

**MINUTES**

**of the**

**SIXTY FIRST MEETING**

**of**

**ACADEMIC COUNCIL**

**Held on**

**19<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2013**



**INDIRA GANDHI NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY  
MAIDAN GARHI, NEW DELHI-110068**

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**MINUTES OF THE SIXTY FIRST MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL HELD ON 19<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 2013 IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM, VCO, NEW ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, IGNOU, MAIDAN GARHI, NEW DELHI-110 068.**

The Sixty First Meeting of the Academic Council was held on 19 September 2013 at 11.30 a.m. in the Conference Room of the Vice Chancellor Office, Indira Gandhi National Open University, Maidan Garhi, New Delhi-110068. The Meeting was attended by the following:

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| 1.  | Prof. M. Aslam, Vice Chancellor           | - | Chairperson       |
| 2.  | Prof. Rita Rani Paliwal, Director, SOH    | - | Ex-officio Member |
| 3.  | Prof. D. Gopal, Director, SOSS            | - | Ex-officio Member |
| 4.  | Prof. N. K. Dash, Director, SOE           | - | Ex-officio Member |
| 5.  | Prof. Vijayshri, Director, SOS            | - | Ex-officio Member |
| 6.  | Prof. S. Srilata, Director, SOMS          | - | Ex-officio Member |
| 7.  | Prof. Deeksha Kapur, Director, SOCE       | - | Ex-officio Member |
| 8.  | Prof. T. K. Jena, Director, SOHS          | - | Ex-officio Member |
| 9.  | Mr. Shashi Bhushan, Director, SOCIS       | - | Ex-officio Member |
| 10. | Prof. Subhasis Maji, Director, SOET       | - | Ex-officio Member |
| 11. | Dr. S. K. Yadav, Director, SOA            | - | Ex-officio Member |
| 12. | Dr. A. K. Gaba, Director, SOVET           | - | Ex-officio Member |
| 13. | Dr. Kiron Bansal, Director, SOJNMS        | - | Ex-officio Member |
| 14. | Prof. Kapil Kumar, Director, SOTHSSM      | - | Ex-officio Member |
| 15. | Prof. Gracious Thomas, Director, SOSW     | - | Ex-officio Member |
| 16. | Prof. Annu J. Thomas, Director, SOGDS     | - | Ex-officio Member |
| 17. | Dr. Nehal A. Farooquee, Director, SOEDS   | - | Ex-officio Member |
| 18. | Dr. Govindraju Bhardwaja, Director, SOPVA | - | Ex-officio Member |
| 19. | Dr. Nandini Sinha Kapoor, Director, SOITS | - | Ex-officio Member |
| 20. | Dr. A. K. Singh, SOTST                    | - | Ex-officio Member |
| 21. | Sh. S. K. Arora, Librarian                | - | Ex-officio Member |
| 22. | Prof. Pushplata Tripathi, Registrar, SED  | - | Ex-officio Member |
| 23. | Dr. Pankaj Khare, Registrar, SRD          | - | Ex-officio Member |
| 24. | Prof. J. M. Parakh, SOH                   | - | Member            |
| 25. | Prof. Sujatha Verma, SOS                  | - | Member            |
| 26. | Dr. R. Satyanaryana, STRIDE               | - | Member            |
| 27. | Dr. S. K. Vyas, SOET                      | - | Member            |
| 28. | Dr. Biplab Jamatia, SOHS                  | - | Member            |

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| 29. Dr. Suneet Kashyap, SOL                 | - | Member           |
| 30. Dr. Rukshana Zaman, SOSS                | - | Member           |
| 31. Prof. Santosh Panda, Director, IUC      | - | Member           |
| 32. Prof. C. R. K. Murthy, Director, STRIDE | - | Member           |
| 33. Dr. Gulab Jha, Regional Director, Noida | - | Member           |
| 34. Dr. Asad Nizam, Deputy Director, EMPC   | - | Member           |
| 35. Prof. Ravindra Kumar                    | - | Member Secretary |

Prof. Mahendra P. Lama, Pro Vice Chancellor and Prof. K. Elumalai, Director, SOL could not attend the meeting.

Prof. Narayan Prasad, Director, Research Unit and Dr. Vardhini Bhattacharjee, Deputy Director, Research Unit were Special Invitees to the Meeting.

Shri K. D. Sharma, Assistant Registrar, ACD was present to assist the Meeting.

The Academic Council noted that Prof. A. B. Bose, former Director, School of Continuing Education and Shri C. R. Pillai, former Director, Teacher Affairs & Planning and Advisor to the Vice Chancellor, both former Members, had passed away in the recent past. The Academic Council observed silence for two minutes paying homage to the departed souls.

The Academic Council placed on record its appreciation of the valuable contribution made by the outgoing Chairperson and former Vice Chancellor, Prof. Gopinath Pradhan. Academic Council also acknowledged the contribution made and support given in conducting its business by Prof. Geeta Kaicker, Former Director, SOS, Prof. Nawal Kishore, Former Director, SOMS, Prof. M. K. Salooja, Former Director, SOA, Prof. C. G. Naidu, Former Director, SOVET, Prof. B. Pattanaik, Former Director, SOEDS, Prof. Sunil Kumar, Former Director, SOPVA, Prof. Madhu Parhar, Former Director, IUC, Prof. Basanti Pradhan, former Director, STRIDE and Prof. Uma Kanjilal, Former Director, ACIIL.

It also recorded the valuable contribution made by the other outgoing Members, viz. Prof. Anand Deb Mukhopadhyay, Prof. D. Victor, Dr. Santosh Choubey, Lt. Gen. S. P. Kochhar, Prof. K. Kunhikrishnan, Prof. Vijay Khole, Fr. Jose Alex, Prof. C. Thangamuthu, Prof. Cynthia Pandian, Prof. Nirmala Vaz, Prof. Anil Bhattacharya, Prof. Ordetta Mendoza, Prof. N. Ravichandran, Dr. Darlie O Koshy, Prof. Shridhar Gadre, Prof. Lalit K. Deshpande, Prof. Lalit K. Deshpande, Prof. Vimla Veeraraghavan, Prof. K. P. Kannan, Prof. Yathindra,

Prof. K. Satchidanandan, Prof. Srikrishna Deva Rao, Prof. R. Ramanujam, Prof. Vinod Kumar Singh, Prof. P. T. Manoharan, and Prof. K. K. Mohammed Yusuff.

The Academic Council welcomed Prof. M. Aslam, Vice Chancellor, as its new Chairperson and expressed hope that under his stewardship the Academic Council would have many more meaningful and efficacious meetings. The Chairperson thanked the Academic Council for the confidence reposed in him and assured the Council that he would do his best in living up to its expectations. The Chairperson welcomed the Members of the Academic Council to its 61<sup>st</sup> Meeting and made a special mention of the new Members joining it, viz., Prof. Mahendra P. Lama, Pro Vice Chancellor, Prof. D. Gopal, Director, SOSS, Prof. N. K. Dash, Director, SOE, Prof. Vijayshri, Director SOS, Prof. S. Srilata, Director SOMS, Dr. S. K. Yadav, Director, SOA, Prof. Kapil Kumar, Director, SOTHSSM, Dr. A. K. Gaba, Director SOVET, Dr. Nehal A. Farooquee, Director, SOEDS, Dr. Govindraju Bhardwaja, Director, SOPVA, Prof. Santosh Panda, Director, IUC and Prof. C. R. K. Murthy, Director, STRIDE.

The Chairperson, in his opening remarks, stressed the importance of the Academic Council as the principal academic body of the University responsible for the control and maintenance of the standards of learning, educational instructions and evaluation in the University. He reminded the Council that it had to carry the signal responsibility of meeting the aspirations of nearly three million students who had enrolled for IGNOU academic programmes. The meetings of the Academic Council, therefore, had to be purposeful and steered in the direction of setting and providing a decisive plan of action to attain the highest academic standards for its programmes. He exhorted all the Members to join in this noble mission for making IGNOU the standard bearer in the field of Open and Distance Learning in the country and also globally.

The Chairperson laid special emphasis on harnessing information and communication technology mechanisms and tools in the ODL System. He reiterated the need to follow multi-media approach in letter and spirit for implementation of ODL educational interventions. He informed the Academic Council about some new academic initiatives which were compatible with the fast changing scenario of technology-enabled learning expected to further strengthen IGNOU's presence as education provider internationally.

He said India Africa Virtual University was foremost of such initiatives likely to be assigned to IGNOU very soon. IGNOU was also likely to be assigned the role of coordinating

vocational education under NVEQF through affiliations. The Members applauded the new initiatives according IGNOU a distinctive presence in the academic world.

The Chairperson invited the Member Secretary to present the agenda for the meeting.

The Member Secretary informed the Council that there were a total of 46 items on the agenda of the meeting and that no tabled item had been included in the agenda. Agenda item No. 1 was concerned with procedural matters pertaining to the confirmation of the Minutes of the 60<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Academic Council held on 16 March 2013 and the Action Taken Report. Similarly Agenda item No. 2 pertained to the approval of the Minutes of the 36<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Academic Council Standing Committee held on 13 June 2013 and Agenda item No. 44 pertained to the approval of the Minutes of the 21<sup>st</sup> Meeting of the Research Council held on 7<sup>th</sup> June 2013. Agenda item Nos. 3, 4, 5, 6, 34 & 46 were concerned with policy matters of academic priority while the remaining items were academic matters of routine nature. He proposed that procedural and policy matters should be taken up for consideration before the matters of routine nature were discussed. The Chairperson and the Members agreed with the suggestion. Accordingly, the following business was transacted at the Meeting:

**ITEM NO. 1 To confirm the Minutes of the 60<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Academic Council held on 16<sup>th</sup> March 2013 and to note the Action Taken thereon.**

AC 61.1.1 The Member Secretary informed that Minutes of the 60<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Academic Council were circulated to the Members and no comments on the Minutes were received from the Members.

During the discussion the Members raised an issue regarding the Annexures not being placed at the time of confirmation of the Minutes. It was suggested that the Annexures should be placed as part of the Minutes at the time of the confirmation of the Minutes.

AC 61.1.2 It was decided to send a soft copy of the Annexures to all the Members at the time of sending the copy of the Minutes. It was also decided that, in order to facilitate the dispatch of the soft copy of the Annexures to Members the concerned School of Studies/Institution/Units would send along with the Agenda items, the soft copies of the Annexures to the

Academic Coordination Division. This measure would help avoid the bulk photocopying work.

AC 61.1.3 The Academic Council confirmed the minutes of the 60<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> March, 2013 (**Annexure-1**) and noted the action taken thereon.

**ITEM NO. 2 To approve the Minutes of the 36<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Academic Council Standing Committee held on 13<sup>th</sup> June 2013**

AC 61.2.1 The minutes of the 36<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Academic Council Standing Committee held on 13<sup>th</sup> June, 2013 (**Annexure-2**) were discussed and approved with the following modifications:

- i) In item No. 10 the date of notification issued by DEC regarding policy on pursuing two or more programmes simultaneously was corrected as 01.11.2012 instead of 01.01.2012.
- ii) Regarding charging of fee for degree awarded in the Convocation, the Members were of the view that it should not be charged separately. It was decided that the same should be included in the general fee.
- iii) A Committee should be constituted by the Vice Chancellor to take a comprehensive look into the costing of the programmes and to rationalize it with the recommendations concerning the fixation of the fee for each programme. The recommendations of the Committee should be reported to and ratified by the Academic Council.

**ITEM NO. 3 To consider co-option of Members under Clause 1 (viii) of Statute 9**

AC 61.3.1. The Member Secretary informed the Council that the Membership term of 25 Members co-opted by the Academic Council under Clause 1(viii) of Statute 9 had expired on 13.8.2013 (**Annexure-3**). The Member Secretary read out the categories of persons who could be co-opted as Members of the Academic Council as per the above provision.

AC 61.3.2 After a brief discussion, it was decided that fifteen Members would be co-opted by the Academic Council under the above Clause. The names

of some eminent persons from the desired categories were placed before the Council (**Annexure-4**). Members of the Council were requested to send, by 25<sup>th</sup> September 2013, more names for this purpose to the Vice Chancellor who was authorized on behalf of the Academic Council as its Chairperson to co-opt fifteen Members to the Academic Council and report the names of co-opted Members in the next meeting.

**ITEM NO. 4 To consider the proposal for amendments to Research Degree Ordinance of IGNOU – RU**

AC 61.4.1. The Member Secretary informed that Research Council had proposed amended Ordinance on Research Degree Programmes of the University for the approval of the Academic Council. He requested Prof. Narayan Prasad, Director of the Research Unit to present the item. The Director, Research Unit informed that UGC had formulated a regulation in 2009 prescribing minimum standard and procedures for award of MPhil/PhD Degree which was also notified in the gazette of India dated 11<sup>th</sup> July, 2009. The matter was discussed in the 19<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Research Council and a Committee was constituted by the Vice Chancellor to prepare the draft Ordinance. The Committee had deliberated on each clause of the Ordinance and worked out amendments in the light of UGC Regulation 2009.

The Research Ordinance giving the details of the existing clauses, proposed amendments, and clauses after amendments was prepared and placed before the 21<sup>st</sup> Meeting of the Research Council held on 7<sup>th</sup> June, 2013. The Ordinance after including the suggestions of the Council was placed for the approval of the Academic Council.

AC 61.4.2. The Academic Council discussed the amendments in detail and the suggestions made by the Academic Council were noted by the Director, Research Unit. It was proposed that the finalization of amended draft may be referred to the Committee.

AC 61.4.3. The Academic Council considered and approved the amended Ordinance with the direction that the suggestions will be discussed by the

Committee and will be incorporated in the draft. The Vice Chancellor was authorized to finalize the Research Ordinance examined by the Committee. The same would be placed before the Board of Management for consideration and approval.

**ITEM NO. 5 To ratify the action taken by the Vice Chancellor to re-consider the Item No. 37 of the 35<sup>th</sup> meeting of ACSC held on 27.11.2012 while confirming the minutes under Item No. 2 of the 60<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Academic Council meeting held on 16.03.2013 through circulation**

AC 61.5.1. The Academic Council at its 60<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> March, 2013, while approving the minutes of 35<sup>th</sup> Meeting of its Standing Committee, had felt that the proposed enhancement of fee by 10% should not be made applicable across the board and the hike should not be uniform. Therefore it didn't approve the item No. 37 (ACSC 35.37.2). In anticipation, however, of the approval of the proposal, the hike was notified creating a queer situation. In view of the above the Vice Chancellor constituted a committee to streamline the fee hike. The recommendations of the Committee received the approval of the Members of Academic Council through circulation.

AC 61.5.2. The Academic Council ratified the action taken by the Vice Chancellor.

**ITEM NO. 6 (1) To Report the Decision of the 118<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Board of Management held on 15<sup>th</sup> June 2013 (vide BM 118.18.2) regarding Programmes offered by the Centres and re-visiting assignment of Disciplines to the existing Schools, and**  
**(2) To re-consider the ratification of the action taken by the Vice Chancellor permitting the Centres/Institutions/Chairs to offer academic programmes like any School of Study vide AC 46.7.4.**

AC 61.6.1. The Member Secretary proposed that (1) and (2) may be considered together. He informed that the Academic Council at its 46<sup>th</sup> Meeting held



on 13<sup>th</sup> January, 2009 had ratified the action taken by the Vice Chancellor permitting STRIDE to offer its own academic programmes vide resolution No. 46.7.4 like any School of Studies with due constitution of the School Board like Academic Committees in various Centres in the University i.e. NCDS, CEE, NCIDE and CCETC.

This ratified decision of the Academic Council required related amendments to be made in Statute 10A to make the proposal operational. However, the matter was not pursued and no amendments were made in the Statute. The academic programmes offered from the Centres etc. in the backdrop of the above ratification therefore suffered from the lacuna of not having necessary statutory sanction.

Subsequently, the Board of Management at its 113<sup>th</sup> Meeting considered and decided to review the matter relating to Centres and their empowerment for directly offering the academic Programmes. A Committee was constituted for the purpose.

The recommendation of the committee were considered and approved by the Board at its 118<sup>th</sup> meeting and it was decided that the matter of offering programmes by the Centre be referred to the Academic Council, the appropriate authority in terms of the provisions of the Statute 9A and the provision of the Clause 4 of Statute 10A allowing only the School of Studies to offer academic programmes.

In the light of the above, it was proposed that:

- (i) all academic programmes may be routed through School of studies only, and
- (ii) the decision of the erstwhile Vice Chancellor, ratified by the Academic Council in its 46<sup>th</sup> Meeting, empowering the Centres/Institution/Chairs to offer academic programmes should be treated as revoked.

AC 61.6.2 The Academic Council after detailed discussion approved the proposals mentioned at (i) & (ii) above.

**ITEM NO. 7 To consider and approve Phase-0 form of Aquaculture practices as on Application Oriented courses (AOC) – SOS**

- ITEM NO. 8** To consider and approve the Phase-0 form for adding the elective-BGY-003 Earth Resources, of the B.Sc. Geology (Major) programme proposed by the discipline of Geology, to the existing BDP programme – SOS
- ITEM NO. 9** To consider and approve the Phase-0 form for adding the elective-BGY-004 Petrology, of the B.Sc. Geology (Major) programme proposed by the discipline of Geology, to the existing BDP programme – SOS
- ITEM NO. 10** To consider and approve the Phase-0 form for adding the elective-BGY-002 Geology Lab-II, of the B.Sc. Geology (Major) programme proposed by the discipline of Geology, to the existing BDP programme – SOS
- ITEM NO. 11** To consider and approve the Phase-0 form for 'AED-01: Export Procedures and Documentation' in Bachelor Degree Programme in Commerce (B.Com.) Programme – SOMS
- ITEM NO. 12** To consider and approve the Phase-0 form for 'AOM-01: Office Organisation and Management' in Bachelor Degree Programme in Commerce (B.Com.) Programme – SOMS
- ITEM NO. 13** To consider and approve the Phase-0 form for 'AMK-01: Marketing' in Bachelor Degree Programme in Commerce (B.Com.) Programme – SOMS
- ITEM NO. 14** To consider and approve the Phase-0 form for 'ECO-01: Business Organisation' in Bachelor Degree Programme in Commerce (B.Com.) Programme – SOMS
- ITEM NO. 15** To consider and approve the Phase-0 form for 'ECO-03: Management Theory' in Bachelor Degree Programme in Commerce (B.Com.) Programme – SOMS
- ITEM NO. 16** To consider and approve the Phase-0 form for 'ECO-06: Economic Theory' in Bachelor Degree Programme in Commerce (B.Com.) Programme – SOMS

- ITEM NO. 17** To consider and approve the Phase-0 form for 'ECO-09: Money Banking and Financial Institutions' in Bachelor Degree Programme in Commerce (B.Com.) Programme – SOMS
- ITEM NO. 18** To consider and approve the Phase-0 form for 'ECO-13: Business Environment' in Bachelor Degree Programme in Commerce (B.Com.) Programme
- ITEM NO. 19** To consider and approve the Phase 0 form for ECO-05: Mercantile Law in bachelor degree programme in commerce (B.Com programme) – SOMS
- ITEM NO. 20** To consider and approve the phase zero form for ECO-08: Company Law in bachelor degree programme in commerce (B.Com programme) – SOMS
- ITEM NO. 21** To consider and approve the phase zero form for ASP-01: Secretarial Practice in bachelor degree programme in commerce (B.Com programme) – SOMS
- ITEM NO. 22** To consider and approve the phase zero form for ECO-14: Accountancy-II in bachelor degree programme in commerce (B.Com programme) – SOMS
- ITEM NO. 23** To consider and approve the phase zero form for ECO-02: Accountancy-I in bachelor degree programme in commerce (B.Com programme).
- ITEM NO. 24** To consider and approve Phase-0 form for the proposed new course i.e., "World Literature in English Translation" as elective course in M.A. English Programme – SOH
- ITEM NO. 25** Phase-0 Form and Syllabus for: (i) The Australian Novel (MEG Elective Course), (ii) American Poetry (MEG Elective Course), (iii) American Drama (MEG Elective Course) – SOH

AC 61.7.1-61.25.1. The Academic Council considered Item Nos. 7-25 together. While considering the matter relating to Phase forms for revision/offer of the new programmes the council was of the view that detailed guidelines

were needed by the Schools so that the Agenda was presented in a proper shape for consideration of the Academic Council or its Standing Committee.

The Academic Council decided to constitute a committee to develop the guidelines for developing/revising of the programme/courses and for presenting the agenda. It authorized the Chairperson to nominate Members on this Committee.

AC 61.7.2-67.25.2. The Academic Council approved in principle Phase-0 forms for all the above programmes and referred them for a detailed examination and subsequent implementation to the Academic Council Standing Committee.

**ITEM NO. 26 Rates of honorarium to be paid to the expert who review the course material for the purpose of Revision of a Course – SOH**

AC 61.26.1. The Academic Council suggested to the School of Humanities that this item for revision of the honorarium to the expert for reviewing the course material for the purpose of subsequent revision required a policy decision by the University which would be implemented across the Board in the University. It was decided that a detailed note with justification be submitted by SOH for the consideration of the Vice Chancellor.

**ITEM NO. 27 To consider and approve the phase-0 form of "Teaching of French" as an Optional Course of content-based methodology courses of B.Ed. programme – SOFL**

AC 61.27.1. As per resolution No. AC 61.7.1-67.25.2.

**ITEM NO. 28 To consider and approve the Revised Evaluation Methodology for MA in Gender and Development Studies (ODL Mode) Including Components of Internship/Field-based Research Project – SOGDS**

AC 61.28.1.1 The Academic Council at its 56<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> May, 2011 vide resolution No. 56.12.3 had approved the proposal for adopting Modular

approach to offer programmes in Gender and Development Studies with the inclusion of an Internship/Research Project Component through Distance mode. In the light of the above decision the School Board of Gender and Development Studies proposed revised Evaluation Methodology in MA in Gender and Development Studies (ODL Mode) with the incorporation of the Internship/Field-based Research Project. The proposed Revised Evaluation Methodology for MA in Gender and Development Studies had proposed the Internship/Field-based Research Project Course (MGSWP-001 and MGSP-002) in first and second year respectively. The School had submitted form for incorporating the relevant parameters in Evaluation Methodology (Revised).

AC 61.28.2. The Academic Council considered and approved the revised Evaluation Methodology (**Annexure-5**) in principle and suggested that the School should obtain consent of Registrar (SED) for operational aspects of the revised Evaluation Methodology.

**ITEM NO. 29 To consider and approve Phase-2 Form: MA – in Journalism and Mass Communication (ODL) Programme – SOJNMS**

AC 61.29.1. As per resolution No. AC 61.7.1-61.25.2.

**ITEM NO. 30 To consider and approve the Change of nomenclature of MA (Tourism Management) to MBA (Tourism) – SOTHSSM**

AC 61.30.1. The School of Tourism Hospitality Service Sectoral Management had submitted a proposal to change the nomenclature of MA (Tourism Management) to MBA (Tourism).

AC 61.30.2. The Academic Council after discussing the issue relating to change of nomenclature of the programme resolved that the proposal may be referred to the Committee which would examine the matters relating to the location of Disciplines and other related issues vide AC 61.34.2.

**ITEM NO. 31 To consider the Academic Programmes on offer (excluding PhD and MPhil Programmes) founded in ODL mode**

AC 61.31.1 The item was withdrawn.

**ITEM NO. 32 To consider the minutes of the 9<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Equivalence Committee held on 28<sup>th</sup> June, 2013 – SRD**

AC 61.32.1 The 9<sup>th</sup> Meeting of Equivalence Committee was held on 28<sup>th</sup> June, 2013 to consider the cases relating to equivalence/recognition received from different quarters.

AC 61.32.2 The Academic Council considered and approved the Minutes (**Annexure-6**) of the Equivalence Committee.

**ITEM NO. 33 To consider and approve the Phase-0 form for the Certificate in Maternal and Child Health Nursing (CMCHN) – SOHS**

AC 61.33.1 As per resolution No. AC 61.7.1-61.25.2.

**ITEM NO. 34 To consider the proposal for creation of New disciplines and housing of disciplines of the programmes being offered by the Centre/Institutions/Units**

AC 61.34.1. The Member Secretary informed that the Board of Management at its 118<sup>th</sup> Meeting, while considering the recommendation of the committee to review desirability of Centre and reallocation of disciplines vide Resolution BM No. 118.2, had decided that the matter of offering programmes be referred to the Academic Council. In view of the above decision of the Board the issue relating to the creation of new disciplines and attachment of Centre/s to the School/s was to be examined.

AC 61.34.2. The Academic Council considered the matter and after discussion resolved that an Apex Committee may be constituted by the Vice Chancellor for examining the issues relating to relocation of areas/disciplines and requirement of creation of new disciplines in the School of Studies where the programmes were to be located.

The Members of the Council were requested to forward the names for nomination to the Director, Academic Coordination for placing before the Vice Chancellor and get the Apex Committee duly constituted. The Committee would take a comprehensive view on the matter relating to transfer of the programmes offered by the Centres/Institutions/Chairs to the School of Studies, the rationale of the creation of new disciplines

and the allocation of disciplines to various Schools as also the rationale and logistics of the existence of newly established Schools and to give appropriate recommendations.

**ITEM NO. 35 Extension of Registration/Re-Registration period for the Online/Face to Face Programmes of CPMS – SOHS**

AC 61.35.1. The Academic Council approved the proposal submitted by the School of Health Sciences for extension of Registration/Re-Registration period for the Online/Face-to-Face Programmes of CPMS.

**ITEM NO. 36 To consider the Monitoring Strategy of School of Health Sciences – SOHS**

AC 61.36.1. As per resolution No. AC 61.7.1-61.25.2.

**ITEM NO. 37 Proposal for Attachment of Safdarjung Hospital with IGNOU – SOHS**

AC 61.37.1. As per resolution No. AC 61.7.1-61.25.2.

**ITEM NO. 38 Approval of Modified evaluation strategy for CAHC Programme from July, 2013 – SOHS**

AC 61.38.1. As per resolution No. AC 61.7.1-61.25.2.

**ITEM NO. 39 Report for information the termination of MoU with Dental Council of India – SOHS**

AC 61.39.1. The Academic Council noted the termination of MoU with Dental Council of India (DCI) w.e.f. 22<sup>nd</sup> March, 2012 after accepting the proposal of DCI.

**ITEM NO. 40 To consider and approve the Phase-2 Form for Bachelor in Medical Laboratory Technology (BMLT) – SOHS**

AC 61.40.1. As per resolution No. AC 61.7.1-61.25.2.

**ITEM NO. 41 To consider and approve the Phase-0 form for four electives of first level of B.Sc. Statistics (Major) proposed by Discipline of Statistics, School of Sciences – SOS**

AC 61.41.1. As per resolution No. AC 61.7.1-61.25.2.

**ITEM NO. 42 To consider and approve the recommendations of the Expert Committee meeting for the overall review of the Mathematics elective course of the Bachelor's Degree Programme – SOS**

AC 61.42.1. The Member Secretary informed that School of Sciences has submitted the recommendation of the expert committee meeting for over all review of the Mathematics elective course of the Bachelor Degree Programme.

AC 61.42.2. The Academic Council considered the recommendation and suggested that the School of Sciences should submit the proposal in proper Phase Form for the consideration of the Council.

**ITEM NO. 43 To consider the Phase-0 form of CPATHA Programme – SOPVA**

AC 61.43.1. As per resolution No. AC 61.7.1-61.25.2.

**ITEM NO. 44 To consider and approve the minutes of the 21<sup>st</sup> Meeting of the Research Council held on 7<sup>th</sup> June, 2013 – RU**

AC 61.44.1. The Director, Research Unit, informed the Council that 21<sup>st</sup> Meeting of the Research Council was held on 7<sup>th</sup> June, 2013. He explained the important decisions taken by the Research Council in the meeting.

AC 61.44.2. The Academic Council considered and approved the Minutes of the 21<sup>st</sup> Meeting of the Research Council held on 7<sup>th</sup> June, 2013 **(Annexure-7).**

**ITEM NO. 45 To consider the Phase-2 Form of Certificate Programme for Professional Development of Primary Teachers (CPPDPT) of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan (KVS) and the Programme Structure of CPPDPT – SOE**

AC 61.45.1. As per resolution No. AC 61.7.1-61.25.2.

**ITEM NO. 46 To consider the review and withdrawal of the unconditional approval by the Academic Council of Academic Counsellors as Evaluators**

AC 61.46.1 The Member Secretary informed that the Academic Council at its 54<sup>th</sup> (Urgent) Meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> December, 2010 had approved that



all academic counsellors already approved by the respective Schools stand approved as Evaluators and Examiners in the concerned course/discipline.

As per the provisions of Clause 4(iv) of Statute 10A the School Board of School of Studies has the power to recommend to the Vice Chancellor names of the Course Writers, Examiners and Moderators for different course on the proposal of Director of Schools in consultation with the Professor of the discipline assigned to the School. Therefore the decision of the Academic Council to approve all academic counsellors as Evaluators and Examiners in the concerned course/discipline was not in accordance with the provision of the Clause 4(iv) of Statute 10A. This had resulted in the problem of lack of validity and reliability of the assessment as revealed by the answer scripts sent to the School of Studies for re-evaluation.

- AC 61.46.2      The Academic Council decided to withdraw the unconditional approval of the academic counsellor as Evaluator and Examiner and recommended that the Ordinance on Evaluation must be scrupulously followed.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks.

**- SD -  
Chairperson**

