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**MINUTES OF THE EIGHTH MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL OF THE  
INDIRA GANDHI NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY HELD IN THE UNIVERSITY  
OFFICE AT MAIDAN GARHI, NEW DELHI-110 068 ON THURSDAY, MARCH 4,  
1993, AT 1530 HOURS.**

The following were present:

1. Prof. V.C. Kulandai Swamy, Vice-Chancellor, Chairman
2. Dr S.K. Gandhe
3. Prof. C.L. Anand
4. Prof. G.S. Rao
5. Prof. R.K. Grover
6. Prof. M.B. Menon
7. Prof. V.V. Mandke
8. Prof. R.K. Bose
9. Prof. Pandav Nayak
10. Prof. P.K. Dutta
11. Prof. M.M. Pant
12. Dr R. Satyanarayana
13. Dr (Mrs) Shobhita Jain
14. Dr S.P. Parashar
15. Prof. B.N. Koul
16. Shri S. Peppin
17. Dr K. Gopalan
18. Dr Harcharan Singh
19. Prof. M.V. Pylee
20. Dr M. Shanmugham
21. Sh. K. Narayanan, Member-Secretary

Prof. H.P. Dikshit, Dr V.D. Madan, Dr S.S. Kalbag, Dr (Mrs) Sushila Kaushik, Sh. I.P. Anand, Dr D.K. Sharma and Shri Tarun Das could not attend the meeting.

Dr K. Anjanappa, Registrar (Admissions), Shri D.C. Pant, Director (Evaluation), Shri C.R. Pillai, Director (P&TA), Prof. A.A. Shamim, Director, Computer Division were present by special invitation.

Mr K.J.S. Prasada Rao, Dy Registrar (Governance) was present to assist the Member-Secretary.

Before the agenda items were taken up for consideration, the Vice-Chancellor welcomed the newly coopted members of the Academic Council.

The following items were considered:

- ITEM NO.1**      **TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE SEVENTH MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL HELD ON DECEMBER 18, 1992.**
- AC 8.1.1      The Council noted the correction effected concerning the coopted members. The Member-Secretary informed that no other comments have been received. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Academic Council held on December 18, 1992 were confirmed.
- ITEM NO.2**      **TO CONSIDER COOPTION OF MEMBERS TO THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL UNDER SUB-CLAUSE (viii) OF CLAUSE (1) OF STATUTE 9.**
- AC 8.2.1      The Academic Council coopted Dr S. Bashiruddin, Vice-Chancellor, Dr BR Ambedkar Open University, as a member of the Academic Council under the provisions of sub-clause (viii) of Clause (1) of Statute 9.
- ITEM NO.3**      **TO CONSIDER THE SUGGESTION MADE BY THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT ON THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO CLAUSE 5(1) OF THE ORDINANCE ON CONDUCT OF EXAMINATIONS AND EVALUATION OF STUDENT PERFORMANCE.**
- AC 8.3.1      On a request from the Vice-Chancellor, Shri D.C. Pant explained briefly that the proposed amendment to Clause 5 (1) of the ordinance on Conduct of Examinations and Evaluation of Student Performance was considered by the Board of Management at its meeting held on February 1, 1993 and that the Board suggested that both grades as well as their equivalent marks be indicated in the grade cards for the programmes of BLIS, BA, BCom and BSc. The Board also felt that there should be some parity in the student evaluation system among all open Universities to facilitate student mobility and transfer of credits. From this point of view also, it would be desirable to evolve a common grading system for all the open Universities. Since ordinances or amendments to ordinances which affect the academic functioning of the University can be made by the Board of Management only after consultation with the Academic Council, the suggestion of the Board on the proposed amendment has been brought before the Academic Council for consideration.
- AC 8.3.2      It was also pointed out that the amendment proposed in sub-clause (a) concerning the expression "Management" may have to be modified. It was, therefore, suggested that the words "all

