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I have pleasure in presenting the Annual Report as Secretary General of the Association of Indian Universities for the year 2015-16 at the 90th Annual Meeting of the Association being held at the beautiful campus of Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar 388 120, District Anand, Gujarat. Details of various activities undertaken by the Association during the period are reported below:

Meetings

During the academic year 2015-16, the Zonal Vice Chancellors' Meets were organized as per details given below:

S. No	Zone	Host University	Date(s)
1.	West Zone	Shivaji University, Kolhapur	November 26-27, 2015
2.	East Zone	Dibrugarh University, Dibrugarh	December 04-05, 2015
3.	South Zone	Alliance University, Bangalore	December 11-12, 2015
4.	North Zone	National Law University, Delhi, Dwarka, New Delhi	December 19-20, 2015
5.	Central Zone	M P Bhoj (Open) University, Bhopal	January 15-16, 2016

Recommendations of the Zonal Vice Chancellors' Meets have been included in the agenda of the 90th Annual Meeting (General Session) for discussion.

The 90th Annual Meeting of the Association is being held at Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar, District Anand, Gujarat during February 05-07, 2016.

Membership

As on January 01, 2016, the membership of the Association is 615 including 11 Associate Members from neighbouring Countries.

During the year the following Universities have been granted provisional membership of the Association as per criteria laid down by the General Body at its 84th Annual Meeting (Business Session)

1. State University of Performing and Visual Arts, Rohtak 124 001, Haryana
2. Madan Mohan Malviya University of Technology, Gorakhpur, Uttar Pradesh
3. K R Manglam University, Gurgaon, Haryana
4. Shiv Nada University, Gautam Buddha Nagar, UP
5. University of Gour Banga, Mokdumpur, West Bengal
6. Himalayan University, Naharlagun, Arunachal Pradesh

Associate Member

7. Asian Institute of Technology, Thailand

The 333rd Governing Council Meeting held on May 20, 2015 approved grant of membership of the Association to above universities.

8. National Law University Odisha, Cuttack
9. Karpagam University (Karapagam Academy of Higher Education), Coimbatore
10. The SRM University Haryana, Sonapat

The 334th GC Meeting held on June 30, 2015 at AIU House, New Delhi approved grant of membership of the Association to above Universities.

11. Cotton College State University, Guwahati
12. RKDF University, Bhopal
13. Jagran Lakecity University, Bhopal
14. Uttaranchal University, Dehradun
15. IMS Unison University, Dehradun
16. Shri Ramswaroop Memorial University, Hadauri, UP
17. Venkateswara Open University, Arunachal Pradesh
18. R K University, Bhavnagar, Gujarat

The 335th GC Meeting held on September 29, 2015 at AIU House, New Delhi approved grant of membership of the Association to above Universities.

19. Raksha Shakti University, Ahmedabad 380 016, Gujarat
20. Sardar Patel University of Police Security & Criminal Justice, Jodhpur 342 304 Rajasthan
21. SunRise University, Tehsil Ramgarh, District Alwar 301 030, Rajasthan
22. Sri Satya Sai University of Technology & Medical Sciences, Pachama, Sehore 466 001, Madhya Pradesh
23. Srinivas University, Srinivas Nagar, Mukka, Mangalore 5757 023, Karnataka
24. DIT University, Dehradun 248 009, Uttarakhand
25. Jagan Nath University, Jhajjar-Bahadurgarh Road, Jhajjar 124 507, Haryana
26. Madhav University, Tehsil Pindwara, District Sirahi 307 026, Rajasthan

27. Mohammad Ali Jauhar University, Jauhar Nagar, Rampur 244 901, Uttar Pradesh
28. Swami Rama Himalayan University, Swami Nagar, Jolly Grant, Dehradun 248 016, Uttarakhand
29. Bahra University, Wagnaghat, District Solan 173 234, Himachal Pradesh

The 336th GC Meeting held on November 30, 2015 at AIU House, New Delhi approved grant of membership of the Association to above Universities.

30. Tamil Nadu Physical Education and Sports University, Melakottaiyur (PO), Chennai 600 127, Tamil Nadu
31. C M R University, Bangalore 560 0043, Karnataka
32. Indian Institute of Science Education and Research, Pune 411 008, Maharashtra
33. Presidency University, Bengaluru 560 089, Karnataka
34. Manipal University, Jaipur 303 307, Rajasthan
35. P E S University, Bangalore - 560 062, Karnataka

Foreign Visits

1. The Secretary, AIU visited London, UK to lead an Indian delegation for one week inter-action tour during March 16-20, 2015 to explore India-UK academic collaborations, specifically around two way mobility of faculty and students, joint education provision and professional development of faculty. The travel cost was met by AIU, the boarding, lodging and local transport was sponsored by the British Council, India.
2. The Secretary General, visited Bangkok during August 17-21, 2015, as a member of Indian delegation of ICSSR-NRCT Joint Seminar held during August 18-21, 2015 at Bangkok, Thailand. The visit was sponsored by ICSSR.
3. The Secretary General, AIU visited Beijing, China to attend meeting organized by BRICS President Forum at Beijing Normal University during October 16-20, 2015. Travel cost, hotel accommodation was provided by the Beijing Normal University, VISA, and miscellaneous expenses as per AIU Rules.
4. The President, AIU and the Secretary General, AIU attended the IAU International Conference during October 28-30, 2015 at University of Siena, Italy. Expenses on the visit were met by AIU.
5. The President, AIU and the Secretary General, AIU attended the 34th FISU General Assembly at Lausanne, Switzerland on November 6-9, 2015. Accommodation and local transfer were provided by FISU and travel cost, per diem was borne by AIU.

Research Division

A. Projects in Progress

1. **In-house Short Term Projects:** Social Exclusion and Inclusive Policies in Higher Education: A Study of Policies Effectiveness
2. **Out Sourced Projects:** Following projects have been outsourced:
 - (i) An evaluation of best practices amongst Governance structures in non public universities in India in collaboration with Kerala Veterinary and Animal Sciences University Lakkidi Post, Pookode, Wayanad, Kerala
 - (ii) Excellence in Higher Education: An Empirical Study on Quality sustainability of select Universities of Northern India in collaboration with Maharaja Agrasen University, Baddi, Solan, HP

B. Workshops /Training Programmes and Seminar (2015)

1. National Seminar on Women's Studies in India during March 30-31, 2015 at University of Mumbai, Mumbai
2. National Workshop on Management of University Administration during May 12-14, 2015 at Bharathiar University, Coimbatore
3. National Workshop on Examination Reforms during June 22-24, 2015 at YCMOU, Nashik
4. National Workshop on Emerging Trends of Information Technology in University Management during August 25-27, 2015 at NIT, Silchar
5. National Workshop on Research Methodology during October 12-16, 2015 at Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi

Activities held during 2015-16

1. Roundtable of Vice Chancellors of Private Universities on Roles and Responsibilities of Private Universities during September 15-16, 2015 at GLA University, Mathura
2. Consultation Meet on Internationalization of Higher Education September 04-05, 2015 in collaboration with the Savitribai Phule Pune University, Pune at Pune
3. National Conference of Vice Chancellors on 'Innovation in Engineering Education with Global Perspective-A Blended Approach' during September 22-23, 2015 in collaboration with JNTUK Kakinada at JNTUK, Kakinada

ANVESHAN: Zonal Student Research Convention – 2015

With a view to enriching research culture in the higher education institutions and to inspire researchers throughout the country, AIU has taken a pioneering initiative

to organize student research conventions. The endeavour is directed towards accelerating scientific temperament and harnessing the innovative aptitude of the young researchers for the welfare and development of community, percolating to the grass root level. Anveshan: Students Research Conventions-2015 has been proposed to be conducted at both at zonal and National levels. This pioneering initiative has been applauded across the country for providing an innovative platform to students and creating a culture for innovative research among youth. The projects are invited from bonafide, full time UG, PG and Research students of Indian Universities/ University level Institutions in the following five areas:

i) Agriculture, ii) Basic Sciences, iii) Engineering & Technology, iv) Health Sciences & Allied Disciplines, v) Social Sciences, Humanities, Commerce & Law

ANVESHAN: Zonal Student Research Conventions 2015-16

- North Zone Student Research Convention 2015 held at ICAR National Dairy Research Institute, Karnal, Haryana during December 28-29, 2015.
- West Zone Student Research Convention 2015 held at Maharaja Ganga Singh University during January 12-13, 2016.
- Central Zone Student Research Convention 2015 held at Fakir Mohan University, Balasore, Odisha during January 22-23, 2016
- East Zone Student Research Convention 2015 will be held at Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Muzaffarpur during February 11-12, 2016
- South Zone Student Research Convention 2015 to be finalized
- National Level Student Research Convention 2015 to be finalized

Workshops /Training Programmes and Seminar

Following Regular Workshops/ Seminars have been proposed by the Division to be held in 2016-17

1. National Workshop on Research Methodology
2. National Workshop on Management of University Administration
3. National Workshop on Emerging Trends of Information Technology in University Management
4. National Workshop on Examination Reforms
5. National Seminar on Women's Studies in India

(Proposals are being invited from the member universities/institutions for jointly organizing the events through Advertisement in 'University News')

INTERNATIONAL DIVISION

The International Cell was established in AIU in the year 2000. Keeping in view the Globalization, Internationalization of Higher Education necessitating increasing international academic collaboration in the areas of common interest particularly exchange of students/faculty/research and technical staff, joint research projects, sharing of information, joint capacity building programme, credit transfer, dual/joint degree programmes, recognition of courses and programmes, equivalence of degree etc. between the universities of India with Association of Universities of other countries and coordinates the activities related to the Division. The division also keeps records of MoUs/Collaboration with National/International Organisation and representation of AIU in various International forums. It also collects the data of Foreign Providers of Higher Education in India. The division collects and collate the data of International students in India. Now the division has collected the data on international students for the year 2013-14. Occasional paper is at the final stage of printing.

A Consultation Meet on "Internationalization of Higher Education" was jointly organised by the Association of Indian Universities and Savitribai Phule Pune University, Pune, Maharashtra at the behest of the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India on 4th-5th September, 2015, which was attended by the Vice Chancellors and other Stakeholders.

EVALUATION DIVISION

During the period from 01.04.2015 to 31.12.2015 following tasks were undertaken :

- Professional assistance was provided to Ministries of the Government of India, Union Public Service Commission (UPSC), Indian Council of Cultural Relations (ICCR), Medical Council of India (MCI) and other Central/State Government agencies for nomination/selection of Indian/foreign students intending to pursue higher education in Indian universities.
- Draft replies were provided to the Ministry of Human Resource Development for parliament questions related to information on higher education.
- Equivalence certificates issued during the year to Indian and Foreign Students obtained qualification from abroad-1840 approximately.
- Six thousand (6000) Visitors were provided the information relating to equivalence of foreign degrees and on the status of courses offered by the professional institutions outside the purview of the Universities, who visited this office.
- About 472 enquiries from the Nationalized Banks with regard to the status of equivalence of degrees of the courses offered by Indian/foreign Universities for sanction of Education Loan to the students.
- The division received enquiries from student/parents/other state holders about the courses offered by various universities and on their accreditation status. Around 200 such enquiries were received and replied through E-mail.

- Numerous telephonic queries were attended by the Division and approximately 2000 queries were replied through post.

Equivalence accorded to PGDM Programme

Two-year full time Post Graduate Diploma Programme in Management offered by 65 Institutions have so far been accorded equivalence with MBA degree of an Indian Universities for the purpose of admission to higher education. The list of Institutions accorded equivalence to their PGDM programmes has been displayed on our website at <http://www.aiu.ac.in>

The Division has also brought out a Brochure on the Equivalence of Degrees elaborating the Policies adopted by AIU for according equivalence for School and Degree level programmes of foreign countries.

The brochure has been placed on AIU website at : <http://www.aiu.ac.in/Evaluation/AIU%20Equivalence%20Information%20Brochure%2013.07.2015.pdf> along with AIU Advisory to Students on equivalence of degrees/certificate/diploma from foreign Universities at: <http://www.aiu.ac.in/Evaluation/AIU%20Advisory%20to%20Students%20Foreign%20Degree%2010.9.2015.pdf>

LIBRARY & DOCUMENTATION DIVISION

In fulfillment of its objectives 'to act as a service agency and a clearing house of information', the Association has established a Library and Documentation Centre. This is engaged in a two pronged programmes of development. The first relates to strengthening its resources while the second aims at dissemination. In pursuance of these goals it has launched an ambitious programme of collection development and evolving instruments to reach the information to maximum numbers. The total number of books in the library today stands 20,705. The Library is particularly strong in its collection of Reports and Documents, emanating from governments and non-commercial and highly specialized educational associations and organizations. The Annual Reports, Calendars, Handbooks, Acts of the different Universities and Supreme Court Judgment on Educational Matters also available in the Library, which are regularly in demand and consulted by numbers of users.

During the year 2015-16, the library received 150 periodicals (109 Indian and 41 foreign). Of these 37 were subscribed, 69 were received gratis and 44 received in exchange of 'University News'. Around 1540 students and scholars visited the library during the year. Around 1050 telephonic and email queries were attended during the year.

The process of digitization of Library documents has been initiated and approximately 600 documents are digitized in first phase.

Publications Published during the Year are:

1. Bibliography of Doctoral Dissertations : Social Sciences 2010
2. Bibliography of Doctoral Dissertations : Social Sciences 2011

3. Bibliography of Doctoral Dissertations : Social Sciences 2012
4. Bibliography of Doctoral Dissertations : Social Sciences 2013
5. Bibliography of Doctoral Dissertations : Social Sciences 2014
6. Bibliography of Doctoral Dissertations : Humanities 2010
7. Bibliography of Doctoral Dissertations : Humanities 2011
8. Bibliography of Doctoral Dissertations : Humanities 2012
9. Bibliography of Doctoral Dissertations : Humanities 2013
10. Bibliography of Doctoral Dissertations : Humanities 2014

Publications (in Press)

1. Bibliography of Doctoral Dissertations : Science and Technology 2010
2. Bibliography of Doctoral Dissertations : Science and Technology 2011
3. Bibliography of Doctoral Dissertations : Science and Technology 2012
4. Bibliography of Doctoral Dissertations : Science and Technology 2013
5. Bibliography of Doctoral Dissertations : Science and Technology 2014

Theses of the Month

A list of Doctoral Theses accepted in Science & Technology, Social Sciences and Humanities by Indian Universities and other Institutions of Higher Education is compiled and published regularly under the column Theses of the Month in University News, every week. For the year 2015-16 so far the reported number of thesis is 3360.

University News Unit

The University News maintained its longstanding tradition of regularity of appearance in the year 2015-16 also. It has carved a niche for itself in the field of higher education in the country by maintaining richness, relevance and state-of-the art contents. The Special Issues brought out in the year 2015-16 are:

- **Special Issue on Autonomy in Higher Education-** Shifting Paradigms on the occasion of 85 Years of Library and Documentation Division and AIU Central Zone Vice Chancellors' Meet at Sam Higginbottom Institute of Agriculture, Technology and Science, Allahabad (Vol 53 No. 03, January 19-25, 2015).
- **Special Issue on Autonomy and Excellence in Higher Education** was brought out on the occasion of XXIII New Delhi World Book Fair (Vol 53 No 07, February 16-22, 2015).

- **Special Issue on Promotion of Excellence in Higher Education** was brought out on the occasion of Annual General Body Meeting of AIU at Lovely Professional University, Phagwara and 23rd New Delhi World Book Fair (Vol 53 No 20, May 18-24, 2015).
- **Special Issue on Internationalization of Indian Higher Education** was brought out on the occasion of AIU Consultation Meet on Internationalization of Higher Education (Vol 53 No. 36, September 07-13, 2015).
- **Special Issue on Digital India and Higher Education** was brought out on the occasion of West Zone Vice Chancellors' Meet at Shivaji University, Kolhapur (Vol 53 No. 47 November 23-29, 2015).
- **Special Issue on Higher Education towards Skill Development and Entrepreneurship** was brought out on the occasion of East Zone Vice Chancellors' Meet at Dibrugarh University, Dibrugarh (Vol. 53 No. 48, November 30-December 06, 2015).
- **Special Issue on Globalizing Indian Higher Education Challenges and Roadmap** was brought out on the occasion of South Zone Vice Chancellors' Meet at Alliance University, Bengaluru (Vol. 53 No. 49 December 07-13, 2015).
- **Special Issue on Higher Education Policy - Students and Faculty Perspectives** was brought out on the occasion of North Zone Vice Chancellors' Meet at National Law University, Delhi (Vol. 53 No. 50 December 14-20, 2015).
- **Special Issue on Information and Information Technology (ICT) Enabled Student Support Services and On-line Promotion of Education through Virtual Technology** was brought out on the occasion of Central Zone Vice Chancellors' Meet at M P Bhoj University, Bhopal (Vol.54 No. 02, January 11-17, 2016).
- **Special Issue on Role of Higher Education in Transforming India** was brought out on the occasion of Annual General Meeting held at Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar (Vol 54, February 01-07, 2016).
- **Special Issue on Access and Equity in Higher Education in India** is being brought out.

PUBLICATION AND SALES DIVISION

Activities of the Division

1. The activities of the Division may be categorized as per the following:-
 - (a) Printing & Publishing
 - (b) Sale of AIU Publications

(c) Advertisement in University News

(d) Subscription to University News

Printing & Publishing

2. All the printing & publishing needs of different divisions of AIU are being undertaken through the empanelled printers and also, as per the approved rates including the printing of University News – a weekly chronicle of Higher Education & Research.

3. During the period under report, the following Publications, Reports, etc. have been brought out :-

(a) Publications Printed/Reprinted

- Bibliography of Doctoral Dissertations
 - ✦ Social Sciences : 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013 & 2014
 - ✦ Humanities : 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013 & 2014
 - ✦ Science & Technology : 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013 & 2014 (in Press)
- Directory – AIU Members (Jan 2016)
- Handbook on Engineering Education (2016)
- Tryst with Engineering & Technical Education (Convocation Addresses)
- Minutes of General Council Meetings (2012-13), (2013-14) & (2014-15)
- Pass Book for AIU Provident Fund Trust

(b) Report, etc.

- Brochures for National Workshop on
 - ✦ Examination Reforms
 - ✦ Emerging Trends in Information Technology in University Management
 - ✦ Research Methodology in Social Sciences
- Information Brochure on Policies & Procedures for Equivalence of Qualifications/ Degrees
- Guidelines Anveshan : Student Research Convention (Monogram)
- AIU AT a Glance
- Inter-University Youth Festivals Report (2014-15)

- Annual Performance Reports National University Games (2013-14)
- Audited Account (2014-15)
- Participation & Merit Certificate for Inter-University Youth Festivals
- Year Planner (2016)
- Annual Report (2015-16)

Sale of AIU Publications

4. **Promotion of Sales** : The sale promotion of AIU publications is being done through various exhibitions, dispatching of publicity materials and circulars to the Universities, Institutions, Foreign Mission in India, Publishers, Book Sellers from time to time and whenever new books are released.
5. **Publication and other Materials on Complimentary Basis** : As and when new publications, reports, etc are published, the same are being dispatched to the Vice Chancellors/Directors of member Universities and some dignitaries of Ministries and autonomous bodies on complimentary basis.

Participation in the New Delhi World Book Fair

6. As a part of sale promotion & publicity of AIU Publications, the Division alongwith some members Universities/Institutes keep on participating in the New Delhi World Book Fair from time to time. The Division has participated in the 24th New Delhi World Book Fair (2016), which was held from January 09-17, 2016 at the Pragati Maidan, New Delhi.

Advertisements in University News Journal

8. AIU regularly receives advertisements for publishing in weekly journal - University News from member Universities, Institutions, Govt. departments, Booksellers and other parties. These advertisements are being considered for inclusion in the issues, preferably on pre-payment basis only.

Special issues of University News

9. Apart from the regular issues of University News, the following Special Issues were printed on the occasions/topics as mentioned below :
- **Volume 53 Issue No. 20 (May 18-24, 2015)** : on the topic "Promotion of Excellence in Higher Education " on the occasion of 89th Annual General Meet of the Association of Indian Universities.
 - **Volume 53 Issue No. 36 (September 07-13,2015)** : on the topic "Internationalization of Indian Higher Education" was brought out on the occasion of AIU Consultation Meet on Internationalization of Higher Education.

- **Volume 53 Issue No. 47 (November 23-29, 2015)** : on the theme – “Digital India and Higher Education” on the occasion of West Zone Vice Chancellor’s Meet.
- **Volume 53 Issue No. 48 (November 30-December 06, 2015)** : on the theme- “Higher Education towards Skill Development and Entrepreneurship” on the occasion of AIU East Zone Vice Chancellors’ Meet.
- **Volume 53 Issue No. 49 (December 07-13, 2015)** : on the theme- “Globalizing Indian Higher Education : Challenges and Roadmap” on the occasion of AIU South Zone Vice Chancellors’ Meet.
- **Volume 53 Issue No. 50 (December 14-20, 2015)** : on the theme- “Higher Education Policy : Students and Faculty Perspectives” on the occasion of AIU North Zone Vice Chancellors’ Meet.
- **Volume 54 Issue No. 02 (January 11-17, 2016)** : on the theme- “Information Communication Technology (ICT) enabled Student Support Services & Online Promotion of Education through Virtual Technology” on the occasion of AIU Central Zone Vice Chancellors’ Meet.
- **Volume 54 Issue No. 05 (February 01-07, 2016)** : on the theme- “Role of Higher Education in Transforming India” on the occasion of 90th Annual General Meet of the Association of Indian Universities.

Subscriptions of University News

10. The print run of University News as of date is nearly 7000 copies. Apart from the paid subscribers, the copies of University News are being sent on complimentary basis to the Vice Chancellors/Directors & Registrars of member Universities/Institutes Government officials, other important dignitaries/academics, contributors of Articles and also, on exchange basis on the recommendations of Assistant Librarian.

Year Planner

11. The Year Planner is being dispatched to the entitled dignitaries, which include Vice Chancellors/Directors & Registrars of member universities/institutes and other dignitaries as per the mailing list maintained for this purpose.

Students Information Services Division

The Division continued to serve the students, academics, parents, other stakeholders and visitors to AIU House by providing them information on the status of Indian institutions of higher education, professional bodies etc. and on the courses offered by Indian universities and other institutions recognized by statutory bodies like AICTE, NCTE and MCI, etc.

The Division continued to update itself by screening the leading newspapers in respect of admission notifications on various courses issued by universities and other institutions from time to time in order to provide latest information to students and updating the Handbooks. The division has revised and updated the 12th edition of ‘Handbook on Engineering Education’.

The information on Institutions in the Handbook of Engineering Education includes: Year of establishment of department/institute; name of its Principal/Director; probable date of notification/last date of application; number of seats available in each engineering/technology branch; seats for NRIs/foreign students eligibility; application procedure; state-wise common entrance test rules for BE/BTech/BArch courses; fees; hostel facilities, etc. Also given is ‘faculty strength’, commencement of academic session, and system of examination. Brief details of post-graduate courses are also included. It also gives information about accredited status of institutions and programmes.

The division has now started revising/updating the ‘Universities Handbook’ (34th Edition).

SPORTS

1. National Sports Calendar

Annual Sports Calendar of National University Games for the year 2015-16 was finalized and approved in the AGM of Inter University Sports Board (AIU) held on 20.03.2015 at Acharya Nagarjuna University, Guntur (AP). National University Games are the main components of NSPO Scheme for promoting sports in university sector which is being considered as a nursery of Indian Sports.

2. Allotment of Tournaments

Inter University Tournaments were allotted to member and willing universities by a duly constituted Sub-Committee by the Hon’ble Chairman, Sports Board AIU. While distributing the sporting events to the eligible universities, following parameters were kept in mind:

- Standard size of Sporting Infrastructure(s)
- Qualified and Competent Officiating Staff
- Adequate Accommodation & Local Transport

3. Appointment of AIU Observers

For the purpose of effective monitoring to ensure smooth conduct of National University Games, as many as 80 neutral and suitable AIU-Observers selected mainly from University Sector, National Sports Federations, Sports Authority of India, Indian

Railways and National Institute of Sports, Patiala etc., were appointed out of the panel of experts approved by Sports Board, AIU. The criteria for selection of AIU-observers was based on four major components as given below:

- Achievements in a particular sport(s)
- Professional Job Experience
- Technical Capability
- Contribution to the field of Competitive Sports

4. Conduct of Tournaments

As many as 131 Inter University Tournaments were organized at various 80 University sports centers throughout the country, with a view to create sport-culture and broad-base "youth sports" at the grass roots for achieving excellence at National and International level. As a result, National University Games proved to be a national platform for Talent Search and Talent Promotion with scientific approach and in a professional manner for throwing up adequate amount of sporting potential to feed the national stream to create "Large Talent Pool" with attainable and sustainable performance targets on the long term basis.

5. Monitoring Mechanism

Over the years, it is observed that the existing "monitoring mechanism" through AIU Observers, proved to be quite effective in stream-lining and strengthening system of university sports and raising the standard of technical conduct of National University Games at par with National Sports Championships. Therefore, it is also noted that performance level of university athletes/teams is on the constant rise. This significant development is viewed as a healthy sign of improvement in performance standards of "University Sports" at national and international level competitions.

6. Number of Participants

Approximately, 4,96,250 highly talented university students/athletes participated in University sporting Competitions during the year : 2015-16. The details are given below:

S.No.	Category of Tournaments	No. of Sporting Events	Average No. of Participants
1.	National Basis	31(M/W)	1,38,850 (MW)
2.	Four Zone Basis	60 (W)	1,68,750 (W)
3.	Four Zone Basis	40 (M)	1,88,650 (M)
Total Events and Participants		131 (M/W)	4,96,250 (MW)

Break-up of Sportspersons

S. No.	Category of Competitions	Average No. of Participants with Percentage (W)		No. of Average Participants with Percentage (M)	
1.	All India Basis (MW)	2,08,425	(42%) (W)	2,87,825	(58%) (M)
2.	Four Zone Basis (MW)	2,13,387.5	(43%) (W)	2,82,862.5	(57%) (M)
Grand Total of Participants		2,10,906.25	(42.5%) (W)	2,85,343.75	(57.5%) (M)

7. AIU as NSPO

It is a matter of great honour for all the stakeholders that Inter-University Sports Board (AIU) had been granted the status of National Sports Promotion Organization (NSPO) by Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports vide letter No. F.9-22/2007-SP.I dated 05/05/2008 on account of its meritorious contribution to promotion of competitive sports at the grass root level, especially in universities and colleges in India. Hence, Association of Indian Universities (AIU) is considered to be at par with all other National Sports Federations (NSFs) approved and recognized by Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports for availing financial assistance for the purpose of promoting competitive sports and participation of university students at national and international events.

8. Certificates of Merit

As per existing practice, Association of Indian Universities (AIU) provided "certificates of merit" to all the host universities well in advance for further distribution to the meritorious athletes/teams securing First, Second and Third positions during All India/ Inter University (Inter Zonal) Tournaments: 2015-16. These certificates are considered to be very important documents, on the basis of which athletes/teams with outstanding sporting performance at national level get the following benefits:-

- Jobs in the public and private sectors against Sports Quota.
- Admission for Higher Education in Universities and Colleges
- Scholarships to support education in universities/colleges etc.

9. Adequate Accommodation

While implementing the existing provision mentioned in the Handbook of Rules and Regulations for Inter University Tournaments, the host universities arranged/ provided adequate accommodation for the visiting athletes and team officials during Inter University Tournaments. The participating universities appreciated adequate arrangements of accommodation and local transport for the convenience of the athletes and officials made by host universities during Inter University Tournaments.

10. Umpires and Referees

The existing rules and regulations for Inter Universities provide that only qualified and competent referees, umpires, judges and officiating officials were appointed by the host universities for smooth and successful conduct of Inter University Tournaments with a view to give a feeling of "fair play with impartial judgment" during intensely contested competitions. Participating athletes and officials appreciated neutral and clean/smooth conduct of competitions which help in raising the technical conduct of Inter University Tournaments at par with National Championships organized by National Sports Federations.

11. Co-ordination with Sports Bodies

Association of Indian Universities (AIU) maintained a cordial and healthy relationship with all National Sports Federations (NSFs) while finalizing the dates and drawing fixtures of Zonal and National University Games. The Organizing Committee of each competition approached/consulted the respective National Sports Federations, so as to avoid clash of dates of Inter University Tournaments and National Championships organized. As a result, university, athletes/ students were able to participate both in Inter University Competitions and National Championships during the year: 2015-16 conveniently.

12. Accredited Representatives

Sports Division (AIU) dispatched an advance official circular to all the member universities stating that every university sending its athletes / teams to participate in Inter University Tournaments shall appoint a whole-time employee, responsible "Male or Female" staff member (teaching/ administration/ coaching) as its accredited representative. Accordingly, due intimation for such an appointment(s) was sent to the host universities. As a result, this exercise helped the host universities/ participating universities to maintain proper discipline amongst the teams and players during National University Games:2015-16.

13. Entries and Draw of Fixtures

The existing Rules and Regulations for Inter University Tournaments were strictly followed and an advance intimation was circulated/dispatched to all the participating universities specifying that entries shall be sent under the Registered AD cover addressed to the Organizing Secretary of the concerned tournament. Accordingly, most of the participating universities submitted their general entries/detailed entries on or before the closing date of entries. There are a few cases wherein Organizing Secretaries did not allow those universities to participate in competitions, who failed to submit the detailed entries (10 days before the commencement of competitions in individual events) within the stipulated period.

14. Disputes and Protest Cases

All the disputes and protest cases received within the stipulated period of two hours of completion of concerned sporting competitions, by Organizing Secretary, from

the aggrieved universities, during National/Zonal University Games: 2015-16 were considered, discussed and decided by Jury of Appeal, then and there, on the spot, in accordance with existing relevant Rule No. 8 of the AIU Rule Book with a view to do justice with aggrieved parties at the earliest. The Jury of Appeal included the following members for taking appropriate action.

- Organizing Secretary of concerned tournament(s)
- AIU Observer for neutral conduct of Competition(s)
- International Athlete nominee of V.C. of host university

No dispute or protest case was entertained by the AIU as there is a provision of considering an appeal only against the decision of the organizing university by the President, AIU provided received within 15 days from the completion of the concerned tournament(s).

15. Performance of AIU Teams in World University Games : 2014-15

The AIU being member of International Universities Sports Federation (FISU), projected Indian universities contingent in World University Games from July 3-14, 2015 held at Gwangju (Korea). The number of athletes was 97, accompanied by 12 coaches/officials and grand total of Indian contingent was 109. It is heartening to note that Indian athletes won 5 Medals in the highly contested global competitions. The details of performance of Indian contingent are as follows:-

S.No	Sporting Event	Name of Athlete/ Sportsperson	Position Secured	Medal Won
1.	Athletics	Inderjeet Singh-Shot Put (M)	1st Position	Gold
2.	Archery	Mixed Compound Team (MW)	2nd Position	Silver
3.	Shooting	10 M Air Rifle Team (M)	3rd Position	Bronze
4.	Shooting	25m Rapid Fire Pistol (M)	3rd Position	Bronze
5.	Shooting	Double Trap Team (M)	3rd Position	Bronze

The overall ranking of India in the highly contested global competition was 35th, indicating that future of university sports is bright, capable of throwing-up a desired amount of talent in National Stream. The present medal tally reflects that "University Sports" is emerging progressively as Life Line and Spring Board for Olympic Medal(s) in near future. As a result, university sports need a huge investment in terms of financial, scientific and technical support from Public Private Partnership for broad basing competitive sports in university sector for achieving excellence at international level.

16. 34th Ordinary General Assembly of FISU

The President, Prof. Ranbir Singh and the Secretary General, Prof. Furqan Qamar represented AIU in 34th Ordinary General Assembly Meeting held on November 7-8, 2015 at Lausanne (Switzerland). Apart from routine matters related to promotion of competitive sports in university sector across the globe, the member associations who had already paid Annual Subscription to the FISU were allowed to attend the meeting with voting right. There was detailed discussion on the issue of promotion of Sports in Asian Countries to provide more opportunities of Organizing World University Games and Championships.

17. MAKA Trophy Committee

A meeting of Scrutiny Committee for the award of prestigious MAKA Trophy duly constituted by the Hon'ble Secretary General, AIU was held on 10-08-2015 under the Chairmanship of Shri Khazan Singh, Arjuna Awardee (Swimming) for recommending the said award for the year: 2014-15. Hence, recommendations of the Scrutiny Committee were forwarded to the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports for consideration of the Selection Committee constituted by Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports. After the due approval and recommendations of the Selection Committee, prestigious award of MAKA Trophy was presented to the overall Champion Punjabi University, Patiala by His Excellency, the President of India on August 29, 2015.

18. Sports Board & Sports Committee

Annual General Meeting(s) of Sports Board and Sports Committee (AIU) for the year: 2014-15 were presided over by Working Chairman nominated by the Hon'ble President, AIU on March 20, 2015 at Acharya Nagarjuna University, Guntur-522510 (AP). Apart from other important issues related to sports promotion under Long Term Development Plan (LTDP), Annual Sports Calendar for the year: 2015-16 was finalized, approved and uploaded on AIU's **website: sports@aiu.ac.in** for advance information and necessary action of all the stakeholders, in this regard.

YOUTH AFFAIRS

During the academic year the Division organized several youth programmes at the Inter-University Zonal and National level pertaining for promotion of National Integration, Communal Harmony, Youth Leadership and Capacity Building including Inter-University Youth Festivals, South Asian Universities Youth Festival, Seminar, Cultural Show etc.

Inter- University Youth Festivals (UNIFESTS)

With the purpose of promoting Youth Programmes of Art and Cultural Affairs and to augment spirit of national integration amongst the Youth, the Youth Affairs Division of AIU has been organising the Inter-University Youth Festivals (UNIFESTS) annually since 1985 with financial support of the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports. A large number of university youth from the nationwide universities participate in the UNIFESTS which play a significant role in promoting in our youth, a pride for Indian culture and an awareness of national identity.

The AIU UNIFESTS are also a medium of inculcating in the younger generation a spirit of unity, fraternity, peace and leadership qualities. In addition, these festivals have brought to the forefront numerous youth artistes at the regional, national and even international levels. As a prelude to the AIU UNIFESTS, the selected youth artistes were selected through the Inter-College Youth Festivals which were organized on the guidelines and norms of AIU UNIFESTS by the countrywide universities in which around two lakhs students participated.

The 31st Inter-University Five Zonal and One National UNIFESTS were scheduled to be organized in which over 7000 selected university youth artistes were expected to participate in 25 competitive events of music, dance, theatre, fine arts and literary events at following Universities:

ZONE	VENUE	DATES
Central	Bundelkhand University, Jhansi, UP	November 19-23, 2015
East	Tezpur University, Tezpur, Assam	January 03-07, 2016
West	Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar Gujarat	January 08-12, 2016
North	Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana, Punjab	January 14-18, 2016
South	Mangalore University, Mangalore, Karnataka	January 18-22, 2016
National	University of Mysore, Mysore, Karnataka	February 15-19, 2016

An Inter-University National Seminar of Cultural Coordinators, Dean/Director Student Welfare (DSWs) under the aegis of Association of Indian Universities was organised by Alliance University, Bengaluru, Karnataka on September 11 and 12, 2015 – The topics of the Seminar were:

- The role of Inter – University (UNIFESTs) in promotion of Human and Cultural Values and National Integration
- Organizing and Management of UNIFESTs and other Youth Programmes
- A Critical Analysis of Cultural Events of the UNIFESTs

About 32 universities/colleges participated in the Seminar and presented papers on the above topics.

YHAI, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi : Cultural Show by YHAI was held on December 05, 2015 - About 40 delegates drawn from 15 countries and 120 National Council members from all States of India participated in the Show. The Union Defence Minister graced the occasion. The teams of Punjabi University, Patiala and Maharshi Dayanand University, Rohtak for Folk Dance and Lovely Professional University, Jalandhar for Folk Orchestra were deputed by AIU to participate in the Cultural Show under the banner of AIU and YHAI.

Bharatiya Chhatra Sansad: 6th Indian Students Parliament, Pune was held at MAEER's MIT Campus, Pune for which AIU requested member universities to participate in four-day conclave (January 27-30, 2016) encouraging independent thinking and sociopolitical initiative in young students and facilitates the learning of crucial social and political skills. This helps in mobilizing the youth of our country in understanding the importance of citizenry and participation of youth in democratic processes. The platform is bringing professional outlook in the youth towards political system and encouraging them to embrace public life.

9th South Asian Universities Youth Festival (SAUFEST)

Under the aegis of the Association of Indian Universities (AIU), the Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Lucknow, UP (India) is going to host the 9th South Asian Universities Youth Festival (SAUFEST) during February 25-29, 2016. Amongst its varied youth-centric activities, the South Asian Universities Youth Festival (SAUFEST) is a noble concept of the Association of Indian Universities (AIU) with goal to promote active collaboration and mutual understanding amongst the South Asian countries in educational, social, cultural and economic fields. It is an attempt towards bringing the youth from the South Asian countries to a common platform for sharing views, experiences, innovations and common ideas so that a common agenda in taking the future regional challenges can be taken up. Furthermore, the role of SAUFEST is to ensure unity for peace, harmony and brotherhood amongst the people of the south Asian region.

About 250 selected youth artistes of 17 selected universities will participate in the SAUFEST including youth from the following South Asian Countries, including:

- ✦ India
- ✦ Afghanistan
- ✦ Bangladesh
- ✦ Nepal
- ✦ Bhutan
- ✦ Sri Lanka
- ✦ Pakistan
- ✦ Maldives
- ✦ Mauritius and,
- ✦ Myanmar

FINANCE DIVISION

The division strives hard to provide value based services to various stakeholders with a view to serve the cause of higher education as well as to meet the financial needs of the organization. The Division manages:

- Budgeting & Forecasting
- Accounting of Receipts
- Expenditure Management
- Books of Accounts
- Finance Committee
- Management of Funds
- Salaries & EPF
- Provident Fund Trust
- Statutory & Govt. Audit

The Division has been functioning ever since the inception of AIU in 1925.

Finance Committee Meeting

The Finance Committee Meeting was held on 28.9.2015 under the Chairmanship of Prof.(Dr.) Ranbir Singh, President, AIU. In this meeting apart from other important issues, following proposals were considered and approved

- 1) The Revised Budget Estimates for 2015-16
- 2) Budget Estimates for 2016-17
- 3) Audited Accounts of the Association from M/s. Sanjay Satpal and Associates, Chartered Accountants which include Balance Sheet, Income and Expenditure Account, Receipt and Payment Account for the year 2014-15 of AIU and AIU Employees Group Gratuity Scheme.
- 4) Audited Accounts of AIU PF Trust which include Revenue Account, Balance Sheet of AIU PF Trust audited by M/s. P S Bajaj & Company, Chartered Accountants for the year 2014-15.
- 5) Appointment of Statutory auditors of AIU & AIU Provident Fund Trust for the Financial Year 2015-16.
- 6) Progress of payment Gateway Facility for online money transfer using AIU website.

- 7) Appellate order issued by the Commissioner of Income Tax (Appeal)(Exemption) for the AY 2010-11.
- 8) Accounting System of AIU as per Guidance Note received from the MHRD.

Grants

The Division has been providing required information and financial statements to the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports.

Ministry of Human Resource Development

1. Physical & Financial targets for the FY 2015-16 were sent to the Ministry of Human Resource Development for their perusal and approval.
2. The Ministry has sanctioned a grant of Rs.200.00 lacs and Rs.32.00 lacs for Plan and Non Plan activities respectively for the FY 2015-16.
3. The sanction of 3rd installment of Non-Plan and Plan Grant has since been released.
4. Proposal for RE 2015-16 & BE 2016-17 (Plan and Non-Plan) in respect of Department of Higher Education was submitted.

Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports (Deptt. of Youth Affairs)

1. Ministry has sanctioned a grant of Rs. 56,25,000/- for organizing One National and Five Zonal Youth Festivals for the year 2015-16.
2. Ministry has released Rs.22.50 lacs (75% of Rs.30 lacs) for I U Workshops on "Considering NSS as Elective subject & Skill development with Vocational Education Training during the year 2013-14. The Five I.U. Workshops on the subject was conducted in the FY 2014-15.

Provident Fund Trust

1. New Investment pattern circulated by EPFO vide letter No.HO/IMC/132 pattern 2015 dated 9.6.2015 for Provident Fund Investments implemented.
2. Wage ceiling as proposed by EPFO for Pension and Employees' Deposit Linked Scheme from Rs.6500 to 15000/- has been implemented w.e.f. September, 2014.

Initiatives & Activities

1. Annual Subscription notices for the year 2015-16 were sent to the Member Universities in March, 2015. Subscription of Rs.3,40,16,071/- has been received as on 30.11.2015.
2. Utilization Certificates were issued in respect of Plan, Non-Plan, Youth Affairs and Sports Grant received during the FY 2014-15.

3. Adopted New Group Gratuity Cash Accumulation Scheme of LIC for AIU employees.

ADMINISTRATION

Administration Division of AIU plays a vital role in the implementation of the policy of the General Body, Governing Council, Staff Affairs Committee, various other Committees and is responsible for all Establishment & personnel matters. The objective of the division is 5Cs – Comprehensive, Conducive, Contributing, Cohesive and Cooperative Administration.

The Division provides manpower support to all the Divisions of AIU. It has the responsibility of creating conducive environment, work culture and to enhance developmental activities for the growth of the Association, comprising recruiting required manpower, managing personnel matters, training needs of the staff, providing infrastructure facilities, housekeeping and estate management of AIU House including hardware/software.

The Division also maintains Office-cum-Rest Rooms for the Vice Chancellors/Directors and functions as a facilitator to the member Universities/Institutions.

Details of Meetings

During the year, the following meetings/conferences were organized:

S.No.	Meeting/Conference/ Workshop	Date(s)	Venue
1.	Governing Council	May 20, 2015	AIU House, New Delhi
2.	Governing Council	June 30, 2015	AIU House, New Delhi
3.	Governing Council	September 29, 2015	AIU House, New Delhi
4.	Governing Council	November 30, 2015	AIU House, New Delhi
5.	Governing Council	December 18, 2015	National Law University, Delhi, New Delhi
6.	Governing Council	February 04, 2016	Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Vidyanagar
7.	Finance Committee	September 29, 2015	AIU House, New Delhi
8.	West Zone VCs Meet	December 01-02, 2015	MNIT, Jaipur
9.	East Zone VCs Meet	December 05-06, 2015	Debrugarh University, Dibrugarh
10.	South Zone VCs Meet	December 12-13, 2015	Alliance University, Bangalore

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11.	North Zone VCs Meet	December 19-20, 2015	National Law University, Delhi, Dwarka, New Delhi
12.	Central Zone VCs Meet	January 15-16, 2016	M P Bhoj Open University, Bhopal
13.	Committee on recognition of qualifications	November 23, 2015	AIU House, New Delhi
14.	Grievance Committee	June 21-22, 2015	AIU House, New Delhi
15.	Grievance Committee	November 30, 2015	AIU House, New Delhi
16.	90 th Annual Meeting	February 05-07, 2016	Sardar Patel University, Vallabh Viydanagar

I take this opportunity to express my sincere thanks and gratitude to Prof.(Dr) Ranbir Singh, President, AIU Prof. D S Chauhan, Vice President, AIU, Dr H M Desai, immediate Past President, members of the Governing Council and Vice Chancellors/ Directors of member Universities/ Institutions for their continued support, guidance, cooperation and active participation in different activities of the Association. I also thank my colleagues in AIU for contributing their mite to carry out multifarious activities of the Association effectively.

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