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Members present :

1. Prof. Rajive Mohan Pant, Vice-Chancellor : Chairman
2. Prof. G. P. Pandey, Dean of Creative Arts & Comm. Studies : Member
3. Prof. Asoke K Sen, Professor, Dept. of Physics : Member
4. Prof. B. S. Purkayastha, Professor, Dept. of Computer Science : Member
5. Prof. A K Baishya, Dean of Indian Languages and Cultural Studies: Member
6. Prof. Sanjib Das, Dean, School of Medical & Paramedical Sciences: Member
7. Prof. Bela Das, Dean of Indian Languages & Cultural Studies : Member
8. Prof. Snigdha Das Roy, Head, Dept. of Sanskrit : Member
9. Prof. Sarbani Giri, Dean, School of Life Sciences : Member
10. Prof. A. L. Ghosh, Professor, Dept. of Business Administration : Member
11. Prof. C. R. Bhattacharjee, Professor, Dept. of Chemistry : Member
12. Prof. M. A. Ansari, Professor, Dept. of Economics : Member
13. Prof. Jayashree Rout, Dept. of Ecology & Environmental Science: Member
14. Prof. Alok Sen, Dean, School of Economics & Commerce : Member
& Acting Librarian
15. Prof. Suman Gun, Dept. of Indian Comparative Literature : Member
16. Prof. B. Ruma Sharma, Professor, Dept. of Visual Arts : Member
17. Prof. H. Nani Kumar Singha, Head, Dept. of Manipuri : Member
18. Prof. Dipendu Das, Professor, Dept. of English : Member
19. Prof. Sudipto Roy, Head, Dept of Computer Science & Engg. : Member
20. Prof. Dibyojyoti Bhattacharjee, Head, Dept. of Statistics : Member
21. Prof. Debaprasad Das, Dean, School of Technology : Member
22. Prof. Piyush Pandey, Head, Dept. of Microbiology : Member

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23. Prof. Joyati Bhattacharya, Dean, School of Social Sciences : Member
24. Prof. Supriyo Chakraborty, Head, Dept. of Biotechnology : Member
25. Prof. S. K. Ghosh, Professor, 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. Dr. Prabhat Kr. Mishra, Head i/c, Dept of Hindi : Member
30. Prof. H. Ramananda Singh, Dean of Management Studies & : Member
31. Prof. Priya Kanta Nath, Head, Dept. of Bengali : Member
32. Prof. Sivan G., Professor, Dept. of Visual Arts : Member
33. Prof. P.B. Mazumder, Professor, Dept. of Biotechnology : Member
34. Prof. Parthankar Choudhury, Dean, School of Environmental Sc.: 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, Head, Dept. of Business Administration : 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 Work: Member
48. Prof. Shanti Pokhrel, Professor, Dept. of Sanskrit : Member
49. Prof. Kh. Dhiren Singh, Head, Dept. of Linguistics : Member
50. Prof. Humayun Bokth, Professor, Dept. of Sociology : Member
51. Prof. Manoj Kumar Paul, Professor, Dept. of Chemistry : Member
52. Prof. Suparna Roy, Head, Dept. of History : Member
53. Prof. Parag Shil, Head, Dept. of Commerce : Member



54. Prof. Ajay Kumar Singh, Head, Dept. of Education : Member
55. Prof. Baby Pushpa Sinha, Dean of English & Foreign Lang. St. : Member
56. Prof. Sanjib Sengupta, Head, Dept. of Mathematics : Member
57. Prof. Anirudha Giri, Head, Dept. of Life Sc & Bioinformatics : Member
58. Prof. Mohammad Basheer K., Head, Dept. of Arabic : Member
59. Prof. Shahin Ara Begum, Head, Dept. of Computer Science : Member
60. Prof. R. R. Mishra, Dean, School of Legal Studies & HOD, Law : Member
61. Prof. Tenepalli Hari, Head, Dept. of Political Science : Member
62. Prof. Nirmal Kanti Roy, Head, Dept. of Visual Arts : Member
63. Prof. Partha Sarkar, Head, Dept. of Mass Communication : Member
64. Prof. Aparajita De, Professor, Dept. of Ecology & Env. Science : Member
65. Prof. Meenakshi Bawari, Dept. of Life Sc. & Bioinformatics : Member
66. Prof. Anup Kr. Dey, Chair Professor, Dr. Ambedkar Chair : Member
67. Prof. Nirakar Mallick, Professor, Dept. of Sociology : Member
68. Prof. Jhimli Bhattacharjee, Professor, Dept. of Sociology : Member
69. Prof. Saugata Kumar Nath, Professor, Dept. of English : Member
70. Prof. Sima Pal, Professor, Dept. of Education : Member
71. Prof. Rintu Das, Professor, Dept. of Bengali : Member
72. Prof. Ram Kumar Mahto, Professor, Dept. of Education : Member
73. Prof. Santanu Sarkar, Professor, Dept. of Bengali : Member
74. Prof. Mahuya Sengupta, Professor, Dept. of Biotechnology : Member
75. Prof. Debomalya Ghose, Professor of Business Administration : Member
76. Prof. Arjundeb Sensarma, HOD of Indian Comparative Lit. : Member
77. Prof. Ritwik Mazumder, Head, Dept. of Economics : Member
78. Prof. Bishnu Charan Dash, English (Diphu Campus) : Member
79. Dr. Rama Shanker, Head, Dept. of Statistics : Member
80. Dr. Soumendra Nath Biswas, Head, Dept. of Tourism & Hospitality Management : Member
81. Dr. Amalendu Chakraborty, Head i/c, Dept. of French : Member
82. Dr. Pius V. Thomas, Head, Dept. of Philosophy : Member
83. Dr. Mukut Sarmah, HOD, Library & Information Science : Member
84. Dr. Jawaid Rahmani, Head i/c, Dept. of Urdu : Member

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85. Dr. Ajita Tiwari, Head i/c, Dept. of Agricultural Engineering : Member
86. Dr. Pradip Debnath, HOD i/c, of Applied Sc. & Humanities : Member
87. Dr. Pintu Saha, Head i/c, Dept. of Performing Arts : Member
88. Dr. R. Chakraborty, Principal, Karimganj College, Karimganj : Member
89. Dr. Harsha S., Associate Professor, Dept. of Political Science : Member
90. Dr. Jaydeep Chakraborty, Asstt. Professor, Dept. of English : Member
91. Dr. Lalthakim Hmar, Asstt. Professor, Dept. of English : Member
92. Dr. Gongesh Bhattacharjee, Jagannath Singh College, Udharbond: Member
93. Ms. Akansha Das, Student of Commerce, AUS : Member
94. Ms. Anindita Barman, Ph D Scholar of Sociology, AUS : Member
95. Dr. Suprabir Dutta Roy, Controller of Examinations : Spl. Invitee
96. Mr. Jayanta Bhattacharjee, Director i/c, C.D.C. : Spl. Invitee
97. Dr. Partha Sarathi Das, President, ACTA, Kxj-Hkd Zone : Spl. Invitee
98. Dr. Sujit Tewari, Secretary, ACTA, Kxj.-Hkd. Zone : Spl. Invitee
99. Dr. Pradosh Kiran Nath, Registrar : Ex-officio-Secretary

Members participated in the meeting through online :

1. Prof. M. Dutta Choudhury, Professor, Dept. of Life Science : Member
2. Mr. Chandan Paul Choudhury, President, ACTA, Cachar Zone : Spl. Invitee

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. M. Dutta Choudhury, Professor, Dept. of Life Science and Mr. Chandan Paul Choudhury, President, ACTA, Cachar Zone who participated online in the meeting. Thereafter, agenda items were taken up for discussion and resolutions were adopted accordingly.

(A) Agenda item for ratification :

Item No. 1 : Ratification of constitution/re-constitution of BUGS :

AC:94:07-23:1 : The following BUGS was constituted with the approval of the Vice Chancellor and accordingly notified as follows :

1. BUGS in Library & Information Science was constituted and notified vide Notification No. AUK-212/13/2007/ dtd. 21st June 2023.

The matter was placed before the Council for ratification.

Resolution : The Head Dept. of Library & Information Science presented the constitution of BUGS in Library & Information Sciences and on being heard the Council ratified the same.

Item No. 2 : Ratification of re-constitution of School Board :

AC:94:07-23:2 : The following School Board was re-constituted with the approval of the Vice Chancellor and accordingly notified as follows :

1. School Board of Triguna Sen School of Technology was re-constituted and notified vide Notification No. AUK-212/11/2007/ dtd. 10th Mach 2023.

The matter was placed before the Council for ratification.

Resolution : The Council ratified the same.

(B) Agenda item for approval/decision :

Item No. 3 : Course Structure and Syllabus (PG) as per NEP - 2020 guidelines :

AC:94:07-23:3 : The following P.G. 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	Political Science	M.A. - 1 st to 4 th Sem	
2	Geography, AUDC	MA/M.Sc. - 1 st Sem to 4 th Sem	
3	Hospitality and Tourism Management	MBA - 1 st to 4 th Sem	Corrected
4.	Physics	M.Sc. - 1 st to 4 th Sem	Corrected
5	Linguistics	M.A. 3 rd & 4 th Sem	
6	Computer Science	M.Sc. 3 rd & 4 th Sem (Scheme of Evaluation)	Research Project Part I & II

The matter was placed before the Council for approval.

Resolution : The P.G. syllabus/Course Structure of the respective departments as per NEP-2020 guidelines were placed before the Council and the Council accepted the same subject to rectification from time to time if required.

The Council added Sl. No. 7 as **Master of Social Science** to be included in the same item.

Further, the Council recommended the matter to the Executive Council for approval.

Item No. 4 : Draft syllabus for Certification Course in Bioinformatics (CCBI) for (FOREIGN STUDENTS) :

AC:94:07-23:4 : Prof. Dipendu Das, Working Chairman, Internationalisation of Higher Education, Assam University has forwarded a Draft syllabus for Certification Course in Bioinformatics (CCBI) for (FOREIGN STUDENTS) was prepared by competent authority of the Bioinformatics and Computational Biology Centre, Assam University, Silchar for placing in the Academic Council for consideration and approval.

Resolution : The Council accepted the same and recommended to the Executive Council for approval with minor correction in the agenda items as "Draft syllabus for Certification Course in Bioinformatics (CCBI) for foreign students"

Item No. 5 : Proposal for mandatory Environmental Education curriculum for all UG Programmes :

AC:94:07-23:5 : The Green Mentors proposed for the inclusion of a mandatory environmental education curriculum in all undergraduate programmes under the guidelines of NEP-2020 in the University right from this academic year.

As UGC framed 8 units module syllabus for the Ability Enhancement Compulsory Course under the Choice-Bases Credit System.

Green Mentors offer a robust curriculum bases on UGCs curriculum framework, which is beyond theoretical knowledge, engaging students in practical activities, fieldwork and community involvement.


The curriculum ensures a holistic learning experience, empowering students to address environmental challenges and contribute to sustainable development.

The matter was placed before the Council for consideration and decision.

Resolution : While going through the agenda the Council was of the opinion that the proposal is as per NEP 2020 and therefore there need not be mention of any third party in the agenda item. Further, the Council resolved that the Dept. of Ecology & Environmental Science shall take the appropriate initiative to address environmental challenges and contribute to sustainable development by adequately developing contents & supporting environmental education, wherever required as per feasibility. The proposal was accepted by the Council and recommended to the Executive Council for approval.

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

AC:94:07-23:6 : The following FYUG syllabus/Course Structure as per NEP - 2020 guidelines have been submitted by the concerned Chairman, BUGS/Heads of the Dept. duly recommended by the BUGS for placing in the Academic Council :



Sl. No.	Department	Semester	Remarks
1	Biotechnology	B.Sc. - 1 st to 2 nd Sem	
2	Botany	B.Sc. - 1 st to 2 nd Sem	
	Zoology	B.Sc. - 1 st to 8 th Sem	FYUG complete
	Industrial Fish & Fisheries	B.Sc. - 1 st to 8 th Sem	FYUG complete
3	Geography	BA/B.Sc. - 1 st Sem to 8 th Sem	FYUG complete
4	Earth Science	B.Sc. - 1 st to 2 nd Sem	
5	Ecology & Env. Science	B.Sc. - 1 st to 2 nd Sem	
6	Mathematics	B.Sc. - 1 st to 2 nd Sem	
7	Statistics	BA/B.Sc. - 1 st Sem to 2 nd Sem	
8	Chemistry	B.Sc. - 1 st to 6 th Sem	
9	Computer Science	B.Sc. - 1 st to 2 nd Sem	
		BCA - 1 st to 2 nd Sem	
		4 years UG/M. Sc. (5 years Integrated) 1 st & 2 nd Sem	
10	Physics	B.Sc. - 1 st to 8 th Sem	FYUG complete
11	Philosophy	B.A. - 1 st to 2 nd Sem	
12	Assamese	B.A. - 1 st to 8 th Sem	FYUG complete
13	Bengali	B.A. - 1 st to 2 nd Sem	
14	Hindi	B.A. - 1 st to 2 nd Sem	
15	Sanskrit	B.A. - 1 st to 2 nd Sem	
16	Persian, Bodo, Urdu, Mizo, Hmar & Nepali	B.A. - 1 st to 8 th Sem	FYUG complete
18	Manipuri	B.A. - 1 st to 8 th Sem	FYUG complete
19	Business Administration	BBA General & BBA (Honors-Research) leading to Integrated MBA - 1 st & 2 nd Sem	
21	Library & Information Science	B. Lib. I. Sc. - 1 st to 3 rd Sem (Interdisciplinary Course)	IDC
22	History	B.A. - 1 st to 8 th Sem	FYUG complete
23	Sociology	B.A. - 1 st to 8 th Sem	FYUG complete
24	Political Science	B.A. - 1 st to 8 th Sem	FYUG complete
25	Anthropology	BA/B.Sc. - 1 st Sem to 2 nd Sem	
26	Social Work	BSW - 1 st to 2 nd Sem	
27	Economics	B.A. - 1 st to 8 th Sem	
28	Commerce	B.Com. - 1 st to 2 nd Sem	
29	Arabic	B.A. - 1 st to 2 nd Sem	FYUG complete
30	English	B.A. - 1 st to 2 nd Sem	
31	Education	B.A. - 1 st to 8 th Sem	FYUG complete
32	Mass Communication	B.A. - 1 st to 2 nd Sem	
33	Visual Arts	BVA - Applied Art, Painting & Sculpture	FYUG complete

The matter was placed before the Council for approval.

Resolution : The Council perused the course structure and syllabus of FYUG as per NEP-2020 guidelines and accepted the same with observation on following subjects :

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Sociology - Syllabus and Course Structure for 1st & 2nd Semester only.

Sanskrit - The submission made by HOD, Sanskrit was considered and it was resolved that the Vice Chancellor is authorized to constitute a small Committee on the issue and the report of the Committee shall be submitted at the earliest.

Library & Information Science (Interdisciplinary Course) - The Head of the department was heard by the members and it was decided that the matter shall be referred to the Committee headed by Prof. C. R. Bhattacharjee for the purpose. The proposal of HOD, Library & Information Science for omitting letter "B" from the "B. Lib. I. Sc." and shall be "Lib. I. Sc." which is a Interdisciplinary Course (IDC) was accepted by the Council

The Council further resolved to place before the Executive Council for approval of all the Syllabus/Course Structure as submitted except for Library & Information Science.

Item No. 7 : Separate programme under 4 Years Under Graduate syllabus in the Dept. of Visual Arts :

AC:94:07-23:7 : The Head, Dept. of Visual Arts has forwarded a proposal for 4 years UG syllabus structure as per NEP 2020 duly recommended by the Dean of concerned School for the separate programme in the Dept. of Visual Arts by making Bachelor of Visual Arts in Painting, Bachelor of Visual Arts Sculpture and Bachelor of Visual Arts in Applied Art.

The matter was placed before the Council for consideration and decision.

Resolution : The matter was discussed in detail and the same was agreed in principle. The Vice Chancellor is authorized to constitute a Committee to look into the matter and to submit its report within 10 days.

Item No. 8 : MoU between Krishna Kanta Handiqui State Open University (KKHSOU) and Assam University, Silchar :

AC:94:07-23:8 : The draft MoU between Krishna Kanta Handiqui State Open University (KKHSOU) and Assam University, Silchar submitted by the Director, IQAC and vetted by ILC, Assam University was placed before the Council for perusal and consideration.

Resolution : The Council approved the draft MoU and advised the administration to take up necessary steps to complete the process.

Item No. 9 : Review of nomenclature of the two Post Graduate Diploma Programme in respect to PGDTM & PGDSMM from the School of Management Studies placed in the 93rd meeting of Academic Council :

AC:94:07-23:9 : The Dean, School of Management Studies requested for changing of nomenclature of the two Post Graduate Diploma Programme in respect to

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(PGDTM & PGDSMM from the School of Management Studies placed in the 93rd meeting of Academic Council and the same was placed before the Director, IQAC for views.

The proposal the Dean, School of Management Studies and the comment on the same from the Director, IQAC was placed before the Council for perusal and consideration.

Resolution : The matter was discussed and the opinion of the respective Head of the department was considered and accordingly the name of the courses were corrected as **Post Graduate Diploma in Tea Business and Technology (PGD-TBT)** & **Post Graduate Diploma in Sales Management (PGDSM)**. The Council accepted the same and recommended the same to the Executive Council for approval.

Item No. 10 : Proposal for collaboration of Online Courses in Indian Knowledge System with Assam University :

AC:94:07-23:10 : Prof. Kshitij Patukale. Founder Director, Bhishma School of Indian Knowledge System (BSIKS), Pune has forwarded a proposal for collaboration of Online Courses in Indian Knowledge System with Assam University. They have launched 4 Masters programme and 10 Certificate courses having huge number of students enrolled. The 4 Masters programme (64 Credits) are as follows :

- i) Masters in Indian Knowledge Systems (MIKS)
- ii) Masters in Hindu Studies (MHDS)
- iii) Master in Kautilya Politics and Economics (MKPE)
- iv) Masters in Vedic Literature (MVDL)

Detail proposal was placed in the meeting for consideration by the Council.

Resolution : The Council discussed the matter in detail and resolved that a Committee to be constituted by the Vice Chancellor to assess the possibilities to start the programme. The report of the Committee shall be placed in the next meeting of the Academic Council.

Item No. 11 : Special extension for submission of Ph.D. thesis :

AC:94:07-23:11 : Applications have been submitted by few research scholars for seeking extra time to submit the PhD thesis. All scholars have been re-registered and completed normal two years as per the provision of PhD Ordinance. Moreover, special extension has been granted in the 53rd meeting of BRS due to Covid-19 and subsequent lockdown and even thereafter, and require special extension beyond stipulated time of seven years to complete all formalities and submit the thesis on or before 30th June, 2023 and notification has been issued by Registrar vide no, AURW-13/02R/24/2022, dated. 31.03.2023. But some of them were unable to submit the thesis due to physical issues and some of them faced violent activities of perpetrators in their native state Manipur. Internet was completely shut down which affected the progress of their research work. Therefore, they submitted the applications to the

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Authority for seeking extra time to submit the thesis. All five applications were placed in the meeting for consideration and decision by the Council.

Resolution : The applications received by the University for special extension for submission of Ph.D. thesis were perused by the Council and considering the issues mentioned in the agenda in respect to difficulties faced by the candidates for submission of thesis the Council resolved that the candidates shall be given a final chance for submission of thesis till 31st December 2023 for all such cases which shall not be cited as precedence. The Council recommended the same to the Executive Council for consideration.

Item No. 12 : Item from the Chair :

Item No. 12.1 : Regulations of Four Year Under Graduate programme (FYUG) :

AC:94:07-23:12.1 : Prof. C. R. Bhattacharjee, Chairman of the Committee constituted for framing of Regulations on Four Year Under Graduate programme (FYUG) (B.A., B.Sc., B.Com, B.B.A, B.C.A & B.Voc) under NEP-2020 has submitted the Regulations for consideration and approval of the Council.

Resolution : The Council accepted the Regulations with minor correction and recommended the same to the Executive Council for approval.

Item No. 12.2 : Report of the Committee for framing modalities for plagiarism checks in research activities :

AC:94:07-23:12.2 : Prof. Alok Sen, Chairman of the Committee constituted for framing modalities on plagiarism checks in research activities has submitted its report before the Council for consideration.

Resolution : On perusal of the report of the Committee headed by Prof. Alok Sen, the Council accepted the report. Further, the Council recommended the same to the Executive Council for approval.

Item No. 12.3 : Relaxation in the eligibility criteria for admission into 1 year Executive MBA Programme :

AC:94:07-23:12.3 : The Head, Dept, of Business Administration has submitted the eligibility with relaxed criteria for admission into 1 year Executive MBA Programme in the University as follows for consideration by the Council :

Bachelor Degree in any discipline with at least 55% marks (50% marks for candidates belonging to SC/ST/OBC-NCL) with minimum 02 years of industrial experience/experience in the fields related to Management. The no. of seats for the programme is 25. Out of these 25, the Department proposes to have 05 seats reserved for Industry sponsored candidates with the minimum qualification of graduates of

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any discipline and 5 years of Industry Experience. The sponsored candidates will be allowed to get admission in the programme after satisfactory interaction with the Admission Board. In case, Industry sponsored candidates are not available then the seats will be treated as the usual self-financing candidates.

Resolution : The Council perused the proposal submitted by the Dept. of Business Administration and accepted the same. The Council further recommended the same to the Executive Council for approval.

Item No. 13 : Any other item with permission from the Chair :

Item No. 13.1 : Proposal for opening of new Professional Courses in Assam University, Silchar :

AC:94:07-23:13.1 : Prof. Supriyo Chakraborty has proposed the following Professional Courses to be introduced in Assam University, Silchar in order to uplift the brand name of Assam University and to make a significant footprint in the educational scenario of Eastern India and particularly in North East India :

1. B.Tech & M. Tech in Robotics
2. B.Tech & M. Tech in Aviation/ Aeronautical Technology
3. B.Tech & M. Tech in Renewable Energy Technology
4. B.Tech & M. Tech in Medical Bioengineering (for prosthetics, medical instruments etc.)

The above courses are not yet offered by any University in the NER. Appropriate detailed proposal may be sought from the School of Technology, AUS.


The matter is placed before the Council for consideration.

Resolution : The Council discussed in detail on the proposal as submitted and while accepting the proposals in principle the Council authorized the Vice Chancellor to constitute a Committee under the Chairmanship of the proposer Prof. Supriyo Chakraborty to formulate the guidelines and DPR for the same.

Item No. 13.2 : Registration in multiple courses :

AC:94:07-23:13.2 : The Controller of Examination has proposed registration in multiple courses in the University. Proposal are as follows :

From the session 2023-24 registration in multiple courses allowed as per UGC/NEP 2020 guidelines. The process of registration remains unaltered in case of Bachelor Degrees/Master Degrees & Ph.D. programme. However, for registration in courses like Advance Diploma/Diploma/Certificate, the submission of Migration is not required from the session 2023-24. The University will not issue any Migration Certificate for these courses. The candidates who are qualified in Advance Diploma/Diploma/Certificate will not be allowed to attend the Convocation.



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

Item No. 13.3 : Election for nomination of members in the Academic Council from the affiliated Colleges of Assam University :

AC:94:07-23:13.3 : Dr. Golab Ch. Nandi and Sri Parth Sarathi Das, ACTA representatives have submitted representation to the University for placement before the Academic Council in respect to issues relating to holding of Academic Council Election, 2023.

Resolution : Both the representations were perused by the Council and after detail discussion the Council authorized the Vice Chancellor to constitute a Committee in consultation with the Election Commission (Academic Council) to look into the issue and the report shall be submitted at the earliest to the Vice Chancellor.

Additional Agenda

Item No. 14 : Matter related to ADMISSION FORM for admission of students for International Studies in various departments at Assam University :

AC:94:07-23:14 : The Working Chairman, Internationalization of Higher Education, has submitted a format of ADMISSION FORM for admission of International Students in various departments at Assam University. The FORM was placed in the meeting for consideration and approval by the Council.

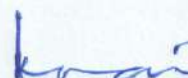
Resolution : The item was dropped from discussion.

Item No. 15 : Recommendation of Committee constituted for introduction of Supplementary Examinations (i) in all departments (ii) for TSSOT :

AC:94:07-23:15 :

- (i) The report of the Committee under the Chairmanship of Senior most Professor of the University on introduction of Supplementary Examinations in all departments was submitted and was placed in the meeting for consideration by the Council.
- (ii) The report of the Committee on conducting supplementary examinations for TSSOT was placed in the meeting for discussion and decision of the Council.

Resolution : (i) The Council resolved that the Supplementary Examinations cannot be held for all the department.



(ii) The matter of supplementary examination in TSSOT was discussed at length and the following resolutions were adopted :

- a) Supplementary examination in SOT may be held after the declaration of 8th semester result. It will be applicable only for the students of outgoing batch who have backlogs in their previous semesters.
- b) It will be held once in a year on a regular basis for outgoing batch only including odd and even semester papers.
- c) There should not be any paper restrictions to appear supplementary examination.
- d) The paper setting and evaluation of the answer scripts will be carried out by external examiners only.
- e) The faculty members who will be engaged in the examination related activities may be compensated if the supplementary examination is conducted during vacation period.

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

Item No. 16 : Proposal for starting of Distance Education from IGNOU :

AC:94:07-23:16 : The issue of starting of Distance Education from IGNOU was discussed in the meeting for consideration.

Resolution : The Vice Chancellor briefed about the necessity of setting up a Study Centre in Distance Education from IGNOU in Assam University and on being heard the deliberation of the Vice Chancellor the Council was of the opinion that a Committee to be constituted to formulate the guidelines.

Item No. 17 : Reconstitution of BUGS in Mass Communication :

AC:94:07-23:17 : The Head, Dept. of Mass Communication has submitted a panel for reconstitution of BUGS in Mass Communication as follows :

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| 1. Head, Dept. of Mass Communication | : Chairman |
| 2. Prof. G. P. Pandey, Professor, Dept. of Mass Communication | : Member |
| 3. Prof. Partha Sarkar, Professor, Dept. of Mass Communication | : Member |
| 4. Dr. S.M. Alfarid Hussain, Asso. Prof. of Mass Communication | : Member |
| 5. Prof. Parag Shil, Dept. of Commerce | : Member |
| 6. Prof. Tarun Bikash Sukai, Dept. of Social Work | : Member |
| 7. Course Coordinator, G. C. College, Silchar | : Member |
| 8. Course Coordinator, Women's College, Silchar | : Member |



9. Course Coordinator, R. S. Girl's College, Karimganj : Member
10. Course Coordinator, Ramanuj Gupta Junior College, Silchar : Member
11. Prof. Raghavendra Mishra : External Member
 Dept. of Journalism & Mass Communication &
 Head, Dept. of Vocational Education,
 Indira Gandhi National Tribal University, Amarkhantak,
 Madhya Pradesh.
12. Dr. Chandan Kumar Goswami : External Member
 Sr. Assistant Professor & Head
 Dept. of Communication and Journalism,
 Gauhati University, Guwahati - 781 014.

The matter was placed before the Council for approval.

Resolution : The Council approved the reconstitution of BUGS in Mass Communication with correction of name "Ramanuj Gupta Degree College" instead of "Ramanuj Gupta Junior College" and the name of the Course Coordinator as forwarded by the HOD, Mass Communication is incorporated as under :

7. Course Coordinator, G. C. College, Silchar : **Dr. Sandipa Das Shil**
8. Course Coordinator, Women's College, Silchar : **Mr. Hussain Md Bajlun Noor**
9. Course Coordinator, R. S. Girl's College, Karimganj : **Dr. Arindam Gupta**
10. Course Coordinator, Ramanuj Gupta Degree College, Silchar : **Dr. Charu Joshi**

Item No. 18 : Syllabus of Value Added courses under FYUG programme :

AC:94:07-23:18 : Prof. Sajal Nag, Chairman of the Committee constituted for framing course structure and syllabus on Value Added courses for following four FYUG programme which was placed in the Academic Council for consideration and approval.

- (i) Understanding India
- (ii) Health and Wellness, Yoga and Sports
- (iii) Introduction to NCC
- (iv) Introduction to NSS

Resolution : The report of the Committee constituted for framing course structure and syllabus on Value Added courses for above mentioned four FYUG programme was perused by the members and the Council accepted Sl. No. (ii) to (iv) of the programmes where as the Council was of the opinion that for Sl. No. (i), the course needs to be reviewed by the University for which a Committee may be constituted by the Vice Chancellor. The Council recommended the course Sl. No. (ii) (iii) & (iv) to the Executive Council for approval.

Item No. 19 : Permission/Affiliation for opening of Science & Arts Stream in the Colleges and opening of new Degree Colleges under Assam University :

AC:94:07-23:19 : The Director of Higher Education, Govt. of Assam has granted starting the following streams in the Colleges as below to admit students from current academic session i.e, 2023-24 and opening of two new Degree Colleges under Assam University, Silchar. The detail of the issue and the correspondences of the DHE was placed by the Director i/c, CDC in the meeting.

- (i) **Introduction of Science Stream in**
 - (a) Swami Vivekananda College, Chandkhira, Karimganj
 - (b) Thongnokbe College, Karbi Anglong
- (ii) **Introduction of Arts Stream in**
 - (a) P. D. U. A. M. Eraligool, Karimganj
 - (b) Pranab Jubilee College, Bokajan, Karbi Anglong
- (iii) **Opening of new Degree Colleges in**
 - (a) Govt. Model College, Dima Hasao
 - (b) South Cachar College, Bagha Bazar, Cachar

The matter was placed before the Council for perusal and consideration.

Resolution : The issue of according Permission/ Affiliation for opening of Science & Arts Stream in the Colleges and opening of new Degree Colleges under Assam University was discussed in detail and the Council was of the opinion that permission/affiliation to these Colleges for opening of new streams and new Degree College may be accorded subject to receiving of positive report of the Inspection Committees of the University after making inspection to the said Colleges.

Item No. 20 : Restructuring of Academic Departments/Schools :

AC:94:07-23:20 : As per decision of the 18th meeting of Standing Committee of Academic Council (SCAC) vide resolution No. **SCAC:18:06-23:1** a Committee was constituted with the Chairmanship of Prof. G. P. Pandey. The Committee has submitted an interim report. The recommendation of the Committee is as follows :

"The Committee is of the opinion that the Dept. of Indian Comparative Literature (ICL) has to be merged in the Dept. of Bengali as there are lesser nos of teachers for running PG and Ph.D programme in the Dept. New admission of all courses running under the Dept. of ICL shall remain suspended, however, the existing programmes of ICL will run till its completion, for already enrolled students. After merger of ICL, the Dept. of Bengali shall have all the academic and administrative control".

The matter was placed before the Council for decision.

Resolution : The matter was discussed in detail and on being heard the respective HODs of the department the Council accepted the recommendation of the Committee for implementation. The Council recommended the same to the Executive Council for approval.

Item No. 21 : Starting of 5 year programme on Integrated Master of Performing Arts (MPA) :

AC:94:07-23:21 : The Head i/c, Dept. of Performing Arts has sought approval for starting of 5 year programme on Integrated Master of Performing Arts (MPA). The proposal of the department along with syllabus and course structure (1st & 2nd Sem) was placed in the meeting for consideration.

Resolution : The proposal of HOD, Performing Arts was placed before the Council and after detail discussion the Council was of the opinion that for starting of Master of Performing Arts (MPA) permission from the UGC may be sought by the University. However, the department can start Four Year U.G. course plus One Year Diploma course if felt necessary.

Item No. 22 : Regulation on Five Year Integrated Programme (FYIP) :

AC:94:07-23:22 : As per the decision of the 93rd meeting of the Academic Council, the Committee constituted with Prof. M. Tineshwari Devi as Chairperson has submitted the Regulation on Five Year Integrated Programme (FYIP). The Regulation as submitted was placed in the meeting for consideration and decision.

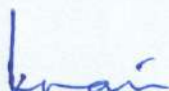
Resolution : Detail deliberation was made by Prof. M. Tineshwari Devi as Chairperson of the Committee constituted for the purpose and on being heard the same the Council accepted the Regulation on Five Year Integrated Programme (FYIP) and recommended the same to the Executive Council for approval.

Item No. 23 : Committee report on formation of Governing Body for the B.Voc Programme w.r.t. Item No. 34 of 93rd meeting of Academic Council :

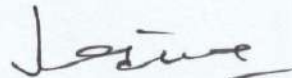
AC:94:07-23:23 : The proposal of Nodal Officer, B.Voc on formation of Governing Body for the B.Voc Programme was placed to the Committee constituted for the purpose to re-look the issue and the report as submitted by Prof. S. K. Ghosh as Chairman of the Committee was placed before the Council for consideration.

Resolution : The Committee report on the issue was perused by the Council and the formation of "Advisory Committee" for the B.Voc programme instead of "Governing Body" was accepted and recommended to the Executive Council for approval.

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



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