

Minutes of the 29th Academic Council Meeting held on 06.08.2020

RAJIV GANDHI UNIVERSITY
RONO HILLS, DOIMUKH

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The 29th Meeting of the Local Academic Council was held on 06.08.2020 at 11.00 a.m. in the Conference Hall of Arunachal Institute of Tribal Studies (AITS) by maintaining of social distancing.

The following members were present:

Sl. No.	Name	Position
1.	Prof. A. Mitra, Pro-Vice-Chancellor	Chairman (Ex-Officio)
2.	Prof. Tana Showren, Dean, Faculty of Social Science	Member (Ex-Officio)
3.	Prof. Tasi Kaye, Dean, Faculty of Commerce & Management	Member (Ex-Officio)
4.	Prof. Pradipto Kalita, Dean, Faculty of Basic Sciences, IT, etc.	Member (Ex-Officio)
5.	Prof. Oken Lego, Dean, Faculty of Languages	Member (Ex-Officio)
6.	Prof. S.K. Singh, Dean, Academic Affairs	Member (Ex-Officio)
7.	Prof. Jay Kumar, Dean, TRIHMS	Member
8.	Prof. S. Tangjang, DSW	Member
9.	Prof. P.K. Panigrahi, Head, Dept. of Political Science	Member
10.	Prof. Sarah Hilaly, Head, Dept. of History	Member
11.	Prof. Kh. Kabi, Head, Dept. of Mass Communications	Member
12.	Prof. Ashan Riddi, Director, IDE	Member
13.	Prof. Sanjeev Kumar, Dept. of Commerce	Member
14.	Prof. Otem Padung, Head, Dept. of Commerce	Member
15.	Prof. Utpal Bhattacharjee, Head, Dept. of CSE	Member
16.	Mr. Arindam Garg, Head, Dept. of Management	Member
17.	Mr. Jagdeep Rahul, Head (i/c), Dept. of ECE	Member
18.	Dr. Marpe Sora, Dept. of CSE	Member
19.	Prof. Simon John, Director, AITS	Member
20.	Prof. N.N. Hina, Director, CDC	Member
21.	Prof. Sahin Ahmed, Head, Dept. of Mathematics	Member
22.	Dr. Shyam Shankar Singh, Head, Dept. of Hindi	Member
23.	Prof. H.Vokendra Singh, Head, Dept. of Anthropology	Member
24.	Mr. Ashok Barman, Head (i/c), Dept. of Music & Fine Arts	Member
25.	Dr. Rajesh Chakrabarty, Head, Dept. of Chemistry	Member
26.	Prof. Sanjeev Kumar, Head, Dept. of Physics	Member
27.	Dr. Kakali Goswami, Head (i/c), Dept. of Psychology	Member
28.	Dr. Anwarul Alam Laskar, Head (i/c), Dept. of Geology	Member
29.	Dr. K.C. Mishra, Head, Dept. of English	Member

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30.	Dr. Kaushalendra Pratap Singh, Head (i/c), Dept. of Social Work	Member
32.	Dr. Shashank Yadav, Representative, Dept. of Sociology	Member
33.	Prof. Harish Kumar Sharma, Dept. of Hindi	Member
34.	Prof. Jharna Chakravorty, Head, Dept. of Zoology	Member
35.	Prof. Kiran Kumari, Head, Dept. of Geography	Member
36.	Prof. Vandana Upadhyay, Head, Dept. of Economics	Member
37.	Prof. P.K. Acharya, Dept. of Education	Member
38.	Prof. Kesang Degi, Head, Dept. of Education	Member
39.	Dr. Anil Mili, Head, (i/c), Dept. of Physical Education	Member
40.	Prof. R.C. Parida, Director, IQAC	Special Invitee
41.	Dr. Nani Tamang Jose, Controller of Examinations (i/c)	Member
42.	Prof. Tomo Riba, Registrar (i/c),	Secretary (Ex-Officio)

At the outset, Prof. A. Mitra, Pro-Vice-Chancellor welcomed all the members to the 29th Academic Council. He informed that Prof. Saket Kushwaha, Vice-Chancellor is unable to attend the meeting due to a National Seminar organized by the Department of English on which Dr. B.D. Mishra (Retd.), Hon'ble Governor and the Chief Rector of Rajiv Gandhi University is participating in the Webinar. The Vice-Chancellor empowered Prof. A. Mitra, PVC to chair the meeting in his absence.

The agenda items were then taken up for discussion/deliberation and following decisions were taken unanimously:

AC:29:01 To discuss the online Examinations for Terminal Semester

In view of the decision of UGC letter D.O. No. F.1-1/2020 (Secy) dated 6 and 8 July, 2020, and Press Release dated 18.07.2020 and in view of severe Covid-19 Pandemic situation in North East India, it is decided to hold the online examination for terminal year students for both affiliated colleges and the university.

The members deliberated on the matter at length and members have suggested on the technical matter for conducting the online examinations.

After a long deliberation, the Academic Council has approved the proposal for conducting the online/blended mode examinations for terminal year students for both affiliated colleges and the university.

The following suggestions may be taken care by the university while conducting the online examinations:



- (i) In order to strengthen the supportive logistics the University will take up the matter to Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology, Govt. of India on smooth connectivity to the concerned authorities/service providers while conducting the online examinations on an urgent basis.
- (ii) The Technical Committee will try to resolve all the matters as raised by the members during the meeting for conducting the examinations on priority basis.

AC: 29:02 Award of Marks for Intermediate Semester

Average marks of the 50% (rounded off to the next higher number) best paper of the previous semester shall be considered for computing the 50% component of the last semester marks.

The matter was discussed and approved the same. The Committee decided that the marks of best papers would be on the following manners:

- Best of three, if it is five papers
- Best of four, if it is seven papers
- Best of five, if it is nine papers

AC: 29:03 To discuss and approve the followings

- (i) One the matters related to establishment of Centre of Excellence for Sports Science Education of the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports in Rajiv Gandhi University.

The Chairman informed that the matter regarding the start of Faculty of Sports Science was discussed in the 28th Academic Council Meeting vide item No. AC:28:20 held on 24.06.2020, but it needs to be approved by AC for further action.

The Council after a deliberation approved in principle for establishment of new Faculty in the name of style – Faculty of Physical Education & Sports Science in Rajiv Gandhi University with four new Departments as new subjects – (i) Sports Physiology, (ii) Sports Psychology, (iii) Sports Biomechanics, (iv) Strength Training and Conditioning and one existing Department – Physical Education. All the five Departments shall come under the umbrella i.e., Faculty of Physical Education and Sports Science.

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The Council also feels that a detailed report containing the information regarding the required number of faculty positions, non-teaching positions and budgetary provision/implication for establishment of Faculty of Physical Education and Sports Science may be placed in the next Academic Council Meeting.

(ii) On the conduct of University's Convocation through online mode

The matter was discussed and since the differences of opinions came from the members of the Academic Council for conducting the Convocation through online mode, the Council deferred the matter in the next Academic Council meeting so that in the mean time a clear picture regarding Covid-19 pandemic situation is expected to emerge.

As there was no other item for discussion, the meeting came to an end with vote of thanks from the Registrar, the Secretary (Ex-Officio) of the Academic Council.

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Registrar and Secretary (Ex-Officio)