UNIVERSITY OF KERALA

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Minutes of the Meeting of the Academic Council

Time & Date : 10.00 a.m, Wednesday, 13th March 2019,
Place of Meeting : Senate Chamber, University Buildings,
Thiruvananthapuram.

Members Present
1. Prof.(Dr) V.P. Mahadevan Pillai
   Vice-Chancellor (in the chair)
2. Prof.(Dr) P.P. Ajayakumar
   Pro-Vice-Chancellor
3. Dr. Jayarajan David D
4. Dr. B.S. Jamuna
5. Dr. G. Raju
6. Dr. Theresa Susan A
7. Dr. K.C. Sunny
8. Dr. K.S. Chandrasekhar
9. Dr. R. Jayachandran
10. Dr. Usha Sujit Nair
11. Dr. A. Bijukumar
12. Dr. B. Pushpa
13. Dr. Shaaji Varkey
14. Dr. P.A. Mohammed Kunju
15. Dr. K.G. Gopchandran
16. Dr. Bindu. R. Nayar
17. Dr. K. Padmakumar
18. Dr. Thajudeen A.S
19. Dr. Mini S
20. Dr. A. Jayakumaran Nair
21. Dr. Suhara Beevy S
22. Dr. Sony George
23. Dr. Aji S
24. Dr. P. Mohanachandran Nair
25. Dr. Bindu R.L
26. Dr. Sabu Joseph
27. Dr. Manoj Changat
28. Dr. R.B. Binojkumar
29. Dr. R.S. Krishnakumar
30. Dr.V. Satish
31. Dr. Ambeeshmon S
32. Dr. Ampotti A.K
33. Dr. Sindhu Thulaseedharan
34. Dr. B. Mini Devi
Dr. Shanavas S.A
Dr. G. Suresh Singh
Dr. B. Hariharan
Dr. S. Sankararaman
Dr. Sainaba M
Dr. Beena Issac
Dr. G. Subodh
Dr. K.M Sajad Ibrahim
Dr. Jasser J
Dr. Shaila C.A
Dr. Sobha B.Nair
Dr. C.Satheesh Kumar
Dr. Hepsy Rose Mary A
Dr. M.C Subhash Peter
Dr. Zeenath K.S.
Dr. S. Nazeeb
Dr. Rajesh Kumar. P
Dr. B. Unnikrishnan Nair
Dr. K.B Manoj
Sri.M. Sreekumar
Dr. K.R. Kavitha
Sri. M. Harikrishnan
Adv. K.H Babujan
Sri. Shijukhan J.S
Adv. G. Sugunan
Dr. R. Latha Devi
Dr. L. Thulaseedharan
Dr. Latheesh.D
Dr. Pramod Kiran R.B
Smt. Maggie J
Dr. Anil Chandran S
Dr. Suresh S
Fr. George Mathew
Dr. N. Shaji
Dr. S. Prema
Sri. Jino Nainan
Dr. S.K. Subhash
Sri. Sunil V.T
Dr. Lekshmi R
Dr. Sunil John
Dr. Muhammed Thaha A
Dr. K.G. Padmakumaran Nair
Smt. Jairani P.S
Dr. S. Anilkumar
Dr. P.K. Sreekumar
Dr. V.S. Joy
Dr. Gladston Raj S
Dr. Abin T. Mathews
The meeting was called to order at 10.00 a.m by Prof.(Dr.) V.P. Mahadevan Pillai, Vice-Chancellor in the Chair. He welcomed the members to the meeting.

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

01. Recognition of M.Sc. Degree in Computer Science through Distance Education awarded by Bharathiar University- Consideration of –reg. (Ac.C.)
Ref:- Request from Sri. Shaji.N.Raj-reg.

Sri. Shaji.N.Raj has sought for course recognition of M.Sc. Degree in Computer Science awarded by Bharathiar University, Coimbatore through distance mode as equivalent to M.Sc Computer Science of the University of Kerala for employment in Government Sector.

When the remarks of the Chairman, Board of Studies in Computer Science (P.G) was sought, it was opined that the matter may be placed before the Board of Studies in Computer Science (P.G) for discussion. It may be noted that the applicant has obtained B.Sc. Degree in Computer Science from University of Kerala and has qualified UGC – NET in Computer Science and Applications.

The annual meeting of the Board of Studies in Computer Science (P.G) recommended to recognize the M.Sc. Computer Science (Distance) awarded by Bharathiar University as equivalent to M.Sc. Computer Science Degree offered through School of Distance Education of this University.

The Faculty of Applied Sciences at its meeting held on 11-03-2015 endorsed the above recommendation and recommended that the item may be placed before the Academic Council as a separate item.

The Academic Council, in its meeting held on 19-05-2015 considered the same Item No.44 (4.4.3.3) and referred the item back to the Board of Studies in Computer Science (P.G)

Accordingly the matter was again placed before the Board of Studies in Computer Science (P.G) and the Board has remarked that the issue was referred back to the Board of Studies by the Academic Council due to the argument that giving recognition to any degree (through Distance Mode) of any other University as equivalent to a corresponding Degree (through Distance Mode) of Kerala University is not valid since Kerala University does not give any degree as distance mode degree by explicitly mentioning it in the Degree Certificate. The Board of Studies also opined that M.Sc. Computer Science Degree (through distance mode) of even Kerala University cannot be equated to the corresponding degree of Kerala University through Regular mode as the mode of Education, Admission eligibility criteria, Scheme & Syllabus etc. are different. In addition considerable amount of practical classes and project work are involved in the regular Computer Science (P.G) and practical classes imparted through distance mode cannot be compared to that imparted through Colleges (Regular mode).

The Board of Studies has therefore suggested that the issue may be placed before the
Academic Council as an independent item and clear guidelines may be given on the same, since several similar issues are coming before the Board of Studies. The Minutes of the Board of Studies in Computer Science (P.G) was forwarded to the Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences & Technology for remarks/endorsement.

The Dean has stated that he is unaware of such an argument as stated by the Board of Studies. He has further suggested that the matter may be placed before the Academic Council for a final decision along with a Statement of facts regarding the Degree Certificate given. As such, it is clarified that in the Degree Certificates awarded to students undergoing courses through distance mode in Kerala University, it is not explicitly shown as 'Distance Mode'. The Meeting of the Academic Council held on 04-10-2016, vide Item No.I.01, resolved to refer the matter back to the Board of Studies in Computer Science (P.G) for specific recommendation.

The Additional Meeting of the Board of Studies in Computer Science (PG) held on 30-05-2017 vide item no.4 considered the matter and recommended to grant recognition to the M.Sc.Degree in Computer Science through Distance mode awarded by Bharathiar University for higher studies and employment. The Dean Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology has endorsed the recommendations of the Board.

The matter was placed before the Academic Council held on 07.10.17, vide Item No. 54 and it was resolved that the matter be referred back to the Board of Studies in Computer Science (P.G) for specific remarks.

The additional meeting of the Board of Studies in Computer Science (P.G) held on 17.03.2018, studied the matter again and observed the following facts

* The board already observed and remarked that the regulations (Eligibility conditions, pass conditions, attendance) and academic contents are found almost equal to the M.Sc. Degree in Computer Science offered through School of Distance Education, University of Kerala.
* The UO No.Ac.AIV/3/36301/16 dt.7/5/2016 issued as continuation of the decisions taken in the Academic Council, in its meeting held on 18/4/2016, the M.Sc. Degree in Computer Science offered through School of Distance Education is equated to that of M.Sc. Degree in Computer Science (Regular).
* The applicant has obtained B.Sc. Degree in Computer Science from University of Kerala. After completing the said M.Sc. Degree in Computer Science from Bharathiar University, Coimbatore, he has qualified UGC – NET in Computer Science which is a qualification criterion for teaching positions in Universities and Colleges according to the UGC regulations.

Considering these facts, the board decided to recommend the application of Sri. Shaji.N.Raj for recognizing his M.Sc. Degree in Computer Science awarded by Bharathiar University, Coimbatore through distance mode for his higher studies and employment. This recommendation is specifically given for the applicant- Sri. Shaji.N.Raj alone and not in general.

The board made more clarification on the above decision that the said recommendation is not for the M.Sc. Degree in Computer Science awarded by Bharathiar University, Coimbatore through distance mode in general but only specific to the applicant Sri. Shaji.N.Raj who have UGC – NET in Computer Science which is a qualification criterion for teaching positions. It is not legally viable to issue specific equivalence for the benefit of a particular person only since equivalence in granted to a degree on the basis of syllabus and scheme. Hence for incorporating the equivalence in the regulation, the conditions specified by the BoS may be generally made applicable.

The matter was placed before the Standing Committee of the Academic Council held on 17.12.2018, vide item No. 17 and, the committee recommended to place it before the Academic Council.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the whole matter regarding the recognition of M.Sc. Degree in Computer Science awarded by Bharathiar University, Coimbatore through distance mode as equivalent to M.Sc Computer Science of the University of Kerala for employment in Government Sector, is placed before the Academic Council, for consideration and recommendation.

The Academic Council considered the above matter and RESOLVED to recognize the M.Sc. Degree in Computer Science awarded by Bharathiar University, Coimbatore through distance mode as equivalent to M. Sc (Computer Science) under distance mode of the University of Kerala.
02. Recognition of Ph.D in Physics (Part time) awarded by Karpagam University (Deemed to be University) - Consideration of - reg. (Ac.C.)

Ref:- Request from Smt. Shiney.A.

Smt. Shiney.A submitted the thesis of Ph.D. Degree in Physics awarded by Karpagam University (Deemed to be University), Coimbatore for the thesis titled “Acoustic Characterization and Application of Biomats” for course recognition for the purpose of employment as Assistant Professor. She had obtained her B.Sc. Physics and M.Sc. Physics from University of Kerala.

The Chairman, Board of Studies in Physics (PG) has remarked that the candidate obtained the Ph.D. Degree in Physics from Karpagam University (Deemed to be University), Coimbatore for the thesis titled “Acoustic Characterization and Application of Biomats” and has also submitted a certificate from Registrar, Karpagam University (Deemed to be University) to the effect that her Ph.D. is in accordance with UGC 2009 regulations regarding minimum standards and procedures for award of Ph.D. Degree. In this context the Ph.D. Degree in Physics of Dr. Shiney.A. awarded by Karpagam University (Deemed to be University), Coimbatore may be recognized as an eligible qualification for employment and higher studies in the area of Physics. The Dean, Faculty of Science has endorsed the recommendation of the Chairman, BoS in Physics (PG).

As per the Orders of the Hon’ble Vice Chancellor the whole matter regarding the recognition of Ph.D. Degree in Physics awarded by the Karpagam University (Deemed to be University), Coimbatore, for the thesis titled “Acoustic Characterization and Application of Biomats” was placed before the Standing Committee of Academic Council for consideration. The minutes of the meeting of the Standing Committee of Academic Council held on 20-03-2017, vide item no. 21 recommended that, details regarding Ph. D Regulation, Course work and Attendance Certificate may be obtained. Accordingly a letter has been sent to the Registrar, Karpagam University and the candidate had submitted the required documents.

The file was placed before the Standing Committee on Academic Council on 24/08/2017 which referred the matter to the core committee of the Standing Committee of the Academic Council. The file was placed before the core committee of the Standing Committee of Academic Council held on 03/11/2017, vide item no.6. The committee recommended that the request can be considered only upon getting formal clarification from the Registrar, Karpagam University including the details of Research centre of the candidate and relevant provisions.

A letter was received from the Registrar, Karpagam University (Deemed to be University), which stated that Smt. Shiney. A was permitted to do her research work under the guidance of Dr. Premlet in the Department of Physics, T.K.M College of Engineering, Kollam as requested by her and her supervisor. Accordingly the file was sent for remarks of the Dean, Faculty of Science and the Dean remarked that in the context of the remarks offered by the Registrar of Karpagam Academy of Higher Education (Deemed to be University) and considering the fact that Ph.D admission is done based on amended UGC Regulations, Ph.D in Physics (Part-time) awarded by the said University to Smt. Shiney.A may be recognized by the University of Kerala.

As per orders of the Vice Chancellor, the whole matter was placed before the Standing Committee on Academic Council for consideration and the committee recommended to place the matter before the Academic Council.

Hence the whole matter regarding recognition of Ph.D. Degree in Physics awarded to Smt. Shiney.A. by the Karpagam University (Deemed), Coimbatore for the thesis titled “Acoustic Characterization and Application of Biomats” for the purpose of higher studies and employment in the area of Physics, is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

The Academic Council considered the above matter and RESOLVED to recognize the Ph.D. Degree in Physics awarded to Smt. Shiney.A. by the Karpagam University (Deemed), Coimbatore for the thesis titled “Acoustic Characterization and Application of Biomats” for the purpose of higher studies and employment in the area of Physics, and further resolved to ascertain whether the Department of Physics of TKM College Kollam is an accepted Research Centre of Karpagam University.

03. Ph.D Research- Part-time Registration-Eligible categories and Eligibility Conditions – Re-consideration of proposal made at previous meeting (at combined meeting held on 14.11.2018)-Consideration of - reg. (Ac.E1)
Registration to Part-time Ph.D Programme is restricted to regular teachers working in the teaching Departments of the University/Centres of the University and Government/Aided colleges within the jurisdiction of the University as per U.O No. Ac.E1/2017 dated 29.12.2017 in tune with the UGC norms.

The Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research held on 06.03.2018 vide Item No. A21 recommended to place an item before the Academic Council to explore the possibility of revoking the above mentioned U.O. The above recommendation of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research was approved by the Vice-Chancellor subject to reporting to the Syndicate. Accordingly the Academic Council held on 06.04.2018 vide Item No. 1.113 considered the matter and resolved that statusquo be maintained and referred the matter to the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research for detailed consideration and recommendations.

The Syndicate meeting held on 10.05.2018 vide Item No. 35.125.A9 considered the recommendation of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research and resolved to grant Part-time Ph.D Registration to various categories.

The resolution of the Syndicate on the matter of eligibility of Part-time Ph.D Registration to various categories of teachers was placed before the Academic Council for consideration and decision. The Academic Council held on 05/10/2018 vide Item No. 01.48 considered the matter and resolved that the combined meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research and of the Standing Committee of the Academic Council be convened to re-examine the eligibility conditions/eligible categories for Part-time Research leading to Ph. D.

As per the resolution of the Academic Council a combined meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics & Research and Standing Committee of the Academic Council was held on 14/11/2018 and re-examined the eligibility conditions/eligible categories for Part-time Research in detail.

The Committee recommended to grant Part-time Ph.D Registration to the following categories who have qualified UGC-JRF/NET/Kerala University Ph.D Entrance/any equivalent examination/ exempted categories.

- a) Teachers working on regular basis in Govt/Govt-Aided Schools in HSE/VHSE/HSA within the State.
- b) Lecturers on regular basis in DIET, Teachers in TTI/SCERT/SIEMAT within the State.
- c) Teachers working on regular basis in teaching Departments/Centres of this University.
- d) Teachers working on regular basis in Govt/Aided Colleges within the State.
- e) Teachers working on contract basis in Teaching Departments of this University.
- f) Faculty Members working on regular basis in the Quasi-State Govt. institutions within the State.
- g) Lecturers working on contract basis in KUCTE, UIT, UIM and Self financing colleges affiliated to the University provided they have 3 years continuous service.
- h) Permanent employees of this University.
- i) Scientists working on regular basis in State/ Central Govt research organisations within the State.
- j) Executives working on regular basis in State/Central Govt PSU within the State.

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 16/11/2018 considered the minutes of the combined meeting vide Item No. 07.75, and approved the above recommendation.

As per the Orders of Hon’ble Vice-Chancellor, the above proposal was again placed before the combined meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics & Research and Standing Committee of the Academic Council held on 18.01.2019, to reconsider the proposal.

The above combined meeting after reconsideration recommended to grant Part-time Ph.D Registration to the following categories who have qualified UGC-JRF/NET/Kerala University Ph.D Entrance/any equivalent examination/ exempted categories.

- a) Teachers working on regular basis in Govt/Govt-Aided Schools in HSE/VHSE/HSA within the State.
- b) Lecturers on regular basis in DIET, Teachers in TTI/SCERT/SIEMAT within the State.
- c) Teachers working on regular basis in teaching Departments/Centres of this University.
- d) Teachers working on regular basis in Govt/Aided Colleges within the State.
e) Teachers working on contract basis in Teaching Departments of this University.

f) Faculty Members working on regular basis in the Quasi-State Govt. institutions within the State.

g) Lecturers working on contract basis in KUCTE, UIT, UIM and Self financing colleges affiliated to the University provided they have service of 5 continuous academic years.

h) Permanent employees of this University.

i) Scientists working on regular basis in State/ Central Govt research organisations within the State, with a continuous service of 5 years.

j) Executives working on regular basis in State/Central Govt PSU within the State with a continuous service of 5 years.

Further recommended that in each session Part-time Registration to the above categories except (c) & (d) above shall be limited to 25% of the available vacancies in each subjects.

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 22.01.2019 considered the minutes of the combined meeting vide Item No. 02.122.01 and resolved to approve the above recommendations.

As per the orders of Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, the recommendation of the combined meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics & Research and Standing Committee of the Academic Council on the Eligible categories and Eligibility Conditions for granting Part-time Ph.D Registration is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

The Academic Council considered the above matter and RESOLVED to approve the recommendations by adding to clause d “Govt. /Aided College including those under DTE/DME” and by deleting the prescription “continuous” in clause.


The revised Scheme and Syllabus for Bachelor of Hotel Management and Catering Technology (BHM) Programme was implemented with effect from 2014 admissions.

The tabulation section has sought clarification, whether the Core, Complementary and Management courses to be considered together for calculating CCPA and whether both CCPA and CCPA(s) required in the Consolidated mark list. As per the remarks sought from the Chairman, Board of Studies in Business Management (Pass) all the subjects, ie. Core, Complementary and Management subjects are to be considered for the computation of SCPA and CCPA and CCPA alone need to be shown in the consolidated mark list. Also remarked that the Core, Complementary and Management subjects shall be specifically shown in the Certificate. The Dean, Faculty of Management Studies has endorsed the recommendations. In this effect, U.O was issued No. Ac.AIV/3/CCPA/2018 dated 21.01.2019, subject to reporting to the Academic Council.

Accordingly, the Chairman, Board of Studies in Business Management (Pass) clarified that Core, Complementary and Management subjects need to be shown in the consolidated mark list only and not shown in the Certificate. The Dean, Faculty of Management Studies has endorsed the remarks.

Sanction has therefore been accorded by the Vice Chancellor to issue a modified order in this regard and the U.O. No. Ac.AIV/3/CCPA/modified/2019 dated 12.02.2019 has been issued, subject to reporting to the Academic Council.

The matter is reported to the Academic Council.

05. LLB Degree course 5year-(prior to 1998 admissions) - One mercy chance to appear for the failed papers - granted – Orders issued – reporting of – reg. (Ac.AIII)

Smt. Sudha Nair S student of 5 year LL.B Degree Course of 1989-94 batch, had requested for a mercy chance to appear in the ensuing examinations for the failed papers of part II of the 4th year LLB examinations.

The Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations at its meeting held on 06.08.2018 had considered the matter and recommended to grant one additional chance examination to the candidates of 5 year LL.B Degree Course of prior to 1998 admissions subject to reporting to the Academic Council. The Syndicate at its meeting held on 31.08.2018 [item No. 04.44.17] resolved to approve the above recommendation.

The Vice-Chancellor subject to reporting to the Academic Council had accorded Sanction
to the candidates of 5 year LL.B Degree Course of prior to 1998 admissions who could not clear all the papers, being granted one mercy chance to appear for the failed papers. Accordingly, U.O No. Ac.AIII/3/16136/2018 dated: 29.09.2018 was issued. The action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in granting one mercy chance to the candidates of 5 year LLB Degree (prior to 1998) course and issuance of U O No. U.O No. Ac.AIII/3/16136/2018 dated: 29.09.2018 is reported to the Academic Council.

The Academic Council noted the above-mentioned action of the Vice Chancellor.

06. Course code and subjects for each semester of Post Graduate Diploma Programme in Molecular Diagnostics- reporting of –reg. (Ac. AIV)

The scheme and syllabus of Post Graduate Diploma in Molecular Diagnostics was approved vide U.O. No Ac AIV/3/048041/4.1.11/AHS/2015 dt 01.07.2015 and the name of the course was changed to Post Graduate Diploma Programme in Molecular Diagnostics vide U.O.No. Ac.AIV/3/5.7/2016 dt 16.06.2016. The course consists of two semesters but the course code for each semester was not shown separately in the syllabus. Remarks of the former Chairperson of the Board of Studies in Applied Health Sciences was sought in this regard. Course structure and scheme of evaluation forwarded by the Chairperson was endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the matter was placed before the Standing Committee of the Academic Council and the committee considered the matter vide Item No. 22, at its meeting held on 17th December 2018. The Committee recommended that the course structure and scheme of evaluation be approved with modification in the course code indicating the level of the programme as follows:

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Sanction has therefore been accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council to implement the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Academic Council. A U.O. vide No. Ac. AIV/2/PGDPMD/2019 dt 04.02.2019 was issued in this regard.

The matter is reported to the Academic Council.

The Academic Council noted the above-mentioned action of the Vice-Chancellor.

07. Two year M.Ed Curriculum (2018 Scheme) – Approval of the Syllabus of 2nd to 4th semesters and Modifications in the Regulations and Scheme– Reporting of – reg. (Ac AIII)
The Combined meeting of Board of Studies in Education (PG) and Faculty of Education held on 06.07.2018 resolved to approve the Regulations, Scheme and First semester Syllabus of revised Two year M.Ed Curriculum for affiliated Colleges for implementing from the Academic year 2018 onwards and the Academic Council held on 05.10.2018 approved the same.

The Combined meeting of Board of Studies in Education (PG) and Faculty of Education held on 01.11.2018 resolved to approve of the syllabus of 2nd to 4th semesters M.Ed (non-css) course Modifications in the Regulations and Scheme of revised two year M.Ed Curriculum for affiliated Colleges. The same has been approved by Vice-Chancellor subject to reporting to the Academic Council and UO.No.Ac.A.III/2/FoE/2018 (2) dated 07.12.2018 has been issued accordingly.

The action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having approved the recommendation of the combined meeting of the Board of Studies in Education (PG) and the Faculty of Education regarding the approval of the syllabus of 2nd to 4th semesters M.Ed (non-css) course Modifications in the Regulations and Scheme and issuance of U.O.No.Ac.A.III/2/ FoE/2018 (2) dated 07.12.2018 in this regard is reported to the Academic Council (Minutes Appended).

The Academic Council noted the above-mentioned action of the Vice-Chancellor

08. B.Tech Degree course Mercy chance examination to the candidates up to 2007 admission- reporting of -reg.-

The failed candidates of B.Tech Degree Course (2007 admission) had requested for a mercy chance to attend the examinations of failed subjects to enable them to complete the B.Tech Degree programme.

As per the B.Tech Regulations a candidate is given 10 year since his first admission, to complete the programme and pass all examinations. The Standing Committee of Syndicate on examinations at its meeting held on 08.11.2018 recommended to grant one mercy chance to the candidates of B.Tech Degree Course (2007) under 2003 scheme to appear for the failed subjects of B.Tech Degree examination under transitory provision, subject to reporting to the Academic Council. The Syndicate held on 16.11.2018 approved the same.

The failed candidates of B.Tech Degree Course up to the 2006 admission were granted mercy chance in the year 2017. Considering the matter that the B.Tech students up to 2006 admission will lose a chance to appear for the ensuing B.Tech Examinations, the Vice-Chancellor subject to reporting to the Syndicate has accorded sanction to grant one mercy chance to the B.Tech Students up to 2007 admission under 2003 scheme to appear for the failed subjects of B.Tech Degree Examinations under transitory provision.

Accordingly, University Order No.Ac.AIII/4/B.Tech/MC/2018 dated 07/12/2018 has been issued. The Syndicate held on 22.01.2019 noted the above action taken by the Vice-Chancellor.

The above decision to grant mercy chance to the B.Tech students up to 2007 admission under 2003 scheme and issuance of University Order in this regard is reported to the Academic Council.

The Academic Council noted the above-mentioned action of the Vice-Chancellor


The Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examination held on 08.11.2018 considered the matter regarding Mercy Chance for M.A/M. Sc/M.Com (SDE) Previous/Final and recommended to grant Mercy Chance as per norms Subject to reporting to the Academic Council.

The Syndicate Meeting held on 16.11.2018, resolved to approve the above recommendation of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examination.

The Vice – Chancellor has accorded sanction to allow Mercy Chance to the following M.A/M. Sc/M.Com (Previous/Final) SDE Degree Courses under annual scheme as listed below, Subject to reporting to the Academic Council.

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Accordingly, U.O No. Ac.AII/1/Mercy Chance/2019 dt 04/01/2019 has been issued in this regard.

The matter is reported to the Academic Council.

The Academic Council noted the above-mentioned action of the Vice-Chancellor.

10. Career-related First Degree Programme in Journalism and Mass Communication under CBCS system 2(a)-Request for Changing the Complementary Course-Reporting of -reg. (Ac.AV)

Ref: 1. Item No. 93 of the minutes of the meeting of the Academic Council held on 05.10.2018.

2. U.O. No. AcAV/1/Journalism/2018 dated 05.12.2018

The Principal S.N College, Kollam has recommended and forwarded the representations received from Smt. Aishwary Unni.R, Smt. Selena Susan Thomas, Smt. Ochai Paulina Ene and Smt. Shilpa Sheeja Raj Hari, students of Career-related First Degree Programme in Journalism and Mass Communication under CBCS system 2(a) 2018 admissions. These candidates have requested to change their Complementary Courses in Malayalam ML 1131- Sargathmaka Rachana (credits 4) and ML 1231 - Madhyama Rachana (credits 4). These candidates have not studied Malayalam at school level.

The Chairman Board of Studies in Communication and Journalism recommended that the matter may be considered favorably subject to approval by the Academic Council. The Dean, Faculty of Arts recommended to place the request of the candidates at the Academic Council for discussions and recommendations.

The Academic Council vide paper read as (1) above considered the request of four students who had not studied Malayalam at the school level were admitted to the Career-related First Degree Programme in Journalism and Mass Communication under CBCS system 2(a), to change the Complementary Course and resolved to seek from the Chairman, Board of Studies in Journalism, two alternative core complementary papers to be allowed in the place of ML 1131 Sargathmaka Rachana and ML 1231 - Madhyama Rachana, both having four credits each, for Career-related First Degree Programme in Journalism and Mass Communication under Career-related 2(a) and further authorise the Vice-Chancellor to take appropriate decision on the matter based on the recommendations.

The Chairman, Board of Studies in Communication and Journalism recommended that the Principal, SN College, Kollam may be requested to forward a proposal suggesting two papers of a Subject that is offered in the college with 4 credits each to be considered as Complementary papers in the I & II Semesters in lieu of the Malayalam papers for the students concerned, as there is no Complementary Course with 4 credits offered for the Programme and the opinion regarding offering the papers may be obtained from the Chairman concerned of the proposed subject.

The Principal, SN college, Kollam has requested to permit these candidates to change the Complementary Courses to PG 1131- Foundation of Psychology(Credits 2) and PG 1231- Basic Psychology processes (Credits 2) prescribed as Complementary Courses I & II for First Degree Programmes in BA English and Philosophy. These courses are already being conducted by the college.

Sanction had been accorded by the Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council to the candidates, Smt. Aishwary Unni.R, Smt. Selena Susan Thomas, Smt. Ochai Paulina Ene.
Ene and Smt. Shilpa Sheeja Raj Hari of Career-related First Degree Programme in Journalism and Mass Communication under CBCS system 2(a), SN College Kollam, for opting the following Courses with 4 credits as Complementary courses in lieu of Malayalam complementary courses, ML 1131 Sargathamka Rachana and ML 1231-Madhyama Rachana, as recommended by the Chairman, Board of Studies in Psychology (Pass) and endorsed by Dean, Faculty of Science and U.O had been issued in this regard.

II Semester-PG 1241: Psychological Processes.

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

The Academic Council considered the above matter and RESOLVED that the credits for the complementary courses PG 1131- Foundation of Psychology and PG 1231- Basic Psychology processes be corrected to read as 4 (four) each, while noting the action of the Vice-Chancellor.

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11. First Degree Programme in Physics under CBCS system - Modified Syllabus for Complementary Courses in Electronics for II & IV Semesters, w.e.f 2018 admissions - Reporting of -reg.

Ref:-  
1. U.O No. Ac AV/1/Physics/2018 dated 14.06.2018
2. U.O No.AcAV/1/Physics/2018 dated 31.10.2018

The Academic Council resolved to approve the Scheme and Syllabus of First Degree Programme in Physics (Core, Complementary, Open & Elective Courses) under CBCS system, to be implemented with effect from 2018 admissions as recommended by the Board of Studies in Physics (Pass) and endorsed by the Faculty of Science and a U.O had been issued in this regard, vide paper read as (1) above.

Subsequently, the Chairman, Board of Studies in Physics (Pass) has pointed out certain minute changes to be effected in the syllabus of Complementary Courses in Electronics EL 1231 of II Semester and EL 1431 of Fourth Semester for First Degree Programme in Physics under CBCS system, implemented w.e.f 2018 admissions. The Dean, Faculty of Science has endorsed the recommendations.

The Vice Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council has approved the modified Syllabus of Complementary Courses in Electronics EL 1231 and EL 1431 for First Degree Programme in Physics under CBCS system w.e.f 2018 admissions as recommended by the Chairman, Board of Studies in Physics (Pass) and endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Science .U.O had been issued vide paper read as (2) above.

The matter is reported to the Academic Council.

The Academic Council noted the above-mentioned action of the Vice Chancellor.

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Ref:- Request from Sri. Indrajith.R.

Sri. Indrajith. R has submitted the Scheme and Syllabus of B.Sc Hotel Management and Catering Science (Distance) Degree awarded by Madurai Kamaraj University for course recognition for the purpose of doing M.B.A. The candidate has undergone 10+2 pattern of study, which is recognized by the University of Kerala.

The Chairman, BoS in Business Management remarked that the Syllabus content is less than 60% of the Syllabus of University of Kerala. However the degree may be considered as an eligible qualification for higher studies in University of Kerala.

The Dean, Faculty of Management Studies, remarked that the B.Sc (Hotel Management and Catering Science) degree of Madurai Kamaraj University through distance mode cannot be made equivalent to B.Sc (Hotel Management and Catering Science) degree of University of Kerala. However, this degree can be considered as a degree only for the purpose of admission to higher studies for which any degree is the prescribed qualification. For admission to M.B.A programme any degree is the qualification prescribed.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the file was placed in Standing committee on Academic Council on 12/2/2019. The committee decided to place the file in Academic council.
As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the whole matter regarding the recognition of B.Sc (Hotel Management and Catering Science)(Distance) Degree awarded by Madurai Kamraj University, as a degree only for the purpose of admission to higher studies for which any degree is the prescribed qualification, is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

The Academic Council considered the above matter and RESOLVED the B.Sc Degree in Hotel Management and Catering Science (Distance Mode) of Madurai Kamraj University be recognized as an eligible qualification for Higher Studies where ever a Degree in any discipline is the prescribed qualification.

13. Recognition of M.Phil. Degree in Translation Studies (Regular) awarded by Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit, Kalady - reg. (Ac.C.)
Smt. Keerthana. K. S, has submitted the attested copy of Scheme and Syllabus of the M.Phil. Degree in Translation Studies (Regular) awarded by Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit, Kalady for course-recognition for the purpose of equating the M.Phil. Degree in Translation Studies with the M.Phil. Degree in Linguistics of this University for the purpose of higher studies (Ph.D) and employment. The candidate had obtained B.A. Degree in English and Communicative English and M.A. degree in Linguistics from the University of Kerala.

The Chairman, Board of Studies in Linguistics has remarked that the Scheme and Syllabus of the M.Phil. Degree in Translation Studies (Regular) awarded by Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit, Kalady is not equivalent to the Scheme and Syllabus of M.Phil. Degree in Linguistics in Kerala University.

In the M.Phil. Linguistics syllabi Translation Studies is not included as a course in the syllabi of the M.Phil. Translation Studies the content is only Translation Studies. Even in research methodology; the course title is; Translation Studies: methodology and theory of research.

However, the student Smt. Keerthana. K.S. is eligible for higher studies and employment in Linguistics as she is the holder of M.A. degree in Linguistics.

The Dean, Faculty of Oriental Studies has endorsed the recommendations of the Board of Studies in Linguistics.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the whole matter regarding the recognition of M.Phil. Degree in Translation Studies (Regular) awarded by Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit, Kalady for the purpose of higher studies and employment in Linguistics, is placed before the Academic Council, for consideration.

The Academic Council considered the above matter and RESOLVED the M.Phil Degree in Translation Studies(Regular) of Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit, Kalady be recognized as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment in the field of Linguistics.

14. Recognition of B.A. Degree in Public Administration (Distance) and M.A degree in Public Administration (Distance) awarded by University of Madras - reg. (Ac.C.)
Ref:- Request from Sri.Kiran.K.V

Sri. Kiran.K.V. submitted the scheme and syllabus of B.A. Degree in Public Administration (Distance) and M.A degree in Public Administration (Distance) awarded by University of Madras for course recognition for the purpose of both higher studies and employment.

The Chairman, Board of Studies in Public Administration has recommended that the B.A. Degree in Public Administration (Distance) of University of Madras may be considered for employment. The candidate may be permitted to pursue M.A degree in Public administration programme of this University and for M.A. Degree in Public Administration (Distance), he remarked that the candidate may permitted to pursue higher education. He marked higher education and employment in the proforma.

The Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences has endorsed the remarks of the Chairman Bos in Public administration and marked higher education and employment in the proforma.

As per the order of the Vice Chancellor, the whole matter regarding the recognition of B.A. Degree in Public Administration (Distance) and M.A degree in Public Administration (Distance)
awarded by University of Madras for the purpose of both higher studies and employment is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

The Academic Council considered the above matter and RESOLVED the B.A. Degree in Public Administration (Distance Mode) and the M.A degree in Public Administration (Distance Mode) awarded by University of Madras be recognized for the purpose of higher studies and employment in the relevant field.

15. Recognition of Ph.D degree in Agricultural Extension(Regular) awarded by Tamil Nadu Agricultural University – reg.- (Ac.C.)

Ref:- Request from Smt. Swathi Lekshmi P.S.

Smt. Swathi Lekshmi P.S. submitted the thesis of Ph.D degree in Agricultural Extension titled “Computer Simulation modeling for Forecasting of Diffusion and Decision Support for Shrimp Farming” awarded by Tamil Nadu Agricultural University for course recognition for the purpose to serve as Research guide in the discipline of Aquatic biology and Fisheries of Kerala University.

The Chairman and Dean BoS in Aquatic Biology and Fisheries recommended that the Ph.D degree in Agricultural Extension(Regular) awarded by Tamil Nadu Agricultural University titled “Computer Simulation modeling for Forecasting of Diffusion and Decision Support for Shrimp Farming” is the multidisciplinary in Aquatic Biology and Fisheries and the field of Ph.D work in the broader subject of aquaculture, the programme may be considered as an eligible qualification for Research Guideship in Aquatic Biology and Fisheries.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the whole matter regarding the recognition of Ph.D degree in Agricultural Extension (Regular) titled” Computer Simulation modeling for Forecasting of Diffusion and Decision Support for Shrimp Farming” awarded by Tamil Nadu Agricultural University for the purpose to serve as Research guide in the discipline of Aquatic biology and Fisheries of Kerala University, is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

The Academic Council noted the above-mentioned action of the Vice-Chancellor.


The candidates of 3 year LLB Degree Course (prior to 1998 Scheme) & Five year LLB Degree Course (2001 admissions) who could not complete their examinations, requested to grant a mercy chance to appear for the examinations.

The Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations at its meeting held on 08.11.2018 had considered the matter and recommended to grant one mercy chance examination to the candidates of 3 year LL.B Degree Course of prior to 1998 admissions & Five year LLB Degree Course (2001 admissions) subject to reporting to the Academic Council. The Syndicate at its meeting held on 16/11/2018 (Item No. 07.54.03) resolved to approve the above recommendation.

The Vice-Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, had accorded Sanction to the candidates 3 year LLB Degree Course (prior to 1998 Scheme) & Five year LLB Degree Course (2001 admissions) who could not clear all the papers, being granted one mercy chance to appear for the failed papers. Accordingly, U Os No. Ac.AIII/3/3 year LLB/MC/2018, dated 10/12/2018 & No. Ac.AIII/3/5 year LLB/MC/2018, dated 10/12/2018 were issued.

The action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having granted one mercy chance to the candidates of Three year LLB Degree Course (prior to 1998 scheme) & 5year LLB Degree (2001 admission) course and issuance of U.Os No. Ac.AIII/3/3 year LLB/MC/2018, dated, 10.12.2018 & No. Ac.AIII/3/5 year LLB/MC/2018, dated 10/12/2018 is reported to the Academic Council.

The Academic Council noted the above-mentioned action of the Vice-Chancellor.
17. Recognition of Ph.D.Degree in Management awarded by University of Kerala – Consideration of -reg.  
Smt. Smt. Elsy. P. A has sought for course-recognition of Ph.D.Degree in Management awarded by University of Kerala for the thesis titled “A Study on the Biblical Perspectives of Management Thought and Practice” for the purpose of promotion and for increment in salary, as a teacher in Commerce.

The candidate had undergone 10+2 pattern of study which is recognised by the University of Kerala. She had obtained B. Com degree from the University of Calicut, which is also recognised by the University of Kerala. She had obtained M. Com degree from the University of Kerala and M.Phil. Degree in Commerce from the University of Madras through Loyola College, Chennai (Autonomous) which is recognized by the University of Kerala as equivalent to M.Phil. Degree in Commerce.

The Chairman, Board of Studies in Commerce (P.G) has recommended that the said Ph.D.Degree be recognized for getting increment in salary as there is close mutual association between Commerce and Management.

The Dean, Faculty of Commerce has endorsed the recommendations of the Chairman Board of Studies in Commerce (P.G).

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the whole matter regarding the recognition of Ph.D. Degree in Management awarded to Smt. Elsy. P. A by University of Kerala for the thesis titled “A Study on the Biblical Perspectives of Management Thought and Practice” for the purpose of employment in the field of Commerce (getting increment in salary), is placed before the Academic Council, for consideration.

The Academic Council considered the above matter and RESOLVED the Ph.D. Degree in Management awarded to Smt. Elsy. P. A by University of Kerala for the thesis titled “A Study on the Biblical Perspectives of Management Thought and Practice” be recognized for the purpose of employment in the field of Commerce (getting increment in salary).

Ref:- Request from Smt.Susmitha. S. dated 06/10/2018.  
Smt.Susmitha. S. had submitted the attested copy of Scheme and Syllabus of B.Sc. Degree in Aviation Maintenance Science (Regular) awarded by Alagappa University for course-recognition for the purpose of higher studies (for doing PG in M.B.A:Finance & Human resources and employment). The candidate had obtained 10+2 pattern of study which is recognized by the University of Kerala.

The Chairman, BoS in Business Management (PG) who is also the Dean Faculty of Management Studies has remarked that B.Sc Degree in Aviation Maintenance Science (Regular) is not offered in University of Kerala. However, this degree can be considered as any degree for admission to M.B.A programme of University of Kerala. As per the scheme, any degree with 50% similar is eligible for admission and can be Considered for higher studies only.

Hence as per the orders of the Vice Chancellor the whole matter regarding the recognition of the B.Sc. Degree in Aviation Maintenance Science (Regular) awarded by Alagappa University as an eligible qualification for admission to M.B.A programme of University of Kerala is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

The Academic Council considered the above matter and RESOLVED the B.Sc. Degree in Aviation Maintenance Science (Regular) awarded by Alagappa University be recognized as an eligible qualification for admission to M.B.A programme of University of Kerala.

19. Recognition of M.A.Degree in Sanskrit (Acharya) (Navya Vyakaranam (Distance) awarded by Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan, New Delhi, (Deemed)- Consideration of -reg.  
Sri.Sundaran. P.V. submitted the attested copy of Scheme and Syllabus of the M.A.Degree in Sanskrit (Acharya) (Navya Vyakaranam (Distance) awarded by Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan, New
Delhi, (Deemed) for course-recognition for the purpose of getting promotion as HSST Sanskrit. He has passed 10th Standard which is recognized by this University. He had obtained Prak-Shastri from Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan, New Delhi which is recognized by the University of Kerala as equivalent to +2. He had obtained his B.A Degree in Shastri awarded by Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan. It is not mentioned, whether the candidate has obtained his B.A Shastri Degree through distance or regular mode.

The Chairman, Board of Studies in Sanskrit (PG), has remarked that the said course is eligible for employment and higher studies and the Dean, Faculty of Oriental Studies has endorsed his remarks.

On further verification it was noted that the file regarding recognition of the same course submitted by the same applicant had been forwarded to the same Academic Bodies in August 2016 in which it was recommended not to grant recognition and the applicant was informed accordingly. However not revealing this fact the applicant has applied afresh for course recognition.

One of the reasons, the BoS has pointed out earlier for not recommending recognition for the said course is that the Acharya Degree has only 10 papers as compared to 18 papers of the University of Kerala.

Hence the Registrar ordered to seek clarification from the Chairman, Board of Studies in Sanskrit (P.G) on the difference in the remarks.

The Chairman, Board of Studies in Sanskrit (P.G) offered her clarification which states that the earlier recommendations were made on the basis of the syllabus produced which was incomplete and as the complete version has now been produced, the recommendations are made accordingly. The Dean, Faculty of Oriental Studies has endorsed the clarification of the Chairman BoS in Sanskrit (PG). As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the matter was placed before the Standing Committee of the Academic Council.

The Standing Committee of the Academic Council at its meeting held on 27-06-2017 vide item No. 17 had recommended referring the matter to the Core Committee for a detailed study and suitable recommendations.

The Core Committee at its meeting held on 17-08-2017, vide item no. 8 examined the marklist and the Syllabus of M.A Degree in Sanskrit (Acharya) (Navya Vyakaranam (Distance) awarded by Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan, New Delhi, (Deemed), and observed that the said Course has only 10 papers and as against the claim of 18 papers and recommended to seek further remarks of the Chairman, BoS in Sanskrit (PG).

The Chairman, Board of Studies in Sanskrit (PG), has remarked that the matter may be placed before the Board of Studies in Sanskrit (PG) to examine the request for granting eligibility to the degree and course.

The Annual meeting of the Board of studies in Sanskrit (PG) held on 12-12-2018, vide item No. VII. discussed the various aspects and unanimously decided to accept the recognition of M.A Degree in Sanskrit (Acharya) (Navya Vyakaranam (Distance) awarded by Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan, New Delhi, (Deemed) even though the number of paper are different in both degrees the syllabi of both the degree can be considered almost same.

The Faculty of Oriental studies has endorsed the above recommendation of the Board of studies in Sanskrit (PG).

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the whole matter regarding the recognition of M.A Degree in Sanskrit (Acharya) (Navya Vyakaranam (Distance) awarded by Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan, New Delhi, (Deemed) for the purpose of getting promotion as HSST Sanskrit, is placed before the Academic Council, for consideration.

The Academic Council considered the above matter and RESOLVED that the M.A Degree in Sanskrit (Acharya) (Navya Vyakaranam (Distance) awarded by Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan, New Delhi, (Deemed) be recognized for the purpose of getting promotion as HSST Sanskrit.

Dr. R. Lathadevi. expressed her dissent

Ref:- Request from Smt. Nima. P.

Smt.Nima. P. submitted the thesis of Ph.D Degree in Botany titled “ENHANCING THE BIOAVAILABILITY OF HEDERAGENIN THROUGH ECOFRIENDLY SYNTHESIZED SILVER NANOPARTICLES” awarded by Madurai Kamaraj University for course-recognition for the purpose of both higher education and employment (PDF or Assistant Professor position in Botany). It may be noted that the candidate had undergone 10+2 pattern of study, which is recognized by the University of Kerala. She had obtained B.Sc Degree in Botany from University of Kerala. She had obtained M.Sc.Degree in Botany (Regular) from Madurai Kamaraj University through Ayya Nadar Janaki Ammal College (Autonomous) which is recognized by the University of Kerala for the purpose of higher education and employment and she had obtained M.Phil Degree in Botany (Regular) from Madurai Kamaraj University through Ayya Nadar Janaki Ammal College (Autonomous) which is recognized by the University of Kerala for the purpose of higher studies and employment in the field of Botany. The Ph.D Degree awarded to Smt.Nima. P. is in accordance with the UGC Regulation 2009.

The Chairman, Board of Studies in Botany (PG) has recommended to grant recognition to the Ph.D Degree in Botany awarded to Smt.Nima. P. by Madurai Kamaraj University for the thesis titled “ENHANCING THE BIOAVAILABILITY OF HEDERAGENIN THROUGH ECOFRIENDLY SYNTHESIZED SILVER NANOPARTICLES” as an eligible qualification for higher education and employment in the field of Botany.

The Dean Faculty of Science has remarked that the Ph.D Degree in Botany titled “ENHANCING THE BIOAVAILABILITY OF HEDERAGENIN THROUGH ECOFRIENDLY SYNTHESIZED SILVER NANOPARTICLES” awarded by Madurai Kamaraj University is in accordance with the provision laid down in the UGC Regulation 2009 and in the subject area of Botany. Therefore eligibility may be given for employment in Botany.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor the whole matter was placed before the Standing Committee of Academic Council and the committee recommended that the item be placed before the ensuing Academic Council.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor the whole matter regarding recognition of the Ph.D Degree in Botany awarded to Smt.Nima. P. by Madurai Kamaraj University for the thesis titled “ENHANCING THE BIOAVAILABILITY OF HEDERAGENIN THROUGH ECOFRIENDLY SYNTHESIZED SILVER NANOPARTICLES” be recognized as an eligible qualification for higher education and employment in the field of Botany is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

The Academic Council considered the above matter and RESOLVED that the Ph.D Degree in Botany awarded to Smt.Nima. P. by Madurai Kamaraj University for the thesis titled “ENHANCING THE BIOAVAILABILITY OF HEDERAGENIN THROUGH ECOFRIENDLY SYNTHESIZED SILVER NANOPARTICLES” be recognized as an eligible qualification for higher education and employment in the field of Botany.

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21. Recognition of B.Sc. Degree (Core Course- Botany) (Vocational Core Course- Food Microbiology) Model II (Regular) awarded by Mahatm Gandhi University, Kottayam - Consideration of - reg. (Ac.C)


Smt.Simi. P. Siju. has submitted the attested copy of Scheme and Syllabus of the B.Sc. Degree (Core Course- Botany) (Vocational Core Course- Food Microbiology) Model II (Regular) awarded by Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam for course-recognition for the purpose of higher studies (Doing LLB). The candidate had undergone 10+2 pattern of study, which is recognized by the University of Kerala.

The Chairman, Board of Studies in Botany (PASS) has remarked that the whole matter regarding recognition of B.Sc. Degree (Core Course- Botany) (Vocational Core Course- Food Microbiology) Model II (Regular) awarded by Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam should be placed before the Board of Studies in Botany (PASS) for a detailed discussion.

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The Annual meeting of the Board of studies in Botany (Pass) held on 19-12-2018, vide item No. IV. The board has unanimously recommended the recognition of B.Sc. Degree (Core Course- Botany) (Vocational Core Course- Food Microbiology) Model II (Regular) awarded by Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam. The Chairman, Board of Studies in Botany (PASS) has marked eligibility for higher studies and employment in the proforma.

The Dean, Faculty of Science has endorsed the recommendations of the Board of Studies in Botany (Pass).

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the whole matter regarding the recognition of B.Sc. Degree (Core Course- Botany) (Vocational Core Course- Food Microbiology) Model II (Regular) awarded by Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam for the purpose of higher studies and employment in the field of Botany, is placed before the Academic Council, for consideration.

The Academic Council considered the above matter and RESOLVED that the B.Sc. Degree (Core Course- Botany) (Vocational Core Course- Food Microbiology) Model II (Regular) awarded by Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam be recognized as an eligible qualification for the purpose of higher studies and employment in the field of Botany.

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22. Recognition of Bachelor of Physical Education (Integrated) (Regular) awarded by University of Calicut.-Consideration of - reg:- (Ac.C)  
Ref: Application received from Sri. Pablo. P.  
Sri. Pablo. P, has submitted the Scheme and syllabus of Bachelor of Physical Education (Integrated) (Regular) awarded by the University of Calicut for recognition of the said Degree for the purpose of higher education and employment. The candidate has undergone 10+2 pattern of study which is recognized by the University of Kerala.

The Chairman BoS in Physical Education remarked that the syllabus, scheme and regulations as furnished in the handbook of the BPE (Bachelor of Physical Education) (Regular) Four Year Integrated course offered by the University of Calicut seems to be at par with the B.P.Ed Four Year Integrated course offered by the University of Kerala. Hence he has remarked that the request of the candidate may be considered and Eligibility Certificate for higher education and employment may be issued after recognising the BPE (Four Year) Integrated course of the University of Calicut as equivalent to the B.P.Ed. (Four Year Integrated) course offered by the University of Kerala.

The Dean, Faculty of Physical Education remarked that the scheme and syllabus submitted by the applicant is at par with that of the Four Year Integrated B.P.Ed. Course of the University of Kerala. Hence, she has recommended to grant recognition for the BPE Four Year Integrated Course (Regular) offered by the University of Calicut for the purpose of being eligible for higher education and employment.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the whole matter regarding recognition of the Bachelor of Physical Education (Integrated) (Regular) awarded by the University of Calicut for the purpose of higher education and employment, is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

The Academic Council considered the above matter and RESOLVED that the Bachelor of Physical Education (Integrated) (Regular) awarded by the University of Calicut be recognized as an eligible qualification for the purpose of higher education and employment.

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23. Recognition of M.Phil in Futures Studies awarded by University of Kerala as equivalent to M.Phil in Commerce - Consideration of -reg. (Ac.C)  
Ref: Request from Smt. Sujatha. G. S.  
Smt. Sujatha. G. S. submitted an application for recognition of M.Phil in Futures Studies awarded by University of Kerala as equivalent to M.Phil in Commerce for the purpose of higher studies and employment. She obtained M.Com degree from University of Kerala.

The Chairman, Board of Studies in Commerce (PG) has remarked that the M.Phil in Futures Studies can be considered as equivalent to M.Phil in Commerce as per U.O No. Ac.AIV/2/033683/99 dated 25/07/2000 and U.O.No.Ac.AIV/2/53816/2002 dated 17/07/2003. The Dean, Faculty of Commerce has endorsed the remarks of the Chairman, BoS in Commerce (PG).

As per U.O No. Ac.AIV/2/033683/99 dated 25/07/2000 the M.Phil/Ph.D Degrees in
interdisciplinary subjects were recognized as equivalent to M.Phil/Ph.D in the subject in which the concerned candidate holds a PG Degree.

As per orders of the Vice Chancellor, the whole matter was placed before the Standing Committee on Academic Council, and the committee recommended that the M.Phil in Futures Studies acquired by the applicant can be considered as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment in the field of Commerce. The Committee inter alia observed that, M.Phil/Ph.D in Futures Studies can be made equivalent to a specific subject in cases where guide for the respective subjects are present. In case of interdisciplinary subjects, co-guides from the specific discipline are mandatory. This appears to be generally applicable to all interdisciplinary subjects.

Hence, the file is placed before the Academic Council along with the recommendations of the Standing Committee on Academic Council for approval.

Recommended that the admission criteria may be limited. Further recommended that if no faculty in the relevant subject is available then a co-guide be provided.

24. Recognition of Ph.D Degree in History (Part Time) awarded by Periyar University, Salem. –Consideration of reg:- (Ac.C )

Ref: Application received from Dhanya. B. Nair. dtd.14.05.18
Ms.Dhanya. B. Nair, submitted the Ph.D thesis titled “EDUCATIONAL REFORMS OF THE PRINCELY STATE OF COCHIN FROM 1818 TO 1949” for recognition of her Ph.D Degree in History (Part-Time) awarded by Periyar University Salem, for the purpose of higher education and employment, specifically for claiming advance increment.

The candidate has undergone 10+2 pattern of study which is recognized by the University of Kerala. She has obtained B. A. Degree in History and B. Ed. (Social Science) from this University and M.A. Degree in History from Mahatma Gandhi University which is recognized by the University of Kerala. She has cleared UGC NET in History. The copy of the Ph.D Degree certificate submitted by her states that the Ph.D Degree is awarded in accordance with the UGC Regulations 2009.

The Chairman BoS in History (P.G.) remarked that on verification of testimonials and bonafide thesis, it is found that the Ph.D. Degree of the applicant which confirms to the UGC Regulations 2009 and Rules and Regulations of the respective university is a valid one. Apart from this, she has obtained B.A. & M.A. and UGC NET in the discipline of History. He has noted that by relying on these facts, it can be stated that the Ph.D Degree of the applicant may be considered as an Eligibility for higher education and employment in the discipline of History.

The Dean Faculty of Social Science, after verifying the soft copy of the thesis and report on plagiarism offered by the Deputy Librarian, Kerala University Library, suggested to grant recognition by the University of Kerala to the Ph.D Degree of the applicant as an eligible qualification for claiming advance increment in the discipline of History.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the whole matter regarding recognition of the Ph.D Degree in History (Part Time) for the thesis titled “EDUCATIONAL REFORMS OF THE PRINCELY STATE OF COCHIN FROM 1818 TO 1949” awarded to Ms.Dhanya. B. Nair by Periyar University Salem, for the purpose of higher education and employment, specifically for claiming advance increment, is placed before the Academic Council, for consideration.

Recommended. Further recommended that clarification be sought from the University regarding the mention of (Part-Time) in the Degree Certificate.

25. Recognition of B.B.A (Private) Degree awarded by University of Calicut- Consideration of reg:- (Ac.C)

Ref:- Request from Sri. Bimal Roy. C. N.-
Sri. Bimal Roy. C. N. submitted an application for recognition of B.B.A (Private) degree awarded by University of Calicut for the purpose of higher studies (M.B.A). He obtained 10+2 pattern of study which is recognized by University of Kerala.

The Chairman, Board of Studies in Business Management (Pass) has recommended to grant recognition to the B.B.A (Private) degree awarded by University of Calicut as an eligible qualification for higher studies in University of Kerala. The Dean, Faculty of Management Studies has endorsed the remarks of the Chairman, BoS in Business Management (Pass).
As per the order of the Vice Chancellor, the whole matter was placed before the Standing Committee on Academic Council and the committee recommended that the item be placed before the ensuing Academic Council.

As per the order of the Vice Chancellor, the whole matter regarding recognition of B.B.A (Private) degree awarded by University of Calicut as an eligible qualification for higher education (M.B.A), is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

The Academic Council considered the above matter and RESOLVED that the BBA (Private) Degree of University of Calicut be recognized for the purpose of admission to MBA programme.

26. Recognition of Ph.D Degree in Management awarded to Sri. Binu. R. by University of Kerala –Consideration of - reg. (A.c.c)

Ref:- Request from Sri. Binu. R.
Sri. Binu. R. submitted the thesis of Ph.D Degree in Management titled “Ecotourism marketing – A strategic Approach” awarded by University of Kerala for course-recognition for the purpose of both higher education and employment in the field of Commerce (for applying Post doctoral fellowship in Commerce, promotion and other service benefits. It may be noted that the candidate had undergone 10+2 pattern of study, which is recognized by the University of Kerala. He had obtained B.Com Degree, M.Com.Degree and M.Phil degree in Commerce from University of Kerala.

The Chairman,Board of Studies in Commerce (PG) has remarked that Ph.D Degree in Management awarded to Sri.Binu. R. on the topic “Ecotourism marketing – A strategic Approach” by the University of Kerala can be recognized for applying as Research Guide in Commerce, promotion and other Service benefits.

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

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor the whole matter was placed before the Standing Committee of Academic Council and the committee recommended that the item be placed before the ensuing Academic Council.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor the whole matter regarding recognition of the Ph.D Degree in Management awarded to Sri. Binu. R. by University of Kerala for the thesis titled “Ecotourism marketing – A strategic Approach” as an eligible qualification for the purpose of applying for Research guideship in Commerce, as well as for employment and related benefits in the field of Commerce is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

The Academic Council considered the above matter and RESOLVED that the thesis titled “Ecotourism marketing – A strategic Approach” be recognized as an eligible qualification for the purpose of applying for Research guideship in Commerce, as well as for employment and related benefits in the field of Commerce.

27. Recognition of Continuing Education courses by the University – Consideration of- Consideration of -reg. (Ac.C.)

2. Letter from Education Minister’s Office 9803/2017 NVR/M Edn dated 19.10.2017
3. Letter from Govt.of Kerala No.Regr/CACEE/2017 dated 15.11.2017
4. Letter from Higher Education Dept.No. B3/46/2018 dated 01.06.2018

The CACEE (Centre for Adult Continuing Education and Extension) is neither an affiliated institution nor an Academic Centre of the University of Kerala. The said Centre was instituted about three decades back as an independent organization under the aegis of the Department of Youth Welfare of the Govt. of India, for the exclusive purpose of facilitating adult education and for extension activities. The centre was essentially functioning as an outreach organization for utilising the academic resources of the University towards the general benefit of the society.
Various programmes for augmenting the skill set for various professions like school teachers etc were envisaged and conducted by the centre, for which expert advice and assistance was provided by the University.

As it is to be noted, the CACEE is not a centre or a department of the University and has not been accorded any such status.

About a decade after the inception of the scheme, the Govt. of India stopped its sponsorship of the CACEE. At that juncture, considering the general interest, the University decided to allow the CACEE to continue the patronage to CACEE, allowing it independent status running on revenue generated from its own programmes.

As has already been mentioned, the facility is only for social outreach and extension with no restrictions being placed on the organization for skill augmentation programmes ranging from nursery teacher training, yoga to Psychological Counselling. As the name CACEE itself implies these programmes are only meant as extension activities to augment the skills of the already employed.

The academic authorities of the University are not involved in the framing of the scheme or syllabus of these programmes. Further, the certificates awarded by the CACEE carry only a facsimile of the signature of the Vice-Chancellor. The University seal is not affixed on these certificates.

Hence, the University can never equate the programmes conducted by CACEE with the academic programmes of the University of Kerala at the undergraduate or postgraduate level.

This being the case, it is understood that the Academic section has put up a request from the petitioner concerned for recognition of the one year PG Diploma programme in psychological counselling conducted by the CACEE for consideration by the Chairman Board of Studies Psychology (PG) and the Dean (Faculty of Social Sciences) wherein both the academic authorities have categorically denied recognition for any purpose or equivalence with University degrees.

Clearly, the CACEE is meant only for extension activities for already employed adult learners and does not come within ambit of academic activities specific to Universities which call for adherence to the statute and Regulations, and to the stipulations of the University Grants Commission and other Regulatory bodies.

A letter in regard was sent to the Hon’ble Minister, Higher Education, Thiruvananthapuram also on 29/11/2018.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor the whole matter was placed before the Standing Committee of Academic Council and the committee recommended that the item be placed before the ensuing Academic Council.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor the whole matter regarding recognition of Continuing Education courses by the University is placed before the Academic Council for consideration and recommendation.

The Academic Council considered the above matter and RESOLVED not to recognize the programmes of CACEE since they are not conducted through Scheme and Syllabus approved by the Academic Council.

The Academic Council considered the above matter and RESOLVED not to recognize the programmes of CACEE since they are not conducted through Scheme and Syllabus approved by the Academic Council.

28. Revised proforma of recognition to make the recommendations of the Chairpersons more specific –Consideration of -reg. (Ac.C.)

Ref: Meeting of the Standing Committee of the Academic Council held on 17/12/2018

In the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Academic Council held on 17/12/2018, the committee recommended that the proforma for recognition be refined so as to make the recommendations of the Chairpersons more specific and that the same be placed before the next Standing Committee of the Academic Council with the following changes incorporated.

(4) : Sufficient space shall be allocated for comments of the Chairman

(6) & (8) option for Chairman and Dean may be fashioned as

- Equivalency
- Eligibility for Higher Education
- Eligibility for Employment
- Eligibility for both Higher Education and Employment
- Recommended
• Not Recommended

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor the whole matter was placed before the Standing Committee of Academic Council and the committee recommended that the item be placed before the ensuing Academic Council with the proforma in full.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor the whole matter regarding recognition of the Revised proforma for recognition incorporating the above changes has been prepared and placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

The Academic Council considered the above matter and RESOLVED to approve the revised proforma for purpose of obtaining the remarks of the Chairman Boards of Studies and Deans concerned on proposals for recognition of Degrees awarded by other Universities/ Institutions.

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29. Recognition of M.Sc degree in Pharmaceutical Chemistry (Regular) awarded by Mahatma Gandhi University through Sacred Heart College (Autonomous), Thevara - reg. (Ac.C.)

Ref:- Request from Smt. Shilpa. K. Raj

Smt. Shilpa. K. Raj submitted the attested copies of scheme and syllabus of M.Sc degree in Pharmaceutical Chemistry (Regular) awarded by Mahatma Gandhi University through Sacred Heart College (Autonomous), Thevara for course recognition for the purpose of equivalency with M.Sc. Chemistry of the University of Kerala for higher education and employment. The candidate had undergone 10+2 pattern of study which is recognized by the University of Kerala. She had obtained B.Sc degree in Chemistry from Mahatma Gandhi University which is recognized by the University of Kerala.

The Chairman BoS in Chemistry (PG) has remarked that the candidate has done M.Sc during 2015-2017 as indicated in her course certificate. But the syllabus has been introduced from 2016 onwards. It is noted that the valuation contains 25% internal and 75% ESA (End Semester Evaluation). The syllabus composed of Physical and organic 100%, inorganic 70, practical 90%. It is also noted that an overall 88% content in the provided syllabus overlaps with our syllabus (University of Kerala). It is recommended by the Chairman that the degree may be considered eligible for higher education and employment in the field of Chemistry.

The Dean Faculty of Science has remarked that, considering the overall similarity of more than 85% in both the syllabi, the M.Sc Pharmaceutical Chemistry awarded by Mahatma Gandhi University may be considered as an eligible qualification for higher education and employment in the field of Chemistry awarded by the University of Kerala.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor the whole matter regarding recognition of the M.Sc degree in Pharmaceutical Chemistry (Regular) awarded by Mahatma Gandhi University through Sacred Heart College (Autonomous), Thevara for the purpose of higher education and employment in the field of Chemistry is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

The Academic Council considered the above matter and RESOLVED that the M.Sc degree in Pharmaceutical Chemistry (Regular) awarded by Mahatma Gandhi University through Sacred Heart College (Autonomous), Thevara be recognized for the purpose of higher education and employment in the field of Chemistry.

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30. Recognition of Master of Social Work (Clinical and Community Practice) (Regular) awarded by Christ University (Deemed) Bengaluru.- Consideration of –reg (Ac.C.)

Ref:- Application received from Smt. Parvathy M.L.

Smt. Parvathy M.L. has submitted the Scheme and Syllabus of Master of Social Work (Clinical and Community Practice) (Regular) awarded by Christ University (Deemed) Bengaluru for recognition of the said course for the purpose of both higher education and employment. She has undergone 10+2 pattern of study which is recognized by the University of Kerala. She has done B.A. Triple Main Degree in Psychology, Sociology and English (Regular) from the Christ University (Deemed to be University) which is also recognised by this University for the purpose of admission to any programme of this University for which the prescribed qualification is a degree only without insisting on any particular discipline subject to other admission criteria being satisfied.

The Chairman, Board of Studies in Social Work (P.G) has remarked that the scheme and
syllabus of the course work of the above said degree are fairly similar to that of the MSW Degree of the University of Kerala and hence has recommended that the Master of Social Work (Regular) awarded by Christ University (Deemed) Bengaluru may be recognised as an eligible qualification for higher education and employment for which the MSW Degree of Kerala University is the required qualification. The then Dean, Faculty of Social Science, has remarked that the matter may be placed before the Board of Studies in Social Work (P.G) for further remarks.

The Annual Meeting of the Board of Studies in Social Work held on 23.11.18 observed that the submitted syllabus contain 60% of the content of the syllabus of the University of Kerala as well as field work requirements. Hence the BoS in Social Work recommended to recognise the MSW (Clinical and Community Practice) (Regular) Christ University (Deemed), Bengaluru as an eligible qualification for the purpose of higher studies and employment. The current Dean, Faculty of Social Science endorsed the decision of the Board of Studies in Social Work.

Hence the whole matter regarding the recognition of Master of Social Work (Clinical and Community Practice) (Regular) awarded by Christ University (Deemed) Bengaluru for the purpose of higher education and employment is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

The Academic Council considered the above matter and RESOLVED that the Master of Social Work (Clinical and Community Practice) (Regular) awarded by Christ University (Deemed) Bengaluru be recognized for the purpose of higher education and employment in the field of Social Work.

31. Recognition of B.A Degree in History (Distance) awarded by Periyar Institute of Distance Education, Periyar University.-Consideration of –reg. (Ac.C.)

Ref:- Application received from Smt.Divya. K.V.

Smt.Divya.K.V has submitted the Scheme and Syllabus of B.A Degree in History (Distance) awarded by Periyar Institute of Distance Education for recognition of the said course for the purpose of both higher education and employment. She has undergone 10+2 pattern of study which is recognized by the University of Kerala.

The Chairman, Board of Studies in History (Pass) has remarked that the B.A Degree in History (Distance) awarded by Periyar Institute of Distance Education (PRIDE) can be considered as equal to the B.A Degree in History offered by the University of Kerala as the syllabus covers more than 60% of the B.A Degree in History syllabus of the University of Kerala.

The Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences has remarked that the matter may be placed before the Board of Studies in History (Pass) for further scrutiny and taking decision regarding equivalency.

The Annual Meeting of the Board of Studies in History (Pass) held on 26.11.18 approved the decision of the Chairman and recommended to grant recognition to the B.A. Degree in History of Periyar Institute of Distance Education. The Current Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences endorsed the recommendation of the BoS in History and noted that the Degree may be recognised for higher Education.

Hence the whole matter regarding the recognition of B.A Degree in History (Distance) awarded by Periyar Institute of Distance Education (PRIDE), Periyar University is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

The Academic Council considered the above matter and RESOLVED that the B.A Degree in History (Distance) awarded by Periyar Institute of Distance Education (PRIDE), Periyar University be recognized for the purpose of higher education and employment in the field of History, provided the institute is a recognised centre of the University.

32. Recognition of B.Sc (Honours) Zoology (Regular) Degree awarded by Utkal University through Buxi Jagabandhu Bidyadhar College ( Autonomous), Bhubaneswar - Consideration of -reg. (Ac.C.)

Ref:- Request from Sri. Dipyaman Patra

Sri. Dipyaman Patra submitted an application for recognition of B.Sc (Honours) Zoology (Regular) Degree awarded by Utkal University through Buxi Jagabandhu Bidyadhar College (Autonomous), Bhubaneswar for the purpose of higher studies and employment. He obtained 10+2 pattern of study which is recognized by University of Kerala. He has also obtained M.Sc Degree in Biotechnology from North Eastern Hill University which is also recognized by University of Kerala.
The Chairman, Board of Studies in Zoology (Pass) has recommended to grant recognition to the B.Sc (Honours) Zoology (Regular) Degree awarded by Utkal University through Buxi Jagabandhu Bidyadhar College (Autonomous), Bhubaneswar as equivalent to B.Sc Zoology of University of Kerala. The Dean, Faculty of Science recommended to grant recognition to the said degree as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment in the field of Biotechnology.

As per the order of the Vice Chancellor, the whole matter regarding recognition of B.Sc (Honours) Zoology (Regular) Degree awarded by Utkal University through Buxi Jagabandhu Bidyadhar College (Autonomous), Bhubaneswar as an eligible qualification for higher education and employment in the field of Biotechnology, is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

The Academic Council considered the above matter and **RESOLVED** that the B.Sc (Honours) Zoology (Regular) Degree awarded by Utkal University through Buxi Jagabandhu Bidyadhar College (Autonomous), Bhubaneswar be recognized for the purpose of higher education and employment in the field of Zoology.

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### 33. Recognition of M.Phil Environment Management (Regular) Degree awarded by Mahatma Gandhi University - reg.

*Ref:- Request from Smt. Febby Payva*

Smt. Febby Payva submitted an application for recognition of M.Phil Environment Management (Regular) Degree awarded by Mahatma Gandhi University for the purpose of higher studies and employment (salary increment and career upgradation in the field of Zoology). She obtained 10+2 pattern of study which is recognized by University of Kerala. She has also obtained B.Sc Degree in Zoology (Regular) and M.Sc Degree in Zoology (Regular) from Mahatma Gandhi University which are recognized by University of Kerala.

The Chairman, Board of Studies in Zoology (PG) has recommended to grant recognition to the M.Phil Environment Management (Regular) Degree awarded by Mahatma Gandhi University as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment in the field of Zoology. The Dean, Faculty of Science has endorsed the remarks of the Chairman, BoS in Zoology (PG).

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the whole matter regarding recognition of M.Phil Environment Management (Regular) Degree awarded by Mahatma Gandhi University as an eligible qualification for the purpose of higher education and employment in the field of Zoology, is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

The Academic Council considered the above matter and **RESOLVED** that the M.Phil Environment Management (Regular) Degree awarded by Mahatma Gandhi University be recognized as an eligible qualification for the purpose of higher education and employment in the field of Zoology.

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### 34. Recognition of BSc Degree in Chemistry, Botany and Zoology (Regular) awarded by Maharaja Ganga Singh (M.G.S) University, Bikaner (Formerly University of Bikaner) – Consideration of - reg.

*Ref:- Request from Smt. Blessy. B. Mathew, Dtd.28/09/2018.*

Smt. Blessy. B. Mathew, submitted attested copies of Scheme and Syllabus of BSc Degree Chemistry, Botany and Zoology (Regular) awarded by Maharaja Ganga Singh (M.G.S) University, Bikaner (Formerly University of Bikaner) for the purpose of higher studies (Botany). The candidate had undergone 10+2 pattern of study which is recognised by the University of Kerala.

The Chairman, BoS in Botany (Pass) has remarked that the BSc Degree Chemistry, Botany and Zoology (Regular) awarded by Maharaja Ganga Singh (M.G.S) University, Bikaner (Formerly University of Bikaner) be recognized as eligible for higher studies and employment.

The Dean, Faculty of Science has endorsed the recommendations of the Chairman BoS in Botany (Pass)

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the whole matter regarding the recognition of BSc Degree Chemistry, Botany and Zoology (Regular) awarded by Maharaja Ganga Singh (M.G.S) University, Bikaner (Formerly University of Bikaner) for the purpose of higher studies and employment in the field of Botany, was placed before the Standing Committee of the Academic Council.
The Standing Committee of the Academic Council at its meeting held on 12-02-2019, vide item No. 38, recommended that, this item be placed before the ensuing Academic Council.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the whole matter regarding the recognition of BSc Degree Chemistry, Botany and Zoology (Regular) awarded by Maharaja Ganga Singh (M.G.S) University, Bikaner (Formerly University of Bikaner), for the purpose of higher studies and employment in the field of Botany, is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

The Academic Council considered the above matter and RESOLVED that the BSc Degree Chemistry, Botany and Zoology (Regular) awarded by Maharaja Ganga Singh (M.G.S) University, Bikaner (Formerly University of Bikaner) be recognized for the purpose of higher studies in Botany.

35. Recognition of B.Tech Degree in Mechanical Engineering (Regular) (Full Time)) awarded by Lovely Professional University, (State Private University) Phagwara, Punjab—Consideration of - reg. (Ac.C.)
Sri. Sameer. S, submitted the attested copies of the Scheme and Syllabus of B.Tech Degree in Mechanical Engineering (Regular) (Full Time)) awarded by Lovely Professional University, (State Private University) Phagwara, Punjab for course recognition for the purpose of higher studies (Doing MBA). The candidate had undergone 10+2 pattern of study which is recognised by the University of Kerala.

The Chairman, BoS in Engineering (UG- II) has remarked that the B.Tech Degree in Mechanical Engineering (Regular) (Full Time)) awarded by Lovely Professional University, Phagwara, Punjab is an eligible qualification for the purpose of higher studies and employment.

The Dean, Faculty of Engineering endorsed the recommendations of the Chairman BoS in Engineering (UG- II).

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the whole matter regarding the recognition of B.Tech Degree in Mechanical Engineering (Regular) (Full Time)) awarded by Lovely Professional University, (State Private University) Phagwara, Punjab for the purpose of higher studies and employment, is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

The Academic Council considered the above matter and RESOLVED recognize B.Tech Degree in Mechanical Engineering (Regular) (Full Time)) awarded by Lovely Professional University, Phagwara, Punjab as an eligible qualification for the purpose of higher studies and employment in the field of Mechanical Engineering

36. Recognition of B.F.A. Degree in Painting (Regular) (Four Year Integrated) awarded by Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli – Consideration of- reg. (Ac.C.)
Smt.Steffymol John.J, submitted attested copies of Scheme and Syllabus of B.F.A. Degree in Painting (Regular) (Four Year Integrated) awarded by Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli for course recognition for the purpose of higher studies (Doing M.F.A. Degree of this University). The candidate had undergone 10+2 pattern of study and which is recognised by the University of Kerala.

The Chairman, BoS in Applied Arts has remarked that the Syllabus of B.F.A. course in Painting awarded by Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli has been examined and recommended for granting equivalency for the purpose of pursuing M.F.A. course at the University of Kerala. He has also marked eligibility for higher studies and employment on the proforma.

The Dean, Faculty of Fine Arts has endorsed the recommendations of the Chairman BoS in Applied Arts.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the whole matter regarding the recognition of B.F.A. Degree in Painting (Regular) (Four Year Integrated) awarded by Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli for the purpose of higher studies (Doing M.F.A. Degree of this University) and employment, is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.
The Academic Council considered the above matter and RESOLVED to recognize the B.F.A. Degree in Painting (Regular) (Four Year Integrated) awarded by Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli for the purpose of admission to MFA programme.

37. **Recognition of MSc Degree in Microbiology (Regular) awarded by Bharathiar University through Rathnavel Subramaniam College of Arts and Science (Autonomous), Sulur – Consideration of reg.**

Ref:- Request from Sri. Shiju Gunasekharan, Dtd.04/01/2019.
Sri. Shiju Gunasekharan, submitted attested copies of Scheme and Syllabus of MSc Degree in Microbiology (Regular) awarded by Bharathiar University through Rathnavel Subramaniam College of Arts and Science (Autonomous), Sulur for the purpose of higher studies and employment. The candidate had undergone 10+2 pattern of study which is recognised by the University of Kerala. He had obtained BSc Degree in Microbiology (Regular) awarded by Bharathiar University through Rathnavel Subramaniam College of Arts and Science (Autonomous), Sulur which is recognised by the University of Kerala for the purpose of higher studies and employment in the field of Microbiology.

The Chairman, BoS in Microbiology (PG) has remarked that the MSc Degree in Microbiology (Regular) awarded by Bharathiar University through Rathnavel Subramaniam College of Arts and Science (Autonomous), Sulur be recognised as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment.

The Dean, Faculty of Science has endorsed the recommendations of the Chairman BoS in Microbiology (PG).

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the whole matter regarding the recognition of MSc Degree in Microbiology (Regular) awarded by Bharathiar University through Rathnavel Subramaniam College of Arts and Science (Autonomous), Sulur for the purpose of higher studies and employment in the field of Microbiology, is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

The Academic Council considered the above matter and RESOLVED to recognize the M.Sc. Degree in Microbiology (Regular) awarded by Bharathiar University through Rathnavel Subramaniam College of Arts and Science (Autonomous), Sulur for the purpose of Higher Studies and employment in the field of Microbiology.

38. **Recognition of M.Phil. Degree in Environment Management (Regular) awarded by Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam – Consideration of -reg.**

Sri. Vishnu Sagar. M.K, has submitted attested copies of Scheme and Syllabus of M.Phil. Degree in Environment Management (Regular) awarded by Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam for course recognition for the purpose of higher studies (Doing Ph.D). The candidate had undergone 10+2 pattern of study which is recognised by the University of Kerala. He had obtained BSc Degree in Chemistry (Regular) from Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam which is recognised by the University of Kerala as equivalent to BSc Degree in Chemistry of this University. He had obtained MSc Degree in Environment Science and Management (Regular) awarded by Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam which is recognised by the University of Kerala as equivalent to M.Sc. Degree in Environmental Sciences of the University of Kerala for higher studies and job purpose related to Environmental Management Science.

The Chairman, BoS in Environmental Science has remarked that the Sri. Vishnu Sagar. M.K, submitted attested copies of Scheme and Syllabus of M.Phil. Degree in Environment Management (Regular) awarded by Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam for course recognition for the purpose of doing Ph.D. programme in Environmental Science. The comparison of syllabus with that of Kerala University has shown that about 80-90% of the M.Phil. Degree in Environment Management is similar to that of the M.Phil. Degree in Environmental Science offered by University of Kerala. Hence he is eligible for higher studies doing Ph.D. degree in Environmental Sciences.

The Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology has endorsed the recommendations of the Chairman BoS in Environmental Science.
As per orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the whole matter regarding the recognition of M.Phil. Degree in Environment Management (Regular) awarded by Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam for the purpose of higher studies (Doing Ph.D. degree in Environmental Sciences), is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

The Academic Council considered the above matter and RESOLVED to recognize the M.Phil. Degree in Environment Management (Regular) awarded by Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam for the purpose of Higher Studies in the field of Environmental Sciences.

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39. Recognition of M.Phil. Degree in Microbial Technology (Regular) awarded by Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli- Consideration of reg. (Ac.C.)

Ref:- Request from Smt. Akhila Rajan, dated 22/06/2018.

Smt. Akhila Rajan, has submitted the attested copy of Scheme and Syllabus of the M.Phil. Degree in Microbial Technology (Regular) awarded by Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli for course-recognition for the purpose of employment as Assistant Professor in Microbiology in collegiate education and the Degree as equivalent to M.Phil. Degree in Microbial Technology/ Microbiology. The candidate had undergone 10+2 pattern of study, which is recognized by the University of Kerala. She had obtained B.Sc. Degree in Zoology from the University of Kerala. She had obtained M.Sc. Degree in Micro- Biology (Regular) awarded by Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli which is recognized by the University of Kerala as sufficient qualification for doing Ph.D. in Biotechnology in this University.

The Chairman, Board of Studies in Microbiology, has sought clarification as to whether the M.Sc. Degree in Micro- Biology (Regular) awarded by Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli is recognized by the University of Kerala as an eligible qualification for employment. He has also remarked that the matter may be placed before the Board of Studies in Microbiology for a detailed discussion and decision.

It may be noted that the M.Sc. Degree in Micro- Biology (Regular) awarded by Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli is recognized by the University of Kerala for the following purposes.

1. For registration for Ph.D. in Aquatic Biology and Fisheries.
2. As sufficient qualification for registration for Ph.D. in Bio-technology
3. As sufficient qualification for registration for Ph.D. Programme in Zoology.

However, it is not seen recognized for employment.

The Annual Meeting of the Board of Studies in Microbiology (PG) held on 04-12-2018, vide item no.II.c the Board has remarked that the M.Sc. Degree in Micro- Biology (Regular) awarded by Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli is not recognized by the University of Kerala as an eligible qualification for employment. Since the basic qualification is not recognized for employment further clarification is sought as to whether the M.Phil. Degree can be recommended for recognition for the purpose of employment.

The Chairman, Board of Studies in Microbiology, has remarked that on the basis of the clarifications given by the University, the M.Phil. Degree in Microbial Technology (Regular) awarded by Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli is recommended for recognition as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment.

The Dean Faculty of Science has endorsed the remarks of the Chairman, Board of Studies in Microbiology.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor the recognition of the M.Phil. Degree in Microbial Technology (Regular) awarded by Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli for the purpose of higher studies and employment, is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

The Academic Council considered the above matter and RESOLVED to recognize the M.Phil. Degree in Microbial Technology (Regular) awarded by Manonmaniam Sundaranar University, Tirunelveli for the purpose of higher studies and employment in the field of Microbiology.

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40. Recognition of B.Sc. Degree in Chemistry (Three year Honours) (Regular) awarded by University of Calcutta – Consideration of- reg.

Recognition of M.Sc. Degree in Pure Chemistry (Regular) awarded by University of Calcutta-reg

Ref:- Request from Sri. Kaustabh Kumar Maiti dated 31/08/2018.

Sri. Kaustabh Kumar Maiti submitted the attested copies of B.Sc. Degree in Chemistry (Three year Honours) (Regular) awarded by University of Calcutta and M.Sc. Degree in Pure Chemistry (Regular) awarded by University of Calcutta for course recognition for the purpose of higher studies (Chemistry) and Ph.D Guideship (in Chemistry). The candidate had undergone 10+2 pattern of study which is recognized by the University of Kerala.

The Chairman, BoS in Chemistry (Pass) recommended to grant recognition to the B.Sc. Degree in Chemistry (Three year Honours) (Regular) awarded by University of Calcutta as an eligible qualification for higher education and employment.

The Dean Faculty of Science has endorsed the remarks of the Chairman BoS in Chemistry (Pass).

The Chairman, BoS in Chemistry (PG) has remarked that the syllabus of all theory papers have above 80% similarity and the practical papers have above 90% similarity with our University. A slight disparity arises due to the obvious content variation with modern trend and that in 1993. Hence it is recommended that the M.Sc degree (Regular) from University of Calcutta be considered as eligible for employment, higher studies and in the present case for application of guideship, in the field of Chemistry.

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

Hence as per the orders of the Vice Chancellor the whole matter regarding the recognition of the B.Sc. Degree in Chemistry (Three year Honours) (Regular) awarded by University of Calcutta as an eligible qualification for higher education and employment and M.Sc. Degree in Pure Chemistry (Regular) awarded by University of Calcutta as eligible for employment, higher studies and for applying of guideship, in the field of Chemistry is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

The Academic Council considered the above matter and RESOLVED to recognize the B.Sc. Degree in Chemistry (Three year Honours) (Regular) awarded by University of Calcutta for the purpose of Higher Studies and employment in the field of Chemistry and the M.Sc. Degree in Pure Chemistry (Regular) awarded by University of Calcutta as eligible for employment, higher studies and for Research guideship in Chemistry.

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41. Recognition of Ph.D Degree in Physics awarded by Indian Institute of Space Science and Technology, Thiruvananthapuram (Deemed – to- be- University ) - Consideration of-reg.

Ref:- Request from Sri. Rohith. M.

Sri. Rohith. M. submitted the thesis of Ph.D Degree in Physics titled “AN INVESTIGATION OF NONCLASSICAL PROPERTIES OF LIGHT USING AN OPTICAL TOMOGRAM” awarded by Indian Institute of Space Science and Technology, Thiruvananthapuram (Deemed – to- be- University ) for course-recognition for the purpose employment at Directorate of Collegiate Education, Thiruvananthapuram. It may be noted that the candidate had undergone 10+2 pattern of study and completed B.Sc and M.Sc in Physics from the University of Calcutta which are recognized by the University of Kerala. He has submitted the soft copy of his Ph.D thesis along with all mandatory documents including a copy of Certificate stating that the Ph.D degree confirms to the UGC Regulation 2009.

The Chairman, Board of Studies in Physics (PG) has examined the thesis and remarked that he has published a number of articles in journals approved UGC. The area of research comes under the broad area of Physics and hence eligibility may be granted for employment.

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

It may be noted that Chairman BoS in Physics (PG) and Dean Faculty of Science have also marked higher education and employment in the prescribed proforma.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor the whole matter regarding recognition of the Ph.D Degree in Physics awarded to Sri. Rohith. M. by Indian Institute of Space Science and Technology,
The Academic Council considered the above matter and RESOLVED to recognize the Ph.D Degree in Physics awarded to Sri. Rohith. M. by Indian Institute of Space Science and Technology, Thiruvananthapuram (Deemed - to- be- University) for the thesis titled “AN INVESTIGATION OF NONCLASSICAL PROPERTIES OF LIGHT USING AN OPTICAL TOMOGRAM” as an eligible qualification for higher education and employment in the field of Physics.

The Academic Council considered the above matter and RESOLVED to issue a Special Certificate to M.Phil students showing details in addition to those mentioned in the original certificates.

The academic council recommended the above matter and RESOLVED to consider the annual meeting of the faculty of applied sciences and technology held on 08th March 2018, while considering the item regarding syllabus of MSc Biotechnology in the minutes of the annual meeting of the BoS in Biotechnology (PG), observed course code shall be in a uniform pattern for PG courses in affiliated colleges similar to that in the University Departments. In this regard, a letter was sent to the Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology vide Letter No. Ac. AIV/2/48730.IV.B.I/2018 dt 14.06.2018 for forwarding proposals in this regard.
As per the existing pattern, for First Degree Programmes under CBCSS, course code of subjects starts with two alphabets representing name of programme, followed by four digits starting with 1, which indicates First Degree Programmes. The second digit is from 1 to 6, indicates the corresponding semesters; the third numeral indicates the type of course as follows:

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For example **CH 1341**,

- **CH** → represents course in Chemistry
- **1** → First degree programme
- **3** → Third semester
- **4** → Core Course
- **1** → 1st course of the core course in that semester

Course codes given to English and Additional language courses are:

- **.1** → BA/B.Sc.
- **.2** → B.Com.
- **.3** → Career Related Programmes

For example **EN 1111.3** is the first semester English Language course for Career Related Programmes.

In the case of PG programmes, the course code starts after 2 alphabets representing the course and then followed by 3 digits. For most of the MA/MSc programmes the first digit is 2. The second digit represents the semester and the third digit represents corresponding paper. In the case of elective papers, an alphabet or a digit is added after the code. But certain programmes have difference in course code i.e. for MCA, MSc Computer Science, M.Sc. Biotechnology etc.

For B.Ed. programmes the course code starts with EDU then followed by digits 01,02,03 so on which represents the papers in each semester. In the course code the digits after decimal that varies from 1 to 13 represents papers for 13 stream of B.Ed programmes (i.e. **1** → Malayalam,**2** → English........13 → Home science) For M.Ed. programmes the course code are abbreviations of the subject name. For B.Tech Programmes the first two digits in the course code represents the scheme and the following digits specify the semester. LLB degree could not have any specific subject code except for languages which are MN, HN, FRN( French). LLM degree do not possess any subject code

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the matter is placed before the Academic Council for consideration and recommendations.

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**The Academic Council considered the above matter and RESOLVED** that the existing system shall continue for the time being.

44. **Granting of internal marks- recommendations of the Sub Committee of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate**

**Committee of the Syndicate-consideration of –reg. (Ac. AIV)**

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 12.05.2017 considered the recommendations of the Sub Committee of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations and Students Discipline on granting internal marks for courses and the Syndicate approved the same. Before implementing the Syndicate resolution, the Vice Chancellor ordered that the Sub Committee recommendations be placed before the respective Boards of Studies for consideration. As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor the report submitted by the Sub-committee on granting internal marks for various courses offered was placed before various Boards of Studies and placed below are the recommendations of various Boards of Studies under different Faculties on the recommendations of the sub-committee report. (Sub Committee recommendations appended)
The recommendations of some of the BoS are not agreed with the subcommittee recommendations and modifications were also suggested. Certain BoS suggested to continue the existing pattern in internal marks distribution and some of the BoS agreed with the recommendations.

- The Boards of Studies under Faculty of Social Sciences have different opinions on the matter. However the Faculty of Social Sciences recommended that
  a. (7) Regarding the split up marks for seminars 2 marks may be awarded for presentation and 1 mark for quality may be dispensed with.
  b. (8) Regarding the actual marks of test papers the base should be 10 instead of 5.
  c. (9) The provision of improvement of CA marks should not be extended to all courses.
  d. The recommendations from 10 to 14 seem to contradict each other and lack clarity. Hence need further deliberations.
  e. Regarding the recommendation no. 15 the internal marks once communicated to the University may be permitted change within a stipulated time and reasonable grounds as communicated by the Principal.
  f. The word Regular is to be substituted by ‘A’ in the recommendation no.16
  g. Regarding the recommendation no. 18, for non professional UG courses 40% of the internal marks be insisted upon instead of the proposed 35%

- Majority of the Boards of Studies under the Faculty of Oriental Studies agreed with the subcommittee recommendation and some of them suggested certain modifications in it. But the Faculty recommended to go by the decision of the Academic Council on granting of internal marks.

- Board of Studies under the Faculty of Arts accepted the recommendation except the BoS in Philosophy (Pass). They expressed their disapproval to the recommendations 6,7,8 and suggested modifications. The Faculty recommended to go by the recommendations of the Standing committee of the Syndicate on granting of Internal marks.

- Board of Studies under the Faculty of Science have also suggested modifications in the recommendations of the report except the Boards Mathematics (PG), Geology (Pass & PG), Home science (Pass & PG), Geography, Microbiology, Aquatic Biology & Fisheries, they have approved the recommendations as such. BoS in Biochemistry opined to adhere to the regulations of our University.

The Faculty of Science recommended that “the Board considered all the recommendation of the Subcommittee of the Standing Committee and noticed that items 6,7 and 8 indicate only 15 marks out of the required 25 marks. So in item 8 actual marks of the Test papers may be converted to the base of 10 and another component ‘Assignments’ may be included with total 5 marks.”

- The Board of Studies in Commerce (Pass) under the Faculty of Commerce accepted the recommendation of the Subcommittee in toto. The BoS in Commerce (PG) suggested modification that the split up of 25 marks of internal components (as dealt in item no. 6,7 & 8 of the recommendations) is to be changed as – Attendance: 5 marks, Test: 10 marks, Seminar : 5 marks, Assignment: 5 marks. The Faculty recommended the same.

- The Boards of Studies under the Faculty of Management Studies accepted the recommendations.

- Under the Faculty of Fine Arts, the BoS in Music (Pass), BoS in Performing and Visual Arts accepted the recommendation where as the BoS in Applied Arts recommended to follow the existing. BoS in Music (PG) approved the recommendation with a suggestion that for non professional PG courses 40% for internal marks with an aggregate of 45% for overall pass including external.

- For Faculty of Applied Sciences and Technology, certain BoS agreed with recommendation while certain suggested modifications and approved. BoS in Environmental Sciences opined to follow the existing pattern

- The BoS in Law (Pass) under the Faculty of Law and not accepted the recommendation.

- The BoS in Education (Pass) under the Faculty of Education recommended not to change the existing criteria.
In general a majority of the BoS are in agreement only with modifications in certain clauses of the recommendations of the subcommittee.

Since the recommendations of the Boards of Studies are not uniform, it is not clear whether the Syndicate resolution may be implemented likewise or incorporating suggestions/changes recommended by the Boards of Studies.

As per the orders of the Vice- Chancellor the matter was placed before the Standing Committee of the Academic Council held on 12.02.2019 and the Committee considered vide item no 34 and recommended to place the matter before the Academic Council. Therefore the matter is placed before the Academic Council for consideration appropriate recommendations.

The Academic Council considered the above matter and RESOLVED to refer the matter to the Syndicate.

45. First Degree Programme in Hindi CBCS system - Rectification of anomalies in the syllabus - 2017 admissions – Consideration of reg. (Ac.AV)


The Board of Studies in Hindi (Pass) recommended to effect the following changes/corrections in the Syllabus of First Degree Programme in Hindi under CBCS system introduced w.e.f 2017 admissions

1) The title of the paper HN 1212.2 - Common course Additional Language B.Com of Second semester – “Poetry, Translation, Technical Terminology and Communication” shall be changed to “Poetry, Translation and Technical Terminology” w.e.f 2018 admission and so Module III from the syllabus shall be omitted.

2) The text book prescribed for Complementary Course VI (Development of Hindi as official Language and Communicative Hindi (Compulsory)) doesn’t cover portions mentioned in Module–3 of the Syllabus. The board decided to add an Additional book as reference book covering the matter in module – 3 w.e.f 2018 admissions.

3) A few chapters from the text “भारतीय साहित्य” of Complementary course VII (HN 1431) Indian Literature (Compulsory) w. e. f 2017 admissions, shall be omitted. Chapters to be omitted are,
   i) chapters 5, 6, 7 from Khand I
   ii) “वारिश शह से”, “लहलहाता धन येत”, and “एक अविस्मरणीय यात्रा” from Khand II.

4) In Complementary Course VIII- Scriptwriting & Advertisement (HN 1432) the prescribed text book “Pat Katha Kaise Likhem” and reference book “Vigyapan kala” doesn’t contain matter mentioned in Module-4. The board decided to add an additional book as reference book covering the matter in Module-4 w.e.f 2017 admission. The board also decided to omit a few chapters from these text books. The portions omitted are
   i) From the text book “Pat katha kaise Likhem” - Chapters 16, 23, 26 and 29 may be omitted. From reference text ‘Vigyapan kala’ the lesson ‘vigyapan ki bhasha’: shaili vigyan may be omitted.
   ii) In common course IV – Drama, Translation and Correspondence (HN 1411.1) of IV semester, the board found the content insufficient and resolve to add one more drama text namely ‘Kaala pathar’ by Dr. Sukhesh Shukla, ‘Chandra’ as non-detailed text w.e.f 2017 admissions. The text already prescribed namely ‘Bina deewarom ke ghar’ by Mannu Bhandari is for detailed study. The translation passages 6 to 10 from the prescribed text ‘Vyakaran thatha rachana’ by Dr. Girijakumari may be omitted.

5) The name of the book for foundation course II (HN 1321) is “soochana evam Sanganak” published by Kerala University and edited by Dr. M.S. Umayachandran and Dr. Krishna Kumar Pillai. This may be added in page 13 of the syllabus.

6) In the text book “sharika” edited by Smt. Sreeja.S and published by Vani Prakasha for Common Course III (HN 1311.1) the 6th Poem “ghar ke or” by Naresh Mehta mentioned in page 9 of the syllabus is omitted and so doesn’t come in the text book. Instead of this poem “Ujala” by Uday Prakash is added and is included in the text book. These changes have been communicated to the question paper setters by the University.
8) In page No.10 and 41 of the syllabus name of the text for B.Com (semester 2) HN 1211.2: Poetry, Translation and Technical terminology may be added as “Naveen Sankalan” Bhag 2, published by Kerala University.

9) The name of the text book for Career-related B.Com Semester I (HN 1111.4:Kahani aur Anuvad) is “Kahani Sankalan thatha Vyavaharik Hindi” published by orient black swan and edited by a committee constituted by Kerala university comprising of Dr.R.Girijakumari, Dr.Sunil Kumar, Dr.Sasikala Namboothiri, Dr.Haripriya and Dr.Asha.Y. The name of the book and publishers may be added in page 12, 13, 42 and 43 of the syllabus.

10) Name of the text for Semester I Career-related BA/B.Sc (HN 1111.3) is “Kavya Sushama” edited by Dr.K.Sushama and published by Rajpal & Sons,delhi. This may be added in page 11 of the syllabus.

The Dean, Faculty of Oriental Studies endorsed the above recommendations of the Board of Studies in Hindi (Pass).

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the matter was placed before the Standing Committee of the Academic Council held on 12.02.2019(item No.3) and the Committee recommended that the item be placed before the ensuing Academic Council.

As ordered by the Vice-Chancellor, the matter is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

The Academic Council considered the above matter and RESOLVED to refer the matter back to the Board of studies to revise the syllabus after conducting a workshop and to present the syllabus before the next meeting of the Academic Council.

46. **Inclusion of Syriac as Additional Language Course to Career-related First Degree Programmes under CBCS System 2018 admission onwards**

As per the scheme and syllabus of Career-related First Degree Programmes Syriac is not a permissible additional language course. But the names of sixteen students of Mar Chrysostom College of Arts and Science Adoor had been registered for additional language course Syriac which is not offered as additional language course for the programme and these students were not permitted to write the first semester examination of the academic year 2018-19.

The Chairman Board of Studies in Hebrew and Syriac has requested to introduce Syriac as additional language course to Career-related programmes and requested to conduct examinations for the candidates for second semester in the current academic year with a new syllabus. The file along with the request was forwarded to academic section by the Controller of Examinations to proceed on the matter and to issue a order for the conduct of examinations in the current year itself as requested by the Chairman.

The Board of Studies in Hebrew and Syriac at its additional meeting held on 17.12.2018 recommended the following:

"With regard to the grievance of Mar Chrysostom College, as it is learnt that, the conduct of examination of Syriac as Language Course II for the first semester Career Related FDP - CBCS B. Com. students of the College is being withheld, which was ought to be conducted along with the recently held first semester FDP examinations and as the hall tickets for the said exam with Syriac as additional language were already issued to the students of that College and they appeared other examinations, except Syriac, in time, the BoS in Hebrew and Syriac recommend the following:

a. The Vice Chancellor may, with the special power vested upon him and considering it a very rare, purely special case and for the time being only, grant permission to conduct the examination soon based upon the syllabus the students have already learnt as well as on the CE marks they have secured and adjust the credits accordingly, so that any anxiety of and burden on the students can be avoided and they will not lose their chance.

b. The students may be permitted to continue learning Syriac as additional language in the second semester, which will commence soon, with the new syllabus prepared and finalized for it now after its approval by the concerned bodies immediately or, as it is a crisis situation, approving it by the Vice Chancellor at his earliest convenience and with his special power."
c. Even after considering all the possibilities to conduct the exam as it is recommended in a. above, if technical problem still remains, let the students improve the first semester examination after having been taught the new syllabus in the next academic year without being burdened even on financial matters and allow them to continue as recommended in b. above.
d. If the syllabus for the second semester is not approved and implemented soon, the students will be forced to be left untaught and unattended during the class hours for Syriac, while others learn other languages, which in turn will severely affect the discipline of the College, the morale of the students and the best objectives of education.
e. Compelling the students to opt a new additional language after the completion of a semester and appear for the exam as improvement is totally injustice. Moreover, as the second semester portions are continuation of the first semester, how can they be asked to opt a new additional language and attend the classes and examination in the second semester?

We feel that it is very cruel to ask the students to take up the whole burden of either opting a new additional language or learning the entire new syllabus of Syriac again and appear for the exam, for both of which they will have to attend special classes along with the scheduled teaching hours for other courses and also without the CE marks properly given.”

The Board of Studies also finalised the syllabus of additional language course Syriac for Career-related programmes 2018 admissions (copy appended).

The Dean, Faculty of Oriental Studies strongly recommended the remarks of the Chairman and endorsed the same.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor the recommendations of the Board of Studies in Hebrew and Syriac as endorsed the Dean, Faculty of Oriental Studies was placed before the Standing Committee on Academic Council held on 12.02.2019(item No.9) and the committee recommended that the item be placed before the ensuing Academic Council.

As ordered by the Vice-Chancellor, the matter is placed before the Academic Council for consideration

The Academic Council considered the above matter and RESOLVED to approve the recommendations of the Board of Studies in Hebrew and Syriac held on 17.12.2018, and the faculty concerned. Further resolved to authorize the Syndicate to look into the lapse on the part of the College.

47. Recognition of Ph.D Degree in Physics awarded by Manonmaniam Sundaranar University- Consideration of reg. (Ac.C.)


Smt. Dipunadas. C. N., submitted the thesis of Ph.D. Degree in Physics awarded by Manonmaniam Sundaranar University titled “SPECTROSCOPIC INVESTIGATIONS OF FLAVONOID COMPOUNDS WITH THE AID OF DENSITY FUNCTIONAL THEORY” for course recognition for the purpose of higher studies and employment in the field of Physics. The candidate had obtained B.Sc degree in Physics, M.Sc degree in Physics and B.Ed Physical Science from University of Kerala. She also obtained M.Phil degree in Physics from Manonmaniam Sundaranar University which is recognized by the University of Kerala.

The Chairman, Board of Studies in Physics (PG) recommended to grant recognition to the Ph.D. Degree in Physics awarded by Manonmaniam Sundaranar University for the purpose of employment in the area of Physics. The Dean, Faculty of Sciences has endorsed the recommendations of the Chairman, BoS in Physics (PG).

Hence, the whole matter regarding the recognition of Ph.D. Degree in Physics awarded by Manonmaniam Sundaranar University titled “SPECTROSCOPIC INVESTIGATIONS OF FLAVONOID COMPOUNDS WITH THE AID OF DENSITY FUNCTIONAL THEORY” for the purpose of employment in the area of Physics is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

The Academic Council considered the above matter and RESOLVED to recognize the PhD Degree in Physics awarded to Smt.Dipunadas C.N by Manonmaniam Sundaranar University for the thesis titled “SPECTROSCOPIC INVESTIGATIONS OF FLAVONOID COMPOUNDS WITH THE AID OF DENSITY FUNCTIONAL THEORY” for the purpose of higher studies and employment in the field of Physics
48. Recognition of Bachelor of Music Degree (Distance) awarded by University of Madras – Consideration of -reg.- (Ac.C.)

Ref:- Request from Sri. Ranjith.V.R.

Sri. Ranjith.V.R. has submitted the Scheme and Syllabus of Bachelor of Music Degree (Distance) awarded by University of Madras for course recognition for the purpose of employment as Music Teacher. He had undergone 10+2 pattern of study which is recognized by the University of Kerala.

The Chairman, Board of Studies in Music (Pass) has remarked that the Bachelor of Music (Distance) Degree awarded by Madras University can be recognized as equivalent to B.A. Music (Regular) of University of Kerala.

The Dean, Faculty of Fine Arts remarked that the B.A. Music (Regular) Degree of Kerala University is a regular practical oriented 3 year course and an equivalency certificate cannot be issued. Hence he opined that an eligibility certificate can be issued to the candidate who has passed Bachelor of Music (Distance) Degree. He further remarked that, if needed, the BoS (Pass) may reconsider this issue, since the decision will create a precedence.

Then, the file was once again sent for the remarks of the Chairman, BoS in Music (Pass) and it was recommended that the case may be placed before the ensuing meeting of the Board of Studies (Pass) for further discussion.

Hence the whole matter regarding the recognition of Bachelor of Music (Distance) Degree awarded by University of Madras for the purpose of employment was placed before the Board of Studies in Music (Pass) for consideration. The Board recommended for eligibility (instead of equalization), since the pattern of the said B.Mus Degree is different from that of B.A Music.

The recommendations were placed before the Academic Council held on 15th April 2017 as part of Faculty minutes vide item no. 8.5. The Academic Council resolved to refer the matter to the Board of Studies in Music (Pass) for more clarity in the recommendations.

The Board of Studies in Music (Pass) held on 08/01/2018, considered the matter and recommended that the pattern of B.Mus Degree course (Annual-IDE) of the University of Madras is different from that of B.A Music of Kerala University with respect to the number of Language papers, subsidiary subjects etc. So, recognition cannot be given to Bachelor of Music Degree (Distance) of Madras University.

The Dean, Faculty of Fine Arts has recommended to grant recognition to the said course as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment.

Hence the whole matter regarding recognition of Bachelor of Music Degree (Distance) awarded by University of Madras for the purpose of employment as Music Teacher, is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

| The Academic Council considered the above matter and resolved to recognize the Bachelor of Music Degree(Distance mode) awarded by University of Madras as an undergraduate Degree in Music. |

49. Recognition of B.Com. With specialization in Finance (Regular) awarded by Christ University (Deemed)- Consideration of -reg.- (Ac.C.)

Ref:- Request from Smt. Meera Varghese dated 04/01/2019

Smt. Meera Varghese submitted the scheme and syllabus of B.Com. with specialization in Finance (Regular) awarded by Christ University (Deemed) for course recognition for the purpose of both higher studies and employment. The candidate had obtained 10+2 pattern of study which is recognized by University of Kerala.

The Chairman, Board of Studies in Commerce(Pass) has recommended to grant recognition to the B.Com, with specialization in Finance (Regular) awarded by Christ University (Deemed) as an eligible qualification for higher studies and employment. The Dean, Faculty of Commerce has endorsed the remarks of the Chairman Bos in Commerce(Pass)

As per Orders of the Vice Chancellor, the whole matter regarding the recognition of B.Com. with specialization in Finance (Regular) awarded by Christ University (Deemed) for the purpose of both higher studies and employment is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.
The Academic Council considered the above matter and RESOLVED to recognize the B.Com. with specialization in Finance (Regular) awarded by Christ University (Deemed) for the purpose higher studies and employment in the field of Commerce.

50. Recognition of B.A triple main (Sanskrit, History, Philosophy) (Regular) Degree awarded by Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit – Consideration of - reg.- (Ac.C.)

Ref: Request from Sri. Sajaneesh V.P.

Sri. Sajaneesh V.P has submitted the Scheme and Syllabus of B.A triple main (Sanskrit, History, Philosophy) (Regular) Degree awarded by Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit for course recognition for the purpose of doing M.A History. The candidate has undergone 10+2 pattern of study, which is recognized by the University of Kerala. The B.A triple main (Sanskrit, History, Philosophy) Degree of Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit is recognized by the University of Kerala as equivalent to B.A Sanskrit for higher studies including B.Ed and equivalent to B.A degree in Philosophy of Kerala University for higher studies.

The Chairman, BoS History (Pass) recommended to grant recognition to the B.A triple main (Sanskrit, History, Philosophy) (Regular) Degree awarded by Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit and marked higher education and employment in the proforma.

The Dean, Faculty of Social Science endorsed the recommendations of the Chairman, BoS in History (Pass) and marked equivalency and higher education and employment in proforma.

The file was placed on Standing Committee on Academic Council held on 17/12/2018. The Committee recommended that the matter of recognition of B.A triple main (Sanskrit, History, Philosophy) (Regular) Degree awarded by Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit be placed before the next Academic Council.

The candidate has submitted a request stating that he is now working as an Assistant Professor in N.S.S College Pandalam from 2018 June onwards and he is yet to receive his approval. He has requested to recognize his UG degree so as to enable him to get eligibility certificate for his PG degree.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the file was placed in Standing Committee on Academic Council held on 12/2/2019. The committee decided to place the file in Academic Council.

51. Extending the criteria of roll out in API scores- Consideration of - reg. (Ac.F.II)

As per U.O No.Ac FII/general/UGC R-2010/2018 dated 30.11.2018, the Academic Council at its meeting held on 05.10.2018 has resolved that UGC Regulation 2010 shall be treated as implemented in the University w.e.f 23.02.2016.

It may be noted that as per UGC Regulation 2010, in order to remedy the difficulties of collecting retrospective information and to facilitate the implementation of these Regulations from 31.12.2008 in the CAS promotion, the API based PBAS will be progressively and prospectively rolled out. Thus if a Teacher is considered for CAS promotion in 2010, one year API scores for 2009-10 alone will be required for assessment. In case of a teacher being considered for CAS promotion in 2011, two years average of API Scores for these categories will be required for assessment and so on leading progressively for the complete assessment period.

The above condition has therefore been adhered to by the University even when the Regulation 2010 was implemented w.e.f 23.11.2013 and API Scores were assessed for 2009-10, 2010-11, 2011-12 and 2012-13. Thus all CAS Promotions consequent on UGC Regulation 2010 have so far been granted to all teachers including University teachers and teachers of affiliated Colleges on the basis of progressive roll out of API Scores for 2009-10 onwards.
Consequent on the verdict of the Apex court on SLP, effectively fixing the date of implementation of the UGC Regulation 2010 on 23.02.2016, the Academic Council had resolved to implement the Regulation 2010 and, interalia, to simplify the templates. But no decision was taken to shift the roll out to 2015-16.

As per the UGC Regulations 2010, for Category III, maintenance of past record is done on a normal basis by teachers and hence no difficulty is envisaged in applying the API Scores for this category for the entire assessment period. In this Category an aggregate minimum score is required for promotion over each stage.

The Convenor, standing Committee of the Syndicate on Teaching and Non-teaching staff of Private Colleges vide his letter dated 24.01.2019 has pointed out that the Academic Council resolution does not contain any modifications to the original Regulation 2010, relating to the roll out of API Scores. Hence it has been requested that orders shall be granted to the effect that one year API Scores for 2015-16, alone will be required for assessment for a teacher whose promotion is due in 2016. Progressive compounding of the API Scores will be applied to ensuing years proportionately. It has also been requested that necessary instructions be given to incorporate the above mentioned points in the amended resolution.

The meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Teaching and Non-Teaching Staff of Private Colleges held on 29.01.2019 considered the proposal for extending the criteria of roll out of API Scores to take effect from 2015-16 onwards in view of the implementation of UGC Regulations, 2010 w.e.f 23.02.2016 in respect of University of Kerala and recommended to agree with the proposal. The Standing Committee further recommended that the Vice Chancellor may exercise the powers vested him by Clause 10(13) of Kerala University Act 1974, to approve the proposal subject to reporting to Academic Council.

The Syndicate at its meeting held on 01.02.2019 resolved to approve the same vide Item No. 03.00.01. The Vice Chancellor had ordered to place the matter before the Academic Council, while implementing the Syndicate minutes. Hence the matter is placed before the Academic Council for consideration and recommendation.

The Academic Council considered the above matter and RESOLVED to insist on rollout of API scores of teachers for CAS promotions under UGC regulations 2010 from 2015-16 onwards only, in the context of the regulations being implemented with effect from 23.02.2016.

Dr. Anil Kumar S. Member, Academic Council expressed his dissent.

52. Recognition of BCA (Regular) degree awarded by Makhanlal Chaturvedi Rashtriya Patrakarita Viswa Vidyalaya, Bhopal through KPS Academy of Computer Science (Off Campus centre), Karetu, Trivandrum—Consideration of -reg. (Ac.C)

Ref:- Request from Smt. Salini B.L

Smt. Salini B.L has submitted the copy of scheme and syllabus of the BCA (Regular) degree awarded by Makhanlal Chaturvedi Rashtriya Patrakarita Vishwa Vidyalaya, Bhopal through KPS Academy of Computer Science(Off Campus centre), Karetu, Trivandrum for course recognition for the purpose of higher studies and employment. The candidate has completed 10+2 pattern of study which is recognised by the University of Kerala.

When the file was forwarded for remarks of the Chairman Board of Studies in Computer Science (Pass), the Chairman has remarked that admission criteria of our University is different from that University and the Hon' ble court has directed to consider this as a special case. So the Chairman has recommended that the whole matter may be placed before the Board of Studies in Computer Science (Pass).

In fact the applicant was admitted to the MBA programme on the basis of the said degree and was awarded the MBA degree of University of Kerala. Meanwhile, the Academic Council has resolved that off campus programme of other Universities may be recognized provided the BOS and Faculty consider the issue specifically and recommend. This was in the context of court directions recognizing off campus programmes of other Universities including the BCA(Off campus) of Mahatma Gandhi University.

Regarding recognition of degrees awarded through distance mode (off campus programmes) the Academic Council has resolved that such degrees may be recognized on obtaining specific recommendations of the concerned Board of Studies and Faculty, and the DEC approval to the
distance programme of the University.

The Board of Studies in Computer Science (Pass) verified the Scheme and syllabus of the Programme and discussed the direction of the Hon'ble court and considered this as a special case. The syllabus is closely similar to the syllabus of University of Kerala and Pass minimum is also same. Considering these, the board has decided to recommend BCA (Regular) degree awarded by Makhanlal Chaturvedi Rashtriya Patrakarita Viswa Vidyalaya, Bhopal through KPS Academy of Computer Science (Off Campus centre), Karetu, Trivandrum, as an eligible qualification for higher studies under University of Kerala.

The Dean, Faculty of Applied Science and Technology endorsed the recommendations of the Board of Studies in Computer Science (Pass). In this context it may be noted that the distance programme of various Universities conducted in centres inside Kerala have been recognized upto 2017 admission. This include Madurai Kamaraj University, Annamalai University, Bharathiar University etc.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the whole matter was placed before the Standing Committee of Academic Council and the committee recommended to place the file before the Academic Council.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the matter regarding the recognition of BCA (Regular) degree awarded by Makhanlal Chaturvedi Rashtriya Patrakarita Viswa Vidyalaya, Bhopal through KPS Academy of Computer Science (Off Campus centre), Karetu, Trivandrum for the purpose of higher studies and employment under the University of Kerala, is placed before the Academic Council for Consideration.

The Academic Council considered the above matter and RESOLVED to recognize the BCA (Off Campus) Degree awarded by Makhanlal Chaturvedi Rashtriya Patrakarita Viswa Vidyalaya, Bhopal for a purpose of higher studies and employment.

The Academic Council considered the above matter and RESOLVED to recognize the BCA (Off Campus) Degree awarded by Makhanlal Chaturvedi Rashtriya Patrakarita Viswa Vidyalaya, Bhopal for a purpose of higher studies and employment.


Ref:- Minutes of the Combined meeting of Standing Committee of Academic Council and Standing Committee of Syndicate on Academics and Research, held on 13/02/2019.

The Academic Council held on 5th October, 2018 vide item no. I. 8, resolved to simplify the procedure of granting Recognition/Eligibility of Degrees. Further resolved that a combined meeting of Standing Committee of Academic Council and Standing Committee of Syndicate on Academics and Research be convened to study and submit a report on this matter.

As per the Regulations of the University, the Academic Council is aided by the advice of the Board of Studies in the concerned subject and the Faculty concerned in the above matter.

As per Chapter IV Section 25 clause (xii) of the Kerala University Act 1974, the Academic Council of the University is entrusted with the power to accord equivalence to the degrees awarded by other Universities.

The Regulations have already provided for recognition of all regular degrees of similar nomenclature awarded by all Statutory Universities. Even where similar degrees are not offered by the University, those awarded by Statutory Universities and Institutions of National importance are recognized as degrees. Specific equivalence or recognition for any specific purpose like higher studies or employment is done after a detailed study of scheme and syllabus by the Board of Studies/Faculty.

A frequent complaint raised against the University is relating to non-recognition of degrees awarded by certain institutions like IISER which conducts integrated Life science programme for a duration of five years. Holders of this degree approach the university and seek the same degree to be equated with degrees like M.Sc Botany, M.Sc Zoology, M.Sc Biochemistry, M.Sc Biotechnology, M.Sc Microbiology etc. It is quite evident that a single degree cannot be equated with degrees in the disciplines on the basis of syllabus equity.

Rather than compelling the University and its academic bodies to do the impossible it would be better if the approving authority like PSC be directed to make suitable modifications in their notifications for appointments by eliminating the equivalence clause. This would be appropriate since the legal issue which otherwise might crop up in trying to override the powers conferred upon the Academic Council might be avoided.
As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the whole matter, was placed before the combined meeting of Standing Committee of Academic Council and Standing Committee of Syndicate on Academics and Research for consideration.

As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor, the whole matter regarding the procedure of Recognition of Examinations/Degrees of State Boards/Statutory Universities/Deemed Universities/Other Institutions, is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

The Academic Council considered the above matter and RESOLVED to authorize Vice Chancellor to arrange for holding special meetings of the Board of Studies and Faculties in Sciences and Applied Sciences, along with conducting workshops, to suitably modify the post graduate syllabus in order to incorporate advanced topics, in line with institutions of national importance, by reducing the repetition of content in the under graduate syllabus except for purpose of consolidation.

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54. Request from HOD, Department of Psychology for effecting correction in the M.Phil. Consulting Psychology result 2017-2018 batch – Consideration of -reg. (CSS)

The HOD, Dept. of Psychology has forwarded the results for M.Phil. Consulting Psychology on 19.12.2018. But later the HoD has submitted a letter stating that a calculation error had occurred for one candidate Smt. Reshmi V.R. Reg no: PSY 170703. The department doctoral committee held on 17.01.2019 discussed the issue and resolved to request the Vice Chairman, CSS to return the mark list for correction. The Vice Chairman, CSS has recommended to place the matter before the CSS Academic Committee.

The CSS Academic Committee in its meeting held on 21.02.2019 vide item no:2, the CSS Academic Committee recommended to refer the item to the Academic Council. The Hon’ble Vice Chancellor has approved the Minutes. Copy of the short minutes attached. The matter is placed before the Academic Council for approval.

The Academic Council considered the above matter and noted the action of the Vice Chancellor in having approved the minutes.

55. Request received from Susan George, MSW student for a mercy chance – Consideration of - reg: (CSS)

A request for mercy chance received from Smt. Susan George was forwarded by the Ac All section for placing before the CSS Academic Committee. Susan George was a student of MSW programme during the year 2012-2014 with Reg. no: MSW 120522/2014. She has cleared all papers in the IV th semester except Field work and Viva Voce. She has made a representation to the Registrar University of Kerala that she may be allowed a mercy chance to attend her Field work and Viva Voce. The matter was placed before the CSS Academic Committee with the remarks from the HoD, Dept. of Sociology for necessary recommendations.

The CSS Academic Committee in its meeting held on 21.02.2019 vide item no:4 recommended to refer the item to the Academic Council. The Hon’ble Vice Chancellor has approved the Minutes. Copy of the short minutes attached. The matter is placed before the Academic Council for approval.

The Academic Council considered the above matter and noted the action of the Vice Chancellor in having approved the minutes.

56. Seeking Recognition for the new External Elective for First semester M.A. Political Science from academic year 2019-2020. – Consideration of - reg: (CSS)

The Head of Department, Dept. of Political Science, University of Kerala has forwarded a proposal with syllabus for offering an External elective by the Department.

The classes of this course will be engaged by Prof. Nikos Marantzidis, Dept. of Balkan, Slavic and Oriental Studies, University of Macedonia, Greece, who will visit in the Department under the Scholar In Residence Programme and it may be further benefitted to the students of various departments of University of Kerala.

The CSS Academic Committee in its meeting held on 21.02.2019 vide item no:7 recommended the proposal with syllabus for offering an External elective by the Dept. of Political Science to place
before the Academic Council. The Hon’ble Vice Chancellor has approved the Minutes. Copy of the short minutes attached. The matter is placed before the Academic Council for approval.

| The Academic Council considered the above matter and noted the action of the Vice Chancellor in having approved the minutes. |

57. Amendment to PG regulation of Teaching Departments of University of Kerala 2017–
Consideration of - reg: (CSS)

CSS Academic Committee in its meeting held on 07.01.2019 recommended to approve the proposal to conduct admission for Post Graduate programmes based on entrance test only, as most of the Universities are following the same procedure. As such clauses 3.5 & 3.9 of the Post Graduate Regulations of Teaching Departments of University of Kerala, 2017 have to be amended as follows:

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<td><strong>1. Clause 3.5</strong></td>
<td>Rank list for admissions shall be prepared based on the Entrance examination score. For sponsored candidates, ranking shall be based on 80%, weightage for CGPA/aggregate marks at bachelor level and 10% for work experience (1%/year) and 10% for an interview conducted by Department Council. The rank list shall be published in the admission website of the University.</td>
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<td>Rank list for admissions shall be prepared by giving equal weightage to entrance exam performance and CGPA of bachelors degree for semesters upto 5 years in case of 6-semester programme and penultimate semester/year for other programmes. For sponsored candidates, ranking shall be based on 80%, weightage for CGPA/aggregate marks at bachelor level and 10% for work experience (1%/year) and 10% for an interview conducted by Department Council. The rank list shall be published and the rank position shall be formally communicated to each candidates.</td>
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<td><strong>2. Clause 3.9</strong></td>
<td>The candidates should be qualified at the time of Admission for the P.G. programme</td>
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<td>Candidates ranked for admission shall present themselves for verification of records on announced date and time. The original certificates except transfer certificate shall be returned the same day after verification by respective Heads of Departments. Candidates shall pay prescribed fees of two kinds (i) one-time fee to be paid at the time of admission only and (ii) tuition fee to be paid in each semester. Tuition fee in each stream shall be the same.</td>
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The CSS Academic Committee recommended the proposal of amendment to clauses 3.5 & 3.9 of the Post Graduate Regulations of Teaching Departments of University of Kerala, 2017 to place before the Academic Council. The Hon’ble Vice Chancellor has approved the Minutes. Copy of the short minutes attached. The matter is placed before the Academic Council for approval.

| The Academic Council considered the above matter and noted the action of the Vice Chancellor in having approved the minutes. |

58. Request received from HOD Dept, of Futures Studies recommendations for approval of syllabus.– Consideration of - reg: (CSS)

The HOD, Dept. of Futures Studies has forwarded the Syllabus and eligibility for the M.Sc. Programme in Data Science to be offered by the Department from 2019 admission onwards.

The CSS Academic Committee in its meeting held on 21.02.2019 vide item no:9 recommended the syllabus and eligibility for M.Sc. Programme in Data Science offered by the Dept. of Futures Studies to place before the Academic Council.
The Hon’ble Vice Chancellor has approved the Minutes. Copy of the short minutes attached. The matter is placed before the Academic Council for approval.

**The Academic Council considered the above matter and noted** the action of the Vice Chancellor in having approved the minutes.

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The HoDs of Dept. of Computer Science, Futures Studies and Optoelectronics have submitted request for shifting from 4 point scale to 10 point scale for M.Tech Programmes from 2017 admission onwards.

The Grades and Grade Points are given below.

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<td>90% and above</td>
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<td>A (Very Good)</td>
<td>8.5</td>
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<td>8</td>
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1. The minimum required grade for the successful completion of any course shall be a “D” grade
2. The minimum cumulative grade for the successful completion of the M.Tech programme shall be a “C” grade.

The CSS Academic Committee in its meeting held on 18.01.2019 vide item no:2 recommended that the proposed grading system may be implemented for the M.Tech programmes under credit and semester system with effect from 2017 admission onwards subject to reporting to the academic council. The Hon’ble Vice Chancellor has approved the Minutes. Copy of the short minutes attached. The matter is placed before the Academic Council for approval.

**The Academic Council considered the above matter and noted** the action of the Vice Chancellor in having approved the minutes.

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60. **Recognition of M.A degree in English awarded by University of Madras through Justice Basheer Ahmed Sayeed College for Women(Autonomous) –Consideration of - reg: (ACc)**

Ref:- Request from Smt.Krishna Menon dtd 07/01/2019

Smt.Krishna Menon has submitted the Scheme and Syllabus of M.A degree in English awarded by University of Madras through Justice Basheer Ahmed Sayeed College for Women(Autonomous) for course recognition for the purpose of getting equivalency with M.A degree in English of University of Kerala. She had completed B.A degree in English Language and Literature from University of Madras through Justice Basheer Ahmed Sayeed College for Women(Autonomous), which is recognized by the University of Kerala as equivalent to B.A degree in English Language and Literature of this University.

The Chairman and Dean, Faculty of Arts remarked that based on the scrutiny of the Syllabus of University of Madras through Justice Basheer Ahmed Sayeed College for Women(Autonomous), recognition can be given. She has also marked equivalency and eligibility for higher studies and employment in the proforma.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor the whole matter regarding the recognition of MA English awarded by University of Madras through Justice Basheer Ahmed Sayeed College for Women (Autonomous), for the purpose of getting equivalency with M.A degree in English of
University of Kerala, is placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

The Academic Council considered the above matter and **RESOLVED** to recognize the MA English awarded by University of Madras through Justice Basheer Ahmed Sayeed College for Women (Autonomous), as equivalent to MA Degree in English Language and Literature.

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61. **Representation from Mr. Asif Ayoob for grace marks for having invited to United Nations for presenting his final year B.Tech project – Appeal – Consideration of – reg. (Ad.Misc.)**

**Ref:-**

1. **Letter from the Principal TKM College of Engineering Kollam No. P1/1/305/2018 dated 25.10.2018, forwarding the representation made by Mr. Asif Ayoob dated 15.10.2018, for award of grace marks.**

2. **Letter from the Principal TKM College of Engineering Kollam No P1/1/305/2018 dated 01.01.2019, forwarding APPEAL made by Mr. Asif Ayoob.**


5. **Additional item No.01. minutes of Standing Committee on Student Services held on 10.01.2019 approved vide item no.02.95 of the minutes of the meeting of the Syndicate held on 22.01.2019.**

6. **Item no.05.65.03 of the minutes of the meeting of the Syndicate held on 19.02.2019. (copies of item nos. 3 to 6 appended)**

A representation has been received from Sri. Asif Ayoob, 2014-18 batch B.Tech (Civil) student of TKM Engineering College, for the award of additional grace marks in connection with the presentation of Economically viable Housing unit for EDAM Project in the United Nations Academic Impact (UNAI) Conference “Skills & Technology Achieving Rapid Transformation: The case of Kerala”, held at UN Headquarters in New York on 10th April 2018, duly forwarded by the Principal TKM College of Engineering Kollam, Vide ref (1) above.

Sri. Asif Ayoob had forwarded the documents in connection with his presentation, including a letter of Appreciation from the District Collector, Kollam, Certificate of Merit awarded by the Govt. of Kerala & Certificate of Honour by UNAI. The request of the student was forwarded by the Principal, TKM college of Engineering, Kollam. The District Collector, Kollam has also forwarded a recommendation letter in this regard. The request of the Student has been recommended by the faculties of the Civil Engineering Dept., TKM College of Engineering, Kollam.

Sri. Asif Ayoob had been already awarded 4% grace marks through SES, for starting an incubated company, H4H Construction company (2%- S6 & 2% S7 exams) as per order no. Ad.Misc./2/SES/43816/2018 dated 15.10.2018, vide U.O. referred as (4) above.

**Sri. Asif Ayoob had been already awarded 4% grace marks through SES, for starting an incubated company, H4H Construction company (2%- S6 & 2% S7 exams) as per order no. Ad.Misc./2/SES/43816/2018 dated 15.10.2018, vide U.O. referred as (4) above.**

As per the existing norms of SES (Student Entrepreneurship Scheme), grace marks is awarded for starting incubated companies only.

The University vide order referred as (3) above had implemented the Student Entrepreneurship Scheme for Universities and Colleges as instructed by the Government of Kerala. Among other things the SES provides award of grace marks by the University to Student Entrepreneurs who are incubated in the TBIs approved by the National Science and Technology Entrepreneurship Development Board. Department of Science and Technology, Govt. of India.

The Scheme also recommends 20% attendance relaxation and 4% grace marks in academic courses for students who pursue entrepreneurship and innovation during their studies.

Meanwhile Mr. Asif Ayoob vide letter referred as (2) above, has filed an appeal, forwarded by the Principal, TKM College of Engineering, for providing additional grace marks.

(Ass per remarks of Ac. AIII & Ad. DI Sections there is no provision for giving grace marks as per existing norms and B.Tech regulations for presentation of projects.)

The project presented has been referred to by United Nations as a team work lead by Mr. Asif Ayoob and is not an individual achievement. The earlier request of Sri. Asif Ayoob was therefore rejected by the University for these reasons.

Since, the request made by Mr. Asif Ayoob is for additional benefits which exceeds the benefit for student entrepreneurs envisaged by the Government, and followed by this University, it may also be
looked into Whether the University has any powers to bypass an existing Policy matter fixed by the Government.

The request of Sri. Asif Ayoob for grace marks was placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Student Services for consideration and recommendation. **The Standing Committee held on 10th January 2019 considered the matter as additional item no.01 and recommended to place the matter before the Standing Committee on Examinations, since the matter is purely academic. The recommendation was approved by the Syndicate held on 22.01.2019 vide item no.02.95.**

**Additional item No.01, (vide paper (5)above).**

As per the minutes of the Meeting of the Syndicate vide item no.05.65, referred as paper (6) above considered the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations held on 19.02.2019 and resolved to refer the matter for consideration of the Academic Council.

As ordered by the Vice-Chancellor, the request of Sri. Asif Ayoob for award of additional grace marks is therefore placed before the Academic Council for consideration and recommendation.

**The Academic Council considered the above matter and RESOLVED** that the 4 percent limit set for grace mark shall not be exceeded.


The Syndicate at its meeting held on 22nd January 2019 vide item no 02.96.07 considered the recommendations of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on examinations held on 11th January 2019 regarding requests for mercy chance examination for S5 MCA Degree for 2012 admission candidates (2011 scheme). The Syndicate resolved to approve the recommendations of the Standing Committee, to grant one Mercy Chance examination for S5 MCA for 2012 admission candidates (2011 scheme), subject to reporting to the Academic Council.

The Vice-Chancellor has accorded sanction to implement the resolution of the Syndicate to grant one mercy chance to S5 of 2012 admission of MCA Degree programme (2011 scheme), subject to reporting to the Academic Council. A U. O was issued vide U.O. No.Ac.A IV/2/02.96.07/2018 dt 26.02.2019 in this regard.

The matter is reported to the Academic Council.

**The Academic Council considered the above matter and noted** the action of the Vice-Chancellor.

63. **Correction in the credits of Courses – Bachelor of Hotel Management and Catering Technology (BHMCT) - 2018 Scheme - Rectification- Consideration of - reg. (Ac.AIV)**

The Syllabus of Bachelor of Hotel Management and Catering Technology is revised w.e.f 2018 admission onwards. While notifying the First Semester examination by the tabulation section, IT Cell noted that there are courses for which credits are defined as non whole numbers ie, 1.5, which is deviation from the normal way. Subject credit of all other computerized courses including CBCS are defined as whole numbers only.

As per the remarks from the Kucc, credit system is a systematic way of describing educational programme by attaching credits to its component. Each credit based programme shall be assigned some integer numerical, as credit which is indicative of relational weightage of those courses. This is normal way followed in all other courses and also in other Universities. Therefore the kucc has requested to verify the credits of all Semesters of Bachelor of Hotel Management and Catering Technology (BHMCT) 2018 scheme, and revise the same with the approval of Academic Bodies to avoid future complications.

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The remarks of the Chairman, Board of Studies in Business Management (Pass) were sought in this regard, and the Chairman clarified the non whole number credits of various semesters as follows:

The Dean, Faculty of Management Studies endorsed the recommendations of the Chairman, Board of Studies in Business Management (Pass).

As per the orders of the Hon’ble Vice Chancellor, the matter was placed before the Standing Committee on Academic Council at its meeting held on 12th February 2019 vide item No. 32 and the committee recommended that the recommendations of the Board of Studies in Business Management (Pass), endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Management Studies be agreed to.

As per the orders of the Hon’ble Vice Chancellor, the matter is placed before the Academic Council for considerations and recommendations.

The Academic Council considered the above matter and RESOLVED to approve the recommendation of the Chairman, Board of Studies in Business Management (Pass) & the Dean.

64. Master of Business Administration (MBA) (Full Time/Evening Regular/SDE) Degree Programme with effect from 2018-2019 admission – Split up for internal marks – Consideration of - reg. (Ac.AIV)

The Regulation, Scheme and Syllabus for MBA (Full Time/Evening Regular/SDE) Degree Programme with effect from 2018-2019 admission was revised and implemented vide U.O No. Ac.AIV/3/MBA Syllabus/2017 dated 30.11.2017. The external and internal marks for MBA Degree Course was changed to **75:25 ratio** instead of 60:40 in the 2018 scheme and implemented syllabus

The Additional meeting of the Board of Studies in Business Management (PG) held on 16th October 2018 recommended the following changes in the approved syllabus of MBA (Full Time/Evening Regular/SDE) which is endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Management Studies.

1. The components of internal assessment and the marks for each will be as follows.

| Periodical tests (subject to minimum of three tests for each course) | 10 marks |
| Assignments/case analysis | 5 marks |
| Seminars and discussions | 5 marks |
| Class participation and attendance | 5 marks |

**TOTAL** | **25 marks**

2. Selection of Electives

The students opting for dual specializations will have to choose a minimum of three courses from each elective. Students will also be given the option of choosing all the seven courses from a single elective. Dual specialization certificate to be issued by the University once the candidate applies for the same with a specified fee to the University.

As per the orders of the Hon’ble Vice Chancellor, the matter was placed before the Standing Committee of the Academic Council at its meeting held on 12.02.2019 vide item No. 33 and the committee recommended that the changes recommended by the Board of Studies in Business management (PG) in the approved syllabus of MBA (Full Time/Evening Regular/SDE), endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Management Studies be agreed to.

As per the orders of the Hon’ble Vice Chancellor, the recommendation of the Standing Committee of the Academic Council is placed before the Academic Council for consideration and recommendation.

| The Academic Council considered the above matter and RESOLVED to approve the changes in Syllabus recommended by Board of Studies in Business Management (PG) & the Dean. |

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On the basis of the recommendations of the Chairmen of various Boards of Studies and the Deans of respective faculties, the degrees/Examinations/Diplomas awarded by State/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 scheme. 10(13) of the Kerala University Act of 1947. Hence the matter is reported to the Academic council. The Statement Showing the Degrees Examinations recognized is appended.

| The Academic Council considered the above matter and RESOLVED to note the action of Vice-Chancellor. |

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66. **Implementing the recommendations of the meeting of the ULMC for UG programmes under SDE-modifications in the Regulations for the First Degree Programmes under SDE- Reporting of - reg. (Ac.AII)**

The meeting of the ULMC for UG programmes under SDE, held on 19.01.2019 recommended certain modifications to be made in the ‘Regulations relating to the First Degree Programmes in SDE, 2016’ regarding evaluation.

The Vice Chancellor, subject to reporting to the Academic Council, has approved the recommendations of the ULMC for UG programmes and U.O was issued vide U.O No. Ac.AII/2/15/2019 dated 28.02.2019.
The matter is reported to the Academic Council.

The Academic Council considered the above matter and RESOLVED to note the action of Vice-Chancellor.

67. Approval of Regulation, Scheme and Syllabus of Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) SDE with effect from 2018-2019 – Reporting of- reg. (Ac.AIV)

Bachelor of Business Administration (BBA) Programme has been sanctioned for SDE from 2018 admission onwards. As per the orders of the Vice Chancellor the syllabus forwarded by the Director, SDE and recommended by the Chairman, Board of Studies in Business Management (Pass) and endorsed by the Dean, Faculty of Management Studies was placed before the Standing Committee of the Academic Council held on 05.11.2018 vide item No.11 and the Committee recommended to entrust the Board of Studies in Business Management (Pass) to reframe the scheme of the regular BBA programme, in accordance with the Regulation for the UG courses under SDE for its implementation from 2018 admission onwards.

The Academic Council considered the above matter and RESOLVED to note the action of Vice-Chancellor.

68. UGC Regulations 2010 and 2018-Modifying the Statutes and Regulations- Consideration of- reg. (Ac.FII)

The Government of Kerala vide D.O No. HEDN-C3/137/2017-HEDN dtd. 18.02.2019 has communicated that the University may proceed to furnish an undertaking, that the Statutes and Ordinance have been modified according to the UGC Regulations of 2010 and 2018, failing which Kerala University will not be eligible for receiving the Central Assistance under 7th UGC Pay Revision.

It may be noted that the UGC Regulations 2010 relates to the minimum qualifications for Appointment of Teachers and others Academic staffs and constitution of selection committees for the appointment of teachers. The prescription of academic qualifications relate to the Academic Council and are incorporated in the regulations of the University, whereas, the constitution of selection committees relate to Statutes. Hence by implementing UGC Regulations 2010, the University has virtually implemented both the Regulatory and Statutory amendments.

On the basis of the verdict of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in disposing the SLP's regarding the date of application of the UGC Regulations 2010, filed by the Government of Kerala along with this University, the UGC Regulations 2010 including all Regulatory and Statutory norms are mandatorily applicable whether any material amendment has been brought to the Statutes or not. The University is absolutely following UGC Regulations 2010 in all matters relating to the Academic qualifications prescribed and the mode of selection of teachers. The selection committees prescribed in the Kerala University Statutes 1979 have since been superceded by those prescribed in the UGC Regulations 2010 in respect of the University Departments and Affiliated Colleges included under UGC Act.

It has to be observed at this point that all rules relating to various service conditions of teachers including age of appointment and of superannuation, pay and allowances, leave, posts instituted in Aided Colleges, nature of appointment, re-employment etc are guided by the prevailing Government policy and Service Rules.
As mentioned in the beginning of this note, the Government has instructed that UGC Regulations 2018, may be implemented with immediate effect. The Regulations 2018, have been gazetted vide Govt of India notification dated 18/07/2018.

However, details relating to the adoption of the said Regulations by the State is not forthcoming. 

Therefore, the UGC Regulations, 2018 is placed before the Academic Council for consideration, in the following:

1. The minimum eligibility conditions prescribed for the appointment and promotion of academic staff in the UGC Regulations 2018 be implemented in respect of the University Departments and Aided colleges.

2. The service conditions of teachers be determined by the State Government as at present.

3. The Senate of the University be requested to amend the Statutes of the University to incorporate that the mode of selection of academic staffs including teachers and Principals and the selection committees thereof shall be applicable to all institutions recognized under the UGC Act.

Hence, the file is placed before the Academic Council for consideration and recommendation.

The Academic Council resolved to implement the UGC regulations 2018 with the following modifications and additions.

1. For purpose of direct selection of teachers a maximum of 20 marks the allotted for interview in addition to the maximum of 100 marks allocated in the regulations for short listing of candidates.

2. Government Nominee shall be mandatory in all selection committees for direct recruitments to Government Aided Private Colleges.

3. For purpose of CAS Promotion to the post of Associate Professor in Affiliated Aided Colleges, where such posts are borne on the cadre of Assistant Professor, constitution of selection committee need not be insisted, and instead screening cum evaluation committee may be instituted

4. The Teachers who are eligible for promotion during the period from 23.02.2016 up to the date of implementation of UGC regulations 2018 may exercise option either for 2010 or 2018 regulation.

5. The post mentioned as Assistant Director of Physical Education in the regulations shall be known as Assistant Professor. The Academic Council further resolved to approve the PBAS templates in respect of Physical Education.

69. Approval for granting recognition as Research Centre - Department of Home Science, Govt. College for Women, Thiruvananthapuram – Consideration of- reg. (Ac EVI)

The Principal, Govt. College for Women,Thiruvananthapuram had submitted an application for granting approval for the recognition of the Dept. of Home Science, Govt. Women’s College as an approved research centre of the University of Kerala. In order to fulfill the requirement of a Research Centre (Since there was only one approved research supervisor in Home Science from Govt College for Women) the application for granting their department of Home Science as one of the approved Research Centre was considered along with the application for granting recognition of Research Supervisor of Dr. Bhagya D, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Home Science, St.Joseph’s College for Women, Alappuzha.

As per the orders of the Hon’ble Vice-Chancellor, the matter of granting approval was placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research held on 07/05/2018 for consideration and for constituting a team for inspecting the institution. An inspection committee was constituted with Dr.Radhamany.P.M, Dr.R.Latha Devi, Adv.S.Krishnakumar and Dr.P.RajeshKumar to visit the centre on 11/05/2018 as per the recommendation of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Academics and Research which was approved by the Vice-Chancellor subject to reporting to Syndicate. The Inspection Committee, comprising Dr.Radhamany.P.M and Dr.P.Rajeshkumar (Members of Syndicate) conducted an inspection on 11/05/2018.

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

1. The proposed Centre does not have its own building for library, reference section etc.
2. The library of the Centre is in possession of 15 journals in the subject, 10 online journals and collection of 3456 books as per the norms stipulated.
3. The Centre has provided limited facilities to individual scholars.
4. There is only one approved research guide working as regular faculty in the Centre.
5. Only limited Lab facilities available for the subjects.

The Committee recommended not to consider the request of the research centre for recognition. Thus the application from the Govt. Women’s College for granting recognition of Department of Home Science was being rejected and the matter was conveyed accordingly vide letter dated 27.06.2018.

In the meantime, The Hon’ble High Court in Interim Order dated 13.02.2019 in WP(C).No.40134 of 2018 filed by Ms.Shana Harshan and others had instructed the University that “The Syndicate in the ensuing meeting itself shall take a decision to approve the Govt. College for Women as a Research Centre”.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor the matter along with the copy of interim order dated 13/02/2019 in WP(C).No.40134 of 2018 filed by Ms.Shana Harshan and others was placed before the Syndicate held on 19.02.2019 and the Syndicate vide item No.0563 has resolved “to consider the application for Research Supervisorship along with rectification report received from the College (Govt. College for Women, Thiruvananthapuram) relating to availability of facility in the College for recognizing department of Home Science as a Research Centre” it has been further resolved “to file a review petition before the Hon’ble High Court of Kerala on WP(C) No:40134/2018 since as per provisions of Statutes, the Syndicate is authorised to make a recommendation to the Academic Council only, and status of research centre can be conferred only on the basis of the assent of the Academic Council”.

Meanwhile, the Principal of Government College for Women, Thiruvananthapuram has submitted a rectification letter to the Registrar stating that “they have rectified all those defects which were highlighted by the inspection team in their inspection report dated 11.05.2018”and has requested to reconsider the decision of the inspection team. It may be noted that as per the procedure for recognition of a Research Centre point (iii) “the report of the inspection committee after consideration and approval by the Syndicate, may be placed before the Academic Council for its opinion”. In the instance case the inspection committee constituted earlier by the Syndicate had submitted a negative report regarding the Research Centre after conducting inspection.

It may also be noted that, the rectification letter forwarded by the Principal, Govt. College for Women which pointed out that the centre has its own building since 1958.

It is pertinent to note that, the existence or nonexistence of infrastructure as pointed in the rectification report can only be ascertained by a re-inspection. But the Syndicate resolution is silent regarding conduct of re-inspection.

As per the procedure for recognition the following steps need to be followed: (The norms and procedures followed for approval of a Research Centre is appended for perusal)
1. The application, if found satisfactory by the Registrar in terms of the statutory provisions and the norms approved by the Syndicate, may be placed before the Standing Committee on Research and Scholarships for preliminary consideration.
2. An inspection Committee may be appointed with the two members of the Syndicate and one subject experts for making enquiry into all matters relevant to the applications by visiting the institution.
3. The report of the inspection committee after consideration and approval by the Syndicate, may be placed before the Academic Council for its opinion.
4. The report, along with the views of Academic Council, may then be placed before the Standing Committee on Research and Scholarships for a final consideration. The applicant may also be invited for discussion, if necessary, before finalising the recommendation.
5. The Syndicate may then consider the recommendation of the Standing Committee and take a final decision on whether recognition is to be granted to the institution.
6. The institution shall affiliate as a Recognised Research Centre by paying a Recognition fee of Rs 5000. An affiliation of Rs 1000 shall be levied from each centre.

It may further noted that, as per the Syndicate resolution on Item No.05.63, “as per the provisions of Statutes the Syndicate is authorised to make a recommendation to the Academic Council only, and status of research centre can be conferred only on the basis of the assent of the
Academic Council”.

It may also be noted that, having noticed the above resolution, the Hon’ble High Court while considering the case in WP(C) No.40134/2018 filed by Shana Harshan and others, the Court has passed an Interim Order dated 25th February 2019 which is appended for perusal. The relevant portion of the Interim Order is extracted as “The Learned Standing Counsel for the University would submit that, in regard to the approval of Government Women’s College as Research Center, the decision has to be taken by the Academic Council and not by the Syndicate. It is pointed out that the Syndicate has considered the matter and decided to make necessary recommendations. It is further submitted by the learned Standing Counsel that the Academic council is scheduled to be held on 13.03.2019”.

The Vice-Chancellor has ordered subject to report to Syndicate to place the matter of granting recognition to Dept. of Home Science, Govt. Womens College, Thiruvananthapuram as research centre along with the rectification letter from the Principal in the Academic Council for consideration.

As per the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, the inspection report submitted by the Inspection committee along with rectification letter from the Principal for considering their Home Science Department as one of the approved Research Centre is placed before the Academic Council for consideration and appropriate recommendations

| The Academic Council recommended to consider the proposal for assigning the Stature of approved Research Centre to the Department of Home Science, Government College for Women, Thiruvananthapuram. |

(II). Business brought forward by the Faculties.

1. (i) - Faculty of Arts. (Ac.A.II)

Dr. B. S. Jamuna, Dean, Faculty of Arts moved that the recommendation of the Faculty of Arts as contained in the minutes of its meeting held on 02-03-2019 be approved”.

| The Academic Council RESOLVED that the recommendations of the Faculty of Arts as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 02-03-2019 be approved. Further RESOLVED recognize the MLISc Degree awarded by University of Kerala through SDE be recognized as equivalent to the MLISc (Regular) (one year) Degree. |

2. (ii) - Faculty of Social Sciences. (Ac.A.II)

Dr. Shaji Varkey, Dean Faculty of Social Sciences moved that the recommendation of the Faculty of Social Sciences as contained in the minutes of its meeting held on 01.03.2019 be approved”.

| The Academic Council RESOLVED that the recommendations of the Faculty of Social Sciences as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 01.03.2019 be approved. |

3. (iii) - Faculty of Oriental Studies. (Ac.A.II)

Dr. Jayachandran R., Dean, Faculty of Oriental Studies moved that the recommendation of the Faculty of Oriental Studies as contained in the minutes of its meeting held on 27-02-2019 be approved”.

| The Academic Council RESOLVED that the recommendations of the Faculty of Oriental Studies as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 27-02-2019 be approved. |

4. (iv) - Faculty of Fine Arts. (Ac.A.IV)

Dr. B. Pushpa, Dean, Faculty of Fine Arts moved that the recommendation of the Faculty of Fine Arts as contained in the minutes of its meeting held on 01-03-2019 be approved”.

| The Academic Council RESOLVED that the recommendations of the Faculty of Fine Arts as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 01-03-2019 be approved. |
5. (v) - Faculty of Science  

Dr. A. Bijukumar, Dean, Faculty of Science moved that the recommendation of the Faculty of Science as contained in the minutes of its meeting held on 05-03-2019 be approved”.

The Academic Council RESOLVED that the recommendations of the Faculty of Science as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 05-03-2019 be approved.

6. (vi) Faculty of Commerce 

Dr. G. Raju, Dean, Faculty of Commerce moved that the recommendation of the Faculty of Commerce as contained in the minutes of its meeting held on 26-02-2019 be approved”.

The Academic Council RESOLVED that the recommendations of the Faculty of Commerce as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 26-02-2019 be approved.

7. (vii) - Faculty of Law.  

Dr. K.C. Sunny, Dean, Faculty of Law moved that the recommendation of the Faculty of Law as contained in the minutes of its meeting held on 06.03.2019 be approved”.

The Academic Council RESOLVED that the recommendations of the Faculty of Law as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 06.03.2019 be approved.

8. (viii) – Faculty of Education. 

Dr. A. Theresa Susan, Dean, Faculty of Education moved that the recommendation of the Faculty of Education as contained in the minutes of its meeting held on 27-02-2019 be approved”.

The Academic Council RESOLVED that the recommendations of the Faculty of Education as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 27-02-2019 be approved.

9. (ix) - Faculty of Engineering & Technology.  

The Hon’ble Vice-Chancellor, moved that the recommendation of the Faculty of Engineering & Technology as contained in the minutes of its meeting held on 05-03-2019 be approved”.

The Academic Council RESOLVED that the recommendations of the Faculty of Engineering & Technology as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 05-03-2019 be approved except for the recommendation on request from B.Tech students of 2013 scheme for improvement of internal marks.

Further resolved that the request of students of B.Tech 2013 scheme be agreed to.

10. (xii) – Faculty of Dentistry  

Dr. Bindu. R. Nayar, Dean, Faculty of Dentistry moved that the recommendation of the Faculty of Dentistry as contained in the minutes of its meeting held on 05-03-2019 be approved”.

The Academic Council RESOLVED that the recommendations of the Faculty of Dentistry as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 05-03-2019 be approved.

11. (xiv) - Faculty of Management Studies  

Dr.K.S.Chandrasekar, Dean, Faculty of Management Studies moved that the recommendation of the Faculty of Management Studies as contained in the minutes of its meeting held on 26.02.2019 be approved”.

The Academic Council RESOLVED that the recommendations of the Faculty of Management Studies as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 26.02.2019 be approved.
Dr. Usha Sujith Nair, Dean, Faculty of Physical Education moved that the recommendation of the Faculty of Physical Education as contained in the minutes of its meeting held on 23.02.2019 be approved.

The Academic Council RESOLVED that the recommendations of the Faculty of Physical Education as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 23.02.2019 be approved.

I3. (xvi) - Faculty of Applied Sciences & Technology (Ac.A.IV)

Dr. K.G. Gopchandran, Dean, Faculty of Applied Sciences & Technology moved that the recommendation of the Faculty of Applied Sciences & Technology as contained in the minutes of its meeting held on 02-03-2019 be approved.

The Academic Council RESOLVED that the recommendations of the Faculty of Applied Sciences & Technology as contained in the Minutes of its meeting held on 02-03-2019 be approved.

(III) Resolutions given notice of by the members

1. Dr. Balamurali R.S

The Chair informed the House that necessary action in this regard will be initiated soon, for which funds have been earmarked in the current Budget.

The resolution was seconded by Dr. S. Anil Kumar.

2. Dr. Balamurali R.S

The Chair informed the House that action in this regard has already been initiated.

The resolution was seconded by Dr. Venumohan. S.

3. Sri. R. Indulal

It is resolved that a committee may be appointed to draft the regulations for converting the Post graduate Programmes in affiliated Colleges in the Credit and Semester System.

The Chair assured the House that necessary steps in this regard is being initiated.

The resolution was seconded by Dr. N. Shaji.

4. Dr. Balamurali R.S

The Chair assured the House that workshops for facilitating syllabus revision shall be conducted with out delay.

The resolution was seconded by Dr. N. Shaji.

5. Dr. Balamurali R.S

The Chair assured the House that special invitees from the teaching field of mass communication will be included in the board of studies for Malayalam.

The resolution was seconded by Dr. N. Shaji.

6. Dr. Balamurali R.S

The Chair assured the House that workshops for facilitating syllabus revision shall be conducted with out delay.

The resolution was seconded by Dr. N. Shaji.
The Chair assured the House that steps have already been taken in this regard. The resolution was seconded by K.G. Padmakumar

The Vice-Chancellor thanked the members for their active participation in the discussion and co-operation for the smooth conduct of the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned sine-die at 1.45 p.m.

Registrar-in-Charge  Pro-Vice-Chancellor  Vice-Chancellor

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