

AGENDA

OF

136™ MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

TO BE HELD ON

16th SEPTEMBER 2020 AT 10.30 A.M.
IN THE HEMANGA BISWAS COMMITTEE ROOM
OF THE VICE-CHANCELLOR'S SECRETARIAT

ASSAM UNIVERSITY

(A CENTRAL UNIVERSITY ESTABLISHED BY AN ACT OF PARLIAMENT)

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Assam University, Silchar

Agenda item for 136th Meeting of the Executive Council to be held on 16th September 2020 at 10.30 A.M. in the Hemanga Biswas Committee Room of the Vice-Chancellor's Secretariat, Assam University, Silchar.

(A) Agenda item for confirmation:

Item No. 1: Confirmation of the minutes of the 134th & 135th Meeting of EC:

The minutes of the 134th & 135th (Emergent), Meeting of the Executive Council held on 29th May 2020 and 15th July 2020 respectively are placed at Annexure – A & A₁ for consideration and confirmation.

A Corrigendum issued vide No. U.O. No. AUK-213/1/2007 dtd 27th July 2020 in respect of the item No. 1 of the minutes of 135th meeting (Emergent) of the Executive Council held on 15th July 2020 is corrected as below where the date of holding of the 58th meeting of Finance Committee has wrongly reflected through oversight.

Existing minutes	Corrected minutes		
EC:135:07-20:1: The minutes of the 58th meeting of the Finance Committee of the University slated on 15th June 2020 will be placed on the table for consideration and approval of the Executive Council.	meeting of the Finance Committee of the		
Resolution : The Executive Council perused the resolutions taken in the 58th meeting of the Finance Committee of the University held on 15th June 2020 and the Council approved the same in toto.	perused the resolutions taken in the 58 th meeting of the Finance Committee of the		

Actions taken report of the above meetings are placed at Annexure – $B \& B_1$ respectively.

KIND ATTENTION OF THE MEMBERS:

Any member of the Executive Council intended to place any item under "Item with permission from the Chair" is requested to submit the agenda to the Chairman prior to starting of item No. 2.

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Agenda item for 136th Meeting of the Executive Council to be held on 16th September 2020 at 10.30 A.M. in the Hemanga Biswas Committee Room of the Vice-Chancellor's Secretariat, Assam University, Silchar.

(B) Agenda item for ratification by the Council:

Item No. 2: Online consent on provisions of Statute of AUS for the Selection Committee of Registrar, Finance Officer & Controller of Examinations etc.

Ref.:- Letter issued to all Hon'ble Members of the Executive Council vide No. AUK-213/1/2007 dtd. 5th August 2020

According to the provisions of Statute 20(2)(2) of the University, the Selection Committee for the post of Registrar, Finance Officer & Controller of Examinations etc consists of the persons specified as follows apart from the Vice Chancellor, Pro-Vice Chancellor and nominee of the Visitor,

- (i) Two members of Executive Council nominated by it; and
- (ii) One person not in the service of the University nominated by the Executive Council.

Accordingly, the name of the following members of the Executive Council for category (i) above may be consented for selection of two members :

- 1. Prof. Geetika Bagchi
- 2. Prof. Manoj Kumar Sinha
- 3. Prof. Gopalji Mishra
- 4. Prof. Dipendu Das

And for category (ii) above, the Vice Chancellor and the Chairman, Executive Council may be authorized to nominate the member for the Selection Committee.

The following Members of Executive Council endorsed their consent through email on the date mentioned against each:

- 1. Prof. Sivasish Biswas, Pro Vice Chancellor, AUDC mail dtd. 07/08/2020
- 2. Prof. Supriyo Chakraborty, Dean, School of Life Sciences mail dtd 07/08/2020
- $3.\ Dr.\ Debashish\ Roy,\ Principal,\ Radhamadhab\ College,\ Silchar\ mail\ dtd\ 07/08/2020$
- 4. Dr. P. K. Deva Sarma, Asso. Professor, Dept. of Comp. Sc. mail dtd 09/08/2020
- 5. Prof. Geetika Bagchi, Dean, School of Educational Sciences mail dtd. 11/08/2020
- 6. Dr. Baharul Islam Laskar, Principal, M.C.D College, Soani mail dtd. 11/08/2020
- 7. Prof. Abhik Gupta, Pro Vice Chancellor, A.U. H.Q. mail dtd. 12/08/2020
- 8. Prof. Gopalji Mishra, Professor, Dept. of Social Work mail dtd. 12/08/2020

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Recommendation: The above members have authorized the Vice Chancellor & Chairman, Executive Council to nominate the member for category (i) and (ii) for the constitution of the Selection Committee for the post of Registrar, Finance Officer & Controller of Examinations etc. subject to ratification by the next Executive Council meeting.

The matter is placed before the Council for ratification.

Item No. 3: Advancement of Date of Promotion as Assistant Professor Stage-II under CAS:

- (i) As per the report of the CAS Screening Committee and CAS Screening Cum Evaluation Committee, the date of effect of promotion as Assistant Professor Stage-II in respect of Dr. Sib Sankar Mazumder has been advanced to 01-10-2011 in place of 26-12-2011. This advancement has been done as per the EC Resolution No. EC:102:06-15:32 and UGC letter No. 1-2/2009(EC/PS)Pt.VIII dated 07-12-2012.
- (ii) As per the report of the CAS Screening Committee and CAS Screening Cum Evaluation Committee, the date of effect of promotion as Assistant Professor Stage-III in respect of Dr. Sudip Choudhury, Centre for Soft Matters (Department of Chemistry) has been advanced to 29-08-2017 in place of 15-10-2017. This advancement has been done as per the EC Resolution No. EC:102:06-15:32 and UGC letter No. F. No.2-16/2002(PS)Pt.FI.II dated 16-10-2018.

The above matters are placed before Executive Council for ratification.

Item No. 4: Promotion to senior scale of Assistant Registrar:

In compliance to clause 3 (v) of the MHRD letter No.1-7/2015-U.II (2) dated 02.11.2017 and with the approval of the Vice Chancellor, Sri Niharendu Dhar, Assistant Registrar has been placed in the senior scale of Assistant Registrar from Level-10 to Level-11 with Rationalized Entry Pay of \approx 67,700/- as 7th CPC pay matrix w.e.f 24-12-2019.

The matter is placed before the Executive Council for ratification.

Item No. 5: Matter related to major penalties:

On the basis of the inquiry report and with the approval of the Vice Chancellor, Sri Satyajit Kumar Guha, MTS is hereby sent to compulsory retirement w.e.f 25/12/2010 by imposition of major penalties for remaining unauthorized absence from duty under provision of Rule 11 (vii) of CCS (CCA) Rule, 1965. Accordingly, he will be given full compensation pension to which he is entitled for the service he had rendered under provision of CCS (Pension) Rules 40 (1) and 39, 1972.

The matter is placed before the Executive Council meeting for ratification.

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Item No. 6: Online Submission/Receive of Application for Employment against Teaching and Non-teaching Positions/Vacancies:

The Competent authority has already approved "Web Based Recruitment Framework for University" and necessary contract has already been awarded to a private concern through necessary Bid process so as to design, develop and host configurable web portal of the University.

The proposed web-portal under the Web Based Recruitment Framework expected to enable the University to publish from time to time information related to recruitment process, centrally receive online application forms with required document, provide login authorities to university to monitor and conduct recruitment process as provided under the University Ordinances and Rules & Regulations. The portal will provide interface to university to make available online information brochure of the recruitment process of various post and vacancies for browsing, downloading and printing by the aspirant candidates on the hosted website along with fees payment options through online banking and stakeholder relationship management through email and SMS etc. The University will go-live for online application forms for its next lot of direct recruitment of Teaching, Statutory & Non-teaching vacancies.

The matter is reported to the Council for ratification.

Item No. 7: Appointment of Head of the Departments:

(i) As per the provisions of the Statutes 8(1) of Assam University Silchar the following faculty members were appointed as Head of the Departments as detailed below for a period of three years vide Order No.102/4/2020-Estt/2400-70 dated 16-06-2020.

Sl. No.	Department	Name of the newly appointed HODs	Date of effect
1.	Hindi	*Prof. S.P.S. Chauhan	03-07-2020
2.	Statistics	Dr. Rama Shanker	09-07-2020

*Prof. S.P.S. Chauhan has been appointed as Head of the Department of Hindi for a term of three years or till the date of superannuation whichever is earlier.

- (ii) Consequent upon representation submitted by Prof. M. Rajendra Singh, the Vice-Chancellor was pleased to appoint Prof. N. Sarat Chandra Singh as Head, Department of Manipuri for a period of three years with immediate effect vide Order No.102/4/1998-Estt/8325-8400 dated 16-08-2019. The term "three years" has been replaced by "for a period of three years or till the date of superannuation vides Order No.102/4/2020-Estt/3092-3152 dated 20-07-2020.
- (iii) Prof. H. Ramananda Singh, Department of Business Administration is appointed as Head i/c, Department of Hospitality and Tourism Management until further order with immediate effect vide order No.102/4/2020-Estt/3263-70 dated 22-07-2020.



(iv) Prof. Priya Kanta Nath has been appointed as the new Head, Department of Bengali for a period of three years with immediate effect vide Order No.102/4/2020-Estt/2377-87 dated 15-06-2020.

The above matters are placed before Executive Council for ratification.

Item No. 8: Lien granted to Teachers:

- (i) Consequent upon appointment of Dr. Ram Kumar Mahto, Assistant Professor, Department of Education, Assam University, Silchar as Associate Professor in the Department of Education of this University, Dr. Mahto has been granted lien to his substantive post i.e. Assistant Professor in the Department of Education for a period of one year w.e.f. the date of his joining as Associate Professor in the Department of Education i.e. w.e.f. 03-08-2020 vide Order No.103/305/2008-Estt/3576-84 dated 17-08-2020. The entire period of lien will be regulated as per provisions of "Regulation Regarding Grant of Lien" of Assam University, Silchar. If Dr. Mahto reverts to his feeder post as Assistant Professor before the expiry of lien period, he has to fulfill all the conditions prescribed in the Regulation regarding grant of Lien.
- (ii) Consequent upon appointment of Dr. Joyeeta Deb, Assistant Professor, Department of Commerce, Assam University, Silchar as Associate Professor in the Department of Business Administration of this University, Dr. Deb has been granted lien to her substantive post i.e. Assistant Professor in the Department of Commerce for a period of one year w.e.f. the date of her joining as Associate Professor in the Department of Business Administration vide Order No.103/286/2008-Estt/3162-3171 dated 22-07-2020. The entire period of lien will be regulated as per provisions of "Regulation Regarding Grant of Lien" of Assam University, Silchar. If Dr. Deb reverts to her feeder post as Assistant Professor in the department of Commerce before the expiry of lien period, she has to fulfill all the conditions prescribed in the Regulation regarding grant of Lien.
- (iii) Consequent upon appointment of Dr. Prasanna Kumar GV, Professor, Department of Agricultural Engineering, Assam University, Silchar as Professor in the Department of Agricultural and Environmental Science at National Institute of Food Technology, Entrepreneurship and Management (NIFTEM), Kundli- 131028, Dist-Sonepat (Haryana), Prof. Prasanna Kumar GV has been granted lien for one year w.e.f. 04-06-2020 to 03-06-2021 vide Order No.103/427/2011-estt/2170-76 dated 01-06-2020 and Order No.103/427/2011-Estt/3277-87 dated 27-07-2020 as per the terms and conditions stipulated in the Order for grant of lien.
- (iv) Consequent upon appointment of Dr. Prabhat Kumar Mishra, Assistant Professor, Department of Hindi, Assam University, Silchar as Assistant Professor in the Department of Hindi, Banaras Hindu University, Dr. Mishra has been granted Lien

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for a period of one year w.e.f. the date of his joining at Banaras Hindu University i.e. w.e.f. 31-07-2020 on terms and conditions as stipulated in the Order No.103/276/2008-Pers dated 28-07-2020.

The above matters are placed before Executive Council for ratification.

Item No. 9 : Proposal for appointment of Head in the various department of Assam University Diphu Campus, Diphu :

The term of headship of various department of Assam University, Diphu Campus, Diphu as mentioned below had already expired/likely to be expired soon. The details

of Professor / Associate Professor in the department are given below:-

Sl. No	Name of the Deptt	Name of the Prof/Asso. Prof/ Asstt Prof. being present Head/Head Incharge/Head of Centre	Date of appointment as Professor/ Asso. Professor/ Asstt. Prof.	Date of expiry of term of Head	Remarks
1	History	Dr. Paul B Chonzik, Asso. Prof.	4.8.2009 (Appointed as Reader now Asso. Prof.)	Expired on 14.01.2020	The post of professor is lying vacant in the department. There is no other Associate Professor in the department.
2	Commerce	Dr. A. Ibemcha Chanu, Asstt. Prof.	5.8.2008 (Appointed as Assistant Professor.)	Continuing as Head Incharge since 1/5/2020 (On sudden death of Prof. Ratan Borman and HOD of the deptt., Prof. A.Bhowal could not take the charge due to his ill health condition. Hence, Dr. A.I.Chanu was give to Head Incharge)	There is one professor viz Prof. Amalesh Bhowal in the department. There is no other Prof/Asso Prof. in the department. Prof. Bhowal has express reluctance to accept headship on health issues.
3	Life Science	Dr. R. H. Begum, Asstt. Prof.	28.9.2007 (Appointed as Assistant Professor.)	14.11.2020	There is one Asso. Professor viz Dr. A. K. Tamuli in the department. There is no other Prof/Asso Prof. in the department.



4	Physics	Prof. Ranjit Singha	5.11,2009 (Appointed as Professor.)	11.5.2020	There is one Asso. Professor in the deptt. viz Dr. Subrata Hazarika.
5	Anthropolog y	Prof. Kh. Narendra Singh	20.7.2010 (Appointed as Reader now Prof.)	14.1.2020	There is no other Professor/Asso. Prof. in the deptt.
6	Geography	Dr. Atur Kiri Ingti	31.7.2014 (Appointed as Asstt. Prof.)	3.7.2020.	There is no other Professor/Asso. Prof. in the deptt. One Asstt. Prof. viz Dr. Sahana Bose is in the deptt.
7	Centre for Tribal Studies attached to the Dept. of Hisory, AUDC	Dr. Suryasikha Pathak (i/c of Tribal studies Centre)	18.9.2013 (Appointed as Asso. Prof.)	12.3.2020	There is no other Professor/Asso. Prof. in the Tribal Study Centre.

The matter is placed before Executive Council for ratification.

Item No. 10: Termination of lien in respect of Dr. Arun Kumar Sharma, Ex-Librarian.

Dr. Arun Kumar Sharma, Ex-Librarian, AUS was granted lien of one year w.e.f. 09-04-2019 to 08-04-2020 vide this office order No. 103/820/2014-Estt/3936-40 dtd. 05-04-2019 to enable him to join in Guru GhasidasViswavidyalaya, Bilaspur as Librarian. As per terms and conditions of the aforesaid office order, the lien granted to him has been terminated with effect from 09-04-2020 vide office order No. 103/825/2015-Estt/3506-10, dtd. 11-08-2020.

The matter is placed before EC for ratification.

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(C) Agenda item for approval/decision by the Council:

Item No. 11: Amendment of Ordinance for emergent meeting of Executive Council through circulation:

It has been observed that on certain emergency issues, conduct of immediate meeting of Executive Council is not always feasible. In such circumstances, on single agenda, emergent meeting of the Executive Council through circulation may be conducted. Accordingly Ordinance may be amended.

The matter is placed before the Council for approval.

Item No. 12: Adjustment of applications for the post of Reserved category against unreserved category:

Advertisements for teaching posts were published vide employment notification No. 2/2019 dtd 06/8/2019, notification No. 3/2019 dtd 07/8/2019 and notification No. 4/2019 dtd 08/8/2019. Thereafter, a number of complaints were raised and suit filed in Hon'ble High Court of Guwahati against the advertisement alleging violation of Roster. The matter was examined by the University and the 134th meeting of the Executive Council vide resolution No. EC:134:05-20:45 approved the re-casted Roster. According to the re-casted Roster, there is a mismatch in case of reservation of several posts with respect to advertisement noted above. The University already decided to abide by the adopted roster and shall accordingly make no further appointment for posts which are not in accordance with adopted Roster. In this context, it has been observed that in the advertisement some posts reserved for a particular category of Reservation turned out to be of other category as per Roster. In such cases, if there is equivalent UR post in the said department then the applicant of such reserved category posts may be given an option to adjust their application for reserved category against UR category posts which are in accordance with the adopted Roster.

The matter is placed before the Council for consideration.

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Item No. 13: Report of the committee constituted vide notification No. 104/90/2019-Estt/1875-79, dated 19-03-2020 to examine the correct nomenclature of the promoted post of Sri Monidip Bhor on his promotion dated 09-08-2006 from Library Attendant to next higher post in the hierarchy:

The Committee report under the Chairmanship of Prof. C.R. Bhattacharjee, Department of Chemistry observed that the Sri Monideep Bhor had been issued a letter by the competent authority for promotion from the post of Library Attendant to Library Assistant (LA) w.e.f 09-08-2006 while the vacancy was of Junior Library Assistant (JLA) at that point of time. This post of JLA was vacated by Sri Debasish Deshmukhya who was promoted to Semi Professional Assistant (SPA) on the same day. The 51st meeting of the Executive Council held on 22-12-2006 vide no. EC-51:12-06:04 clearly indicated the promotion of Sri Monideep Bhor to be for the post of Junior Library Assistant (ILA) and not Library Assistant. As such, revise promotion order is required to be issued as per approval of 51st meeting of the Executive Council. As per UGC letter No. F.34-29/98 (CU) dated 01/10/2007 and University notification dated 23-02-2012 which state the post of Junior Library Assistant of Assam University, Silchar designated as Library Assistant, Sri Bhor be re-designated as Library Assistant (LA). w.e.f 1st September, 2011 in keeping with University notification No.104/5/94-Pers (pt) dated 23/02/2012 which was also approved in the 83rd meeting Executive Council vide resolution No.83:01-12:23.1.3 dated 07-01-2012. As such, the promotion order No.103/638/95-Pers/18016-24 dated 09-08-2006 issued to Sri Bhor is required to be modified.

The matter is placed before the Executive Council for approval.

Item No. 14: Issuance of pending certificates for the Assam University-CIDC Diploma Programme:

The Director i/c, College Development Council, AUS has submitted a correspondence received from Construction Industry Development Council (CIDC), New Delhi for issuance of 2397 Nos. pending certificates under AUS-CIDC Diploma Programme. The letter and email is placed at Annexure - C. Also all the resolutions taken by the Executive Council in its different meetings regarding AUS-CIDC programme is placed at Annexure - D.

The matter is placed before the Council for decision regarding issuance of pending certificates by Assam University.

Item No. 15: Eligibility criteria for admission of B.Tech course of Computer Science and Engineering regarding.

With reference to the minutes of 134th Executive Council Meeting dated 29.05.2020 following errors has been noticed in the resolution No. EC: 134:05-20:24, regarding

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criteria for admission into B.Tech course of Computer Science and Engineering which needs to be rectified to carry out the admission process for the academic session 2020-21.

Resolution as adapted	Resolution to be corrected	
a. Qualifying marks in each subjects (PCM).	2. a. Qualifying marks in each subjects.	
3. For SC/ST categories, the aggregate of marks in 10+2 is 55% and 50% in case of PCM.	3. For SC/ST categories, the aggregate of marks in 10+2 is 55%	

The mater is placed before the Council for rectify the issue in point no.2.a and 3 in due course to enable TSSOT to carry out the admission process smoothly.

The 87th meeting of Academic Council vide its resolution No. AC:87:09-20:6 has accepted the same and recommended to the Executive Council for approval.

Item No. 16: Eligibility criteria for admission of B.Tech course of Electronics and Communication Engineering regarding.

With reference to the minutes of 134th Executive Council Meeting dated 29.05.2020 following errors has been noticed in the resolution No. EC: 134:05-20:24 regarding criteria for admission into B.Tech course of ECE which needs to be rectified to carry out the admission process for the academic session 2020-21.

Resolution as adapted	Resolution to be corrected
3. For SC/ST category the aggregate of marks in 10+2 is 55% and 50% in case of PCM	3. For SC/ST category the aggregate of marks in 10+2 is 55%

The mater is placed before the Council for rectify the issue in point no. 3 in due course to enable TSSOT to carry out the admission process smoothly.

The 87th meeting of Academic Council vide its resolution No. AC:87:09-20:7 has accepted the same and recommended to the Executive Council for approval.

Item No. 17: Matter related to curtailment of Puja Vacation 2020:

The 87th meeting of Academic Council vide its resolution No. AC:87:09-20:2 has resolved that the Puja Vacation for 2020 shall be curtailed and shall be upto Laxmi Puja i.e, 31st October 2020 from the date of commencement i.e, 22nd October 2020 subject to approval by the Executive Council.

The matter is placed before the Council for approval.

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Item No. 18: Matter related to the Panel of Subject Experts for Practical Examinations of 2nd and 4th Even Semester Examinations, May 2020

The 87th meeting of Academic Council vide its resolution No. AC:87:09-20:11 has accepted the proposal of the Chairman, Swami Vivekananda School of Library Sciences regarding Panel of Examiners for Practical papers of 2nd and 4th Semester Examinations, May 2020.

The matter is placed before the Council for approval.

Item No. 19: Matter related to the Panel of Question Setter and Examiners of LL. M 2nd and 4th Even Semester Examinations, May 2020

The 87th meeting of Academic Council vide its resolution No. AC:87:09-20:12 has accepted the proposal of the Chairman, D. C. School of Legal Studies regarding Panel of Question Setter and Examiners of LL. M 2nd and 4th Semester Examinations, May 2020.

The matter is placed before the Council for consideration and approval.

Item No. 20: Revised Syllabus of TDC Persian:

The 87th meeting of Academic Council vide its resolution No. AC:87:09-20:13 has accepted the proposal of the Chairman BUGS of Urdu, Persian, Boro, Nepali, Mizo and Hmar Languages in relating to the revised syllabus of TDC Persian. The respective BUGS has accepted the same and recommended to the Academic Council for consideration.

The matter is placed before the Council for approval.

Item No. 21: Minor modification of PG (CBCS) Syllabus, 2020 in the Dept. of Sanskrit:

The 87th meeting of Academic Council vide its resolution No. AC:87:09-20:14 has accepted the proposal of the Head, Dept. of Sanskrit for minor modification of PG (CBCS) Syllabus, 2020 in the Dept. of Sanskrit.

The matter is placed before the Council for consideration and approval.

Item No. 22: Minor modification of TDC (CBCS) Zoology Syllabus:

The Chairman, BUGS Zoology (TDC) has submitted the following proposal for minor modification of TDC (CBCS) Zoology syllabus

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The existing syllabus uploaded in AUS website has difference in structure and in detailed syllabus which is the main reason of confusion. Honours course has two SEC (Skill Enhancement Course) paper in 3rd and 4th sem, whereas Pass course has four SEC papers in 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th sem. SEC-I (Apiculture) is common in pass and Honours in 3rd Sem and so there is no confusion. In 4th Sem SEC-II is Medical Diagnostics in pass course; but in case of Honours course Medical Diagnostics in the summary/structure page of syllabus and Aquarium fish keeping in the detailed syllabus which actually creates the confusion. SEC-III and SEC-IV being Aquarium Fish keeping and Sericulture respectively in the pass course syllabus.

In this regard, the HODs from affiliated colleges are of the opinion that SECs in pass and honours should be the same to facilitate teaching the pass and honours students together in the same class room. Therefore, it is necessary to have a common SEC course (Designated as SEC II) for the ongoing 4th semester pass and honours students. Considering the fact that the honours students will have exposure to a fisheries related paper as DSEII in subsequent semester, there was a general consensus that the paper SEC II in 4th semester for both pass and honours students should be 'Medical diagnostics'. Accordingly, the SEC III and SEC IV for the pass students will be 'Aquarium fish keeping' and 'Sericulture' respectively in 5th and 6th semesters respectively as below. All other papers remain unchanged.

Semester	Pass Course	Honours
3 rd sem	SECI (Apiculture)	SECI (Apiculture)
4th Sem	SECII (Medical Diagnostics)	SECII (Medical Diagnostics)
5 th Sem	SECIII (Aquarium Fish Keeping)	
6 th Sem	SECIV (Sericulture)	-

The matter was placed before the Academic Council approval, so that teaching on the said course can continue in the ongoing fourth semester.

The 87th meeting of Academic Council vide its resolution No. AC:87:09-20:15 has accepted the same and recommended to the Executive Council for approval.

Item No. 23: Minor modification of UG (Biotechnology) under CBCS:

The 87th meeting of Academic Council vide its resolution No. AC:87:09-20:16 has accepted the proposal for minor modification of the UG syllabus of Biotechnology under CBCS system for incorporating a project work in 5th semester and a field/laboratory visit in 4th semester.

The matter is placed before the Council for consideration and approval.

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Item No. 24: Matter related to School of Life Sciences:

The Dean, School of Life Sciences has forwarded the following proposals for placing as agenda items in the Academic Council.

(i) Introduction of practical based optional papers LS-304 (Theory) and LS-306 (practical) for MSc (Life Sc):

The Chairman, BPGS, Dept of Life Science and Bioinformatics has submitted a proposal for introduction of practical based optional papers LS-304 (Theory) and LS-306 (practical) to replace the existing special papers LS-304 and practical paper LS-306 in MSc (Life Sc) from session 2021-22. The BPGS had approved and submitted to the School board syllabus for four optional papers in Botany stream and three optional papers in Zoology stream along with corresponding practical papers. The optional papers in Botany stream are (i) Microbial ecology, (ii) Angiosperm taxonomy, biosystematics & molecular phylogenetics, (iii) Phytochemistry and computational drug designing, and (iv) Microbial biotechnology. The optional papers in Zoology stream are (i) Molecular genetics, (ii) Molecular & cellular biochemistry and (iii) Molecular cell biology.

(ii) Minor Revision of papers LS-305 (B) and LS-305 (Z) for MSc (Life Sc):

The Chairman, BPGS, Dept of Life Science and Bioinformatics has submitted a proposal for minor revision of papers LS-305 (B) and LS-305 (Z) for MSc (Life Sc) from session 2021-22.

(iii) Replacement of paper LS-401 (Z) "Limnology and Wetland Biology" with LS-401(Z) "Environmental Monitoring and Assessment" for MSc (Life Sc):

The Chairman, BPGS, Dept of Life Science and Bioinformatics has submitted a proposal for replacement of paper LS-401 (Z) "Limnology and Wetland Biology" with LS-401(Z) "Environmental Monitoring and Assessment" from session 2020-2021 in the even semester starting from January 2021.

The 87th meeting of Academic Council vide its resolution No. AC:87:09-20:17 has accepted the above matter and recommended to the Executive Council for approval.

Item No. 25: Minutes of the 48th meetings of the BRS (SSH) & (Science), held on 31st August 2020 & 1st September 2020 respectively.

The 87th meeting of Academic Council vide its resolution No. AC:87:09-20:18 has accepted the minutes of the 48th Meetings of Board of Research Studies (SSH) & (Science), held on 31st August 2020 & 1st September 2020 respectively were placed in the meeting for consideration and approval by the Academic Council.

The matter is placed before the Council for consideration and approval.

Item No. 26: Modification of syllabus of Economics:

The Chairman, BUGS submitted the proposal for modification of syllabus of Economics as follows.

Two skill enhancement course (SEC) papers viz, ECOSEC 501 and ECOESC 601 were incorporated. Accordingly, the following are the four SEC papers (first two being same for both Honours and General Programmes, the remaining two SEC papers for the General Programmes only).

Distribution and syllabus of SEC Papers

Semester	Paper Code	Name of the Paper	Honours/General	
3rd	3rd ECOSEC 301 Data Analysis		Same for both Honours & General	
4մո	ECOSEC 401	Understanding the Economic Survey and Union Budget	Same for both Honours & General	
5th	ECOSEC 501	Entrepreneurship and Small Business Development	Only for General	
6 th	ECOSEC 601	Insurance Market and its Products	Only for General	

The 87th meeting of Academic Council vide its resolution No. AC:87:09-20:20 has accepted the same and recommended to the Executive Council for approval.

Item No. 27: Modalities for promotion of intermediate semester students of the University & affiliated colleges:

As per the decision of the Standing Committee of the Academic Council in its 2nd meeting held on 19th June,2020 vide Resolution No SCAC: :2:06-20:1(2) and communication received from UGC vide D.O. No.F.1-1/2020(Secy.) dated 29th April, 2020 regarding grade of the intermediate semesters could be composite of 50% marks on the basis of the pattern of internal evaluation adopted by the universities and the remaining 50% marks can be awarded on the basis of performance in previous semester only(if available) Vide clause-5 of Guideline on Examinations, a committee was constituted to work out the modalities for award of marks for intermediate semesters i.e. TDC(CBCS)- 2nd and 4th Semesters under the chairmanship of Shri Jayanta Bhattacharjee, Director(i/c), CDC.

As per resolution of Dean's meeting held on 09.07.2020, another committee was constituted to work out the modalities for award of marks for intermediate semesters of PG/UG/IG courses under the chairmanship of Prof Chira Ranjan Bhattacharjee.

The two Committees had several meetings separately under the respective chairman. Keeping in view one university, one modalities for award of marks for intermediate semester of Assam University, a joint meeting for both TDC and PG/UG/IG programmes was held on 21st August, 2020 at PMG hall of Assam University. The members of the two Committees unanimously framed the modalities for award of

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marks for intermediate semesters for the aforementioned programmes of Assam University.

The matter was placed before the Academic Council by Prof C R Bhattacharjee for consideration and approval. The detail of the report was placed at **Annexure** - E.

The 87th meeting of Academic Council vide its resolution No. AC:87:09-20:21.1 has accepted the proposal with a note that the students who will exercise option of special examination shall have to forgo the marks awarded by this process. The Council also recommended the same to the Executive Council for approval.

Item No. 28: Partial revision of the M.Sc. (Applied Geology) syllabus:

The 87th meeting of Academic Council vide its resolution No. AC:87:09-20:22.1 has accepted the proposal of the Dean, School of Earth Science has submitted a proposal for partial revision of the M.Sc. (Applied Geology) syllabus for consideration and approval of the Academic Council.

Item No. 29: Matter related School of Social Sciences:

The 87th meeting of Academic Council vide its resolution No. AC:87:09-20:22.2 has accepted the proposal of the Dean, School of Social Sciences which was recommended by the DAC, BPGS and School Board.

- i. Minor changes in the TDC CBCS (Anthropology) syllabus: In the BUGS meeting of Anthropology held on 9.8.2019 it was resolved that a minor changes to be made in the syllabus of TDC CBCS Anthropology.
- ii. DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WORK: In view of the pandemic and impossibility of field work the Department of Social Work has proposed to the in lieu of field work
 - 1. Fieldwork Practice and Evaluation
 - a) The students will be work to do documentation on Covid 19 Pandemic, response of people and institutions both Government and Non Government and Community based organizations in their own community and neighborhood.
 - b) The students will report to his her respective supervisor
 - c) While documentation, students shall abide by the Covid 19 regulations issued by the government from time to time.
 - d) Evaluation of the fieldwork will be done by internal committee comprising of all the faculty members of the Department both for outgoing and upcoming batches
 - e) Internal marks: 30
 - f) External marks (online/offline: 70 (to be decided by an internal panel of faculty members.
 - 2. 1003 Research Dissertation Paper and Evaluation
 - a) Instead of empirical the dissertation study will be review based.

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- b) Internal marks 30
- c) External Marks 70 (Online/offline, to be decided by an internal panel of faculty members)

3. Block Placement

a) The Department will identify few NGO's/Agencies for the Block Placement of the Students. Accordingly the students will review the work of these organizations (profile, nature of work, response to pandemic etc) for a period of 15 days and submit the report to the Placement Co coordinator.

Block Placement viva will be conducted by the Internal Committee comprising of all the faculty members of the Department.

The matter is placed before the Council for approval.

Item No. 30: Matter related to M.Phil/Ph.D course work syllabus:

The 87th meeting of Academic Council vide its resolution No. AC:87:09-20:22.3 has accepted the proposal of the following Deans of the School/HODs of the Dept. has submitted the M.Phil/Ph.D course work syllabus for consideration by the Academic Council for the subject mentioned below::

School of Physical Sciences, School of Technology, Earth Sciences, Life Science& Bio-informatics, Biotechnology, Mathematics, Ecology & Environmental Sciences, Arabic, Urdu, French, English, Assamese, Bengali, ICL, Sanskrit, Manipuri, Linguistics, Hindi, Urdu, Philosophy, Education, Political Science, Anthropology, Business Administration, Economics, Sociology, Social Work, Law.

The matter is placed before the Council for approval.

Item No. 31: Proposal for amendment of Ordinance on M.Phil & Ph.D Degrees 2017.

As per resolution No. AC:86:01-20:39 of 86th AC meeting Prof. Abhik Gupta, Chairman, M.Phil/Ph.D. Ordinance/Regulations Amendment Committee submitted the amended part of Ordinance before the Council for consideration and approval.

Prof. Jayati Bhattacharjee, Dept. of Political Science had pointed out Clause 3.3 and referred the Clause 10.6.7 of the Ordinance about delaying in the process of evaluation, the candidate shall be allowed to take admission to PhD. programme subject to the successful completion of M.Phil. Degree.

With regard to the above, the Advisor (Examination) had clarified referring the committee decision regarding double course under the Chairmanship of Prof. Debashsish Bhattacharjee, Department of Political Science. As per the decision of the committee students whose M.Phil. Dissertation is submitted and yet to evaluate, they can apply for CRET for admission in PhD. research programme on the basis of Master

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Degree certificate but they cannot claim exemption from Course Work. They shall have to qualify PhD. Course Work examination. It was duly considered by the Academic Council vide resolution No. AC:86:01-20:22 and approved by the Executive Council vide resolution No.EC:134:06-20:23.

The 87th meeting of Academic Council vide its resolution No. AC:87:09-20:22.4 has accepted the report of the Amendment Committee and recommended to the Executive Council for approval.

Item No. 32: Adoption of UGC directive for introduction of one paper in the Ph.D Course Work entitled "Research and Publication Ethics (RPE)".

Inclusion of two credit course for awareness about publication ethics and publication misconducts entitled "Research and Publication Ethics (RPE)" has been adopted by the committee. Communication received from UGC vide D.O. No. F-1-1/2018 (Journal/CARE) dated December, 2019.

As per decision of AC:86:01-20:50 the matter was referred to Amendment Committee under the Chairmanship of Prof. Abhik Gupta. On the recommendation of the committee approved by the university authority and placed for ratification.

- (a) The committee unanimously adopted the two credit course 'Research and Publication Ethics (REP)' as a compulsory component of M.Phil & PhD course work.
- (b) The committee adopts the syllabus as proposed by the UGC with content.
- (c) The paper will be a university level paper.

With a view of above, the modified course structure of M.Phil/PhD course becomes.

- * Paper-501: Research and Publication Ethics: 2 credit
- * Paper-502: Research Methodology: 4 credit
- * Paper-503 : Departmental Level Methodology : 2 credit + Research area specific : 2 credit
- Paper-504: Term Paper (with a aim to coverage to research title registration): 6 credit

The proposed course structure will be effective from 2020-2021 session.

The 87th meeting of Academic Council vide its resolution No. AC:87:09-20:22.5 has accepted the resolution of Prof. Abhik Gupta, Chairman M.Phil & Ph.D amendment committee and recommended to the Executive Council for approval.

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Item No. 33: Matter related introduced a new optional paper for PG 3rd semester in the Dept. of Physics:

The Dean, School of Physical Sciences has proposed a new optional paper on "High Energy Physics" for PG 3rd semester in the Dept. of Physics which was recommended by the concerned BPGS and School Board. The matter was placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

The 87th meeting of Academic Council vide its resolution No. AC:87:09-20:22.6 has accepted the same and recommended to the Executive Council for approval.

Item No. 34: Item from the Chair:

Item No. 35: Any other item with the permission from the Chair:

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