

Reporting on North Zone Meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> October, 2024 (time: 4 pm)

1. Proposed names for the Conference level Task force for ‘Promotion of Democracy’
  - i) Fr (Dr) Louis Prakash, SJ (Patna Province)
  - ii) Dr. Ranjeet Kaur (Asst Prof. St. Xavier’s College, Nevta, Jaipur)
2. On NEP Task force
  - Group went through the list of task force in different North Zone Provinces and found the list to be okay (except names of female representatives missing in some. Since emails/mob. No of many were not mentioned, it was decided to ask the PCHEs to add the emails/mobile nos etc and send back the complete list.
3. Formation of Academic Leadership
  - Group felt two members, 1 male (either Jesuit or lay person) and 1 female member from each institution (HEI) be selected.
  - Proposed venue: NRC or ISI, Delhi
  - Tentative dates: 21-23 March, 2024
4. Ways of empowering growing colleges:
  - First there was a brief discussion as to which colleges should be considered “growing colleges” : no. of year of existence as less than 10 years only 1 will come. However, since some colleges even after 15 years are still growing in certain areas (very young-in nascent stage, low student strength, slow growth due to locational disadvantages etc), we identified the following colleges:  
St. Xavier’s College, Umoid (Kphima Region); St. Xavier’s College, Burdwan (Kolkata province); NB St. Xavier’s College, (Darjeeling Province); St. Xavier’s College of Management & Technology (Patna)
  - Based on their capacity or lack of it the group proposed these following areas for empowering:
    - i) Helping/Mentoring in NAAC preparation (esp using IQAC of St. Xavier’s Kolkata)
    - ii) FDPs for the faculties
    - iii)Setting up of Library (including upgradation, digitization etc)
    - iv)Human Resource Development (eg training and capacity building of non-teaching staff/librarians etc)
    - v) Sharing of resources such as, Library software, e-resources etc)
    - vi) Developing/creating Jesuit Spirituality/Ignatian Citizenship among the staff members (thereby orient them in Jesuit way of thinking/acting)
5. Probable themes for JHEASA 2024
  - a) Acquiring/Strengthening Ignatian Citizenship among our staff in our institutions
  - b) Leadership Formation (including Academic Leadership)

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