# MINUTES OF THE 23<sup>rd</sup> SCHOOL BOARD MEETING OF SOJNMS, HELD ON March 09, 2021 AT 11.30 A.M. THROUGH VIRTUAL/ONLINE MODE

Following members attended the meeting:

- Dr. O.P. Dewal, Director SOJNMS, IGNOU Chairperson
- 2. Prof. Jaishri Jethwaney, Institute for Studies in Industrial Development, New Delhi
- 3. Prof. Sunil Saxena, HOD, Times School of Media, Bennett University, Greater Noida
- 4. Dr. R. Sreedhar, Former Director, EMPC
- 5. Prof. G.R. Syed, MCRC, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi
- 6. Dr. Sukumar Muralidharan, O.P. Jindal Global University,
- 7. Prof. Neeti Agarwal, SOMS, IGNOU
- 8. Dr. Vishal Warpa, SOS, IGNOU
- 9. Dr. Shweta Tripathi, SOET, IGNOU
- 10. Mr. Vikas Kumar Singh, SOFL, IGNOU
- 11. Prof. Shambhu Nath Singh, SOJNMS, IGNOU
- 12. Dr. K.S. Arul Selvan, SOJNMS, IGNOU
- 13. Dr. Ramesh Yadav, SOJNMS, IGNOU
- 14. Dr. Shikha Rai, SOJNMS, IGNOU
- 15. Ms. Padmini Jain, SOJNMS, IGNOU
- 16. Dr. Amit Kumar, SOJNMS, IGNOU- Special Invitee

At the outset, Dr. O.P. Dewal, Director, SOJNMS, welcomed all the external and internal members to the 23<sup>rd</sup> School Board meeting of SOJNMS. He mentioned that it is the first time that we are conducting School Board meeting through virtual/online mode and wish to welcome all the members in the School premises for the next meeting. Subsequently the Agenda Items of the 23<sup>rd</sup> School Board meeting were taken up for discussion.

### Confirmation of the Minutes of the 22nd School Board Meeting held on February 19, 23.01: 2020 and to note the action taken thereon.

The Chairperson informed that the Minutes of 22<sup>nd</sup> School Board Meeting held on February 19, 2020 were circulated among the members and no comments have been received. The Board confirmed the Minutes of the 22<sup>nd</sup> School Board Meeting and noted the action taken there on.

### To apprise the School Board about the new developments and status of programmes 23.02: since the last School Board Meeting.

Director SOJNMS presented a brief account of the activities undertaken by the School and apprised Board Members about the running programmes and the programmes which are at various stages of development.

- It was reported that MAJMC and revised PGJMC offered by the School from January 2020 cycle is getting good response in terms of enrollment.
- With the approval of the Competent Authority, the provision of lateral entry in the II year of MAJMC has been provided to the students who have done PGJMC from IGNOU. However, for having a comprehensive policy a committee is being

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	<ul> <li>constituted to look into the matter on the advice of the 74<sup>th</sup> Academic Council.</li> <li>With the approval of the Competent Authority face to face practical component of PGDAPP &amp; CCR has been converted into online/virtual mode and internship. Details of the scheme have been communicated to existing students, uploaded on IGNOU website and correspondingly the prospectus has been modified.</li> <li>It was reported that the practical component of MAJMC/PGJMC, which is also being delivered online needs to be streamlined at study centre level. The School wishes to propose a new rate structure for evaluation of practical portfolio but for the time being it is proposed to go by the existing norms of IGNOU equating the evaluation of practical portfolio with a Project, to which the School Board agreed. Portfolios received at headquarters will be evaluated by in-house faculty members of the School.</li> </ul>
23.03:	To consider and approve the Minutes of the Doctoral Research Committee Meeting held on 18 <sup>th</sup> August, 2020, 5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup> October, 2020 (having the finalized topics of MPhil & PhD scholars), 17 <sup>th</sup> & 18 <sup>th</sup> November, 2020 and 17 <sup>th</sup> February, 2021.
	The School Board took note of all the placed minutes of the Doctoral Research Committee (DRC) and approved the minutes of DRCs held on 18 <sup>th</sup> August, 2020, 5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup> October, 2020 (having the finalized topics of MPhil & PhD scholars), 17 <sup>th</sup> & 18 <sup>th</sup> November, 2020 and 17 <sup>th</sup> February, 2021.
23.04:	To consider and approve the Minutes of the Doctoral Research Committee Meetings held on 3 <sup>rd</sup> March, 2021(regarding deregistration of inactive Ph.D. scholars of the school and status of progress reports of all scholars).  After deliberations, the School Board approved the minutes of DRCs held on 3 <sup>rd</sup> March, 2021.
23.05	To consider and approve the MOOC Course Proposal - Media and Information
&	Literacy for Teachers – I & II.
23.06	The School Board deliberated upon both the proposals thoroughly.
	<ol> <li>It was suggested to modify the component of budget in the proposal. MOOC will be developed with technical support from COE to be placed on SWAYAM platform, therefore the budgetary requirements will be met from the SWAYAM head by COE as per the University norms.</li> <li>During the discussion on MOOC courses, it was suggested to incorporate latest developments in the field of social media as well as portions on ethical issues in the media operations.</li> </ol>
22.05	MOOC proposals were approved.  To consider and approve the additional list of Unit Writers and Editors for PG
23.07:	Diploma in Electronic Media (PGDEME).
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	Authority. Few members wished to suggest a few more names. It was decided that ar

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suggestion for inclusion in the list may be communicated to the School in writing and the consolidated list may be send to the Competent Authority for approval.

# 22.08: Any other items with the permission of the Chair.

# (i) To consider and approve the Concept of BA(JMC)

The School is not having any programme at graduate level and therefore a concept note was placed before the School Board. It will also allow the School to think of an integrated programme of five years with relevant entry and exit options. School Board approved the concept note in principle and suggested to take due caution while drafting a curriculum and integrating it with the existing MA programme.

# (ii) To consider and approve the additional list of Course Writers of PGDDC

The School Board recommended the list for approval of the Competent Authority.

### (iii)To consider and approve the List of Evaluators, Moderators and Question Paper Setters for MA (Journalism and Mass Communication)

It was reported that the names of paper setters, evaluators and moderators have been approved by the 22<sup>nd</sup> School Board for the revised PGJMC which is also the 1<sup>st</sup> Year of MAJMC. The same list has been proposed by only adding the course codes for the II year of MAJMC.

The School Board opined that as the names have already been approved by the 22<sup>nd</sup> School Board so the list stands ratified.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to all.

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Chairperson, School Board, SOJNMS ,