th December, 2024 a collaboration agreement was signed between **Swami Vivekananda University and Bethune College** for cooperation in academic exchanges, program development and research work. Under this agreement, Swami Vivekananda University has started with providing Faculty support to the Certificate course on Communicative English running at Bethune College. More activities will start in terms of internships, Student exchange etc.
 - ✓ Bethune College NSS unit signed a collaboration with Love Without Boundaries Foundation on 11.10.2023 to work for society. Presently the Unit is running a Youth for Kids (YFK) project on health and Hygiene.

- **Academic Audit** : Internal Academic Audit is conducted by IQAC together with a pool of teachers for every session. For the current and last session, it will take place shortly.
- **Mentor mentee allotment** for session 2024-25 was done by the departments. The lists were uploaded to website.
- **Annual feedback** : Feedback was conducted extensively this year involving Alumni, teachers, outgoing and existing batch of students; Analysis was done, action taken and uploaded to website.
 - ✓ **Teachers' Feedback on curriculum** :
Feedback collected: 11.6.2024-18.6.2024
Number of teachers who participated: **70**
 - ✓ **Students' Feedback (outgoing batch)** :
Online Feedback collected: 5.7.24-15.7.24
Number of UG and PG students who participated: **383**
 - ✓ **Students' Feedback (Sem 4)** :
Online Feedback collected on: 23.9.2024
Number of UG 4 students who participated: **280**
 - ✓ **Alumni feedback on syllabus and its transaction:**
Online Feedback collected: 6.6.2024-15.6.2024
Number of alumni who participated: **465**
- **SSS** : Students' Satisfaction Survey on Teaching- Learning – Evaluation was conducted in the college for the third time for all students in January 2025.
Period of Survey: 21.1.2025 – 25.1.2025
Total no. of Student participation : 801
- **CAS** : Stage 1 to Stage 2 : 2 teachers, Stage 2 to Stage 3 - 3 teachers,

Stage 3 to Stage 4 - 4 teachers. CAS of total 9 teachers was processed in the college in this session and sent to H E department for approval.
- **Faculty Development Programmes** : 12 teachers attended FDPs (Chem, Maths and eco data not incorporated)
 - ✓ Refresher courses : 3
 - ✓ UGC – Faculty Improvement Programme: 2
 - ✓ Summer / Winter schools, Workshops, etc. : 4
 - ✓ Orientation programmes : 3
- **Regular meetings of IQAC** were held throughout the session for Quality improvement of the Institution. From March, 2024 to Feb 2025, 14 meetings were held. Some of them were with external members.

- **Reconstitution** : IQAC is being reconstituted from time to time. Last reconstituted cell has started functioning from 4th September, 2024.
 - The IQAC promotes all academic and cocurricular activities in the college like **Seminars, Workshops, Training Program, Faculty Development program, Memorial lectures, Invited lectures, departmental seminars, academic trips, outreach initiatives** etc. for knowledge dissemination and quality enhancement throughout the academic session. *
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Dated : 23rd February, 2025

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***For details of some of the important events see table below.**

Bethune College

IQAC initiatives

2024-25 Academic Session

Some of the important Quality Initiatives (seminars/workshops/special lectures/ educational trips etc.) for the period March 2024 to February 2025

Sl. No.	Topic/Title of the lecture	Organized by	Date	Duration	No of participants (Teachers)	No of participants (Students)
1.	Two Day 7th Annual International History Conference	Bangiya Itihas Samiti, Kolkata in collaboration with Bethune College	15.3.24 – 16.3.24	2 day	450 (from Bethune College & other colleges)	
2.	One day Yoga Workshop Resource person: Dr. Pintu Sil, Associate Professor & Principal, State Institute for Physical Education for Women	IQAC & Ethics & Value Education Committee	21.3.24	1 day	16	124
3	Summer Internship for UG students under CCF Speakers : Swami Shastrajnananda, Secretary, R K Mission , Narendrapur, Sri Debashish Biswas, : IC, University of Calcutta	IQAC with CCF committee	1.4.24	1 day	118 (from Bethune College & other colleges)	----
4.	Value oriented life skill education. Speaker: Dr. Sharmila Banerjee, Retd Prof. of economics, CU	IQAC	18.4.24	1 day	45 (from Bethune College & other colleges)	
5.	Quantum technologies- the second quantum revolution	IQAC & department of Maths	30.4.24	1 day		60
.6.	Administrative Training Prog for non-teaching Staff on Students' Database management and financial module conducted by Infotech lab	IQAC & SCDMS Committee	30.5.24	1 day	Teachers 8 + non-teaching staff – 5 (13)	
7.	Orientation Programme for all Sem 2 students (session	CVAC & Internship	6 th June 2024	1 day		

	2023-24) on <u>CVAC & Internship</u>	committee with IQAC				
8.	Gender and Politics	IQAC & department of Political Sc	16.7.24	1 day		105 approx
9	Sensitisation Program on Sexual Harassment	IQAC & ICC	03.9.24	1 day		
10	Orientation Programme for UG Semester I students – 2024-25	IQAC	10.9.24	1 day	20 teachers	300 students approx.
11	Data Analysis and Research Methodology	IQAC & Department of Economics	12.12.24	1 day		
12	Inaugural lecture of Ethics Value course (2024-25), was delivered by Dr. Pritha Bhattacharjee, Assistant Professor, Department of Environmental Science, University of Calcutta. (see EV report for rest)	IQAC & Ethics & Value Education Committee	17.12.24	1 day		300 students approx.
13	Workshop on Horticultural Techniques	IQAC & Department of Botany	07.01.25			
14	Insights into the cellular autophagy-lysosomal degradation system & Research opportunities in UK	IQAC & CCC & Department of Zoology	07.01.25			
15.	Upcoming: Hands on Training on “Dry flower technology and its application in Value added products”	IQAC & Department of Botany	3 rd and 4 th March, 2025	2 day		

*Apart from these several departmental seminars were organized as IQAC initiatives. See departmental reports

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