

## The Jiwaji University of Gwalior got an A++ grade in the NAAC ranking

## Why in News?

On 11 April 2023, Jiwaji University in Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh was awarded an A++ grade by the NAAC committee. With this, Jiwaji University has become the only university in the state to have received this high grade.

## **Key Points**

- It is known that the 5-member team of the NAAC committee inspected Jiwaji University from 27 to 29 March 2023.
- On the other hand, Maharani Laxmi Bai Mahavidyalaya of Bhopal has got an A grade in the NAAC ranking. Shivpuri's PG College has taken a step ahead and secured a B+ grade in the ranking.
- The Higher Education Department provided the facilities, from infrastructure training to prioritizing the institutions and universities participating in the NAAC. An internal assessment of colleges was also done.
- Notably, NAAC grading is decided by evaluating e-library, Wi-Fi campus, teachers' training, e-content, incubation centre, hostel and performance of students, based on research work of teachers.
- It is worth mentioning that the work of the NAAC or National Assessment and Accreditation Council (National Assessment and Accreditation Council) is to test the quality of universities, higher education institutes and private institutes across the country & give them ratings.
- According to the new guidelines issued by the University Grants Commission (UGC), all educational
  institutions are required to be accredited by NAAC. If an institution does not take recognition from
  it, then it does not get the benefit of any government policy.
- College/University or any other higher education institution applies for NAAC grading after fulfilling all the criteria. After the application, the team of NAAC comes to the institute and does the inspection. During this, they check various aspects like Educational Facilities, Infrastructure, and College Atmosphere. If the NAAC team is satisfied, then the college is given CGPA based on which the grade is given later.
- Once NAAC grading is received, it is valid for 4 years. Re-rating is given after 4 years. There is also a system of temporary grading in NAAC, in which grading is given for two years. If a college or university is not happy with the grade given by NAAC, it can apply for the grade again after 6 months.

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