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Quality assurance in ACDS is monitored under 23 different committees which are aligned and collaborated by the IQAC. The committees include the Institutional academic board, scientific academic forum, Dental Education Unit, Hospital management committee, etc. These committees meet regularly and discuss all aspects covering the overall quality maintenance and infrastructure augmentation and inform the IQAC about the same. IQAC comprises 15 members comprising the Principal, Registrar, 8 faculty members and 5 other external members. The members serve a tenure of 2 years. The IQAC conducts meetings every quarterly to ensure maintenance and improvement of the standards of education, hospital management and other administrative aspects of college. Inputs from the various committees are taken by the IQAC to the higher management of the college for further action. The follow-up action to be taken by various committees is informed for implementation.

To ensure strict compliance with the quality parameters the college has been successfully certified with ISO certification 9001: 2015 for complying with the international standard for a quality management system (QMS) as well as ISO 14001: 2015 for complying with the internationally agreed standard for an environmental management systems.

In addition to the above, ACDS has an Institute Management committee [IMC] consisting of Chairman, (General Officer Commanding, Head Quarters Telangana and Andhra Subarea) senior army officials, Commandant Military hospital, commanding officer of military dental Centre Secunderabad, Principal, Registrar, two heads of departments of ACDS, well-known Dentists of Secunderabad, legal expert and representative of Kaloji Narayana Rao University of Health Sciences. The IMC is overall responsible to ensure the smooth functioning of the college & issues raised by IQAC are resolved. The IMC meets once a quarter and all aspects of educational administration, and infrastructure developments are discussed, and suitable directions are given. The financial aspects including budget and sanction for various expenditures for new projects are also accorded.



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ACDS being a part of Army Welfare Education Society, Delhi [AWES] is monitored closely by various headquarters of Army at the area level, command level and army headquarters level. The inspections are carried out by senior army officers at regular intervals during their visits. They are briefed about performance from the both academic and administrative front and any suggestions given by them are implemented.

In addition to the quality checks at the college level, an annual administrative and technical inspection of the college is carried out every year by senior army officers nominated by the headquarters of command. A standard operating procedure issued by headquarters AWES is taken into consideration by the inspecting officer. There is also an internal audit done where all aspects including academics, hospital administration, inspected for adherence to quality and norms [Academic & Administrative Audit – AAA]. The inspection points are monitored for implementation or rectification till all the pending actions are resolved by following the standards set by ISO 9001:2015.

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