



**IGNOU
SCHOOL OF LAW**



**MINUTES OF THE OF THE TWENTY FIFTH SCHOOL BOARD MEETING OF THE
SCHOOL OF LAW (SOL) HELD ON THURSDAY, 28TH APRIL, 2022 AT 11 AM
THROUGH VIRTUAL MODE**

The following members were present:

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| 1. Dr. Suneet K. Srivastava | Director, SOL, IGNOU - Chairperson |
| 2. Prof. Priti Sexena | Director, Center of Post Graduate Legal Studies, Babasaheb Bimrao
Amberdkar University, Lucknow-25 |
| 3. Prof. Anupam Jha | Law Center-II, Faculty of Law, Delhi University, Delhi 110007 |
| 4. Prof. M.P. tiwari | Former Head of Law Department PG constituent College, University
of Allahabad 211019 |
| 5. Dr. Rashmi Bansal | Associate Professor, SOMS, IGNOU |
| 6. Dr. Saumya | Assistant Professor, SOSW, IGNOU |
| 7. Dr. Gurmeet Kaur | Assistant Professor, SOL, IGNOU |
| 8. Dr. Anand Gupta | Assistant Professor, SOL, IGNOU |
| 9. Dr. Mansi Sharma | Assistant Professor, SOL, IGNOU |

Dr. Sanjeevi Shanthakumar, Vice Chancellor, Gujarat National Law University, Gujarat, Adv. Ranjana Iyer Bangalore, Prof. Manjulika Srivastava, Professor, CIQA, Dr. K.S. Arul Selvam, Associate Professor, SOJNMS, could not attend the meeting.

At the outset the Director, SOL Dr. Suneet K. Srivastava welcomed the members and thanked them for joining at such a short notice. Thereafter, the following Agenda Items were taken for deliberations and considerations.

Item No.25.1 Confirmation of the Minutes of the 22nd School Board Meeting held on 23rd November, 2020.

SB 25.1.1 The Chairperson School Board informed the members that the 22nd School Board Meeting of the School of Law was held on 23rd November, 2020 at 11 AM through virtual mode and the Minutes were circulated among the members with request to offer their comments within 15 days from the date of circulation failing which the Minutes shall be deemed confirmed. No comments were received from the members.

SB 25.1.2 The Minutes of the 22nd School Board were therefore approved by the members.
(Annexure-1)

Item No.25.2 Confirmation of the Minutes of the 24th School Board Meeting held on 22nd December, 2021.

SB 25.2.1 The Chairperson School Board informed the members that the 24th School Board Meeting of the School of Law was held on 22nd December, 2021 at 11 AM through virtual mode and the Minutes were circulated among the members with request to offer their comments within 15 days from the date of circulation failing which the Minutes shall be deemed confirmed.

SB 25.2.2 Dr. Gurmeet Kaur, Assistant Professor, SOL had requested that slight correction may be made in agenda S.B. 24.3.1 as follows **“The Research Coordinator never stated that there is no need to open the sealed envelope instead suggested that she can open the seal and read the names before the School Board Members. The SB Members suggested that there is no need to open sealed envelope and approved the same as approved in 14th DRC”.**

SB 25.2.3 The Board accepted her request. The revised Minutes is enclosed as (Annexure-2)

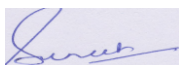
SB. 25.2.4 The 24th School Board Minutes were approved since no other comments were received by any other Member.

Item No.25.3 Action Taken Report on the Minutes of the 22nd School Board Meeting held on 23rd November, 2020.


SB 25.3.1 The Action Taken Report as received from the concerned Faculty was placed before the School Board members.

Sl No.	Item No.	Action Taken
1	Item No. 22.4: To consider and ratify the approval given by competent authority for the names of Unit Writer and Editors for CAHT programme under revision.	After the approval of Unit Writers and Editors the units have been assigned to the Unit Writers.
2	Item No. 22.5: To consider and ratify the approval given by competent authority for the names of Unit Writer and Editors for PGCLL Programme	After the approval of Unit Writers and Editors the units have been assigned to the Unit Writers.

- SB 25.3.2 Dr. Mansi Sharma, Programme Coordinator, CAHT informed the School Board Members that the programme CAHT was under revision and the present status of the programme is that three courses out of four have been received and the same has been sent for content editing. She also informed that in the last course few units are to be written and the programme will be ready by January, 2023 session for launch.
- SB 25.3.3 Dr. Gurmeet Kaur, Programme Coordinator, PGCCL informed the School Board members that the programme PGCCL is under revision and most of the courses are ready. However she said that a few units have to be written but she is in a position to launch the revised programme in July 2022 session which is her target.
- Item No.25.4 To consider and approve the Curriculum of BA Legal Studies**
- SB 25.4.1 Dr. Suneet K. Srivastava, Programme Coordinator, BA (Legal Studies) informed the School Board that the PPF and PDF form of the programme has been approved by the Planning Board and Academic Council after the approval of the School Board held on 22nd December, 2021.
- SB 25.4.2 Dr. Srivastava also apprised the Board that an Expert Committee was held on 14th January, 2022 to design the curriculum of BA (Legal Studies). She placed the curriculum before the School Board members for their approval.
- SB 25.4.3 Prof. Anupam Jha, raised a query stating that whether the programme was a professional programme or an academic programme considering the curriculum of the programme.
- SB 25.4.4 The Programme Coordinator, BA (Legal Studies) Dr. Suneet K. Srivastava explained the Board that BA (Legal Studies) was an Academic / Under Graduate BA Programme and not a Professional Programme like LLB (three years or five years) because under Distance Education LLB (three years or five years) can not be offered by IGNOU. She informed the Board that this programme is not related to LLB in any manner. She also stated that other universities are also running such programmes in face-to-face mode. She told the Board Members that IGNOU has been a pioneer in innovating such type of programmes and BA (Legal Studies) is one of its kind.
- SB 25.4.5 The Programme Coordinator stated that as the objectives of the programme is to provide a structured degree to those who are experienced in the legal field but due to lack of degree in some manner feel disadvantaged. This programme will suffice to the needs of those people who are the target group for this programme.



- SB 25.4.6 Prof. M. P. Tiwari stated that a disclaimer should go with this programme stating that it is an Academic / Under Graduate Programme and not a professional programme like LLB.
- SB 25.4.7 Dr. Saumya, Assistant Professor, SOSW also stated that a disclaimer should go with the programme.
- SB 25.4.8 Prof. Priti Saxena, Professor, BBAU, Lucknow applauded the Programme Coordinator for starting such a programme which will cater to the needs of many.
- SB 25.4.8 After detailed deliberations the Members approve the curriculum. (**Annexure-3A & 3B**)
- Item No.25.5 To consider and approve the Names of Unit Writers and Content Editors for BA Legal Studies, Semester-1**
- SB 25.5.1 Dr. Suneet K. Srivastava, Programme Coordinator placed before the School Board, the list of Unit Writers and Content Editors for semester 1 of the BA (Legal Studies) programme for approval.
- SB 25.5.2 She informed the Board that the programme is to be launched by July 2022 so the writing work has to be completed in a time bound manner for which **semester 1 containing 3 courses namely (I) Introduction to Legal Systems (2) Introduction to Law (3) Consumer Law** will be Coordinated by Dr. Suneet K. Srivastava, Dr. Anand Gupta and Dr. Gurmeet Kaur respectively. She also informed the Board that the respective Coordinators will work in Coordination so that the work may be completed in a time bound manner to be launched by July 2022.
- SB 25.5.3 The Programme Coordinator explained to the other members that the respective Course Coordinators may add Unit Writers / Content Editors name in the already annexed list if they require and get it approved by the Competent Authority. After deliberations the members approved the list. (**Annexure-4**)
- Item No. 25.6 To approve the list of candidates recommended in order of merit by DRC held on 19th, 20th and 21st April, 2022 for admission to Ph.D programme for January, 2022 session.**
- SB 25.6.1 The list of candidates recommended in order of merit by DRC held on 19th, 20th and 21st April, 2022 for admission to Ph.D programme for July 2021 session was placed before the School Board for approval.
- SB 25.6.2 The Programme Coordinator informed the Board that an Interview was held on 19th, 20th and 21st April, 2022 for admission to Ph.D programme for July, 2021



session in face to face mode with the approval of Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, IGNOU. Out of 40 (28 General Category 06 SC and 06 OBC) candidates were invited for the interview. However 23 candidates (General 17, SC 04 and OBC 02) appeared for the interview.

SB 25.6.3. The list of of candidates recommended in order of merit by DRC was placed before the Board Members for approval.

SB 25.6.4 After detailed deliberations the School Board approved the list. (**Annexure-5**)

Item No. 25.7 Any other item with the permission of Chair (Following two items were taken as table items.)

S.B. 25.7.1 To consider and approve the names of panel of Evaluators for the programmes Certificate in Consumer Protection (CCP) and PG Certificate in cyber law (PGCCL)

S.B. 25.7.2 The list was placed before the School Board for consideration and approval. The board approved the list. (**Annexure-6**)

SB. 25.7.3 To consider and approve the names of External Experts for the Doctoral Research Committee.

SB. 25.7.4 The Programme Coordinator Dr. Anand Gupta read the names before the School Board Members. The Members said that more names can be added in the list so that there may be equal representation.

SB. 25.7.5 The list was placed before the School Board for consideration and approval.

SB. 25.7.6 The board approved the list. (**Annexure-7**)

The Meeting ended with a vote of thanks to all.

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