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**MINUTES OF THE TWENTY SIXTH MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL HELD  
ON 05 JANUARY 2011 AT 09:30 A.M**

**PRESENT**

The following members of the Academic Council attended the meeting:

- Prof Bhavik R Bakshi
- Dr Rajiv Seth
- Dr Indira Rajaraman
- Dr Pradeep K Dadhich
- Dr E Sridharan
- Prof Rajat S Bakshi
- Dr Prateek Sharma
- Dr Arabinda Mishra
- Dr Mala N Reddy
- Dr VVN Kishore
- Dr S Sundar
- Dr Badal Mukherji
- Dr Najmur Rehman
- Dr Sapna Narula
- Dr Kamna Sachdeva
- Mr M V Shiju
- Dr Priya Bhagowalia

Prof P K Kalra, Dr S R Rao, Dr S K Sarkar, Dr Renu Swarup, Dr O P Agarwal, Dr PK Joshi,  
Dr Sanjay Saxena, Dr Anandita Singh, Dr Vinod Tewari did not attend the meeting.

**Item No. 1 To confirm the minutes of the twenty fifth meeting of the Academic Council held on 13 July 2010.**

The minutes of the twenty fifth meeting of the Academic Council held on 13 July 2010, were circulated to the Members. No comments have been received so far.

The Academic Council may, therefore, consider confirming the minutes, as circulated.

**Item No. 2 To consider and approve courses of the MBA programmes**

The Academic Council discussed and approved the above course outlines of the MBA programmes with the following observations:-

- a) Community Relationship
- b) Contemporary issue in Change Management.
- c) Integrated Marketing and Communication.
- d) Infrastructure Policies, Reforms and Law
- e) Society Analysis and Portfolio Management
- f) Cross Culture Management –
  - (i) In module 3, under the topic Negotiation, negotiations with foreign governments should be discussed.
  - (ii) Indian case studies should be included in the course.
- g) Operations and Management of Power Systems.
  - (i) The course name should be changed to Management and Regulation of Power Systems.

**Item No. 3 To consider and approve the programme restructuring in respect of M Sc (Climate Science and Policy)**

The Academic Council was presented with a proposed restructuring of the M.Sc (Climate Science and Policy) programme. The Council approved the restructured programme as appended in Annexure 3.1 of the agenda notes.

**Item No. 4 To consider and approve courses of M.Sc. programmes (Climate Science & Policy)**

The following course outlines of M.Sc (Climate Science and Policy) programme were discussed and approved by the Academic Council.

- a) Mitigation of Climate Change.
- b) Air Pollution and Climate Change

**Item No. 5 To consider and approve courses of M.A Sustainable Development Practice.**

The Academic Council discussed and approved the redesigned programme structure in respect of the MA (SDP) programme.

In addition, the following course outlines were discussed and approved. The observations made by the Council are indicated below.

- a) Global Health – I
- b) Global Health – II
- c) Law, Society and Sustainable Development.
- d) Finance, Accounting and Commodities Management
  - (i) The term “Commodities Management” was not found to be appropriate for the course, and thus the suggested name for the course is “*Finance, Accounting and Procurement for Development Practitioners*”.
  - (ii) Suggestions were made to add loans structures and bilateral lending in the course, which can be delivered in the form of classroom lectures as well as discussion sessions.
- e) Key Concepts of Cultural and Political Ecology.
  - (i) The course content was found to be very rich, but there were some questions regarding how well the students will be able to understand the course fully. Thus it was recommended that the course be supported by giving reading materials to students as well as engaging them in discussion sessions.
- f) Science and Technology for Global Sustainability.
  - (i) It is important to build a in-house cadre of faculties who would be able to deliver the course in the next session, without the engagement of faculties from other international universities. Thus it is recommended that the faculties from TERI University, who will be delivering the course in the next session, should attend the lectures so as to understand the course delivery and teaching methodologies involved.

**Item No. 6 To consider and approve courses of M.A (Public Policy and Sustainable Development).**

The Academic Council discussed and approved the redesigned programme structure in respect of the MA (PP&SD) programme.



In addition, the following course outlines were discussed and approved. The observations made by the Council are indicated below.

- a) Basic Probability and Statistics
- b) Introduction to Economics.
- c) Challenges to Sustainable Development and Policy Making
- d) Science and Policy of Environmental Change
  - (i) The course content should be modified to include various policies and their implications, so as to give a better understanding to the students.
- e) Decision Making Tools
  - (i) CGA model covered in the course is too vast to be covered in 2 sessions, thus the time for its delivery should be increased.
  - (ii) Fuzzy logic is a vast area to be covered in the given time frame, thus it is suggested that the delivery time for the same should be increased, by compressing the delivery time for SWOT Analysis.
  - (iii) Concepts of AHP model and multi objective optimization to be included in the course.

**Items No. 7 Approval of courses of E Diploma programme in Sustainable Development Practice in Public Policy.**

TERI University offers a pilot Diploma programme in Sustainable Development Practice in Public Policy as a part of the ProSPER.net project, which is funded by the Ministry of Environment, Government of Japan.

The draft programme structured as proposed in Annexure 7.1 of the agenda notes, was discussed and approved by the Academic Council.

**Item No. 8 Extension of maximum period of submission of thesis.**

The Academic Council considered and approved an extension of the maximum period of the submission of thesis, by one year, in respect of the following 6 Ph.D students:

Mr P.S Pawar

Mr Susheel Kumar

Mr Om Prakash Chaturvedi

Ms Rajalakshmi Muralidharan

Ms Deepshikha Sharma

Ms Divya Negi

It was suggested that in future, requests for extension should be accompanied by a brief justification from the supervisors.

**Item No. 9 Any other item with the permission of the Chair.**

There being no other points, the meeting ended by the vote of thanks, by the chair.