



**10, INSTITUTIONAL AREA
VASANT KUNJ, NEW DELHI 110 003**

**MINUTES OF THE TWENTIETH MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL
HELD ON 23 DECEMBER 2008 AT 9:30 A.M.**

PRESENT

The following members of the Academic Council attended the meeting:

Dr P P Bhojvaid
Prof S Sundar
Dr Arabinda Mishra,
Dr Prateek Sharma
Dr Subodh K Sharma
Dr S R Rao
Dr Rajat S Bakshi
Dr E Sridharan
Dr Sanjay Saxena
Dr P K Joshi
Dr V V N Kishore
Dr Banwari Lal
Dr Abha Agnihotri
Dr Neeraj Khera
Dr Sangeet Kumar Srivastava
Dr Sanjay P Mande
Mr Rajiv Seth

Prof Prem K Kalra, Dr Indira Rajaraman, Mr O P Agarwal, Dr Renu Swarup,
Dr S K Sarkar Dr Saon Ray, Dr Deepti Gupta, Mr M P Ram Mohan, Dr Mala Narang
Reddy, Dr Pradeep Kumar Dadhich, and Dr T S Panwar did not attend the meeting.



Item No. 1 To confirm the minutes of the nineteenth meeting of the Academic Council held on 21 July 2008

The minutes of the nineteenth meeting of the Academic Council held on 21 July 2008 were confirmed, as circulated.

Item No. 2 Matters for information

The Academic Council was informed that the University had shifted to the new campus at Vasant Kunj on 25th September 2008 and that academic activities have commenced from 13th October 2008.

The Academic Council was informed that the next academic semester of the University would commence from 5 January 2009.

The Academic Council was informed about the completion of the last academic semester in the M.Sc, MBA and MA programmes

Item No. 3 To consider and approve a new M. Sc programme in Climate Change.

A presentation was made to the Academic Council on the proposed M.Sc programme in Climate Change.

The Academic Council discussed on the issue of whether the programme should be offered as a master's level programme, a diploma programme, or a combination of both. It was decided that keeping in mind the preference of students, the new programme should only be offered as a M.Sc. programme at the initial stage.

It was brought out that an emphasis should be made on application oriented training in the curriculum of the programme. Also sectoral issues must be brought out in the curriculum. The discussion also focused on the need to bring-in international laws and treaties related to climate policy, in the curriculum of the programme.

The Council debated on the title of the M.Sc programme, and it was decided that in order to keep the programme broad based, the programme should be called M.Sc (Climate Science and Policy).

Item No. 4 To consider and approve a new M. Tech programme in Renewable Energy Engineering and Management.

The Academic Council discussed the proposal of a new programme leading to the award of M.Tech (Renewable Energy Engineering Management). An in principle approval was granted by the Academic Council. A detailed presentation would be made to the Academic Council

once the course outlines are finalised and approved by the Board of Studies.

Item No. 5 To consider and approve courses of the second and third semesters of the M. Sc (Geoinformatics) programme.

Course outlines of 6 courses to be offered in the II and III semesters of the M.Sc (Geoinformatics) programme were presented to the Academic Council. The Academic Council discussed and approved the outlines of the courses.

Item No. 6 To consider and approve courses of the second semester of the M. Sc (Plant Biotechnology) programme.

Course outlines of 4 courses to be offered in the II semestser of the M.Sc. (Plant Biotechnology) programme were presented to the Academic Council. The Academic Council discussed and approved the outlines of the courses.

Item No. 7 Any other item with the permission of the Chair.

1) Distance Education Programme

It was brought out that TERI University, in collaboration with Open University, Milton Keynes, UK is planning a distance education programme in Renewable Energy leading to a PG Diploma in Renewable Energy. This is being supported by a UKIERI project.

The Academic Council discussed and accorded on in principle approved for the programme.

2) Approval of course on Professional Ethics.

An outline for a course on Professional Ethics, proposed by Professor Lloyd Irland of Yale University was presented to the Academic Council. The Council discussed and approved the course for the next semester.

3) Extension of maximum time allowable for submission of Ph.D. thesis.

A request from Ms Shilpanjali Sarma (a doctoral Student) for extension of maximum allowable period for submission of Ph.D. thesis was made in the last Academic Council meeting. A six month extension was given upto January 2009. The student has requested for one more extension for six month, which has been recommended by her Supervisor. The Academic Council discussed and approved an extension of six more months upto July 2009. However, it was decided that no further extensions would be allowed in her case.

4) Setting up a Department of Energy and Environment.

It was proposed that a Department of Energy and Environment be set up under the Faculty of Applied Sciences in the University. It was also proposed that a sanction be accorded for the creation of 6 faculty posts in the Department.

The Academic Council discussed and recommended the setting up of the Department and the creation of 6 faculty posts in it.

5) Faculty selection panel.

The Academic Council concurred with the names of experts - Dr T C Kandpal, Dr Amit Kumar, Dr Leena Srivastava and Dr Vibha Dhawan, as recommended by the Executive Committee, for inclusion in the panel to sit on the Selection Committees for faculty appointments.

The recommended names would be put up to the Board of Management for its approval as required vide clause 12 (b) (i) (ad) and clause 12 (b) (ii) (ad) of the rules and regulations of the University.

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