

Minutes of the 17th School Board Meeting of School of Law
held on Thursday, 19th May, 2016 at 11.00 a.m. at Room no.- 1, Conference Room,
School of Law, Block- G, Academic Complex, IGNOU, New Delhi- 110068.

The following Members were present:

1. Professor K. Elumalai, Director, SOL, IGNOU – Chairman
2. Professor BT Kaul, Chairperson, National Judicial Academy, New Delhi- 110021.
3. Dr. T. K Viswanathan, Director, The International Centre for Alternative Dispute Resolution (ICADR), New Delhi (Former Union Law Secretary and Secretary-General Lok Sabha)
4. Professor S. Sachidhanandam, Visiting Professor, National Law University, New Delhi (Former Vice Chancellor, Dr. B. R. Ambedkar Law University, Chennai)
5. Dr. (Mrs.) Reeta Vashishta, Additional Secretary & L.C Ministry of Law and Justice, Government India, New Delhi
6. Professor Uma Medury, SOSS, IGNOU
7. Dr. Ali Asgar, Associate Professor, STRIDE, IGNOU.
8. Dr. Arul Selvan, Associate Professor, SOJNMS, IGNOU
9. Dr. Suneet K. Srivastava, Assistant Professor, SOL, IGNOU
10. Dr. Gurmeet Kaur, Assistant Professor, SOL, IGNOU
11. Mr. Anand Gupta, Assistant Professor, SOL, IGNOU
12. Ms. Mansi Sharma, Assistant Professor, SOL, IGNOU

Professor (Dr.) Poonam Saxena, Vice Chancellor, National Law University, Jodhpur could not attend this meeting due to her pre-occupation with other work and Professor B. B. Khanna, SOMS, IGNOU also could not attend the meeting.

At the outset, the Chairman, School Board of School of Law welcomed all the Members of the School Board and briefed the important academic activities carried out after the last School Board Meeting held on 1st October, 2015. The Members were informed that the School of Law successfully celebrated the 'Constitution Day' on 26/11/2016 by conducting a One Day National Seminar on 'The Preamble of the Constitution of India' which was inaugurated by the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Jasti Chelameswar, Judge, Supreme Court of India. This seminar had four Technical Sessions covering the entire gamut of the Preambular goals of the Constitution of India such as (i) Sovereign, Socialist, Secular, Democratic, Republic w.r.t. constitution 42nd amendment Act, 1976 on the Preamble, (ii) **Justice**: Social, Economic and Political, (iii) **Liberty** of Thought, Expression, Belief, Faith and Worship and (iv) **Equality** of Status and Opportunity & **Fraternity**. Each session was chaired by leading experts on the subject.

Thereafter, the Agenda items were taken up for discussion.

Item No. 17.1: Confirmation of Minutes of the Sixteenth School Board Meeting held on 1st October, 2015.

SB 17.1.1 The Chairman, School Board has informed that the Sixteenth School Board Meeting of the School of Law was held on Thursday, 1st October, 2015 at 11.00 a.m. in the Room No. 1, Conference Room, School of Law, IGNOU, Maidan Garhi, New



Delhi- 110 068 and the Minutes were circulated among the Members on 14th October, 2015 through e-mail (**Annexure -1**) with a request to offer their comments on or before 25th October, 2015 failing which the Minutes shall be deemed confirmed thereafter.

SB 17.1.2 The Members have been informed that comments have not been received from any of the Members, hence, placed the said Minutes for approval by the School Board.

SB 17.1.3 The Minutes of the Sixteenth School Board Meeting as circulated on 14th October, 2015 through e-mail were approved by the School Board.

Item No. 17.2: The Action Taken Report on the Minutes of the previous School Board Meetings.

SB 17.2.1 The Action Taken Report on various Agenda Items of the Sixteenth School Board Meeting is given below:

S. No.	Item No.	Action Taken
1.	16.3: To consider and approve the names of External Members for Co-option in the School Board of School of Law.	ACD has issued the necessary notification in this regard.
2	16.4: To consider and approve the panel of Experts for holding the Doctoral Committee Meeting of School of Law.	The Panel stands approved by the competent authority.
3.	16.5: Extension of time to appear in the examination of Certificate Course in Anti- Human Trafficking (CAHT) conducted by IGNOU jointly with MHA-SOL- School Board Agenda Item for consideration and approval by circulation, as a special case- Reporting Item.	Reporting Item: Action not required.
4.	16.6: To consider and approve the Panel of Experts for holding the Expert Committee Meeting for revision of the courses ACS-01 and CPI of Certificate in Consumer Protection (CCP) programme.	The Expert Committee Meeting was held on 17/02/2016. A separate Agenda Item (SB 17.3) is placed for consideration and approval for initiating further course of action.
5.	16.7 To consider and approve the Minutes of the Fifth Doctoral Committee Meeting held on 10th April, 2015.	Approved in the 16 th School Board Meeting held on 1 st October, 2015.

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6.	16.8 To consider and approve the Progress Report for the period Jan-June, 2014 and July-Dec, 2014 submitted by 1. Mr. Saji Mathew, 2. Mr. Rakesh Kumar and 3. Mr. Rahul Verma, Research Scholars (Ph.D. Programme of SOL, July, 2013 Cycle)	The progress reports of all the three scholars were approved in the 16 th School Board Meeting held on 1 st October, 2015 and also approved in the 15 th RCSC Meeting held on 29 th February, 2016 (Item No. 15.2.3). The progress reports submitted for the period July-December, 2013 was also approved by the 14 th RCSC Meeting held on 16 th September, 2014 (Item No. 14.35)
7.	16.9: To consider and approve the Empanelment of an Evaluator for the Programmes offered by SOL received from Regional Centre, Kolkata	Approved in the 16 th School Board Meeting held on 1 st October, 2015.
8.	16.10: To consider and approve the engagement of one Senior and one Junior Consultants against the existing permanent vacancies of one Professor and Two Associate Professors at SOL.	Proposal is under consideration of SOL for taking up the matter with the Competent Authority.
9.	16.11: Proposal for consideration and approval of Review-cum-Revision Committee.	Action is being taken (SB Item No. 17.6 to 17.10).

SB 17.2.2 The above Action Taken Report on the Minutes of the Sixteenth School Board Meeting held on 1st October, 2015 was noted by the School Board Members.

Item No. 17.3: To consider and approve:

- (i) The revised curriculum drafted by Expert Committee in the Meeting held on 17/02/2016,
- (ii) The list of Unit Writers and Editors, and
- (iii) The Revised Phase Form- Zero for the Certificate in Consumer Protection (CCP) programme.

SB 17.3.1 The Programme Coordinator and Director, School of Law briefly informed the Members about the steps taken to revise the CCP Course by referring to the discussion held and decisions taken in the 15th School Board meeting held on 29th April, 2014 and the 38th Academic Counsel Standing Committee (ACSC) Meetings held on 8th August, 2014, 25th August, 2014 and 11th October, 2014 (Item No. 14, ACSC 38.14.1).

SB 17.3.2 It was brought to the notice of the Members that the Member Secretary, ACSC Meeting returned the above proposal to the School of Law with a request to submit the proposal

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after completing the requirement such as the recommendation of the Expert Committee constituted for the purpose.

SB 17.3.3 Accordingly, a tentative list of Expert Committee Members was proposed to the Competent Authorities for approval, who in turn, suggested that the said 'Expert Committee Members proposed' require the approval of the School Board.

SB 17.3.4 With the approval of the names of Expert Committee Members in the School of Law School Board Meeting held on 1st October, 2015, an Expert Committee for revision of CCP programme was held on 17/02/2016

(i) The revised curriculum drafted by the Expert Committee in the Meeting held on 17/02/2016.

SB 17.3.5 The curriculum finally developed and approved by the Expert Committee Members were placed for consideration and approval by the School Board.

SB 17.3.6 The Committee, after detailed deliberations, approved the curriculum with minor corrections. **(Annexure- 2.1 (comparative curriculum) & 2.2 (detailed curriculum))**

(ii) The list of Unit Writers and Editors

SB 17.3.7 The Programme Coordinator, thereafter, placed the list of Unit Writers and Editors for consideration and approval by the School Board Members **(annexure 3.1 (Unit Writers) & 3.2 (Unit Editors))**.

SB 17.3.8 The School Board Members, after detailed deliberations, have approved the names of Unit Writers and Editors with the suggestion that the approval may also be taken up for the entire course as a whole (i.e. (i) ACS-01 and (ii) CPI) instead of unit wise approval **so as to accommodate any future reallocation of units warranted due to unforeseen circumstances**. Thereafter, the allocation of units to different Unit Writers for writing the units may be distributed with the approval of the Competent Authority i.e. Vice Chancellor.

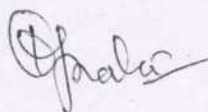
SB 17.3.9 Accordingly, the names of Unit Writers and Editors for each course ((i) ACS-01 and (ii) CPI) with necessary additions and modifications as suggested and approved by the School Board are given in **annexure 3.3 (Unit Writers) & 3.4 (Unit Editors)**.

(iii) The Revised Phase Form- Zero for the Certificate in Consumer Protection (CCP) programme

SB 17.3.10 The Programme Coordinator further placed the Revised Phase Zero Form for the consideration and approval by the School Board.

SB 17.3.11 The School Board Members, after due deliberations, have approved the Revised Phase Zero Form with minor corrections **(Annexure 4)**.

Item No. 17.4: To Consider and Approve the Eligibility Criteria of the Academic Counsellors for all the Programmes offered by School of Law.



- SB 17.4.1 The Director, School of Law has informed the Members about the University's provision for engagement of Academic Counsellors for programmes offered by the Schools concerned and also the empowerment of concerned School to determine the eligibility criteria for various programmes offered.
- SB 17.4.2 The SOL has already finalized the eligibility criteria for various programmes offered by the School based on the need and requirement. The said eligibility criteria, however, could not be placed before the School Board for its consideration and approval.
- SB 17.4.3 In view of the above, a list containing course wise eligibility criteria as recommended by respective Programme Coordinator for programmes offered by SOL was submitted for consideration and approval by the School Board.
- SB 17.4.4 The said list was duly approved by the School Board after due deliberations with minor changes made therein and the same is attached herewith (**Annexure-5**).
- Item No. 17.5 To consider and approve the names of panel of Paper Setters/ Moderators/ Evaluators/ Project Supervisors for all the programmes offered by SOL.**
- SB 17.5.1 The Director, SOL has informed the Members that the names of Papers Setters /Moderators/ Evaluators/ Project Supervisors for Programmes offered by School of Law were approved in the 14th School Board Meeting held on 31st May, 2013.
- SB 17.5.2 The Director, SOL has further informed that the Faculty Members have recommended additional names of papers Setters /Moderators/ Evaluators/ Project Supervisors for inclusion in the said list.
- SB 17.5.3 The said list containing names of Papers Setters /Moderators/ Evaluators/ Project Supervisors as given below were placed for consideration and approval by the School Board.
1. Names of Paper Setters (**Annexure 6.1**)
 2. Names of Moderators (**Annexure 6.2**)
 3. Names of Evaluators (**Annexure 6.3**)
 4. Names of Project Super visors (**Annexure 6.4**)
- SB 17.5.4 The above lists containing names as detailed therein, after due deliberations were approved by the School Board.
- Item No. 17.6 To consider and approve the proposal for Revision of the Programme Post Graduate Certificate in Cyber law (PGCCL) and the list of Experts for the Revision/Review /Expert Committee.**
- SB 17.6.1 The programme Post Graduate Certificate in Cyber Law (PGCCL) was launched in July 2008. The Programme Coordinator, PGCCL has submitted the proposal for



revision of PGCCCL Programme along with a tentative list of Revision/ Review/ Expert Committee Members for the purpose of undertaking the revision of the Curriculum of PGCCCL Programme (**Annexure- 7**) for the consideration and approval by the School Board.

The said proposal for revision for PGCCCL Programme and the list of Revision/ Review /Expert Committee Members, after due deliberations, were approved by the School Board.

To consider and approve the proposal for Revision of the Programme Post Graduate Certificate in Patent Practice (PGCPP) and the list of Experts for the Revision/Review /Expert Committee.

The programme Post Graduate Certificate in Patent Practice (PGCPP) was launched in July 2009. The Programme Coordinator, PGCPP has submitted the proposal for revision of PGCPP Programme along with a tentative list of Revision/ Review/ Expert Committee Members for the purpose of undertaking the revision of the Curriculum of PGCPP Programme (**Annexure- 8**) for the consideration and approval by the School Board.

The said proposal for revision of PGCPP Programme and the list of Revision/ Review/ Expert Committee Members, after due deliberations, were approved by the School Board.

To consider and approve the proposal for Revision of the Programme Certificate in Human Rights (CHR) and the list of Experts for the Revision/ Review/ Expert Committee

The programme Certificate in Human Right (CHR) was revised and transferred to SOL in July 2009. The Programme Coordinator, CHR has submitted the proposal for revision of CHR Programme along with a tentative list of Revision/ Review/ Expert Committee Members for the purpose of undertaking the revision of the Curriculum of CHR Programme (**Annexure- 9**) for the consideration and approval by the School Board.

The said proposal for revision of CHR Programme and the list of Revision/ Review /Expert Committee Members, after due deliberations, were approved by the School Board.

Review/Expert Committee Members for the purpose of undertaking the revision of the Curriculum of CAHT Programme (**Annexure-10**) for the consideration and approval by the School Board.

SB 17.9.2 The Director, SOL and Chairperson of School Board of SOL has informed the Members that the CAHT programme is being offered in collaboration with Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA), GOI. The MHA, GOI has urged the university, last year to revise this course, inter-alia, owing to the insertion of separate new sections related to trafficking in persons under IPC through the Criminal Law Amendment Act, 2013. The university in turn assured the MHA, GOI that this programme is being under taken for revision.,

SB 17.9.3 The Director, SOL and Chairperson of School Board of SOL accordingly urged the programme coordinator to undertake and complete the revision of this programme quickly on utmost priority basis.

SB 17.9.4 Thereafter, the said proposal for revision of CAHT Programme and the list of Revision/ Review /Expert Committee Members, after due deliberations, were approved by the School Board.

Item No. 17.10 To consider and approve the proposal for Revision of the Programme Post Graduate Diploma in Criminal Justice (PGDCJ) and the list of Experts for the Revision/ Review/ Expert Committee.

SB 17.10.1 The programme Post Graduate Diploma in Criminal Justice (PGDCJ) was launched in July 2010. The Programme Coordinator, PGDCJ has submitted the proposal for revision of PGDCJ Programme along with a tentative list of Revision/ Review/ Expert Committee Members for the purpose of undertaking the revision of the Curriculum of PGDCJ Programme (**Annexure-11**) for the consideration and approval by the School Board.

SB 17.10.2 The said proposal for revision of PGDCJ Programme and the list of Revision/ Review /Expert Committee Members, after due deliberations, were approved by the School Board

Item No. 17.11 To consider and approve the Minutes of the Sixth Doctoral Committee Meeting to be held on 11th May, 2015

SB 17.11.1 The Ph.D. Programme Coordinator and Director, SOL informed the Members that the Sixth Doctoral Committee Meeting was held on 11th May, 2016 to discuss the Agenda Items circulated along with the agenda and Background papers.

SB 17.11.2 The Minutes of the Sixth Doctoral Committee Meeting held on 11th May, 2016 containing the deliberations held therein were placed for the consideration and approval by the School Board. (**Annexure- 12**)



revision of PGCCCL Programme along with a tentative list of Revision/ Review/ Expert Committee Members for the purpose of undertaking the revision of the Curriculum of PGCCCL Programme (**Annexure- 7**) for the consideration and approval by the School Board.

SB 17.6.2 The said proposal for revision for PGCCCL Programme and the list of Revision/ Review /Expert Committee Members, after due deliberations, were approved by the School Board.

Item No. 17.7 To consider and approve the proposal for Revision of the Programme Post Graduate Certificate in Patent Practice (PGCPP) and the list of Experts for the Revision/Review /Expert Committee.

SB 17.7.1 The programme Post Graduate Certificate in Patent Practice (PGCPP) was launched in July 2009. The Programme Coordinator, PGCPP has submitted the proposal for revision of PGCPP Programme along with a tentative list of Revision/ Review/ Expert Committee Members for the purpose of undertaking the revision of the Curriculum of PGCPP Programme (**Annexure- 8**) for the consideration and approval by the School Board.

SB 17.7.2 The said proposal for revision of PGCPP Programme and the list of Revision/ Review/ Expert Committee Members, after due deliberations, were approved by the School Board.

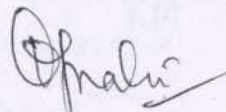
Item No. 17.8 To consider and approve the proposal for Revision of the Programme Certificate in Human Rights (CHR) and the list of Experts for the Revision/ Review/ Expert Committee

SB 17.8.1 The programme Certificate in Human Right (CHR) was revised and transferred to SOL in July 2009. The Programme Coordinator, CHR has submitted the proposal for revision of CHR Programme along with a tentative list of Revision/ Review/ Expert Committee Members for the purpose of undertaking the revision of the Curriculum of CHR Programme (**Annexure- 9**) for the consideration and approval by the School Board.

SB 17.8.2 The said proposal for revision of CHR Programme and the list of Revision/ Review /Expert Committee Members, after due deliberations, were approved by the School Board.

Item No. 17.9 To consider and approve the proposal for Revision of the Programme Certificate in Anti-Human Trafficking (CAHT) and the list of Experts for the Revision/ Review /Expert Committee.

SB 17.9.1 The programme Certificate in Anti Human Trafficking (CAHT) was launched in July, 2010. The Programme Coordinator, CAHT has submitted the proposal for revision of CAHT Programme along with a tentative list of Revision/



SB 17.11.3 The School Board considered the same and accorded approval on the Minutes of the said Doctoral Committee Meeting held on 11th May, 2016.

Item No. 17.12 To consider and approve the Ph.D. Programme Progress Reports for the period Jan-June, 2015 and July-Dec, 2015 submitted by 1. Mr. Saji Mathew, 2. Mr. Rakesh Kumar, 3. Mr. Rahul Verma, and 4. Mr. Manoj Kumar Patel Research Scholars.

SB 17.12.1 The Director (SOL) and Programme Coordinator (Ph.D. Programme – Law) has informed the Members that the Progress Report of the following 4 Ph.D. Research Scholars were submitted to the School with the approval of Research Guide.

SB 17.12.2 The details of submission of Progress Report are given below:

S. No.	Name of the Scholar	Review Period	Annexure No.
1.	Mr. Saji Mathew (Enrl. No.138000934)	i. Jan- June, 2015 ii. July-Dec, 2015	13.1.1 13.1.2
2.	Mr. Rakesh Kumar (Enrl. No.138000941)	i. Jan- June, 2015 ii. July-Dec, 2015	13.2.1 13.2.2
3.	Mr. Rahul Verma (Enrl. No. 138000823)	i. Jan- June, 2015 ii. July-Dec, 2015	13.3.1 13.3.2
4.	Mr. Manoj Kumar Patel (Enrl. No. 149500013)	i. Jan- June, 2015 ii. July-Dec, 2015	13.4.1 13.4.2

SB 17.12.3 The above four progress reports were placed for consideration and approval of the same by the Doctoral Committee (**DC Item No. 6.1**) Meeting held on 11th May, 2016.

SB 17.12.4 The said approval of the Sixth Doctoral Committee was placed for the consideration and approval by the School Board.

SB 17.12.5 After deliberations, the School Board based on the approval of said Doctoral Committee recommended for the approval of the Progress Reports of the above candidates Mr. Saji Mathew, Mr. Rakesh Kumar, Mr. Rahul Verma and Mr. Manoj Kumar Patel for the period Jan- June, 2015 and July-Dec, 2015 respectively, by the Research Council Standing Committee (RCSC).

SB 17.12.6 The progress reports of the scholars in the serial no. 1- 3 above were approved in the 16th School Board Meeting held on 1st October, 2015 and also approved in the 15th RCSC Meeting held on 29th February, 2016 (Item No. 15.2.3).

SB 17.12.7 The progress reports submitted for the period July-December, 2013 by the said three scholars were also approved by the 14th RCSC Meeting held on 16th September, 2014 (Item No. 14.35)

Item No. 17.13 To consider and approve the names of Two Faculty Members i.e. Dr. Suneet K. Srivastava and Dr. Gurmeet Kaur, Asstt. Professors for recognition of Ph.D guide/supervisor.

SB 17.13.1 Two Faculty Members i.e. Dr. Suneet K. Srivastava and Dr. Gurmeet Kaur, Asstt. Professors have submitted proposals for recognition as Ph.D guide in the discipline of law. Both of them have completed their Ph.D degrees and five years post doctoral experience as discussed and decided in the 11th School Board held on 11/11/2011 Item No. 11.6 [Ph.D Supervisor for internal faculty (lecturers/ARDs)] as per the details given below:

Name of the Faculty	Award of Ph.D Degree	Completion of 5 years period
Dr. Suneet K. Srivastava	December, 2009	December, 2014
Dr. Gurmeet Kaur	February, 2011	February, 2016

SB 17.13.2 Both the proposals were placed before the 6th Doctoral Committee Meeting held on 11/05/2016. The Doctoral Committee after due deliberation approved both the proposals. The said approval was again submitted for consideration and approval by the School Board.

SB 17.13.3 The School Board after due deliberation have approved both the proposals and recommended for onward transmission to RCSC for its consideration and approval.

Item No. 17.14 Any other item with the permission of the chair.

No item was taken under this head.

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