



**MINUTES OF THE 107TH MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL HELD ON 31.05.2016
(TUESDAY) AT 11-00 A.M. IN THE INDIRA MIRI CONFERENCE HALL, DIBRUGARH UNIVERSITY**

Members present in the meeting:

1. Prof. A. K. Buragohain, Vice-Chancellor, Dibrugarh University -Chairperson
2. Prof. (Ms) K.D. Hazarika, Dean, School of Humanities and Social Science, Dibrugarh University -Member
3. Prof. P.K. Borua, Dean, Research and Development, Dibrugarh University -Member
4. Prof. L.K. Nath, Dean, School of Science and Engineering, Dibrugarh University -Member
5. Prof. (Ms) A.B. Rajkonwar, Dean, School of Commerce and Management Science, Dibrugarh University -Member
6. Prof. D. Majumdar, Dean, School of Earth, Atmospheric, Science, Environment and Energy, Dibrugarh University -Member
7. Prof. J. Hazarika, Dean, Students Affairs, Dibrugarh University -Member
8. Prof. (Ms) N.M. Bezborah, Head, Department of Assamese, D.U. -Member
9. Prof. N.K. Handique, Department of Assamese, D.U. -Member
10. Prof. D.K. Chakraborty, Head, Department of Economics, D.U. -Member
11. Dr. M. Bordoloi, Head, Department of English, D.U. -Member
12. Prof. (Ms) J.G. Nath, Head, Department of History, Dibrugarh University -Member
13. Prof. B. Baruah, Department of History, Dibrugarh University -Member
14. Prof. N. Baruah, Department of History, Dibrugarh University -Member
15. Dr.(Ms) A. Borgohain, Head, Dept. of Political-Science, D.U. -Member
16. Prof. J. Borbora, Dept. of Sociology, D.U. -Member
17. Prof. (Ms) S.V. Borbora, Dept. of Sociology, D.U. -Member
18. Dr. P. Sarma, Head, Dept. of Sociology, D.U. -Member
19. Prof. P. Bezborah, Dept. of Commerce, D.U. -Member
20. Prof. (Ms) S.S. Singha, Dept. of Commerce, D.U. -Member
21. Prof. K.C. Goswami, Dept. of Commerce, D.U. -Member
22. Prof. A. Saha, Head, Dept. of Commerce, D.U. -Member
23. Dr. P.K. Gogoi, Head, Dept. of Education, D.U. -Member
24. Prof. (Ms) D. B. Talukdar, Director, Centre for Women Studies, Dibrugarh University -Member
25. Prof. P. Bhattacharyya, Dept. of Applied-Geology, D.U. -Member
26. Prof. R.K. Sharma, Head, Dept. of Applied-Geology, D.U. -Member
27. Prof. K.D. Kalita, Dept. of Applied-Geology, D.U. -Member
28. Prof. S. Sengupta, Dept. of Anthropology, D.U. -Member
29. Prof. G. Borah, Department of Chemistry, D.U. -Member
30. Prof. P. Das, Head, Department of Chemistry, D.U. -Member
31. Prof. R.N.S Yadav, Dept. of Life-Sciences, D.U. -Member
32. Prof. R. Samanta, Dept. of Life-Sciences, D.U. -Member
33. Prof. L.R. Saikia, Dept. of Life-Sciences, D.U. -Member
34. Prof. S.P. Biswas, Dept. of Life-Sciences, D.U. -Member
35. Prof. B. Neog, Head, Dept. of Life-Sciences, D.U. -Member
36. Prof. A.K. Baruah, Dept. of Mathematics, D.U. -Member
37. Prof. T. Ali, Head, Dept. of Mathematics, D.U. -Member
38. Prof. S.Borkotoky, Dept. of Mathematics, D.U. -Member

39. Prof. B.R. Sharma, Dept. of Mathematics, D.U.	-Member
40. Prof. A.K Baruah, Dept. of Mathematics, D.U.	-Member
41. Prof. S.K. Ghosh, Head, Dept. of Pharmaceutical-Sciences, D.U.	-Member
42. Dr. K. Bhuyan, Head, Dept. of Physics, D.U.	-Member
43. Prof. M.Das, Department of Petroleum Technology, D.U.	-Member
44. Prof. P. Borgohain, Head, Department of Petroleum Technology, D.U.	-Member
45. Prof. S.C. Kakaty, Head, Dept. of Statistics, D.U.	-Member
46. Prof. S. Chakraborty, Dept. of Statistics, D.U.	-Member
47. Prof. B. Gogoi, Dept. of Statistics, D.U.	-Member
48. Dr. Khirod Gogoi, Dhemaji College, Dhemaji	-Member
49. Dr. Lekhan Gogoi, Moridhal College, Moridhal	-Member
50. Ms Swapna Dutta, L.T.K. College	-Member
51. Dr. Ashok Borthakur, J.B. College	-Member
52. Dr. Amorjit Saikia, Margherita College,	-Member
53. Sri Dulal Ch. Mahanta, Madhabdev College	-Member
54. Dr. Dilip Kr Bhuyan, Kherajkhat College	-Member
55. Dr. Birinchi Kr Borah, J.H.N.S. College, Jhanji	-Member
56. Dr. Sankar Patowary, Dhemaji Commerce College, Dhemaji	-Member
57. Dr. Ranjan Changmai, D.H.S.K. College, Dibrugarh	-Member
58. The Principal, Jorhat Engineering College, Jorhat	-Member
59. Dr. Narayan Upadhaya, Assam Medical College, Dibrugarh	-Member
60. Dr. Binita Dutta, Ex Principal, PGT College, Jorhat	-Member
61. Dr. M.Ch. Borah, Director, DUIET, Dibrugarh University	-Member
62. Dr. R. Saikia, Director, CDC, Dibrugarh University	-Member
63. Dr. U. Das, Deputy Librarian, D.U. L.N.B. Library,	-Member
64. The Director of Sports, i/c, D.U.	-Member
65. Dr. B. C. Borah, Deputy Registrar (Academic) D.U.	-Member
66. Dr. H. C. Mahanta, Controller of Examinations, D.U.	- Member
67. Dr. P. Bora, Centre i/c, D.B.H.C.S.P.A, D.U.	-Spl Invitee
68. Dr. S. Borthakur, Director i/c, Centre for Journalism and Mass Com, D.U.	-Spl Invitee
69. Sri A. Hazarika, Academic Officer, Dibrugarh University	-Spl Invitee
70. Prof. M.N. Dutta, Registrar, D.U.	-Secretary

The Chairperson extended a warm welcome to all the Members and Special Invitees to the meeting. He also requested the new members of the Academic Council to introduce themselves to the august body. The Chairperson requested the Secretary to present the agenda items.

Item No. 01: To consider confirmation of the Minutes of the last two Meetings of the Academic Council, Dibrugarh University.

Discussion: The Chairperson requested the members to point out omission or commission, if any, in recording the minutes of the 105th meeting of the Academic Council held on 03.03.2015 and that of the 106th Emergent meeting of the Academic Council held

on 26.05.2015. The members pointed out certain errors in recording of the minutes which were corrected accordingly. The Deputy Registrar (Academic) highlighted the significant resolutions adopted in the last meeting and apprised about the actions taken on it. After a discussion, the Council confirmed the minutes of the 105th meeting of the Academic Council held on 03.03.2015 and the minutes of the 106th Emergent meeting of the Academic Council held on 26.05.2015 accordingly.

Resolution No. 1 *Resolved that the Minutes of the 105th meeting of the Academic Council held on 03.03.2015 and 106th Emergent meeting of the Academic Council held on 26.05.2015 be confirmed.*

Item No. 02: To report the actions taken on the Minutes of the last two Meetings of the Academic Council.

Discussion The Deputy Registrar (Academic) on behalf of the Secretary presented the report on the actions taken on the minutes of the 105th meeting of the Academic Council held on 03.03.2015 and 106th emergent meeting of the Academic Council held on 26.05.2015. The members discussed the report and noted the same.

Resolution No. 2 *Resolved that the Action Taken Reports, on the Minutes of the 105th meeting of the Academic Council held on 03.03.2015 and 106th emergent meeting of the Academic Council held on 26.05.2015 be noted and accepted.*

Item No 03. To consider recommendations from the 114th meeting of the Under Graduate Board, Dibrugarh University held on 17.05.2016.

a) To consider introduction of the Choice Based Credit System in the Under Graduate Academic Programmes from the Academic Session 2017-2018.

Discussion The Chairperson apprised the Council that the University in compliance with the recommendations of the UGC has initiated the process for introduction of the Choice Based Credit System (CBCS) in all academic programmes including the Under Graduate Programmes conducted by the affiliated/ permitted Colleges/ Institutes from the academic session 2017-2018.

The Deputy Registrar (Academic) informed the learned members on the initiatives already undertaken by the University under the guidance of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor. He apprised that a Committee has been constituted to examine the various aspects related to the introduction of the CBCS in an affiliating system. The Committee submitted its recommendations, which include a draft of the Roadmap for introduction of the system. A Workshop for the Principals and

selected faculties of the Colleges was organized on 08.04.2016 on the various relevant issues of the CBCS. The Vice-Chancellor and concerned officers have already started participation in various deliberations on the CBCS organized by the colleges.

The Chairperson appealed the Council that CBCS should not be considered merely as a system shift but culture, which demands serious thought on the paradigm shift in modern pedagogy.

The members opined that the Boards of Studies need to play an important role while reframing the syllabi. One of the members from colleges emphasized that the duration of Semester Break, especially the December-January break should be reduced so that the number of teaching days in the colleges is increased in order to comply with the prescribed UGC guidelines.

After detailed deliberations, the members recommended approval of the resolution adopted by the UGB.

Resolution No. 03 ***Resolved that as recommended by the 114th meeting of the Under Graduate Board held on 17.05.2016 the introduction of the Choice Based Credit System in the Under Graduate Academic Programmes from the Academic Session 2017-2018 be approved.***

b) To consider introduction of Physical Education as an Elective Subject in the Under Graduate Academic Programmes under the Choice Based Credit System.

Discussion The Deputy Registrar (Academic) placed the proposal for introduction of the Physical Education as an Elective Subject in the Under Graduate Academic Programmes as recommended by the Board of Studies in Physical Education and Sports. Considering the emerging demand of the subject, the Council recommended introduction of the subject based on the availability of human resources and infrastructure in colleges.

Resolution No. 04 ***Resolved that as recommended by the 114th meeting of the Under Graduate Board held on 17.05.2016, the introduction of Physical Education as an Elective Subject in the Under Graduate Academic Programmes under Choice Based Credit System w.e.f. 2017-2018 session be approved subject to availability of human resource and appropriate infra-structure.***

- c) **To consider introduction of Psychology as an Elective Subject in the Under Graduate Academic Programmes under the Choice Based Credit System.**

Discussion The Deputy Registrar (Academic) placed the proposal for introduction of Psychology as an Elective Subject in the Under Graduate Academic Programmes as recommended by the Board of Studies in Applied Psychology. The members had a threadbare discussion and opined that the aforesaid subject may be introduced based on the availability of the human resources in the colleges.

Resolution No. 05 *Resolved that as recommended by the 114th meeting of the Under Graduate Board held on 17.05.2016 the introduction of Psychology as an Elective Subject in the Under Graduate Academic Programmes under Choice Based Credit System be approved subject to availability of human resource and appropriate infra-structure.*

- d) **To consider introduction of an Inter-disciplinary Course on Communication for Development (C4D) for Hygiene and Sanitation Practices.**

Discussion The Chairperson apprised the Council that the University has entered into a Memorandum of Understanding with the *Swachh Bharat Mission* for dissemination of knowledge and awareness on health and sanitation practices. As a part of that development, the University has prepared an Inter-disciplinary Course on Communication for Development (C4D) for Hygiene and Sanitation Practices in collaboration with the UNICEF. The proposed Course shall academically deal with the various aspects of communication for behavioural change towards the desired goal of purity and cleanliness. The Council discussed the matter and recommended for approval.

Resolution No. 06 *Resolved that as recommended by the 114th meeting of the Under Graduate Board held on 17.05.2016 introduction of an Inter-disciplinary Course on Communication for Development (C4D) for Hygiene and Sanitation Practices be approved.*

Resolved further that the Centre for Studies in Behavioural Sciences, Centre for Studies in Geography and Centre for Studies in Mass

Communication be requested to jointly develop a mechanism for conduct of this Inter-disciplinary Course.

- e) **To consider introduction of ‘Digital Marketing’ as a Specialization in the BBA Programme.**

Discussion The Deputy Registrar (Academic) placed the proposal for introduction of the ‘Digital Marketing’ as a Specialization in the BBA Programme as recommended by the Board of Studies in Business Administration. The Council discussed the matter and recommended for approval.

Resolution No. 07 *Resolved that as recommended by the 114th meeting of the Under Graduate Board held on 17.05.2016 the introduction of ‘Digital Marketing’ as a Specialization in the BBA Programme be approved.*

- f) **To consider the revised Dibrugarh University Regulations for the B.A in Performing Arts in the Semester System, Dibrugarh University.**

Discussion The Deputy Registrar (Academic) placed the draft of the revised Dibrugarh University Regulations for B.A. in Performing Arts in the Semester System as recommended by the Board of Studies in Performing Arts. He also apprised that the draft Regulations has proposed Three Year B.A. Programme in Performing Arts instead of the Four Year B.A. in Performing Arts as stated in the UGC Guidelines of 2014 maintaining the uniformity with the similar programmes conducted by other Universities as well as recent UGC Guidelines on the CBCS. The Council discussed the matter and recommended for approval.

Resolution No. 8 *Resolved that as recommended by the 114th meeting of the Under Graduate Board held on 17.04.2016 the revised draft of the Dibrugarh University Regulations for the B.A in Performing Arts in the Semester System be approved w.e.f. the 2014-2015 academic session.*

- g) **To consider modification of the Dibrugarh University Regulations for the Four Year Bachelor of Hotel Management and Catering Technology (BHMCT) Programme.**

Discussion The Deputy Registrar (Academic) placed the proposal for certain modification in the Dibrugarh University Regulations for the Four Year Bachelor of Hotel Management and Catering Technology (BHMCT) Programme. The Council discussed the matter and recommended for approval.

Resolution No 9 *Resolved that as recommended by the 114th meeting of the Under Graduate Board held on 17.05.2016 the amendment in the clauses of the Dibrugarh University Regulations for the Four Year Bachelor of Hotel*

Management and Catering Technology (BHMCT) Programme as proposed at Annexure I be approved.

- h) To consider introduction of the (i) Four Year Bachelor of Medical Laboratory Sciences (BMLSc.) Programme and (ii) Four Year Bachelor of Physiotherapy (B. P.Th.) Programme.**

Discussion The Chairperson apprised the Council that in view of the emerging demand of qualified technical professionals, the University decided to accept two proposals for new academic programmes, namely- (i) Four Year Bachelor of Medical Laboratory Sciences (BMLSc.) Programme and (ii) Four Year Bachelor of Physiotherapy (B. P.Th.) Programme submitted by the Aditya Institute of Health Sciences (AIHS), an Institute of Dibrugarh presently conducting a Nursing Programme for further scrutiny and discussion. He further informed that if introduction of the programmes were found to be fruitful and feasible, the same would be conducted in collaborative and public private partnership mode.

The Council discussed the matter and recommended for approval the same in principle. However, the council suggested that the matter be thoroughly scrutinized by a committee constituted for the purpose.

Resolution No. 10 *Resolved that as recommended by the 114th meeting of the Under Graduate Board held on 17.05.2016 that the proposal for introduction of the (i) Four Year Bachelor of Medical Laboratory Sciences (BMLSc.) Programme and (ii) Four Year Bachelor of Physiotherapy (B. P.Th.) Programme be approved in principle.*

Further resolved that the drafts of the Regulations and Syllabi of the aforementioned programmes be examined by the appropriate experts.

- i) To consider modification in the Dibrugarh University Regulations for the Bachelor of Technology (B.Tech.) Programme.**

Discussion The Deputy Registrar (Academic) placed the proposal for modification in certain clauses of the Dibrugarh University Regulations for the Bachelor of Technology (B.Tech.) Programme as recommended by the Board of Studies concerned. The Council discussed the matter and recommended for approval.

Resolution No. 11 *Resolved that as recommended by the 114th meeting of the Under Graduate Board held on 17.05.2016 the revised draft of the Dibrugarh University Regulations for the Bachelor of Technology (B.Tech.) Programme be approved.*

j) Matters of Ratification

- a) Modification in Clause 3 (h) of the Dibrugarh University Regulations for the Bachelor of Science in Information Technology (B.Sc. IT.) Programme, 2007 (Notified vide DU/DR-A/8-1/16/612 dated 10.05.2016)*
- b) Draft of the Regulation and Syllabus of the Two Year B.Ed. Programme 2015 under the Semester System (Notified vide DU/DR-A/6-1/15/1134 dated 14.12.2015)*
- c) Draft of the Regulation and Syllabus of the Two Year B.P.Ed. Programme 2015 under the Semester System (Notified vide DU/DR-A/6-1/15/1133 dated 14.12.2015)*
- d) Draft of the Academic Calendar for the General Degree Colleges, 2016 (Notified vide DU/DR-A/APC/15/1288 dated 30.12.2015)*
- e) Draft of the Regulations of the Three Year LL.B. Programme in the Semester System, 2014 (notified vide DU/DR-A/6-1/15/520 (A), dated 19.06.2015)*
- f) Draft of the Regulations of the Five Year Double Degree Integrated Law Programme in the Semester System (notified vide DU/DR-A/6-1/15/520 (B), dated 19.06.2015)*
- g) Draft of the Revised Syllabus of the Three Year LL.B. (Hons.) Programme for the Third and Fourth Semester (notified vide DU/DR-A/6-1/15/520 (C), dated 19.06.2015)*

Discussion

The Deputy Registrar (Academic) submitted before the Council that the above-mentioned matters had to be notified with approval from the Hon'ble

Vice-Chancellor under report to the Under Graduate Board considering the urgency of the situations.

The Council noted and recommended the same for ratification.

Resolution No. 12 Resolved that as recommended by the 114th meeting of the Under Graduate Board held on 17.05.2016 the following matters notified with approval from the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor under report to the Under Graduate Board be noted and recommended for further ratification:

- a) Modification in Clause 3 (h) of the Dibrugarh University Regulations for the Bachelor of Science in Information Technology (B.Sc. IT.) Programme, 2007 (Notified vide DU/DR-A/8-1/16/612 dated 10.05.2016)***
- b) Draft of the Regulation and Syllabus of the Two Year B.Ed. Programme 2015 under the Semester System (Notified vide DU/DR-A/6-1/15/1134 dated 14.12.2015)***
- c) Draft of the Regulation and Syllabus of the Two Year B.P.Ed. Programme 2015 under the Semester System (Notified vide DU/DR-A/6-1/15/1133 dated 14.12.2015)***
- d) Draft of the Academic Calendar for the General Degree Colleges, 2016 (Notified vide DU/DR-A/APC/15/1288 dated 30.12.2015)***
- e) Draft of the Regulations of the Three Year LL.B. Programme in the Semester System, 2014 (notified vide DU/DR-A/6-1/15/520 (A), dated 19.06.2015)***
- f) Draft of the Regulations of the Five Year Double Degree Integrated Law Programme in the Semester System (notified vide DU/DR-A/6-1/15/520 (B), dated 19.06.2015)***
- g) Draft of the Revised Syllabus of the Three Year LL.B. (Hons.) Programme for the Third and Fourth Semester (notified vide DU/DR-A/6-1/15/520 (C), dated 19.06.2015)***

- k) **To Consider a Critical review on the conduct of academic programs under CBCS.**

Discussion Prof. S.C. Kakaty urged upon for a critical review on the conduct of the academic programs and implementation of the CBCS for interest of the quality assurance in teaching and learning. The Chairperson opined that with the authority vested upon the Deans, the necessary measures may be taken by the Deans to ensure an improved academic ambiance within the School concerned.

Resolution No. 13 *Resolved that necessary steps be taken for a Critical review on the conduct of academic programs under CBCS simultaneously with the process of reframing of CBCS Regulations and Syllabi in compliance with the recent UGC Guidelines be approved.*

- l) **To consider re-introduction of the Entrance Test for admission into the various academic Programmes.**

Discussion The Deputy Registrar (Academic) apprised the Council that in view of the changing circumstances, the University needs to review its admission process including re-introduction of the Entrance Test. He further added that even among the Dibrugarh University passed out candidates, there are now at least three different categories, such as (a) students passed out from the affiliated colleges, (b) students passed from the autonomous college and (c) students passed under distance mode. Scaling all these candidates by the same parameter, i.e. merit of the last examination seems not to be feasible. Further, the UGC also insists conducting entrance test for admission for the sake of diversity of the students. However, the members opined that Entrance Test should be conducted only for 20% of the seats allotted to the students from other Universities, where students from Dibrugarh University can also participate.

The Council unanimously accepted the proposal in principle and the suggested to pursue the matter with proper deliberation with the bonafide stakeholders.

Resolution No. 14 *Resolved that Entrance Test for admission into the various Post Graduate Academic Programmes of Dibrugarh University be conducted only for the 20% seats allotted to the students from other Universities be approved.*

Further resolved that the matter be pursued in an appropriate direction with proper deliberation with the bonafide stakeholders.

- m) To consider modification of the provisions of legitimate chances in the BCA and BBA Programmes.**

Discussion The Deputy Registrar (Academic) submitted before the Council that the following modification has been brought to the Regulations of the B.A., B.Sc., B.Com. and B.Sc.IT Programmes in order to simplify the provision of legitimate chances to appear in an examination by a candidate. If the University adopts the same principle in case of all three year/ six semester degree programmes like BCA and BBA, uniformity in similar types of programmes can be ensured and students shall also be benefitted.

A student must clear all his/her semester examinations within Six (6) years from the date of admission to the First Semester irrespective of the number of examinations appeared by the student, viz. 1st and 2nd Semester Examinations shall have to be cleared in 6 consecutive chances, 3rd and 4th Semester Examinations shall have to be cleared in 5 consecutive chances, 5th and 6th Semester Examinations shall have to be cleared in 4 consecutive chances.

The Council discussed the matter and recommended for approval in principle.

Resolution No. 15 *Resolved that as recommend by the 114th meeting of the Under Graduate Board that for the interest of the uniformity in conduct of provisions of legitimate chances with other Three Year/ Six Semester Under Graduate Programmes, the following modification in the relevant clauses be brought in the BBA and BCA Regulations:*

A student must clear all his/her semester examinations within Six (6) years from the date of admission to the First Semester irrespective of the number of examinations appeared by the student, viz. 1st and 2nd Semester Examinations shall have to be cleared in 6 consecutive chances, 3rd and 4th Semester Examinations shall have to be cleared in 5 consecutive chances, 5th and 6th Semester Examinations shall have to be cleared in 4 consecutive chances.

Item No 4 To consider recommendations from the 142nd meeting of the Post Graduate Board, Dibrugarh University held on 24.05.2016.

a) To consider the draft of the New Dibrugarh University Regulations for the Choice Based Credit System, 2016.

Discussion The Deputy Registrar (Academic) placed the draft of the New Dibrugarh University Regulations for the Choice Based Credit System 2016 as recommended by the Committee constituted for the same. The Chairperson apprised the Council that the University in compliance with the recommendations of the UGC has initiated the process for review of the Choice Based Credit System (CBCS) of the University.

The Council accepted the draft in principle and recommended that the soft copy of the regulation be circulated amongst all the faculty members of the University so that the Regulations can be accepted with all necessary provisions.

Resolution No. 16 Resolved that as recommended by the 142nd meeting of the Post Graduate Board held on 24.05.2016 the draft of the New Dibrugarh University Regulations for the Choice Based Credit System, 2016 be accepted in principle.

b) To Consider the partial modification in the Revised Dibrugarh University Regulations for the M.A./M.Sc./ M.Com Programmes in Distance Education, 2007.

Discussion The Deputy Registrar (Academic) placed the following clauses of the Revised Dibrugarh University Regulations for the M.A./M.Sc./M.Com Programmes in Distance Education, 2007. The Council discussed the matter and recommended its approval:

6.9 The Internal Assessment Evaluation System for the Post Graduate Programme under Directorate of Distance Education, Dibrugarh University be assessed and evaluated in OMR (Optical Marks Response) Sheet through Multiple Choice Objective Type Questions and Answers by conducting mid-term examinations w.e.f academic session 2014-15.

6.10 New incorporation*

The Internal Assessment (IA) will be conducted once in a year in the month of June in all study centres of Assam.

- i) Another Internal Assessment will be conducted at DDE, DU centrally in the month of July for only those learners who fail to attend the 1st one.
- ii) For the 2nd Internal Assessment, the learners have to register with deposition of a Fee to be fixed by the Committee constituted for the conduct of the Internal Assessment.

Resolution No. 17 *Resolved that as recommended by the 142nd meeting of the Post Graduate Board held on 24.05.2016 the proposal for partial modification of the Revised Dibrugarh University Regulations for the M.A/M.Sc./M.Com Programme in Distance Education as proposed by the Director, Directorate of Distance Education be considered as below:*

6.9 The Internal Assessment Evaluation System for the Post Graduate Programme under Directorate of Distance Education, Dibrugarh University be assessed and evaluated in OMR (Optical Marks Response) Sheet through Multiple Choice Objective Type Questions and Answers by conducting mid-term examinations w.e.f academic session 2014-15.

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The Internal Assessment (IA) will be conducted once in a year in the month of June in all study centres of Assam.

- iii) Another Internal Assessment will be conducted at DDE, DU centrally in the month of July for only those learners who fail to attend the 1st one.
- iv) For the 2nd Internal Assessment, the learners have to register with deposition of a Fee to be fixed by the Committee constituted for the conduct of the Internal Assessment.

c) To consider the draft Syllabi of the M.Tech. in Petroleum Exploration and Production Programme under CBCS

Discussion The Deputy Registrar (Academic) placed the draft Syllabi of the M. Tech in Petroleum Exploration and Production Programme under CBCS as recommended by the Board of Studies in Petroleum Technology. The Council discussed the matter and recommended for approval.

Resolution No. 18 *Resolved that as recommended by the 142nd meeting of the Post Graduate Board held on 24.05.2016 the draft syllabi of the M.Tech. in*

Petroleum Exploration and Production Programme under CBCS be approved.

- d) **To consider introduction of Masters Programme on Communication for Development (C4D) for Hygiene and Sanitation Practices.**

Discussion The Chairperson apprised the Council that the University has entered into a Memorandum of Understanding with the *Swachh Bharat Mission* for dissemination of knowledge and awareness on health and sanitation practices. As a part of that development, the University plans to introduce a multi-disciplinary Masters Programme on Communication for Development (C4D) for Hygiene and Sanitation Practices in collaboration with the UNICEF and Swachh Bharat Mission, Government of India. The Chairperson further apprised that the proposed Programme shall be introduced in Dibrugarh University along with a very few Indian Universities. The Council discussed the matter and recommended for approval.

Resolution No. 19 *Resolved that as recommended by the 142nd meeting of the Post Graduate Board held on 24.05.2016 the proposal for introduction of a multi-disciplinary Masters Programme on Communication for Development (C4D) for Hygiene and Sanitation Practices in collaboration with the UNICEF under its C4D Programme be approved in principle.*

- e) **To consider introduction of two Courses in MA in Sociology Programme as (i) ‘Medical Sociology’ (for 3rd Semester) and (ii) ‘Health, Medicine and Society’ (for 4th Semester)**

Discussion The Deputy Registrar (Academic) placed the proposal for introduction of two new Courses in MA in Sociology Programme as (i) ‘Medical Sociology’ (for 3rd Semester) and (ii) ‘Health, Medicine and Society’ (for 4th Semester) as recommended by the Board of Studies in Sociology. Considering the emerging relevance of the proposed specialization in sociology, the Council recommended for acceptance of the same in principle.

Resolution No. 20 *Resolved that as recommended by the 142nd meeting of the Post Graduate Board held on 24.05.2016 introduction of two Courses in MA in Sociology Programme as (i) Medical Sociology (for 3rd Semester) and (ii) “Health, Medicine and Society (for 4th Semester) be accepted in principle.*

Resolved further that the Board of Studies in Sociology be requested to submit the draft Syllabi of the (i) 'Medical Sociology' and (ii) 'Health, Medicine and Society' Courses for consideration.

(f) To consider introduction of a Two Credit Audit Course on Heritage of North East India.

Discussion The Deputy Registrar (Academic) placed a proposal for introduction of a Two Credit Audit course on Heritage of North East India as recommended by Prof. D. Nath, Chair Professor, Shri Shri Aniruddhadeva Chair, Department of History. The proposed Course shall be conducted under the aegis of the Shri Shri Aniruddhadeva Chair. The Council discussed the matter and approved the same.

Resolution No. 21 Resolved that as recommended by the 142nd meeting of the Post Graduate Board held on 24.05.2016 introduction of a Two Credit Audit Course on Heritage of North East India be approved.

(g) To consider introduction of a Six Month Diploma Programme on North East India Studies to be conducted by the OKDISCD.

Discussion The Deputy Registrar (Academic) placed a proposal for introduction of a Six Month Diploma Programme on North East India Studies to be conducted by the Omeo Kumar Das Institute of Social Change and Development (OKDISCD), a Guwahati based ICSSR funded Research Centre also recognized by Dibrugarh University. The Council discussed the matter and accepted the same as a Six month Certificate Programme.

Resolution No. 22 Resolved that as recommended by the 142nd meeting of the Post Graduate Board held on 24.05.2016 the proposal for introduction of a Six Month Certificate Programme on North East India Studies to be conducted by the Omeo Kumar Das Institute of Social Change and Development (OKDISCD), Guwahati be approved.

f) To consider to recommend introduction of an Elective Course on Rural Development in the MA in Economics Programme and keeping the PGDRD Programme in abeyance.

Discussion The Deputy Registrar (Academic) apprised the Council that the Board of Studies in Economics has requested the University to keep the Post Graduate Diploma in Rural Development Programme in abeyance in view of the decreasing demand of the programme and also due to lack of adequate faculty to run it. Instead of that the Board of Studies requested for introduction of an Elective Course on Rural Development. The Council discussed the matter and recommended for approval.

Resolution No. 23 *Resolved that as recommended by the 142nd meeting of the Post Graduate Board held on 24.05.2016, the Post Graduate Diploma in Rural Development Programme be kept in abeyance.*

Further resolved that the Department of Economics be allowed to introduce an Elective Course on Rural Development in M.A. in Economics programme be approved.

g) Matters for Ratification

- a) *Modified clause 7 (a) of Dibrugarh University Regulation for the Post Graduate Diploma in Tea Technology and Plantation Management Programme (notified vide DU/DR-A/7-1/15/1019 dated 19.11.2015.*
- b) *Syllabus of Six Months Pre-Registration Course Work for the Ph.D. Programme in Computer Science (notified vide DU/DR-A/7-1/16/567 dated 19.04.2016.)*
- c) *Syllabus of Six Months Pre-Registration Course Work for the Ph.D. Programme in Sociology. (notified vide DU/DR-A/7-1/16/452 dated 11.03.2016.)*
- d) *Syllabus for M.Phil Programme in Sociology (notified vide DU/DR-A/7-1/16/453 dated 11.03.2016.)*
- e) *Syllabus of Six Months Pre-Registration Course Work for the Ph.D. Programme in Mathematics (notified vide DU/DR-A/7-1/16/274 dated 16.02.2016.)*
- f) *Syllabus of Six Months Pre-Registration Course Work for the Ph.D. Programme in Pharmaceutical Sciences (notified vide DU/DR-A/7-1/16/278 dated 16.02.2016.)*
- g) *Syllabus of Six Months Pre-Registration Course Work for the Ph.D. Programme in Social Work (notified vide DU/DR-A/7-1/16/327 dated 25.02.2016)*
- h) *Syllabus of Six Months Pre-Registration Course Work for the Ph.D. Programme in Chemistry (notified vide DU/DR-A/7-1/16/277 dated 16.02.2016.)*
- i) *Syllabus for the M.Phil. Programme in Statistics (notified vide DU/DR-A/7-1/16/275 dated 16.02.2016.)*
- j) *Syllabus of Six Months Pre-Registration Course Work for the Ph.D. Programme in Statistics (notified vide DU/DR-A/7-1/16/276 dated 16.02.2016.)*

- k) *Modification of the Clause (5) (a) (b) of Dibrugarh University Regulations for the M.A/M.Sc./M.Com Programme in the Semester System 2000 only for the PG in Home Science Programme (notification vide DU/DR-A/7-1/16/466 dated 15.03.2016)*
- l) *New optional paper (Agriculture: STS 41000) in 4th Semester Post Graduate Programme in Statistics under CBCS (notification vide DU/DR-A/7-1/16/364 dated 03.03.2016)*
- m) *Revised syllabus for the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Semester Classes of the M.A in Mass Communication Programme(notification vide DU/DR-A/7-1/16/209 dated 04.02.2016)*
- n) *Syllabus of the Two Year M.Ed. Programme under CBCS (notification vide DU/DR-A/7-1/16/271 dated 11.02.2016)*
- o) *Draft of the Dibrugarh University Regulations for the Award of the Degree of Master of Philosophy (M.Phil.), 2016 (notified DU/ DR-A/8-1/16/540 dated 29.03.2016)*
- p) *Creation of the provision of Compartmental Examination in the M.Tech in Petroleum Exploration and Production Programme (Notified vide DU/DR-A/8-1/16/613 dated 10.05.2016)*
- q) *Conversion of Two Posts of Assistant Professor to Associate Professor at the Department of Chemistry, Dibrugarh University.*
- r) *The M.P.Ed. Programme being kept in abeyance in conformity with the NCTE Guidelines*

Discussion

The Deputy Registrar (Academic) apprised the Council that the above-mentioned matters had to be notified with approval from the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor under report to the Post Graduate Board considering the urgency of the situations. The Council noted and recommended the same for ratification.

Resolution No. 24 *Resolved that as recommended by the 142nd meeting of the Post Graduate Board held on 24.05.2016 the following matters executed/ notified with approval from the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor under report to the Post Graduate Board be noted and recommended for further ratification:*

- a) *Modified clause 7 (a) of Dibrugarh University Regulation for the Post Graduate Diploma in Tea Technology and Plantation Management Programme (notified vide DU/DR-A/7-1/15/1019 dated 19.11.2015).*
- b) *Modification of the Clause (5) (a) (b) of Dibrugarh University Regulations for the M.A/M.Sc./M.Com Programme in the Semester System 2000 only for the PG in Home Science Programme (notification vide DU/DR-A/7-1/16/466 dated 15.03.2016)*

- c) *Draft of the Dibrugarh University Regulations for the Award of the Degree of Master of Philosophy (M.Phil.), 2016 (notified DU/ DR-A/8-1/16/540 dated 29.03.2016)*
- d) *Creation of the provision of Compartmental Examination in the M.Tech in Petroleum Exploration and Production Programme (Notified vide DU/DR-A/8-1/16/613 dated 10.05.2016)*
- e) *The M.P.Ed. Programme being kept in abeyance in conformity with the NCTE Guidelines*

- h) **To consider provision of Compartmental Examination in the M.Lib.I.Sc. Programme.**

Discussion The Deputy Registrar (Academic) placed the proposal recommended by the Director i/c, Centre for Studies in Library and Information Science for creation of a provision of compartmental examination in the M.Lib.I.Sc. Programme in the interest of the students.

Resolution No. 25 *Resolved that as recommended by the 142nd meeting of the Post Graduate Board held on 24.05.2016 the provision of compartmental examination in the M.Lib.I.Sc. Programme be created in the interest of the students be approved.*

- i) **To consider Chartered Accountancy Degree Equivalent to the Masters Degree in Commerce.**

Discussion The Deputy Registrar (Academic) placed a letter received from the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India, Dibrugarh Branch of Eastern India Regional Council requesting for consideration of the Chartered Accountancy Degree Equivalent to the Masters Degree in Commerce as approved by the Association of Indian Universities (AIU) vide No. EV/II(56-A)/83 dated 20th March, 1984. The Council in compliance with the AIU Notification recommended the same for acceptance.

Resolution No. 26 *Resolved that as recommended by the 142nd meeting of the Post Graduate Board held on 24.05.2016 the Chartered Accountancy Degree offered by University/ Institute recognized by the UGC be considered equivalent to the Masters Degree in Commerce be approved in compliance with the Notification of the Association of Indian Universities (AIU) vide No. EV/II(56-A)/83 dated 20th March, 1984.*

- j) **To consider introduction of the M.Phil. Programme in Performing Arts.**

Discussion Prof. K. Deka Hazarika, Dean, School of Humanities and Social Sciences proposed for introduction of the M.Phil. Programme in Performing Arts. She also apprised that the proposed programme shall be inter-disciplinary in nature and shall be conducted with the support of the allied departments. The Council discussed the matter and recommended for approval.

Resolution No. 27 *Resolved that as recommended by the 142nd meeting of the Post Graduate Board held on 24.05.2016 the introduction of the M.Phil. Programme in Performing Arts be approved.*

k) To consider introduction of an Audit Course in Creative Writing.

Discussion Prof. K. Deka. Hazarika, Dean, School of Humanities and Social Sciences proposed for introduction of an Audit Course in Creative Writing. The Council discussed the matter and recommended for approval.

Resolution No. 28 *Resolved that as recommended by the 142nd meeting of the Post Graduate Board held on 24.05.2016 the introduction of an Audit Course in Creative Writing in Post Graduate programmes be approved.*

Item No. 5 To consider recommendations from the Research Council.

- a) To report the Notification regarding Modifications in the Paragraph 3 of Clause 12 (i) of the Dibrugarh University Regulations for the Research Councils and for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.), 2015.

Discussion The Deputy Registrar (Academic) placed the notification regarding Modification in the Paragraph 3 of clause 12 (i) of the Dibrugarh University Regulations for the Research Councils and for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.), 2015 which was notified with approval from the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor under report to the Post Graduate Board considering the urgency of the situations. The Council noted and recommended the same.

Resolution N .29 *Resolved that the amendment to the Paragraph 3 of Clause 12 (i) of the Dibrugarh University Regulations for the Research Councils and for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.), 2015 as below notified vide Memo No. DU/DR-A/11-1/15/1002 dated 16.11.2015 under report to the Academic Council be noted and ratified.*

Clause	Existing Provision	Modification proposed
12(i)	Further, the College and University teachers having teaching experience of minimum of ten years in regular post and persons having at least ten years experience in managerial level after post graduation in the relevant subject shall be exempted from appearing DURAT.	Further, the College teachers having teaching experience of minimum of ten years in regular post and persons having at least ten years experience in managerial level after post graduation in the relevant subject shall be exempted from appearing in the DURAT. Provided that the faculty members of the University having minimum one year teaching experience in Dibrugarh University in the relevant subject, shall be exempted from appearing in the DURAT.

(b) To Report the Notification regarding the issue of Ph.D. Supervisorship of the Non PG teaching colleges affiliated to Dibrugarh University.

Discussion The Deputy Registrar (Academic) placed the recent UGC Guidelines for Ph.D. Supervisors which was notified with approval from the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor under report to the Post Graduate Board considering the urgency of the situations. The Council noted and recommended the same.

Resolution No.30: *Resolved that in compliance with the recent UGC Guidelines, the notification notified vide Memo No. DU/DR-A/11-1/15/1211 dated 21.12.2015 containing the following information be noted and ratified.*

1. *The existing Ph.D. Scholars of Dibrugarh University registered under the Supervisors belonging to the colleges affiliated to Dibrugarh University where there is no Post Graduate Programme in the concerned subject shall continue their research works as per the rules prevailed at the time of their registration.*
2. *The recognition granted to the Ph. D. Supervisorship to the college teachers affiliated to Dibrugarh University where there is no Post Graduate Programme in the concerned subject is kept in abeyance until Post Graduate Programme in the concerned subject is introduced in the college. It shall be applicable in case of all proposals for fresh registration.*
3. *The University shall take necessary steps for reviewing the Memorandum of Understanding signed with the affiliated Research Centres particularly in terms of the recognition of Ph.D Supervisorship and conduct of Ph.D. Programme in the Research Centre concerned. Necessary steps shall be taken for renewal of the Memorandum of Understandings if necessary.*

- (c) **To report the Notification regarding the constitution of the Doctoral Committees and Modification in the Guidelines of the DURAT (Ref. No. DU/DR-A/11-1/16/584 dated 29.04.2016).**

Discussion The Deputy Registrar (Academic) placed the notification regarding Modification in the clause 7 of the Dibrugarh University Regulations for the Research Councils and for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.), 2015 which was notified with approval from the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor under report to the Post Graduate Board considering the urgency of the situations. The Council noted and recommended the same.

During discussion, the Members suggested that a provision should be created in the Ph.D. Regulations for declaration of the Ph.D. Results without waiting to the Meetings of the Executive Council.

Resolution No.31: *Resolved that the amendment to the of Clause 7 of the Dibrugarh University Regulations for the Research Councils and for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.), 2015 notified vide Memo No. DU/DR-A/11-1/16/584 dated 29.04.2016 be noted and ratified.*

- Item No 6. To consider selection of a New Member to the Planning and Construction Board from the Academic Council.**

Discussion The Deputy Registrar (Academic) apprised the Council that since the term of Prof. Pranjal Bezborah, Dept. of Commerce as a member of the Planning and Construction Board has expired; a new member needs to be selected. In view of this, Prof. Ajanta B. Rajkonwar, Dean, School of Commerce and Management Science proposed the name of Prof. Ashit Saha, Dept. of Commerce as the member of Planning and Construction Board from the Academic Council and the learned members supported the same. The following resolution was adopted on it:

Resolution No 32 *Resolved that Prof. Ashit Saha, Dept. of Commerce be nominated as the member of Planning and Construction Board from the Academic Council.*

- Item No 7.** To consider recommendation from the Director, College Development Council regarding introduction of the Choice Based Credit System (CBCS) in the Undergraduate programmes of J.B. College (Autonomous).

Discussion: The Director, College Development Council informed the members that J.B. College (Autonomous) forwarded a proposal for introducing CBCS in the Undergraduate programmes from 2016-2017 academic session.

Discussion: The Director, College Development Council informed the members that J.B. College (Autonomous) forwarded a proposal for introducing CBCS in the Undergraduate programmes from the academic session (2016-17). Referring to the letter received from the Principal, JB college vide no JBC/Auto/2016/12, Dated 25/06/2016 he informed the house that, the college authorities have requested the Dibrugarh University to accord permission to start P G programme in Assamese, commerce and Political Science by following the syllabi and Regulations followed by the Dibrugarh University with academic support from the University and the college also proposed that they be also allowed to continue the existing P G Programme in Geography and Philosophy under the present Affiliating Mode. The College has expressed desire to keep the P G Programmes under the Affiliating Mode with due approbation of the University Authority.

Resolution No. 33 *Resolved that introduction of Choice Based Credit System (CBCS) in the Undergraduate programmes of J.B. College (Autonomous) from 2016-2017 academic session be approved.*

Further, the College be allowed to run the Post Graduate Programmes permitted by Dibrugarh University in the affiliated mode and as per the relevant Regulations and Syllabi of the Programmes.

Item No 8. Any other matter with permission from the Chair.

(i) **Introduction of Dibrugarh University Research Fellowship (DURF).**

Discussion: The Dean, R & D has informed the members that Dibrugarh University has introduced a Research Fellowship namely Dibrugarh University Research Fellowship (DURF) w.e.f. August 1, 2015 for the full time research scholars of Dibrugarh University. The DURF is awarded to the full time research scholars (one each from the Departmental Research Committees) for a period of two years. The amount of fellowship is Rs. 5,000/- per month (Rupees Five Thousand Only). The members of the Council appreciated the steps taken by the University in the above context and ratified the matter.

Resolution No. 34 *Resolved that the introduction of Dibrugarh University Research Fellowship (DURF) for the full time Research Scholars notified vide No. DU/AO/DU Research Fellowship/2015/182, dated 30.11.2015 be ratified.*

(ii) **Introduction of P.G. Diploma in Women's Studies Programme and Audit Course in Gender Studies**

Discussion: Prof. D.B. Talukdar apprised the Council that the Board of Studies in Women's Studies recommended introduction of Post Graduate Diploma in Women's Studies Programme and Audit Course in Gender Studies. The Council discussed the same and recommended for approval in principle.

Resolution No. 35 *Resolved that the introduction of Post Graduate Diploma in Women's Studies Programme and Audit Course in Gender Studies be approved in principle.*

As there was no other matter for discussion, the meeting ended with vote of thanks to and from the Chair.

Sd/- M.N.Dutta
Registrar and Secretary
Academic Council
Dibrugarh University

Sd/- A.K. Buragohain
Vice-Chancellor and Chairperson
Academic Council
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Memo No: DU/DR-A/AC/7-1/16/1635

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5. All members of the Academic Council, Dibrugarh University.

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