

RAJIV GANDHI UNIVERSITY

Rono Hills, Doimukh-791112 Arunachal Pradesh

MINUTES OF THE 21ST MEETING OF ACADEMIC COUNCIL

The 21st meeting of the Academic Council (Special) was held on 13th June, 2018 at 10.30 a.m. in the Council Hall of the University.

The following members were present:

SI.No.	Name.	Position
01	Prof. Tamo Mibang, Vice-Chancellor, RGU	Chairman (Ex-Officio)
02	Prof. Sudhir Kumar Singh, Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences	Member(Ex-Officio)
03	Prof. Nishamani Kar, Dean, Faculty of Environmental Sciences, RGU	Member(Ex-Officio)
04	Prof. Rachob Taba, Dean, Faculty of Education & Languages, RGU	Member(Ex-Officio)
05	Prof. Tasi Kaye, Dean, Faculty of Commerce & Management, RGU	Member(Ex-Officio)
06	Prof. Harish Kr. Sharma, Dean, Faculty of Languages, RGU	Member(Ex-Officio)
07	Prof. U. Bhattacharjee, Dean, Faculty of IT, Basic Sciences, RGU	Member(Ex-Officio)
08	Prof. R.K. Singh, Dean, Faculty of Life Sciences, RGU	Member(Ex-Officio)
09	Prof. Shyam Narayan Singh, Dept. of History, RGU	Member
10	Prof. T. Lhungdim, Dept. of Education, RGU	Member
11	Prof. P.K. Acharya, Dept. of Education, RGU	Member
12	Mr. Moji Riba, Dept. of Mass Communication, RGU	Member ,
13	Prof. Ashan Riddi, Director, IDE, RGU	Member
14	Prof. S. Simon John, Director, AITS, RGU	Member
15	Prof. H. Vokendro Singh, Head, Dept. of Anthropology, RGU	Member
16	Prof. Hui Tag, Head, Dept. of Botany, RGU	Member
17	Dr. Lakhinath Saikia, Head i/c, Dept. of Chemistry, RGU	Member
18	Prof. Otem Padung, Head, Dept. of Commerce, RGU	Member
19	Mr. Ani Taggu, Head, Dept. of CSE, RGU	Member
20	Prof. Sushanta Kr. Nayak, Head, Dept. of Economics, RGU	Member
21.	Prof. (Mrs.) Elizabeth Hangsing, Head, Dept. of Education, RGU	Member
22	Mr. Jagdeep Rahul, Head i/c, Dept. of Elec. & Comm. Engin., RGU	Member
23	Prof. Bhagabat Nayak, Head, Dept. of English, RGU	Member
24	Prof. Kiran Kumari, Head, Dept. of Geography, RGU	Member
25	Dr. Anwarul Alam Laskar, Head i/c, Dept. of Geology, RGU	Member
26	Prof. (Mrs.) Sarah Hilaly, Head, Dept. of History, RGU	Member '
27	Prof. Oken Lego, Head, Dept. of Hindi, RGU	Member
28	Mr. Arindam Garg, Head, Dept. of Management, RGU	Member
29	Prof. Kh. Kabi, Head, Dept. of Mass Communication, RGU	Member
30	Prof. Sahin Ahmed, Head, Dept. of Mathematics, RGU	Member
31	Mr. Ashok Barman, Head i/c, Dept. of Music & Fine Arts, RGU	Member
32	Dr. Anil Mili, Head i/c, Dept. of Physical Education, RGU	Member
33	Prof. Sanjeev Kumar, Head, Dept. of Physics, RGU	Member .
34	Prof. PK Panigrahi, Head, Dept. of Political Science, RGU	Member

35	Dr. (Mrs.) Kakali Goswami, Head i/c, Dept. of Psychology, RGU	Member
36	Mr. Ravi Ranjan Kumar, Head i/c, Dept. of Social Work, RGU	Member
37	Mr. Bikash Bage, Head i/c, Dept. of Sociology,	Member
38	Dr. Nani Tamang Jose, CoE i/c, RGU	Invitee .
39	Prof. Nabam Nakha Hina, Director, College Development Council, RGU	Invitee
40	Dr. David Pertin, Jt. Registrar (Acad. & Conf.), RGU	Invitee
41	Prof. Tomo Riba, Registrar i/c, RGU	Secretary (Ex-Officio)

. At the outset, the Chairman welcomed all the members to the 21st meeting of Academic Council (Special). The agenda items were then taken up for discussion and decisions taken thereon.

AC:21:01 To confirm the minutes of the 20th meeting of Academic Council held on 27TH FEBRUARY, 2018.

The AC noted that the minutes of the 20th meeting of Academic Council were circulated amongst the members and no comment has been received so far.

The AC confirmed the minutes of the 20th Academic Council held on 27th February, 2018.

AC:21:02 To confirm the Action Taken Report (ATR) on the decision of the 20th meeting of Academic Council held on 27th Feb., 2018.

The AC accepted the Action Taken Report of the 20th Academic Council held on 27th Feb., 2018.

AC:21:03 To ratify the approved Academic Calendar of the University for the Session 2018-19.

The AC noted that a five-member committee under the chairmanship of Prof. Nabam Nakha Hina, Director, CDC was constituted for preparation of the Academic Calendar for the session 2018-19. Accordingly, the Academic Calendar was prepared and submitted on 11th May, 2016 by the committee. The same was approved by the Competent Authority of the University. The Academic Calendar for the session 2018-19 has been prepared based on the recommendation of the Broad Based Committee. The calendar was placed to the Academic Council for perusal and ratification.

The AC perused the Academic Calendar for the Session 2018-19 and after deliberation it made slight modification on the same. It observed that;

(i) The Admission Date of M.Phil/Ph.D (RGUMPET-2018) reflected in the Academic Calendar Sl.No. 2.2 (v), was slightly modified. It should e read as 13th to 16th August, 2018 instead of July 23, (Monday) to 25 (Wednesday), 2018 and commencement of classes shall be from 18th August 2018.

AC:21:04: To approve the syllabi prepared by various BUGS and BPGS

The AC noted that the following syllabi have been prepared by the BUGS and BPGS concerned and the same is placed before the AC for its approval and consideration of implementations;

- a) PhD (Social Work)
- b) BA (History)

The AC perused and approved the syllabi prepared by BUGS for BA (History) and BPGS for PhD (Social Work).

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AC:21:05 To ratify the approval granted for the introduction of PhD in the Dept. of Social Work

The AC noted that introduction of PhD programme in the Department of Social Work was considered by the Competent Authority as the Dept. is having a qualified faculty member in Dr. KP Singh, Asst. Professor.

The AC ratified the action taken by the University authority.

AC:21:06 Permission to introduce Bachelor in Social Work (BSW) course from the session 2018-19, at Don Bosco College, Jully, Itanagar.

The AC noted that an inspection committee was formed under the Chairmanship of Prof. Sudhir Kr. Singh, Dean, FSS to conduct physical verification covering all requirements as per UGC (affiliation of College's by University) Regulation in connection with the introduction of BSW course from the session 2018-19 at Don Bosco College, Jully, Itanagar.

The AC perused and approved the proposal to introduce Bachelor in Social Work (BSW) course from the session 2018-19 at Don-Bosco College, Jully, Itanagar.

AC:21:07 To recognize the eligible faculty members of RGU as PhD Supervisors

• The AC noted that the following faculty members of RGU have requisite research and teaching experiences to guide research scholars to PhD degrees:

SI. Name of the proposed No. supervisors		Designation	Department/ Institute	
01	Dr. Prasanta Kumar Nayak	Associate Professor	History	
02	Dr. Tajen Dabi	Dr. Tajen Dabi Assistant Professor		
03	Dr. Abhishek Kumar Yadav	Assistant Professor	Hindi	
04	Dr. Joram Yalam Nabam	Assistant Professor	Hindi	
05	Dr. Vishwajeet Kumar Mishra	Assistant Professor	Hindi	
06	Dr. Rajeev Ranjan Prasad	Assistant Professor	Hindi	
07	Dr. Anup Kumar Das	Assistant Professor	Economics	
08	Dr. P.B. Baruah	Assistant Professor	Economics	
09	Dr. Heisnam Shanjit Singh	Assistant Professor	Physics	
10	Dr. Tarun Mene	Assistant Professor.	Tribal Studies (AITS)	
11	Dr. Chandan Kumar Panda	Assistant Professor	English	
12	Dr. Anupam Das	Assistant Professor	Mathematics	
13	Dr. Vivek Kr. Singh	Assistant Professor	Physical Education	
14	Dr. Sambhu Prasad	Assistant Professor	Physical Education	

15	Dr. P.K. Barik	Assistant Professor	Education
16	Dr. Vinod Kr. Yadav	Assistant Professor	Commerce
17	Dr. David Gao	Assistant Professor	Pol. Sc.
18	Dr. Anil Mili	Assistant Professor	Physical Education
19	Dr. Tadang Minu	Assistant Professor	Physical Education

It was also noted that the 34th Research Board meeting held on 23/03/2018 has recommended for approving the proposals of recognition by the Academic Council vide item No. RB.34:D. The faculty members are introduced at SI. No. 1-15 above and the 35th Research Board meeting held on 06/06/2018 has also recommended for approving the proposals of recognition by the Academic Council . The faculty members are introduced at SI. No. 16-19 above.

The AC perused and approved the proposal to recognize them as PhD supervisors with retrospective effects.

AC:21:08 To recognize the following to act as PhD Co-Supervisors in RGU

The AC noted that following faculty member from the institute/university indicated against each were

proposed to act as Co-Supervisor to guide research scholars to PhD degrees;

Name of the proposed supervisor	University/Institute	Department/ Institute where to be engaged
Dr. Rekha Kumari, Assistant Professor	Rashtriya Sanskrit Sansthan (Deemed University), New Delhi	Hindi

It was also noted that 34th Research Board meeting held on 23/03/2018 has recommended for approving the proposal of recognition by the Academic Council vide item No. RB.34:D.

The AC perused and approved the proposal.

AC:21:09 Introduction of PhD programme in the Centre for Disaster Management.

The AC noted that the Course Coordinator/ Coordinator of the Centre for Disaster Management Prof. Nishamani Kar, who is also the Dean of the FES is requesting for the introduction of PhD programme in the Centre for Disaster Management as the Centre is well equipped with quality materials for the Research Programme which will help catalyze other activities. He also suggested for the conduct of separate entrance test as per UGC rule and RGU Ordinance.

It may be mentioned that, the proposal for converting the Disaster management unit as a centre was placed in the 18th meeting of the AC held on 27th April, 2017, vide item No. AC:18:13.

The AC decided to place the item to next Academic Council.

AC:21:10 Permission to start MPhil Programme in English from the session 2018-19, at the Dept. of English, RGU.

The AC noted that the Departmental Research Committee in English, RGU is proposing to start M.Phil Course from the Academic Session 2018-19 with an Intake Capacity of 5 seats.

The AC deferred the item to next Academic Council.

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AC:21:11 To approve the Academic Calendar of TRIHMS, Naharlagun

The AC noted that Tomo Riba Institute of Health & Medical Sciences (TRIHMS), Naharlagun an affiliated Govt. Medical College under RGU is all set to start offering MBBS Course from the current academic session 2018-19 with a provisional approval by the Govt. of India to start MBBS course in TRIHMS vide GOI No. u-12012/37/2018-ME-1(FTS.3154165), Dated 25/5/2018. TRIHMS is starting with three subjects covering pre-clinical subjects viz; (i) Anatomy, (ii) Physiology and (iii) Bio-Chemistry. In view of the above, a MCI, New Delhi endorsed Academic Calendar is placed herewith for perusal and approval by the Academic Council for being implemented in the State's Medical College.

The AC perused and approved the Academic Calendar of TRIHMS, Naharlagun.

AC:21:12 To consider the proposed Intake Capacity in MBBS seats in TRIHMS, Naharlagun

SI. No	Name of College	Name of the course	Proposed intake capacity
1.	TRIHMS, Naharlagun	MBBS	50

The AC noted that TRIHMS, Naharlagun has been allowed to offer MBBS Course with an Intake capacity of 50 seats vide Order GOI No. u-12012/37/2018-ME-1(FTS.3154165), Dated 25/5/2018 by the Govt. of India, and the Institute is all set to offer with the same capacity.

The AC approved the Intake Capacity in MBBS seats in TRIHMS, Naharlagun.

AC:21:13 To approve the MBBS syllabus to be taught in TRIHMS, Naharlagun

The AC noted that MBBS prescribed syllabus as per the norms of Medical Council of India (MCI) proposed to be taught in TRIHMS, Naharlagun has been submitted by the Dean, TRIHMS, Naharlagun to the University Authority ob 11th June, 2018 vide Letter No. TRIHMS-9/2017-8/11.

The AC perused and approved the same.

AC:21:14 To approve the Fee Structure for MBBS course in TRIHMS, Naharlagun.

The AC noted that Dean, TRIHMS, Naharlagun has submitted a Fee Structure for the MBBS course.

The AC perused and approved the Fee structure for MBBS course of TRIHMS subject to review by the University in due course of time.

AC:21:15 To ratify the action taken by the University authority towards approving the academic calendar for the year 2018-19 session for North East Nursing College of Health Science, Bage Tinali, Nirjuli

The AC noted that the Principal of the North East Nursing College of Health Science, Bage Tinali, Nirjuli has submitted the Academic Calendar for the year 2018-19 which was administratively approved.

The AC ratified the action taken by the university authority.

AC:21:16 To ratify the action taken by the University authority towards approving the Fee Structure for North East Nursing College of Health Science, Bage Tinali, Nirjuli for the year 2018-19 session.

The AC noted that the Principal of the North East Nursing College of Health Science, Bage Tinali, Nirjuli has submitted the Fee Structure for the year 2018-19 which was administratively approved.

The AC ratified the action taken by the university authority.

AC:21:17 To grant Temporary Affiliation to Galaxy Science College, Nirjuli, Arunachal Pradesh to start offering B.Sc programme from the session 2018-19.

The AC noted that it is pertinent to mention that on receipts of positive reports from a three member screening committee cum Physical Inspection Committee under the Chairpersonship of Prof. J. Chakraborty, Dean, Faculty of Life Science which scrutinized the application along with relevant documents submitted by the Director, New Galaxy Science College Nirjuli and also carried out physical verification by visiting the college on 21st April, 2017, the matter was placed to the AC in its 18th meeting held on 27th April, 2017 for consideration.

The AC after a threadbare discussion decided not to grant affiliation and communicate to the Director of New Galaxy Science College, Nirjuli that they have not fulfilled the basic requirements as observed by the inspection committee pertaining to possession of requisite area of land prescribed by UGC.

On being communicated, the college authority had re-submitted the Land Possession documents, which were then was directed to be screened by a three member committee. According to the report of the Screening committee, the college is in possession of 2.014 acres (8150 square meter) of leased land at Nirjuli. The UGC guidelines envisage that a college should be established in a plot of land not less than 2 acres.

The AC deferred the item to next Academic Council with an instruction that the college be inspected for physical verification of land for setting up of the Science College. For inspection a 5-Member committee shall be constituted.

AC:21:18 To ratify allowing PG final semester candidates to appear in RGUMPET and exemption given to M.Phil scholars of RGU who submitted their dissertations.

The AC noted that an Administrative approval was accorded allowing the final year PG Students to appear in the written test of RGU M.Phil/Ph.D Entrance Test (RGUMPET). Further, the M.Phil Students of RGU those who have submitted their dissertations and waiting for viva-voce and results thereof, were also exempted from written test of RGUMPET. They will be called for the viva-voce directly henceforth, with a condition that such candidates, will have to produce and submit their Marksheet / Marks card during the time of Viva-voce of RGUMPET.

The AC ratified the action taken by the University.

AC:21:19 To discuss on the continuation of reserved quuta for Govt. Teachers on Deputations to pursue BEd in RGU.

The AC noted that a representation was received from HoD Education stating that there is poor number of Govt Teachers being deputed to pursue the BEd 2 year Course in RGU against the reserved 30 seats. In the given circumstance, it is proposed to bring down the reserved seats to 5 or it may be totally scrapped, as there are number of private colleges offering the course across the state of Arunachal Pradesh now.

The AC decided to cut short the State Government deputed teacher seats to 15 and the remaining 15 seats are converted as Open seats for pool allotment.

AC:21:20 To consider the renewal of Temporary Affiliation to Govt. Model College, Seppa, East Kameng District,
Arunachal Pradesh.

The AC noted that an inspection committee was constituted under the Chairmanship of Prof. S.K. Singh, Dean, Faculty of Social Science for conducting physical verification covering all requirements as per UGC (affiliation of College's by University) Regulation in connection with renewal of Temporary Affiliation to Govt. Model College, Seppa, East Kameng District, Arunachal Pradesh. The committee inspected the college on 25th May, 2018.

The AC perused and approved renewal of Temporary Affiliation to Govt. Model College, Seppa.

AC:21:21 To consider the renewal of Temporary Affiliation to Govt. College, Doimukh, Papum Pare District, Arunachal Pradesh.

The AC noted that an inspection committee was constituted under the Chairmanship of Prof. J. Sahoo, Dean, Faculty of Education for conducting physical verification covering all requirements as per UGC (affiliation of College's by University) Regulation in connection with renewal of Temporary Affiliation to Govt. College, Doimukh, Papum Pare District, Arunachal Pradesh. The committee inspected the college on 27th April, 2018.

The AC perused and approved renewal of Temporary Affiliation to Govt. College, Doimukh.

AC:21:22 To consider the renewal of Temporary Affiliation to Govt. Model College, Geku, Upper Siang District, Arunachal Pradesh.

The AC noted that an inspection committee was constituted under the Interim Chairmanship of Prof. Otem Padung, HoD Commerce for conducting physical verification covering al! requirements as per UGC (affiliation of College's by University) Regulation in connection with renewal of Temporary Affiliation to Govt. Model College, Geku, Upper Siang District, Arunachal Pradesh. The committee inspected the college on 7th May, 2018.

The AC perused and approved renewal of Temporary Affiliation to Govt. Model College, Geku, Upper Siang District, Arunachal Pradesh.

AC:21:23 To consider the renewal of Temporary Affiliation to Denning College of Teacher Education, Tezu, Lohit District, Arunachal Pradesh.

The AC noted that an Inspection Committee was constituted under the Chairmanship of Prof. J. Sahoo, Dept. of Education for conducting physical verification covering all requirements as per UGC (affiliation of College's by University) Regulation in connection with renewal of Temporary Affiliation to DCTE, Tezu, Lohit District. The committee inspected the college on 4th June, 2018.

The AC perused and approved renewal of Temporary Affiliation to Denning College of Teacher Education, Tezu, Lohit District, Arunachal Pradesh.

AC:21:24 To consider the renewal of Temporary Affiliation to North East Nursing College of Health Science, Bage Tinali, Nirjuli, Arunachal Pradesh.

The AC noted that an Inspection Committee was constituted under the Chairpersonship of Prof. (Mrs.) J. Chakravorty, Head, Dept. of Zoology for conducting physical verification covering all requirements as per UGC (affiliation of College's by University) Regulation in connection with renewal of Temporary affiliation to North East Nursing College of Health Science, Bage Tinali, Nirjuli, Arunachal Pradesh. The committee inspected the college on 8th June, 2018.

The AC perused and approved renewal of Temporary Affiliation to North East Nursing College of Health Science, Bage Tinali, Nirjuli, Arunachal Pradesh.

AC:21:25 To grant Temporary Affiliation to Hill Queen College of Education, Ziro, Arunachal Pradesh to start offering B.A. programme from the session 2018-19.

The AC noted that a 4-member committee under the Chairmanship of Prof. S.K. Singh, Dean, Faculty of Social Science physically inspected the said college on 2nd June, 2018 and submitted its report.

The AC perused and approved for starting B.A Programme subject to change of nomenclature as Hill Queen College, Ziro for which an agreement has to be executed with the concerned authority within a period of one month. It was also decided to issue notification in this regard at the earliest.

AC:21:26 Permission to introduce 4 year BA-BEd Integrated course from the session 2018-19 at Denning College of Teacher Education, Tezu, Lohit District, Arunachal Pradesh.

The AC noted that an inspection committee was constituted under the Chairmanship of Prof. J. sahoo, Dept of Education, for conducting physical verification covering all requirements as per UGC (affiliation of College's by University) Regulation in connection with granting of permission to Denning College of Teacher Education, Tezu, Lohit District, Arunachal Pradesh for introducing BA-BEd. Integrated 4 years course. The committee visited the college on 4th June, 2018.

The AC perused and did not approve the proposal.

AC:21:27 To grant permission to start LLM course at Arunachal Law Academy, Naharlagun.

The AC noted that the proposal submitted by the Principal of Arunachal Law Academy, Lekhi, Naharlagun for the introduction of LLM course in the said college from the academic session 2018-19 was screened by a Screening committee under the chairmanship of Prof. PK Panigrahi on 16th Oct., 2017 and then was physically inspected by a four member Inspection committee under the Chairmanship of Prof. S.K. Singh, Dean, faculty of Social Sciences on 21st Dec., 2017. The positive recommendations were placed in the 20th AC meeting held on 27th Feb., 2018.

However, the 20th AC deferred the item to the next Academic Council meeting, with an instruction to collect analogy from other states related to introduction of LLM course in private Law colleges affiliated to Central Universities.

As desired by the AC, the analogies, as such, have been obtained from 5 colleges where the LLM course is being offered viz. Kerala Law Academy, Thiruvananthapuram (affiliated to University of Kerala), Mar

Gregarious College of Law (affiliated to University of Kerala), NBM Law College, Vishakapatnam (affiliated to Andhra University), NEF Law College, Guwahati, (affiliated to Gauhati University) and JB Law College, Guwahati (affiliated to Gauhati University), which may be perused and considered for the grant of start of LLM at ALA, Naharlagun.

The AC perused and approved in principle the start of LLM Course at ALA, Naharlagun subject to the fulfillment of the following conditions;

- i) Appointment of regular Principal and,
- ii) Appointment of a Professor and two Associate Professor(s) within next 6 months.
- AC:21:28 To approve the grant of Permanent affiliation to Govt. College, Yachuli, Lower Subansiri District, Arunachal Pradesh.

The AC noted that the said State Govt. run college was established in 2007-08 academic session. It has completed 10 years of its existence as temporarily affiliated college of RGU. The college offers BA courses since then and seven batches have so far passed from the college. It offers BA course in the subjects like English, History, Hindi, Political Science, Geography and Economics. The total enrolment of the college in the current academic session is 259 students, with a regular Principal and 19 faculty members besides administrative staff including Library staff.

It was also noted that, as per norms, the RGU authority had constituted a Screening Committee and subsequently on recommendation of the Screening Committee an Inspection Committee for physical verification was formed. The Inspection Committee under the chairmanship of Prof. S.K. Singh, Dean, FSS had visited the College on 2nd June, 2018 and found that the college fulfills all the basic criteria. The committee has recommended the grant of Permanent Affiliation to the College by RGU from the coming academic session (2018-19).

The AC approved the grant of permanent affiliation status to Govt. College, Yachuli subject to ratification by the Executive Council.

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AC:21:29 Initiation of rectification in the minutes of the 20th meeting of the AC held on 27th February, 2018 vide AC Resolution No.AC:20:22.and for implementation of uniform norm for determining eligibility criteria in RGUMPET.

The AC noted that two representations have been received from the Dean FLS and HoD Botany who are also the Members of the Academic Council stating that, the Minimum cut- off marks were fixed at 50% (combined) for Paper-I and Paper-II for all subjects (i.e., qualifying marks to be secured from paper I & II combined should be minimum 50%) for qualifying the common entrance test for M.Phil and PhD programme which was agreed upon and decided by all HoDs and AC members present in the 20th Academic Council Meeting held on 27th February, 2018 vide AC Resolution No.AC:20:22. It was decided that, 50% cut-off marks will be applicable for AITS and for all the Subjects (Departments) of RGU.

However, there appears to be an error in the minutes and Resolution wherein it is mentioned that it will be applicable only for the AITS. The same was proposed for rectification and implementation, thereof, making it applicable for all the Departments of RGU.

The AC discussed and decided to issue a corrigendum on the decision of the 20th meeting of the AC vide item No. AC:20:22, as it would also be applicable to all other Departments of the University.

AC:21:30 To intimate regarding establishment of Department of National Security Studies in RGU:

The AC noted that, the RGU authority in response to UGC letter D.O. No. F.10-2/2015 (SR-III) dated 29th June 2015, sent a proposal for establishing Centre for National Security Studies in Rajiv Gandhi University vide letter No. RGU/VCS/UGC/15 dated September 10, 2015. UGC has then in principle approved to extend fund support for setting up Department of National Security Studies Centre vide letter D.O. No. F.10-2/2015 (SR-III), dated 10th February, 2016, to the tune of Rs. 63.50 lakhs. In this regard, University took up the matter and through its AC during the 16th meeting held on 22nd April, 2016, endorsed the plan to setup an independent Centre/Department with the nomenclature Centre for National Security Studies (CNSS) Rajiv Gandhi University from the academic session 2016-17.

Subsequently, the UGC approved and sanctioned the teaching positions against the establishment of a new Department (vide UGC letter No.1-7/2018(CU), dated 28th March, 2018 and the same was placed in the 20th meeting of the Executive Council held on 25th April, 2018 for formal approval of the establishment of the new Department. The EC members appreciated the steps taken for establishment of the Department of National Security Studies in RGU and hoped that the Department will function very soon.

The AC noted the same.

AC:21:31 To approve the conduct of XVI Convocation of the University:

The AC noted that conduct of Convocations of RGU on a particular date (30 November) every year has been highly praised by the MHRD recently. Keeping up the show as one of the Best Practices of this Varsity it was proposed to conduct the XVI Convocation of RGU on the 30th November, 2018.

The AC approved the same. It was decided that it should be reflected in the university prospectus every year.

AC:21:32 Agenda items from Examination Branch:

A. Conduct of Supplementary examinations for the I semester Diploma Course:

Prof. S. K. Patnaik, Dept. of Geography and course Coordinator has submitted a representation for conduct of Supplementary Examinations for the I Semester Diploma Course in Geo-informatics.

It is to be mentioned that the supplementary examinations are conducted for final term end semester to clear their back logs so that they do not wait for a year. Prof. S. K. Patnaik, has represented that the Diploma course in Geo-informatics also may be considered for conduct of Supplementary examinations.

The AC deliberated on it and did not approve the same.

AC:21:33 · Any other item, with the permission of the Chair.

(i) To consider the renewal of Temporary Affiliation to Donyi-Polo BEd. College, Itanagar, Arunachal Pradesh.

The AC noted that an Inspection Committee was constituted under the Chairmanship of Prof. J. Sahoo, Dept. of Education for conducting physical verification covering all requirements as per UGC (affiliation of College's by University) Regulation in connection with renewal of Temporary affiliation to Donyi-Polo BEd. College, Itanagar, Arunachal Pradesh. The committee inspected the college on 7th June, 2018.

The AC perused and approved the renewal of Temporary Affiliation of Donyi-Polo BEd. College, Itanagar.

To approve the minor modifications carried out on the course structures and Syllabi of MA, M.Phil and PhD in Anthropology.

Prof. H. Vokendro S, HoD cum Chairman of the BPGS (Anthropology) has submitted the slightly modified syllabi of MA, M.Phil and PhD in Anthropology after making necessary amendments through the meeting of Board of Post Graduate Studies held on 30th May, 2018.

The AC perused and approved the modified syllabi of MA, M.Phil and PhD in Anthropology.

To approve the BSW syllabus prepared by BUGS in Social Work
The syllabus for Bachelor in Social Work (BSW) has been prepared by the BUGS in Social Work in the first meeting of the BUGS (Social Work) on 12th June, 2018.

The AC perused and approved the BSW syllabus prepared by BUGS in Social Work.

iv) To enhance the Intake capacities of few programmes in various Departments of the University for Academic Session 2018-19.

The following table shows the new intake capacities in various Departments:

SI.	Department	New Intake	SI.	Department	New Intake
No			No.		
1	Anthropology (M.Phil)	07	6	·Music (BMUS)	22
2	Chemistry (MSc)	28	7	Physics (MSc)	26
3	Geology (BSc)	26	8	Pol. Sc. (MA)	62
4	History (MA)	62	9	Psychology ((MA)	22
5	Mass Comn. (MA)	32	10	Social Work (MSW)	32

As there was no other item for discussion, the meeting came to an end with the proposal of vote thanks from the Registrar i/c, the Ex-officio-Secretary of the Academic Council.

Registrar i/c (Ex-officio Secretary)