

TERI SCHOOL OF ADVANCED STUDIES

NEW DELHI

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
ACADEMIC COUNCIL HELD ON 28 JULY 2001**

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DARBARI SETH BLOCK, INDIA HABITAT CENTRE, NEW DELHI

MINUTES OF THE SECOND MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL HELD ON 28th JULY 2001 AT 10.30 HOURS IN THE TERI RETREAT, GUAL PAHARI

The second meeting of the Academic Council was held on Saturday, 28th July 2001 at 1030 hours in the TERI RETREAT, Gual Pahari.

PRESENT:

The names of the members / special invitee who attended the meeting are given in Appendix A.

Before taking up the Agenda, the Chairman welcomed the new members who were attending the meeting for the first time. The Chairman informed that

- Three Expert Committees had been set up to consider recognition of TERI's divisions as Centres of Research of the TERI School of Advanced Studies. Of these, the report of the Expert Committee set up to consider recognition of the Bioresources and Biotechnology Division of TERI as Centre of Research of TERI School of Advanced Studies was approved by the Board of Management in its last meeting held on 14th June 2001. The reports of the other committees to recognise the Energy-Environment and Technology Division, Regulatory Studies and Governance Division and Policy Analysis Division of TERI as Centres of Research of the TERI School of Advanced Studies have since been approved by the Chairman and will be put up to the Board of Management in its next meeting for their information.
- Two Faculties viz., the Faculty of Applied Sciences and the Faculty of Policy & Planning, and three Academic Units viz. Centre of Bioresources and Biotechnology, Centre of Energy and Environment and Centre of Regulatory and Policy Research have been constituted.
- A total of 213 applications were received in response to the advertisement for the Ph.D. programme. Fifteen candidates have been selected for the first semester.

Item No.1 To confirm the minutes of the first meeting of the Academic Council held on 2nd April 2001.

The minutes of the first meeting of the Academic Council held on 2nd April 2001 were confirmed, as circulated.

Item No.2 To report the matters arising from the first meeting of the Academic Council held on 2nd April, 2001

The matters arising out of the previous meeting were reported and noted.

Item No.3 To receive a report on the various decisions made by the Board of Management in its third meeting held on 14th June 2001.

The report on the various decisions made by the Board of Management in its third meeting held on 14th June 2001 were noted.

Item No.4 Semester Schedule for the Academic Session 2001-2002

The concept of time slot was explained by the Director to the members of the Academic Council and stated that this was primarily to help the teaching staff plan their teaching schedule as per the course credits / modules. The minimum number of credits is 10 / 140 hours of lecturing / tutorials.

The Academic Council discussed the semester schedule for the Academic Session 2001-2002 and approved the semester schedule attached as Annexure 4.1.

Item No.5 To consider and approve the Courses / Modules of the Centre of Bioresources and Biotechnology

Action
Head,
Centre for
Bioresources
and
Biotechnology

The Courses / Modules were explained by Dr Malathi Lakshmikumaran, Head, Centre of Bioresources and Biotechnology. These were approved in principle, for the current academic session. Following suggestions were made to improve the courses :

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- a) Each module should ensure that the student is exposed to the latest knowledge in the subject area of the module.
- b) The student's overall perspective of the subject be improved by prescribing a set of modules appropriate for each student.
- c) The time allotted for the various courses should be reflected in terms of lectures instead of hours.
- d) The number of lab hours could be reduced.
- e) Courses / Modules on Communication Skills and Introductory Statistics should be made mandatory for all students.
- f) Module on virology could be included.
- g) A one credit term paper and one credit colloquim modules be formulated.

Item No.6 To consider and approve the Courses / Modules of the Centre of Regulatory and Policy Research

Action
Head,
Centre of
Regulatory
& Policy
Research

The Course / Modules were explained by Dr S K Sarkar, Head, Centre of Regulatory and Policy Research. These were approved in principle, for the current academic session. The following changes were suggested to improve the courses :

- a) Each module should ensure that the student is exposed to the latest knowledge in the subject area of the module.
- b) The student's overall perspective of the subject be improved by prescribing a set of modules appropriate for each student.
- c) The time allotted for the various Courses should be reflected in terms of lectures instead of hours.
- d) Courses / Modules on Communication Skills and Introductory Statistics should be made mandatory for all students.
- e) A one credit term paper and one credit colloquim modules be formulated.

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Item No.7 Co-option of Members for their specialised knowledge by the Academic Council


Action The members of the Academic Council opined that since TERI is adequately represented as adjunct faculty, it would be in the interest of the TERI School of Advanced Studies that the five co-opted members are from outside TERI. The Council agreed to the proposal to co-opt Dr D K Banerjee, Dean, School of Environmental Sciences, Jawaharlal Nehru University as a member of the Academic Council for his specialised knowledge.

Item No.8 Any other matter

Action The Academic Council discussed the question of qualifying the degree with the subject area of research within the Faculty of Applied Sciences and the Faculty of Policy and Planning. It was decided that the faculty of various Centres should meet and discuss this question and suggest various subject areas for their own Centre for qualifying the Ph.D. degree.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

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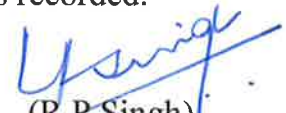

(R.P. Singh)
Registrar

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Dated : 03.08.2001

Copy forward to all members of the Academic Council for favour of their comments. They are requested to kindly forward their comments, if any, by 20.08.2001. If no comments are received by that date, it will be presumed that they have no comments to offer and approve of the minutes as recorded.


(R.P. Singh)
Registrar

No comments were received. Kindly confirm the minutes.


Chairman
Academic Council

Do: 04 Dec 2001



Names of members / special invitees who attended the 2nd meeting
of the Academic Council held on 28.07.2001

1. Dr T P Singh
2. Dr S C Adlakha
3. Prof K Vasudeva
4. Prof Akhilesh Tyagi
5. Dr Leena Srivastava
6. Dr Malathi Lakshmikumarán
7. Dr V V N Kishore
8. Dr S K Sarkar
9. Dr Suneel Pandey
10. Dr Y P Abbi
11. Dr Banwari Lal
12. Dr J S Rawat
13. Dr Malini Balakrishnan
14. Lt Col R P Singh (Retd.)
15. Prof Subhash Chander

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SEMESTER SCHEDULE FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2001-2002**First Semester**

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| 1. | Induction programme | 1 st and 2 nd August, 2001 |
| 2. | Registration for course modules | 3 rd August, 2001 |
| 3. | Commencement of classes
Time Slot - 1 | 6 th August, 2001 |
| 4. | Last day of classes of
Time Slot - 1 | 7 th September, 2001 |
| 5. | Display of continuous evaluations | 10 th September, 2001 |
| 6. | Final test for Time Slot - 1 | 13 th September, 2001 |
| 7. | Commencement of classes
Time Slot - 2 | 17 th September, 2001 |
| 8. | Forwarding of grades to
Head of the Centre for
Time Slot - 1 modules | 20 th September, 2001 |
| 9. | Last day of classes for
Time Slot - 2 | 19 th October, 2001 |
| 10. | Display of continuous evaluations | 22 nd October, 2001 |
| 11. | Final test for Time Slot - 2 | 31 st October, 2001 |
| 12. | Commencement of classes
Time Slot - 3 | 5 th November, 2001 |
| 13. | Forwarding of grades to
Head of the Centre for
Time Slot - 2 modules | 7 th November, 2001 |
| 14. | Last day of classes for
Time Slot - 3 | 7 th December, 2001 |
| 15. | Display of continuous evaluations | 11 th December, 2001 |
| 16. | Final test for Time Slot - 3 | 14 th December, 2001 |

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| 17. | Forwarding of grades to
Head of the Centre for
Time Slot – 3 modules | 19 th December, 2001 |
| 18. | Submission of progress reports
by research scholars to supervisors | 21 st December, 2001 |
| 19. | Submission of recommendations
of SRCs to Chairperson,
Board of Studies | 26 th December, 2001 |
| 20. | Last Date for forwarding DT
300 grades to Registrar | 28 th December, 2001 |
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Second Semester

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| 1. | Registration | 4 th January, 2002 |
| 2. | Commencement of Classes
(Time Slot - 4) | 7 th January, 2002 |
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List of Holidays

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| 1. Independence Day | August 15, 2001 |
| 2. Mahatma Gandhi's Birthday | October 2, 2001 |
| 3. Dussehra | October 26, 2001 |
| 4. Diwali | November 14, 2001 |
| 5. Guru Nanak's Birthday | November 30, 2001 |
| 6. Idu'l Fitr | December 17, 2001 |
| 7. Christmas Day | December 25, 2001 |
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* The Course Coordinator for the Module is requested to re-schedule Classes on these dates in consultation with the Head of the Centre.

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