

MINUTES

OF

92[™] MEETING OF THE

ACADEMIC COUNCIL

HELD ON 18th NOVEMBER 2022 AT 05.00 PM AT BIPIN CHANDRA PAUL AUDITORIUM

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Members present:

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1. Prof. Rajive Mohan Pant, Vice-Chancellor	: Chairman
2. Prof. Sivasish Biswas, Pro-Vice Chancellor i/c, AUDC	: Member
3. Dr. Gautam Kumar Jha, Visitor's Nominee School of Language Literature and Culture Studies Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi	: Member
4. Prof. G. P. Pandey, Dean of Creative Arts & Comm. Studies	: Member
5. Prof. B. S. Purkayastha, Professor, Dept. of Computer Science	: Member
6. Prof. Madhumita Dhar Sarkar, Head, Dept. of Law	: Member
7. Prof. Bijaya Kumar Behera, Professor, Dept. of Sociology	: Member
8. Prof. Bela Das, Dean of Indian Languages & Cultural Studies	: Member
9. Prof. Snigdha Das Roy, Head, Dept. of Sanskrit	: Member
10. Prof. M. Dutta Choudhury, Professor, Dept. of Life Science	: Member
11. Prof. C. R. Bhattacharjee, Dean, School of Physical Sciences & Dean i/c, School of Technology	: Member
12. Prof. M. A. Ansari, Professor, Dept. of Economics	: Member
13. Prof. Jayashree Rout, Dept. Ecology of Environmental Sciences	: Member
14. Prof. Sajal Nag, Dean, School of Social Sciences	: Member
 Prof. Alok Sen, Dean, School of Economics & Commerce & Acting Librarian 	: Member
16. Prof. A. Nataraju, Dean, School of Philosophy	: Member
17. Prof. Abdul Razak T., Professor, Dept. of Arabic	: Member
18. Prof. B. Ruma Sharma, Professor, Dept. of Visual Arts	: Member
19. Prof. H. Nani Kumar Singha, Head, Dept. of Manipuri	: Member

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2	0. Prof. Sudipto Roy, Head, Dept. of Computer Sc. & Engineering	: Member
2	1. Prof. Debaprasad Das, Head, Dept. of Elect. & Comm. Engg.	: Member
2	2. Prof. Piyush Pandey, Head, Dept. of Microbiology	: Member
2	3. Prof. Joyati Bhattacharya, Dept. of Political Science	: Member
2	4. Prof. Supriyo Chakraborty, Head, Dept. of Biotechnology	: Member
2	5. Prof. S. K. Ghosh, Professor, Dept of Biotechnology	: Member
2	6. Prof. M. F. Hussain, Dean & Head of Earth Science	: Member
2	7. Prof. Geetika Bagchi, Dean, School of Educational Sciences	: Member
2	8. Prof. Krishna Mohan Jha, Head, Dept. of Hindi	: Member
2	9. Prof. H. Ramananda Singh, Head of Business Administration	: Member
30	O. Prof. Sivan G., Professor, Dept. of Visual Arts	: Member
3	1. Prof. P.B. Mazumder, Professor, Dept. of Biotechnology	: Member
32	2. Prof. Karabi Dutta Choudhury, Dept. of Mathematics	: Member
33	3. Prof. B. Indrajit Sharma, Head, Dept. of Physics	: Member
34	4. Prof. Supratim Ray, Dean of Medical & Pharmaceutical Science & Head, Dept. of Pharmaceutical Science	: Member
35	5. Prof. Ajit Kr. Das, Head, Dept. of Ecology & Env. Science	: Member
36	6. Prof. Sk. Jasimuddin, Head, Dept. of Chemistry	: Member
37	7. Prof. Paritosh Mondal, Professor, Dept. of Chemistry	: Member
38	3. Prof. M. Tineshowri Devi, Head, Dept. of Social Work	: Member
39	D. Prof. Gangabhushan M. Molankal, Professor, Dept. of Social Wor	k: Member
40). Prof. Kh. Dhiren Singh, Head, Dept. of Linguistics	: Member
41	. Prof. Humayun Bokth, Head, Dept. of Sociology	: Member
42	. Prof. Suparna Roy, Head, Dept. of History	: Member
43	Prof. Ajay Kumar Singh, Head, Dept. of Education	: Member
44	. Prof. Baby Pushpa Sinha, Dean of English & Foreign Lang. St.	: Member
45	. Prof. P. K. Deva Sharma, Professor, Dept. of Computer Science	: Member
46	. Prof. Sanjib Sengupta, Head, Dept. of Mathematics	: Member
47	. Prof. K. Mohammad Basheer, Head, Dept. of Arabic	: Member
48	. Prof. Shahin Ara Begum, Head, Dept. of Computer Science	: Member
	. Prof. R. R. Mishra, Dean, School of Legal Studies	: Member

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50.	Prof. Tenepalli Hari, Head, Dept. of Political Science	: Member
	Prof. Nirmal Kanti Roy, Head, Dept. of Visual Arts	: Member
	Prof. Anindya Syam Choudhury, Head, Dept. of English & Dean, Students Welfare	: Member
53.	Prof. Partha Sarkar, Head, Dept. of Mass Communication	: Member
	Prof. Nirakar Mallick, Professor, Dept. of Sociology	: Member
55.	Dr. Rama Shanker, Head, Dept. of Statistics	: Member
56.	Dr. Soumendra Nath Biswas, Head, Dept. of Tourism & Hospitality Management	: Member
57.	Dr. Amalendu Chakraborty, Head, Dept. of French	: Member
58.	Dr. Mukut Sarmah, HOD, Library & Information Science	: Member
59.	Dr. Jawaid Rahmani, Head i/c, Dept. of Urdu	: Member
60.	Dr. Ajita Tiwari, Head i/c, Dept. of Agricultural Engineering	: Member
61.	Dr. Arijita Pradhan, HOD i/c, of Applied Sc. & Humanities	: Member
62.	Dr. Arjundeb Sensarma, HOD of Indian Comparative Literature	: Member
63.	Mr. Pintu Saha, Head i/c, Dept. of Performing Arts	: Member
64.	Mr. Sudarshan Gupta, Radhamadhab College, Silchar	: Member
65.	Md. Afsor Hussain Laskar, M.C.D. College, Sonai	: Member
66.	Dr. Suprabir Dutta Roy, Controller of Examinations	: Spl. Invitee
67.	Mr. Jayantha Bhattacharjee, Director i/c, C.D.C.	: Spl. Invitee
68.	Dr. Devashish Sengupta, President, AUTA	: Spl. Invitee
69.	Mr. Chandan Paul Choudhury, President, ACTA, Cachar Zone	: Spl. Invitee
70.	Mr. Hemanta Kumar Bora, Secretary, ACTA, Cachar Zone	: Spl. Invitee
71.	Dr. Pradosh Kiran Nath, Registrar	: Ex-officio-Secretary

At the outset the Vice-Chancellor being the Chairman of the Council welcomed all the members for attending the meeting. Thereafter, agenda items were taken up for discussion and resolutions were adopted accordingly.

The confirmation of minutes was not placed as an agenda item in the 92nd AC as per the decision taken in this regard in the 148th meeting of the Executive Council vide Resolution No. EC:148:04-22:22 dated 20th April 2022. However, the members present in the 92nd AC opined that the confirmation item needs to be incorporated as an agenda item in respective statutory bodies. The matter was discussed at the outset and it was decided that the same shall be referred back to Executive Council for re-consideration. However, in

anticipation of approval of Executive Council the Minutes of the 91st AC meeting was discussed and confirmed in the meeting. Further, it was noticed that there has been some error in serial number of agenda (No. 4 was not mentioned), which has been corrected accordingly in the minutes (i.e, in the minutes serial 5 will be corrected as serial 4).

(A) Agenda item for approval/decision of the Council:

Item No. 1: Modification of name of the Dept. of Performing Arts in Bengali and Hindi:

AC:92:11-22:1: On recommendation of the concerned School Board meeting held on 26th August 2022, the Head i/c., Dept. of Performing Arts has forwarded the following proposal for modification of name of the department of Performing Arts in Bengali and Hindi.

The modified names are mentioned below.

Present Name in English	Proposed Name in English	Remarks
Department of Performing Arts	Department of Performing Arts	Unchanged
Present Name in Hindi	Proposed Name in Hindi	Remarks
अभिनयकलाविभाग	प्रदर्शन-कलाविभाग	Changed
Present Name in Bengali	Proposed Name in Bengali	Remarks
Not available in the Sign Board	পরিবেশন-কলাবিভাগ	Changed

The matter was placed before the Council for approval.

Resolution: The Council discussed the matter in detail and accepted the proposal with correction of the name in Hindi. The same has been recommended to the Executive Council for approval.

Item No. 2: Matter related to Revised Panel of Paper Setters, Moderators, Examiners (Theory) and Practical Paper Examiners for 2nd and 4th Semester of Library Sciences:

AC:92:11-22:2:

(i) The Dean, Swami Vivekananda School of Library Sciences has submitted the Revised Panel of Paper Setters, Moderators, Examiners (Theory) and Practical Paper Examiners for Practical Examinations for 2nd (Examination will be held in November 2022) and 4th Semester Examinations, May 2022 (Examinations already held in September 2022 by submitting an advance copy of Panel of Examiners) of Library Sciences.

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(ii) The Dean, Swami Vivekananda School of Library Sciences has submitted the Panel of Paper Setters, Moderators, Examiners (Theory) and Practical Paper Examiners for Practical Examinations for 1st and 3rd Semester Examination, December 2022 for 1st Semester (expected to be held in February 2023) and 3rd Semester (expected to be held in March-April 2023).

The matter was placed before the Council for approval.

Resolution: The Council approved the same.

Item No. 3: The Chairperson, BUGS, Physics has forwarded the following item to place in the Academic Council:

AC:92:11-22:3:

- (i) There should be an Academic Calendar for UG classes each year, including a tentative schedule for internal exams. The University should publish the same at the beginning of each academic year. As there are differences in the college programs/holidays depending on the locations and choices of the college, there may be minor modifications in the internal exam schedules.

 The Controller of Examinations (COE) at the Controller of Examinations (COE).
 - The Controller of Examinations (COE), along with the Principals/Exam Coordinators of all the UG colleges under Assam University, should ensure that the UG academic programs are being carried out in time as prescribed by the Academic Calendar.
- (ii) It was informed by the college members that the individual college sets the question papers for the practical examinations and the internal teachers conduct the practical examination without external examiner. This system of conducting end-semester practical examination has diluted the quality/sanctity of the final examinations. Members have resolved that the University will have to set the question papers for the practical papers/courses, and an external examiner be appointed (as before) for smooth conducting of the practical examination in the colleges.
- (iii) The exam section should prepare common format/instructions for writing/examining the UG project report/thesis. It will ensure the quality/uniformity of the examination of the UG project report/thesis.
- (iv) Members have put serious concern about the late publication of TDC examination results and its impact on the career of the UG students under the Assam University Silchar. It was resolved that University should design a suitable policy to ensure the publication of examination results within 45 days after the examination is over.

Resolution: The agenda has been dropped as the matter concerning in the text is not specific to BUGS Physics.

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Item No. 4: Regulations - 2022 on UG & PG based on NEP - 2020 and finalisation of syllabus:

AC:92:11-22:4: Prof. Manabendra Dutta Choudhury, Chairman, NEP 2020 Implementation Committee has prepared the Regulations – 2022 on UG Programmes and the same is yet to be finalised pending comments from the concerned stake holders. Regulations 2022 on PG programmes based on NEP 2020 has been prepared under the Chairmanship of Prof. Alok Sen and the same was approved in the SCAC in its 17th meeting held on 28th September 2022. The syllabus for PG courses as per NEP 2020 as practicable was placed for consideration.

The matter was placed before the Council for consideration.

Resolution: The Regulation for UG and PG Courses for the University Departments and affiliated Colleges along with Syllabus partially/completely prepared for PG Courses by the Academic Departments were placed respectively by the Chairperson of the Syllabus Implementation Committee and Heads of the Academic Departments. After detailed discussions on the matter, the following resolutions were taken:

- (i) The PG Regulation and the PG syllabus prepared in accordance with NEP 2020 was placed by Prof. Alok Sen, Chairperson, Syllabus Implementation Committee and respective HoDs. The same was approved for implementation w.e.f 2022-23 Academic Year. The Council authorized the Vice-Chancellor to constitute a Committee to remove implementation difficulties by incorporating minor modifications in the Syllabus (if necessary) so submitted by the Department.
- (ii) The UG Regulation prepared in accordance with NEP 2020 was placed by Prof. Manabendra Dutta Choudhury, Chairperson, Syllabus Implementation Committee. However, very recently the State government also circulated a model regulation in this regard. Therefore, the Regulation prepared by Assam University was put on hold for the moment to examine parity of broad guidelines given by the State.

Further, it was resolved that in this regard the orientation of the newly admitted students is necessary. Accordingly, Vice Chancellor has been further authorized to constitute Committee to ensure orientation of the students for the newly admitted batch to the PG Courses.

Item No. 5: Adoption of Ph. D Regulations - 2022:

AC:92:11-22:5: UGC has notified Ph. D. Regulation – 2022 by Gazette notification dated 7th November 2022. The same was placed for discussion and adoption.

Resolution: The Council adopted the same. The Council also authorized the Vice-Chancellor to constitute a Committee to remove operational difficulties, if any.

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Item No. 6: Minutes of the 52nd meetings of the BRS (Science) & BRS (SSH), held on 26th September 2022 & 27th September 2022 respectively.

AC:92:11-22:6: The minutes of the 52nd Meetings of Board of Research Studies (Science) & (SSH), held on 26th September 2022 & 27th September 2022 respectively was placed in the meeting for consideration and approval by the Council.

Resolution : The Council accepted the minutes of the 52^{nd} Meetings of Board of Research Studies (Science) & (SSH) and recommended to the Executive Council for approval.

Item No. 7: Re-constitution of School Board:

Madurai - 625 021, Tamil Nadu.

AC:92:11-22:7:

(a) School Board of E.P. Odum School of Environmental Studies:

The Dean, E. P. Odum School of Environmental Studies has forwarded the following panel for reconstitution of School Board of Environmental Studies:

1. Dean, E P Odum School of Environmental Sciences, AUS	- Chairperson
2. Head, Dept. of Ecology & Environmental Science, AUS	- Member
3. Prof. Jayashree Rout, Dept. of Ecology & Env. Science, AUS	- Member
4. Prof. Parthankar Choudhury, Dept. of Ecology & Env. Science, AUS	6 - Member
5. Prof. Ajit Kumar Das, Dept. of Ecology & Env. Science, AUS	- Member
6. Dr. Tapati Das, Associate Professor of Ecology & Env. Science, AUS	- Member
7. Dr. Panna Deb, Assistant Professor of *Ecology & Env. Science, AUS	
8. Prof. Supratim Ray, Dept. of Pharmaceutical Science, AUS	- Member
9. Prof. Sk. Jasimuddin, Dept. of Chemistry, AUS	- Member
10. Dr. Nitu Debnath, Dept. of Zoology, Cachar College, Silchar	- Member
11. Dr. Malobika Bhattacharjee, Dept. of Ecology & Env. Sc., Karimganj College	- Member
12 Prof Richard Dada Da	xternal Member
13. Prof. Ashis Kumar Panigrahi Pro-Vice Chancellor, Burdwan University, West Bengal.	xternal Member
14. Prof. Krisnasamy Muthuchelian (Former V.C., Periyar University, Salem) Head, Dept. of Bioenergy, Madurai Kamraj University, Madurai 625 021 Tamil N. J.	xternal Member

Prof. Gopal Shankar Singh
 Institute of Environment & Sustainable Development,
 Banras Hindu University, Dist. Varanasi – 221 005, UP.

- External Member

 Dr. Anwar Uddin Choudhury, D.Sc. (Indian Naturalist, Birdman of Assam) Rtd. IAS, Ex-Divisional Commissioner and Secretary, Govt. of Assam, Address - House No. 7, Islampur Road, Near Gate No. 1, Nehru Stadium. Guwahati - 871 007.

- External Member

*Centre for Biodiversity and Natural Resource Conservation.

(b) School Board of Sushruta School of Medical & Paramedical Sciences:

The Dean, Sushruta School of Medical & Paramedical Sciences has forwarded the following panel for reconstitution of School Board of Medical & Paramedical Sciences:

1. Dean, Sushrutu School of Medical & Paramedical Sciences, AUS: Chairman

2. Head, Dept. of Pharmaceutical Sciences, AUS

: Member

3. Prof. Sanjib Das, Professor of Pharmaceutical Sciences, AUS

: Member

4. Prof. Supratim Ray, Professor of Pharmaceutical Sciences, AUS

: Member

5. Dr. Partha Palit, Assistant Professor of Pharmaceutical Sc., AUS

: Member

6. Prof. Supriyo Chakraborty, Dept. of Biotechnology, AUS

: Member

7. Prof. Pradip Ch. Paul, Dept. of Chemistry, AUS

: Member

8. Prof. Ajit Das, Dept. of Ecology & Environmental Sciences, AUS

: Member

9. Dr. Amal Kr. Baruah, Academic Head, Institute of Pharmacy, SMCH

: Member

: Member

10. Dr. Mohibul Hoque

Principal, Alma T.R. College of Pharmacy, Badarpur, Karimganj

11. Prof. Dipak Chetia

: External Member

Professor, Dept. of Pharmaceutical Sciences Dibrugarh University, Dibrugarh – 786004.

12. Dr. Suvakanta Dash

: External Member

Regional Institute of Pharmaceutical Sciences & Technology, Agartala, Tripura – 799 006.

13. Prof. Surajit Kumar Ghosh

: External Member

Professor, Dept. of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Dibrugarh University, Dibrugarh – 786004.

14. Prof. T. K. Maity

: External Member

Dept. of Pharmaceutical Technology, Jadavpur University, Kolkata – 700 032.

17. Dr. H. Lalhlenmawia

: External Member

Head, Dept. of Pharmacy, Regional Institute of Paramedical & Nursing Sciences (RIPANS), Zemabawk, Aizwal – 796 017. The matter was placed before the Council for consideration.

Resolution: The Council approved the reconstitution of above School Boards with minor correction of the agenda item 8(a) whereby it has been written as "School of Environmental Studies" which may be read as "School of Environmental Sciences". Further the name of VCs nominee from Colleges against agenda 8(b) has been inserted accordingly.

Item No. 8: 20th Convocation:

AC:92:11-22:8: The 20th Convocation of the University is scheduled to be held in 1st week of February 2023 for conferring degrees to graduating students in the year 2022 and in some cases of 2021. The matter was placed before the Council for consideration.

Resolution : The Council approved the same with minor correction to the agenda item whereby the agenda item may be read as:

The 20th Convocation of the University is scheduled to be held in 1st week of February 2023 for conferring degrees to graduating students of 2022 and in some cases of 2021.

Item No. 9: Matter related to draft D.Litt. and D.Sc. Regulation:

AC:92:11-22:9: As per decision of the 86th Academic Council meeting vide resolution No.AC:86:01-20:52, the Committee has submitted Draft D.Litt/D.Sc. Regulation for existing and new entrants. The University authority has decided to review the draft D.Litt/D.Sc. Regulation before submission for approval and implementation.

As directed, the draft D.Litt. and D.Sc. Regulation has been circulated by the COE to all academics in AUS and AU Diphu Campus via mail on March 29, 2022 for collection of feedback.

Draft D.Litt/D.Sc. Regulation along with feedback/observations received by the Controller of Examination was placed in the meeting,

The matter was placed before the Council for consideration.

Resolution: The Council heard CoE in this regard and consented to the proposal that the candidates of other Universities who have been already admitted to the Programme with the approval of earlier BRS and the earlier Academic Council will be governed by the existing guidelines and ordinance.

Item No. 10: Pursuing two academic programmes simultaneously:

AC:92:11-22:10: A guideline for pursuing two academic programmes simultaneously received from UGC vide Letter D.O. No.1-6/2007(CPP-II) dated 30 September, 2022 was placed by the Controller of Examination in the meeting for discussion. The matter was placed before the Council for consideration.

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Resolution: The Council adopted the same subject to the condition of compliance of existing UGC guidelines in this regard.

Item No. 11: Proposal for Centre for South East Asian Languages (C-SEAL):

AC:92:11-22:11: Dr. Gautam Kumar Jha, Visitor's Nominee of Academic Council of Assam University has proposed to start teaching all the languages of Asian Countries under a Centre to be introduce in the University and accordingly the proposal as submitted was placed before the Council for consideration.

Resolution: Prof. Gautam Kumar Jha, Visitor's Nominee elaborated the matter before the Council. After detail discussion the Council accepted the proposal with applause from all corner.

(B) Agenda item for ratification of the Council:

Item No. 12: Ratification of re-constitution of BPGS:

AC:92:11-22:12: The following BPGS were re-constituted with the approval of the Vice-Chancellor and accordingly notified as follows:

- (i) BPGS in Biotechnology was re-constituted and notified vide Notification No. AUK-212/15/2007/ dtd. 29th July 2022.
- BPGS in Computer Science was re-constituted and notified vide Notification No. AUK-212/15/2007/ dtd. 10th August 2022.
- (iii) BPGS in Mathematics was re-constituted and notified vide Notification No. AUK-212/15/2007/ dtd. 12th August 2022.
- (iv) BPGS in Law was re-constituted and notified vide Notification No. AUK-212/16/2007/ dtd. 20th October 2022.

The matter was placed before the Council for ratification.

Resolution: The Council ratified the above reconstitution of BPGS.

Item No. 13: Ratification of re-constitution of BUGS:

AC:92:11-22:13: The following BUGS were re-constituted with the approval of the Vice-Chancellor and accordingly notified as follows:

- BUGS in Anthropology was re-constituted and notified vide Notification No. AUK-212/12/2007/ dtd. 29th July 2022.
- (ii) BUGS in History was re-constituted and notified vide Notification No. AUK-212/13/2007/ dtd. 10th August 2022.
- (iii) BUGS in Computer Science was re-constituted and notified vide Notification No. AUK-212/12/2007/ dtd. 10th August 2022.
- (iv) BUGS in Chemistry was re-constituted and notified vide Notification No. AUK-212/12/2007/ dtd. 12th August 2022.
- BUGS in Mathematics was re-constituted and notified vide Notification No. AUK-212/12/2007/ dtd. 12th August 2022.
- (vi) BUGS in Physics was re-constituted and notified vide Notification

No. AUK-212/12/2007/ dtd. 8th September 2022. The matter was placed before the Council for ratification.

Resolution: The Council ratified the above reconstitution of BUGS.

Item No. 14: Ratification of re-constitution of School Board:

AC:92:11-22:14: An addendum in respect of re-constituted School Board of A. E. School of Physical Sciences was issued as follows:

(i) School Board of A. M. School of Educational Sciences was notified vide Notification No. AUK-212/32/2011 dtd. 13th June 2022.

 School Board of S. R. School of Philosophical Studies was notified vide Notification No. AUK-212/31/2011 dtd. 13th June 2022.

(iii) School Board of H. K. School of Life Sciences was notified vide Notification No. AUK-212/28/2011 dtd. 13th June 2022.

(iv) School Board of A. T. School of Creative Arts & Communication Studies was notified vide Notification No. AUK-212/30/2011 dtd. 26th July 2022.

(v) School Board of M. G. School of Economics & Commerce was notified vide Notification No. AUK-212/27/2011 dtd. 29th July 2022.

(vi) School Board of J. S. School of Social Sciences was notified vide Notification No. AUK-212/7/2011 dtd. 10th August 2022.

(vii) School Board of J. N. School of Management Studies was notified vide Notification No. AUK-212/9/2011 dtd. 10th August 2022.

(viii) School Board of D. C. R. School of Legal Studies was notified vide Notification No. AUK-212/29/2011 dtd. 20th October 2022.

The matter was placed before the Council for ratification.

Resolution: The Council ratified the above reconstitution of School Board.

Item No. 15: Panel of paper setter, moderator and evaluator of PG/UG/Integrated courses:

AC:92:11-22:15: Panel of paper setter, moderator and evaluator of PG/UG/Integrated courses of Odd semester 2021 & 2022, Even Semester examination, 2021 & 2022. List was submitted by the BPGS Chairman and approval by the competent authority. The matter was placed by the Controller of Examinations in the meeting for ratification.

Resolution: The Council ratified the same.

Item No. 16: Panel of the paper setter, moderator and evaluators of TDC (CBCS) & Non-CBCS:

AC:92:11-22:16: Panel of the paper setter, moderator and evaluators of TDC (CBCS) & Non-CBCS Odd & Even Semester Examination, 2021 & 2022 Even Semester Examination, 2021 & 2022. List was submitted by Chairman BUGS. The matter was placed by the Controller of Examinations in the meeting for ratification.

Resolution: The Council ratified the same.

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Item No. 17: Examination Discipline Committee:

AC:92:11-22:17: The minutes of the Examination Discipline committee meeting held on 26 July 2022 approved by the competent authority was placed in the meeting for ratification by the Council.

Resolution: The Controller of Examinations has elaborated the matter in details. The Council ratified the same. However, the Council opined that a Committee may be constituted by the Vice-Chancellor to relook into the EDC guidelines.

Item No. 18: Matter related to paper presentation certification in the form of poster or oral or both during Ph.D. thesis evaluation:

AC:92:11-22:18: As approved by the competent authority, the research paper presentation certificate for submission of thesis in the form of both oral and poster is considered for award of M.Phil/Ph.D. Degree. The scholar must present two research papers in national conferences/seminars before submission of the dissertation/thesis for evaluation and produce evidence for the same in the form of presentation certificates and/or reprints. Necessary correction/amendment in the regulation and format as well needs to be done accordingly.

The matter was placed before the Council for ratification.

Resolution: The item was dropped from the agenda as members opined that there is no need to take any resolution in this regard. The matter has been already made clear by UGC in the Regulation and the same is acceptable as per the rule.

Item No. 19: Item from the Chair:

No item was placed separately by the Chairperson.

Item No. 20: Any other item from the member with permission of the Chair:

20(1) Draft Regulations on the Certificate of Proficiency in English and Communication Skills (CPECS) Course:

AC:92:11-22:20.1: The Head, Department of English, AUS has submitted the draft Regulations on the said Course (the syllabus structure of which was passed by the AC in its 91st meeting) were considered and passed by the BPGS, English, in its 48th meeting held on 09.09.2022 and by the School Board of the SKCSEFLS in its meeting held on 14.09.2022 the draft Regulations were considered. The Regulations was placed in the meeting. The matter was placed before the Council for consideration.

Resolution: After detailed discussion, the Council accepted the draft Regulation on the Certificate of Proficiency in English and Communication Skills (CPECS) Course and the same were recommended to the Executive Council for approval.

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20(2) Reconstitution of School Board of Rabindranath Tagore School of Indian Languages & Cultural Studies :

AC:92:11-22:20.2: The Dean, Rabindranath Tagore School of Indian Languages & Cultural Studies has submitted the following panel for reconstitution of School Board of Rabindranath Tagore School of Indian Languages & Cultural Studies:

1.	Dean, R.T. School of Indian Languages & Cultural Studies, AUS	Chairmen
2.	Head, Dept. of Assamese, AUDC	Member
3.	Head, Dept. of. Bengali, AUS	Member
4.	Head, Dept. of Manipuri, AUS	Member
5.	Head, Dept. of ICL, AUS	Member
6.	Head, Dept. of Hindi, AUS	Member
7.	Head, Dept. of Hindi, AUDC	Member
8.	Head, Dept. of Sanskrit, AUS	Member
9.	Head, Dept. of Urdu, AUS	Member
10.	Head, Dept. of Linguistics, AUS	Member
11.	Prof. Bela Das, Professor, Dept. of Bengali, AUS	Member
12.	Prof. Biswatosh Chowdhury, Professor, Dept. of Bengali, AUS	Member
13.	Prof. Debasish Bhattacharya, Professor, Dept. of Bengali, AUS	Member
14.	Prof. Priyakanta Nath, Professor, Dept. of Bengali, AUS	Member
15.	Prof. Tripti Paul Choudhdury, Professor, Dept. of Bengali, AUS	Member
16.	Prof. H. Nani Kumar Singha, Professor, Dept. of Manipuri, AUS	Member
17.	Prof. Suman Gun, Professor, Dept. of ICL, AUS	Member
18.	Prof. Krishna Mohan Jha, Professor, Dept. of Hindi, AUS	Member
19.	Prof. Jai Kaushal, Professor, Dept. of Hindi, AUDC	Member
20.	Prof. Snigdha Das Roy, Professor, Dept. of Sanskrit, AUS	Member
21.	Prof. Bhagirathi Biswas, Professor, Dept. of Sanskrit, AUS	Member
22.	Prof. Shanti Pokhrel, Professor, Dept. of Sanskrit, AUS	Member
23.	Prof. Ajit Kumar Baishya, Professor, Dept. of Linguistics, AUS	Member
24.	Prof. Kusumber Baruah, Professor, Dept. of Assamese, AUDC	Member
25.	Prof. S. Ganesh Baskaran, Professor, Dept. of Linguistics, AUS	Member
26.	Prof. Kh. Dhiren Singha, Professor, Dept. of Linguistics, AUS	Member
27.	Dr. Arjun Dev Sensarma, Associate Professor of ICL, AUS	Member
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28.	Dr. Govind Sharma, Associate Professor of Sanskrit, AUS		Member
29.	Dr. Shitangshu Kumar, Associate Professor of Hindi, AUDO		Member
30.	Dr. Durba Das, Associate Professor of Bengali, AUS		Member
31.	Dr. Rahul Das, Assistant Professor of Bengali, AUS		Member
32.	Dr. Barunjyoti Chowdhury, Asstt. Professor of Bengali, AUS	5	Member
33.	Dr. Nirmala Sana, Assistant Professor of Manipuri, AUS		Member
34.	Dr. Akash Verma, Assistant Professor of Hindi, AUS		Member
35.	Dr. Anirudha Kumar, Assistant Professor of Hindi, AUS		Member
36.	Dr. Prabhat Bhuyan, Asstt. Professor of Assamese, AUDC		Member
37.	Dr. Mary Kim Haokip, Asstt. Professor of Linguistics, AUS		Member
38.	Dr. Jawaid Rahmani, Assistant Professor of Urdu, AUS		Member
39.	Prof. Tapan Kumar Mandal, Diamond Harbour Women's University, Sarisha, South 24 Parganas, West Bengal - 743368.	Exterr	nal Member
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41.	Prof. Dipak Kumar Sharma Dept. of Sanskrit, Gauhati University, Guwahati.	Extern	al Member
42.	Prof. H. Bihari Singh (Rtd.) Dept. of Manipuri, Manipur University, Manipur	Extern	al Member
43.	Prof. Manisha Jha, Head, Dept. of Hindi, North Bengal University	Extern	nal Member

The matter was placed before the Council for approval.

Resolution: The Council approved the reconstitution of School Board.

20(3) Framing of UG-IG Courses (as per NEP 2020) of Assam University Campus:

AC:92:11-22:20.3: As per discussion held on 16th November, 2022, Prof. M. Dutta Choudhury in consultation with concerned HoDs has forwarded an interim report on UG/IG Courses which was placed in the meeting for consideration.

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Resolution: The Council noted the same and recommended for further initiative by the Chairperson, Syllabus Implementation Committee for finalizing the Course structure in consultation with the respective HoDs.

20(4) Master of Computer Applications (MCA) Degree Programme in the Department of Computer Science :

AC:92:11-22:20.4: The proposal of starting a Master of Computer Applications (MCA) Degree programme in the Department of Computer Science along with the syllabi and the Course structure was approved by the 83rd Academic Council (Ref. 83rd AC Minutes AC: 83:02-19:17).

With reference to the approval of the Academic Council, the Department of Computer Science has resolved to start the MCA programme as a regular full-time academic programme from the academic year 2023 - 24 and also resolved that during the first two years after starting the MCA, the Department will not seek additional fund, infrastructural facilities and equipment. The Department resolved to utilise the Annual Course Fee of the MCA programme for meeting the expenses required to conduct the programme during this period. Subsequently, the matter regarding assistance for the course shall be looked into.

In view of NEP 2020, the Department of Computer Science has submitted the revised Course Structure for the MCA programme under NEP 2020 along with the detailed Annual Course Fee for the programme and other related details for approval of the Academic Council.

While revising the course structure keeping in mind the present requirement special emphasis is given to theory and practical courses in areas of Data Science, Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning, Data Mining, Networking, Cryptography and Security and related areas. Moreover, options are provided to the students to enrol and pursue courses through SWAYAM and other MOOCs offered by the Government so that the students get the optimum opportunity to enhance their knowledge and skill.

It is also emphasised that MCA has been a value-based and skill-oriented Masters' Degree Programme having a very wide scope of employability both in Government, Public/Private Sector Enterprises and Engineering and Technical Colleges apart from other educational/research institutes. Further, the technical skills acquired by the students after successful completion of this programme may even become self-employed and become entrepreneurs.

Accordingly, the Department recommend that the revised Course Structure under NEP 2020 along with the Course Fee Structure may be placed in the Academic Council for consideration.

Resolution: The Council agreed to the proposal which is much needed for the University and recommended for implementing the same after completion of necessary formalities at the earliest. The same was recommended to the Executive Council for approval.

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20(5) Minor modification of the fee structure of Hospitality and Tourism Management (HTM):

AC:92:11-22:20.5: The matter of minor revision of fee structure of HTM was placed by HoD, Dept. of HTM.

Resolution : The same was accepted by the Council and recommended to the Executive Council for approval.

20(6) Modification of the Examination policy of the TSSOT.

AC:92:11-22:20.6: The Dean i/c, School of Technology has proposed modification in the existing examination system of TSSOT for various B. Tech and M. Tech courses. At present all the theory papers of 100 marks are distributed in three parts i.e, i) Internal/Sessional: 20 marks, ii) MID Semester: 30 marks and iii) END Semester: 50 marks. However, in Odd Semester, holding of MID semester examination has become a difficult task for TSSOT due to delay in admission of 1st Semester students and puja vacation which is affecting the entire semester system of the School and causing loss of teaching days.

Further, the student has to attend the internship programme offered by IISc, IITs, NITs and other MNCs for minimum two months at the end of their 4th and 6th Semester, which as also become a hardship for TSSOT to go through the existing examination system. Since, the issue could not be addressed, in the way it should be, by adopting MIS Semester Examination system in TSSOT.

The School Board of TSSOT in its meeting held on 13-09-2022 has decided that as like other departments of the University, TSSOT will follow 70/30 pattern in both B.Tech and M. Tech courses and this will be effective from the academic session 2022-23.

Resolution: The Council accepted the proposal and resolved that the same will be implemented with current new batch. The Council recommended the same to the Executive Council for approval.

20(7) Opening of Diploma Programme in Translation Theory and Practice (Arabic and English):

AC:92:11-22:20.7: The matter was placed by HoD Arabic whereby the Department of Arabic intend to start the above mentioned self financing programme on online basis. The programme duration is for six months.

Resolution: The Council observed that a clarification may be necessary from UGC whether the University can start imparting online courses.

20(8) Supervision/Guidance of PhD Scholar by teachers' serving in Non-core Department:

AC:92:11-22:20.8: The matter was placed by Controller of Examination to brief the Council about the matter in reference to the resolution no. SCAC:17:09-22.3 dated 28th September 2022.

Resolution: The Council resolved that any teacher who has the eligibility to guide shall do so in his/her core department though the concerned teacher may have been appointed in the non-core department. The degree shall be awarded under the Core department.

20(9) Introduction of Certificate Course in Museum and Community Heritage Practices in Tribal Studies :

AC:92:11-22:20.9: The proposal was forwarded by the Head, Centre of Tribal Studies, Assam University Diphu Campus. The Pro-Vice-Chancellor, AUDC endorsed the same.

Resolution: The Council accepted the proposal as a self-financing Course and recommended to the Executive Council for approval.

20(10) Election of College Teachers' for nomination of the members to the Academic Council:

AC:92:11-22:20.10: The invited members of ACTA placed the matter and requested to consider the Teachers' of temporary affiliated Colleges and Private Colleges for nomination of the members to the Academic Council and urged for holding the Election at the earliest.

Resolution: The Council noted the same.

20(11) Discussion on TDC Examination related matters.

AC:92:11-22:20.11: Due to paucity of time, the invited members of the ACTA requested to conduct a separate joint meeting of ACTA, Principals Committee, CoE, Registrar, Director CDC. ACTA members requested that the meeting be chaired by the Vice-Chancellor.

Resolution: The Council agreed to the same.

There being no other item to discuss, the meeting ended with thanks to & from the Chair.

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