

Minutes of the meeting of the Research Council held at 11.00 A.M. on 15.2.2003 in the Conference Room, IGNOU Campus, Maidan Garhi, New Delhi-68.

The following were present:-

i)	Prof. H.P. Dikshit, Vice Chancellor, IGNOU-	Chairman
ii)	Prof. S.C. Garg, PVC, IGNOU	- Member
iii)	Shri D.C. Pant, PVC, IGNOU	- Member
iv)	Prof. Lokesh Kaul, H.P. University	- Member
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Prof. Kapil Kumar and Dr. P.K. Mehta, attended the meeting as special invitees.

Prof. N.K. Ambasht, Prof. H.C. Pande, Prof. A.K. Agarwal and Prof. S.K. Panda could not attend the meeting.

At the outset, the Chairman welcomed the members. Then, he informed the Research Council that Prof. Ram Pratap and Prof. Prabha Chawla had completed their tenure. The Council placed on record its appreciation of the services rendered by the outgoing members.

On the request of the Vice Chancellor, Prof. S.C. Garg, Pro Vice Chancellor initiated the proceedings of the meeting. The Research Council took up the following items for consideration.

Item No.1 To approve the minutes of the meeting of the Research Council held on 22.5.2002

After detailed discussion, the minutes of the meeting of the Research Council held on 22.5.2002 were approved.

Item No.2 **To consider and approve the Information Brochure of the Ph.D Programme.**

While considering the Information Brochure of the Ph.D Programme, the following suggestions were made for inclusion in the Brochure:

- a) The proposed courses on “Research Methodology” and “Information Technology for Research” may be worth 6 – 8 credits and 4 – 6 credits, respectively. The remaining 16 – 20 credits can be devoted to discipline based courses.
- b) Clearance of GATE of IITs and JEFT of DAE be included in the conditions of eligibility alongwith NET for admission to the Ph.D Programme for candidates holding Post Graduate Degree; and
- c) The relaxation in the conditions of eligibility for students of foreign countries who may seek admission to the Ph.D Programme of IGNOU should not be accorded.

The Chairman desired that these suggestions may be incorporated in the Information Brochure which should be in conformity with the Ordinance on Research Degree Programmes. With these suggestions, the Research Council approved the information brochure of the Ph.D Programme of the University. It was further decided that till such time a new Ph.D Information Brochure is ready, the Information Brochure in vogue may be withdrawn.

Item No.3 **To place the details of research proposals and research outcome of the candidates selected for Ph.D Programme in the School of Social Sciences and the School of Education**

The Research Council in its meeting held on 22.5.2002, while approving the list of 17 (seventeen) candidates selected for Ph.D Programme in various faculties of the School of Social Sciences, had desired that a brief synopsis of the research proposals submitted by each candidate along with a statement of the expected outcome of research of each candidate be brought before the Research Council for information. Similar information was to be obtained in respect of candidates who were admitted to the Ph.D Programme in the School of Education and was to be placed before the Research Council. However, the desired information could not be placed before the Research Council. It was decided that the desired information should be obtained at the earliest and be appended with the minutes of the meeting for perusal of the members.

Item No.4 To consider any other item with the approval of the
Chairman.

The Research Council considered the proposal of the School of Social Sciences for admission of Twelve (12) candidates for admission to the Ph.D Programme in various disciplines of the School which have been pending for some time. The Council decided that the following Committee would consider the proposals and make detailed recommendations to the Chairman, Research Council for his approval. The list so approved would be placed before the Research Council at its next meeting.

- a) Pro Vice Chancellor (G) – Chairman;
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The Task Group (AC) had a meeting with the Vice-Chancellor in his chamber on 15th May, 2002 at 11.00 a.m. Following items were discussed:

1. The VC reviewed the position of vacant teaching/academic posts advertised in April, 1999 and September, 2000. He was also appraised about the total vacancies of the teachers/academics as on 30th April, 2002.

Since considerable time has elapsed since the previous advertisement it was thought prudent to write to the Directors of the Schools/academic divisions and seek their views, change if any, in specialization for the vacant positions in the various disciplines in their Schools/Divisions on the basis of the following criteria:

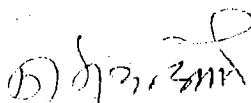
- a) The needs of programme in hand and under development.
- b) Immediate and long term futuristic requirement.
- c) In case any change in specialization is recommended, proper rationale for change in specialization should be given. It is expected that the concerned discipline in the School/Division would be taken into confidence.

It was decided that Directors of Schools should respond by 22nd May, 2002.

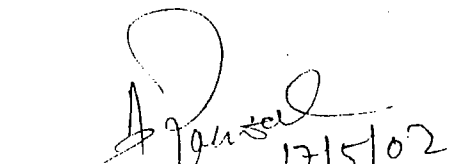
A consolidated agenda will be prepared for filling up the vacant positions and put up to the next BOM for obtaining necessary guidance/approval.

2. A draft agenda for the forthcoming Research Council Meeting on 22nd May, 2002 was also discussed. The VC advised the TG to get through the existing common Information Brochure and Application Form for admission to Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D. Programme phase-I). The VC emphasized the need to say down adequate processes/procedures common to all the School as far as registration and other formalities are concerned. The draft agenda item for the Research council meeting, as under, was also finalized:-

- i) To review the Information Brochure and Application Form for admission to Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D. Programme Phase-I) (copy enclosed).
- ii) To consider the report for Ph.D. Programme Phase-II.
- iii) To approve the launching of Ph.D. Phase-I Programme in Commerce, School of Management Studies.
- iv) To consider and approve the list of candidates selected for Ph.D. Phase-I programme in various faculties of the School of Social Sciences.
- v) Any other matter with the permission of the Chair.


(S.C. Garg)


(J.M. Parakh)


(A.K. Agarwal) 17/5/02

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Office Order No. 3026

In partial modification of the Office Order No.2570 dated 7.12.2001, the Vice Chancellor is pleased to reconstitute the Research Council to oversee the formulation and implementation of Research Programmes of the University as under:

1. Prof. H.P. Dikshit, Vice Chancellor, IGNOU - Chairman

Two members from the Board of Management and Two experts who are not members of the Board of Management

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| 2. | Prof. N.K. Ambasht, Chairman, National Open School, New Delhi | - BOM Member- | Till 21.8.2003 |
| 3. | Prof. H.C. Paide, BIT, MESRA, Ranchi. | - BOM Member- | Till 21.8.2003 |
| 4. | Prof. Lokesh Kaul, I.I.P. University | - | Till 01.5.2004 |
| 5. | Prof.(Mrs) Banerjee, VC, NSOU | - | Till 01.5.2004 |

Two members from the Planning Board/Academic Council

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| 6. | ^{ex-} Prof. R. Chakraborty, VC, NSOU, Kolkatta | - Member, P.B. - | Till 30.12.2002 |
| 7. | Prof. B.B. Khanna, Professor, IGNOU | - Member, A.C. - | Till 5.8.2003 |

Pro Vice Chancellors

Vacant at Present

Three Directors of Schools/Heads of Divisions

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| 8. | Director, P&D Division | - Ex-Officio - | Till 22.1.2003 |
| 9. | Director, SOH | - Ex-Officio - | Till 21.11.2004 |
| 10. | Director, SOCE | - Ex-Officio - | Till 31.12.2002 |

Five Members, three from among teachers (two internal from IGNOU, one external) and two other academic staff

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| 11. | Prof. S.C. Garg, Professor, SOS | - | Till 21.11.2004 |
| 12/ | Prof. S.K. Panda, Professor, STRIDE | - | Till 01.5.2004 |
| 13/ | Prof. J.S. Grewal, Director, MPBOU, Bhopal | - | Till 21.11.2004 |
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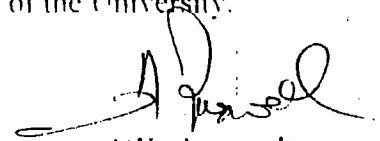
Member Secretary

16. Director, Academic Coordination - Ex-Officio

The terms of reference of the Research Council shall be as under:

The Research Council shall subject to the overall guidance and supervision of the Academic Council perform the following functions:

1. Management and administration of the research policy and programmes of the University.
2. Monitoring and evaluation of research performance and identification of performance indicators for such evaluation.
3. Advice on research priorities and allocation of resources for research.
4. Delegation of any of these functions assigned to it to the Area Committee or School Board.
5. Preparation of the consolidation reports on research efforts of the University.


(A.K. Agarwal)
Director (AC)

To

1. All members of the Research Council
2. AR (VCO)
3. Directors of Schools
4. Heads of all Divisions
5. Regional Directors of Regional Centres.