



UNIVERSITY OF KERALA

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL

Date : 25th May, 2023, Thursday.
Time : 10.00 a.m.

Members Present

1. Dr. Mohanan Kunnummal.
Vice-Chancellor (in the chair)
2. Dr. Meena T Pillai
3. Dr. Gabriel Simon Thattil
4. Prof. A.M Unnikrishnan
5. Dr. R. Vasantha Gopal
6. Dr. S.M.A Shibli
7. Dr. Sunil .V.T
8. Dr. K.M. Sajad Ibrahim
9. Dr. Manoj Changat
10. Sri. Nazeem M
11. Dr. A. Bijukumar
12. Dr. Noushad. V
13. Dr. Abhayan. G.S
14. Dr. Helen A
15. Dr. Suneesh C.V
16. Dr. Anil Chandran. S
17. Dr. Sheeja S.R
18. Dr. E. Shaji
19. Dr. Anees A
20. Dr. S.R Jayasree
21. Dr. Shaji A
22. Sri. Ashraf A
23. Dr. Sindhu Thulaseedharan V
24. Dr. B. Mini Devi
25. Dr. S. Kunjamma
26. Dr. Ramesh Kumar P
27. Dr. K. Bindu
28. Dr. I. Hubert Joe
29. Dr. Sam Solomon
30. Dr. Sreekala R.B
31. Dr. Binu G Bheemnath

32. Dr. V. Biju
33. Dr. Gireesh Kumar R
34. Dr. R.S Krishnakumar
35. Dr. Shaila C A
36. Dr. Sandhya R.S
37. Dr. E.I Abdul Sathar
38. Dr. P. Jeyakrishnan
39. Dr. S Nazeeb
40. Sri. Jairaj. J
41. Dr. M .Vijayan Pillai
42. Sri. R. Arunkumar
43. Sri. Sandeep Lal . S
44. Sri. P. Rajendrakumar
45. Adv. G Muralidharan Pillai
46. Adv. B. Balachandran
47. Adv. K.H Babujan
48. Dr. K.B Manoj
49. Smt. Renju Suresh
50. Prof. K. Lalitha
51. Dr. Gopchandran K.G
52. Dr. Sheeba. P
53. Dr.Mariamamma Mathew
54. Dr. Rajeswari K
55. Dr. Rani S
56. Dr.M.S Anilkumar
57. Dr. G. Thulaseedharan
58. Dr. P.R. Unnikrishnapillai
59. Dr. R. Sunil Kumar
60. Dr. Rajesh S V
61. Dr. Pramod Kiran. R.B
62. Dr. Sreelekha L
63. Dr. Manju A
64. Dr. L. Darwin
65. Dr. Rejiya. C. S
66. Dr. Ragaseema V.M
67. Dr. Sushama Raj. R.V
68. Dr. Anzer R.N
69. Dr. Vinod .C. Sugathan
70. Dr. Sabu Joseph
71. Dr. Viji S
72. Dr. Prakasan. P.M
73. Dr. R. Santhosh
74. Dr. J. Binoy
75. Smt. Vineetha N.R
76. Dr. Kala Rani. K.S
77. Dr. Harinarayanan .M

78. Dr. Sabu P. Thomas
79. Dr. K. Manickaraj.
80. Dr. P. Vinod

Online Presence

1. Dr. Nazneen .A
2. Dr. E.A. Siril
3. Dr. Bismi Gopalakrishnan
4. Dr. Jaseer. J
5. Smt. Maggie. J
6. Smt. Preethi. K
7. Dr. K. Radhakrishnan
8. Prof.(Dr.) Prakash K C
9. Dr. K. S Suresh Kumar
10. Smt. Asha Prabhakaran
11. Dr. Deepa M
12. Dr. Sumi V S
13. Dr. Jyothi S Nair
14. Dr. T.R Manoj
15. Sri. Aby Tellas
16. Dr. Swapna T S
17. Dr. Salom Gnana Thanga V

The meeting was called to order at 10.00 a.m by Dr. Mohanan Kunnummal, Vice-Chancellor in the Chair. He welcomed the members to the meeting.

(I) Business brought forward by the Vice-Chancellor and the Syndicate.

01. Classification of successful candidates who have exceeded the time limit /chances for Part time M.Tech / M.Arch / M.Planning Degree Course-Consideration of- reg. (Ac.AIII)

Sanction has been accorded by the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor vide U.O No.Ac.A.III/4/M.Tech/2020 dated: 01/09/2021, to treat M.Tech candidates who have exceeded the time limits/chances for qualifying the M.Tech Degree, as Mercy chance and awarded only Second class irrespective of actual marks/Grades scored and this shall be made applicable to all M.Tech Courses irrespective of Scheme.

But the classification of Part time candidates of M.Tech/M.Arch/M.Planning degree who have passed the course by exceeding the permissible number of chances is not specified in the above UO.

There are some candidates of Part time M.Tech degree who have completed the course by availing up to six chances in certain semesters within the time limit of 7 years including regular chance.

EE II / M.Tech section has sought clarification on the following

- 1) The permissible number of chances within the limit of 7 years for the part time M.Tech /M.Arch/M.Planning degree programme.
- 2) The classification of candidates belonging to part time M.Tech / M.Arch/M.Planning degree who have passed the course by availing more than the permissible number of chances within the time limit.

Regulation relating to M.Tech Degree Programme (2013 Scheme)

Clause 12 Part Time Programme

The Part time M.Tech programme will be of 7 semesters (three and half years). The Courses, Contents, Syllabus and Evaluation process will be same as that of regular programme. The first semester of the regular programme will be split into I and III semesters. The second semester of the regular program will be split into II and IV semesters. The third semester of the regular program will be the same as the V semester.

Amendment to the Regulation of M.Tech Degree (2013 scheme) was approved vide UO No. Ac.AIII/4/11396(1)/2015 dated 12/03/2015 as- 'Under no circumstances, students should be permitted to spend more than five years to complete course work and 7 years for the total programme including the thesis work from the date of admission to the programme'.

Regulations for M.Arch/M.Planning programme(2013 Scheme)

Clause - 1

The duration of the M.planning /M.Arch Degree Course for 2 academic years comprises of 4 semesters. Duration is counted from the date of commencement of the first semester of the courses. Credit system is adopted for the course. A minimum of 75 credits have to be secured by the student to be awarded with the degree.

Clause 7.5- Maximum duration of the programme

A student is ordinarily expected to complete the M.Planning/M.Arch Degree programme in 4 semesters. In case of students who do not complete their thesis work by the end of 4th semester, they will be permitted to submit the report in the 5th semester. The student has to keep the registration live till the time of submission of thesis by paying the registration fees. Under no circumstances students would be permitted to spend more than 6 semesters to complete the course work and 5 years for the total programme including the thesis work from the date of admission to the programme.

Clause 10.7.2

A student securing F or I grade in any core course has to reappear for the Examination for the same course in the subsequent chances. If it is an elective course, the student has the option to reappear for the Examination in the same course or to change the elective course in which case he/she has to repeat the course work with respect to the new elective course. A student will be given only 3 consecutive chances to reappear and retrieve the credits in this manner.

Remarks from Chairman, Board of Studies in Engineering (PG)

The Candidates who don't qualify within time limit (not satisfying both timeline for theory exams and thesis separately) can be given extra single mercy chance and qualifying marks limited to 50% of maximum marks, awarding second class degree. If the above is not the case, the candidates can be given higher grades

Remarks from the Dean, Faculty of Engineering and Technology

As per the amendment notification Ac L/R/2723/2015 dt. 25.01.2016, related to part time MTech programme {clause 12.0} "under no circumstances, students should be permitted to spend more than five years to complete the course work and seven years for the total programme including the thesis work from the date of admission to the programme.

It may be noted that the duration for regular MTech /M.Arch/M.Planning programme [2013 scheme] is two academic years comprising of four semesters. Duration is counted from the date of commencement of the first semester of the programme. But the part time M.Tech /M.Arch/M.Planning degree programme comprises of seven semesters and three and half years duration. Moreover the courses, contents, syllabus and evaluation process are the same as that of the regular programme. At present, students of regular MTech /M.Arch/M.Planning programme are given three years to complete the course work and five years for the total programme. Moreover, three more additional chances are given to pass a course for regular Mtech/M Arch/M.Plan students. Since part time MTech /M.Arch/M.Plan are of three and half years duration, more chances, compared to the regular batch may be given to pass a course.

Taking into consideration the above facts, it is recommended that the part time M.Tech /M.Arch/M.Planning students may be given 5 additional chances to pass a course. The candidates who didn't qualify within the above time limits may be given an extra mercy chance and the

qualifying marks should be limited to 50% of the maximum marks resulting in the award of a second class degree only.

Hence as per orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter regarding Classification of successful candidates who have exceeded the time limit/chances for Part time M.Tech/M.Arch/M.Planning Degree Course along with the remarks of Board of Studies in Engineering (PG) and Dean, Faculty of Engineering and Technology, is placed before the Academic Council for consideration and appropriate decision.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to grant 5 additional chances to the Part Time M.Tech /M.Arch/M.Planning students to pass the course.

FURTHER RESOLVED to classify the results according to the marks secured by the candidates.

02. Recognition as approved Research Centre– Dept. of Chemistry, Christian College, Chengannur –Consideration of-reg. (Ac.E1)

An application has been submitted by the Principal, Christian College, Chengannur to recognize the Dept.of Chemistry of the College as an approved research centre of University of Kerala. The Syndicate held on 23/09/2021 vide Item 32.98.A17 considered the matter along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research and resolved to constitute an Inspection team comprising of Dr. S. Nazeeb (Convenor), Prof.K.Lalitha, Sri. Arun Kumar R (Members of Syndicate) and Dr.Jayasree E G, Assistant Professor & Head, Dept of Chemistry, University of Kerala as subject expert. Later, the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor has nominated Dr. S M A Shibili, Professor, Department of Chemistry as subject expert as Dr.Jayasree E G has been relieved from this University. The said inspection was conducted at Dept.of Chemistry, Christian College, Chengannur on 21.12.2022.

The following are the major findings in the inspection report furnished by the Inspection Committee.

1. The proposed Centre has its own building for library, reference section etc.
2. The library of the Centre has sufficient number of Books and Journals
3. The Centre has provided separate working facilities to individual scholars.
4. There are two approved research supervisors working as regular faculty in the Centre.
5. A research committee has been constituted comprising of research guides.
6. The Head of Institution has also submitted an undertaking to the University to the effect that adequate funds will be made available for the centre; scholars shall not be admitted beyond the sanctioned strength; academic programmes like seminars, workshops, projects will be undertaken as part of the centre's functioning and a report will be forwarded annually, in the month of December to the University on the functioning of the centre along with the annual fees.

In the above circumstances, the inspection team recommended to approve the Dept.of Chemistry, Christian College, Chengannur as a recognized Research Centre of University of Kerala.

The Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics & Research at its meeting held on 23.12.2022, recommended to forward the matter to the Academic Council. The Syndicate at its meeting held on 29.12.2022, vide item No.50.38.A12, resolved to approve the above recommendation of the Standing Committee.

As per the orders of the Hon'ble Vice- Chancellor, the matter of recognition of Dept.of Chemistry, Christian College, Chengannur as approved Research Centre under University of Kerala is placed before the Academic Council for opinion.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to grant recognition to the Dept.of Chemistry of the Christian College, Chengannur as an approved Research Centre under the University of Kerala.

03. Recognition of B.Sc (Hons) Degree in Botany (Regular) awarded by University of Delhi for the purpose of higher studies and employment including B.Ed in Natural Science –Consideration of- reg. (Ac.C)

Ref: Application received from Ms. Safeeda Hussain N K dated 15.02.2023.

Ms. Safeeda Hussain N had submitted the Scheme and Syllabus of B.Sc (Hons) Degree in Botany (Regular) awarded by University of Delhi for the purpose of higher studies and employment including B.Ed in Natural Science. She had completed 10+2 pattern of study which is recognized by the University of Kerala.

Smt. Safeeda Hussain was issued Eligibility Certificate of the said Degree for her application dated 10/10/2022 for the purpose of higher studies and employment on the basis of the U.O No.6696/2021/UOK dated 27/11/2021 in file reference Ac.C/28904/21 (The Academic Council at its meeting held on 07/10/2021, vide item no: (1) 96, considered the matter of issuance of eligibility certificate B.A./B.Sc./B.Com. Degree Honours courses under regular mode awarded by Central/Statutory/Deemed to be Universities in India and resolved that those degrees awarded by Central and Statutory Universities be recognized as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment in the respective fields only and further resolved to recognize the Honours Degrees of Deemed Universities only on the basis of approval by UGC and AIU.)

As per the B.Ed prospectus, those candidates who have passed the qualifying examinations from Universities other than the University of Kerala should submit Eligibility Certificate specifically stating that their qualifying examination is recognised by the University of Kerala for seeking admission to B.Ed Degree course (not higher studies) in a particular optional subject in a stream applicable, at the time of admission. A candidate should have studied prescribed subsidiary subjects for becoming eligible for admission to B.Ed. in Natural Science as per the admission conditions. It may be noted that the B.Sc Degree in Botany (honours) is not included in the admission criteria of B.Ed in Natural Sciences of this University.

In this context, it may be noted that there are precedents of cases in which several candidates have been denied opportunity for joining B.Ed. course citing the reason that they have not studied prescribed subsidiary subjects for their Degree Programme as specified in the notification. The B.Ed. degree is professional programme leading to employment in high schools in Kerala for which Special Rules framed by the General Education Department is applicable. Even if a candidate is awarded B.Ed. Degree, unless the qualifying Degree satisfies provisions in the Special Rules concerned, degree holder shall not be eligible for teaching jobs in high schools in Kerala. It may be noted that as per the notification/prospectus, Botany Graduates should have undergone complimentary Zoology and vice versa.

In this context the whole matter was forwarded to Chairpersons, BoS in Botany (UG), BoS in Zoology (UG) BoS in Education (UG) for obtaining their remarks regarding eligibility of the said degree for the purpose of admission to B.Ed in Natural Science.

The Chairperson, BoS in Botany (UG) remarked that the Syllabus of B.Sc (Hons) Botany of University of Delhi have more than 90% similarity with the Syllabus of B.Sc Botany core course of University of Kerala. Also, he suggested to obtain remarks from the Chairperson, BoS in Zoology (UG) whether the syllabus covers topics of complementary course Zoology. Hence, he recommended to grant recognition to the said course as equivalent to the B.Sc Degree in Botany of University of Kerala if the topics of the complementary subjects are also included.

The Chairperson, BoS in Zoology (UG) remarked that the application has been verified and the syllabus attached with the application doesn't include any Zoology content as complementary course.

The Dean, Faculty of Science recommended that recognition can be granted for both higher studies and employment in the field of Botany.

The Chairperson, BoS in Education (UG) remarked that:

a. as per the existing admission criteria for doing B.Ed in Natural Science for a B.Sc Botany qualified student, it is essential to require and pass Zoology as a subsidiary subject in the concerned graduate programme.

b. Chairperson, BoS in Zoology reported that the syllabus of B.Sc (Hons) Degree in Botany of University of Delhi doesn't contain Zoology content as complementary/subsidiary course.

Hence, he recommended not to recognize the course for doing B.Ed in Natural Science in University of Kerala.

The Dean, Faculty of Education endorsed the remarks of the Chairperson, BoS in Education (UG).

Meanwhile the applicant Ms. Safeeda Hussain N K filed a WP(C) No .10573/ 2023 before the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala ,to regularise her admission to the B.Ed Degree course in Natural Science at the Iqbal Training College ,Peringammala where admission was given by the College violating the norms and regulations of the University. The Statement of Facts has been forwarded to Legal Section.

Hence, the whole matter regarding the non -recognition of B.Sc (Hons) Degree in Botany (Regular) awarded by University of Delhi for admission to B.Ed in Natural Science and recognition only for higher studies and employment in the field of Botany ,as recommended by the Chairpersons in Botany ,Zoology and Education (Pass) and the Deans Faculty of Science and Faculty of Education ,is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to grant recognition to the B.Sc (Hons) Degree in Botany (Regular) awarded by University of Delhi as an eligible qualification for admission to B.Ed Degree in Natural Science of the University of Kerala.

04. Request for Eligibility Certificate for B.A Degree (General) awarded by IGNOU, without having Plus two or equivalent certificate –Consideration of- reg. (Ac.C)

Ref:1.Application received from Sri. Mony C

2. Letter No. GS6-292/2023 dated 09/02/2023 forwarded by the Principal Secretary to the Governor, Kerala Raj Bhavan

Sri. Mony C (Senior citizen Rtd from Indian Railways) who got admission to M.A Degree in Russian Language and Literature at the Russian Department, University of Kerala has submitted application for Eligibility Certificate for the B.A Degree (General) obtained from IGNOU in 1992 which is recognized by the University of Kerala, in order to regularise his admission to the PG Course. He has completed 10th level which is recognized by the University of Kerala. However, the applicant has not produced his Pre-Degree certificate. Since he has not satisfied the admission criteria of 10+2+3 pattern of study, having not undergone the Plus Two course a memo dated 05.08.2022 had been issued to the applicant directing to submit the same.

As a reply to the memo, the applicant submitted a request to the Vice-Chancellor vide letter dated 26.08.2022 stating that he had done the Bachelor Preparatory Programme (B.P.P) which is a course offered by the IGNOU to the students do not have the essential qualification of having passed 10+2, prior to pursue the B.A degree.

The clause 2 (16), Chapter I of "REGULATIONS RELATING TO RECOGNITION OF EXAMINATIONS AND DEGREES OF OTHER UNIVERSITIES" of University of Kerala states that Degrees/ Examinations of other Universities means the Degree/ Examination awarded/passed after having undergone the prescribed course of instruction by the duly recognized, regular/correspondence/ private study not less than 10+2 (12) / 10+2+3(15) / 10+2+3+2(17) years of study pattern in Board/University other than the University of Kerala.

Accordingly, the applicant was directed to produce the certificate of Bachelor Preparatory Programme and its equivalency certificate from Higher Education Directorate of Kerala. However, the applicant failed to submit the aforementioned documents.

The applicant meanwhile submitted a Petition dated 29/01/2023 to the Hon'ble Chancellor, which has been forwarded from the office of the Principal Secretary to Governor vide letter dated 09/02/2023 for appropriate consideration and to give a reply directly to the Petitioner. The following points may be noted with respect to the application of the Petitioner -

1. He had obtained SSLC from Tamil Nadu in 1972 (11years)and Bachelor of Arts (general) Degree from IGNOU in 1992 which are recognized by the University of Kerala.

2. The Petitioner claims to have done the 6 months Bachelor Preparatory Programme (BPP) offered by IGNOU, before doing B.A Degree, for those students who do not have the essential qualification of 10+2, to enable them to do Bachelor's Degree of IGNOU.
3. The Regional Director, IGNOU vide letter dated 14.12.2022 informed that the Bachelor Preparatory Programme is a bridge course for getting admission to Bachelor programme of IGNOU for those who have not received any formal education. Also, IGNOU does not issue any certificate for BPP as it is not a formal course.
4. The applicant obtained the Integrated Diploma Certificate in Russian from the University of Kerala in 2022.
5. He obtained admission to the M.A Russian Language and Literature of the University of Kerala after qualifying the entrance exam of CSS, on the basis of the B.A Degree (General) Certificate from IGNOU as the qualifying Degree and also the Integrated Diploma Certificate in Russian from the University of Kerala.

As per the orders of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor the matter regarding issuance of Eligibility Certificate to Sri. Mony.C who is a senior citizen ,in order to pursue PG programme at the University, without undergoing the 10+2 pattern of study is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED NOT to issue Eligibility Certificate to Sri Mony C for the B.A Degree (General) awarded by IGNOU, without having Plus two or equivalent certificate.

05. M.A Business Economics-conducting of Entrance Examination and change of Eligibility criteria-2023 admn onwards-Consideration of-reg. (Ac.AII)

The Principal, Govt.college for Women, Vazhuthacaud has forwarded the request of the Head ,Dept.of Economics, for taking favourable action to conduct entrance examination for M.A Business Economics from 2023 admission onwards, as specifically mentioned in the last part of the revised Scheme and Syllabus of the programme implemented with effect from 2021 admissions and to change the eligibility criteria so that graduates in Commerce and Business Administration can apply for the course.

The Chairperson, BoS in Economics(PG) recommended to change the 'Target Group' mentioned in the syllabus of the M.A Business Economics programme implemented with effect from 2021 admissions as 'Eligibility Criteria' and the eligible qualification for admission to M.A Business Economics programme should be BA Economics/B.Com/BBA/BScMathematics/BSc Statistics degree or any other degree with Mathematics/Statistics/Economics as one of the courses. The Entrance examination for the programme should be conducted with a question pattern comprising 50 multiple choice questions, each having 1 mark without options(50 percent) and descriptive type questions, each having 5 marks with 2 options(50 percent).The pattern for the same is as follows:- Allocation of Time:-3 hours, Maximum Marks:-100

Section A: Answer all questions, Each question carries 1 mark(50*1=50 marks)

Section B: Answer any 10 questions, Each question carries 5 mark(10*5=50 mark)

(The number of questions should be 15 in section B)

The Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences has endorsed the recommendations of the Chairperson, BoS in Economics(PG).

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor the change in eligibility criteria and admission process recommended by the Chairperson, Board of Studies in Economics (PG) as endorsed by the Dean Faculty of Social Sciences is placed before the Academic Council for consideration and appropriate decision.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to refer the matter to the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academic & Research .

06. Corrections in the Scheme of MA Degree in Hindi Language & Literature, 2021 admission onwards – Consideration of-reg. (Ac.AII)

The tabulation section sought clarification on the following disparities found in the Scheme of MA Degree in Hindi Language & Literature, 2021 admission onwards:

1. There is no course code allotted for comprehensive viva voce in the scheme and syllabus of MA Hindi Language and Literature 2021 admission onwards.
2. In the split up of marks of Dissertation (HL-CC 546), 80 mark is shown in the CA column and only 20 mark in the ESA column.

The Chairman, Board of Studies in Hindi(PG) remarked that

- The course code for comprehensive viva-voce shall be **HL-CC-547**
- The split up of Dissertation (HL-CC-546) marks are as follows :

ESA - 80 marks

CA - 20 marks

Total -100 marks.

The Dean, Faculty of Oriental Studies endorsed the remarks of the Chairmen, Board of Studies in Hindi(PG).

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the above mentioned corrections in the Scheme of MA Degree in Hindi Language & Literature, 2021 admission onwards is submitted for the Academic Council for consideration and appropriate decision.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to approve the corrections in the course code and split up of Dissertation marks in the Scheme of MA Degree in Hindi Language & Literature, 2021 admission onwards, as per the recommendation of the Chairman ,Board of Studies in Hindi (PG) and as endorsed by the Dean ,Faculty of Oriental Studies.

07. Eighth Semester & Ninth Semester B.Arch Degree Examination– Dissertation Paper – Examination registration –Consideration of- reg. (EE II B)

Sri. Govind Sarma and Sri. Abrar Ali two students, from College of Architecture, Thinavila, Trivandrum who had started B.Arch Degree Course as 2012 admission and 2011 admission candidates respectively, had been re-admitted to repeat the Dissertation paper of Ninth Semester (2008 Scheme) along with the Eighth Semester (2013 Scheme) junior batch in the current scheme and syllabus ie; 2013 Scheme during the academic year 2017-18 vide Order No: Acad.A III/4/19036/2018 dated 13/04/2018. They could not complete the course due to failure in examination registration (ie, to repeat Dissertation paper) in June 2018 (2008 Scheme) and May 2018 (2013 Scheme), even if they had attended the examination in May 21, 2018 and got pass marks.

It is to be noted that, in addition to these candidates, two others are in the list Smt. Casia Maria John and Sri. Binu Jones. All of them had appeared for the paper under 2013 Scheme and the marks were received in the section. Among them Smt. Casia Maria John was issued Consolidated marklist and Provisional Certificate through semi automated process and the conversion calculation of Jury and Sessional marks to change the credits and mark distribution from 2013 to 2008 Scheme was done vide Order No: Ac.AIII/4/B.Arch/2019 dated 22/08/2019.

In this context, it is to be noted that Sri. Govind Sarma has cleared all papers and Sri. Abrar Ali has to clear six papers and both of them had their first time regular registration of Dissertation paper, in which they have failed.

The issue happened during the registration process of Dissertation repetition.

(Not Registered for the Examination)

As per the orders of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, the matter was placed before Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations held on 11.08.2022 and the Committee considered the matter and recommended to refer the matter to the Dean's Council. The recommendation of the Standing Committee was resolved by the Syndicate meeting held on 25.08.2022 (Item No. 45.82.16). As the implementation order was issued by the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, the file along with the approved note to Dean's Council were handed over to Ac A II section on 29.11.2022. While

considering another request of the candidate dated 11/01/2023, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor has ordered to place the file in Academic Council.

Hence as per orders of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, the matter is placed before Academic Council for consideration and appropriate recommendation.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to convert the Sessionals and Jury marks obtained by the B.Arch students Sri Govind Sarma and Sri Abrar Ali from the College of Architecture ,Thinavila ,Trivandrum,in the 2013 Scheme (8th Semester) to the 2008 Scheme (9th Semester) as per precedent ,by granting registration to the Dissertation Paper of 9th Semester in order to complete the Semester accordingly.

08. Integrated Five year B.Sc(IT) LL.B Course - Approval of the Scheme & Syllabus - Letter from the Bar Council of India - Consideration of – Reg. (Ac.AIII)

The Principal, Kerala Law Academy Law College, Thiruvananthapuram, submitted the draft Scheme & Syllabus of the proposed Integrated B.Sc(IT) LL.B Course before the University for approval on 03.01.2022. The Annual Meeting of the Board of Studies in Computer Science(Pass) held on 07.01.2022 approved the syllabus of the first Degree B.Sc (IT) in the proposed Integrated B.Sc(IT) LL.B Course.

After that the Annual Meeting of the Board of Studies in Law (Pass) held on 05.02.2022 considered the Draft Syllabus and observed that the Scheme & Syllabus of LL.B Degree is same as that of the existing B.Com LL.B syllabus, hence **approved the proposed Integrated B.Sc (IT) LL.B course subject to approval of syllabus by Bar Council of India**. The Board recommended to forward the scheme and syllabus to the Bar Council of India for approval owing to the following reasons.

1. There is no course as B.Sc (IT) conducted by Kerala University.
2. The course is not in the approved list of courses published by UGC.
3. M.G. University had to remit huge amount as penalty to Bar Council of India for conducting a course as BA Criminology LL.B, and later the amount was sought to be reimbursed from the members of the Board of Studies responsible for preparing the syllabus. This is because there was no first degree course as BA Criminology conducted by M.G University and it was not in the list of approved course of UGC.

The Annual meeting of the Faculty of Law held on 23.03.2022 endorsed the above recommendations of the BoS in Law(Pass) and the Academic Council held on 01.04.2022 vide item no. II (vi) approved the Minutes of the Faculty of Law held on 23.03.2022. Accordingly the Draft Scheme & Syllabus of the proposed Integrated B.Sc(IT) LL.B course was forwarded to the Bar Council of India for approval. The Bar Council of India vide letter no. BCI:D:45:2023(LE) Dated:18.01.2023 informed that **the syllabus of B.Sc has to be as per prescribed norms of UGC. Regarding the syllabus of LL.B, the University is free to design the same as per Bar Council of India Legal Education Rules/norms. The University can grant affiliation to any Centre of Legal Education,(CLE) for starting the prescribed course to be designed by the University, if the CLE's fulfills all the norms of grant of affiliation to CLE's (Copy of the Letter appended).**

Meanwhile the Government of Kerala vide G.O.(Rt)No.1256/2022/HEDN Dated: 20.08.2022, accorded administrative sanction to Kerala Law Academy Law College, Thiruvananthapuram for starting Five year Integrated BSc (IT) LL.B Course in the Academic year 2022-23.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor the whole matter pertaining to the approval of the Scheme and Syllabus of the Integrated B.Sc(IT) LL.B course along with the communication received from the BCI is placed before the the Academic Council for consideration and appropriate decision.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to approve the Scheme and Syllabus of the Integrated B.Sc(IT) LL.B course on the basis of the Consent obtained from the Bar Council of India vide letter BCI:D:45:2023(LE) dated 18.01.2023.

09. Recognition of B.Com Major in Accountancy and Finance (Obtained through credit transfer) awarded by Indira Gandhi National Open University, New Delhi in collaboration with ICAI (Institute of Chartered Accountants of India)-Consideration of-reg. (Ac.C)

Ref: Application submitted by Smt. Gayathri G Nair

Smt. Gayathri G Nair submitted an application for recognition of B.Com degree Major in Accountancy and Finance obtained through credit transfer awarded by Indira Gandhi National Open University, New Delhi in collaboration with ICAI (Institute of Chartered Accountants of India) for the purpose of higher studies and employment. The candidate has passed 10+2 pattern of study, which is recognised by this University.

The Chairman BoS in Commerce (Pass) has remarked that the B.Com Major in Accountancy and Finance (Obtained through credit transfer) awarded by Indira Gandhi National Open University, New Delhi in collaboration with ICAI (Institute of Chartered Accountants of India) can be recognised for higher studies and employment in concurrence with the decision of the Academic Council.

The Dean Faculty of Commerce has endorsed the remarks of the Chairman BoS in Commerce (Pass) and remarked that the B.Com with Major in Accountancy and Finance of IGNOU is in collaboration with ICAI and through credit transfer (64 credits) from the professional Institute. The proficiency earned through passing the first stage ie Professional Competence Course (PCC of ICAI) is the prime factor for recognition. Hence recommended that recognition may be considered. Both the Chairman and the Dean has recommended for higher studies and employment subject to the concurrence of the decision of the Academic Council.

Hence the whole matter regarding the recognition of B.Com Major in Accountancy and Finance (obtained through credit transfer) awarded by Indira Gandhi National Open University, New Delhi in collaboration with ICAI (Institute of Chartered Accountants of India) is placed before the Academic council for consideration.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to grant recognition to the B.Com Major in Accountancy and Finance (obtained through credit transfer) awarded by Indira Gandhi National Open University, New Delhi in collaboration with ICAI (Institute of Chartered Accountants of India, for higher studies and employment .

10. Regulations Relating to the B.A Honours Degree Programmes-Modification of Clause 6.1-Consideration of-reg. (Ac.AII)

The Scheme & Syllabus of B.A Honours Degree in English Language and Literature was introduced w.e.f 2013 admission onwards vide U.O No.Ac.AII/2/4156/2013 dated 05/09/2013. The specific Regulations for B.A Honours Degree programmes and revised Scheme and Syllabus of B.A Honours Degree Programme in English Language and Literature has been introduced w.e.f 2022 admissions vide U.O No.Ac.AII/7571/2022/UOK dated 30/09/2022.

The Tabulation section has sought clarification on the following points in the Regulations of B.A Honours Degree Programme.

- 1) Conversion of marks to grade for each course mentioned in the clause 6.1 of the Regulations but the total mark to grade in a semester/Grand total for a programme have not been mentioned.
- 2) Pass minimum for a semester/programme
- 3) Maximum mark for each semester

The Chairman, BoS in English(Pass) has recommended as follows

- 1)Table mentioned in clause 6.1 of the Regulations relating to B.A Honours Degree programme can be used to convert mark to grade for each Course/Semester Consolidation/Overall grading.
- 2)Pass Minimum for a Semester/Programme is 40 %.
- 3)Total/Maximum mark for each Semester is 500(5 Courses in each semester).

The Dean, Faculty of Arts has endorsed the recommendations of the Chairman BoS in English(Pass).

In the light of the above recommendations, clause 6.1 of the Regulation relating to B.A

Honours Degree Programmes “*The end semester examinations will be conducted by the University. A minimum of 40% Marks (E Grade) is required for passing a Course with a separate minimum of 40% (E Grade) for Continuous Evaluation and End Semester Evaluation. A separate minimum of 40% is required for internship/viva-voce/performance evaluation. Marks shall be converted to grade for each paper as per the scale below.*”

Percentage of Marks	Letter Grade
90 and Above	A+ Outstanding
80 to <90	A Excellent
70 to <80	B Very Good
60 to <70	C Good
50 to <60	D Satisfactory
40 to <50	E Adequate
Below 40	F Failure

shall be modified as “*The end semester examinations will be conducted by the University. A minimum of 40% Marks (E Grade) is required for passing a Course(Paper)/Semester/Programme with a separate minimum of 40% (E Grade) for Continuous Evaluation and End Semester Evaluation . A separate minimum of 40% is required for internship/viva-voce/performance evaluation. Marks shall be converted to grade for each course(paper)/Semester Consolidation/Overall grading as per the scale below.* “

Percentage of Marks	Letter Grade
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40 to <50	E Adequate
Below 40	F Failure

The matter is placed before the Academic Council for consideration and appropriate decision.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to approve the modifications in Clause 6.1 of the Regulation relating to B.A Honours Degree Programme in English Language and Literature introduced w.e.f 2022 admissions, as recommended by the Chairman Board of Studies in English (Pass) and as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Arts.

11. Inclusion of journals in the approved list of journals of Board of Studies in Applied Health Sciences-Consideration of-reg. (Ac.AII)

Ref: Request received from Sri Abeesh P, Ph.D Research Scholar, Laboratory of Immunopharmacology and Experiment Therapeutics Division of Cancer Research, Regional Cancer Centre.

Request has been received from Sri Abeesh P, Ph.D Research Scholar, Laboratory of immunopharmacology and Experiment Therapeutics Division of Cancer Research, Regional Cancer Centre for inclusion of following journals into the list of journals of Board of Studies (Applied Health Sciences).

1. Materials Science and Engineering :C(name changed as Biomaterials Advances),ISSN No:0928-4931;Publisher ELSEVIER
2. Journal of Environmental Pathology, Toxicology and Oncology, ISSN No: 0731-8898;Publisher Begell house.

The Dean, Faculty of Science, recommended to consider both of these two journals within the list of approved journals in the subject of Applied health Sciences as these are standard publications.

It may be noted that the University has no Board of Studies for Applied Health Sciences. The University is publishing a list of standard journals every year as per the

recommendation of the Board of Studies and Faculty concerned with the approval of Academic Council. In the last two years Faculty of Science has recommended only CARE listed journals.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor the matter regarding inclusion of the journals **Materials Science and Engineering :C(name changed as Biomaterials Advances) and Journal of Environmental Pathology, Toxicology and Oncology** in the list of approved journals in the subject of Applied Health Sciences is placed before the Academic Council.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to include the journals Materials Science and Engineering : C(name changed as Biomaterials Advances) and Journal of Environmental Pathology, Toxicology and Oncology in the list of approved journals in the subject of Applied Health Sciences, as per the existing Norms.

12. Recognition of B.Com. (Industry Integrated) Degree (Regular) awarded by Reva University (Private University), Bengaluru-Consideration of-reg. (Ac.C)

Ref: Request received from Sri.Harsh Shirsat dtd 17/11/2021.

Sri.Harsh Shirsat had submitted the scheme and syllabus of B.Com.(Industry Integrated)(Regular) Degree awarded by Reva University, Bengaluru for Course recognition for the purpose of higher studies (B.P.Ed.) and employment. He had completed 10+2 pattern of study which is recognized by the University of Kerala.

On verification of the detailed syllabus re-submitted by the applicant, as directed by the Chairman BOS in Commerce (Pass) since it was incomplete, the following defects were noted -
1.In the scheme of instruction, it is stated that in sixth semester, the course code of the course titled "Entrepreneurship Development" is B18 BC 6041.But in the detailed syllabus submitted, the course code is B18 BC 6040.

2.Similarly, under course code B18 BC 6030, the title of the course given in the scheme is "Business Policy and Strategic Management". But in the detailed syllabus, the course title given is "Stock and Commodity Markets".

3.The detailed syllabus submitted by the candidate cannot be taken as authentic since it does not contain official seal or any sort of official title as compared to the scheme and syllabus which was submitted earlier.

The candidate was accordingly informed and he submitted another attested scheme and syllabus from the Reva University .

The Chairman BoS in Commerce (Pass) remarked that although the defects which had been pointed out earlier is not seen in the fresh scheme and syllabus submitted by the candidate, a doubt persists as to how a University can issue such documents with valid errors. In this fresh document also, the same disparities can be noted when compared with the students mark sheet, ie; the course type such as HC, CC, FC, SC etc. Anyhow, authenticity and authority of the documents may be verified by the University of Kerala. But considering the scheme and syllabus submitted ,the Chairman has recommended to grant eligibility/equivalency for B.Com (Industry Integrated) with the B.Com CBCSS of University of Kerala.

The Dean, Faculty of Commerce has endorsed the views of the Chairman BoS in Commerce (Pass) and remarked that apart from the disparities ,the B.Com Degree may be considered as an eligible qualification for higher education and employment.

But the Chairman, BoS in Commerce (Pass) later opined that the matter of recognition of B.Com. (Industry Integrated) Degree (Regular) awarded by Reva University (Private University) be placed before the full Board of Studies in Commerce (Pass). Hence the file was placed before the Annual meeting of the BoS in Commerce (Pass) held on 02.12.2022.The Board recommended that an explanation should be obtained from the candidate on the anomalies noted in the syllabus. Accordingly an explanation was obtained from the candidate and the file was again forwarded to the Chairman , BoS in Commerce (Pass) .

The Chairman, BoS in Commerce (Pass) has currently remarked that, as decided in the full Board of Studies in Commerce (Pass) ,the candidate had been asked to clarify the defects/disparities seen in the documents which were submitted by the candidate. But the explanation submitted contains

no clarification regarding the defects which were pointed out. Further, the explanation submitted does not have the signature of the candidate. Therefore, the Chairman recommended to refer the matter to the Academic Council of University of Kerala.

The Dean, Faculty of Commerce has remarked that the B.Com Degree of the candidate may be considered for eligibility for higher education and employment after getting clarifications on the discrepancies pointed out by the Chairman, BoS in commerce (Pass) on the codes mentioned in the documents and mismatch detected in the syllabi. Further remarked that the Academic Council may decide on the matter as recommended by the Chairman BOS in Commerce (Pass).

The candidate meanwhile submitted a representation to the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor requesting to consider his case as he had obtained admission to the B.PEd course at L.N.C.P ,Kariavattom, which has to be regularised immediately since he is now in the final semester ; wherein orders were received to examine the matter in detail.

Hence the whole matter regarding the recognition of B.Com. (Industry Integrated) Degree (Regular) awarded by Reva University (Private University) is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED that the genuineness of the Marklist and Degree Certificate of the B.Com. (Industry Integrated) Degree (Regular) in respect of the applicant Sri Harsh Shirsat be verified from the Reva University (Private University). **FURTHER RESOLVED** that if the Certificate is found to be genuine then the Degree can be recognised for higher studies and employment wherever a Degree under any discipline is the required qualification.

13. Recognition of Ph.D Degree in Biotechnology awarded by University of Kerala- Consideration of- reg. (Ac.C)

Ref: Application submitted by Smt. Swetha M dtd 22/03/2023

Smt. Swetha M submitted the Ph.D thesis titled "Evaluation of Uttroside B as a candidate drug against Hepatocellular Carcinoma and comparison of its therapeutic potential with that of Solanum nigrum Linn leaf extract" along with the application for recognition for the purpose of higher studies and employment in the field of Zoology. The candidate has passed 10+2 pattern of study which is recognised by this University and has passed B.Sc and M.Sc Degree in Zoology from Calicut University and which are recognised as equivalent to B.Sc and M.Sc Degree in Zoology of this University respectively. The candidate submitted the copies of research publications.

The Chairman BoS in Zoology (PG) has remarked that the Ph.D thesis of the candidate is in the area of cancer biology which is a related area of Zoology. Hence the Ph.D Degree in Biotechnology in cancer biology awarded by University of Kerala **can be considered as eligible for the purpose of higher studies and employment in the field of Zoology.** He has also remarked that the two publications attached are published in journals which are included in the web of Science and the journals are credible in the area of cancer biology and are having good impact factor and is indexed.

The Dean Faculty of Science has endorsed the remarks of the Chairman BoS in Zoology (PG).

Hence the whole matter regarding the recognition of Ph.D Degree in Biotechnology awarded to Swetha M ,by University of Kerala for the thesis titled "Evaluation of Uttroside B as a candidate drug against Hepatocellular Carcinoma and comparison of its therapeutic potential with that of Solanum nigrum Linn leaf extract" as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment in the field of Zoology is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to grant recognition to the Ph.D Degree in Biotechnology awarded to Swetha M ,by University of Kerala for the thesis titled "Evaluation of Uttroside B as a candidate drug against Hepatocellular Carcinoma and comparison of its therapeutic potential with that of Solanum nigrum Linn leaf extract", as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment in the field of Zoology .

14. Recognition of One Year Master of Research in Biomedical Sciences (Neuroscience) (full-time) awarded by University of Glasgow, United Kingdom –Consideration of-reg. (Ac.C)

Ref: Application received from Ms. Nayana Jose dated 14.03.2023.

Ms. Nayana Jose had submitted the copy of Scheme and Syllabus of One Year Master of Research in Biomedical Sciences (Neuroscience) (full-time) awarded by University of Glasgow, United Kingdom for equating the same with M.Sc Biotechnology. She had obtained B.Tech Degree in Biotechnology and Biochemical Engineering from University of Kerala. She had completed 10+2 pattern of study which are also recognized by the University of Kerala.

It may be noted that the applicant has produced an equivalency certificate from Association of Indian Universities (AIU) stating that the Master of Research in Biomedical Sciences (Neuroscience) (full-time) awarded by University of Glasgow, United Kingdom is equated with Master Degree in the corresponding field of an Indian University.

The Chairperson examined the Scheme and Syllabus of One Year Master of Research in Biomedical Science (Neurosciences) (full-time) of University of Glasgow, United Kingdom, and found that:

- a. the aforesaid syllabus covers only the Biomedical aspects of Neuroscience.
- b. it does not cover a major portion of the syllabus of M.Sc Biotechnology of the University of Kerala.
- c. The University of Kerala does not have a similar One Year Master's programme in any subjects.
- d. The syllabi of One Year Master of Research in Biomedical Sciences (Neuroscience) and Two Year M.Sc Biotechnology programme of the University of Kerala are not comparable.

Based on his findings, the Chairperson recommended that equivalency can neither be granted to One Year Master of Research in Biomedical Sciences (Neuroscience) awarded by University of Glasgow, UK nor eligibility for higher studies and employment in the field of Biotechnology.

The Dean endorsed the remarks of the Chairperson and recommended not to recognize the One Year Master of Research programme in Biomedical Sciences (Neuroscience) awarded by University of Glasgow, UK as there is no comparable one year master's programme in University of Kerala.

Hence, the whole matter regarding recognition of One Year Master of Research in Biomedical Sciences (Neuroscience) (full-time) awarded by University of Glasgow, United Kingdom is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to refer the matter to the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics & Research and a Medical Faculty to be invited to the Committee.

15. Recognition of B.Ed Degree (Social Studies and History as optional papers) (Regular) awarded by Gauhati University as equivalent to B.Ed in Social Science of this University-Consideration of-reg. (Ac.C)

Ref: Application submitted by Sri. Anvar P dated: 18.05.2022

Sri Anvar P submitted an application for recognition of B.Ed Degree (Social Studies and History as optional papers) (Regular) awarded by Gauhati University for the purpose of getting recognised as equivalent to B.Ed in Social Science of this University. He has undergone 10 + 2 pattern of study and passed B.A. Degree in Economics from the University of Calicut which is recognised by the University of Kerala.

He submitted the scheme and syllabus of the said course and produced a letter from the Gauhati University which mentions an explanation for the subject codes in his mark list of B.Ed. Degree. The letter states that the 'h' in the Mark Sheet of the applicant indicates History and 'ss' indicates Social Studies.

On verification of the scheme and syllabus, Chairperson BoS in Education (Pass) has remarked that the syllabus of the B.Ed. Degree of Gauhati has adequate coverage with regard to both theoretical and practical aspects, in comparison with the syllabus of the B.Ed. Degree in Social

Science of the University of Kerala. Hence, he has recommended issuing Eligibility Certificate as the B.Ed. Degree in Social Science from the University of Kerala.

The Dean, Faculty of Education has endorsed the remarks of the Chairperson BoS in Education (Pass). Both the Chairperson and Dean, Faculty of Education have marked equivalency in the proforma too.

The whole matter regarding recognition of B.Ed Degree (Social Studies and History as optional papers) (Regular) awarded by Gauhati University, as equivalent to B.Ed in Social Science of this University is placed before the meeting of the Academic Council for consideration.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to grant recognition to the B.Ed Degree (Social Studies and History as optional papers) (Regular) awarded by Gauhati University, as equivalent to B.Ed Degree in Social Science of this University.

16. Scheme and Syllabus of First Degree Programme in Mathematics to be implemented w.e.f 2023 admission onwards - Approval –Consideration of- reg. (Ac.AV)

The Scheme and Syllabus for First Degree Programme in Mathematics under CBCS System had been revised w.e.f 2018 admissions. The Scheme and Syllabus for First Degree Programme in Mathematics to be implemented w.e.f 2023 admission onwards prepared at the workshop held on 11th and 12th August 2022 and approved by the Board of Studies in Mathematics (UG) at its additional meeting held on 14th October 2022, was placed before the Faculty of Science held on 02/03/2023.

Further, the Board of Studies in Mathematics (UG) at its additional meeting held on 22.03.2023 recommended certain modifications in the said Syllabus, as per the instructions made in the Orientation Programme conducted for revision of syllabus in OBE mode. Accordingly, the Chairman, Board of Studies in Mathematics submitted the modified Syllabus vide email dated 22.03.2023.

The Dean, Faculty of Science endorsed the modified syllabus submitted by the Chairman, Board of Studies in Mathematics (UG), vide email dated 25.03.2023.

As per the orders of the Vice chancellor, the modified Syllabus for First Degree Programme in Mathematics under CBCS System in OBE mode, to be implemented w.e.f 2023 admission onwards, is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to approve the modified Syllabus for First Degree Programme in Mathematics under CBCS System in OBE mode, to be implemented w.e.f 2023 admission onwards, as recommended by the Board of Studies in Mathematics (UG) and as endorsed by the Dean Faculty of Science.

17. Unitary Degree Course in Law (2016 Admission, 2011 scheme) – Mercy chance to appear for the failed papers of VI Semester - Granted - Orders issued - Reporting of - Reg. (Ac.AIII)

The Syndicate held on 28.02.2023 vide Additional Item No. 1 considered the request from Dr. Vijayan Pillai M, Member Syndicate for granting mercy chance examination for the VI semester LL.B (Three year) 2016 admission students and resolved to grant Mercy Chance for the students of 6th Semester LL.B (Three year) 2016 Admission subject to reporting to Academic Council.

The Vice-Chancellor subject to reporting to the Academic Council, accorded sanction to the candidates of Unitary Degree Course in Law (2016 Admission, 2011 scheme) being granted one mercy chance to appear for the failed papers of the VI Semester.

Accordingly, U.O No. Ac AIII/2056/2023/UOK Dated: 03.03.2023 was issued. The action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in granting mercy chance to the candidates of Unitary Degree Course in Law (2016 Admission, 2011 scheme) for appearing the failed papers of VI Semester and issuance of U.O No. Ac AIII/2056/2023/UOK Dated: 03.03.2023 are reported to the Academic Council.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council NOTED the matter.

18. Correction in course code of approved syllabi of M A Music, M A music(Veena), M A Music(Violin) and M A Music(Mridangam) w e f 2022 admission - reporting of -reg. (Ac.AIV)

The restructured Scheme and Syllabi of PG courses in M.A. Music, M. A. Music(Veena), M.A. Music(Violin) and M. A. Music(Mridangam) Degree Courses in the OBE format had been approved with effect from 2022 admissions . In the approved syllabi, the course code assigned for the subjects starts with "2". As per clause (2) of U.O No. AcAIV/02/2020 dated 01/07/2021 " Course codes be begun with digit '5' from the next PG Syllabus Revision onwards".

The matter was brought to the notice of the Chairman, BoS in Music(PG). The Chairman remarked to correct the course code as 5 (instead of 2) for M A Music, Music(Violin), M A Music(Veena) and M A Music(Mridangam). The Dean, Faculty of Fine Arts endorsed the remarks of the Chairman,BoS in Music(PG).

Sanction had been accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, to correct the course code as 5(instead of 2) for M A Music, M A Music(Violin), MA Music(Veena) and M A Music(Mridangam). U.O.No.2241/2023/UOK dated 04/03/2023 had been issued accordingly.

The matter is reported to Academic Council.

Resolution of the Academic Council
The Academic Council NOTED the matter.

19. Scheme and syllabus of M Sc Degree Programme in Statistics for affiliated colleges revised with effect from 2021 admissions-Title of Elective Course II in IV semester - modified-Approved-Orders issued-reporting of -reg. (Ac.A II)

The scheme and syllabus of M Sc Degree Programme in Statistics has been revised with effect from 2021 admissions and UO No: AcAII.I/2021(2) dtd 29.06.2021 has been issued in this regard.

Since a mismatch has been noted in the title of the Elective Course II in the course structure and the detailed syllabus of Fourth Semester , clarification was sought from the Chairman, Board of Studies in Statistics(PG).

The Chairman, Board of Studies in Statistics (PG) recommended that the correct title of the Elective course is **ST 544 Elective II- (i) Time Series Analysis and Forecasting**. The Dean, Faculty of Science has endorsed the remarks of the Chairman, Board of Studies in Statistics (PG).

Sanction has therefore been accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, to modify the title of the Elective Course II in the IV semester M Sc Degree Programme in Statistics as "ST 544 Elective II- (i) Time Series Analysis and Forecasting".

U.O No:2214/2023/UOK dtd 08.03.2023 has been issued in this regard.

The matter is reported to the Academic Council.

Resolution of the Academic Council
The Academic Council NOTED the matter.

20. Request submitted by Arun Murali. M.S for an equivalency certificate- M.Tech Degree in Technology Management of the Department of Future Studies, University of Kerala & M.Tech Degree in Information Technology - Reporting of reg. (Ac.AIII)

Arun Murali M.S, a candidate with M.Tech Technology Management Degree from the Department of Future Studies, University of Kerala has requested vide Application dated 11/08/2022, for an equivalency certificate with M.Tech Information Technology Course.

The Chairman, Board of Studies in Engineering (PG) has remarked that M.Tech Technology Management can be considered as equivalent to M.Tech Information Technology for the purpose of employment and higher studies. The Dean, Faculty of Engineering and Technology has endorsed the remarks of the Chairman, Board of Studies in Engineering (PG).

Sanction has therefore been accorded by the Vice Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council to issue special certificate based on the recommendations of the Chairman, Board of studies and Dean, Faculty of Engineering and Technology.

Accordingly UO No. Ac.AIII/2470/2023/UOK dated 14.03.2023 has been issued. In accordance with the UO, Certificate (No. Ac.AIII/4/35379/2022 dated 16/03/2023) was issued, stating that M.Tech Degree in Technology Management of the Department of Future Studies, University of Kerala is equivalent to M.Tech Degree in Information Technology for the purpose of higher studies and employment.

The above decision subject to reporting to the Academic Council and issuance of University Order (No.Ac.AIII/2470/2023/UOK dated 14.03.2023 and Certificate (No.Ac.AIII/4/35379/2022 dated 16/03/2023) in this regard is reported to the Academic Council.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council NOTED the matter.

21. Mercy chance for 5th and 6th semester candidates of UG programmes in SDE - 2017 admission – Reporting of-reg. (Ac.AII)

The Director, SDE has informed that students of various UG programmes requested to permit them to appear for the upcoming Fifth and Sixth Semester Examinations by including them in the mercy chance limit since the students can save a year and the examinations are being conducted in the same Scheme and Syllabus applicable to 2017 admissions.

As per UO No.Ac.AIV/1/Uniform Span Period/2016 dtd 15.7.2016, a candidate of 2017 admission of UG programmes in SDE shall complete the course by 2022, availing the maximum chances.

The Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations at its meeting held on 24.03.2023 considered the same and recommended to grant one mercy chance subject to reporting to the Academic Council. The Syndicate held on 31.3.2023, vide item no. 54.21.08, resolved to approve the same.

Sanction has therefore been accorded by the Vice Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, to grant one mercy chance to the Fifth and Sixth semester UG candidates (2017 admissions) of SDE and UO No.3263/2023/UOK dated 10.4.2023 is issued accordingly.

The matter is reported to the Academic Council.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council NOTED the matter.

22. Issuance of special certificate stating M.Sc Medical Laboratory Technology(MLT) with specialization in Biochemistry as equivalent to M.Sc Biochemistry for the purpose of Ph.D registration in Biochemistry-Reporting of-reg. (Ac.AII)

Ref: Request dtd 17.02.2023 received from Smt. Vandana Unnikrishnan.

Application has been received from Smt.Vandana Unnikrishnan, a post graduate in Medical Laboratory Technology (MLT) with specialization in Biochemistry for the issuance of equivalency certificate to apply for Ph.D registration, as she has qualified the Ph.D entrance examination in Biochemistry of 2022.

The Chairperson, Board of Studies in Biochemistry, in her remarks, has stated that the research work the candidate presented for Ph.D work is found relevant to the Biochemistry subject and also the candidate has qualified the Ph.D entrance examination conducted by University of Kerala in Biochemistry for the year 2023 and shortlisted for the screening process of Ph.D registration in January 2023. Hence recommended to consider the M.Sc Medical Laboratory Technology(MLT) with specialization in Biochemistry Programme for Ph.D registration in Biochemistry, though the M.Sc (MLT)Biochemistry was completed under Faculty of Medicine. The Dean, Faculty of Science has endorsed the remarks submitted by the Chairperson, Board of Studies in Biochemistry regarding the application submitted for issuance of special certificate stating M.Sc (MLT) Biochemistry as equivalent to M.Sc Biochemistry for the purpose of Ph.D registration in Biochemistry.

Sanction has been accorded by the Vice Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, to issue special certificate to the candidate Smt.Vandana Unnikrishnan stating M.Sc Degree in Medical Laboratory Technology(MLT) with specialization in Biochemistry under Faculty of Medicine as equivalent to M.Sc Biochemistry under Faculty of Science for the purpose of Ph.D registration in Biochemistry, since the candidate has qualified for the entrance for Ph.D in Biochemistry and the work is found relevant to Biochemistry as remarked by the Chairperson,Board of Studies in Biochemistry and endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Science.

Special certificate in this regard has been issued to the candidate Smt.Vandana Unnikrishnan. The matter is reported to the Academic Council.

Resolution of the Academic Council
The Academic Council NOTED the matter.

23. B.A Honours in English Language and Literature-granted- mercy chance exam-reporting of-reg. (Ac.AII)

The Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations at its meeting held on 23/01/2023 considered the request of a candidate of B.A Honours Degree Programme in English Language and Literature (2017-2020 batch) for Mercy chance examination as the admissible chances for 2017 admission has been over and recommended to grant one mercy chance, subject to reporting to the Academic Council.

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 09/02/2023 resolved to approve the above recommendation of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examination.

Sanction has therefore been accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, to grant one mercy chance to the candidates of B.A Honours Degree Programme in English Language and Literature. U.O No.Ac.AII/58230/2022 dated 04/03/2023 has been issued in this regard.

The matter is reported to the Academic Council.

Resolution of the Academic Council
The Academic Council NOTED the matter.

24. B.Arch Degree Course (2008 Admission) – Grant of Mercy chance Examination – request submitted by Smt. Ann Leela Sumanam. - Reporting of –reg. (Ac.AIII)

A request has been received from Smt. Ann Leela Sumanam, B.Arch student of 2008 – 2013 Batch under 2008 Scheme for granting a mercy chance to appear for the paper ‘08.AR 1402 – Building Materials and Construction – III of fourth Semester.

As per the regulation of B.Arch Degree Course 2008 Scheme ‘A candidate who could not complete the programme and pass all examinations within 12 years since his first admission to the B.Arch programme will not be allowed to continue and he has to quit the programme.

The Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations at its meeting held on 11.08.2022 considered the matter and recommended that the request be referred to the Academic Council along with the remarks from the Chairman, Board of Studies and the Dean concerned.

The Chairperson Board of Studies in Engineering, Pass- I remarked that her application may be considered and mercy chance may be given as per the existing rules and regulations of the Kerala University. The Dean, Faculty of Engineering and Technology has endorsed the remarks of the Chairperson Board of Studies in Engineering, Pass- I.

The special meeting of the Academic Council at its meeting held on 07/01/2023 vide Item No.39, considered the matter and resolved to grant a mercy chance examination of the B.Arch Degree Course (2008 Scheme) to Smt. Ann Leela Sumanam (2008 - 2013 Batch) to appear for the failed subject 08.AR 1402- Building Materials and Construction-III of fourth semester B.Arch Degree.

The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor subject to reporting to Academic Council accorded sanction to issue a general order for the benefit of all failed candidates of B.Arch 2008 Admission (2008 Scheme).

Accordingly UO.No.Ac.AIII/2579/ 2023/UOK dated 17.03.2023 has been issued.

The above decision to grant mercy chance to the all failed candidates of B.Arch 2008 Admission (2008 Scheme) and issuance of University Order in this regard is reported to the Academic Council.

Resolution of the Academic Council
The Academic Council NOTED the matter.

25. Extension of the Submission date of IV Semester Dissertation (2020-22 batch) from 15/09/2022 to 30/09/2022- Ratified – Reporting of- reg. (Ac.AIII)

The Combined meeting of the Board of Studies in Education (PG) and Faculty of Education held on 13.09.2022 recommended to approve the revised M.Ed Curriculum (2022 Scheme). The requests from the candidates of IV semester M.Ed Course (2020-22 batch) for extending the submission period of their dissertation from 15.09.2022 to 30.09.2022 was also considered as “Any other item admitted by the Chair” and recommended that the IV semester dissertation submission date of that batch shall be extended from 15.09.2022 to 30.09.2022.

Although the Academic Council held on 16.09.2022 vide item no. 193 considered the minutes of the Combined meeting of the Board of Studies in Education (PG) and Faculty of Education held on 13.09.2022, the extension of the dissertation date of the IV semester 2020-22 batch M.Ed candidates was not included in the resolution of the Academic Council Minutes.

But due to urgency of the matter, the date of extension for submission of Dissertation was carried out by the respective colleges as intimated by the Board of Studies concerned and Faculty of Education.

The Hon’ble Vice Chancellor considered the whole matter and accorded sanction to ratify the action taken regarding the extension of the submission date of the Dissertation from 15.09.2022 to 30.09.2022, for the 2020-22 batch students, subject to reporting to the Academic Council.

The action taken by the Vice Chancellor in extending the submission date of the Dissertation from 15.09.2022 to 30.09.2022 for the 2020-22 batch students is reported to the Academic Council.

Resolution of the Academic Council
The Academic Council NOTED the matter.

26. Complaint against the change in the nomenclature of the Programme M Sc Integrative Biology (Zoology) –Reporting of-reg. (Ac.AII)

Ref: 1)Minutes of the combined meeting of the Board of Studies in Zoology (Pass & PG) held on 29.04.2021

2)Item No. IV (Y 1) of the Minutes of the meeting of the Faculty of Science held on 17.03.2022.

3)Item No.II (v) of the minutes of the meeting of the Academic Council held on 1.04.2022.

4)Item No.II of the minutes of the meeting of the Faculty of Science held on 19.07.2022

5)Item No:25 of the minutes of the meeting of the Academic Council held on 16.09.2022

6) Letter dtd 24th November,2022 received from the Hon’ble Director ,Inter University Centre for Evolutionary and Integrative Biology, University of Kerala.

7) Item No:49.66.D14 of the minutes of the meeting of the Syndicate held on 08.12.2022.

8)Remarks submitted by the Vice Chairman,CSS dtd 13.02.2022.

9)item No:2 of the minutes of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Academic Council held on 01.03.2023.

The combined meeting of the Board of Studies in Zoology (Pass) and (PG) held on 29th April, 2021 expressed deep concern and protest over the act of the Board of Studies in Evolutionary & Integrative Biology in having named an M Sc Programme with the key word Zoology without consulting the Board of Studies in Zoology.

The combined meeting requested the Faculty and the Academic Council to intervene in the matter of inclusion of the word 'Zoology' in the nomenclature of M Sc Integrative Biology by the Board of Studies in Evolutionary & Integrative Biology.

The Faculty of Science at its meeting held on 17.03.2022 endorsed the recommendations of the combined meeting of the Board of Studies in Zoology (Pass and PG) and the Academic Council at its meeting held on 1st April, 2022 resolved to approve the recommendations of the Faculty of Science contained in the minutes of its meeting held on 17.03.2022.

The Board of Studies in Evolutionary and Integrative Biology, at its meeting held on 22.11.2018, recommended to change the nomenclature of the M.Sc Integrative Biology Programme to M Sc Integrative Biology (Zoology) since the Programme has more than 90% of M Sc Zoology syllabus of the University of Kerala. Moreover M.Sc Integrative Biology Programme has already been equated with M Sc Zoology Programme of the University of Kerala. The Faculty of Science at its meeting held on 5th March 2019 endorsed the recommendation of the Board and the Academic Council at its meeting held on 13th March 2019 approved the same. Thus the nomenclature of M Sc Integrative Biology offered by the Inter University Centre for Evolutionary and Integrative Biology, University of Kerala, was changed to M Sc Integrative Biology (Zoology) vide UO dated 30.12.2019.

It may be noted that the Chairman of both the Board of Studies in Evolutionary and Integrative Biology and the Board of Studies in Zoology (PG) are the same.

Since the Boards of Studies in Zoology (Pass and PG) raised a complaint, the Faculty of Science considered the matter at its meeting held on 19.07.2022 and recommended to remove the word '**Zoology**' from the nomenclature of the Programme **M.Sc Integrative Biology (Zoology)**. The Academic Council considering the recommendation of the Faculty of Science resolved to refer the matter to the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research.

The Committee considered the matter and **recommended to obtain remarks from the CSS in this regard and also recommended to maintain status quo, till the final decision is made in this regard.** The Syndicate at its 49th meeting held on 08.12.2022 approved the same.

The remarks of the Vice Chairman, CSS is as follows:

"The nomenclature 'Integrative Biology' contradicts the phrase 'Zoology' in nomenclature since it involves a multidisciplinary approach and can stay only in a holistic perspective. Moreover, the subject is more allied to Life Sciences, and the terminology reflects the study of biological systems is best approached by incorporating many perspectives in biology. The term 'Integrative Biology' focuses on integration across biological levels, with the organism as a center point and moving up (populations, communities, ecosystems) and down (physiology, cell, genome), which offers option/flexibility to expand into different biological realms. Therefore, the philosophy of using the term Zoology within parenthesis along with the title of a PG Programme like Integrative Biology, the entire philosophy of the integrative approach, besides questioning the university's academic integrity. The University also needs to prioritize the suggestions of the PG Board of Studies in Zoology and subsequently in the combined BoS of PG and UG (Pass) Zoology to remove the term Zoology from Integrative Biology. Further, this issue was also discussed in the Academic Council. In the current scenario of framing new generation courses and considering the progressive academic stands taken by the Government, it is always better to consider the nomenclature of PG Programme Integrative Biology as such rather than placing Zoology within parenthesis."

Meanwhile the Hon. Director, Inter University Centre for Evolutionary and Integrative Biology, University of Kerala in her request has suggested to re-name the programme as "**M.Sc Zoology with specialization in Integrative Biology**" instead of M.Sc Integrative Biology citing the fact M.Sc Integrative Biology Programme gives much emphasis to Zoology content along with Integrative Biology. The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor while considering the said request has ordered to place it before the Standing Committee of the Academic Council.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council recommended to rename the programme M.Sc Integrative Biology (Zoology) as M.Sc Zoology with specialization in Integrative Biology, subject to reporting to the Academic Council. Further recommended to issue special certificate to the already passed out candidates stating that both the programmes are one and same.

U.O No:22816/Ac.AII/2022/UOK dtd 23.03.2023 has been issued in this regard. The matter is reported to the Academic Council.

Resolution of the Academic Council
The Academic Council NOTED the matter.

27. First Degree Programmes under CBCS System - Mercy Chance Examinations granted - 2017 admissions – Reporting of-reg. (Ac.A.V)

Applications were received from the candidates of First Degree Programmes under CBCS System of 2017 admissions requesting Mercy Chance examinations to clear the backlogs.

As per UO No. Ac.A IV/1/Uniform Span Period/2016 dated 15.07.2016, applicable with effect from 2016-17 admissions onwards, the maximum duration for completing a programme of study is restricted to S+4 semesters for semester programmes, unless otherwise specified by the apex bodies, where S stands for the normal or minimum duration prescribed for completion of the programme. Accordingly, the regular chances for the candidates of First Degree Programmes of 2017 admissions for appearing the examinations expired by the academic year 2021-2022.

The Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations at its meeting held on 23.01.2023 considered the matter and recommended to grant one mercy chance to the candidates of First Degree Programmes under CBCS System, 2017 admissions, subject to reporting to the Academic Council. The Syndicate at its meeting held on 09.02.2023, vide Item No. 51.06.08, resolved to approve the said recommendation of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations.

Sanction was accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, to grant one mercy chance to the candidates of First Degree Programmes under CBCS System, 2017 admissions, subject to reporting to the Academic Council. UO No. 1918/2023/UOK dated 27.02.2023 was issued in this regard.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter is reported to the Academic Council.

Resolution of the Academic Council
The Academic Council NOTED the matter.

28. Double Main First Degree Programme (B.A) in Economics & Mathematics under CBCS System - considered as eligible qualification for higher studies and employment purposes wherever the component First Degree Programme (B.Sc Mathematics/ B.A Economics) under CBCS System is the prescribed qualification - Reporting of- reg. (Ac.A.V)

The Principal, TKM College of Arts & Science, Kollam, vide letter no. A3/8/2023/TKMCAS dated 06.02.2023, forwarded the request from the candidates of Double Main First Degree Programme (B.A) in Economics & Mathematics under CBCS System, 2020 admissions, to grant equivalency to First Degree Programme (B.Sc) in Mathematics for pursuing higher studies and employment purpose.

The Chairman, Board of Studies in Mathematics (UG), vide email dated 03.03.2023, remarked that the said programme may be considered as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment purposes, wherever the component First Degree Programme (B.Sc) in Mathematics under CBCS System is the prescribed qualification. The Dean, Faculty of Science, vide email dated 15.03.2023, endorsed the remarks of the Chairman, Board of Studies in Mathematics (UG).

The Chairman, Board of Studies in Economics (UG), vide email dated 09.03.2023, remarked that the said Programme can be considered as equivalent to the First Degree Programme (B.A) in Economics under CBCS System for the purpose of higher studies and employment in the field of Economics. The Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences, vide email dated 22.03.2023, endorsed the remarks of the Chairman, Board of Studies in Economics (UG).

Sanction was accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, to the Double Main First Degree Programme (B.A) in Economics & Mathematics under CBCS System being considered as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment purposes, wherever the component First Degree Programmes (B.Sc Mathematics/ B.A Economics) under CBCS System is the prescribed qualification, as recommended by the Chairmen, Boards of Studies in Mathematics (UG) and Economics (UG) and as endorsed by the Deans, Faculty of Science and Faculty of Social Sciences. UO No. 3416/2023/UOK dated 17.04.2023 is issued accordingly.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the matter is reported to the Academic Council.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council NOTED the matter.

29. B.Sc (Annual scheme)-Granting of Mercy Chance to candidates of the subjects Mathematics, Physics, Botany and Zoology from 2006 admission onwards-Approved-Orders issued-reporting of –reg. (Ac.AII)

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 2/9/2022 resolved that the application for Mercy Chance Examination submitted by the candidates from the academic year 2000-2001 onwards shall be considered on a case by case basis .U.O No: Ac.AII/2/38394/2022/UOK dtd 23.09.2022 has been issued in this regard.

Applications were received from the candidates of B.Sc Degree Course under Annual scheme from 2000 admission to 2009 admission to grant mercy chance in Part III Mathematics, Physics, Botany and Zoology.

Considering the applications, the Syndicate vide Item No: 50.20.03 of the minutes of the 50th meeting of the Syndicate held on 29.12.2022, resolved to grant one mercy chance to the candidates from 2006 admission onwards of the above mentioned subjects ,subject to reporting to the Academic Council.

Sanction has therefore been accorded by the Vice Chancellor to grant one mercy chance to the B.Sc Annual scheme candidates of the subjects Mathematics, Physics, Botany and Zoology from 2006 admission onwards ,subject to reporting to the Academic Council.

U.O No: Ac.AII/I/mercy chance/B.Sc Annual scheme/2023 dtd 27.01.2023 has been issued in this regard.

The matter is reported to the Academic Council.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council NOTED the matter.

30. Scheme and Syllabus of M.Sc Chemistry , Analytical Chemistry and Polymer Chemistry –revised and implemented w.e.f 2020 admission onwards- allotment of course code for comprehensive viva w.e.f 2021 admission onwards–Approved-orders issued – reporting of –reg. (Ac.AII)

The scheme and syllabus of M.Sc Chemistry, Analytical Chemistry and Polymer Chemistry were revised vide U.Os No: AcAII.I/I/1483/FoS-2/2020 dtd 06.11.2020 ,AcAII.I/1483/FoS-3/2020 dtd 06.11.2020 and Ac.AII.I/20973/2020 dtd 10.12.2020 respectively. But course code was not allotted for comprehensive viva in the scheme and syllabus of the programmes. The Chairpersons, Board of Studies in Chemistry(PG) and Polymer Chemistry have recommended to allot course code for comprehensive viva as follows:1.**CH 243(c) – Chemistry** 2.**CL 243(c) -Analytical Chemistry** 3.**PC 243(c) –Polymer Chemistry** in the scheme and syllabus of Fourth semester of M.Sc Degree Programme in Chemistry, Analytical Chemistry and Polymer Chemistry, revised and implemented w.e.f 2020 admissions, as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Science. The Academic Council resolved to approve the same. Accordingly U.O No:Ac.AII/I/Chemistry/2023 dtd 02.02.2023 has been issued in this regard.

The tabulation section has reported that the marklists of 2020 admission candidates of M.Sc Chemistry, Analytical Chemistry and Polymer Chemistry have already been dispatched to the colleges for distribution to students without allotting course codes and hence requested whether the course codes be implemented w.e.f 2021 admission onwards.

Sanction has been accorded by the Vice Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, to allot the above course codes for comprehensive viva w.ef 2021 admission onwards in the Scheme and Syllabus of Fourth semester of M.Sc Degree Programme in Chemistry, Analytical Chemistry and Polymer Chemistry revised and implemented w.e.f 2020 admissions.

U.O No: Ac.AII/I/Chemistry/2023 dtd 04.03.2023 has been issued in this regard.

The matter is reported to the Academic Council.

Resolution of the Academic Council
The Academic Council NOTED the matter.

31. Bachelor of Design(B.Des) in Fashion Design-Higher than Diploma/Degree in Textile Design/Costume Designing-Reporting of-reg. (Ac.AIV)

Akhila S Kumar, a candidate of B.des in Fashion Design(2018-22), applied for a special certificate stating that B.Des in Fashion Design is a degree programme in Fashion Design offered by the University of Kerala. Also, requested equivalency for Bdes degree programme with Diploma/Degree in Textile Design/Costume Designing. The candidate also submitted syllabus of B.Sc degree in Costume Designing offered in Calicut University. The candidate applied for the special certificate for employment purpose(Assistant Fashion Designer post in Vocational Higher Secondary Department).

The Chairman, BoS in Applied Arts remarked that " B.Des is an 8 semester professional degree programme and it is higher than Diploma/Degree in Textile Design/Costume Designing. It is certified hat B.Des degree is equivalent for employment (Assistant Fashion Designer post in Vocational Higher Secondary Department) and higher education purpose".

The Dean, Faculty of Fine Arts endorsed the remarks of the Chairman.

As per orders of Vice Chancellor, U.O. No. 3218/2023/UOK dtd 04/04/2023 was issued stating that, Bachelor of Design (B.Des) in Fashion Design is an Eight Semester Professional Degree Designing for employment purpose, subject to reporting to Academic Council.

The matter is reported to Academic Council.

Resolution of the Academic Council
The Academic Council NOTED the matter.

32. Research leading to Ph.D Degree- Permission to the candidates who qualified the KSCSTE Research Fellowship - Join the research centre first and then apply for the Ph.D registration in the next immediate session - general decision –Consideration of- reg. (Ac.E.VI)

The Head, Department of Geology , University of Kerala, Kariavattom had uploaded the minutes of the meeting of the doctoral committee held on 12/09/2022 in respect of Ms. Arya Jayan, a research aspirant in Geology of July 2022 session, along with the application, relevant documents and course work details through the research portal. The committee has recommended granting Ph.D registration to the candidate as detailed below.

Doctoral Committee Chairman	The Head, Department of Geology, University of Kerala, Kariavttom	
Date of Doctoral Committee	12/09/2022 (minutes)	
Registration Number	22073010001	
Name of the candidate	Arya Jayan	
Category	Hindu Ezhava	
Subject	Geology	
Faculty	Science	
Mode (FT/PT)	Full -Time	
Research Centre	Department of Geology, University of Kerala, Kariavattom Facility Certificate	
Research Supervisor	Dr. Shaji E, Associate Professor, Dept. of Geology, University of Kerala, Kariavattom Proforma	
	Ordinal Status : To be registered as the fifth candidate	
Educational Qualification	M.Sc. Geology , 2021	University : University of Kerala

	Grade - O	
Eligibility Criteria	University of Kerala Ph.D Entrance (Pass memo), KSCSTE JRF (Offer Letter)	

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the Head, Dept. of Geology, University of Kerala has been intimated to permit Arya Jayan to join for Ph.D in Full time mode, vide letter dated 14.12.2022. Accordingly the candidate has joined at the research centre on 15.12.2022 and the Head reported the same vide letter dated 15.12.2022.

The candidate also submitted a request recommended and forwarded by the Head, Dept. of Geology stating that she is qualified KSCSTE Fellowship of Govt of Kerala, w.e.f. the date of joining in the Department as a full time research scholar. Her Doctoral Committee for granting Ph.D registration was held on 12.09.2022. As she started her research work w.e.f. 12.09.2022, requested to permit her to join at the Department w.e.f. 12.09.2022.

As per the notification for Ph.D registration in July 2022 session, "UGC/CSIR-JRF/DBT-JRF/DST-JRF(INSPIRE)/GATE/UGC-MANF/VSSC-JRF/UGC-NFSC/UGC-NFOBC/NFPwD candidates pursuing research are permitted to join Ph.D research first, if they are otherwise eligible for Ph.D registration in the concerned subject, and then apply for Ph.D registration in the next immediate session itself and to grant them Ph.D registration w.e.f. the date of joining the fellowship at par with UGC JRF in the matter of admission and registration for research leading to Ph.D Degree."

This provision is not extended to the KSCSTE Research Fellowship recipient.

As per the orders of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, the matter of granting permission to candidates who qualify for the KSCSTE fellowship to join the research centre first and then apply for registration in the next immediate session along with the request from Smt. Arya Jayan to grant her registration from the date of Doctoral Committee ie. 12/09/2022 is placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research for consideration and appropriate recommendations. The Syndicate held on 09/02/2023 approved the recommendation of Standing committee and resolved as follows:

1. to grant Ph.D registration to Smt. Arya Jayan, as recommended by the Doctoral Committee with actual date of joining the centre, ie. 15/12/2022, as the effective date of registration.
2. Further recommended to permit KSCSTE Research Fellowship awardees to join Ph.D research first, if they are otherwise eligible for Ph.D registration in the subject concerned, and then apply for Ph. D registration in the next immediate session, and to grant them the registration w.e.f. the date of joining the fellowship, at par with UGC JRF awardees and place the matter before the Standing Committee of the Academic Council.

As per the orders of the Hon'ble Vice - Chancellor, the UO for granting registration to Ms. Arya Jayan, w.e.f. the actual date of Joining the centre, ie. from 15/12/2022 was issued, vide UO No. 2082/2023/UOK dated 03/03/2023.

As per the orders of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, the matter of **permitting KSCSTE Research Fellowship awardees to join Ph.D research first, if they are otherwise eligible for Ph.D registration in the subject concerned, and then apply for Ph.D registration in the next immediate session, and to grant them the registration w.e.f. the date of joining the fellowship, at par with UGC JRF awardees,** is placed before the Academic Council for consideration and taking a general decision.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to grant permission to the KSCSTE Research Fellowship awardees to join Ph.D research first, if they are otherwise eligible for Ph.D registration in the subject concerned, and then apply for Ph.D registration in the next immediate session itself, and to grant them the registration w.e.f. the date of joining the fellowship, at par with UGC JRF awardees.

33. Request for the Eligibility Certificate for Additional B.A. Degree Certificate in Hindi to B.A./B.Sc. Graduates with Rashtrabhasha Praveen of Dakshina Bharat Hindi Prachar Sabha, Madras - consideration of - Reg: (Ac.C)

Ref: Application submitted by Smt. Sabitha A, Dtd: 21/02/2023

Smt. Sabitha A has submitted a request for Eligibility Certificate for the awarding of Additional Degree Certificate. She completed 10+2 pattern of study and pursued B.A. Economics in

2001. She obtained the Rashtrabhasha Praveen Title in 1998.

Recently, a UO has been issued regarding the Awarding of additional B.A. Degree in Hindi to B.A./B.Sc. Graduates with Sahithyacharya Title holders of Kerala Hindi Prachar Sabha. (vide UO: No. Ac.AII/2/2021, dtd: 27/10/2022) [**Appendix 1**]. The U.O. read as "Sahithyacharya Title awarded by Kerala Hindi Prachar Sabha and acquired by any candidate (who have passed B.A./B.Sc. Degree) may be awarded additional B.A. Degree in Hindi, provided the candidate/candidates fulfill all other criteria stipulated by the University of Kerala in this regard."

Hence, the remarks of the subject experts viz. the Chairman, BoS in Hindi (Pass) and that of the Dean, Faculty of Oriental Studies was obtained regarding the recognition of the Rashtrabhasha Praveen of Dakshina Bharat Hindi Prachar Sabha, Madras for the award of Additional B.A. Degree Certificate in Hindi to the B.A./B.Sc. Graduates of this University.

The Chairman, BoS in Hindi (Pass) has remarked that "as per the UO No. AcAII/2/2021, dtd: 27/10/2022, the University of Kerala decided to award additional degree to students who pass Sahithyacharya, hence Additional Degree may be awarded to the B.A./B.Sc. Graduates of this University with Rashtrabhasha Praveen. Smt. Sabitha A is eligible for Additional Degree."

The Dean, Faculty of Oriental Studies has endorsed the above remarks of the Chairman, BoS in Hindi (Pass) and remarked to "favourably consider the request of Smt. Sabitha A."

Hence the whole matter is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED that Additional Degree may be awarded to the B.A./B.Sc. Graduates of this University having Rashtrabhasha Praveen Title of the Dakshina Bharat Hindi Prachar Sabha, Madras.

34. Scheme and Syllabus of M.A Philosophy(OBE Mode) from 2023 admission onwards-for approval-reg. (Ac.AII)

The additional meeting of the Board of Studies held on 25/04/2023 considered the draft Scheme and Syllabus of M.A Philosophy(OBE Mode) to be implemented w.e.f 2023 admission onwards, prepared at the workshop held on 22/02/2023 to 24/02/2023 and recommended to approve the same.

The Chairperson, Board of Studies in Philosophy(PG) has submitted the minutes of the additional meeting along with the Scheme and Syllabus of M.A Philosophy(OBE Mode) for affiliated colleges to be implemented from 2023 admission onwards for approval. The Dean, Faculty of Arts has endorsed the same.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the Scheme and Syllabus of M.A Philosophy (OBE Mode) from 2023 admission is placed before the Academic Council for consideration and appropriate decision.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to approve the Scheme and Syllabus of M.A Philosophy (OBE Mode) from 2023 admission onwards, as recommended by the Chairman, Board of Studies in Philosophy (PG) and as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Arts.

35. Career related First Degree Programme in Business Administration (BBA) under CBCS System w.e.f 2022 admissions- Correction in the title of Elective course- Reporting of-reg : (Ac.AV)

The Scheme and Syllabus for Career related First Degree Programme in Business Administration (BBA) under CBCS System had been revised w.e.f 2022 admissions vide UO No. 8346/2022/UOK dtd, 27.10.2022.

The title of the Elective course BM 1461.1 offered in the VI Semester was given as 'Human Resource Development and Organisation Culture' in the Index page whereas 'Human Resource Development and Organisational Culture' in the detailed part of the Syllabus for Career related First Degree Programme in Business Administration (BBA) revised w.e.f 2022 admissions.

The Chairperson, Board of Studies in Business Management (UG) recommended to correct

the title as 'Human Resource Development and Organisational Culture' in the Syllabus. The Dean, Faculty of Management Studies endorsed the remarks of the Chairperson.

Sanction was accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, to correct the title of the Elective course BM 1461.1 as 'Human Resource Development and Organisational Culture' in the Scheme and Syllabus for Career related First Degree Programme in Business Administration (BBA) under CBCS System revised w.e.f 2022 admissions, as recommended by the Chairperson, Board of Studies in Business Management (UG) and as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Management Studies. A U.O No.2495/2023/UOK Dated: 15.03.2023 has been issued accordingly.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter is reported to the Academic Council.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council NOTED the matter.

36. Recognition of the M.Sc. Degree in Chemistry (Regular) awarded by Vellore Institute of Technology (VIT), Tamil Nadu, (Deemed to be University) for consideration of- Reg. (Ac.C)

Ref: Application submitted by Smt. Athira M S, dtd: 04/04/2023

Smt. Athira M S has submitted an application with the attested scheme and syllabus for the course recognition of the M.Sc. Degree in Chemistry (Regular) awarded by Vellore Institute of Technology (VIT), Tamil Nadu, (Deemed to be University). **Her purpose of recognition is for equivalency with the M.Sc. Chemistry of this University.**

The applicant has completed 10+2 pattern of study which has been recognised by this University. She pursued the B.Sc. Degree in Chemistry from the University of Madras which has been recognised by this University.

The Chairman, BoS in Chemistry (PG) who is also the Dean, Faculty of Science remarked that "Vellore Institute of Technology (VIT) is a Deemed University declared under Section 3 of UGC Act, 1956, and is member of the Association of Indian Universities (AIU). The eligibility for admission to the M.Sc. Chemistry programme offered by VIT is noted to be B.Sc. Degree in Chemistry, which is same as the standard criteria followed by the University of Kerala. Also, 90 to 95% of the content in the syllabus of M.Sc. Chemistry programme of our University is covered in the said M.Sc. Chemistry Programme of VIT. Considering all these aspects, it is recommended that the M.Sc. Degree in Chemistry awarded by the Vellore Institute of Technology (Deemed to be University), Tamil Nadu may be considered as equivalent to the M.Sc. Chemistry Degree of this University.

The applicant, Ms. Athira M.S. has undergone the study pattern recognised by the University of Kerala (10+2 and B.Sc. Degree from the University of Madras) for obtaining admission to the M.Sc. Chemistry programme offered by the VIT and the standard criteria of admission is followed. Hence, it is recommended to consider the M.Sc. Degree as an eligible qualification for the purpose of higher education and employment in the field of Chemistry.

Hence the whole matter regarding the recognition of the M.Sc. Degree in Chemistry (Regular) awarded by Vellore Institute of Technology (VIT), Tamil Nadu, (Deemed to be University) as equivalent to the M.Sc. Degree in Chemistry of this University is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to grant recognition to the M.Sc. Degree in Chemistry (Regular) awarded by Vellore Institute of Technology (VIT), Tamil Nadu, (Deemed to be University) as equivalent to the M.Sc. Degree in Chemistry of this University.

37. Recognition of Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Education (B.Sc.B.Ed. Four Year Integrated) (Regular) awarded by University of Mysore-Consideration of-reg, (Ac.C)
Ref: Application submitted by Ms. Athira K Nair dated:19.05.2022

Athira K Nair submitted an application for recognition of Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Education (B.Sc.B.Ed. Four Year Integrated) (Regular) awarded by University of Mysore for the purpose of equating B.Sc. component of B.Sc. B.Ed. Four Year Integrated Degree with B.Sc. Physics and B.Sc. Mathematics respectively. And similarly, to equate the B.Ed component as B.Ed in Physical Science and B.Ed in Mathematics. She has submitted the scheme and syllabus of the course.

It may be noted that there is no separate Degree Certificate for the graduation component. Further, it is to be noted that B.Ed. programme of the University of Kerala, from 2015-2016 Academic Year onwards, is of Two Year duration after a Three-Year Graduate programme. But the total duration of the B.Sc. B.Ed. programme undergone by the candidate is of Four Year duration for which the candidate took admission in 2016.

The applicant has undergone 10 + 2 pattern of study recognised by the University of Kerala. The B.Sc. part of her Four Year B.Sc.B.Ed. Course comprises of Physics, Chemistry and Mathematics.

She has submitted an Equivalence Certificate from Regional Institute of Education stating that the Four Year B.Sc.B.Ed Programme comprises course contents in the major subjects viz. Physics, Chemistry and Mathematics which are equivalent to the respective subject areas of the B.Sc. Course of the University of Mysore. The certificate further states that the professional educational component (B.Ed) of the programme is equivalent to the B.Ed Degree of the University of Mysore.

As the applicant requested equivalency with B.Sc. Physics, B.Sc. Mathematics, B.Ed. Physical Science and B.Ed. Mathematics, the file was forwarded to Chairpersons of Physics (Pass), Mathematics (Pass), Education (Pass) and Deans of respective Faculties.

The Chairperson BoS in Physics (Pass) remarked that the syllabus covers about 70 to 80% of the syllabus offered by the University of Kerala for its FDP in Physics under CBCSS. Hence, the Chairperson of Physics (Pass) recommended eligibility for higher studies and job opportunities in Physics.

The Chairperson BoS in Mathematics (Pass) has noted 70 to 80% syllabus similarity with FDP in Mathematics under CBCSS of the University of Kerala. Hence, the Chairperson of Mathematics (Pass) recommended eligibility for higher studies and job opportunities in Mathematics.

Dean of the Faculty of Science has endorsed the above views.

The Chairperson, BoS in Education (Pass) has examined the syllabus and noted that the syllabus covers moderate amount of subject depth in B.Ed. Physical Science and B.Ed. Mathematics of the University of Kerala. Hence, he has recommended that the B.Sc. B.Ed. programme of RIE Mysore can be considered as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment wherever B.Ed. Degree in Physical Science and B.Ed. Degree in Mathematics are the prescribed qualifications.

The Dean, Faculty of Education has endorsed the views of the Chairperson BoS in Education.

Hence, the whole matter regarding recognition of Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Education (B.Sc.B.Ed. Four Year Integrated) (Regular) awarded by University of Mysore, as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment in the fields of Physics and Mathematics and also for higher studies and employment wherever B.Ed. Degree in Physical Science and B.Ed. Degree in Mathematics are the prescribed qualifications is placed before the meeting of the Academic Council for consideration.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to grant recognition to the Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Education (B.Sc.B.Ed. Four Year Integrated) (Regular) awarded by University of Mysore, as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment in the fields of Physics and Mathematics and also for higher studies and employment wherever B.Ed. Degree in Physical Science and B.Ed. Degree in Mathematics are the prescribed qualifications.

- 38. Formats of Mark list, Provisional Certificate and Degree Certificate for new generation PG Programmes introduced with effect from 2020 admissions-approved-reporting of -reg. (Ac.A II)**

The Assistant Registrar, PG Semester has submitted formats of Mark list, Provisional Certificate and Degree Certificate for the following new generation PG Programmes introduced with effect from 2020 admissions for approval.

- 1)M Sc Chemistry with Specialization in Drug Design and Development
- 2)M Sc Physics with Specialization in Space Physics
- 3)M Sc Physics with Specialization in Nanoscience
- 4)M Sc Zoology with Specialization in Biosystematics and Biodiversity
- 5)M Sc Statistics with Specialization in Data Analytics
- 6)MSc Botany with Specialization in Ethno Botany and Ethno Pharmacology
- 7)MA Economics (Behavioural Economics and Data Science)
- 8)MA History(World History and Historiography)
- 9)M Com International Trade
- 10)MSW(Disaster Management)

Remarks of the Chairmen of Board of Studies, concerned is as follows:

Physics (PG)

No change in the format of mark sheet, Provisional Certificate and Degree Certificate is required for the new generation programmes M Sc Physics with specialization in Space Physics and M Sc Physics with specialization in Nano Science. Present format followed for M Sc Physics programs with specialization in Electronics and Materials Science may be used.

Chemistry (PG)

The existing format of Mark list, Provisional Certificate and Degree Certificate for the conventional PG Courses may be used for the new generation programme.

Zoology (PG)

The existing format of the mark list, Provisional Certificate and Degree Certificate for the conventional programme may be used for the new generation programme since there is no change in the scheme and syllabi other than the specialized papers.

Statistics (PG)

The existing format of the mark list, Provisional Certificate and Degree Certificate for the conventional PG Programme with appropriate changes shall be used for the new generation PG Programme in Statistics with specialization in Data Analytics introduced from 2020 admissions.

Botany (PG)

No need for change in Provisional and Degree certificate, except the program name. Draft mark sheet for new generation Course M Sc Botany with specialization in Ethnobotany and Ethnopharmacology shall be prepared as per the existing rules.

Economics (PG)

The attached models of Provisional Certificate and marks lists are sufficient for New Generation PG Programmes.

Political Science (PG)

Since the matter was not discussed in the BoS the present pattern may be continued. If there is time we will convene a BoS in the First week of January 2023 and decide on it.

History (PG)

The existing format of the Mark list, Provisional Certificate and Degree Certificate for the conventional PG Courses may be resorted to for new generation PG Programme of 2020 admission onwards, provided it is approved by the competent authorities of University of Kerala in this respect and not in contravention with the sanctity of the validity of the same in consideration with the procedure of the formalities/requirements, mandatory in nature.

Commerce (PG)

I had gone through the format of Mark list, Provisional Certificate and Degree Certificate and it is suggested to write the name of the programme as M Com International Trade. The rest of the things are found correct and recommended for approval.

Social Work

The Master of Social Work in Disaster Management , the new generation course in Social

Work follows the same scheme and pattern of credits etc., of the Masters in Social Work, except that there are changes in a few courses and specializations pertaining to the new course. Hence I suggest that the existing format of the Mark list, Provisional Certificate and Degree Certificate may be followed for the new generation course.

The Deans, Faculty of Science, Social Sciences and Commerce have endorsed the recommendations of the Chairmen of the Board of Studies coming under their purview.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council at its meeting held on 01.03.2023 recommended, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, to approve the formats of Provisional Certificate and Degree Certificate. Further recommended to restructure the format of marklists stating maximum, minimum and Total (CA and ESA) in the front sheet of the marklist itself.

The restructured draft format of marklists, approved by the Controller of Examinations has been verified by the Chairmen of all Boards of Studies of New Gen PG Programmes and recommended minor modifications. The Deans, Faculty of Science, Social Sciences and Commerce have endorsed the recommendations of the Chairmen of the Board of Studies coming under their purview.

The matter is reported to the Academic Council.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council NOTED the matter.

39. Inclusion of the book ‘Disaster Management in Kerala: Undercurrents and Overtones- A study of the 2018 & 2019 Floods and Landslides’ by Sri. K.P. Balan as reference book for the courses offered by the University of Kerala- consideration of -reg. (Ac.AIV)

Sri.K.P Balan, author of the book ‘Disaster Management in Kerala: Undercurrents and Overtones- A study of the 2018 & 2019 Floods and Landslides’, has requested to include his book as a reference for various courses offered by the University of Kerala, which covers Disaster Management as a subject.

The Chairman, Board of Studies in Environmental Sciences reviewed the book and observed it as a useful reference book for studying the pre- during and post- disaster management plans with special reference to Kerala and recommended that the book can be used as a reference book for the following programmes offered by this University.

1. B.Sc. Programme in Environmental Science and Environment and Water Management.
Semester V- Core Course code: EE 1542; Course title: Disaster Management.
2. M.Sc. Environmental Science Programme in Colleges affiliated to University of Kerala.
Semester IV- Course Code ES242- ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT, DISASTER MANAGEMENT AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT.
3. CSS M.Sc. Environmental Sciences Programme in the Department of Environmental Sciences, University of Kerala.
Semester III: ENS- CC-533 Environmental Impact Assessment and Disaster Management.
4. CSS M.Sc. Climate Change and Disaster Management Programme, in the Department of Environmental Sciences, University of Kerala.
Semester- I: Course Code: CDM-CC-514- Introduction to Disasters and Disaster Management.
Semester - II: Course Code: CDM- CC- 525- Natural and Man- made Disasters- I.
Semester- III: Course Code: CDM- CC-533- Community Based Disaster Management

The Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology, endorsed the above remarks offered by the Chairman, Board of Studies in Environmental Science.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter of Inclusion of the book 'Disaster Management in Kerala: Undercurrents and Overtones- A study of the 2018 2019 Floods and Landslides' by Sri. K.P. Balan as reference book to various courses offered by the University, along with the remarks offered by the Chairman, Board of Studies in Environmental Science and the Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences is placed before the Academic Council for consideration and appropriate decision.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to refer the matter to the Board of Studies in Environmental Science for detailed study.

40. Integrated Five year BA LL.B Degree Course (2012 Admissions) – Mercy chance to appear for the failed papers - Granted - Orders issued - Reporting of - Reg. (Ac.AIII)

The Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations held on 24.03.2023 considered the requests of the candidates of Integrated Five year BA LL.B Degree Course (2012 admissions) for mercy chance examination and recommended to grant one mercy chance subject to reporting to the Academic Council. The Syndicate held on 30.03.2023 vide item no. 54.21.02 approved the recommendation.

The Vice-Chancellor subject to reporting to the Academic Council, accorded sanction to the candidates of Integrated Five year BA LL.B Course (2012 Admissions) being granted one mercy chance to appear for the failed papers .

Accordingly, U.O No. Ac AIII/3501/2023/UOK Dated: 18.04.2023 was issued. The action taken by the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor in granting mercy chance to the candidates of Integrated Five year BA LL.B Degree Course (2012 Admissions) for appearing for the failed papers and the issuance of U.O No. Ac AIII/3501/2023/UOK Dated: 18.04.2023 are reported to the Academic Council.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council NOTED the matter.

41. Issuance of Eligibility Certificate to Sri. Muhammed Shafi S & Seethal C P - MVA (Master of Visual Arts) Degree in Art History (Regular) awarded by The Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda with an Under Graduate Degree (other than Fine Arts) - for consideration of - Reg:- (Ac.C)

Ref: Applications submitted by Sri. Muhammed Shafi S & Smt. Seethal C P, Dtd: 23/02/2023

Sri. Muhammed Shafi S & Smt. Seethal C P have applied for Eligibility Certificate for their MVA (Master of Visual Arts) Degree in Art History (Regular) awarded by The Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda. Being a State Public University, MVA (Master of Visual Arts) Degree in Art History (Regular) of The Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda has been recognized by this University as equivalent to the M.V.A. Degree in Art History of the University of Kerala.

On verification, Sri. Muhammed Shafi S & Smt. Seethal C P pursued B.A. Degree in Mass Communication and Video Production of the University of Kerala and B.A. Degree in Functional English of the University of Calicut respectively. The applicants have been awarded with JRF of the UGC. Besides that Smt. Seethal C P is pursuing Ph.D. in History of Arts at Visva-Bharati, Santiniketan and as per their requests, they both were the Teaching Faculties at various Universities/Institutions.

The admission criteria of the University of Kerala (6685/2021/UOK, Dtd: 26.11.2021) demands that "a second class Bachelors Degree in Fine Arts or any other degree from a recognised University and Students holding Degrees in subjects other than Fine Arts will have to attend a Bridge course of one year for admission to the MVA Degree in Art History."

The applicants have produced a letter from the Head, Department of Art History & Aesthetics, The Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda, which states that "Sri. Muhammed Shafi S & Smt. Seethal C P were given admission to MVA (Master of Visual Arts) Degree in Art History after a diligent screening process that includes a written entrance test and interview to assess

their aptitude in the subject. A small number of eligible candidates are selected to join our Department." [Appendix 1]

Therefore the applicants is requesting that considering the above, they may be issued with the Eligibility Certificate for their MVA (Master of Visual Arts) Degree in Art History (Regular) awarded by The Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda as equivalent to that of this University.

In this scenario, remarks from the subject experts such as the Chairman, BoS in Applied Arts and that of the Dean, Faculty of Fine Arts were obtained.

The Chairman, BoS in Applied Arts has remarked that "Muhammed Shafi S and Seethal C P hold MVA (Master of Visual Arts) Degree in Art History (Regular) awarded by The Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda, which is recognized by the University of Kerala. Although, they have not studied Fine Arts at graduate level, they have successfully completed MVA course as per Maharaja Sayajirao University norms. For MVA course offered by Kerala University, the order (6685/2021/UOK Dtd: 26/11/2021) applicable to non-BFA graduates to study at Raja Ravi Varma Centre of Excellence for Visual Arts, Mavelikara should not be considered in their case. Kerala University itself takes a generous approach to other graduates to study Art History, the applicants can be given eligibility certificate. So it is recommended for eligibility certificate."

The Dean, Faculty of Fine Arts has endorsed the above remarks and remarked that "I have studied the file in detail and realised that the MVA in Art History Degree awarded by the Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda and the MVA in Art History of Kerala University is similar in structure and has been recognized as equivalent by Kerala University.

According to Kerala University's admission criteria, those who have not studied Bachelor's Degree in Fine Arts should be admitted to Master's Degree only after doing a bridge course in Fine Arts and both the applicant are not Fine Arts graduates. However, it is understood that MVA admission in Maharaja Sayajirao University has been obtained by proving aptitude through a diligent screening process including written test and interview. Apart these, these applicants have also bagged UGC's JRF Fellowship in Art History.

The Chairman, Board of Studies in Applied Arts has also recommended to grant eligibility for both higher studies and employment. Considering all these facts, I recommend that the recognition may be granted to the MVA Degree in Art History awarded by the Maharaja Sayajirao University, Baroda for higher studies and employment." Both the Chairman BoS in Applied Arts and the Dean, Faculty of Fine Arts have marked equivalency in the Proforma.

Hence the matter regarding the issuance of Eligibility Certificate to the MVA (Master of Visual Arts) Degree in Art History (Regular) awarded by The Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda for the applicants with an Under Graduate Degree (other than Fine Arts) (on the basis of their aptitude for the subject) as equivalent to the M.V.A. Degree in Art History of this University, is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED that Eligibility Certificates be issued to the MVA (Master of Visual Arts) Degree in Art History (Regular) awarded by The Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda for the applicants with an Under Graduate Degree (other than Fine Arts) on the basis of their aptitude for the subject, for the purpose of higher studies and employment in the field of Art History.

42. Regulations of B.Tech Degree Course (2020 Scheme) - Rule 6.17 and Rule 6. 23 -Set aside for 2020,2021,2022 admissions - University College of Engineering

Kariavattom - Reporting of –reg.

(Ac.AIII)

The Regulations, Scheme and Syllabus of B.Tech Degree Course (2020 Scheme) offered at University College of Engineering, Kariavattom was approved vide UO UO.No.Ac.A.III/4/B.Tech/FoE/2020 dated 02/12/2020. As per the Regulations of B.Tech Degree Course 2020 Scheme, Rule 6.17 stipulates that minimum cumulative credit is required for registering to Higher semesters and for promotion to 5th Semester, 21Credits from S1 and S2 is insisted.

As per Rule 6.23, a student shall earn 2 credits by actively involving in co-curricular and extra-curricular activities as per the guidelines issued by the University from time to time. On getting

minimum 100 Activity Points, the student passes the course and earns the two credits which shall not be counted for the calculation of CGPA but is mandatory for the award of the Degree. For the students admitted under the lateral entry scheme, the 2 credits shall be considered to be earned on getting 75 Activity Points. The students are required to keep a file containing documentary proofs of activities done by him/her attested by the Senior Faculty advisor/Faculty advisor.

Vide Minutes of the meeting held on 14/02/2023 a meeting was convened by the Controller of Examinations with Dean, Faculty of Engineering and Technology, Director, KUCC, SLCM Software team, Principal, University College of Engineering, Kariavattom to discuss the issues in SLCM software and regulations of B.Tech 2020 Scheme to implement the Rule 6.17 in the SLCM Software for 2020 scheme candidates. As further clarifications are required for implementing the rule in the SLCM software, the meeting recommended that Rule 6.17 and Rule 6.23 be set aside for the candidates of 2020,2021 and 2022 admissions and the respective rules be made applicable from 2023 admission onwards.

The Combined Online meeting of Board of Studies in Engineering (Pass III) and Faculty of Engineering and Technology held on 25/03/2023 endorsed the above recommendations. Meanwhile, the Principal, University College of Engineering, Kariavattom, vide Letter No;UCE/Admn/737/2023 dated 27/03/2023 informed the delay in the commencement of the classes of Fifth Semester requesting to issue necessary orders on the basis of the minutes of the meeting dated 14/02/2023 to avoid course lag.

The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, subject to reporting to Academic Council accorded sanction to set aside Rules 6.17 and 6.23 of the Academic Regulations of the B.Tech Degree Course (2020 Scheme) for the candidates of 2020, 2021 and 2022 admissions

Accordingly UO.No.Ac.AIII/3858/UOK dated 04/05/2023 has been issued.

The above decision to set aside Rules 6.17 and 6.23 of the Academic Regulations of the B.Tech Degree Course (2020 Scheme) for the candidates of 2020, 2021 and 2022 admissions and issuance of University Order in this regard is reported to the Academic Council.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council NOTED the matter.

43. Recognition of Bachelor of Arts - Major in Psychology awarded by Indira Gandhi National Open University, New Delhi-Consideration of-reg. (Ac.C)

Ref: Application submitted by Smt. Quasiya Beegam A dtd 03/04/2023

Smt. Quasiya Beegam A submitted an application for recognition of Bachelor of Arts - Major in Psychology awarded by Indira Gandhi National Open University, New Delhi for the purpose of higher studies (M S W) and for employment. The candidate has passed 10+2 pattern of study which are recognised by the University of Kerala. The candidate has submitted the detailed scheme and syllabus of the said degree. It may be noted that the said programme has already been recognised as an eligible qualification for seeking admission to M.A/M.Sc. Degree in Psychology of this University.

It may be noted that the candidate is currently doing the first year M.S.W programme at Shree Vidyadhiraja College of Arts and Science which is affiliated to University of Kerala.

The Chairman BoS in Psychology (UG) has remarked that the board verified the scheme and syllabus of B.A Degree in Psychology and found that adequacy and quality of syllabus submitted, in comparison with the scheme and syllabus of University of Kerala is inadequate. It was also remarked that the University of Kerala is not offering B.Sc Psychology programme in Distance mode. Therefore the said B.A programme can not be treated as an eligible qualification for the purpose of higher studies and employment.

However, the Dean Faculty of Science has recommended that the said degree can be treated as an eligible qualification for higher studies wherever a degree under any discipline is the required qualification since the said degree has already been recognised for doing higher studies in M.A/M.Sc Degree in psychology vide U.O no. AcC/014937/2015 dtd 25/06/2015.

Hence the whole matter regarding the recognition of Bachelor of Arts - Major in Psychology awarded by Indira Gandhi National Open University, New Delhi is placed before the Academic

Council for consideration.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to grant recognition to the Bachelor of Arts - Major in Psychology awarded by Indira Gandhi National Open University, New Delhi for the purpose of higher studies (M S W) wherever a degree under any discipline is the required qualification.

**44. Recognition of M.A Degree in Criminology and Police Science (Distance) awarded by Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli-Consideration of-reg. (Ac.C)
Ref: Application submitted by Shri. Raveendran R dtd. 15/03/2023**

Shri. Raveendran R submitted an application along with the scheme and syllabus of M.A Degree in Criminology and Police Science (Distance) awarded by Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli for recognition for the purpose of higher studies (Research on Indian Criminal Law in the Department of Future studies).

The candidate has passed B.A Degree in Economics and LL.B Degree of the University of Kerala. The said M.A programme has been approved by UGC Distance Education Bureau during his period of study .

The Chairman BoS in Law (Pass) has remarked that the percentage of adequacy of scheme and syllabus which is found to be between 70-80%, can be considered as an eligible qualification for higher studies in law, under the Department of Future Studies, as requested by the applicant.

The Dean Faculty of law vide e mail dtd 24/04/2023 has remarked that the MA degree acquired by the candidate does not come within the discipline of Faculty of Law and the candidate does not possess the basic mandatory degree ie. LL.M degree to pursue research in law. Considering the facts and circumstances, **higher studies in law ie., research in law is not possible in this case.** She has also remarked that the possibility of pursuing higher studies in the Faculty of Social Sciences may be considered as it comes within the discipline of Sociology.,

Accordingly, the remarks from **the Dean Faculty of Social Sciences** were obtained. Since the University of Kerala does not offer a course on M.A Criminology and Police Science, it is not possible to recognise this degree as equivalent to the same degree offered by this University. For doing Ph.D Degree in this University M.A in the concerned subject is required. So the M.A Degree in Criminology and Police Science (Distance) awarded by Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli can not be recognised as an eligible qualification for research in Social Science Faculty.

As per the request of the candidate, the remarks of the Dean Faculty of Applied Science and Technology were sought. The Dean remarked that for doing Ph.D Degree in Futures studies the following eligibility should be possessed by the candidate-

1. A Master's degree in the Faculty of Science/ Social Science /Engineering and Technology/ Applied Sciences and Technology/Medicine/Dentistry/Ayurveda/ or a Masters degree recognised by University of Kerala as an eligible qualification.

2. Should have qualified NET, GATE or other National Eligibility tests

3. Should have qualified the entrance tests in Future Studies conducted by University of Kerala

The candidate will be eligible to apply for Ph.D in Future Studies only when the said M.A Degree acquired by the candidate comes under any of these eligible category.

Subsequently, the remarks of the **Chairman BoS in Sociology** was sought as to whether the M.A Degree can be considered as a PG degree under the Faculty of Social Science . He has remarked that, being a UGC recognised PG programme, the M.A Degree in Criminology and Police Science (Distance) awarded by Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli can be considered as an eligible qualification for higher studies wherever a PG Degree under the Faculty of Social Science is the required qualification.

The Dean Faculty of Social Science has endorsed the remarks of the Chairman BoS in Sociology.

Hence, the whole matter regarding the recognition of M.A Degree in Criminology and Police Science (Distance) awarded by Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli is placed before

the Academic Council for consideration.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to grant recognition to the M.A Degree in Criminology and Police Science (Distance) awarded by Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli, as an eligible qualification for higher studies wherever a PG Degree under the Faculty of Social Science is the required qualification.

- 45. Recognition of M.E Degree in Computer Science and Engineering (Regular) awarded by Anna University, Chennai for the purpose of doing Ph.D Degree under the Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology-Consideration of-reg. (Ac.C)
Ref: Application received from Smt.Deepthi Rani S S dtd 02.03.2023**

Smt.Deepthi Rani S S had applied for the Eligibility Certificate of M.E Degree in Computer Science and Engineering (Regular) awarded by Anna University, Chennai for the purpose of doing Ph.D Degree under the Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology. She had completed 10+2 pattern of study which is recognized by the University of Kerala. She obtained B.Tech Degree in Information Technology from University of Kerala.

It may be noted that the M.E Degree in Computer Science and Engineering (Regular) awarded by Anna University is recognised by the University of Kerala as equivalent to the M.Tech Degree in Computer Science and Engineering of this University.

The Chairman, BoS in Computer Science (PG) has remarked that he had examined the application and supporting documents submitted by Smt.Deepthi Rani S S for the recognition of M.E Degree in Computer Science and Engineering (Regular) awarded by Anna University, Chennai and it is found that admission norms of the above said course are in comparable standards with those of M.Tech Degree in Computer Science and Engineering Degree offered by the University of Kerala. Hence the M.E Degree in Computer Science and Engineering is equivalent to M.Tech Computer Science and Engineering offered by University of Kerala for the purpose of doing Ph.D Degree Programme under the faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology and it is found that this degree has already been approved as equivalent to M.Tech computer Science and Engineering degree of the University of Kerala. Hence he recommended that the above said degree awarded to the candidate may be treated as an eligible qualification for doing Ph.D degree under the Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology of the University of Kerala.

The Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology has endorsed the remarks of the Chairman, BoS in Computer Science (PG). He also recommended that the M.E Degree in Computer Science and Engineering may be recognized as equivalent to M.Tech Degree in Computer Science of the University of Kerala for higher studies and employment.

Hence the whole matter regarding the recognition of M.E Degree in Computer Science and Engineering (Regular) awarded by Anna University, Chennai as an eligible qualification for doing Ph.D Degree under the Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to grant recognition to the M.E Degree in Computer Science and Engineering (Regular) awarded by Anna University, Chennai as an eligible qualification for doing Ph.D Degree under the Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology.

- 46. Recognition of M.A Vocal Degree (Regular) awarded by The Tamil Nadu Dr.J Jayalalithaa Music and Fine Arts University, Chennai-Consideration of-reg. (Ac.C)**

Ref:Application received from Smt.Sree Renjini U dtd 24/03/2023

Smt.Sree Renjini U. had submitted the scheme and syllabus of M.A Vocal Degree (Regular) awarded by The Tamil Nadu Dr.J Jayalalithaa Music and Fine Arts University, Chennai for course recognition for the purpose of equating it with the M.A Degree in Music of this University. She obtained B.A Degree in Music from the University of Kerala.

The Chairman, BoS in Music (PG) has remarked that the PG Degree (M.A Course) in Music offered by the University of Kerala is M.A Music. Here the applicant had applied for recognition of M.A Vocal awarded by the Tamil Nadu Dr. J Jayalalithaa Music and Fine Arts University, Chennai. Though theory papers are less in number compared to the syllabus of M.A Music of Kerala University in each semesters, 60% of similarity is found considering the contents of all the papers including the electives. Hence it is recommended that recognition may be given only for job and higher studies and not for the equivalency.

The Dean, Faculty of Fine Arts has endorsed the remarks of the Chairman, BoS in Music (PG) regarding the recognition of M.A (Vocal) Degree awarded by Tamil Nadu Dr.J.Jayalalithaa Music and Fine Arts University.

Hence the whole matter regarding the recognition of M.A Vocal Degree (Regular) awarded by The Tamil Nadu Dr.J Jayalalithaa Music and Fine Arts University, Chennai as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment in the field of Music is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to grant recognition to the M.A Vocal Degree (Regular) awarded by The Tamil Nadu Dr.J Jayalalithaa Music and Fine Arts University, Chennai as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment in the field of Music .

- 47. Recognition of Ph.D Degree in Commerce awarded to Ms. Liya Peter by Kerala University of Fisheries and Ocean Studies, Panangad, Kochi for the thesis titled "Contours of Financial Planning for Post Retirement: A Study among the Women IT Professionals in Kerala" for the purpose of higher studies and employment (including Assistant Professor) –Consideration of-reg. (Ac.C)**

Ref: Application received from Ms. Liya Peter on 03.04.2023.

Ms. Liya Peter has submitted the Ph.D Thesis in Commerce titled "Contours of Financial Planning for Post Retirement: A Study among the Women IT Professionals in Kerala" awarded by Kerala University of Fisheries and Ocean Studies, Panangad, Kochi (in compliance with the UGC Regulation, 2009/2016) for the purpose of higher studies and employment (including Assistant Professor). He had obtained B.Com and M.Com Degrees from Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam which are recognized by the University of Kerala. He had completed 10+2 pattern of study which are also recognized by this University.

The Chairperson,BoS Commerce(P.G) has remarked that recognition can be granted based on the following observations:

1. The topic is related to the field of Commerce and the adequacy and quality of the thesis is satisfactory.
2. The candidate has registered for her doctoral degree after her B.Com and M.Com degrees following the regulations of KUFOS, Kochi.
3. Certificate for compliance of Ph.D degree with UGC Regulation 2009/2016 is attached.

The Dean, Faculty of Commerce endorsed the remarks of the Chairperson and recommended that the Ph.D Degree awarded to Ms. Liya Peter can be considered as eligible for higher studies and employment in Commerce.

Hence, the whole matter regarding recognition of Ph.D Degree in Commerce awarded to Ms. Liya Peter by Kerala University of Fisheries and Ocean Studies, Panangad, Kochi for the thesis titled "Contours of Financial Planning for Post Retirement: A Study among the Women IT Professionals in Kerala" for the purpose of higher studies and employment is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to grant recognition to the Ph.D Degree in Commerce awarded to Ms. Liya Peter by Kerala University of Fisheries and Ocean Studies, Panangad, Kochi for the thesis titled "Contours of Financial Planning for Post Retirement: A Study among the Women IT Professionals in Kerala" for the purpose of higher studies and employment in the field of Commerce.

48. Recognition of Ph.D Thesis of Other Universities in India under the Faculty of Engineering and Technology - Resolution of the Academic Council held on 07/01/2023 -Minutes of the Online Additional Meeting of the Board of Studies in Engineering (PG) held on 28.04.2023 – approval-Reg. (Ac.A III)

The Board of Studies in Engineering (PG) at its Annual meeting held on 04/02/2021 recommended to formulate Guidelines for assessing Ph.D thesis of other Universities by constituting a committee comprising of members from all branches of Engineering. The Faculty of Engineering and Technology at its Annual meeting held on 29/03/2021 endorsed the above recommendations of the Board of Studies and the Academic Council at its meeting held on 21/04/2021 resolved to approve the same.

The Guidelines was framed by the Committee at its meeting held on 25/08/2021 and the Final Guidelines, along with the remarks of Dr. K.G Gopchandran, Member Syndicate, Director IQAC, Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology and Dean, Faculty of Engineering and Technology was placed before the meeting of the Academic Council held on 16/09/2022 .The Academic Council held on 16/09/2022 vide item no.4 resolved to refer the matter back to the Board of Studies in Engineering (PG) regarding the reconstitution of the Sub committee and to place the recommendations of the Board before the next Academic Council.

The Board of Studies in Engineering (PG) at its meeting held on 20/10/2022 recommended

- 1) To revise the Guidelines that were framed by the Committee constituted for the same , by considering the recommendations of all upper bodies.(Guidelines Appended)
- 2) To request for the criteria of selection of committee members, since there was no direction regarding the need and criteria for reconstituting the Committee and
- 3) To decide on the grant of recognition of the Ph.D files in respect of 1)Smt. Sumithra.M.D,2) Smt.Deepambika.V.A,3)Smt. Deepa. S. Kumar, 4) Smt. Sheeja Agustin. A,5) Smt. Suji Pramila. R,6) Smt. Sivabala. P only after the finalization of the Guidelines.

Dean Faculty of Engineering and Technology has endorsed the minutes of the Online Additional meeting of the Board of Studies in Engineering (PG) held on 20/10/2022. **The Academic Council at its meeting held on 07/01/2023 , vide item No. 71 resolved that the PhD thesis of the six applicants be evaluated by the current Board of Studies in Engineering and Technology for recommendations.**

Along with the 6 applicants, a similar request from Smt. Devi Devapal (Total 7 items) was placed before the Online additional meeting of Board of Studies in Engineering (PG) held on 28/04/2023.

- I)**Recognition of Ph.D. Degree in Computer Science and Engineering awarded to Smt. Sumithra M.D by the Karpagam Academy of Higher Education, Coimbatore(Deemed to be University) – for reconsideration and recommendations - Request from Smt. Sumithra.M.D
- II)** Recognition of Ph.D Degree in Civil Engineering (Part Time) awarded by Noorul Islam Centre for Higher Education (Deemed), Kumaracoil- Application received from Smt. SIVA BALA. P.
- III)** Recognition of Ph.D Degree in Computer Science and Engineering(Part Time) awarded by Noorul Islam Center for Higher Education (Deemed), Kumaracoil- Application received from Smt.Sheeja Agustin. A.
- IV)** Recognition of Ph.D. Degree in Computer Science and Engineering awarded to Smt. Devi Devapal by Noorul Islam Centre for Higher Education, Kumaracoil (Deemed) for reconsideration and recommendations - Request from Smt. Devi Devapal
- V)** Recognition of Ph.D. Degree in Computer Science and Engineering awarded to Smt. Deepa. S. Kumar by the Karpagam Academy of Higher Education, Coimbatore (Deemed to be University) - for reconsideration and recommendations - Request from Smt. Deepa. S. Kumar
- VI)** Recognition of Ph.D Degree in Computer Science and Engineering awarded by Noorul Islam Centre for Higher Education(Deemed) University- Request from Smt. Suji Pramila. R
- VII)** Recognition of Ph.D Degree in Electronics and Communication Engineering awarded by Karpagam Academy of Higher Education (Deemed University), Coimbatore- Application received from Smt. Deepambika. V. A

Recommendations of the Board of Studies in Engineering held on 28/04/2023

I) In the absence of approved Guidelines for evaluating the quality and relevance of the Ph.D thesis generated by other Universities in India, under the Faculty of Engineering and Technology, the Board of Studies recommended the following

In order to settle 7 pending files of the Agenda , the Board of Studies suggested to look into minimum following 11 points of Pre evaluation for the award of recognition

- 1) The thesis should satisfy UGC minimum standards
- 2) The research scholar should pass at least two Course work examination and a course in Research Methodology
- 3) The candidate should undergo Pre - Submission Viva before thesis submission
- 4) The thesis should be evaluated by at least two external evaluators and one by the Guide or at least three examiners
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- 6) The candidate should publish at least two journals, out of which one must be in SCI/ESCI/SCIE list and other may be UGC care list/ Scopus.
- 7)Publication – The content of the paper should be related to content or part of thesis.
- 8) Two paper Presentation Certificate (In National or International Seminar/ Conferences) required
- 9) Need Plagiarism Certificate from Competent authorities with less than 10% plagiarism
- 10) The minimum duration of the Ph.D programme should be 3 years
- 11) The Ph.D should be either Part time or Full Time mode, no other mode is recommended

This decision on evaluation of the Ph.D thesis is only applicable for 7 pending files of the Agenda .

- **The Board of Studies further recommended that,**

In future, for recognising the Ph.D degrees awarded by other Universities in India, draft guidelines may be reconsidered by the Academic Council at the earliest (draft Guidelines appended)

- **The Board of Studies also recommended that**

Any application submitted for recognition of Ph.D/ M.Tech Degree Course, the concerned file should be sent to respective subject experts with the recommendation of the Chairman, Board of Studies in Engineering (PG). List of subject experts of different branches are furnished below.

Mechanical Engineering

Dr. Aju Kumar V. N, Department of Mechanical Engineering, TKM College of Engineering , Kollam

Computer Science and Engineering

- 1)Dr Vinod Chandra S.S, Department of Computer Science, University of Kerala
- 2)Dr. Manu J Pillai, Department of Computer Science and Engineering, TKM College of Engineering, Kollam
- 3)Dr. Aji. S, Department of Computer Science, University of Kerala

Information Technology

Dr. Shamna H.R, Department of Information Technology, Govt. Engineering College, Barton Hill, TVPM

Electrical and Electronics Engineering

- 1) Dr. Asok Kumar. A , Department of Electrical & Electronics Engineering, Govt. Engineering College, Barton Hill, TVPM
- 2) Dr. Mohammed Mansoor. O, Department of Electrical & Electronics Engineering, TKM College of Engineering , Kollam

Electronics and Communication Engineering

Dr. Nelsa Abraham, Department of Electronics and Communication Engineering, Govt.Engineering College, Barton Hill, TVPM

Civil Engineering and Architecture

- 1)Dr Mohammed Siddik. A, Department of Civil Engineering, TKM College of Engineering, Kollam
- 2)Dr. Dili. A.S, Department of Architecture, TKM College of Engineering , Kollam

Dean Faculty of Engineering and Technology has endorsed the minutes of the Online Additional meeting of the Board of Studies in Engineering (PG) held on 28/04/2023.

In accordance with the resolution of the Academic Council held on 07/01/2023 vide item no.71 and as per the orders of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, the minutes of the Online Additional meeting of the Board of Studies in Engineering (PG) held on 28/04/2023 along with the revised Guidelines (Appended) for assessing the recognition of the PhD Degrees of other Universities in India under the Faculty of Engineering and Technology, is placed before the Academic Council for consideration and decision.

MINUTES OF THE ONLINE ADDITIONAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF STUDIES IN ENGINEERING (PG) HELD ON 28th APRIL 2023

Members Present :-

1. Dr. N. Vijayakumar (Chairman, BoS PG) in the chair
2. Dr. Vinod Chandra. S.S
3. Dr. Asok Kumar. A
4. Dr. Manu .J. Pillai
5. Dr. Aji S
6. Dr. Mohammed Mansoor. O

The meeting commenced at 11.00 am.

The Chairman, Board of Studies in Engineering (PG) welcomed all the members to the meeting and the agenda items were discussed.

- I. Recognition of Ph.D. Degree in Computer Science and Engineering awarded to Smt. Sumithra M.D by the Karpagam Academy of Higher Education, Coimbatore (Deemed to be University) – for reconsideration and recommendations - Request from Smt. Sumithra.M.D
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Recommendations of the Board

I. In the absence of approved Guidelines for evaluating the quality and relevance of the Ph.D thesis generated by other Universities in India, under the Faculty of Engineering and Technology, the Board of Studies recommended the following

In order to settle 7 pending files of the Agenda, the Board of Studies suggested to look into minimum following 11 points of Pre evaluation for the award of recognition

1. The thesis should satisfy UGC minimum standards
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7. Publication – The content of the paper should be related to content or part of thesis.
8. Two paper Presentation Certificate (In National or International Seminar/ Conferences) required
9. Need Plagiarism Certificate from Competent authorities with less than 10% plagiarism
10. The minimum duration of the Ph.D programme should be 3 years
11. The Ph.D should be either Part time or Full Time mode, no other mode is recommended

This decision on evaluation of the Ph.D thesis is only applicable for 7 pending files of the Agenda .

II. The Board of Studies further recommended that,

In future, for recognising the Ph.D degrees awarded by other Universities in India, draft guidelines may be reconsidered by the Academic Council at the earliest (draft Guidelines appended)

III. The Board of Studies also recommended that

Any applications submitted for recognition of Ph.D/ M.Tech Degree Course, the concerned file should be sent to respective subject experts with the recommendation of the Chairman, Board of Studies in Engineering (PG). List of subject experts of different branches are furnished below.

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Dr. Nelsa Abraham, Department of Electronics and Communication Engineering, Govt.Engineering College, Barton Hill, TVPM

Civil Engineering and Architecture

1. Dr Mohammed Siddik. A, Department of Civil Engineering, TKM College of Engineering, Kollam
2. Dr. Dili. A.S, Department of Architecture, TKM College of Engineering , Kollam The meeting came to an end at 12 am.

Sd/-

Dr. N. Vijayakumar Chairman
Board of Studies in Engineering (PG)

Revised Guidelines for evaluating the quality and relevance of the Ph.D thesis generated by other Universities in India, under the Faculty of Engineering and Technology to be recognized by the University of Kerala.

Pre - Evaluation

Before sending a thesis for evaluation, the committee recommended a pre-evaluation of the thesis to check whether the following criteria's are satisfied.

1. The thesis should satisfy UGC minimum standards
2. The research scholar should pass at least two Course work examination and a course in Research Methodology
3. The candidate should undergo Pre - Submission Viva before thesis submission
4. The thesis should be evaluated by at least two external evaluators and one by the Guide or at least three examiners
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8. Two paper Presentation Certificate (In National or International Seminar/ Conferences)
9. Need Plagiarism Certificate from Competent authorities with less than 10% plagiarism
10. The minimum duration of the Ph.D programme should be 3 years
11. The Ph.D should be either Part time or Full Time mode, no other mode is recommended

Guidelines for Evaluation

1. The quality and strength of the thesis at the Doctoral level awarded by other Universities in India shall be initially evaluated by the Chairperson, Board of Studies (PG) and the Dean of the Faculty in the subject of study concerned.
2. The chairperson P.G Board of studies and the Dean of the Faculty in the subject of study concerned shall, while evaluating the thesis, give due consideration to the variables listed in the proforma as given in clause 10 of this guidelines for arriving at an appropriate recommendation.
3. If the thesis is interdisciplinary in nature, the Chairman, Board of Studies (PG) can obtain more than one evaluation from the experts.
4. It is mandatory to produce a certificate stating that the Ph.D degree has been awarded in accordance with the relevant UGC regulations.
5. The academic quality of the doctoral thesis shall be decided on the basis of the candidate's contribution to knowledge, originality, creativity, integration, methodology and knowledge creation based on Publication/Presentation.
6. The academic track record of the candidate shall also be assigned due weight, considering the quality of UG and PG programmes undertaken.
7. The recommendation for recognition shall be based on the total point awarded to the variables mentioned in the proforma as given in clause 10 of this guidelines. The thesis that receives a total points ranging from 60 to 100 shall be granted recognition for which it is sought. If the total point awarded is less than 60, the Doctoral Degree concerned shall not be recognized .
8. The evaluation reports forwarded by the P.G. Board of Studies/ Chairperson and the Faculty/ Dean of Faculty in the Subject of Study concerned in respect of each candidate applied for recognition shall be placed in the Standing Committee on Academic Council for a recommendation as specified in the UGC Regulations 2016.
9. The recommendation taken on each request by the Standing Committee on Academic Council for a decision as specified in the UGC Regulations 2016 shall be reported subsequently to the Academic Council.
10. The format of the evaluation report is as stated below

Sl. No	Criterion	Maximum points	Points awarded
1	Academic reputation based on the evaluation of University and the Departments by ranking agencies	20	

2	UGC Minimum Standard Certificate	20	
3	Academic quality of PhD thesis undertaken		
	1. Contribution to Knowledge	10	
	2. Originality and Creativity	10	
	3. Integration and coherence	10	
	4. Methodology and analysis	10	
	5. Knowledge creation - Publication	10	
4	Academic background of the candidate	10	
5	Total	100	

Sd/-

Dr. N. Vijayakumar

Chairman, Board of Studies in Engineering (PG)

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED that no Guidelines for the evaluation of Ph.D Thesis of other Universities be placed before the Academic Council.

FUTHER RESOLVED to refer the matter back to the Board of Studies in Engineering (PG) and the Dean, Faculty of Engineering and Technology for appropriate recommendations on the grant of recognition of the 7 pending Ph.D Thesis.

49. Granting of Mercy Chance to 2007 and 2009 admission candidates of B A Communicative English degree programme-Reporting of-reg. (Ac.AIV)

Requests have been received from candidates of 2007 and 2009 admissions of B A Communicative English (Restructured) Degree Course for granting mercy chance. The Syndicate at its meeting held on 28.02.2023 resolved to approve the recommendation of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations held on 23/02/2023 to grant one Mercy chance, subject to reporting to the Academic Council.

Sanction has therefore been accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the candidates of B A Communicative English(Restructured) degree course. U.O. No. 2901/2023/UOK dated 25/03/2023 had been issued in this regard.

The matter is reported to Academic Council.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council NOTED the matter.

50. M.A Sanskrit Degree Programme-General & Special-(2021 Admission) -Course title- Consideration of-reg. (Ac.AII)

The Scheme & Syllabus of MA Degree programme in Sanskrit (General and Special) was revised in 2021 and the course codes of these programmes were modified vide UO No.Ac.AII/2/UoK/2022 dated 05.04.2022.

The tabulation section reported that the title of various courses differ in course structure, detailed syllabus and the Model Question paper. The Chairperson, Board of Studies in Sanskrit (PG) submitted the corrected title of Courses as follows :

Sanskrit General

- SG 534 – Research Methodology
- SG 544 – Literary Criticism: Eastern and Western
- ML 542 – Lyric and Definitions of Poetic Types

Sanskrit Jyothisha

- SJ 514 – Kalamana vicintanam

Sanskrit Nyaya

- SN 532 – Nyaya VIII : Nyayakusumanjali and Atmatattvaviveka
- SN 534 – Fundamentals of Nyayavaivesika
- SN 541 – Navyanyaya Theory on Sabdabodha-II
- SN 542 – Nyaya XI : Hetvabhasasamanyanirukti

Sanskrit Vedanta

- SV 521 – Visistadvaita and Dvaita

Sanskrit Vyakarana

- SY 541 – Bhartrharidarsanam
- SV 544 – Samhita and Upanisad
- SY 511 – Mahabhasya Ahnikas V,VI and Kasika

Sanskrit Sahitya

- SS 544 – Poetics and Poetry

The Dean, Faculty of Oriental Studies has endorsed the remarks of the Chairperson, Board of Studies in Sanskrit(PG).

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the above corrections in the Course Titles of various courses of MA Degree Programmes (General & Special), 2021 admission, recommended by the Chairperson, Board of Studies in Sanskrit (PG) as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Oriental Studies, is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to approve the corrections in the Course Titles of various courses of MA Degree Programmes (General & Special), 2021 admission, as recommended by the Chairperson, Board of Studies in Sanskrit and as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Oriental Studies.

51. M.A Degree Programme in Sanskrit Special Vedanta- title of Complementary Course SN 534 - w.e.f 2021 admissions—Reporting of-reg. (Ac.AII)

The Scheme and Syllabus of M.A Degree Programme in Sanskrit General and Sanskrit Special (Sahitya,Nyaya,Vyakarana,Vedanta and Jyothisha) were revised in 2021 and the course codes of these programmes were modified UO Ac.AII/2/UoK/2022 dtd 05.4.2022.

The tabulation section pointed out disparity in the course title of Complementary Course Nyaya III [SN 534] for Third semester MA Degree programme in Sanskrit Special Vedanta in the Scheme, detailed syllabus and model question paper.

The remarks of the Chairperson, Board of Studies in Sanskrit(PG) was obtained in this regard and the Chairperson remarked that the title of the Complementary Course Nyaya III [SN 534] for Third semester MA Degree programme in Sanskrit Special Vedanta may be finalized as '**Fundamentals of Nyayavaivesika**'. The Dean, Faculty of Oriental Studies, endorsed the remarks of the Chairperson, Board of Studies in Sanskrit(PG).

Sanction has therefore been accorded by the Vice Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, to modify the title of the Complementary Course Nyaya III (SN 534] for Third semester MA Degree programme in Sanskrit Special Vedanta as '**Fundamentals of Nyayavaivesika**', as recommended by the Chairperson, Board of Studies in Sanskrit(PG) and as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Oriental Studies. Accordingly, UO No. Ac.AII/2/Sanskrit/UOK/2023 dated 17.04.2023 has been issued.

The matter is reported to the Academic Council.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council NOTED the matter.

52. Conduct of B.Tech Degree examinations (2020 Scheme) – UCEK - regulations- SLCM software – Minutes of the Combined Online Meeting of the Board of Studies in Engineering (Pass- III) and Faculty of Engineering and Technology held on 25/03/2023 - approval reg. (Ac.A III)

The Examination wing has pointed out the difficulties while implementing the 2020 Scheme of B.Tech course in the SLCM software. and as per the orders of the Controller of Examination, a meeting was convened by the Exam wing on 14/02/2023 at CE's Chamber with the Dean, Faculty of Engineering and Technology, Director, KUCC, SLCM Software team, Principal, University College of Engineering, Karyavattom and other officials .The meeting discussed about the B.Tech 2020 Scheme , Regulations and its implementation in the SLCM software.

The Controller of Examinations informed that the new changes incorporated in the Regulations of 2020 Scheme were not implemented in the SLCM software. Since three admissions (2020 ,2021 and 2022 admissions) are running right now, the Dean opined to implement the changes from 2023 admission onwards in order to avoid hardships to students.

The minutes of the meeting dated 14/02/2023 was placed before the Combined Online meeting of Board of Studies in Engineering (Pass III) and Faculty of Engineering and Technology held on 25/03/2023.

As per the orders of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Minutes of the Combined Online Meeting of the Board of Studies in Engineering (Pass- III) and Faculty of Engineering and Technology held on 25/03/2023 (Appended), is placed before the Academic Council for consideration and decision.

Minutes of the Combined Online Meeting of the Board of Studies in Engineering (Pass III) and Faculty of Engineering and Technology held on 25/03/2023 at 11AM

Members Present

1. Dr. K. A. Shafi (Dean in the chair)
2. Dr. Vinod Chandra. S.S
3. Dr Santhosh Kumar
4. Dr. Ansamma John
5. Dr. Nelsa Abraham
6. Smt. Baiju R Naina
7. Dr. Manu J Pillai
8. Smt. Resmi. S.L
9. Dr. Shamna. H.R
10. Smt. Hazeena. R

The meeting commenced at 11.00 am

The Dean welcomed all the members to the meeting, and following Agenda item was discussed .

SUB Minutes of the meeting dated 14/02/2023 at CE's Chamber Conduct of B.Tech (2020 scheme) Degree examinations – UCEK regulations SLCM software

Academic Regulation for B.Tech, 2020 scheme has been implemented in University of Kerala and is applicable for candidates admitted from 2020 onwards. The examinations for these candidates have been conducted using SLCM software. Even though, the results of First Semester B.Tech Degree Examinations, Nov 2021 were published, certain discrepancies were noted regarding implementing the Academic Regulation for B.Tech, 2020 scheme.

Following rules in the Academic Regulation for B.Tech, 2020 scheme which needs further clarification and its implementation in the SLCM Software were discussed.

1) As per Rule 6.12, Pass minimum for a course shall be 40% for the End Semester Examination and 50% of CIE (Continuous Internal Evaluation) and ESA put together.

In B.Tech 2020 scheme, the First and the Second Semesters have three Lab/Workshop papers each with only CIE marks. But in the SLCM Software, candidates who have not satisfied the above

mentioned rule, have passed the First Semester B.Tech Degree Examinations, Nov 2021 and Second Semester B.Tech Degree Examinations in May 2022. Hence the meeting suggested conducting a one-time special examination for the candidates giving them a chance to clear the practical examinations having only CIE marks.

Recommendations of the Combined Meeting of the Board of Studies in Engineering (Pass- III) and Faculty of Engineering and Technology

Endorsed the above recommendations.

2) As per Rule 6.14, CIE mark percentage shall not exceed 30% over the End Semester Examination mark %. CIE marks awarded to a student shall be normalised accordingly. For example, if the end semester mark % is 40, then the maximum eligible CIE mark % is $40+30=70\%$.

The meeting suggested to implement the rule in the SLCM Software and reflecting the same in the candidate profile and Green Sheet before issuing the Grade Card. The meeting also suggested to implement the above rule in the examinations, including the examinations in which result is already published. The meeting further suggested that the Subject Moderation, if any, granted by the Pass Board of the particular examination to be added to the ESA marks before normalizing the CIE marks.

Recommendations of the Combined Meeting of the Board of Studies in Engineering (Pass- III) and Faculty of Engineering and Technology

Endorsed the above recommendations.

3) As per rule 6.15, Grading is based on the overall % marks obtained by the student in a course, as given in Rule 6.16. The grade card shall only give the grades against the courses the student has registered. Semester Grade Card shall give the grade for each registered course, Semester Grade Point Average (SGPA) for the Semester as well as Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA).

The meeting suggested that the Grade Card be made available in the candidate profile as per above rule. Also Grade, Grade points and Equivalent Percentage Marks be awarded as per rule 6.16.

Recommendations of the Combined Meeting of the Board of Studies in Engineering (Pass- III) and Faculty of Engineering and Technology

Endorsed the above recommendations.

4) Rule 6.17 provides the Minimum Cumulative Credit Requirements for Registering to Higher Semesters.

Semester	Alloted Credits	Cumulative Credits	Minimum Cumulative Credits required for B.Tech	Minimum Cumulative Credits required for B.Tech Lateral Entry
First	17	17	Not applicable	Not applicable
Second	21	38	Not insisted	Not insisted
Third	22	60	Not insisted	Not insisted
Fourth	22	82	Not insisted	Not insisted
Fifth	23	105	21 credits from S1 and S2	Not insisted
Sixth	24	129	Not insisted	Not insisted
Seventh	15	144	47 credits from S1	9 credits from S3 to S4 to S4
Eighth	16	160	Not insisted	Not insisted

The meeting suggested to implement the Rule 6.17 in the SLCM Software for 2020 Scheme candidates.

As further clarifications are required for implementing the rule in the SLCM Software, the meeting suggested that the rule be set aside for the candidates of 2020, 2021 and 2022 admission and can be made applicable from 2023 admission onwards.

Recommendations of the the Combined Meeting of the Board of Studies in Engineering (Pass- III) and Faculty of Engineering and Technology

Endorsed the above recommendations.

5) As per Rule 6.18, there is no provision for improving the Grade. However the student is permitted to check the answer books of the End semester examinations after the results are declared, on payment of the prescribed fee. Any discrepancy in evaluation could be brought to the notice of the Controller of Examination, who shall initiate appropriate action as per the University examination manual

Since this rule is not implemented in the examination registration process through SLCM Software till now, the meeting suggested to verify the already released results of 2020 Scheme (First Semester B.Tech Degree Examinations, Nov 2021 and Second Semester B.Tech Degree Examinations, May 2022) after normalizing as mentioned in rule 6.14 and appropriate decision be taken in the case of candidates who appeared as improvement candidates in the next chance.

Recommendations of the Combined Meeting of the Board of Studies in Engineering (Pass-III) and Faculty of Engineering and Technology Since this rule is not implemented in the examination registration process through SLCM Software till now, the meeting suggested to verify the already published results of 2020 scheme (First Semester B.Tech Degree Examinations, Nov 2021 and Second Semester B.Tech Degree Examinations, May 2022) after implementing normalization of CIE marks (as per the rule 6.14). However in the case of candidates who have appeared as improvement candidates , their improvement registration may be cancelled, since there is no provision for improving the grades (as per rule 6.18)

6) As per Rule 6.23, a student shall earn 2 credits by actively involving in co-curricular and extra-curricular activities as per the guidelines issued by the University from time to time. On getting minimum 100 Activity Points, the student passes the course and earns the two credits which shall not be counted for the calculation of CGPA but is mandatory for the award of the Degree. For the students admitted under the lateral entry scheme, the 2 credits shall be considered to be earned on getting 75 Activity Points. The students are required to keep a file containing documentary proofs of activities done by him/her attested by the Senior faculty advisor/faculty advisor.

The meeting suggested setting aside the above rule for the candidates of 2020, 2021 and 2022 admission candidates and can be made applicable from 2023 admission onwards.

Also suggested considering the proposal if any received from the candidates undergoing NSS Camp Work for distributing Grace Marks, as it was not considered under the Activity Points criteria.

The meeting suggested following the rule for acquiring the Activity Points as per the rule implemented in KTU.

Moreover, the provision for acquiring the Activity Points for a pass after completing the course outside the College may also be considered.

Recommendations of the Combined Meeting of the Board of Studies in Engineering (Pass- III) and Faculty of Engineering and Technology

Endorsed the above recommendations.

The meeting came to an end by 1 p.m

Sd/-
Chairman,
Board of Studies in Engineering Pass- III

Sd/-
Dean,
Faculty of Engineering and Technology

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to approve the Minutes of the Combined Online Meeting of the Board of Studies in Engineering (Pass- III) and Faculty of Engineering and Technology held on 25/03/2023

FURTHER RESOLVED that the changes in the B.Tech Regulations of 2020 Scheme be implemented from 2023 Admission onwards in order to avoid hardships to students.

53. Modification of Clause 12 of the report on the proposal for improving present system of evaluation of LLB Examinations and modifications in the existing provisions of the Examination Manual –Consideration of-reg. (EJ X)

Ref1: Minutes of the Syndicate meeting dated 30.04.2019 Item No. 08.71.29, third recommendation.

Ref2: Minutes of the 33rd meeting of Syndicate dated 28.10.2021 Item No. 33.50.02

Ref3: Minutes of the 47th meeting of Syndicate on 14.10.2022 item no.47.46.06

Ref4: Minutes of the 51st meeting of Syndicate on 09.02.2023 item no.51.06.03

Smt. Sherly Rajan from Govt. Law College, Thiruvanthapuram with Candidate code 11550064 was declared failed in paper III 'Public International Law' of X semester Integrated BA LLB Degree Examination held in June 2016 as she has secured only 26 marks [ESA 26] out of 80 marks. Twenty candidates had applied for scrutiny and revaluation for this paper. After revaluation this candidate got only 18 marks. In this regard the Candidate submitted a representation to the Hon'ble Minister for Education citing her grievance which was forwarded to the university. The office of the Hon'ble Minister for Education was informed vide letter dated 12.01.2017 of the university the inability to go in for further revaluation of the answer book as it is violation of the norms prescribed in the Examination manual.

Meanwhile the Hon'ble LokAyukta vide order dated 23.01.2017 on IA NO.74/2017. In the complaint No.67/2017 filed by Smt.Sherly Rajan directed to get the answer book revalued afresh by an eminent Professor in the subject from NUALS, Kochi. Since it is contradictory to the existing rules of the University, as per the orders of Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, a writ petition was filed before the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala Challenging the decision of the Hon'ble LokAyukta. The Hon'ble High Court vide order on WPC No.4710 of 2017(k) dated 15.02.2017 set aside the interim order of Upa LokAyukta.

Meanwhile the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations held on 29.04.2017 vide item no.4 considered the matter and recommended that the lot of answer scripts of 'Public International Law' inclusive of candidate code 11550064 in respect of Sherly Rajan at the X semester BA LLB Degree exam July 2016 may be subjected to further evaluation by an expert from outside Kerala. The recommendation was approved by the Syndicate at its meeting held on 12.05.2017

As per the resolution of the Syndicate at its meeting held on 12.05.2017 and based on the Judgement of the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala on WP(C) No.29502 of 2017 dated 05.02.2018 directing to implement Exhibit P3:(Decision TAKEN BY THE SYNDICATE OF THE UNIVERSITY) the answer scripts of 'Public International Law' of Tenth semester BA LLB Integrated Examination July 2016 of the 20 candidates who had applied for revaluation were subjected to further evaluation by an external examiner from outside Kerala within one month period.

As per the resolution of the Syndicate at its meeting held on 10.05.2018 the answer books were sent to the examiners outside Kerala and the marks awarded by the external examiners have been awarded to the candidates.

A personal hearing of the examiners concerned was conducted by the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations on 25.04.2019. Dr. A. Suhruth Kumar, Dr. Ramachandran Nair, Dr. Susamma Chandy, Sri. Abhilash Gopinath and Dr. N. Krishna Kumar were heard by the committee and observed that there is a wide variation of marks secured after external valuation due to the subjectivity in the valuation. A warning letter has already been issued to the examiners as per the resolution of the Syndicate at its meeting held on 30/04/2019. As per third resolution the Syndicate entrusted the Board of Studies to prepare a proposal to improve the present system of evaluation.

The Board of Studies in Law at its annual meeting held on 16.01.2020 recommended certain proposals to improve the present system of evaluation of LLB Degree examination

The Academic council at its meeting held on 04.03.2020 resolved to approve the recommendations as endorse by the faculty of Law.

The Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations examined the proposal and recommended to constitute a Sub Committee. The Syndicate meeting held on 28.10.2021 resolved the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations held on 28.09.2021 to

constitute a sub committee comprising of the Convener, Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations, Dr. M Vijayan Pillai, Sri.Arunkumar, Members, Syndicate and the Controller of Examinations to examine the matter and submit a report before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations.

The Sub Committee considered the matter and recommended that the Controller of Examinations be entrusted to call up a meeting with the officials of LLB and Revaluation sections concerned and submit a report. The Syndicate at its 47th meeting held on 14.10.2022 resolved to approve the recommendations of the Sub Committee vide item no.47.46.06. Based on this, a meeting was called up by the Controller of Examinations on 17.11.2022. The meeting discussed about the merits and demerits on the proposal submitted by the Board of Studies to improve the present system of valuation/revaluation in r/o LLB examinations. The main points in the report prepared by the Controller of Examinations with modifications are as follows:

- 1) Valuation camp should be conducted not later than one week from the date of completion of examination.
- 2) Ensure that only one valuation camp is conducted at a given point of time.
- 3) Each institution should provide teachers for valuation of such number of answer books according to the number of candidates who attended the examination from that institution.
- 4) Ensure timely completion of camps.
- 5) It will be the responsibility of the Chairman, that the Camp is concluded according to the schedule
- 6) The Chief Examiner should attend the Camp on the first day of the camp and give necessary directions to the additional that day itself.
- 7) Application for revaluation should be submitted within seven days from the date of uploading of mark list by the university.
- 8) Papers should be made available for revaluation within 10 days from the last date for filing application for revaluation
- 9) Papers for revaluation shall be sent to Teachers of Law from Universities / Law Colleges within Kerala and outside Kerala other than Kerala University.
- 10) More than 25 papers of same paper or different papers shall not be given to the same teacher at the same point of time.
- 11) The University should ensure that the answer books are revalued and returned within two weeks.
- 12) If the revalued marks are higher than the original marks by more than 10% of the maximum marks of the paper, a second revaluation is to be done and the average of the two revalued marks is to be awarded to the candidate. If there is a difference of 20% marks or more between the first revaluation and second revaluation, a third revaluation shall be arranged. Average of the three revaluation marks shall then be awarded to the candidate.

Standing Committee considered the above matter and recommended to approve the report submitted by the Controller of Examinations, with modification in the last sentence of the clause 12 of the report as "Average of the nearest two revaluation marks shall then be awarded to the candidate." The above modification shall be made in the existing provision of the Examination Manual accordingly. The Committee further recommended to report the above change in the revaluation procedure to the Academic Council. Meeting of the Syndicate held on 09.02.2023 resolved to approve the recommendations of the Standing Committee.

In the light of the above facts, the resolution of the Syndicate is placed before the Academic Council for consideration and recommendations.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to approve the modification of Clause 12 of the Report for improving the present system of valuation/revaluation of LLB Examinations, in the existing provisions of the Examination Manual.

54. Recognition of the B.E. Honours Degree in Electrical and Electronics Engineering (with Practice School) (Regular) awarded by The Birla Institute of Technology & Science, Pilani (Deemed University) (through Dubai Campus) - for consideration of – Reg. (Ac.C) Ref: Application submitted by Sri. Akhil Mohan, Dtd: 23/02/2023

Sri. Akhil Mohan has submitted an application with the attested detailed Scheme and Syllabus for recognition of the B.E. Honours Degree in Electrical and Electronics Engineering (with Practice School) (Regular) awarded by The Birla Institute of Technology & Science, Pilani (Deemed University) (through Dubai Campus). **His purpose of the recognition is for the equivalency with B.Tech. Electrical and Electronics Engineering of this University.**

The applicant has completed 10+2 pattern of study (with Mathematics at the +2 level) which has been recognized by the University of Kerala. He has also produced a document from the Consulate General of India, Dubai regarding the genuineness of the above certificate.

Remarks of the subject experts viz. the Chairman, BoS in Engineering (UG III) and that of the Dean, Faculty of Engineering & Technology were obtained regarding the above course recognition. The BoS Chairman directed to obtain the remarks of the subject expert in the first instance.

The Subject Expert recommended that "both the University of Kerala and The Birla Institute of Technology & Science, Pilani (Deemed University) (through Dubai Campus) offer four-year B.Tech. and B.E. Honours programmes in Electrical and Electronics Engineering. Both Universities require students to complete a certain number of core courses and electives in order to graduate.

Kerala University's B.Tech. in Electrical and Electronics Engineering (2008 Scheme) program offers a more focused curriculum that emphasises the theoretical foundations of Electrical and Electronics Engineering. The programme covers topics such as Electrical Machines, Power Systems, Measurements, Analogue and Digital Circuits and Control Systems. The program also offers a number of elective courses that allow students to specialise in certain areas and with several laboratory courses that provide students with practical experience in designing and building Electrical and Electronics System.

In contrast, The Birla Institute of Technology & Science, Pilani (Deemed University) (through Dubai Campus) offers a wide range of topics in B.E. Honours Degree in Electrical and Electronics Engineering including English Language Skills, Circuit Analysis, Microprocessors, Analogue Electronics, Power Electronics, Advanced Power, Systems and Control Systems etc.

In conclusion, the B.Tech. in Electrical and Electronics Engineering programmes offered by the University of Kerala and the B.E. Honours Degree in Electrical and Electronics Engineering offered by The Birla Institute of Technology & Science, Pilani (Deemed University) (through Dubai Campus) share 65% similarities in terms of programme structure and curriculum. In this regard, may be granted the equivalency with the B.Tech. Electrical and Electronics Engineering of the University of Kerala."

The Chairman, BoS in Engineering (UG III) is in agreement with the above remarks of the subject expert and recommended for equivalency with the the B.Tech. Electrical and Electronics Engineering of the University of Kerala.

The Dean, Faculty of Engineering & Technology has endorsed the above recommendations and remarked that "the B.E. Honours Degree in Electrical and Electronics Engineering (with Practice School) (Regular) awarded by The Birla Institute of Technology & Science, Pilani (Deemed University) (through Dubai Campus) may be recognized as equivalent to the the B.Tech. Electrical and Electronics Engineering of the University of Kerala."

Hence the whole matter regarding the recognition of the B.E. Honours Degree in Electrical and Electronics Engineering (with Practice School) (Regular) awarded by The Birla Institute of Technology & Science, Pilani (Deemed University) (through Dubai Campus) as equivalent to the B.Tech. Degree in Electrical and Electronics Engineering of the University of Kerala is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to grant recognition to the B.E. Honours Degree in Electrical and Electronics Engineering (with Practice School) (Regular) awarded by The Birla Institute of Technology & Science, Pilani (Deemed University) (through Dubai Campus) as equivalent to the B.Tech. Degree in Electrical and Electronics Engineering of the University of Kerala.

- 55. Recognition of Bachelor of Vocational Education in Travel and Tourism (Regular) awarded by Tata Institute of Social Sciences (Deemed University), Mumbai-Consideration of-reg. (Ac.C)**
Ref: Application received from Smt.Harsha Raj V S dtd 30.03.2023

Smt.Harsha Raj V S had submitted the scheme and syllabus of Bachelor of Vocational Education in Travel and Tourism (Regular) awarded by Tata Institute of Social Sciences (Deemed University), Mumbai for course recognition for the purpose of higher studies (M.B.A) and employment wherever a degree under any discipline is the required qualification. She had completed 10+2 pattern of study which is recognized by the University of Kerala.

The Chairman, BoS in Business Management has remarked that the candidate has completed all the requirements of the three year degree programme of Bachelor of Vocational Education in Travel and Tourism. The syllabus of which covers more than 60 percent of that of the B.Voc Travel and Tourism of University of Kerala. Hence recommended the recognition of the Degree for the purpose of higher education.

The Dean, Faculty of Management Studies endorsed the remarks of the Chairman, BoS in Business Management (Pass). He also remarked that the degree is eligible for both higher education and employment.

Hence the whole matter regarding the recognition of Bachelor of Vocational Education in Travel and Tourism (Regular) awarded by Tata Institute of Social Sciences (Deemed University), Mumbai is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to grant recognition to the Bachelor of Vocational Education in Travel and Tourism (Regular) awarded by Tata Institute of Social Sciences (Deemed University), Mumbai, for higher education and employment.

- 56. Recognition of M.Sc Degree in Computer Technology (Regular) awarded by Anna University, Coimbatore for the purpose of equating with M.Sc Degree in Computer Science of this University – Consideration of-reg. (Ac.C)**

Ref: Application received from Mr. Anoop Sreekumar R. S dated 03.03.2023.

Mr. Anoop Sreekumar had submitted the Scheme and Syllabus of M.Sc Degree in Computer Technology awarded by Anna University, Coimbatore for the purpose of equating with M.Sc Degree in Computer Science of this University. He had obtained B.Sc Degree in Computer Technology from Anna University, Chennai which is recognized by the University of Kerala as equivalent to the B.Sc Degree in Computer Science of this University. He had passed 10+2 pattern of study which is recognized by the University of Kerala.

The Chairperson remarked that the application along with the Scheme and Syllabus has been examined and found that the admission norms and the syllabus of the M.Sc Degree in Computer Technology of Anna University, Coimbatore are in comparable standards with those of M.Sc Degree in Computer Science programme (Regular) of this University. Therefore he recommended that the aforementioned course can be treated as equivalent to M.Sc Degree in Computer Science of this University.

The Dean endorsed the above remarks of the Chairperson and recommended that the M.Sc Degree in Computer Technology (Regular) of Anna University, Coimbatore may be recognized as equivalent to the M.Sc Degree in Computer Science of this University.

Hence, the whole matter regarding the recognition of M.Sc Degree in Computer Technology (Regular) of Anna University, Coimbatore as equivalent to M.Sc Degree in Computer Science of this

University is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to grant recognition to the M.Sc Degree in Computer Technology (Regular) of Anna University, Coimbatore as equivalent to M.Sc Degree in Computer Science of this University.

57. Inclusion of B Sc Geology and Digital Surveying (Double Main) in the eligibility criteria for admission to M Sc Geology Programme-Consideration of-reg. (Ac AII)

Ref:-1)Representation dated nil received from the students of B Sc Geology and Digital Surveying Programme of Fatima Mata National College (Autonomous), Kollam.

2) Letter No.FC/E3/Geo/2023 dated 08.03.2023 from the Principal, Fatima Mata National College (Autonomous), Kollam.

3)Letter No. FC/E3/Geo/2023 dated 27.02.2023 of the Principal, Fatima Mata National College (Autonomous), Kollam submitted before the Hon'ble Minister for Higher Education forwarded vide reference no. 7653/Hedn(H.Edn & SJ)/2023.

4)Remarks of the Chairperson, Board of Studies in Geology PG via e-mail dated 23.03.2023

5)Endorsement of the Dean, Faculty of Science via e-mail dated 25.03.2023

6)Minutes of the combined meeting of the Board of Studies in Geology (Pass and PG) held on 26.04.2023 as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Science.

7)Letter dtd 12.05.2023 received from the Kerala State Higher Education Council.

Students of B Sc Geology and Digital Surveying Programme of Fatima Mata National College (Autonomous), Kollam have submitted a representation, vide reference cited (1) above, to include the programme B Sc Geology and Digital Surveying in the eligibility criteria for admission to M Sc Geology Programme.

The Hon'ble Minister for Higher Education and Social Justice has also forwarded the letter received from the Principal, Fatima Mata National College(Autonomous), Kollam, vide refernce cited (3) above on the same matter for favourable action. The Principal, Fatima Mata National College(Autonomous), Kollam has also submitted a letter, vide reference cited (2) above, to the Registrar for the same purpose.

Remarks of the Chairperson, Board of Studies in Geology (PG) was obtained in this matter. The Chairperson, vide reference cited (4) above, remarked that the programme B Sc Geology and Digital Surveying (double main) has nearly 80% similarity with the Geology syllabus of First Degree Programme in Geology (single main) of University of Kerala . But the mandatory complementary courses of single main are absent in double main programme and the complementary courses are mandatory for admission to M Sc Geology programme of University of Kerala. Hence the programmes cannot be treated as equivalent. The Dean, Faculty of Science has endorsed the same, vide reference cited (5) above.

As per the admission criteria for M Sc Geology, B Sc with Geology as Optional Main subject under Part III securing not less than 55% marks for that part (5.5 CCPA(s) out of 10 or 2.2 CGPA(s) out of 4) are eligible for admission.

The matter was considered by the Registrar and directed to convene a combined meeting of the Board of Studies in Geology (Pass and PG).

The combined meeting recommended

- to include B Sc Geology and Digital Surveying (Double Main) programme offered by the Fatima Mata National College (Autonomous), Kollam from 2020 admission onwards in the eligibility criteria for admission to M Sc Degree Programme in Geology.

- To frame a standardised procedure to include the students, who have completed the double main programme, in the Post Graduate admission process of the University and affiliated colleges.

The Dean, Faculty of Science endorses the minutes of the combined meeting of the Board of Studies in Geology (Pass and PG).

Meanwhile letter cited vide reference (7) has been received from the Kerala State Higher Education Council regarding the recommendation of the State Level Academic Committee(SLAC) at its meeting held on 23.03.2023, to the University of Kerala and other Universities/Institutions to make suitable amendments in their admission norms to include B.Sc Geology & Digital Surveying as one of the eligible UG Programmes for the admission to PG Programmes in M.Sc Geology /Applied Geology/Marine Geology/Geography etc.

In the wake of the recommendation of the combined meeting of the Board of Studies in Geology (Pass and PG) and letter dtd 12.05.2023 received from the Kerala State Higher Education Council, the matter regarding inclusion of B Sc Geology and Digital Surveying (Double Main) in the eligibility criteria for admission to M Sc Geology Programme is placed before the Academic Council for consideration and appropriate decision.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to include the B Sc Geology and Digital Surveying (Double Main) Programme in the eligibility criteria for admission to M Sc Geology Programme.

FURTHER RESOLVED to fix a formula for calculating the mark criteria of such Double Main Programmes for normalisation for admission to the PG Programme.

58. Recognition of the Ph.D Degree in Management (through Distance Mode) awarded by Yashwantrao Chavan Maharashtra Open University, Nashik - for consideration and recommendations -Reg: (Ac.C)

Ref: 1. Application submitted by Shri. Manoj P K, Dtd: 15/10/2022

2. Minutes of the Meeting of the Academic Council held on 07.01.23 (vide item no: 109)

3. Minutes of the Meeting of the BoS in Business Management (P.G.), held on 10.05.23

Sri. Manoj. P K has submitted an application with original thesis for course recognition of his Ph.D Degree in Management (through Distance Mode) awarded by Yashwantrao Chavan Maharashtra Open University, Nashik. He was awarded the above Ph.D degree **in 2008** for the thesis titled **“A COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE AND FINANCIAL POSITION OF THREE MAJOR HOUSING FINANCE COMPANIES IN INDIA (HDFC, LICHL AND CFHL.”** The purpose of recognition is for higher studies (D.Litt.) and employment in the field of Management.

The applicant completed 10+2 pattern of study and pursued B.Tech degree in Mechanical branch from Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam which have been recognized by the University of Kerala. He obtained M.B.A Degree from Cochin University of Science and Technology which has been recognized by the University of Kerala. He also pursued the M.Com. Degree from Annamalai University in 1999. He obtained SLET in Management of Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli in 1999 and UGC NET in Management and Commerce in 2000 and 2005 respectively. He has been awarded with SET of University of Pune in 2002.

As per the documents submitted by the applicant, the MG University Kottayam has recognized the above Ph.D. Degree as equivalent to the Doctor of Philosophy in Commerce (Regular) of MG University, Kottayam. Therefore, remarks of the Subject Experts in the field of Management were sought regarding the above course recognition.

The Chairman, BoS in Business Management (PG) has remarked that the above Ph.D. Degree in Management **obtained prior to 2009 regulations** and the content **is adequate enough for approval as equivalent to Ph.D. in Management of the University of Kerala.** He has adequate publications in the UGC CARE list also. **The Dean, Faculty of Management Studies has endorsed**

the above remarks of the Chairman.

The above matter regarding the recognition to the Ph.D Degree in Management (through Distance Mode) awarded by Yashwantrao Chavan Maharashtra Open University, Nashik for higher studies and employment in the field of Management was placed before the Academic Council for consideration. The **Academic Council at its meeting held on 07.01.23 (vide item no: 109)** considered the above matter and resolved to refer the matter to the Board of Studies in Business Management (P.G.) in the presence of the Dean, Faculty of Management Studies, **after obtaining the opinion of the Standing Counsel of the University.** [Appendix 1 - minutes of the Academic Council Meeting]

In light of the above resolution of the Academic Council, a note was forwarded to the Legal Section for obtaining the remarks of the Standing Counsel. But the Legal Section has remarked that there has been no case filed before the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala by the applicant (Sri. Manoj P K) either as a Petitioner or as a Respondent and also it is not clear as to which aspect the learned opinion of the Standing Counsel shall be sought regarding this matter and the Legal Section has returned the file for clarity in the light of Section 25 (xii) of the Kerala University Act, 1974 (i.e., to decide what examinations of other Universities may be accepted as equivalent to those of the University and to negotiate with other Universities for the recognition of the examinations of the University).

In these circumstances and **upholding of the powers of the Academic Council under Section 25 (xii) of the Kerala University Act, 1974, the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor has ordered to place the whole matter before the Board of Studies in Business Management (P.G.) in the presence of the Dean, Faculty of Management Studies for consideration. Accordingly, the above matter was placed before the Board of Studies in Business Management (P.G.) in the presence of the Dean, Faculty of Management Studies for consideration and recommendations on 10.05.2023. The Board recommended** equivalency of Dr Manoj's Ph.D. from Yashwantrao Chavan Maharashtra Open University, Nashik, to Ph D in Management of University of Kerala considering that it was obtained before 2009 regulations, and with regard to the content of the thesis, and relevant publications.

Hence the matter regarding the grant of recognition to the Ph.D Degree in Management (through Distance Mode) awarded by Yashwantrao Chavan Maharashtra Open University, Nashik is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to examine the rules and regulations regarding the recognition of the Ph.D Degrees taken through Distance Mode, prior to 2009 UGC Regulations and report the matter to the next Academic Council.

59. Recognition of Examination –Degrees of State Boards- Statutory Universities – Deemed Universities- other Institutions –Approved by the Vice-Chancellor- Reporting to the Academic Council –Reporting of-reg. (Ac.C)

On the basis of the recommendations of the Chairman of various Boards of Studies and the Deans of respective faculties, the degrees/Examinations/Diplomas awarded by States Boards/Statutory Universities / Institutions as per the details shown in the statement appended are recognized as equivalent to the corresponding examinations/Degrees of this University either on reciprocal basis or recognized as an eligible qualifications for specific purposes such as higher studies or employment as the case may be, by the Vice-Chancellor Subject to reporting to the Academic Council in exercise of the powers conferred on him as per section. 10(13) of the Kerala University Act of 1974. Hence the matter is reported to the Academic council. The Statement Showing the Degrees Examinations recognized is appended.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council NOTED the matter.

60. B.Ed Degree Courses- Revision of Scheme and Syllabus due to closure of Schools - for 2021- 23 Batch– Reporting of- reg. (Ac.A.III)

The Annual meeting of the Board of Studies in Education (Pass) held on 15.02.2023 recommended to approve the Scheme and Syllabus revision of Two year B.Ed Degree Courses for 2021-23 batch students (2019 Scheme) as follows:-

All the practical work of 3rd Semester (2021-2023 batch) should be evaluated internally in the same semester itself. Due to the inconvenience of getting Secondary/Higher Secondary School Students in conducting 3rd Semester external examination (End of March 2023), external evaluation of 3rd Semester will be conducted during 4th Semester only. (External Evaluation of 3rd Semester and 4th Semester will be conducted together with a single phase).

In order to overcome the technical difficulty and regulating the work load anomalies, the curriculum component – Exposure to Curriculum Development (402.1) with 25 marks of 4th Semester should be shifted to 3rd Semester and bring in Health and Physical Education (301.2) with 25 marks to the 4th Semester.

The Chairman, BoS in Education (Pass) and Dean, Faculty of Education recommended to implement the matter with immediate effect in view of the annual closure of Schools. The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor considered the whole matter and accorded sanction to revise the B.Ed Scheme and Syllabus for 2021-23 Batch students, subject to reporting to the Academic Council. Accordingly UO No. 2743/2023/UOK dated 22.03.2023 was issued.

The Chairman, BoS in Education (Pass) and Dean, Faculty of Education requested that certain modifications be effected in the University Order as follows:-

- 1) All the practical works of 3rd Semester (2021-2023 batch) should be evaluated internally in the 3rd semester itself.
- 2) Exposure to Curriculum Development (402.1) with 25 marks of 4th Semester should be carried over to 3rd Semester and to bring in Health and Physical Education (301.2) with 25 marks to the 4th Semester.

The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor considered the whole matter again and accorded sanction to modify the University Order, subject to reporting to the Academic Council.

The action taken by the Vice Chancellor in according sanction for revising the Scheme and Syllabus of B.Ed Degree Courses (2019 Scheme) for the 2021-23 batch students is reported to the Academic Council.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council NOTED the matter.

61. Approval of revised scheme and syllabus of M.Sc Degree Programme in Mathematics for affiliated colleges to be implemented from 2023 admission onwards –(consideration-reg. (Ac.A.II)

Minutes of the additional meeting of Board of Studies in Mathematics (PG) held on 20.05.2023, endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Science.

The Chairperson, BoS in Mathematics PG has forwarded the draft syllabus for M.Sc Degree Programme in Mathematics for affiliated colleges to be implemented from 2023 admission onwards prepared in the workshop for revision of syllabus of M.Sc Degree Programme in Mathematics into OBE format held from 26th to 27th April, 2023 .

The additional meeting of BoS in Mathematics PG decided to approve the revised syllabus with OBE format. Since the 5-module syllabus was changed to 6-module syllabus, the Chairman is entrusted to submit the new pattern of the questions. The Dean, Faculty of Science endorsed the minutes of the additional meeting.

As per orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the revised scheme and syllabus of M.Sc Degree Programme in Mathematics for affiliated colleges to be implemented from 2023 admission onwards, recommended by the Board of Studies in Mathematics PG and endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of

Science is placed before the Academic Council for consideration and appropriate decision.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to approve the revised scheme and syllabus of M.Sc Degree Programme in Mathematics for affiliated colleges, to be implemented from 2023 admission onwards, as recommended by the Board of Studies in Mathematics (PG) and as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Science .

62. Department of German-Approval of minimum pass criteria in the syllabus of short term courses , German A1, A2, B1, B2, C1, & C2.-Consideration of-reg. (Ac.D)

The Head, Department of German has requested to include, minimum pass criteria in the syllabus of short term courses of German A1, A2, B1, B2, C1, & C2 level .

The administrative sanction was granted for starting the Course German A1 , A2 level & B1,B2 level vide UO.No. Ac.D/4/21820/2020 dated 09.02.2021 and UO No. Ac.D/4/109/21 dated 15.09.2021, respectively . The syllabus of German C1, C2 level were approved by the Academic Council held on 16.09.2022, vide item no.133 and granting administrative sanction is pending before the consideration of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research.

The details of minimum pass mark criteria for the courses of German A1, A2, B1, B2, C1, & C2 , which is approved by the Vice-Chairman, CSS is detailed below:-

Criteria for passing the Examination of German A1 & A2

- The candidate has to secure minimum 50 percentage in each part of the paper I and an aggregate of 60 percentage altogether in paper I (Part I,II & III).
- The candidate failing any of the parts in paper I, will have to attempt the paper I completely (Part I,II & III) again in the next chance in order to pass Paper I.
- The candidate has to secure minimum 60 percentage in Paper II Sprechen (Oral Examination)
- If any candidate fails in Paper II Sprechen (Oral examination), the candidate has to attempt the Paper II separately in the next chance.

Criteria for passing the examination German B1 & B2 (Deutsch B1 & B2)

- The candidate has to secure minimum 50 percentage in each part of the paper I and an aggregate of 60 percentage altogether in paper I (Part I, II & III).
- The candidate failing any of the parts in paper I, will have to attempt the paper I completely (Part I,II & III) again in the next chance in order to pass Paper I.
- The candidate has to secure minimum 60 percentage in Paper II Sprechen (Oral Examination)
- If any candidate fails in Paper II Sprechen (Oral examination), the candidate has to attempt the Paper II separately in the next chance.

Criteria for passing the examination German C1 & C2 (Deutsch C1 & C2)

- The candidate has to secure minimum 50 percentage in each part of the paper I and an aggregate of 60 percentage altogether in paper I (Part I, II & III).
- The candidate failing any of the parts in paper I, will have to attempt the paper I completely (Part I,II & III) again in the next chance in order to pass Paper I.
- The candidate has to secure minimum 60 percentage in Paper II Sprechen (Oral Examination)
- If any candidate fails in Paper II Sprechen (Oral examination), the candidate has to attempt the Paper II separately in the next chance.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the request submitted by the Head, Department of German for including the minimum pass criteria in the syllabus of the courses of German A1,A2, B1, B2, C1, & C2, is placed before the Academic Council for consideration and recommendation.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to approve the inclusion of the minimum pass criteria in the syllabus of the courses of German A1,A2, B1, B2, C1, & C2, of the Department of German ,as recommended by the Vice- Chairman CSS.

63. Changing the nomenclature of the programme- M.A.in Financial Economics to M.A.Economics (Finance) –reporting of-reg. (CSS)

The fee structure of M.A in Financial Economics, forwarded by the Head, Department of Economics was placed before the CSS Academic Committee held on 27.04.2023 and recommended that:

- 1. The fee structure of the afore mentioned course be approved and the matter be placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance for consideration**
- 2. The course be renamed as M.A. Economics (Finance) and the matter be reported to the Academic Council.**

In obedience to the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter of change of nomenclature of the programme as M.A Economics (Finance) from 2022 admission onwards is reported to the Academic Council.



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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CSS ACADEMIC COMMITTEE

Venue : CLIF, Kariavattom

Date & Time : 27/04/2023, 11.00 AM

Members Present:

1. Prof. (Dr) MohananKunnummal, Vice-Chancellor(In-charge) & Chairman, CSS (in the chair)
2. Dr. A. Biju Kumar, Vice-Chairman (CSS)
3. Dr. S. Nazeeb, Member, Syndicate
4. Dr. Gopchandran, K.G., Member Syndicate
5. Dr. R. B. Binoj Kumar, Professor, Department of Geology
6. Dr. Aji. S., Associate Professor, Department of Computer Science
7. Dr. V. Biju, Professor, Department of Physics
8. Dr. R. Jayachandran, Professor, Department of Hindi (Online)
9. Dr. R. B. Sreekala, Head, Oriental Research Institute
10. Dr. K. S. Suresh Kumar, Professor, IMK
11. Prof. Dr. Razia K. I, Department of Physical Education
12. Dr. Sheeja S. R, Professor & Head, Department of Economics
13. Parvathy S. Shaji, Assistant Professor(on contract), Department of Law
14. Dr. ManojChangat, Head, Department of Futures Studies
15. Dr. AchuthSankar S. Nair, Head-in-charge, Department of Computational Biology & Bioinformatics (Online)

Item No: 5 - Approval of the Fee structure of M.A.in Financial Economics-reg.

The fee structure of M.A in Financial Economics, forwarded by the Head, Department of Economics, is placed for consideration and necessary recommendation.

Decision Taken :- Recommended that

- 1. The fee structure of the afore mentioned course be approved and the matter be placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance for consideration**
- 2. The course be renamed as M.A. Economics (Finance) and the matter be reported to the Academic Council.**

Sd/-
Vice Chairman, CSS

Sd/-
Chairman, CSS and Vice Chancellor

Resolution of the Academic Council
The Academic Council NOTED the matter.

64. Post Graduate Diploma in Human Rights –Syllabus-approval of- reg. (CSS)

The Head, Department of Law, University of Kerala forwarded the Syllabus of Post Graduate Diploma course in Human Rights in the OBE mode for approval.

The proposed Syllabus of the afore course was placed before the CSS Academic Committee held on 27.04.2023 and recommended that the Syllabus of the Post Graduate Diploma in Human Rights be approved. Further recommended that the Syllabus be placed before the Academic Council for approval and the proposed fee Structure for the programme be placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance for consideration.

In obedience to the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the Syllabus of the programme Post Graduate Diploma in Human Rights is placed before the Academic Council for recommendation.



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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CSS ACADEMIC COMMITTEE

Venue : CLIF, Kariavattom

Date & Time : 27/04/2023, 11.00 AM

Members Present:

1. Prof. (Dr) MohananKunnummal, Vice-Chancellor(In-charge) & Chairman, CSS (in the chair)
2. Dr. A. Biju Kumar, Vice-Chairman (CSS)
3. Dr. S. Nazeeb, Member, Syndicate
4. Dr. Gopchandran, K.G., Member Syndicate
5. Dr. R. B. Binoj Kumar, Professor, Department of Geology
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14. Dr. ManojChangat, Head, Department of Futures Studies
15. Dr. AchuthSankar S. Nair, Head-in-charge, Department of Computational Biology & Bioinformatics (Online)

Item No:2 - Syllabus of Post Graduate Diploma in Human Rights -approval-reg.

The Head, Department of Law, University of Kerala has forwarded the Syllabus of Post Graduate Diploma course in Human Rights in the OBE mode for approval.

The proposed Syllabus of the afore course is placed for consideration and necessary recommendation.

Decision Taken :- *Recommended that the Syllabus of the Post Graduate Diploma in Human Rights be approved. Further recommended that the Syllabus be placed before the Academic Council for approval and the proposed fee Structure for the programme be placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance for consideration.*

Sd/-
Vice Chairman, CSS

Sd/-
Chairman, CSS and Vice Chancellor

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to approve the syllabus of the Post Graduate Diploma course in Human Rights in the OBE mode under the Department of Law of the University of Kerala.

65. Approval of the Syllabus of M.A. Manuscriptology – recommendation-reg. (CSS)

The CSS Academic Committee held on 21.02.2023, vide additional item no.02, recommended to approve the request of the Head, Oriental Research Institute and Manuscript Library to include M.A. Manuscriptology in the CSS PG Entrance Examination 2023, subject to approval of the Syllabus by the Academic Council.

Accordingly the Head, Oriental Research Institute and Manuscript Library has forwarded the Syllabus and Fee structure of the proposed Post Graduate programme in M.A. Manuscriptology.

The syllabus of the proposed programme was placed before the CSS Academic Committee held on 27.04.2023 and recommended that the Syllabus of the programme M.A. Manuscriptology be approved. Further recommended that the Syllabus be placed before the Academic Council for approval. The proposed fee Structure for the programme be placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance for consideration.

In obedience to the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the Syllabus of the proposed programme M.A. Manuscriptology is placed before the Academic Council for recommendation.



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KARIAVATTOM**

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CSS ACADEMIC COMMITTEE

Venue : CLIF, Kariavattom

Date & Time : 27/04/2023, 11.00 AM

Members Present:

1. Prof. (Dr) Mohanan Kunnammal, Vice-Chancellor(In-charge) & Chairman, CSS (in the chair)
2. Dr. A. Biju Kumar, Vice-Chairman (CSS)
3. Dr. S. Nazeeb, Member, Syndicate
4. Dr. Gopchandran, K.G., Member Syndicate
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13. Parvathy S. Shaji, Assistant Professor(on contract), Department of Law
14. Dr. ManojChangat, Head, Department of Futures Studies
15. Dr. AchuthSankar S. Nair, Head-in-charge, Department of Computational Biology & Bioinformatics (Online)

Item No: 7 - Approval of the Syllabus and Fee structure of M.A. Manuscriptology –reg.

The CSS Academic Committee held on 21.02.2023, vide additional item no.02, recommended to approve the request of the Head, Oriental Research Institute and Manuscript Library to include

M.A. Manuscriptology in the CSS PG Entrance Examination 2023, subject to approval of the Syllabus by the Academic Council.

Accordingly the Head, Oriental Research Institute and Manuscript Library has forwarded the Syllabus and Fee structure of the proposed Post Graduate programme in M.A. Manuscriptology.

The matter is placed for consideration and necessary recommendation.

Decision Taken :- *Recommended that the Syllabus of the programme M.A. Manuscriptology be approved. Further recommended that the Syllabus be placed before the Academic Council for approval. The proposed fee Structure for the programme be placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Finance for consideration.*

Sd/-
Vice Chairman, CSS

Sd/-
Chairman, CSS and Vice Chancellor

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and **RESOLVED** to approve the M.A. Manuscriptology programme under the Department of Oriental Research Institute and Manuscript Library of the University of Kerala.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the nomenclature of the Programme be changed from M.A Manuscriptology to M.A Manuscriptology and Palaeography.

66. Syllabus of Generic Course-Introduction to Computing in Python-reporting of-reg. (CSS)

The Head-in-charge, Department of Computational Biology and Bioinformatics has forwarded the Syllabus of a new Generic course- Introduction to Computing in Python (BIN-GC-502, credit 2) for approval, proposed to be offered with effect from 2022-24 batch.

The syllabus of the proposed Generic course was placed before CSS Academic Committee held on 27.04.2023 and recommended that the Syllabus be approved subject to reporting to the Academic Council.

In obedience to the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter of approval Syllabus of the proposed Generic course- Introduction to Computing in Python (BIN-GC-502, credit 2) is reported to the Academic Council.



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Item No: 4 – Approval of the Syllabus of Generic Course-Introduction to Computing in Python-reg.

The Head-in-charge, Department of Computational Biology and Bioinformatics has forwarded the Syllabus of a new Generic course- Introduction to Computing in Python (BIN-GC-502, credit 2) for approval, proposed to be offered with effect from 2022-24 batch.

The syllabus of the proposed Generic course is placed for consideration and necessary recommendation.

Decision Taken :- Recommended that the Syllabus be approved subject to reporting to the Academic Council.

Sd/-
Vice Chairman, CSS

Sd/-
Chairman, CSS and Vice Chancellor

Resolution of the Academic Council
The Academic Council NOTED the matter.

67. Approval of Syllabus MBA (Shipping and Logistics)–Institute of Management in Kerala -Consideration of-reg. (CSS)

The CSS Academic Committee held on 21.02.2023, vide item no.12, recommended to stop MBA (Evening-Regular) programme from 2023 admission onwards and entrusted the Head, Institute of Management in Kerala to submit a proposal to start a new MBA programme with a different specialization.

Accordingly the Head, Institute of Management in Kerala forwarded the Syllabus of the proposed programme MBA (Shipping and Logistics).

The syllabus of the proposed programme was placed before the CSS Academic Committee held on 27.04.2023 and recommended that the Syllabus of the programme MBA (Shipping and Logistics) be approved. Further recommended that the Syllabus be placed before the Academic Council for approval.

In obedience to the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the Syllabus of the proposed programme MBA (Shipping and Logistics) is placed before the Academic Council for recommendation.



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Venue : CLIF, Kariavattom

Date & Time : 27/04/2023, 11.00 AM

Members Present:

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Additional Item permitted by the Chair 1: Approval of Syllabus MBA (Shipping and Logistics) – Institute of Management in Kerala-reg.

The CSS Academic Committee held on 21.02.2023, vide additional item no.12, recommended to to stop MBA (Evening-Regular) programme from 2023 admission onwards and entrusted the Head, Institute of Management in Kerala to submit a proposal to start a new MBA programme with a different specialization.

Accordingly the Head, Institute of Management in Kerala forwarded the Syllabus of the proposed programme MBA (Shipping and Logistics).

The syllabus of the proposed programme is placed for consideration and necessary recommendation.

Decision Taken :- Recommended that the Syllabus of the programme MBA (Shipping and Logistics) be approved. Further recommended that the Syllabus be placed before the Academic Council for approval.

Sd/-
Vice Chairman, CSS
Chancellor

Sd/-
Chairman, CSS and Vice

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to approve the syllabus of the MBA (Shipping and Logistics) Programme under the Institute of Management in Kerala of the University of Kerala.

**68. Recognition of MCA Degree (Regular) awarded by Bharathiar University, Coimbatore through Hindusthan College of Arts & Science, Coimbatore (Autonomous)-
Consideration of-Reg: (Ac.C)**

Application submitted by Sri. Tony Joshy, Dtd: 17/02/2023

Sri. Tony Joshy has submitted an application for recognition of the MCA Degree (Regular)

awarded by Bharathiar University, Coimbatore through Hindusthan College of Arts & Science, Coimbatore (Autonomous) (year of awarding of the degree is 2020). **The purpose of recognition is for equivalency with the MCA of this University for higher studies and employment.**

The applicant completed 10+2 pattern of study with Mathematics at the +2 level and pursued B.Tech. Degree in Electrical and Electronics from M.G. University, Kottayam, which have been recognized by the University of Kerala.

The Chairman, BoS in Computer Science (PG) has remarked that "the admission norms and the syllabus of the MCA Degree (Regular) awarded by Bharathiar University, Coimbatore through Hindusthan College of Arts & Science, Coimbatore (Autonomous) are in comparable standards with those of MCA Programme offered by the University of Kerala. Hence, the above MCA Programme (Regular) may be treated as equivalent to the MCA Programme offered by the University of Kerala for higher studies and employment purposes.

The Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology has endorsed the above remarks of the Chairman, BoS in Computer Science (PG) and recommended that "the MCA Degree (Regular) awarded by Bharathiar University, Coimbatore through Hindusthan College of Arts & Science, Coimbatore (Autonomous) may be recognised as equivalent to the MCA Degree (Regular) of the University of Kerala."

Hence the matter regarding the recognition of MCA Degree (Regular) awarded by Bharathiar University, Coimbatore through Hindusthan College of Arts & Science, Coimbatore (Autonomous), as equivalent to the MCA Degree of the University of Kerala is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to grant recognition to the MCA Degree (Regular) awarded by Bharathiar University, Coimbatore through Hindusthan College of Arts & Science, Coimbatore (Autonomous), as equivalent to the MCA Degree of the University of Kerala.

69. B.Voc Tourism and Hospitality Management Programme considering for employment purpose wherever one year Diploma course in Food and Beverage Service is a prescribed qualification - Reporting of – reg. (Ac.AIV)

A candidate has submitted application to issue special certificate stating that the B.Voc Tourism and Hospitality Management Programme is higher to one year Diploma course in Food and Beverage Service from Government Food Craft Institute for employment purpose.

The Chairman, Board of studies in Business Management remarked that Three year (six semesters) B.Voc Tourism and Hospitality Management Programme includes all the areas of Food and Beverage service. Considering the same, special certificate can be issued.

The Dean, Faculty of Management Studies endorsed remarks of the Chairman BoS in Business Management to issue Special certificate in the prescribed format stating that the contents of Diploma course in Food and Beverage service from Government Food Crafts institute are included in B.Voc Tourism and Hospitality Management Programme and thus the programme can be considered for employment wherever Diploma course in Food and Beverage Service is a prescribed qualification.

Sanction was therefore accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, to issue Special certificate as recommended by the Chairman, Board of studies in Management and endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Management Studies.

U.O.No.9511/2022/UOK dated 20.12.2022 has been issued in this regard.

This matter is reported to the Academic Council.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council NOTED the matter.

70. Bachelor of Hotel Management and Catering Technology programme considering for employment wherever one year Diploma course in Food and Beverage Service is a prescribed qualification-Reporting of-reg. (Ac.AIV)

A candidate had submitted application to issue a special certificate stating that the Bachelor of Hotel Management and Catering Technology programme is higher to one year Diploma course in Food and Beverage Service from Government Food Craft Institute for employment purpose.

The Chairman, Board of Studies in Business Management remarked that Four year(eight semesters) Bachelor of Hotel Management and Catering Technology programme includes all the areas of Diploma course in Food and Beverage service, hence special certificate can be issued.

The Dean, Faculty of Management Studies endorsed the remarks of the Chairman,BoS in Business Management to issue Special certificate in the prescribed format stating that the contents of Diploma Course in Food and Beverage Service from Government Food Craft Institute are included in Bachelor of Hotel Management and Catering Technology programme and thus the programme can be considered for employment wherever Diploma course in Food and Beverage service is a prescribed qualification.

Sanction was therefore accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to Academic Council, to issue special certificate as recommended by the Chairman, Board of studies in Management and endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Management Studies.

U.O.No.9510/2022/UOK dated 20.12.2022 has been issued in this regard.

This matter is reported to the Academic Council.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council NOTED the matter.

71. Syllabi for First Degree Programme in Physics and Career-related First Degree Programme in Physics and Computer Application to be implemented w.e.f 2023 admission onwards – consideration of- reg. (Ac A V)

A two days workshop was conducted by the Board of Studies in Physics (UG) on 10th and 11th August 2022, for revising the entire syllabus for First Degree Programme in Physics and Career Related First Degree Programme in Physics and Computer Applications under CBCS System, to be implemented w.e.f 2023 admission onwards.

The Additional meeting of the Board of Studies in Physics (UG) held on 14th March 2023 recommended to approve the said Syllabi to be implemented w.e.f 2023 admissions onwards.

The Chairperson, Board of Studies in Physics (UG), submitted the Minutes of the Additional meeting along with the revised Scheme and Syllabus of First Degree Programme in Physics and Career- related First Degree Programme in Physics and Computer Applications under CBCS System, to be implemented w.e.f 2023 admission onwards, recommended by the Board of Studies. The Dean, Faculty of Science endorsed the revised Syllabi vide email dated 19.05.2023.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the revised Scheme and Syllabi of First Degree Programme in Physics and Career Related First Degree Programme in Physics and Computer Applications under CBCS System to be implemented w.e.f 2023 admissions, as recommended by the Board of Studies in Physics (UG) and as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Science, is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to approve the revised Scheme and Syllabi of First Degree Programme in Physics and Career Related First Degree Programme in Physics and Computer Applications under CBCS System to be implemented w.e.f 2023 admissions, as recommended by the Board of Studies in Physics (UG) and as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Science.

72. Career related First Degree Programme in Business Administration (BBA) Logistics under CBCS w.e.f 2020 Admissions - Change of books recommended for Core course in the VI Semester – reporting of-reg. (Ac.AV)

The Scheme and Syllabus for Career related First Degree Programme in Business Administration (BBA) Logistics under CBCS System 2(b) has been introduced w.e.f 2020 admissions vide UO No.Ac.AV.1/New.Gen &DM/2020 dated:13-11-2020..

In the Syllabus for BBA Logistics, same books were recommended for the Elective course BL 1361.1 -'Multimodal Transportation' in the III Semester and Core course BL 1643 -'Strategic Management' in the VI Semester.

The Chairperson, Board of Studies in Business Management (UG) recommended the following books for the course 'BL 1643 Strategic Management' in the Syllabus for Career-related First Degree Programme in BBA Logistics under CBCS System.

- i. Azhar Kasmi, Business Policy & Strategic Management, Tata Mc Graw Hill Publishing Co.Ltd, NewDelhi
- ii. Nag, A, Strategic Management - Analysis, Implementation and Control, Vikas Publishing,NewDelhi
- iii. Srinivasan R, Strategic Management - The Indian Context, PHI
- iv. Chandrasekaran N and P.S Anathanarayanan, Strategic Management,Oxford,2011.

The Dean, Faculty of Management Studies endorsed the recommendations of the Chairperson.

Sanction was accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, to effect the said corrections with regard to the books recommended in the Scheme and Syllabus for Career related First Degree Programme in Business Administration (BBA) Logistics under CBCS System 2(b) w.e.f 2020 admissions. A UO No. 2498/2023/UOK dated 14.03.2023 was issued accordingly.

The action taken by the Vice-Chancellor is reported to the Academic Council.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council NOTED the matter.

73. Career related First Degree Programme in Business Administration (BBA) under CBCS System 2(b) w.e.f 2022 Admissions - Corrections in the Course Codes of Elective courses under Stream IV and V – reporting of-reg. (Ac.AV)

The Scheme and Syllabus of Career-related First Degree Programme in Business Administration (BBA) under CBCS System 2(b) has been revised w.e.f 2022 admissions as per UO No. 8346/2022/UOK dtd, 27.10.2022.

In the Syllabus of the said programme, the Elective courses under Stream IV- Business Analytics and Stream V- Tourism Management were allotted with same course codes i.e, BM 1361.4, BM 1461.4, BM 1561.4 and BM 1661.4.

The Chairperson, Board of Studies in Business Management (UG) as per e-mail dated 03.02.2023, recommended that the newly introduced Elective Stream 'Business Analytics'in the Syllabus of Career-related First Degree Programme in Business Administration (BBA) can be numbered as Stream V and the course codes can be changed as BM 1361.5, BM 1461.5, BM 1561.5 and BM 1661.5. Also, the existing course code of Elective course BM 1661.5 'Business Communication' in the VI Semester will be BM 1661.8.

The Dean, Faculty of Management Studies as per e-mail dated 15.02.2023, endorsed the recommendations of the Chairperson.

Sanction was therefore accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, for effecting the following corrections in the Scheme and Syllabus for Career-related First Degree Programme in Business Administration (BBA) under CBCS System 2(b), w.e.f 2022 admissions, as recommended by the Chairperson, Board of Studies in Business Management (UG) and as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Management Studies.

- i. The Elective Stream 'Business Analytics' in the Syllabus of Career-related First Degree Programme in Business Administration (BBA) be numbered as Stream V and the course codes of courses under the Stream be changed as 'BM 1361.5: Big Data Analytics', 'BM 1461.5 : Machine Learning and Artificial Intelligence' , 'BM 1561.5 : Social Media

Analytics' and 'BM 1661.5 : Natural Language Processing'.

- ii. The existing course code of Elective course 'Business Communication' in the VI Semester be changed to BM 1661.8.
- iii. The Elective Stream 'Tourism Management' be numbered as Stream IV
A UO No. 4109/2023/UOK dated 12.05.2023 was issued accordingly.
The action taken by the Vice-Chancellor is reported to the Academic Council.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council NOTED the matter.

- 74. Double Main First Degree Programme (B.A) in English and Media Studies under CBCS System - considered as eligible qualification for higher studies and employment purposes wherever the component First Degree Programme (B.A English Language and Literature/ B.A Journalism and Mass Communication) under CBCS System is the prescribed qualification - Reporting of –reg. (Ac A V)**

The Double Main First Degree Programmes in (B.A) English and Media Studies under CBCS system, w.e.f 2020 admissions as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment purposes wherever the corresponding component First Degree Programme is the prescribed qualification, was considered by the Chairperson, Board of Studies in English (UG) and the Chairman, Board of Studies in Journalism.

The Chairperson, Board of Studies in English (UG), vide email dated 17.04.2023, recommended that the English Component of the Double Main First Degree Programmes (B.A) in English and Media Studies can be considered as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment purposes in English Language and Literature and wherever the component First Degree Programme is the prescribed qualification.

The Chairman, Board of Studies in Journalism, vide email dated 20.04.2023, recommended that the Media Studies component of the Double Main First Degree programme (B.A) in English and Media Studies can be considered as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment wherever First Degree Programme in Journalism and Mass Communication is prescribed as the criteria, similar to that of the existing First Degree programme in BA Journalism and Mass Communication as the major core courses are identical and similar in nomenclature and content.

The Dean, Faculty of Arts, vide emails dated 24.04.2023, endorsed the recommendations of the Chairperson, Board of Studies in English (UG) and the Chairman, Board of Studies in Journalism.

Sanction was accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, to the Double Main First Degree Programme (B.A) in English and Media Studies under CBCS System being considered as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment purposes, wherever the component First Degree Programmes (B.A English Language and Literature/ B.A Journalism and Mass Communication) under CBCS System is the prescribed qualification, as recommended by the Chairperson, Board of Studies in English (UG) and the Chairman, Board of Studies in Journalism and as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Arts. UO No. 4089/2023/UOK dated 12.05.2023 is issued accordingly.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the matter is reported to the Academic Council.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council NOTED the matter.

- 75. Double Main First Degree Programme (B.A) in English and Malayalam Literatures under CBCS System - considered as eligible qualification for higher studies and employment purposes wherever the component First Degree Programme (B.A English Language and Literature/ B.A Malayalam: Language, Culture & Literature) under CBCS System is the prescribed qualification - Reporting of - reg. (Ac A V)**

The Double Main First Degree Programmes in (B.A) English and Malayalam Literature under CBCS system, w.e.f 2020 admissions as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment

purposes wherever the corresponding component First Degree Programme is the prescribed qualification, was considered by the Chairperson, Board of Studies in English (UG) and the Chairman, Board of Studies in Malayalam (UG).

The Chairperson, Board of Studies in English (UG), vide email dated 17.04.2023, recommended that the English Component of the Double Main First Degree Programme in BA English and Malayalam Literatures can be considered eligible qualification for higher studies and employment purposes in English Language and Literature and wherever the component First Degree Programmes are the prescribed qualification. The Dean, Faculty of Arts, vide email dated 24.04.2023, endorsed the recommendation of the Chairperson, Board of Studies in English (UG).

The Chairman, Board of Studies in Malayalam (UG), vide email dated 17.04.2023, remarked that those who have passed Double Main First Degree Programme in (B.A) English and Malayalam Literatures under CBCS System are eligible for higher studies in Malayalam. Also, there is equivalent qualification in employment matters. The Dean, Faculty of Oriental Studies, vide email dated 25.04.2023, endorsed the recommendation of the Chairman, Board of Studies in Malayalam (UG).

Sanction was accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, to the Double Main First Degree Programme in (B.A) English and Malayalam Literatures under CBCS System being considered as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment purposes, wherever the component First Degree Programmes (BA English Language & Literature/ BA Malayalam: Language, Culture & Literature) is the prescribed qualification, as recommended by the Chairperson, Board of Studies in English (UG) and the Chairman, Board of Studies in Malayalam (UG) and as endorsed by the Dean(s), Faculty of Arts and Oriental Studies. UO No. 4088/2023/UOK dated 12.05.2023 is issued accordingly

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the matter is reported to the Academic Council.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council NOTED the matter.

76. Ph.D Research - Hindi - Part Time - Smt. Salini. C - July 2009 Session - Re-registration and Change of Research Supervisor-Reporting of- reg. (Ac.EVII)

Smt. Salini C, Part Time Research Scholar in Hindi at Govt College for Women, Thiruvananthapuram had requested for Re-registration and Change of Research Supervisor. The candidate joined as Part-Time Research Scholar in Hindi under the guidance of Dr. C.J. Presenna Kumari at Govt. College for Women, Tvpm w.e.f 10.02.2010 as per U.O .No.Ac.E1.B3/23950/09 dated 01.03.2010. Her Pre-submission Seminar was conducted at the Department of Hindi on 12/05/2016.

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 08/12/2022 resolved vide item No.49.66.C13, to approve the recommendation of the Standing Committee on Academics and Research to forward the matter of change in Research Supervisor and Re-registration in r/o Smt. Salini C, PT Research Scholar in Hindi, to the Standing Committee of the Academic Council for consideration and recommendation.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council at its meeting held on 01/03/2023 vide Item No. 3 recommended the change of Research Supervisor in accordance with the UGC Regulations. Also recommended to conduct Pre-submission Seminar again and to submit the thesis within 90 days from the date of conduct of Pre-submission, subject to reporting to the Academic Council.

The Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, has accorded sanction to Smt. Salini. C who had been granted registration to do Ph.D research vide University Order No.Ac.E1.B3/23950/09 dated 01.03.2010 being granted Re-registration and permission for change of Research Supervisor to Dr. Suma S, on condition that the candidate shall conduct her Pre-submission Seminar again & submit her thesis with in 90 days from the date of conduct of the Pre-submission seminar.

University Order No.3522/2023/UOK dated 19.04.2023 has been issued in this regard.

The matter is reported to the Academic Council.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council NOTED the matter.

77. Request for Eligibility Certificate - M.A. Degree in Psychology (Distance) awarded by Indira Gandhi National Open University, New Delhi (IGNOU) - without B.A/B.Sc Psychology degree as basic qualification – Consideration of-reg. (Ac.C)

Ref: Request received from Mr. Levin S J on 02.02.2023.

Mr. Levin S. J had applied for Eligibility Certificate for M.A. Degree in Psychology awarded by IGNOU, New Delhi which is recognized by this University for the purpose of higher studies and employment. His basic qualification is B.A Degree in History obtained from University of Kerala.

It may be noted that as per the admission criteria of this University, BA/B.Sc Degree in Psychology is the basic qualification to get admission in M.Sc Psychology. However, the candidate possesses B.A Degree in History which is not an eligible qualification for getting admission to Masters Degree Course in Psychology.

Chairperson, BoS in Psychology (UG) remarked that the admission criteria of University of Kerala is BA/BSc Degree in Psychology as the basic qualification to get admission to M.Sc Psychology. However, the candidate possess B.A Degree in History which is not an eligible qualification for getting admission to Master's Degree in Psychology. Hence, she recommended not to consider the application.

The Chairperson, BoS in Psychology (PG) remarked that:

1. The candidate did not fulfill the admission criteria stipulated by the University of Kerala for getting admission to MA/M.Sc in Psychology.
2. University of Kerala is not offering Psychology courses (B.A/B.Sc or M.A/M.Sc) in distance mode.

Hence, he recommended not to consider the application for eligibility certificate of M.A Degree in Psychology of this applicant.

The Dean, Faculty of Science remarked that the M.A Degree in Psychology of this candidate can be considered as a Post Graduate Degree and is eligible in the field where no subject is specified.

Based on the different opinions of the Chairperson and Dean, the matter was placed before the Additional Meeting of the Board of Studies in Psychology (PG) held on 28.04.2023 and recommended that the MA degree in Psychology awarded by IGNOU through distance mode cannot be considered as an eligible qualification for getting employment in the field of Psychology.

The board unanimously objected to grant recognition/eligibility to MA Psychology offered by IGNOU through distance mode on the following grounds.

1. As per the admission criteria of the University of Kerala, BA/ BSc Degree in Psychology is the basic qualification to get admission in MA/ MSc Psychology but the candidate did not fulfill the admission criteria since the candidate possess BA degree in History.
2. University of Kerala is not offering Psychology courses (BA/BSc or MA/MSc) in distance mode.
3. Intensive training in experimental psychology, psychological assessment and internship in different settings like clinical, organizational and educational are highly important to become a psychology professional .In addition, regular class room teaching and interaction with teachers is also important for the proper academic development of each student. Unfortunately, a student enrolled for MA Psychology offered by IGNOU through distance mode is not getting any such training.

However, **the board resolved to recommend the university to grant eligibility for MA Psychology offered by IGNOU through distance mode only for higher education.**

The Dean, Faculty of Science endorsed the minutes of the meeting.

Hence, the whole matter regarding the issuance of Eligibility Certificate **for M.A. Degree in Psychology awarded by IGNOU, New Delhi through Distance mode without having B.A/B.Sc Psychology degree as basic qualification** is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED that Eligibility Certificate be issued to the holders of M.A. Degree in Psychology awarded by IGNOU, New Delhi through Distance mode, without having B.A/B.Sc Psychology degree as basic qualification.

- 78. Recognition of Ph.D Degree in Physics (full-time) awarded to Mr. Vishnu S. Surendran by Noorul Islam Centre for Higher Education, Kumaracoil for the thesis titled "Thermal Conductivity and Viscosity Studies of Boron Nitride and Metal Oxide Based Nanofluids" for the purpose of higher studies and employment-Consideration of – reg. (Ac.C)**

Ref: Application received from Mr. Vishnu S. Surendran dated 21.03.2023.

Mr. Vishnu S. Surendran has submitted the Ph.D Thesis in Physics titled "Thermal Conductivity and Viscosity Studies of Boron Nitride and Metal Oxide Based Nanofluids" awarded by Noorul Islam Centre for Higher Education, Kumaracoil (in compliance with the UGC Regulation, 2016) for the purpose of higher studies and employment. He had obtained B.Sc Degree in Physics from University of Kerala. He had completed M.Sc Degree in Physics from Vikram University, Ujjain, M.P and M.Phil Degree in Physics from Noorul Islam Centre for Higher Education, Kumaracoil which are recognized by the University of Kerala.

The Chairperson remarked that Mr. Vishnu S Surendran had published 2 research papers in scopus indexed (UGC approved journals) as part of his Ph.D program. He has presented 6 papers in 6 National/International Conferences. Hence, he recommended that the Ph.D Degree in Physics of Dr. Vishnu S. Surendran awarded by Noorul Islam Centre for Higher Education can be recognized by University of Kerala as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment in the area of Physics.

The Dean endorsed the remarks of the Chairperson and recommended for higher studies and employment.

Hence, the whole matter regarding the recognition of Ph.D Degree in Physics (full-time) awarded to Mr. Vishnu S. Surendran by Noorul Islam Centre for Higher Education, Kumaracoil for the thesis titled "Thermal Conductivity and Viscosity Studies of Boron Nitride and Metal Oxide Based Nanofluids" for the purpose of higher studies and employment in the area of Physics is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to grant recognition to the Ph.D Degree in Physics (full-time) awarded to Mr. Vishnu S. Surendran by Noorul Islam Centre for Higher Education, Kumaracoil for the thesis titled "Thermal Conductivity and Viscosity Studies of Boron Nitride and Metal Oxide Based Nanofluids", for the purpose of higher studies and employment in the area of Physics.

- 79. Master of Social Work(2018 admission onwards)-clarification of title in fourth semester- Consideration of-reg. (Ac.AII)**

The Scheme & Syllabus of Master of Social Work(MSW) Degree Programme has been revised with effect from 2018 admission onwards vide U..O No.Ac.A.II/3/40/48727/2018 dated 05/06/2018.

The Tabulation section has now pointed out that the title of the paper SW 2.4.1 is different in the course structure and the detailed syllabus of fourth semester MSW degree programme.

The title of the course name offered in the fourth semester MSW Degree Programme is given as SW 2.4.1 Ecological Social Work and Entrepreneurship in the course structure and SW 2.4.1 Ecological Social Work, Developmental Communication and Social entrepreneurship in the detailed syllabus.

The former Chairman,Board of Studies in Social Work remarked that it is better to continue with the title in the course structure,since the marksheet is awarded with the title as S.W 2.4.1 Ecological Social Work and Entrepreneurship.

The Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences has endorsed the remarks of the former Chairman, Board

of Studies in Social Work.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, fixing the title of the paper SW 2.4.1 of fourth semester Master of Social Work Degree Programme(2018 admn-onwards) as SW 2.4.1 Ecological Social Work and Entrepreneurship is placed before the Academic Council for consideration and appropriate decision.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to fix the title of the paper SW 2.4.1 of Fourth semester Master of Social Work Degree Programme(2018 admn-onwards) as SW 2.4.1 Ecological Social Work and Entrepreneurship, as per the recommendation by the Chairman, Board of Studies in Social Work and as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences.

80. Extension of enrollment date of 2022 admission batch of MCA Degree Programme - along with the Judgement of the Honble' High Court of Kerala- Consideration of- reg. (Ac.AIV)

Requests have been received from two candidates Smt. Jisha S. and Smt. Gouri Nandana G. to extend the enrollment date of 2022 admission batch of MCA Degree Programme as they had not passed their qualifying examination (BCA) at the time of allotment .

The enrollment portal for MCA (2022 Admission) was closed on **27/01/2023** and the First semester BCA supplementary examination result (qualifying examination result) of the candidates was published only on **10/02.2023**. The candidate Smt. Gouri Nandana G. has passed the qualifying examination only in this date.

As per the eligibility conditions of 2020 Scheme of MCA regulation," **Candidates should have passed BCA/ Bachelor Degree in Computer Science/ Engineering or equivalent Degree recognized by the University of Kerala.**

OR

Passed B.Sc/ B.Com/ B.A. with Mathematics at 10+2 level or at Graduation level or any equivalent degree recognized by the University of Kerala with additional Bridge course as per the norms of the University of Kerala, to apply for the Programme and obtained at least 50% marks(45% marks in case of candidates belonging to reserved category) in the qualifying examination.

Also stipulated that Candidates seeking admission must ensure the eligibility of their qualifying degrees/ Programmes/ Courses by the University of Kerala prior to admission".

Since the two candidates have not passed their Qualifying Examination at the admission time of MCA, they are not eligible for the course MCA (2022 Admission) according to the regulation.

Meanwhile, the candidate Smt. Gouri Nandana G. approached the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala with the plea to permit her to enroll to the MCA Programme (2022 Admission batch) and the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala in WP(C) No. 10914 of 2023(L) Dated 13.04.2023 issued **interim Court order directing the Academic Council of the University to consider the request of the Petitioner for extension of enrollment date of MCA in the light of Section 25(v) of the Kerala University Act** in the next meet.

Section 25(v) of Kerala University Act 1974 deals with the **Powers and duties of Academic Council to prescribe the qualifications for the admission of students to the various courses of studies and to the examinations and the condition under which exemptions may be granted.**

The Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges considered the matter and recommended that the matter be referred to the Academic Council in compliance with the Interim Court order of the Hon'ble High Court in WP(C) No. 10914 of 2023(L) dated 13.04.2023.

The Syndicate held on 20.05.2023 resolved to approve the above recommendation of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Affiliation of Colleges held on 16.05.2023, vide item No.57.109.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter is placed before the Academic council for consideration and appropriate decision.

Resolution of the Academic Council

In compliance with the Interim Court order of the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala in WP(C) No. 10914 of 2023(L) Dated 13.04.2023, **the Academic Council considered** the request of the Petitioner for extension of enrollment date of MCA in the light of Section 25(v) of the Kerala University Act and **RESOLVED** not to grant extension of the enrollment date of the 2022 admission batch of the MCA Degree Programme as they had not passed their qualifying examination (BCA) at the time of admission and to obtain explanations from the Colleges for giving admission to the students without proper verification of their eligibility for admission. **FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Colleges shall compensate for the loss incurred by the students.

81. Deletion of clause IX B in the BHMCT Regulation under 2018 scheme-Consideration of- reg. (Ac A IV)

The Regulation, Scheme and Syllabus of BHMCT degree programme was revised w.e.f 2018 admission vide U.O.No.Ac AIV/3/BHMCT/2018 dated 14.09.2018. The following points may be noted:

- From 2016 onwards grading was introduced in BHMCT courses
- UO No Ac AIV/1/BHM Modifications/2016 dtd 7/05/2016 was issued deleting clause IX B of the regulations.
- Now as the BHMCT course has been revised in 2018, the clause IX B has crept in , which is irrelevant for the classification of results under the grading system.

The tabulation section has sought clarification on ESE minimum, CE minimum, subject minimum and SCPA calculation of BHMCT programme revised wef 2018 admissions. As such U.O .No.:AcAIV/3/BHMCT/2021 dated 20.06.2022 was issued in accordance with the remarks obtained from the Chairman, BoS in Business Management(pass) and the Dean, Faculty of Management Studies.

The Director , Snehacharya Institute of Management and Technology vide letter dated 16-02-2023 pointed out that discrepancy has been noted in the Classification of Result, Calculation of CCPA and Marks percentage in the Consolidated mark statement of BHMCT Degree Examination under 2018 Scheme.

The matter was discussed in the Additional meeting of Board of Studies in Business Management (pass) held on 21-03-2023 and the Board remarked that the applicant highlighted the statement in the Regulation that come under the head ,

IX. Classification of Successful Candidates.

"The classification of result will be based on the aggregate marks of all the sessional and End semester examination in all the eight semesters put together". But the University order issued in the year 2016 clearly states that the item **No.IX (B)** (in page no-6) of the regulation titled 'Classification of Successful Candidates' in which the above given statement was there, **be deleted as the same is irrelevant under Grading System.** Therefore the Board would like to give the remark that the calculation of CCPA by the IT cell is correct as per the existing regulations of the BHMCT Degree programme. **Steps may be taken for rectifying that statement in the regulation for avoiding this type of complaints in future.**

The Dean, Faculty of Management Studies endorsed the recommendation of the Board of Studies in Business Management (pass).

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter regarding the deletion of the statement under the Head IX : Classification of successful candidates, clause B in the Regulations of BHMCT degree course revised with effect from 2018 admission onwards, as recommended in the Additional meeting of the Board of Studies in Business Management (pass) and as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Management Studies, is placed before the Academic Council for consideration and appropriate decision.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to approve the deletion of the Clause IX 'B' in the BHMCT Regulations revised w.e.f 2018 Admission onwards, as

recommended in the additional meeting of the Board of Studies in Business Management (pass) and as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Management Studies.

82. Scheme and Syllabus for First Degree Programme in Hindi under CBCS System–revised w.e.f.2023admissions- approving of–reg. (AcAV)

A two days workshop was conducted for the Syllabus Revision of common courses in Hindi for the First Degree Programme under CBCS System, on 28th March 2023 and 12th April 2023 at the University College, Thiruvananthapuram.

The Board of Studies in Hindi (UG) at its online additional meeting held on 22.05.2023, recommended to approve the revised Scheme and Syllabus of First Degree Programme in Hindi under CBCS System including the common courses in Hindi, to be implemented from the academic year 2023 onwards. The Dean, Faculty of Oriental Studies, vide email dated 23.05.2023, endorsed the revised Syllabus.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the revised Scheme and Syllabus of First Degree Programme in Hindi under CBCS System to be implemented from the academic year 2023 onwards, as recommended by the Board of Studies in Hindi (UG) and as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Oriental Studies, is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to approve the revised Scheme and Syllabus of First Degree Programme in Hindi under CBCS System to be implemented from the academic year 2023 onwards, as recommended by the Board of Studies in Hindi (UG) and as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Oriental Studies.

83. Recognition of B.E Degree in Civil Engineering (Regular) awarded by Anna University through Kumaraguru College of Technology Coimbatore(Autonomous)-Consideration of-reg. (Ac.C)

Ref:Application received from Smt.Abinaya.A.R Dtd 29.12.2022. (AC,C)

Smt.Abinaya.A.R had submitted the copy of the scheme and syllabus of B.E Degree in Civil Engineering (Regular) awarded by Anna University through Kumaraguru College of Technology, Coimbatore (Autonomous) for course recognition for the purpose of equating it with the B.Tech Degree in Civil Engineering of this University. She had undergone 10+2 pattern of study which is recognized by the University of Kerala.

The Chairman, BoS in Engineering (UG I) has marked equivalency and eligibility for higher education and employment in the proforma.

The Dean, Faculty of Engineering and Technology has remarked that, taking into consideration the remarks made by the Chairman, BoS in Engineering (UG I), the B.E Degree in Civil Engineering (Regular) awarded by Anna University through Kumaraguru College of Technology (Autonomous), Coimbatore may be considered as equivalent to the B.Tech Degree in Civil Engineering of University of Kerala, and also for higher education and employment.

Hence the whole matter regarding the recognition of B.E Degree in Civil Engineering (Regular) awarded by Anna University through Kumaraguru College of Technology, Coimbatore (Autonomous) as equivalent to the B.Tech Degree in Civil Engineering of this University is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to grant recognition to the B.E Degree in Civil Engineering (Regular) awarded by Anna University through Kumaraguru College of Technology, Coimbatore (Autonomous) as equivalent to the B.Tech Degree in Civil Engineering of this University.

84. Recognition of B.Ed Degree (Physics and Mathematics) (Regular) awarded by Vikram University, Ujjain-Consideration of-reg. (Ac.C)

Ref: Application submitted by Shri. SAJOMON THOMAS dtd 01/10/2021

Shri. SAJOMON THOMAS submitted an application for course recognition of B.Ed Degree (Physics and Mathematics) (Regular) awarded by Vikram University, Ujjain, for the purpose equating it with B.Ed Degree in Physical Science of this University for higher studies and employment (promotion to the post of HST). The candidate had passed 10+2 pattern of study which is recognised by the University of Kerala and obtained B.Sc Degree in Physics awarded by the Mahatma Gandhi University which is recognised by this University as equivalent to B.Sc Degree in Physics of this University .

The Chairman BoS in Education (Pass) after verifying the curriculum and syllabus of B.Ed Degree (Regular) (Physics and Mathematics) from Vikram University, Ujjain, has remarked that, there is adequate coverage in the content and course structure in par with University of Kerala. Hence the candidate is eligible for higher studies and employment wherever B.Ed Degree in Physical Science is the prescribed qualification.

The Dean Faculty of Education has endorsed the remarks of the Chairman BoS in Education (Pass).

Hence the whole matter regarding the recognition of B.Ed Degree (Physics and Mathematics) (Regular) awarded by Vikram University, Ujjain as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment wherever B.Ed Degree in Physical Science is the prescribed qualification is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to grant recognition to the B.Ed Degree (Physics and Mathematics) (Regular) awarded by Vikram University, Ujjain as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment wherever B.Ed Degree in Physical Science is the prescribed qualification .

85. Qualification for Assistant Professors in M.Sc Chemistry with specialization in Drug Design and Development-Consideration of- reg. (Ac.FII)

The Principal, Sree Narayana College, Cherthala has requested to provide the qualifications for the post of Assistant Professors in the course, M.Sc Chemistry with specialization in Drug Design and Development, a new generation course offered at S.N.College Cherthala on Aided basis.

The Qualification for Assistant Professors in M.Sc Chemistry with specialisation in Drug Design and Development has been obtained from Dr.S M A Shibli., Chairman, Board of Studies (PG) in Chemistry is attached herewith.

The remarks of the Chairman, Board of Studies (PG) in Chemistry on the qualification of teachers of M.Sc Chemistry with specialisation in Drug Design and Development are as follows:

Educational qualifications:

1. Master's degree in Chemistry with 55% marks (or an equivalent grade in a point scale wherever the grading system is followed) in a concerned/relevant/allied subject from an Indian University, or an equivalent degree from an accredited foreign university.
2. Besides fulfilling the above qualifications, the candidate must have cleared the National Eligibility Test (NET) conducted by the UGC/CSIR, or who are or have been awarded a Ph. D. Degree in accordance with the University Grants Commission (Minimum Standards and Procedure for Award of M.Phil./Ph.D. Degree) Regulations, 2009 or 2016 and their amendments from time to time as the case may be exempted from NET.

Desirable Research Experience required:

Minimum two years of Research experience in the specified domain area of Drug Design and Development.

As per orders of the Vice Chancellor the matter regarding the approval of the Qualification for Assistant Professors for handling the new generation course, M.Sc Chemistry with specialisation Drug Design and Development is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to approve the qualification for Assistant Professors for handling the new generation course, M.Sc Chemistry with specialisation Drug Design and Development, as recommended by the Chairman Board of Studies in Chemistry (PG) and the Dean Faculty of Science.

86. Scheme and Syllabus of First Degree programme in Psychology revised w.e.f 2020 admission onwards- Anomalies in the Course code and title of elective courses- rectified- Reporting of- reg. (Ac.AV)

The Scheme and Syllabus of First Degree Programme in Psychology under CBCS system had been revised w.e.f 2020 admissions vide U.O No.3582/2020/UOK dated 12.11.2020.

As per the list of elective courses in the Syllabus, title of the Course PG 1661.4 is given as Psychology for Academic Enhancement and PG 1661.5 as Psychology for Personal Effectiveness whereas in the detailed syllabus, title of the course PG 1661.4 is given as Psychology for Personal effectiveness and PG 1661.5 as Psychology for Academic Enhancement.

The Chairperson, Board of Studies in Psychology (UG) recommended that , PG 1661.4 is Psychology for Personal effectiveness and PG 1661.5 is Psychology for Academic Enhancement and the same has been endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Science.

Sanction has been accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, to effect the above corrections in the Scheme and Syllabus of First Degree Programme in Psychology under CBCS System revised w.e.f 2020 admissions, as recommended by the Chairperson, Board of Studies in Psychology (UG) and as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Science and U.O No.4186/2023/UOK dated 12.05.2023 was issued accordingly.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter is reported to the Academic Council.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council NOTED the matter.

87. The Draft format of Marklists, Provisional Certificate and Degree certificate of five year Integrated MBA (2022 admission onwards)– approval of– reg:- (Ac.AIV)

The Regulations, Scheme and Syllabus of the Five year MBA integrated programme has been revised as per the U.O.No.8482/2022/UOK dated 28.10.2022.

The tabulation section forwarded the draft format for 1-10 semesters marklists, provisional certificate and degree certificate of five year MBA (integrated) programme based on the 2022 scheme for approval.

Draft format for 1-10 semesters marklists, provisional certificate and degree certificate of five year MBA (integrated) programme was approved by the Chairman, Bos in Business Management (PG) and the same have been endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Management Studies.

It is noted that, item No-1 of the Minutes of the Standing Committee of the Academic Council held on 01-03-2023 while considering the format of Marklist, Provisional certificate and Degree certificate for new generation PG programmes introduced with effect from 2020 admission, recommended ,subject to reporting to the Academic council, to approve the formats of Provisional Certificate and Degree Certificate. Further recommended to restructure the format of marklists stating maximum, minimum and Total(CA and ESA) in the front sheet of the marklist itself.(minutes copy attached)

While intimating the above matter to the MBA tabulation section , the file was returned with the remarks that the recommendation of the Standing Committee of the Academic Council vide item No-1 is only for the new generation PG programmes and Five year MBA(integrated) programme doesn't come under the purview of the above resolution and submitted draft format of marklists, provisional certificate, Degree certificate of MBA(2023 admission onwards) without restructuring the format of marklists stating maximum, minimum and Total(CA and ESA) in the front sheet of the marklist itself.

As per the orders of Vice Chancellor, the following is placed before the Academic

Council, for appropriate decision.

1. Whether the draft format of marklists, provisional certificate and Degree certificate as recommended by the Chairman, BoS in Business Management (PG) as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Management Studies may be approved.

OR

2. Whether the draft format of Provisional certificate and Degree certificate as recommended by the Chairman, BoS in Business Management (PG) as endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Management Studies may be approved and formats of the marklists be restructured in tune with the new generation PG programme contained in the minutes of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Academic Council held on 01.03.2023 stating maximum, minimum and Total (CA and ESA) in the front sheet of the marklist itself.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to refer the matter to the Board of Studies in Business Management (PG).

88. Proposal for implementation of Academic Bank of Credits (ABC) – as per UGC notification dtd 28.7.21 – Consideration of-reg. (Ac.AII)

Government of India under National Education Policy 2020 intends to enable students across the nation with the Academic Bank of Credits System for fulfilling their thirst for knowledge by providing academic flexibility to pick and modify their educational paths, link diverse disciplines and assist them in acquiring the proper foundation and building blocks for their ambitions. ABC portal is an educational digital platform created to facilitate students for seamless mobility between or within degree granting Higher Education Institutions through a formal system of credit recognition, credit accumulation, credit transfer and credit redemption in order to promote distributed and flexible teaching and learning. It digitally stores the academic credits of the students earned from Higher Education Institutions registered with the bank and supply appropriate data for the Higher Education Institutions to award degrees, diplomas/PG diplomas and certificates as merited by the students over a period of time.

UGC have directed all Higher Education Institutions including University of Kerala to implement Academic Bank of Credits for the purpose of credit mobility. For the implementation of Academic Bank of Credits in the University, the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research recommended to constitute a Subcommittee. The Subcommittee made the following recommendations:

1. The programmes which does not have CREDIT system shall be changed to CREDIT based system at the earliest since credit-accumulation, credit-recognition, credit-redemption, credit -transfer etc are the main features of ABC. Hence necessary steps shall be taken by the academic section to place the matter before the Academic Council.
2. To place the UGC Regulation F.No. 14-31/2018 (CPP-II) dtd 28/07/2021 in the forthcoming meeting of the Academic Council.
3. Necessary changes for implementing ABC id and credits in the softwares may be taken in immediate effect.
4. Further discussion need to be done with teachers and students organization.

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 26.4.2023, resolved to approve the above recommendations of the Sub-Committee vide item no.56.45.D49.

The Controller of Examinations vide note no.12072/NAD CELL/2022/UOK-CE dtd 22.5.2023 to the Joint Registrar (Academic) requested to place the following recommendations of the Sub-Committee before the Academic Council:

•The programmes which does not have CREDIT system shall be changed to CREDIT based system at the earliest since credit -accumulation, credit recognition, credit redemption, credit -transfer etc are the main features of ABC. Hence necessary steps shall be taken by the academic section to place the matter before the Academic Council.

•To place the UGC Regulation F.No. 14-31/2018 (CPP-II) dtd 28/07/2021 in the forthcoming meeting of the Academic Council.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the above recommendations of the Sub-Committee are placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to place the matter before the next Academic Council.

89. University Grants Commission (Minimum Standards and Procedures for Award of Ph.D. Degree) Regulations, 2022 – implementation –Consideration of- reg. (Ac.E1)

The University Grants Commission has notified the minimum Standards and Procedures for award of Ph.D. Degree in the Gazette of India on 07.11.2022 (**Copy attached herewith**). The said Regulations shall come in to force from the date of their publication in the Gazette of India and shall apply to every University established or incorporated by or under a Central Act, a Provincial Act, or a State Act, every college, and every institution deemed to be a University under section 3 of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956.

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 08.12.2022, vide item No.49.66.A21 considered the matter of implementing UGC Regulations 2022 in the University of Kerala and resolved to constitute a subcommittee comprising of Dr. S. Nazeeb, Convenor, Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research, Dr. K.G.Gopchandran, Dr. Vijayan Pillai M., Sri. Arun Kumar R., Dr. K.B.Manoj, Sri. Jairaj J., Members Syndicate, Director IQAC, Director Research, Vice-Chairman CSS, to study the matter and submit a report in the next Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research.

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 20.05.2023, vide item.No 57.81.A6 considered the matter along with the minutes of the subcommittee and **resolved to implement the UGC Regulations, 2022 (Minimum Standards and Procedures for the Award of Ph.D Degree) in toto, with effect from July 2023 session of Ph.D Registration subject to the approval of the Academic Council.**

As per the orders of Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, the matter of implementing UGC Regulations, 2022, from July 2023 session onwards is placed before the Academic Council for appropriate decision.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED to place the matter before the next Academic Council.

90. Judgement of the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala in WP(C) No 10087/2023 Dated: 12.04.2023 filed by Prabhu B M & Eleven Others - Issue Regarding Eligibility to Appear for Improvement of Internal Assessment for LL.B Courses –Consideration of- reg. (Ac.AIII)

As per the Regulations of Unitary/Integrated LL.B courses there shall be no chance to improve either internal assessment marks or written examination marks. But considering the hardships of students, who for some un-avoidable reasons were not able to secure minimum internals, University has introduced the opportunity for Improvement of Internal Assessment for LL.B courses from the year 2018-19. As per the Guidelines for improvement of Internal Assessment as Special Appearance vide U.O No. Ac AIII/3/FoL/IA/2018 Dated: 02.11.2018, Clause'1', "Provision for improvement of internal assessment as special appearance to the LLB students will be available only for failed candidates, one year after completion of course, who have obtained less than 10 marks for internal assessment". Aggrieved by the above clause, failed candidates who scored 10 marks and more as internal assessment have approached the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala seeking relief from the same, in order to apply for internal improvement as special appearance, citing violation of Article 14 of the Indian Constitution. The Hon'ble High Court of Kerala in the Judgement of WP(C) No 10087/2023 Dated:12/04/2023 disposed the writ petition with direction to the University to consider the issue regarding eligibility to appear for improvement of internal assessment by affording an

opportunity of hearing to the petitioners, if they so request.

Immediately on receipt of the above judgment, remarks were sought from the Chairman, Board of Studies in Law (Pass) and the Dean, Faculty of Law. The Chairman, BoS in Law (Pass) has remarked that students are enjoying the facility which is not authorized by either the Bar Council of India (Legal Education) Rules, 2008 or LL.B Regulation 2013. As such, they have no right to improve their internal assessment. This is only a humanitarian approach adopted by the University to students who for some un-avoidable reasons were not able to secure minimum internals. Thus the criteria is not at all arbitrary or unreasonable and no violation of Article 14 is involved (Detailed remarks appended). The Dean, Faculty of Law has Endorsed the Remarks offered by the Chairman, BoS in Law (Pass). In compliance with the Judgment passed by the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala and also based on the representation submitted by Sri. Prabhu B M on behalf of other petitioners for conducting hearing, the petitioners were heard in person by the Registrar on 08.05.2023, 4.00 PM at University Building, Palayam. In the hearing, the petitioners presented their case and submitted written statement requesting opportunity to improve their internal assessment marks as special appearance to LL.B courses, which is currently provided to failed candidates, one year after completion of the course, who have obtained less than 10 marks for internal assessment be extended to those who have scored 10 or more marks as internal assessment also. After having considered the facts of the case and perusing relevant documents the following recommendation was made at the meeting.

The Academic Council of the University approved guidelines for improvement of Internal Assessment as special appearance to the LLB students and University Order No. Ac.AIII/3/FoL/IA/2018 dated 02.11.2018 has been issued accordingly. Exhibit P1 Notification has been issued in pursuance of University Order No. Ac.AIII/3/FoL/IA/2018 dated 02.11.2018. As the Academic Council of the University is the sole competent authority to make any alteration/amendment to the existing guidelines, the case in hand may be referred to the Academic Council for consideration and appropriate decision (Proceedings of the Hearing appended).

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the whole matter pertaining to this case is placed before the Academic Council for consideration and decision.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council considered the matter and RESOLVED that the matter may be referred to the Board of Studies in Law (Pass) for detailed discussions and the recommendations to be placed before the next Academic Council.

HEARING IN COMPLIANCE WITH JUDGMENT DATED 12.04.2023 IN W P (C) No. 10087/2023 FILED BY Sri. PRABHU.B.M &11 OTHERS

DATE : 08/05/2023
TIME : 4pm

PRESENT

PROF.(Dr.) K.S. ANILKUMAR, REGISTRAR

PROCEEDINGS

1. Petitioners completed their 5 year integrated LL.B course and failed in some papers due to shortage in internal marks. Though they desire to appear for improvement of the internal marks, the University provides such opportunity for improvement only to students who have secured less than 10 marks out of 20 in internals. It is aggrieved thereby that the petitioners have instituted W P (C) No. 10087/2023 before the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala praying *inter alia* for a direction to call for the records leading to Ext.P 1 notification No. Ac.AIII/3/LLB_IA/2020 dated 14/12/2020 issued by the 1st respondent and quash clause (1) of the same to the extent it excludes students who had

secured 10 marks or more in the internal exams, from appearing for an improvement of internal assessment. The Petitioners have further prayed for a direction to the 2nd respondent to permit the petitioners to appear for improvement of internal assessment of their respective batches and to declare that clause 1 of Ext.Pl to the extent, it excludes students who had secured 10 marks or more from appearing for the improvement of internal assessment is illegal, arbitrary.

2. Hon'ble High Court of Kerala as per Judgment dated 12.04.2023 was pleased to dispose of the Writ Petition and thereby directed the First Respondent, the Registrar, University of Kerala to consider the issue regarding eligibility to appear for improvement of internal assessment for LL.B courses by affording an opportunity of hearing to the petitioners, if they so request.
3. Immediately on receipt of the above judgment, the Chairman, Board of Studies in Law (Pass) and the Dean (Faculty) were directed to consider the issue render their remarks.

Relevant portion of the remarks of the Chairman, Board of Studies is extracted hereunder:

LLB courses can be conducted only in accordance with the Rules of Bar Council of India. The Bar Council of India has issued Bar Council of India (Legal Education) Rules, 2008. In this Rules there is no provision for improvement of internal assessment or external assessment. The LL.B Regulations which are framed in accordance with Bar Council Rules also did not provide for improvement of internal assessment and external assessment. Regulation 8(e) of 5 year LLB 2013 Regulation expressly states that there shall be no chance to improve either the internal assessment marks or written examination marks. The introduction of semester system does not necessitate improvement of both the assessments. The internal assessment consists of 20 marks divided into 5 marks each for assignment, seminar, test paper and attendance. This is done as continuous assessment during the entire semester. As per the Regulation, only a student with minimum of 75% attendance or 65% with two times condonation can only be promoted and registered for the examination. Others are detained in the same class along with the junior batch. Thus, mandatory attendance of 75% or 65% as the case may be is a necessity. Accordingly, a person attending 75% or 65% of classes will be certainly getting sufficient time to do and improve internal assessment. That is why the Board of Studies in Law (pass) was not in favour of introduction of improvement of internals.

Among the four components, only the components for 15 marks, namely assignment, seminar and test paper can be improved. The marks for the component of attendance is carried forward from the semester in which the student originally studied. The minimum marks to get a pass for each paper is 50%. Eventhough no separate minimum is prescribed for internal and external for a pass, a student who secures only below 10 marks are made eligible for improvement based on the 50% marks required for a pass. Thus, the fixing of less than 10 mark as a criteria for improvement is not arbitrary and unreasonable. It is to be noted that University is not permitting improvement of internals for a student who pass a paper eventhough he secures less than 10 marks for the internals. In fact, University is seen to have adopted a humanistic approach, that too in violation of Bar Council of India Rules and LL.B Regulation with a good intention of giving an opportunity to failed candidates who failed to secure a minimum of 10 marks for internals. Thus, the students have no right to get their internals improved.

As per the Guidelines of improvement, the opportunity for 2016 admission candidates is already over. Thus, the claim of petitioners 9-12 who are 2016 admission students cannot be admitted at all. If every student irrespective of any limit as to internal is allowed to improve internals, there will be a flood-gate of applications from the students. Argument of violation of Article 14 may also be raised

by passed out students to improve their internals. As the internal and external assessment are divided into 20 and 80 respectively, fixing of less than 10 marks as a eligibility criteria is only reasonable, especially, since the improvement is only for 15 marks, 5 marks being for attendance carried forward.

Thus, in conclusion it is remarked that the students are enjoying the facility which is not authorized by either the Bar Council of India (Legal Education) Rules, 2008 or LL.B Regulation 2013. As such, they have no right to improve their internal assessment. This is only a humanitarian approach adopted by the University to students who for some un-avoidable reasons were not able to secure minimum internals. Thus the criteria is not at all arbitrary or unreasonable and no violation of Article 14 is involved.

4. The Dean, Faculty as per email dated 22.04.2023 endorsed the above remarks rendered by the Chairman, Board of Studies.
5. In compliance with the Judgment passed by the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala and also based on the representation submitted by Sri. Prabhu B M on behalf of other petitioners for conducting hearing, the petitioners were heard in person by the Registrar and the contentions submitted in their statement were considered in detail.
6. The petitioners presented their case and submitted written statement. The petitioners requested for an opportunity to improve their internal assessment marks as special appearance to LL.B courses, which is currently provided to failed candidates, one year after completion of the course, who have obtained less than 10 marks for internal assessment be extended to those who have scored 10 or more marks as internal assessment also.

After having considered the facts of the case and perusing relevant documents the following recommendation is made.

The Academic Council of the University approved guidelines for improvement of Internal Assessment as special appearance to the LLB students and University Order No. Ac.AIII/3/FoL/IA/2018 dated 02.11.2018 has been issued accordingly. Exhibit P1 Notification has been issued in pursuance of University Order No. Ac.AIII/3/FoL/IA/2018 dated 02.11.2018. As the Academic Council of the University is the sole competent authority to make any alteration/amendment to the existing guidelines, the case in hand may be referred to the Academic Council for consideration and appropriate decision.

**Sd/-
REGISTRAR**

**REMARKS SUBMITTED BY Dr.R.BIJUKUMAR, CHAIRMAN, BoS IN LAW (pass),
UNIVERSITY OF KERALA, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM**

Sub :- Judgement of Hon'ble High Court of Kerala in WP(C) 10087/2023 dated 12/04/2023 on a petition filed by Prabhu.B.M and eleven others against University of Kerala.

Ref :- File No. 26074/Ac.AIII/2023 UoK

As per the above referred judgement, the University has been directed to consider the issue regarding eligibility to appear for improvement of internal assessment. It is seen that the petitioners are challenging Para (1) of Guidelines for improvement of internal assessment as special appearance to the LL.B student covered by UO No.Ac.AIII/3/FoL/IA 2018 dt. 02/11/2018. Para (1) thereof stipulates that provision for improvement of internal assessment will be available only for failed candidates one year after completion of course, who have obtained less than 10 marks for internal

assessment. According to the petitioners, as there is no separate minimum prescribed for a pass either for internal assessment or external examination, allowing only students who secured less than 10 marks for improvement of internal examination is violative of Article 14 of Constitution.

In this respect, it is informed that LLB courses can be conducted only in accordance with the Rules of Bar Council of India. The Bar Council of India has issued Bar Council of India (Legal Education) Rules, 2008. In this Rules there is no provision for improvement of internal assessment or external assessment. The LL.B Regulations which are framed in accordance with Bar Council Rules also did not provide for improvement of internal assessment and external assessment. Regulation 8(e) of 5 year LLB 2013 Regulation expressly states that there shall be no chance to improve either the internal assessment marks or written examination marks. The introduction of semester system does not necessitate improvement of both the assessments.

The internal assessment consists of 20 marks divided into 5 marks each for assignment, seminar, test paper and attendance. This is done as continuous assessment during the entire semester. As per the Regulation, only a student with minimum of 75% attendance or 65% with two times condonation can only be promoted and registered for the examination. Others are detained in the same class along with the junior batch. Thus, mandatory attendance of 75% or 65% as the case may be is a necessity. Accordingly, a person attending 75% or 65% of classes will be certainly getting sufficient time to do and improve internal assessment. That is why the Board of Studies in Law (pass) was not in favour of introduction of improvement of internals.

Among the four components, only the components for 15 marks, namely assignment, seminar and test paper can be improved. The marks for the component of attendance is carried forward from the semester in which the student originally studied. The minimum marks to get a pass for each paper is 50%. Eventhough no separate minimum is prescribed for internal and external for a pass, a student who secures only below 10 marks are made eligible for improvement based on the 50% marks required for a pass. Thus, the fixing of less than 10 mark as a criteria for improvement is not arbitrary and unreasonable. It is to be noted that University is not permitting improvement of internals for a student who pass a paper eventhough he secures less than 10 marks for the internals. In fact, University is seen to have adopted a humanistic approach, that too in violation of Bar Council of India Rules and LL.B Regulation with a good intention of giving an opportunity to failed candidates who failed to secure a minimum of 10 marks for internals. Thus, the students have no right to get their internals improved.

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Thiruvananthapuram
20/04/2023

Sd/-
Dr. R Bijukumar
Chairman, BoS in Law (Pass)

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(II) Business brought forward by the Faculties**(i) Faculty of Arts**

Dr. Meena T. Pillai, Dean, Faculty of Arts moved that the recommendations of the Faculty of Arts as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on **21/02/2023** be approved.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council RESOLVED that the recommendations of the Faculty of Arts as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on **21/02/2023** be approved.

(ii) Faculty of Social Sciences

Dr.K.M.Sajad Ibrahim, Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences moved that the recommendations of the Faculty of Social Sciences as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on **23/02/2023** be approved.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council RESOLVED that the recommendations of Faculty of Social Sciences as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on **23/02/2023** be approved.

(iii) Faculty of Oriental Studies

Dr.A.M.Unnikrishnan, Dean, Faculty of Oriental Studies moved the recommendations of the Faculty of Oriental Studies as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on **23/02/2023** be approved.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council RESOLVED that the recommendations of the Faculty of Oriental Studies as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on **23/02/2023** be approved.

FURTHER RESOLVED to exclude Sub Clause No. V of the Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Board of Studies in Linguistics (IV(F)) held on **09/11/2022** regarding the approval of the journal 'Kerala University Journal of Linguistics' in the list of standard journals.

(iv) Faculty of Fine Arts

Dr. Sunil V.T, Dean, Faculty of Fine Arts moved that the recommendations of the Faculty of Fine Arts as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on **16/03/2023** be approved.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council RESOLVED that the recommendations of Faculty of Fine Arts as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on **16/03/2023** be approved.

(v) Faculty of Science

Dr. S.M.A Shibili, Dean, Faculty of Science moved that the recommendations of the Faculty of Science as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on **02/03/2023** be approved.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council RESOLVED that the recommendations of Faculty of Science as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on **02/03/2023** be approved.

(vi) Faculty of Law

Dr. Bismi Gopalakrishnan, Dean, Faculty of Law moved that the recommendations of the Faculty of Law as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 16/03/2023 be approved.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council RESOLVED that the recommendations of Faculty of Law as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 16/03/2023 be approved.

(vii) Faculty of Engineering and Technology

The Registrar moved that the recommendations of the Faculty of Engineering and Technology as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 23/03/2023 be approved.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council RESOLVED that the recommendations of Faculty of Engineering and Technology as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 23/03/2023 be approved.

(viii) Faculty of Education

The Registrar moved that the recommendations of the Faculty of Education as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 28/03/2023 be approved.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council RESOLVED that the recommendations of Faculty of Education as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 28/03/2023 be approved.

(ix) Faculty of Management Studies

Dr.R.Vasanthagopal, Dean, Faculty of Management Studies moved that the recommendations of the Faculty of Management Studies as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 09/03/2023 be approved.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council RESOLVED that the recommendations of the Faculty of Management Studies as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 09/03/2023 be approved.

(x) Faculty of Physical Education

The Registrar moved that the recommendations of the Faculty of Physical Education as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 10/03/2023 be approved.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council RESOLVED that the recommendations of the Faculty of Physical Education as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 10/03/2023 be approved.

(xi) Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology.

Dr. Manoj Changat, Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology moved that the recommendations of the Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology as continued in the Minutes of its meeting held on 14/03/2023 be approved.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council RESOLVED that the recommendations of the Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 14/03/2023 be approved.

(xii) Faculty of Commerce

Dr. Gabriel Simon Thattil, Dean, Faculty of Commerce moved that the recommendations of the Faculty of Commerce as continued in the Minutes of its meeting held on 28/04/2023 be approved.

Resolution of the Academic Council

The Academic Council RESOLVED that the recommendations of the Faculty of Commerce as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 28/04/2023 be approved.

(III) Resolutions given notice of by the Members

Dr. Sreelekha L

1.	The Academic Council resolves that the B.Ed semester examinations be conducted as per the dates scheduled in the academic calendar to ensure timely completion of the course.
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The resolution was seconded by Dr. Sushama Raj R V
The Vice-Chancellor replied that the matter can be examined.

ഡോ. ആർ. സുനിൽകുമാർ

2.	കേരള സർവകലാശാലയിൽ ചലച്ചിത്ര പഠന വിഭാഗം ആരംഭിക്കണമെന്ന് ഈ സഭ ആവശ്യപ്പെടുന്നു.
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The resolution was seconded by Dr. Sreelekha L
The Vice-Chancellor replied that the matter can be examined.

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3.	കേരള യൂണിവേഴ്സിറ്റിയുടെ കീഴിൽ സംസ്കൃതം സ്പെഷ്യൽ യു.ജി. 5 പ്രോഗ്രാമുകളും പി.ജി 5 പ്രോഗ്രാമുകളുമാണ് ഉള്ളത്. ഇതിൽ യു.ജി പ്രോഗ്രാമുകൾക്ക് പ്രത്യേകം പ്രത്യേകം 5 റാങ്കുകൾ നൽകുന്നുണ്ട്. എന്നാൽ പി.ജി പ്രോഗ്രാമുകൾക്ക് നിലവിൽ 5 വിഷയങ്ങൾക്കും ചേർന്ന് ഒരു റാങ്ക് മാത്രമേ നൽകുന്നുള്ളൂ. മറ്റ് യൂണിവേഴ്സിറ്റികളിൽ സ്പെഷ്യൽ സബ്ജക്ടുകൾക്ക് പ്രത്യേകം പ്രത്യേകം റാങ്കുകൾ നൽകുന്നുണ്ട്. ആയതിനാൽ യു.ജി പോലെ തന്നെ പി.ജി കോഴ്സുകൾക്കും പ്രത്യേകം പ്രത്യേകം റാങ്കുകൾ നൽകണമെന്ന് പ്രമേയത്തിലൂടെ ആവശ്യപ്പെടുന്നു.
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The resolution was seconded by Dr. Vineetha N.R
The Vice-Chancellor replied that the matter can be examined.

Dr. P.R Unnikrishna Pillai

4.	In the University of Kerala normally the Guideship of Research Supervisor's ends in an year after the retirement. In other Universities in the State the Guideship is retained up to the Submission of the Ph.D Thesis by the last Ph.D Student. In our University if the Thesis is not submitted within in an year after the retirement of the Research Guide, the Research Scholar has to opt a Co-Guide to submit the Thesis. It actually results in Physical and mental stress to the Research Scholars and Research Guides. In this circumstances I request the concerned Authorities to retain the Guideship of the Research Supervisors till the submission of the Ph.D thesis of the last Research Scholar under them within the registration period allotted to the candidates.
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The resolution was seconded by Dr. P Vinod
The Vice-Chancellor replied that the matter can be examined.

Dr. Sreelekha L

5.	The Academic Council resolves that while incorporating changes in the practical works of semesters appropriate guidelines to be included.
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The resolution was seconded by Dr. Rejiya C S
The Vice-Chancellor replied that the matter can be examined.

ഡോ. ആർ. സുനീൽകുമാർ	
6.	കേരള സർവകലാശാലയുടെ യു.ജി, പി.ജി സിലബസ് പരിഷ്കരണത്തിന് ശേഷം ആതാൽ വിഷയങ്ങളിലെ അധ്യാപകർക്ക് നിർബന്ധമായും ഒരു ഓറിയന്റേഷൻ കോഴ്സ് സർവകലാശാല നടത്തണമെന്ന് ഈ സഭ ആവശ്യപ്പെടുന്നു.

The resolution was seconded by Dr. Vinod C Sugathan

The Vice-Chancellor replied that the matter can be examined.

The Vice-Chancellor thanked all members for their whole-hearted co-operation.
The meeting came to a close at 12.00 noon.

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VICE-CHANCELLOR

University Buildings,
Thiruvananthapuram
25.05.2023