

Minutes

OF

93[®] MEETING OF THE

ACADEMIC COUNCIL.

HELD ON 11th APRIL 2023 AT 11.00 AM AT BIPIN CHANDRA PAUL AUDITORIUM

ASSAM UNIVERSITY

(A CENTRAL UNIVERSITY ESTABLISHED BY AN ACT OF PARLIAMENT)

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MINUTES OF THE 93rd MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL HELD ON 11th APRIL 2023 AT 11.00 AM AT ASSAM UNIVERSITY, SILCHAR

Members present:

1. Prof. Rajive Mohan Pant, Vice-Chancellor	: Chairman
2. Prof. Sivasish Biswas, Pro-Vice Chancellor i/c, AUDC	: Member
3. Prof. G. P. Pandey, Dean of Creative Arts & Comm. Studies	: Member
4. Prof. Niranjan Roy, Professor, Dept. of Economics	: Member
5. Prof. B. S. Purkayastha, Professor, Dept. of Computer Science	: Member
6. Prof. Madhumita Dhar Sarkar, Professor, Dept. of Law	: Member
7. Prof. A K Baishya, Dean of Indian Languages and Cultural Studi	ies: Member
8. Prof. Sanjib Das, Dean, School of Medical & Paramedical Science	s: Member
9. Prof. Bela Das, Dean of Indian Languages & Cultural Studies	: Member
10. Prof. Snigdha Das Roy, Head, Dept. of Sanskrit	: Member
11. Prof. M. Dutta Choudhury, Professor, Dept. of Life Science	: Member
12. Prof. Sarbani Giri, Dean, School of Life Sciences	: Member
13. Prof. C. R. Bhattacharjee, Professor, Dept. of Chemistry	: Member
 Prof. Alok Sen, Dean, School of Economics & Commerce & Acting Librarian 	: Member
15. Prof. Subhra Nag, Professor, Dept. of Philosophy	: Member
16. Prof. Abdul Razak T., Professor, Dept. of Arabic	: Member
17. Prof. Suman Gun, Dept. of Indian Comparative Literature	: Member
18. Prof. H. Nani Kumar Singha, Head, Dept. of Manipuri	: Member
19. Prof. Projit Kumar Palit, Professor, Dept. of History	: Member
20. Prof. Subhabrata Dutta, Professor, Dept. of Social Work	: Member
21. Mr. Mousum Handique, Head i/c, Dept. of Computer Sc. & Engg.	: Member
22. Prof. Debaprasad Das, Dean, School of Technology	: Member

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23. Prof. Piyush Pandey, Head, Dept. of Microbiology	: Member
24. Prof. Joyati Bhattacharya, Dean, School of Social Sciences	: Member
25. Prof. Supriyo Chakraborty, Head, Dept. of Biotechnology	: Member
26. Prof. M. Faruque Hussain, Dean & Head of Earth Science	: Member
27. Prof. Geetika Bagchi, Dean, School of Educational Sciences	: Member
28. Prof. Samira Behera, Professor, Dept. of Mathematics	: Member
29. Prof. H. Ramananda Singh, Dean of Management Studies & Head, Dept. of Business Administration	: Member
30. Prof. Priya Kanta Nath, Head, Dept. of Bengali	: Member
31. Prof. Sivan G., Professor, Dept. of Visual Arts	: Member
32. Prof. P.B. Mazumder, Professor, Dept. of Biotechnology	: Member
33. Prof. Parthankar Choudhury, Dean, School of Environmental	Sc.: Member
34. Prof. Karabi Dutta Choudhury, Dean, School of Physical Scien	ices: Member
35. Prof. Sudeshna Purkayastha, Professor, Dept. of History	: Member
36. Prof. Debasish Bhattacharya, Professor, Dept. of Bengali	: Member
37. Prof. Atri Deshamukhya, Professor, Dept. of Physics	: Member
38. Prof. Pradip Ch. Paul, Professor, Dept. of Chemistry	: Member
39. Prof. B. Indrajit Sharma, Head, Dept. of Physics	: Member
40. Prof. Manoj Kr. Sinha, Dean, School of Library Sciences	: Member
41. Prof. Supratim Ray, Head, Dept. of Pharmaceutical Science	: Member
42. Prof. Arup Barman, Professor, Dept. of Business Administrati	on: Member
43. Prof. Ajit Kr. Das, Head, Dept. of Ecology & Env. Science	: Member
44. Prof. Sk. Jasimuddin, Head, Dept. of Chemistry	: Member
45. Prof. Paritosh Mondal, Professor, Dept. of Chemistry	: Member
46. Prof. M. Tineshowri Devi, Head, Dept. of Social Work	: Member
47. Prof. Gangabhushan M. Molankal, Professor, Dept. of Social W	ork: Member
48. Prof. Tripti Paul Choudhury, Professor, Dept. of Bengali	: Member
49. Prof. Shanti Pokhrel, Professor, Dept. of Sanskrit	: Member
50. Prof. Kh. Dhiren Singh, Head, Dept. of Linguistics	: Member
51. Prof. S. Ganesh Bhaskaran, Professor, Dept. of Linguistics	: Member
52. Prof. Humayun Bokth, Head, Dept. of Sociology	: Member

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53.	Prof. Manoj Kumar Paul, Professor, Dept. of Chemistry	: Member
54.	Prof. Suparna Roy, Head, Dept. of History	: Member
55.	Prof. Parag Shil, Head, Dept. of Commerce	: Member
56.	Prof. Baby Pushpa Sinha, Dean of English & Foreign Lang. St.	: Member
57.	Prof. P. K. Deva Sharma, Professor, Dept. of Computer Science	: Member
58.	Prof. Sanjib Sengupta, Head, Dept. of Mathematics	: Member
59.	Prof. Anirudha Giri, Head, Dept. of Life Sc & Bioinformatics	: Member
60.	Prof. K. Mohammad Basheer, Head, Dept. of Arabic	: Member
61.	Prof. Shahin Ara Begum, Head, Dept. of Computer Science	: Member
62.	Prof. R. R. Mishra, Dean, School of Legal Studies & HOD, Law	: Member
63.	Prof. Tenepalli Hari, Head, Dept. of Political Science	: Member
64.	Prof. Nirmal Kanti Roy, Head, Dept. of Visual Arts	: Member
65.	Prof. Anindya Syam Choudhury, Head, Dept. of English & Dean, Students Welfare	: Member
66.	Prof. Meenakshi Bawari, Dept. of Life Sc. & Bioinformatics	: Member
67.	Prof. Tarun Bikash Sukai, Professor, Dept. of Social Work	: Member
68.	Prof. Nirakar Mallick, Professor, Dept. of Sociology	: Member
69.	Prof. Jhimli Bhattacharjee, Professor, Dept. of Sociology	: Member
70.	Prof. Saugata Kumar Nath, Professor, Dept. of English	: Member
71.	Prof. Sima Pal, Professor, Dept. of Education	: Member
72.	Prof. Rintu Das, Professor, Dept. of Bengali	: Member
73.	Prof. Anup Kr. Dey, Dr. Ambedkar Chair Professor	: Member
74.	Prof. Ranjit Singha, HOD, Physics (Diphu Campus)	: Member
75.	Prof. Kusumbar Boruah, HOD, Assamese (Diphu Campus)	: Member
76.	Prof. Paul B Chonzik, HOD, History (Diphu Campus)	: Member
77.	Dr. Rama Shanker, Head, Dept. of Statistics	: Member
78.	Dr. Soumendra Nath Biswas, Head, Dept. of Tourism & Hospitality Management	: Member
79.	Dr. Amalendu Chakraborty, Head, Dept. of French	: Member
80.	Dr. Pius V. Thomas, Head, Dept. of Philosophy	: Member
81.	Dr. Mukut Sarmah, HOD, Library & Information Science	: Member
82.	Dr. Jawaid Rahmani, Head i/c, Dept. of Urdu	: Member

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83.	Dr. Ajita Tiwari, Head i/c, Dept. of Agricultural Engineering	: Member
84.	Dr. Arijita Pradhan, HOD i/c, of Applied Sc. & Humanities	: Member
85.	Dr. Arjundeb Sensarma, HOD of Indian Comparative Literature	: Member
86.	Dr. Pintu Saha, Head i/c, Dept. of Performing Arts	: Member
87.	Dr. Richik Kashyap, HOD i/c of Electronics & Comm. Engg.	: Member
88.	Dr. Ritwik Mazumder, Head i/c, Dept. of Economics	: Member
89.	Dr. Subit Dutta, Head i/c, Dept. of Commerce (AUDC)	: Member
90.	Dr. C. Prakasham, Head i/c, Dept. of Geography(AUDC)	: Member
91.	Dr. Bikash Chandra Dash, HoD, Political Science (AUDC)	: Member
92.	Dr. J. Chakraborty, Principal, P.D.U.A. Mahavidyalaya, Eraligool	: Member
93.	Dr. Abhibrata Chakraborty, Associate Professor of Visual Arts	: Member
94.	Dr. Harsha S., Associate Professor, Dept. of Political Science	: Member
95.	Dr. Sib Sankar Mazumder, Assistant Professor, Dept. of English	n: Member
96.	Dr. S. M. Alfarid Hussain, Asstt. Professor, Dept. of Mass Comm.	: Member
97.	Dr. Ayesha T. Rashid, Asstt. Professor, Dept. of Mass Comm.	: Member
98.	Dr. Suprabir Dutta Roy, Controller of Examinations	: Spl. Invitee
99.	Mr. Jayantha Bhattacharjee, Director i/c, C.D.C.	: Spl. Invitee
100	Mr. Chandan Paul Choudhury, President, ACTA, Cachar Zone	: Spl. Invitee
101	.Mr. Hemanta Kumar Bora, Secretary, ACTA, Cachar Zone	: Spl. Invitee
102	Dr. Partha Sarathi Das, President, ACTA, Kxj-Hkd Zone	: Spl. Invitee
103	Dr. Sujit Tewari, Secretary, ACTA, KxjHkd. Zone	: Spl. Invitee
104	.Mr. R. S. Paul, Member, NEP Implementation Committee	: Spl. Invitee
105	Dr. Golab Nandi, Member, NEP Implementation Committee	: Spl. Invitee
106	Mr. Gongesh Bhattacharjee, Member, NEP Implementation Comm	ittee: Spl. Invitee
107	Dr. Vulli Dhanaraju, General Secretary, AUDCTA	: Spl. Invitee
108	Dr. Pradosh Kiran Nath, Registrar	: Ex-officio-Secretary

Members participated in the meeting through online:

Prof. Sunaina Singh, Visitor's Nominee : Member
 Vice Chancellor, Nalanda University, Nalanda, Bihar

Dr. Gautam Kumar Jha, Visitor's Nominee
 School of Language Literature and Culture Studies
 Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi

: Member

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At the outset the Vice-Chancellor and the Chairman of the Academic Council welcomed all the members for attending the meeting. The Chairman also welcomed Prof. Sunaina Singh, Vice Chancellor, Nalanda University, Nalanda, Bihar and Dr. Gautam Kumar Jha, School of Language Literature and Culture Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi who participated online in the meeting as Visitor's Nominee. Thereafter, agenda items were taken up for discussion and resolutions were adopted accordingly.

(A) Agenda item for confirmation:

Item No. 1: To confirm the Minutes of the 92nd meeting of the Academic Council of AUS.

AC:93:04-23:1: The Minutes of the 92nd meeting of the Academic Council of Assam University held on 18th November 2022 was placed in the meeting for consideration and confirmation.

Action taken report of the above meeting was also placed before the members and elaborated by the Registrar for consideration.

Resolution: The Council on perusal of the minutes and Action Taken Report of the 92nd meeting of the Academic Council and confirmed the same.

(B) Agenda item for discussion/approval of the Council:

Item No. 2: Minutes of 2nd meeting on NEP-2020 for UG Programme:

AC:93:04-23:2: The Chairman, NEP-2020 Implementation Committee for UG Programme for Affiliated Colleges has forwarded the minutes of the 2nd meeting of the extended NEP-2020 Implementation Committee held at Cachar College on 9th March 2023 for perusal and consideration by the Council. The minute was placed in the meeting.

Resolution: The Chairman NEP - 2020 Implementation Committee for UG courses in affiliated Colleges, Prof. Manabendra Dutta Choudhury placed before the Council the draft structure of NEP course curriculum along with detail resolutions adopted in this regard by the Committee in two different meetings at N.C. College, Badarpur and Cachar College, Silchar. After detailed discussion, the Council unanimously approved the structure of course curriculum and outline of FYUG programme regulations mentioned in the resolutions of the above mentioned two meetings. It is decided that respective BUGS Chairperson shall now organize extended BUGS meeting to frame the course content of respective subjects. The process of Course content framing shall be completed by 15th May 2023. COE shall notify the list of subjects to be included in each basket of IDC. A three members Committee to be constituted by the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor for framing detail Regulations for FYUG programme including all minute detail of examination system etc. This Committee shall also decide the CGPA requirement for mobility of students from 3rd year to 4th year. The Council also resolved that the resolutions of NEP-2020 Implementation Committee adopted in the meeting of

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Cachar College, Silchar and N.C. College, Bardarpur shall be taken into consideration while framing Regulations for FYUG programme. The Council recommended the same to the Executive Council for approval.

Item No. 3 : UG/IG Course Structure under NEP-2020 for in Campus departments and UG Course Structure for affiliated Colleges :

AC:93:04-23:3: Prof. M. Dutta Choudhury, Chairman, NEP-2020 Implementation Committee has placed the following issues for consideration by the Council:

 The course structure of UG/IG courses for in campus departments under NEP-2020 shall be placed by the Chairman, NEP-2020 in the meeting for consideration.

(ii) The draft course structure of UG curriculum under NEP-2020 for affiliated Colleges was placed in the meeting.

The matter was placed before the Council for consideration.

Resolution: (i) The Course Structures for on campus UG/IG departments under NEP 2020 was placed in the meeting by Prof. Manabendra Dutta Choudhury, Chairman, NEP-2020 Implementation Committee alongwith resolution of the meeting dated 16th March 2023 which was Chaired by Hon'ble Vice Chancellor. The Council accepted the course structure for all four UG/IG departments and also approved the resolution of the meeting dated 16th March 2023. Also The Council also recommended the same to the Executive Council for approval.

(ii) Draft course structure as per NEP 2020 proposed for undergraduate programmes of affiliated Colleges is approved for implementation from 2023-24 academic session. It is decided that a small Committee will be constituted to formulate detailed regulations for UG/IG programmes. The Committee will also prepare bunching of subjects for each basket of IDC and will prepare cluster of subjects for DSM.

Item No. 4: UG - CUET - Fresh Course Mapping matter & PG - CUET - Bunching of Courses and admission criteria:

AC:93:04-23:4: Prof. M. Dutta Choudhury, Chairman, CUET Implementation Committee was placed the following issues for consideration by the Council:

- (i) The fresh course mapping matter in respect to Under Graduate course under CUET needs to be considered for implementation. The relevant material is already available in the Assam University website.
- (ii) The bunching of courses and admission criteria under CUET for PG departments are also available in the University website.

The matter was placed before the Council for consideration.

Resolution: The Council accepted the UG - CUET course mapping for academic session 2023-24 and PG - CUET Course bunching for academic session 2023-24 which were already submitted to NTA. The matter related to 50 percent reservation of PG seats for Assam University graduates with provision for lateral migration based on merit was discussed and accepted. The Council also recommended the same to the Executive Council for approval.

Item No. 5 : AUSU representation on MOOCs & holding of Supplementary Exam in all departments :

AC:93:04-23:5: The President of Assam University Students Union (AUSU) has submitted a representation for:

(i) Introduction of Supplementary Exams from the current semester for the End-Semester Examination in all departments:

(ii) Accept the SWAYAM/NEPTEL credits as per the UGC/GoI rules: The letter addressed to the Vice Chancellor through the DSW from the President of AUSU was placed in the meeting for discussion and consideration.

Resolution: The representation of AUSU was perused by the members and it was decided that a Committee to be constituted to look into the matter.

Item No. 6: Course Structure and Syllabus as per NEP - 2020 guidelines:

AC:93:04-23:6: The following syllabus/Course Structure as per NEP - 2020 guidelines have been submitted by the concerned Deans of School/Heads of the Dept. duly recommended by the BPGS/School Board respectively for placing in the Academic Council:

Sl. No.	Department	Semester	Remarks
1	Biotechnology	M.Sc 1st to 4th Sem	
2	Life Science and Bioinformatics	M.Sc 1st & 2nd Sem	
3	Microbiology	M.Sc 1st to 4th Sem	
4	Geography, AUDC	MA/M.Sc 1st Sem	
5	Earth Science	M.Sc 1st to 4th Sem	
6	Mathematics	M.Sc 1st to 4th Sem	
7	Statistics	M.A/M.Sc 1st to 4th Sem	
8	Chemistry	M.Sc 1st to 4th Sem	
9	Computer Science	M.Sc. (Integrated)	5 years
		M.Sc. (Lateral Entry)	2 years
10	Physics	M.Sc 1st to 4th Sem	
11	Philosophy	M.A 1st to 4th Sem	
12	Assamese, AUDC	M.A 1st to 4th Sem	
13	Bengali	M.A 1st to 4sh Sem	
14	Hindi	M.A 1st to 4th Sem	
15	Indian Comparative Literature	M.A. – 1st to 4th Sem	
16	Sanskrit	M.A 1st to 4th Sem	
17	Linguistics	M.A 2nd Sem	
18	Urdu	M.A 1st to 4th Sem	
19	Manipuri	M.A 1st to 4th Sem	
20	Business Administration	MBA Integrated - 1st to 8th Sem	(5 years full time prog
		PG Diploma in Tea Management – 1st & 2nd Sem	(One year programme)
		PG Diploma in Sales and Marketing Management - 1st & 2std Sem	(One year programme)

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21	Hospitality and Tourism Management	MBA - 1st to 4th Sem	
22	Pharmaceutical Sciences	M. Pharm. in Pharmaceutics & Pharmaceutical Chemistry - 1 st to 4 th Sem	
		Ph.D. (Pharmacy) course work	
23	Library & Information	M. Lib. I. Sc 1st to 4th Sem	
	Sc.	Ph.D. Course Work	
24	History	MA - 1st & 2nd Sem	
25	Sociology	MA - 1st to 4th Sem	
26	Political Science	MA - 1st & 2nd Sem	
27	Anthropology, AUDC	MA/M.Sc 1 st Sem	
28 Social Work		BSW - 1st to 8th Sem	
		MSW - 1 st to 4 th Sem	
29	Economics	MA - 1st to 4th Sem	
30	Commerce	M.Com 1st to 4th Sem	
31	Arabic	M.A 1st to 4th Sem	
32	English	M.A 1st to 4th Sem	
33	Ecology & Env. Science	M.Sc 1st to 4th Sem	
34	Education	MA - 1st & 2nd Sem	
35	Mass Communication	MA - 1st to 4th Sem	
36	Visual Arts	BVA (UG) - 1st to 8th Sem	
37	Performing Arts	BPA - 1st to 4th Sem	4 years

The matter was placed before the Council for approval.

Resolution: On discussion on the syllabus submitted by the departments as tabled above was accepted by the Council and recommended to the Executive Council for approval.

Item No. 7: Proposal from the Bioinformatics and Computational Biology Centre to initiate PG courses on self financing mode:

AC:93:04-23:7: Prof. M. Dutta Choudhury, Director, Bioinformatics and Computational Biology Centre (BCBC) proposed for initiation of PG courses in Bioinformatics under self financing mode. The issue was considered in 76th meeting of the Academic Council vide resolution No. AC:76:10-16:8. The Course curriculum (M.Sc. in Bioinformatics) is also prepared as per NEP – 2020 for consideration. The Director, BCBC placed the matter in the meeting for consideration and decision.

Resolution: The Director, Bioinformatics and Computational Biology Center, Prof. Manabendra Dutta Choudhury placed before the Council a proposal for initiating M.Sc. Bioinformatics course by the Center from the academic session 2023-24 in self finance mode. The Council on discussion accepted the proposal. However, it is decided that the issue shall be forwarded to the UGC for approval. The Council also recommended the same to the Executive Council for approval.

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Item No. 8: The syllabus of M. Pharm. (Specialization: Pharmaceutics and Pharmaceutical Chemistry) prescribed by Pharmacy Council of India (PCI) to be implemented from academic session 2023-2024 for starting M. Pharm. course in the Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences (Subject to approval from PCI):

AC:93:04-23:8: The Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences had already applied to Pharmacy Council of India (PCI) to start M Pharm. in two specializations (Pharmaceutics-08 seats and Pharmaceutical Chemistry-08 seats) from academic session 2023-2024. The admission process will be started after receiving approval from PCI. Considering the Master of Pharmacy (M. Pharm) course Regulation-2014, Pharmacy Council of India (PCI) prescribed scheme and syllabus for various specializations, the detail curriculum structure of these two specializations (M. Pharm. in Pharmaceutics and Pharmaceutical Chemistry) as prescribed by Pharmacy Council of India recommended by BPGS and School Board were placed for acceptance and implementation.

The scheme and syllabus of M. Pharm. in Pharmaceutics and Pharmaceutical Chemistry prescribed by Pharmacy Council of India and implementation of same from academic session 2023-2024 subject to approval of the course by PCI were accepted and recommended for placing to the Academic Council for consideration and approval.

Resolution: The Council accepted the syllabus of M. Pharm. as placed above and recommended to the Executive Council for approval.

Item No. 9: Proposed Fee structure of M. Pharm. Course:

AC:93:04-23:9: The Dean, Sushruta School of Medical and Paramedical Sciences has proposed fee structure of M. Pharm. course prepared by the Department and accepted by BPGS recommended by the School Board for placing to the Academic Council for consideration and approval.

Resolution: The Council accepted the fee structure of M. Pharm. course and recommended to the Executive Council for approval.

Item No. 10: Structure of course work (Paper 701, 702, 703 and 704) to be included in the course work for Ph. D. in Pharmacy from academic session 2023-2024:

AC:93:04-23:10: The Dean, Sushruta School of Medical and Paramedical Sciences has submitted the detail structure of course works for Ph. D. in Pharmacy from academic session 2023-2024 recommended by BPGS and School Board for placing to the Academic Council for consideration and approval.

Resolution: The Council accepted the structure of course work for Ph.D. in Pharmacy and recommended to the Executive Council for approval.

Item No. 11: Setting up of a Centre for Design within the University:

AC:93:04-23:11: Mr. Gautam Dutta, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Visual Arts has submitted a prayer to the Vice Chancellor for setting up of a Centre for Design within

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the University and therefore requested to provide space for the same in the premises of the University. The communication made from Mr. Gautam Dutta was placed before the Council for consideration.

Resolution: The Council discussed the issue and it was resolved that the proposal be referred to IQAC for views.

Item No. 12: Inclusion of Visual Arts as a discipline in the affiliated colleges under Assam University:

AC:93:04-23:12: The representation of students and scholars of the Dept. of Visual Arts to the Vice Chancellor was considered for placement before the Council for consideration. The representation as made was placed in the meeting for discussion and decision.

Resolution: The representation of students and scholars of the Dept. of Visual Arts was perused by the members and the Council was of the opinion that the University shall have no objection on the issue subject to compliance of norms. However, it was decided that the proposal shall be routed through Director, CDC.

Item No. 13: Re-constitution of School Board:

AC:93:04-23:13 : The Dean, A. E. School of Physical Sciences has forwarded the following panel for reconstitution of School Board of Physical Sciences:

1.	Dean, A. E. School of Physical Sciences, AUS	: Chairperson
2.		: Member
3.		: Member
4.	Head, Dept. of Physics, AUS	: Member
5.	Head, Dept. of Computer Science, AUS	: Member
6.	Head, Dept. of Statistics, AUS	: Member
7.	Head, Dept. of Physics, AU Diphu Campus	: Member
8.	Prof. B. S. Purkayastha, Professor of Computer Science, AUS	: Member
9.	Prof. P. K. Deva Sharma, Professor of Comp. Science, AUS	: Member
10). Prof. Shahin Ara Begum, Professor of Comp. Science, AUS	: Member
1	1. Prof. A. K. Sen, Professor of Physics, AUS	: Member
1.	2. Prof. Atri Deshmukhya, Professor of Physics, AUS	: Member
1	3. Prof. B. Indrajit Sharma, Professor of Physics, AUS	: Member
1	4. Prof. Ranjit Singh, Professor of Physics, AUDC	: Member
1	5. Prof. Subrata Hazarika, Professor of Physics, AUDC	: Member
1	6. Prof. C.R. Bhattacharjee, Professor of Chemistry, AUS	: Member

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17.	Prof. Pradip Ch. Paul, Professor of Chemistry, AUS		: Member
18.	Prof. Paritosh Mondal, Professor of Chemistry, AUS		: Member
19.	Prof. Sk. Jasimuddin, Professor of Chemistry, AUS		: Member
20.	Prof. Manoj Kumar Paul, Professor of Chemistry, AUS		: Member
21.	Prof. Dibyojyoti Bhattacharjee, Professor of Statistics, AU	S	: Member
22.	Prof. K. Dutta Choudhury, Professor of Mathematics, AU	S	: Member
23.	Prof. Samira Behera, Professor of Mathematics, AUS		: Member
24.	Prof. Sanjib Sengupta, Professor of Mathematics, AUS		: Member
25.	Dr. Himadri Sekhar Das, Associate Professor of Physics,	AUS	: Member
26.	Dr. Prodipto Das, Associate Professor of Computer Sc., A	US	: Member
27.	Dr. Nabendu Sen, Associate Professor of Mathematics, A	US	: Member
28.	Dr. Devashish Sengupta, Associate Professor of Chemistr	y, AU	S: Member
29.	Dr. Rama Shankar, Associate Professor of Statistics, AUS		: Member
30.	Dr. Himadri Acharya, Assistant Professor of Chemistry,	AUS	: Member
31.	Dr. Sumit Saha, Assistant Professor of Mathematics, AUS		: Member
32.	Dr. Saptarshi Paul, Assistant Professor of Computer Scien	nce, A	US: Member
33.	Dr. Utpal Sarkar, Assistant Professor of Physics, AUS		: Member
34.	Dr. Jonali Gogoi, Assistant Professor of Statistics, AUS		: Member
35.	Prof. M. Faruque Hussain, Dept. of Earth Science, AUS		: Member
36.	Dr. Arun Jyoti Nath, Dept. of Ecology & Environmental S	c., AL	JS: Member
37.	Dr. Amitabha Bhattacharjee, Dept. of Microbiology, AUS		: Member
38.	Dr. Munmun Nath, S. S. College, Hailakandi		: Member
39.	Dr. Debarati Kar, Dept. of Statistics, Karimganj College, H	Cxj.	: Member
40.	Prof. Soumya Paul, Dept. of Computer Science, Maulana Abul Kalam Azad University of Technology, West Bengal.	: Exter	rnal Member
41.	Prof. Kallol Paul Dept. of Mathematics, Jadavpur University, Kalkata.	: Exte	rnal Member
42.	Prof. R. K. Nath Dept. of Chemistry, Tripura University, Agartala.	: Exte	rnal Member
43.	Prof. Surajit Borkotokey Dept. of Mathematics, Dibrugarh University, Dibrugarh	: Exte	rnal Member

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Prof. Debojyoti Bhattacharjee
 Dept. of Physics, Tripura University, Agartala.

: External Member

Prof. Arvind Pandey
 Dept. of Statistics, Central University of Rajasthan.

 The matter was placed before the Council for approval.

: External Member

Resolution: The Council approved the reconstitution of School Board.

Item: No. 14: Re-constituted Board of Post Graduate Studies (BPGS):

AC:93:04-23:14:

(a) Re-constituted Board of Post Graduate Studies (BPGS) in Ecology & Environmental Science:

The Head, Dept. of Ecology & Environmental Science has forwarding the panel for reconstitution of BPGS in Ecology & Environmental Science:

1. Head, Dept. of Ecology & Environmental Sciences : Chairman

2. Prof. Jayashree Rout, Professor, Dept. of Ecology & Env. Sc. : Member

3. Prof. Parthankar Choudhury, Professor of Ecology & Env. Sc.: Member

4. Prof. Ajit Kumar Das, Professor, Dept. of Ecology & Env. Sc. : Member

5. Prof. Aparajita De, Professor, Dept. of Ecology & Env. Sc. : Member

6. Dr. Tapati Das, Associate Professor of Ecology & Env. Sc. : Member

7. Dr. Arun Jyoti Nath, Associate Professor of Ecology & Env. Sc. : Member

8. Dr. Panna Deb, Asstt. Professor, Dept. of Ecology & Env. Sc. : Member

9. Dr. Taj Uddin Khan, S. S. College, Hailakandi : Member

10. Dr. Debipreeta Dutta, G. C. College, Silchar : Member

11. Dr. Pradip Nath, Karimganj College, Karimganj : Member

12. Prof. Aniruddha Giri, Dept. of Life Sc. & Bioinformatics, AUS: Member

13. Prof. Supriyo Chakraborty, Dept. of Biotechnology, AUS : Member

14. Prof. Monoj Kumar Paul, Dept. of Chemistry, AUS : Member

15. Prof. S. P. Biswas : External Member Retd. Professor, Dibrugarh University, Dibrugarh

 Prof. Sobhan Kumar Mukherjee Rtd. Professor, Dept. of Botany, Kalyani University, West Bengal. : External Member

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Prof. N. Mathivanan
 Center for Advanced Studies in Botany,
 University of Madras, Guindy Campus,
 Chennai – 600 025.

: External Member

(b) Re-constituted Board of Post Graduate Studies (BPGS) in Social Work:

The Head, Dept. of Social Work has forwarding the panel for reconstitution of BPGS in Social Work:

1. Head, Dept. of Social Work : Chairperson

2. Prof. Subhabrata Dutta, Professor, Dept. of Social Work : Member

3. Prof. Gangabhusan M. Molankal, Professor of Social Work : Member

4. Prof. M. Tineswari Devi, Professor, Dept. of Social Work : Member

Prof. Tarun Bikash Sukai, Professor, Dept. of Social Work : Member

6. Dr. Ritwika Rajendra, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Social Work: Member

7. Dr. Aditi Nath, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Social Work : Member

8. Prof. Humayun Bakht, Professor, Dept. of Sociology : Member

9. Prof. Suparna Roy, Professor, Dept. of History : Member

10. Dr. Moses Kharbithai, Asstt. Professor, Dept. of Political Sc. : Member

11. Prof. Sudipto Roy, Professor of Comp. Sc. & Engineering : Member

12. Prof. Baby Puspa Sinha, Professor, Dept. of English : Member

13. Prof. Kanagaraj Easwaran : External Member
Dept. of Social Work, Mizoram University,
Chatlang, Dwrkam, Aizwal – 12.

14. Prof. Asok Kr. Sarkar : External Member Dept. of Social Work, Visva Bharati University, West Bengal - 731 236.

15. Prof. Rose Nembiakkim : External Member IGNOU, New Delhi – 68.

(c) Re-constituted Board of Post Graduate Studies (BPGS) in Microbiology:

The Head, Dept. of Microbiology has forwarding the panel for reconstitution of BPGS in Microbiology :

1. Head, Dept. of Microbiology, A.U.S : Chairman

2. Prof. Piyush Pandey, Professor, Dept. of Microbiology, AUS : Member

3. Dr. Diwakar Kumar, Associate Professor, Dept. of Microbiology, AUS: Member

4. Dr. Indu Sharma, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Microbiology, A.U.S : Member

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5. Dr. Amitabha Bhattacharjee, Assistant Professor of Microbiology, AUS: Member

6. Prof. Supriyo Chakraborty, Professor, Dept. of Biotechnology, AUS : Member

7. Prof. Jayashree Rout, Professor of Ecology & Env. Science, AUS : Member

8. Prof. Paritosh Mandal, Professor, Dept. of Chemistry, AUS : Member

 Prof. Shaon Ray Chaudhuri : External Member Professor & Head, Dept. of Microbiology, Tripura University.

10. Prof. Dwipendra Thakuria : External Member School of Natural Resources Management, Central Agricultural University. Meghalaya.

11. Prof. Rambir Singh : External Member
Dept. of Horticulture, Aromatic and Medicinal Plants,
Mizoram University, Aizwal.

(d) Re-constituted Board of Post Graduate Studies (BPGS) in Philosophy:

The Head, Dept. of Philosophy has forwarding the panel for reconstitution of BPGS in Philosophy:

1. Head, Department of Philosophy : Chairman

Prof. A. Nataraju, Professor, Department of Philosophy : Member

Prof. Subhra Nag, Professor, Dept of Philosophy : Member

Prof. Nirmali Barman, Professor, Dept of Philosophy : Member

5. Dr. Pius. V. Thomas, Associate Professor, Dept of Philosophy : Member

6. Dr. Munmun Chakraborty, Asstt. Professor, Dept of Philosophy: Member

7. Prof. Ashoke K. Sen, Professor, Dept of Physics : Member

8. Prof. Humayun Bhokth, Professor, Dept of Sociology : Member

9. Dr. Abibrato Chakraborty, Dept of Visual Arts : Member

10. Dr. P. Kanaka Rao, Dept of Political Science : Member

11. Prof. Siby K George : External Member Dept. of HSS, IIT Bombay, Mumbai.

12. Prof. Xavier P Mao : External Member Dept. of Philosophy, NEHU, Shillong.

13. Prof. Keshav Kumar : External Member Delhi University, Delhi

(e) Re-constituted Board of Post Graduate Studies (BPGS) in Anthropology:

The Head, Dept. of Anthropology, AUDC has forwarding the panel for reconstitution of BPGS in Anthropology:

 Head, Department of Anthropology, AUDC : Chairperson Prof. Kh. Narendra Singha, Professor of Anthropology, AUDC: Member Dr. S. Bhattacharjee, Asstt. Professor of Anthropology, AUDC : Member Dr. Bikash Ch. Dash, Head, Dept. of Political Science, AUDC : Member Dr. Subit Dutta, Head, Dept. of Commerce, AUDC : Member Prof. Paul B. Chonzik, Head, Dept. of History, AUDC : Member Prof. Kusumbar Boruah, Head, Dept. of Assamese, AUDC : Member 8. Prof. Ajit K. Tamuli, Head of Life Sc. & Bio-Informatics, AUDC : Member Dr. Surja Sikha Pathak, Head, Tribal Study Centre, AUDC : Member 10. Dr. C. Prakasam, Head, Dept. of Geography, AUDC : Member Prof. H. Vokendro Singh : External Member Professor, Dept. of Anthropology, Rajib Gandhi University, Rono Hills, Doimukh, Itanagar-12. : External Member Prof. Dwipen Bezbaruah Professor, Dept. of Anthropology, Gauhati University, Guwahati. (f) Re-constituted Board of Post Graduate Studies (BPGS) in Assamese :

The Head, Dept. of Assamese, AUDC has forwarding the panel for reconstitution of BPGS in Assamese:

: Chairperson Head, Department of Assamese, AUDC : Member Prof. Kusumbar Boruah, Professor, Dept. of Assamese, AUDC : Member Dr. Hira Manna Das, Asstt. Professor, Dept. of Assamese, AUDC : Member Dr. Prabhat Bhuyan, Asstt. Professor, Dept. of Assamese, AUDC Dr. Satyajit Das, Asstt. Professor, Dept. of Assamese, AUDC : Member Md. Asraf Hussain, Head, Dept. of Assamese, G. C. College, Silchar : Member Dr. Latumoni Deka, Associate Professor, Dept. of Assamese : Member Diphu Govt. College, Diphu, Karbi Anglong, Assam - 782460 8. Dr. Nayan Moni Medhi, Asstt. Professor, Dept. of Assamese : Member E.K.A. College, Sariahjan, Karbi Anglong, Assam - 782480 9. Dr. Anirudh Kumar, Asstt. Prof. & HOD i/c. Dept. of Hindi, AUDC: Member Dr. Amlanjyoti Sengupta, Dept. of English, AUDC : Member 11. Prof. Kh. Narendra Singh, Head, Dept. of Anthropology, AUDC : Member Dr. Prafulla Nath, Asstt. Professor, Centre for Tribal Studies, AUDC: Member

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: External Member

Prof. Bimal Mazumdar : External Member Professor, Dept. of Assamese, Gauhati University, Guwahati-14.

 Prof. Bhim Kanta Baruah, Rtd. Professor (Professor Emeritus) : External Member Dept. of Assamese, Dibrugarh University, Dibrugarh – 4.

Prof. Umesh Deka,
 Former Tagore Professor,
 Dept. of MIL & Literary Studies, Gauhati University,
 Guwahati, Assam-781014.

The matter was placed before the Council for approval.

Resolution: The Council approved the reconstitution of BPGS as placed at Sl. No. (a), (b), (d), (e) & (f) accept Sl. No. (c) as the tenure of present body will continue till 03/02/2024.

(g) Replacement of Members in the Board of Post Graduate Studies in Sociology:

The Dean, School of Social Sciences forwarded the proposal for partial modification/replacement in BPGS in Sociology:

Sl. No.	Names to be included	Replacement/Reason	
1	Prof. R. R. Mishra, Dept. of Law	Superannuation of Prof. Sumanush Dutta	
2	Prof. Nirakar Mallick, Dept. of Sociology	Promoted as Professor	
3		Promoted as Professor	
4	Dr. Shailendra Kumar, Dept. of Sociology	As Associated Professor from the Dept.	

The matter was placed before the Council for approval.

Resolution: The Council approved the same.

Item No. 15: Minutes of the 53rd meeting of the BRS (Science) & BRS (SSH) and 54th Joint BRS meeting held on 28th March 2023 & 29th March 2023 and 10th April 2023 respectively.

AC:93:04-23:15: The minutes of the 53rd meeting of the BRS (Science) & BRS (SSH) and 54th Joint BRS meeting held on 28th March 2023 & 29th March 2023 and 10th April 2023 respectively were placed in the meeting for consideration and approval by the Council. However, AU Ph.D. Ordinance 2022 accepted by the Joint BRS and the Academic Council shall also be placed in the EC for consideration.

Resolution: On perusal of the minutes of the 53rd Meeting of Board of Research Studies (Science) & (SSH) and 54th Joint BRS meeting, the Council accepted the same and recommended to the Executive Council for approval.

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Item No. 16: The Minutes of the 63rd meeting of the Affiliation Committee:

AC:93:04-23:16: The Director i/c, College Development Council (CDC) has forwarded the Minutes of the 63rd meeting of the Committee held on 27th March 2023 to the Academic Council for consideration and approval of the Council. The Director i/c, CDC placed the minutes in the meeting.

Resolution: The Council approved the Minutes of 63rd meeting of the Affiliation Committee.

Item No. 17: Proposal for declaring Karimganj College as Constituent College of Assam University:

AC:93:04-23:17: The Principal, Karimganj College forwarded the resolution No. 10 of the meeting of the Governing Body of Karimganj College held on 15th December 2022 in respect to declaration of Karimganj College as a Constituent College of Assam University. The communication from the Principal of Karimganj College and the relevant portion of the minutes of the Governing Body was placed in the meeting for discussion & decision.

Resolution: The issue of declaration of Karimganj College as a Constituent College of Assam University was discussed in length and the Council was of the opinion that the Vice Chancellor may constitute a Committee to look into the matter and report in this regard may be submitted at the earliest.

Item No. 18: Admission of affiliated colleges for the session 2023-2024 through online examination portal:

AC:93:04-23:18: For implementation of NEP 2020 guidelines and to conduct of examination in time, all affiliated colleges required to be registered their admission related issues for the session 2023-2024 through the online examination portal of the University. The matter was placed before the Council for consideration.

Resolution: The issue of admission in the affiliated colleges through online examination portal of the University was delivered in the meeting and after threadbare discussion it was resolved that the Controller of Examinations shall have a meeting with the concerned Principals of the Colleges to resolve the issue.

Item No. 19: Special Examination for PG/UG /Integrated, Law & B.Ed. courses:

AC:93:04-23:19: The PG/UG/Integrated, Law and B.Ed. courses where ever regulation permits, a Special Examination may be conducted in the next Even and Odd semester. The eligible candidates shall be considered for those, who have exhausted their regular chances and number of arrear paper is not more than the number of semester. Those whose special chances have been exhausted and failed to appear the last special examination shall not be eligible to appear the above proposed special

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examination. The said special examination will be conducted in two consecutive semesters. The matter was placed before the Council for decision.

Resolution: The item was accepted by the Council with the observation that the Special Examination for UG/PG/Integrated, Law & B.Ed. courses etc. shall be applicable for those students who have exhausted their regular chances and number of arrear paper is not more than the number of semesters of the programme and recommended the same to Executive Council for approval.

Item No. 20: Sitting allowance for Ph.D. viva-voce:

AC:93:04-23:20: The proposal for granting of Rs. 2000/- (Rupees Two Thousand only) as Sitting Allowances for External Examiner present through online mode in Ph.D. viva-voce is forwarded by the Controller of Examinations.

The same was placed before the Council for consideration.

Resolution: The Council accepted the proposal and recommended to the Executive Council for approval.

Item No. 21: Plagiarism check software:

AC:93:04-23:21: Prof. Alok Sen, Convener, Library Standing Committee has forwarded the minutes of the Library Standing Committee meeting held on 29th September 2022 for perusal of the members in respect to plagiarism check software under which the checking of Thesis to be done by URKUND and checking of Articles and other publications by TURNITIN. This was placed with reference to communication from Secretary, UGC dtd. 2nd August 2019. The matter was placed before the Council for approval.

Resolution: While accepting the agenda of plagiarism check software the Council felt that the modalities shall be framed in this regard and accordingly a Committee to be constituted with Prof. Alok Sen as Chairman, Prof. M. K. Sinha, Dr. Mukut Sarmah and Director, IQAC as members of the Committee. Also respective Supervisors of the Scholars shall take necessary action on the approved report of the Committee.

Item No. 22: Matter related to the School of Library Sciences:

AC:93:04-23:22: The Dean, Swami Vivekananda School of Library Sciences has submitted the following proposal for placing in the Academic Council.

 Matter related to the approval of Revised Panel of Paper Setters, Moderators for Theory Papers and External Practical Examiners for P G Odd Semester Examinations, December 2022 (to be held in March-April, 2023) and Even Semester Examinations, May 2023 (Exam to be held in August -September 2023). The Panel of External Practical Examiners, as mentioned was handed over in SEALED COVER at the time of A C meeting by the Dean.

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2. Matter related to introducing "Library and Information Science" as a Skill Enhancement Course (SEC) in Colleges affiliated to Assam University. In this regard the President, Assam College Librarians Association (ACLA) has requested the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor to consider the issue. The said communication along with course structure and syllabi was placed by the Head, Dept. of Library & Information Science.

The matter was placed before the Council for consideration.

Resolution: (1) The Council approved the Revised Panel of Paper Setters, Moderators for Theory Papers and External Practical Examiners for P G Odd Semester Examinations, December 2022 (to be held in March-April, 2023) and Even Semester Examinations, May 2023 (Exam to be held in August -September 2023).

(2) While accepting the agenda for proposal of Assam College Librarians Association (ACLA) the Council resolved that No Objection Certificate may be issued for the purpose, however, one paper on Value Added Course in the course structure and syllabi shall be considered. The Head, Dept. of Library & Information Science shall take necessary action in this regard.

Item No. 23: Matter related to conduct of Open Course:

AC:93:04-23:23: The Head, Dept. of Visual Arts forwarded the matter related to conduct of Open Course for the existing MVA 2nd Semester (Non-NEP) duly accepted by both BPGS and School Board to conduct the same within the Department of Visual Arts since other PG Departments have discontinued the Old Open Course papers and the Department of Visual Arts is running three separate specialization courses such as Applied Art, Painting and Sculpture. The following papers will be the part of Open Paper in PG 2nd Semester.

MVPO-203: Installation and Performance Art

MVAO-203: Design Principle

MVSO-203: Mask Making

The matter was placed before the Council for consideration.

Resolution: The Council accepted the proposal and recommended to the Executive Council for approval.

Item No. 24: Introduction of PG Diploma in Rural Development in collaboration with NIRD by the Dept. of Social work:

AC:93:04-23:24: The, Dean, School of Social Sciences forwarded the proposal for Introducing of PG Diploma in Rural Development in collaboration with NIRD by the Dept. of Social work. Accordingly, (I) Syllabus of PG Diploma in Rural Development & (II) Syllabus for PG Degree in Rural Development was forwarded for consideration by the Council.

Resolution: The proposal for introduction of PG Diploma in Rural Development in collaboration with NIRDPR by the Dept. of Social work was accepted in principle with

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a provision to upgrade the Course to PG Degree in Rural Development subject to approval of UGC. The Council resolved that the course shall be a self financing one and shall be communicated to the UGC for approval.

Item No. 25: Matter related to School of Technology:

AC:93:04-23:25: The Dean, School of Technology forwarded the following proposal:

- The Course Structure of 2nd, 3rd & 4th year B.Tech course of the Dept. of CSE for revision.
- (ii) And revision of course structure & syllabus B.Tech 1st year course of the Dept. of Computer Science & Engineering, Agricultural Engineering and Electronics & Communication Engineering under the aegis of Dept. of Applied Science & Humanities, TSSOT.

(iii) Reducing of intake capacity for M.Tech course in the Dept. of Electronics & Communication Engineering, TSSOT.

The matter was placed for consideration and decision.

Resolution: (i) The revision of Course Structure of 2nd, 3rd & 4th year B.Tech course of the Dept. of CSE as proposed by the Dean, TSSOT was accepted by the Council and recommended to the Executive Council for approval.

- (ii) The Council accepted the proposal of the Dean, TSSOT and recommended to the Executive Council for approval.
- (iii) The issue was discussed in detail and the Council was of the opinion that the issue shall be referred to the Seat Matrix Committee to examine and report at the earliest.

Item No. 26: Certificate programme in Functional Arabic:

AC:93:04-23:26: The Head, Dept. of Arabic forwarded the proposal for introducing Certificate programme in Functional Arabic in the Dept. of Arabic. The Syllabus and Regulations was placed by the Head, Arabic in the meeting for consideration.

Resolution: The proposal for introducing Certificate programme in Functional Arabic in the Dept. of Arabic under self financing mode was discussed in the meeting and it was resolved that the matter be referred to the Director, IQAC for views and the report shall be submitted to the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor at the earliest.

Item No. 27: Certificate course in Communicative Karbi at AUDC:

AC:93:04-23:27: The Certificate course in Communicative Karbi at AUDC is a six months course presently running once in a year, whereas the proposal form AUDC administration is received for the same course to be offered twice in a year i.e, January and July session with a intake capacity of 60 students. The Pro Vice Chancellor i/c, of AUDC placed the issue before the Council for consideration.

Resolution: The Council accepted the proposal of PVC i/c, AUDC and recommended to the Executive Council for approval.

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Item No. 28: Setting up and Operation of Campuses of Foreign Higher Educational Institutions in India:

AC:93:04-23:28: The UGC vide letter dtd. January 10, 2023 forwarded draft Regulation 2023 on University Grant Commission (Setting up and Operation of Campuses of Foreign Higher Educational Institutions in India) Regulations 2023. This is enabling provision for facilitating the setting up and operation of campuses of Foreign Higher Educational Institutions (FHEIs) in India to conduct Under Graduate, Post Graduate, Doctoral, Post Doctoral and other programmes and award degrees, Diplomas and Certificates in all disciplines. This will also enable FHEIs to expand their global outreach by establishing their campuses in India for strengthening international relations.

The communication as received from UGC and draft Regulations was placed in the meeting for discussion and decision.

Resolution: The issue of setting up and Operation of Campuses of Foreign Higher Educational Institutions in India was discussed at length and the Council resolved to refer the issue to the Committee for International Collaboration, headed by Prof. Dipendu Das to look into the matter and the report of the Committee shall be forwarded to the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor.

Item No. 29: Revision of Fees payable for different course from the session 2023-24

AC:93:04-23:29: Prof. Alok Sen, Chairman of the Committee on Revision of Fees payable for different UG & IG courses has submitted the report of the Committee and decisions taken thereon is as follows.

 The Committee recommended to enhance fee on some common and basic items for UG/IG Courses w.e.f 2023-24 as detailed below.

Sl.No.	Particular	Existing fee in Rs.	Enhancement recommended	Fee after enhancement
1.	Admission fee	500.00	500.00	1000.00
2.	Identity Card	75.00	25.000	100.00
3.	Transportation Charge(per semester)	1000.00	500.00	1500.00
4.	Sports fee	100.00	50.00	150.00
5.	Basic Primary Health Service	200.00	50.00	250.00
6.	Students Co- curricular Fund	300.00	50.00	350.00
7.	Magazine fee	100.00	50.00	150.000
8.	Tuition fee	2400.00 @200.00 pm	1200.00	3600.00 @300.00 pm

(II) The Committee recommended that Examination fee is to be enhanced to Rs. 300/- per paper with a maximum ceiling of Rs. 1200/- per semester.
The matter was placed before the Council for consideration and approval.

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Resolution: The fees structure as placed in the meeting (I) & (II) was accepted by the Council and recommended to the Executive Council for approval.

Item No. 30: Separate registration for simultaneous two academic programme:

AC:93:04-23:30: The 92nd meeting of the Academic Council vide resolution no. AC:92:11-22:10 resolved to adopt pursuing of two academic programme simultaneously in compliance with UGC guidelines dtd. 30th September 2022. The Controller of Examinations in this regard proposed for separate registration system for pursuing dual academic programme for Diploma and Certificate courses in different Departments/Centers of the University. The detail of the issue was placed by the COE in the meeting. The matter was placed before the Council for consideration.

Resolution: The Council was of the view that two separate Academic Programmes can only be undertaken by a candidate when classes do not overlap/collude.

Item No. 31: Proposal for Ph.D. admission twice in a year in Assam University:

AC:93:04-23:31: The University office has received requests from students for initiation of Ph.D. admission twice in a year with a view to bring significant benefits to the students and the University. The matter was placed before the Council for consideration.

Resolution: The Council authorized the Vice Chancellor to constitute a Committee to look into the issue.

Item No. 32: Constitution of separate School Board and BPGS for Assam University Diphu Campus:

AC:93:04-23:32: The representatives of Assam University Diphu Campus Teachers Association (AUDCTA) requested to constitute separate School Board and BPGS for Diphu Campus with necessary amendment in the University Ordinance. The matter was placed before the Council for consideration.

Resolution: After detail discussion on the issue the Council resolved to constitute a Committee with Prof. Anup Dey as Chairperson. Vice Chancellor has been authorized to nominate other members of the Committee.

(C) Agenda item for ratification by the Council:

Item No. 33: Guidelines for Credit Transfer of SWAYAM/NPTEL MOOC Courses:

AC:93:04-23:33: The Committee constituted headed by Prof. R. M. Pant, Vice Chancellor hold its meeting on 1st February 2023 and the resolution of the meeting is as under:

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Guidelines for Credit Transfer of SWAYAM/NPTEL MOOC Courses

- Academic departments will notify the selected lists of course(s) against the (existing approved) elective courses from SWAYAM platform those are not offered by the academic departments.
- Students will enroll for the course(s) as per their preference. The subject binding will be based on the enrolment.
- Department will engage teachers as mentors of a SWAYAM course for monitoring and supervision.
- The enrolment list must be sent by the department to SPOC, AU NPTEL Local Chapter Office and Examination section of the University.
- The criteria of course selection will be as follows so that credits in both the columns will be equivalent.

Credit of Course/ Paper in Assam University	Credit of Courses/Papers in SWAYAM	Remarks
3	One 3 credit course to be opted	If any student earns more
4		in that case only the requisite credit will be
5	Two courses (one 3 credit course and one 2 credit course) are to be opted	considered in calculation of result.

- The internal assessment marks of the SWAYAM MOOC courses will be submitted to the Examination section duly forwarded by the mentor and the Head of the Department. The enrolment date of the University examination will be announced by the examination section only after the availability of the internal marks of SWAYAM courses.
- 7. Students must qualify in the internal assessment (25% marks) to sit in the final examination (75% marks). 40% marks is the qualifying marks in any course as per SWAYM MOOC courses. The marks will be scaled up/down to 30% and 70% for internal assessment and end-semester examination respectively as per the University course structure.
- After getting an ONLINE Certificate from SWAYAM, students will submit it to the department and then it will be sent directly to COE and SPOC, Assam University NPTEL Local Chapter office for credit transfer.
- The result of MOOC should be available before the publication of University result.
- The courses offered by higher educational institute/University other than SWAYAM/NPTEL may also be considered subject to approval of MoE/UGC/AICTE/University authority.
- 11. The MOOC courses may be introduced in the Assam University curriculum from the even semester of the academic session 2022-23 with the approval of the authority.

The matter was placed before the Council for ratification.

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Resolution: The Council ratified the same.

Item No. 34: Formation of Governing Body for the B.Voc. Programme:

AC:93:04-23:34: Dr. C. B. Khobragade, Nodal Officer (B.Voc.) has submitted a proposal for constitution of Governing Body for the Bachelor of Vocational (B. Voc.) Programme with the following members to the Vice Chancellor for consideration.

- (i) Dr. C. B. Khobragade, Assistant Professor & Nodal Officer, B. Voc. : Chairperson
- (ii) Dr. C. B. Khobragade, Assistant Professor, FMP Specialization : Member
- (iii) Dr. Ajita Tiwari, Asstt. Professor & HOD (i/c), Dept. of Agri. Engg. : Member (FPE Specialization)
- (iv) Er. Gajendra Prasad, Asstt. Professor, Dept. of Agri. Engg., : Member (FPE Specialization)
- (v) Er. M. Padhiary, Asstt. Professor, Dept of Agri. Engg., : Member (FMP Specialization)
- (vi) Dr. Pranab Sarkar, Assistant Professor, Department of ASH : Member
- (vii) Mr. Bhagaban Swain, Assistant Professor, Deptt. of CSE : Member
- (viii) Er. Lalan Prasad Yadav, Workshop Superintendent, TSSOT : Member

The Vice Chancellor approved the said proposal of formation of Governing Body of B. Voc., AUS and the matter was placed before the Council for ratification.

Resolution: The proposal of Nodal Officer, B.Voc. for formation of Governing Body for the B. Voc. Programme was perused by the members and after detail discussion the Council authorized the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor to constitute a Committee to re-look the proposal and report shall be submitted to the Vice Chancellor.

Item No. 35: Proposal from the Controller of Examinations:

AC:93:04-23:35:

(i) Panel of paper setter, moderator and evaluator of PG/UG/Integrated courses of Even and Odd Semester Examination 2022:

The list of panel of paper setter, moderator and evaluator of PG/UG/Integrated courses of Even and Odd Semester examinations, 2022 was submitted by the Chairman, BPGS and was approved by the University authority.

Resolution: The Council ratified the same.

(ii) Panel of the paper setter, moderator and evaluators of TDC (CBCS) Even and Odd Sem Exam 2022:

The list of panel of the paper setter, moderator and evaluators of TDC (CBCS) Even and Odd Sem Exam 2022 was submitted by the Chairman, BUGS and was approved by the University authority.

Resolution: The Council ratified the same.

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(iii) Panel of the paper setter, moderator and evaluators of TDC (Non - CBCS) Odd 2021 and Even Non CBCS 2022 Exam.:

The list of panel of the paper setter, moderator and evaluators of TDC (Non - CBCS) Odd 2021 and Even Non CBCS was submitted by the Chairman, BUGS and was approved by the University authority..

The matter (i, ii & iii) were placed before the Council for ratification.

Resolution: The Council ratified the same.

Item No. 36: Examination Discipline Committee (EDC):

AC:93:04-23:36: The minutes of the Examination Discipline Committee held on 2nd March 2023 approved by the competent authority was placed by the COE before the Council for ratification.

Resolution: The report of the Examination Discipline Committee (EDC) as placed by the COE was heard by the members and while referring the issue of two cases, the Council noted the same. However, the policy framing part of the issue was referred to the Committee already constituted for the purpose and the rest was ratified.

Item No. 37: Minutes of the meeting with Principals and the Sub-Committee report held on 2nd January 2023:

AC:93:04-23:37: Minutes of the meeting on examination related matter with Principals held on 2nd January 2023 and the report of the Sub-Committee placed for ratification of the Council. The relevant minutes and the report were placed by the COE before the Council for ratification.

Resolution: The Council ratified the same.

Item No. 38: Ratification of re-constitution of BPGS:

AC:93:04-23:38: The following BPGS were re-constituted with the approval of the Vice Chancellor and accordingly notified as follows:

 BPGS in Mass Communication was re-constituted and notified vide Notification No. AUK-212/19/2007/ dtd. 6th January 2023.

 BPGS in Performing Arts was re-constituted and notified vide Notification No. AUK-212/17/2007/ dtd. 22nd March 2023.

The matter was placed before the Council for ratification.

Resolution: The Council ratified the same.

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Item No. 39: Item from the Chair:

AC:93:04-23:39: Award of Bachelors Degree to Ex Serviceman from Armed Forces:

The Chairman placed the issue of awarding degrees to the Army Personnel with reference to GoI letter No. 15012/8/82-Estt(D) dtd. 12-02-1986 whereby Ministry of Personal Public Grievances provides for issuance of graduation certificates to Ex Serviceman on completion of the terms of engagement. The practice is already followed by a few Universities in the country.

Resolution: It is learnt that the Ministry of Defence (MoD) is giving equivalence to defence personnel who have undergone certain year/no. of training courses during their service period based on their competency and recommending them for the award of Bachelor's Degree. University of Hyderabad & Central University of Punjub have already been recognized by MoD for awarding Degrees to such candidates as per the recommendations of MoD. Assam University is also submitting a proposal for consideration for the award of similar Degree.

Further, for Defence Personnel the University intends to start Non-Collegiate Degree Courses to enable them to upgrade/enhance their qualifications.

Item No. 40: Any other item with permission from the Chair:

AC:93:04-23:40.1: Certificate course in Vedic Samskaras and Karmakanda, 2023.

The Head, Dept. of Sanskrit placed before the Council the proposal for starting a Certificate course in Vedic Samskaras and Karmakanda, in the Dept. of Sanskrit from the session 2023 for consideration and the related syllabus for the course was also placed for perusal by the members.

Resolution: The matter of starting a Certificate course in Vedic Samskaras and Karmakanda, in the Dept. of Sanskrit from the session 2023 was discussed in detail and on being heard the issue the Council accepted the proposal and recommended the same to the Executive Council for approval.

AC:93:04-23:40.2: Exam related matter in respect to students of SOT.

The communication received from AUSU was placed in the meeting in respect to retain the exam paradigm of TSSOT in parity with IITs & NITs. Also they have requested to keep the Mid Semester Examination in the exam format of TSSOT.

Resolution: The representation of the students was perused by the members and after thorough discussion the Council was of the opinion to authorized the Vice-Chancellor to constitute a Committee to look into the detail of the issue and a report in this regard shall be submitted to the competent authority.

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AC:93:04-23:40.3: Starting of MPA & Ph.D Programme and Course Structure for the Dept. of Performing Arts:

The Head, Dept. of Performing Arts placed the proposal for starting of MPA & Ph.D Programme in the Dept. of Performing Arts which was recommended by the concerned School Board for placement before the AC for consideration.

Resolution: The proposal for starting of MPA & Ph.D programme in the Dept. of Performing Arts. was discussed at length and the Course Structure for the same was perused by the members. It was resolved that the MPA programme may be started as per the proposal submitted and in respect to starting of Ph.D. programme, the Council was of the opinion that it can only be initiated after completion of 1st batch of Master of Performing Arts. The Council recommended the proposal to start MPA programme be referred to the Executive Council for approval.

AC:93:04-23:40.4: Reconstitution of BUGS:

(I) The Head, Dept. of Law has forwarded the panel for reconstitution of BUGS in Law:

Head, Department of Law, Assam University, Silchar : Chairman

2. Prof. Rashmi Ranjan Mishra, Professor, Dept. of Law, AUS : Member

3. Prof. Madhumita Dhar Sarkar, Professor, Dept. of Law, AUS: Member

4. Dr. Partha Pratim Paul, Associate Professor, Dept. of Law, AUS: Member

5. Dr. Suranjan Das, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Law, AUS : Member

6. Principal A. K. Chanda Law College, Silchar : Member

Principal, Karimganj Law College, Karimganj : Member

8. Principal, Diphu Law College, Diphu : Member

9. Prof Chintamoni Rout : External Member

Department of Law, NEHU, Shillong, Meghalaya

10. Prof. Sukanta Kumar Nanda : External Member Department of Law, Utkal University, Bhubaneswar.

(II) The Head, Dept. of Agricultural Engineering has forwarded the panel for reconstitution of BUGS in Agricultural Engineering:

1. Head, Dept. of Agricultural Engineering, AUS : Chairperson

2. Dr. Ajita Tiwari, Asstt. Professor, Dept. of Agri. Engineering, AUS : Member

3. Dr. C. B. Khobragade, Asstt. Professor, Dept. of Agri. Engineering, AUS: Member

4. Dr. Somnath Mukhopadhyay, Asstt. Prof., Dept. of Comp. Sc & Engg. AUS : Member

5. Er. Mariam J. Laskar, Asstt. Prof., Dept. of Electronics & Comm. Engg. AUS: Member

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6. Prof. Sarbani Giri, Dept. of Life Science & Bio-informatics, AUS : Member

7. Prof. P. B. Mazumder, Dept. of Biotechnology, AUS : Member

8. Dr. Khan Chand Sharma, Associate Professor, : Ext. Member Dept. of Agricultural Engineering, School of Agricultural Science and Rural Development, Nagaland University.

Dr. Jatin Kalita
 Principal Scientist & Head, NEIST, CSIR, Jorhat, Assam.

: Ext. Member

Resolution: The Council approved the above (I) & (II). However, the date of effect of the reconstitution of BUGS in Agricultural Engineering is 2nd February 2023.

AC:93:04-23:40.5: Reconstitution of BPGS:

The Head, Dept. of Agricultural Engineering has forwarded the panel for reconstitution of BPGS in Agricultural Engineering:

1. Head, Dept. of Agricultural Engineering, AUS : Chairperson

2. Dr. Ajita Tiwari, Asstt. Professor, Dept. of Agri. Engg., AUS : Member

3. Dr. C. B. Khobragade, Asstt. Professor, Dept. of Agri. Engg., AUS: Member

4. Dr. Mousam Handique, Asstt. Professor of Comp. Sc. & Engg. AUS: Member

5. Dr. Rinku Rabidas, Asstt. Professor of Electronics & Comm. Engg. AUS: Member

6. Prof. Sarbani Giri, Dept. of Life Science & Bio-informatics, AUS : Member

7. Prof. P. B. Mazumder, Dept. of Biotechnology, AUS : Member

8. Prof. Mahendra Singh Seveda : Ext. Member
Dept. of Renewable Energy Engineering,
College of Agricultural Engineering and Post Harvest Technology,
Central Agricultural University, Ranipool, Gangtok, Sikkim.

9. Prof. Utpal Borah : Ext. Member Dept. of Bioscience and Bioengineering, IIT, Guwahati, Assam.

Resolution: The Council approved the same and the date of effect of the reconstitution of BPGS in Agricultural Engineering is 2nd February 2023.

AC:93:04-23:40.6: Starting of Master of Vocation (FMPT/FP) from 2023-24.

Dr. C. B. Khobragade, Nodal Officer, B.Voc, has forwarded the minutes of the Departmental Meeting held on 23/02/2023 in respect to opening of M.Voc. programme (FMPT/FP) from the session 2023-24 for consideration by the Council.

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Resolution: The course structure and the syllabus for M. Voc. Programme was perused by the members and considering the minutes of the Departmental meeting which was already accepted by the University administration, the Council was of the opinion that the Vice Chancellor of the University shall take necessary steps for implementation of the programme. The Council recommended the same to the Executive Council for consideration.

AC:93:04-23:40.7: Recognition of Co-Guide for Ph.D degree.

The proposal of Controller of Examinations for mentioning the name of registered Co-Guide in the award of Ph.D. degree for Ph.D. research programme needs to be initiated. Also the Co-Guide shall be included as one of the member in the Open Viva Voce Committee now onwards.

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

AC:93:04-23:40.8 : Establishment of UG College in Assam University Campus in self finance mode :

The preliminary project report for establishment of UG College in Assam University Campus in self finance mode was prepared by Prof. M. Dutta Choudhury, Chairman, NEP-2020 Implementation Committee was presented by the Director i/c, CDC in the meeting for consideration.

Resolution: On perusal of the preliminary project report for establishment of UG College in Assam University Campus in self finance mode the Council accepted the proposal to start the said College from next academic session. However, the Council observed that a brainstorming session with HoDs of respective PG departments shall take place for preparing the final project report in this regard.

AC:93:04-23:40.9: Draft proposed guidelines for Ph.D. registration of Doctoral Fellow under Dr. Ambedkar Chair Scheme:

Dr. Anup Kumar Dey, Chair Professor, Ambedkar Scheme, placed before the Council the draft guidelines for Ph.D. registration of Doctoral Fellow under Dr. Ambedkar Chair Scheme.

Resolution: As per the Guidelines of Dr. Ambedkar Foundation (DAF), New Delhi, two Doctoral Fellows are to be selected on the basis of the existing norms of the concerned University along with certain other clauses required to be followed. The Council was of the opinion that the Chair Professor of the Scheme shall prepare detail requirement in this regard and the report shall be submitted to the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor.

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AC:93:04-23:40.10: Matter related to plagiarism check by Library:

The representative of Assam University Teachers Association (AUTA) placed the issue of plagiarism check software before the Council citing certain points in respect to software being used for the purpose and its implication over the plagiarism check.

Resolution: The Council discussed the issue and was of the opinion that the decision taken for Item No. 21 of the agenda notes being a similar issue shall be followed for the proposal made by the AUTA representative.

AC:93:04-23:40.11: Revision of Annual Course Fee for Master of Commerce:

The Head, Dept. of Commerce referred the item no. 21 of the 91st meeting of the Academic Council on the issue of enhancement of Annual Course Fee from Rs. 1200.00 to Rs. 3600.00 for Master of Commerce programme.

Resolution: The Council discussed the issue and accepted the proposal of the HOD, Commerce for enhancement of Annual Course Fee from Rs. 1200.00 to Rs. 3600.00 for Master of Commerce programme from the academic session 2023-24. The Council recommended the same to the Executive Council for approval.

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

(Dr. Pradosh Kiran Nath)
Registrar & Ex-officio-Secretary
Academic Council
Assam University, Silchar

(Prof. Rajive Mohan Pant) Vice Chancellor & Chairman Academic Council Assam University, Silchar