

ALPHONSA COLLEGE PALA



INTERNAL QUALITY ASSURANCE CELL

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6.5.2 Institutional reviews and implementation of teaching learning reforms facilitated by the IQAC - Outcome Based Education



Towards Outcome Based Education

Outcome Based Education focuses on defining specific and measurable outcomes a student must possess at the end of a learning period. It involves implementing several key components. The first step is to define the intended learning outcomes which should be SMART- Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant and Time-bound. The curriculum designed must incorporate components of course contents, teaching methods, learning activities and assessment which facilitate the achievement of the outcomes. OBE should emphasise a student-centric learning approach and must use resources and technology that will aid in the effective implementation. Faculties need support and training to effectively implement OBE. Continuous improvement based on feedback from various stakeholders has to be ensured. Implementing OBE requires a systematic approach to ensure its effectiveness in preparing students for their future endeavours.

Higher education institutions at present face many limitations in the current pedagogical approach. These lean more on theoretical knowledge rather than practical applications. The teachers face an inability to adapt diverse teaching -learning methods and to introduce innovative assessment strategies. The use of technology is limited on peripheral layers and not engaging the Generation-Z learners. Students lack practical experience to face real world problems. The curriculum remains static and assessment and evaluation techniques do not foster creativity, critical thinking and holistic development. The heavy workloads, time-constraints and other academic and administrative commitments overwhelm both students and teachers. These challenges necessitated a paradigm shift in the approach to Outcome Based Education.

Alphonsa College made the transition to OBE through a systematic approach. The educational scenario was reviewed by IQAC of the College and based on it,



recommendations were made to the College Council to adopt the new system as early as 2021. Formal training on OBE was provided to faculties to adapt themselves to the new format. The hands-on training sessions for all the faculty members was provided by Dr. T.C. Thankachan, Principal, St. Thomas College of Teachers Training, Pala , in 2021. College has also encouraged teachers to attend Faculty Development Programs in Outcome Based Education. These have introduced the importance of OBE and how it can be effectively implemented using Revised Bloom's Taxonomy. Continuous assessment pattern was prepared by IQAC and a format for the preparation of question papers based on Revised Bloom's Taxonomy was given to teachers. A hands-on training session was organised wherein all the departments were required to produce a question paper designed for achieving OBE. This question paper was then discussed and corrections were given during the session. Following this, the mapping of continuous assessment based on OBE to the internal mark to be given to each student was also initiated by IQAC.

This year IQAC perceived the requirement on preparing curriculum for teachers based on feedback on the assessment and mapping methods. Two workshops were organised by IQAC to strengthen the OBE mapping process.

The first workshop was organised in association with Kerala State Higher Education Council on 29 October 2022. Dr. Shefeeque V, Research Officer, KSHEC, was the resource person. He talked in detail,regarding the necessity of implementing OBE in higher education institutions and the importance of OBE being SMART-Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant and Time Bound. He discussed in detail the revised Bloom's Taxonomy in the context of preparing curriculum and question papers. The workshop was taken to the higher level through the submission of a full-fledged question paper with CO and PSO mapped. The submitted question papers were evaluated by the resource person and suggestions and improvements were recommended based on it. IQAC initiated the procedure and all the departments were asked to follow up the whole procedure.

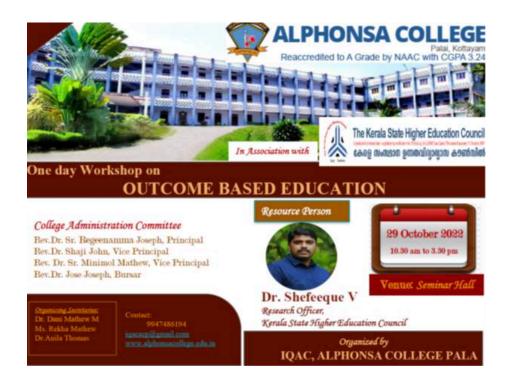
This step emerged as a turning point in the teaching, learning and evaluation, with regard to the teaching faculty. When the teachers were made aware of the various aspects involved in their teaching and assessment process, it helped them to

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reorient their strategies in designing the course plan and assessment methodologies. They became aware of the different outcomes they were to focus on, while designing the course plan and assessment tools. The workshop was of great help in rethinking the course plan on an outcome based model. The question papers for the internal examinations were prepared based on Revised Bloom's Taxonomy, inculcating the various components like 'remember', 'understand', 'apply', 'analyse','evaluate' and 'create'. This got reflected in the learning outcome as well.

The workshop on Outcome Based Education helped the teachers to be aware of the imminent change to be brought about in their course plan and assessment tools. The hands-on training in question paper preparation based on OBE gave them an insight regarding the application of the theoretical aspects of Bloom's taxonomy. Thus, the workshop was a success, considering the outcome it generated, by initiating a great sea change in teaching, learning and evaluation methodologies of the institution.













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The follow up session on Outcome Based Education was conducted on 26 May 2023 with Dr. T.C. Thankachan, Vice Principal, St. Thomas College of Teachers Training, Pala as the resource person. The workshop aimed at preparing the Alphonsian manual on Outcome Based Education. 33 faculties from various departments participated in the session. The following outcomes were mapped for the workshop: to modify the PSOs laid down by the departments so as to include the vision and mission of the college, to map the PSOs and COs qualitatively and quantitatively and to re-map various assessment tools based on the feedback obtained in the workshop.

As the first step, the resource person introduced the theoretical aspects involved in the process. The theories were explained with the help of concrete examples and illustrations. It was then followed by a brainstorming session, in which all the participants took part actively. A hands-on training was given on rethinking the Programme Specific Outcomes so as to inculcate the institutional values reflected in the vision and mission statements of the college. The training also involved the redesigning of Course Outcome for all the courses. It was followed by the introduction of the way in which qualitative and quantitative mapping of PSOs and COs can be done. The teachers were given an insight regarding ingenious ways in which OBE can be incorporated into the assessment tools like assignment, seminar, projects etc. This helped them to prepare the assessment tools which go hand in hand with the Course Outcome and Programme specific outcome.

The session was not limited to the training programme. From the insights gathered from the session, all the departments restructured their CO and PSO so as to include the vision and mission of the college into the curriculum. The assessment tools were also modified based on the session. The resultant effect was fruitful in bringing about a gradual change in the teaching learning process. The college then decided to contribute to the field by preparing and publishing a manual on OBE. It was done by collecting and organising the PSOs and COs prepared by the departments as a single document. This is a new step in the sense that it was for the first time any institution has prepared an OBE manual which can render guidance to all who want to gain knowledge on the topic.



The outcomes aimed by the session on OBE can be said to have been fulfilled with the modification of PSOs, COs, their mapping, the change brought about in the preparation of assessment tools, and with the publication of the OBE manual prepared by the college. Thus the workshops conducted in connection with OBE turned out to be path breaking with regard to the teaching learning environment of the college.





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2022-23 (NG) 10/11/2022 NOTICE A meeting of IQAC is scheduled to be held on 10th November 2022 at 2pm in the IQAC room. All are requested to present. Agenda * Follow-up to OBE workshop - Preparation of question papers. * Training for Federal Bank placement drive. * Convening a meeting of IQAC with the Manager. PRINCIPAL Dr. Sr. Regeenamma Joseph, Principal Shop Shir Rev. Dr. Shaji John, Vice Principal Dr. Sr. Minimol Mathew, Vice Principal Annumethest Rev. Dr. Jose Joseph, Bursar Dr. Dani Mathew M Ms. Annu Paul Ms. Rekha Mathew Dr. Sonia Sebastian Ms. Cincila T Joy And Dr. Anila Thomas Dr. Ambili TR Ms. Biby Annet Baija Ms. Poornima Baby Dr. Cinnie Susan Antony Right Dr. Rosemary Philip Ms. Sruthi Catherine Thomas hus Ms. Ashly Thomas track Mr. Binu Joseph (Office superentendent)-An Ms. Keerthana Reji (Union Chairperson)



5 -2022-23 CM6] Minutes of the meeting held on 10.11.2022 The meeting started at 2pm with prayer Principal Dr. Sr. Regeenamma. Joseph chaired the meeting. The minutes of the last meeting were presented and the actions taken on the discussed points were reported. The following points were discussed : → The committee discussed the follow-up actions required after the Outcome - Based Education (OBE) workshop. -> The committee discussed the upcoming Federal Bank placement drive. It was decided to arrange. training sessions to enhance the students' interview skills, aptitude, and knowledge about the selection process. Career and placement cell was tasked with coordinating the training program. > To facilitate comprehensive preparation for the Joint Admission Test (JAM), it was proposed to organize cross-teaching sessions for Botany and Zoology students by Physics and Chemistry students to cover topics related to Physics and Chemistry. -) The committee acknowledged the achievement of the winner of the Polblood presentation competition held in Trivandrum. → A meeting between the IQAC and the Manager was proposed to discuss institutional matters, performance indicators and future plans. Ms. Rekha Mathe D Dr. Dani Mathew M Dr. Sr. Regenamma Joseph Co-ordinator Principal Secretary