Social Responsibility & Quality Assurance in HEIs

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Reflections

- Created in 2012, in the aftermath of the 2\textsuperscript{nd} UNESCO Conference on Higher Education (2009)
- Supported North-South-South and South-South partnerships, building and enhancing ‘knowledge democracy’
- Worked towards strengthening engagement between communities, civil society & academia
- Advocated mainstreaming of Community University Engagement in academic curriculum.
- Promoted the discourse on ‘Social Responsibility in Higher Education’
Higher Education for Public Good

• Preparing Global Citizens
• Science for society
• Empowering Service
Social Responsibility Benchmarks

• Learning Citizenship as Students

• Creating responsive knowledge

• Becoming an anchor institution in society
Excellence in Teaching

- Stimulates learning & curiosity to learn
- Links curriculum to real world challenges
- Simultaneous focus on knowledge, awareness & skills
- Leveraging practitioners as teachers
Excellence in Research

• K4C—

• Building research partnerships

• Practicing community-based participatory research

• Open source, for common good
#Quality-In-Everyday-Life

- Quality is mind-set
- Overcoming ‘chalta hai’ attitudes
- Quality as dignity
- Quality as identity