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**MINUTES OF THE THIRTY FIRST MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL
HELD ON 14th JUNE, 2013 AT 09.30 A.M.**

PRESENT

The following members of the Academic Council attended the meeting:

Members

Dr Leena Srivastava
Dr Rajiv Seth
Dr Arabinda Mishra
Prof Prateek Sharma
Prof B P Murty
Prof Mihir Deb
Prof V K Jain
Prof MN Murty
Dr Ravi Shanker
Dr Kamala Sankaran
Dr Vishal Narain
Prof PK Joshi
Prof Manipadma Datta
Dr Shaleen Singhal
Mr Amit Kumar
Prof Vinod Tiwari
Dr Mala N Reddy
Dr Najmur Rehman
Dr Suresh Jain
Dr Anandita Singh
Dr Arun Kansal
Dr Kaushik Ranjan Bandhyopadhyay

Invitees

Dr Prodipto Ghosh
Mr Prabir Sengupta
Dr Smriti Das
Dr Sapna A Narula
Dr Subir Sen
Prof R L Sawhney
Dr Priyanka Kaushal
Dr Shilpa Jain Surana

Prof TC Kandpal, Prof Santosh Panda, Dr Pramjit Khurana, Prof VVN Kishore, Dr R Sitaraman, Dr Suneel Pandey, Dr Sanjay Saxena, Prof S Sundar and Prof Badal Mukhopadhyay did not attend the meeting.

Item No. 1 To confirm the minutes of the thirtieth meeting of the Academic Council held on 14 December 2012.

The minutes of the thirtieth meeting of the Academic Council held on 14 December 2012, as circulated to the members, were confirmed by the Council.

Item No. 2 Action Taken Report.

The Council was briefed on the action taken on points emerging from the previous Academic Council Meeting.

Item No. 3 Extension of maximum period of submission of thesis.

A doctoral candidate is expected to submit his/her thesis within five years from the date of registration. This period may be extended by the Academic Council as a special case up-to a maximum of seven years.

On the recommendations of the supervisors, the Academic Council allowed an extension of the maximum period of submission of the thesis, in respect of the following candidates:

Student Name	Supervisor	Dt of Registration	Extn already granted	Further Extn now granted
Gopal Sarangi	Dr Arabinda Mishra	31.01.2007	1yr 6 months	6 months
Prashant Kumar	Dr Arabinda Mishra	31.01.2007	1yr 6 months	6 months
Savita Rakhra	Dr Subir Sen	29.01.2007	1yr 6 months	6 months
Sudha Shrotria	Prof S Sundar	23.01.2007	1yr 6 months	6 months
Aditi Banerjee	Dr Malini Balakrishnan	31.01.2007	1yr 6 months	6 months
Monika Saini	Prof P K Joshi	31.01.2008	NIL	1 year

Item No. 4 To consider and approve courses of the MBA programmes.

A) The following course outlines of the MBA programmes presented to the Academic Council, were discussed and approved by the Council:-

1. Marketing Management I
2. Sustainability Reporting and CSR
3. Climate Change and Development
4. Managerial Economics I
5. Quantitative Methods in Management

The following corrections were suggested by the Council:

- i) Marketing Management I : Objectives should be re-written, so as to be specific to Marketing Management – I only, and not to marketing management in general. Also, the introductory para has a disconnect with the course contents, and needs to be re-written.

- ii) Sustainability Reporting and CSR: The learning objectives should include: “Develop skills to report on sustainability”, as the third bullet point.

B) Other proposed changes:

- a) Existing system of 20 credit Major Project is proposed be broken into – Summer project after 2nd semester and Major project after the 4th semester, with 8 credits for the Summer project and 12 credits for the Major project.
- b) Change of course name of elective course for the MBA (Infrastructure) from “Project Management for Business” to “Project Development and Management”.

The above mentioned proposed changes were also discussed and approved by the Academic Council.

Item No. 5 To consider and approve restructuring of and outlines of courses of the M.A (Sustainable Development Practice) programme.

A revised structure for the MA (SDP) programme was discussed and approved by the Academic Council.

The following course outlines of the M.A (Sustainable Development Practice) programme were discussed and approved by the Academic Council:-

1. Application of Environmental Science
2. Organizational Behaviour and Human Resource Management for Development Organizations
3. Social Research Methods

The following corrections were suggested by the Council:

- i) Organizational Behaviour and Human Resource Management for Development Organizations: Membership based organisations (MBOs) should also be considered, along with NGOs

Item No. 6 To consider and approve restructuring of the M.A (Public Policy and Sustainable Development) programme.

The Academic Council discussed and approved the proposed programme structure of the M.A (Public Policy and Sustainable Development) programme.

The Academic Council discussed and approved the course outline of Strategic Communication for Public Policy for which approval was taken earlier by circulation.

Course outlines of the semester – I courses of the newly structured programme will be circulated to the Council members after being approved by the Board of Studies.

Item No. 7 To consider and approve the programme structure of and outlines of the M. Tech (Urban Development and Management) programme.

The Academic Council discussed and approved the proposed programme structure of the M. Tech (Urban Development and Management) programme.

The following course outlines of the M. Tech (Urban Development and Management) programme were discussed and approved by the Academic Council:

1. Urban Finance
2. Urban Legislation, Institutions and Governance
3. Theories of Urbanization
4. Urban Development Policies and Programmes
5. Urban Ecology and Environment
6. Sustainable Provision and Management of Urban Services

The following corrections were suggested by the Council:

- i) Urban Governance: The proposed course ‘Urban Legislation, Institutions and Governance’, should be renamed ‘Urban Governance’. Also the course should include international best practices and case studies reflecting application of legislation. The role of quasi-judicial bodies, should also be included.
- ii) Urban Ecology and Environment: Issues of peri-urban and urban-rural areas should be brought into the course content. Also, in module 3, managing ‘climate’ should also be included.
- iii) Sustainable Provision and Management of Urban services: In Module 2, the first topic should be “Water Supply Challenges and Technology”.

Item No. 8 To consider and approve changes in the structure of and course outlines of the M. Tech (Renewable Energy Engineering and Management) programme.

The Academic Council discussed and approved the changes in the programme structure of M.Tech (Renewable Energy Engineering and Management) programme.

The following course outlines of the M. Tech (Renewable Energy Engineering and Management) programme were discussed and approved by the Academic Council:

1. Heat and Mass Transfer – Course credits increased from 5 to 6 credits
2. Energy Auditing, Energy Efficiency and Energy Conservation - Course credits increased from 5 to 6 credits
3. Biofuels and Rural Energy System (two electives) are merged into one course, now titled “Biofuels and Rural Energy Systems”.
4. Building Energy and Green Buildings (Minor Changes)
5. Thermodynamics and Combustion shifted from 1st semester to 2nd semester

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

- i) To consider and Approve the revised guidelines for the ‘Advanced Post Graduate Diploma in Renewable Energy’ programme.

The Academic Council discussed and approved the revised guidelines for the ‘Advanced Post Graduate Diploma in Renewable Energy’ programme. These are attached as annexure to these minutes.

- ii) It was suggested that the University considers moving towards commonality in the credits earned for the Major Project, across all programmes.