

NAAC ACCREDITATION: Big Changes on the Anvil

Important notifications for Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) across India

In a major breakthrough with significant move, The National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) in its recent release (10th February 2025), has announced for Binary accreditation:

1. Basic (Binary) Accreditation
2. Maturity-Based Graded Levels (MBGL)

With the intension of offering Indian HEIs with flexible but tailor-made model of accreditation.

What the NEW METRICS- BINARY Offers to HEIs?

The new metrics of Binary NAAC encompasses:

1. **Input:** Under the category comes the resources & infrastructure of an institution, including the curriculum design, faculty profiles, facilities, and financial resources. This input verifies for institution's capacity to support effective teaching & learning.
2. **Process:** Under this category, the methods and procedures employed by an institution in delivering education are evaluated. The curriculum engagement, teaching methodologies, student support services, and governing infrastructures are considered. The core scope of the assessment under this category is to measure how efficient an institution in translating its resources into meaningful educational experiences for students.
3. **Outcome:** this category focuses on the results and impact of the educational processes viz.
 - a. Student learning outcomes
 - b. Graduate employability
3. **Research output**
4. Institution's Contributions to its society.

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