

RAJIV GANDHI UNIVERSITY

Rono Hills, Doimukh-791112

Arunachal Pradesh

MINUTES OF THE 11TH ACADEMIC COUNCIL MEETING

The 11th Academic Council meeting of the University was held on 20th September, 2013 at 10 a.m in the Council Hall of the University. The following members attended the meeting;

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| 1. Prof. Tamo Mibang, Vice-Chancellor, RGU | : Chairman (Ex-Officio) |
| 2. Prof. J.C. Soni, Dean, Education & Languages, RGU | : Member (Ex-Officio) |
| 3. Prof. S.K. Nayak, Dean, Social Science, RGU | : Member (Ex-Officio) |
| 4. Prof. R. Tamuli, Dean, Comm. & Management, RGU | : Member (Ex-Officio) |
| 5. Prof. Tomo Riba, Dean, Environmental Science, RGU | : Member (Ex-Officio) |
| 6. Prof. D. N. Das, Dean, Life Science, BS, IT, E&T, RGU | : Member (Ex-Officio) |
| 7. Prof. J. L. Dawar, Mizoram University, Aizawl | : Member |
| 8. Prof. Amitava Mitra, Dept. of Economics, RGU | : Member |
| 9. Prof. A.K. Das, Dept. of Botany, RGU | : Member |
| 10. Prof. Pura Tado, Dept. of Political Science, RGU | : Member |
| 11. Prof. Sudhir Kr. Singh, Dept. of History, RGU | : Member |
| 12. Prof. J. Sahoo, Dept. of Education, RGU | : Member |
| 13. Dr. S.K. Patnaik, Dept. of Geography, RGU | : Member |
| 14. Dr. Otem Moyong, Dept. of Commerce, RGU | : Member |
| 15. Mr. Tomar Ete, Principal, DNGC, Itanagar | : Member |
| 16. Prof. M. C. Behera, Director, AITS, RGU | : Member |
| 17. Prof. S.K. Chaudhuri, HoD, Anthropology, RGU | : Member |
| 18. Prof. R.K. Singh, HoD, Botany, RGU | : Member |
| 19. Dr. Pankaj Das, HoD, Chemistry, RGU | : Member |
| 20. Prof. R. C. Parida, HoD, Commerce, RGU | : Member |
| 21. Dr. Utpal Bhattacharjee, HoD, CSE, RGU | : Member |
| 22. Dr. (Ms.) Vandana Upadhyay, HoD, Economics, RGU | : Member |
| 23. Dr. T. K. Lhungdim, HoD, Education, RGU | : Member |
| 24. Dr. Miazi Hazam, HoD i/c English, RGU | : Member |
| 25. Dr. N. Kar, HoD, Geography, RGU | : Member |
| 26. Dr. Harish Kumar Sharma, HoD, Hindi, RGU | : Member |
| 27. Dr. S.N. Singh, HoD, History, RGU | : Member |
| 28. Dr. Kh. Kabi, HoD i/c, Mass Communication, RGU | : Member |
| 29. Dr. Utpal Jyoti Das, HoD i/c, Mathematics, RGU | : Member |
| 30. Dr. Upamanyu Das, HoD i/c, Physics, RGU | : Member |

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| 31. Dr. Nani Bath, HoD, Political Science, RGU | : Member |
| 32. Prof. S. R. Padhi, HoD i/c, Sociology, RGU | : Member |
| 33. Prof. H.N. Sarma, HoD, Zoology, RGU | : Member |
| 34. Prof. K. C. Kapoor, Director, CDC, RGU | : Special Invitee |
| 35. Dr. Ashan Riddi, Director, IDE, RGU | : Special Invitee |
| 36. Dr. Rachob Taba, Registrar, RGU | : Secretary (Ex-Officio) |

Due to pre-occupations, five members could not attend the meeting. At the outset, the Vice-Chancellor welcomed all the members and the following agenda items were taken up for discussion;

AC: 11:01: To confirm the minutes of the 9th meeting of Academic Council held on 2nd April, 2013.

The A.C noted that the minutes of the 9th meeting of the Academic Council were circulated amongst the members and no comment has been received so far.

Academic Council confirmed the minutes.

AC: 11:02: To confirm the minutes of the 10th (Special) meeting of Academic Council held on 15th July, 2013.

The A.C noted that the minutes of the 10th (Special) meeting of the Academic Council were circulated amongst the members and no comment has been received so far.

Academic Council confirmed the minutes.

AC: 11:03: To approve the introduction of One Year Diploma Course in Pre-Primary Teacher Education (DPSTE) in the Department of Education from the Academic session 2013-14.

The University has introduced one year Diploma Course in "Pre-Primary Teacher Education" (DPSTE) from the current academic session 2013-14 with an intake capacity of 20 students, and Prof. K.C. Kapoor from the Dept. of Education is its Co-ordinator. It was noted that the University has introduced the programme in response to U.G.C's letter No. D.O.F.15-5/2012 (CU) dated 30th January, 2013, for which the University had already sent proposals to UGC. University has also written to the NCTE for the formal approval of the programme. Further, the Department has prepared the syllabus for the said programme.

The Council approved the introduction of Diploma programme as well the implementation of its syllabus from the academic session 2013-14.

AC: 11:04: To approve the Introduction of M.Ed. Programme in the Dept. of Education from the academic session 2014-15

It was noted by the Council that the U.G.C vide letter No. F-15-5/2012(CU) dated 5th August, 2013 had approved the establishment of School of Education with M.Ed. course. The Commission had also approved the faculty positions viz., 1 Professor, 1 Associate Professor and 2 Assistant Professors for the programme. The Council noted that the University is already having a Dept. of Education under the Faculty of Education.

The Council approved the introduction of M.Ed. programme in the Dept. of Education from the Academic Session 2014-15.

AC: 11:05: To approve the Phasing out of various Post Graduate Programmes under Private System from the current academic session 2013-14.

The University has been offering various P.G programmes under Private system in all the subjects which are non-practical oriented in nature, simultaneously with the courses being offered through regular mode. While, through the Institute of Distance Education(IDE), the University has been offering B.A. and other Certificate programmes in distance mode of learning. On University's request for introduction of few P.G programmes through Distance mode, the UGC has granted recognition to Rajiv Gandhi University to offer M.A Programmes in History, Political Science, Education, English and Hindi along with B.A and other two Certificate Courses through Open and Distance Learning (ODL) mode from the academic session 2013-14 to the academic year 2017-18:

The Council after deliberations approved the phasing out of the above P.G programmes offered under private mode of learning from the current academic session 2013-14.

AC: 11:06: To consider the introduction of Bachelor of Airlines, Tourism and Hospitality Management in IDE.

The Board of Management of IDE, RGU has endorsed the introduction of (a) Bachelor of Airlines and (b) Tourism and Hospitality Management in IDE subject to grant of permission from the concerned authorities.

The Council approved the introduction of above two programmes subject to grant of permission from the concerned authorities.



AC: 11:07: To consider the introduction of M.A. in Sociology & Economics under IDE, RGU.

The Board of Management of IDE, RGU has proposed the introduction of M.A Programme in Sociology and Economics in IDE and suggested that the Board of Studies for the two subjects may be constituted and syllabus may be prepared. The Board endorsed the proposal to be placed in the next Academic Council meeting for consideration and approval.

The Council considered the proposal subject to formal approval from the UGC.

AC: 11:08: To consider review in educational eligibility criteria for admission to M.A. programmes under IDE, RGU to graduation from 10+ 2+3.

The Board of Management of IDE, RGU is of the view that the educational eligibility criteria for admission to M.A under IDE, RGU should be reviewed from 10+2+3 to simply 'Graduation'. Such move will pave the way for prospective learners who have graduations under 10+2+2 or similar patterns.

The Council examined the proposal and approved the same.

AC: 11:09: To consider review in the length of duration for the completion of PG programmes under IDE, RGU to 5 years from the existing 3 years.

The Board of Management of IDE, RGU while discussing the matter in the light of difference in maximum duration for completion of the courses in RGU and its IGNOU counterpart, has endorsed that the courses should follow the system of the ODL mode and be flexible; and hence, is of the view that the maximum duration for completion of PG programmes under IDE, RGU, be increased from 3 years to 5 years.

The Council considered and approved the proposal.

AC: 11:10: To consider minor review in syllabus of B.Sc. in Chemistry being offered in affiliated colleges under semester mode.

The Chairman of the BUGS in Chemistry cum HoD Chemistry, RGU has after due consultation with the various HoDs and experts in Chemistry from J. N. College, Pasighat and DNGC, Itanagar, recommended few minor review of paper interchanging nature in between two semesters. The proposal is to interchange the paper contents of CHEM-UG-202 P of 2nd semester with that of a fourth semester paper CHEM-UG-404 P.

The Council approved the interchanging of structure.



AC: 11:11: To consider discontinuation of Re-Evaluation System in RGU.

Many universities across India have discontinued the system of re-evaluation taking into consideration of introducing of semester system or other method of constant evaluation system. The complications and problems of re-evaluation have often hampered the smooth functioning of the university examination System. Many a times the integrity of first evaluation and method of preparation of result is being questioned which affect the academic rapport of the university despite the evaluation being done with utmost sincerity. Further, university has not introduced the policy to stand by the result of second evaluators even if the marks secured are lesser than the first evaluation. Actually, in principle, when a candidate applies for re-evaluation he/she is questioning the quality of the first evaluation and put challenge to first evaluation undermining the knowledge of subject experts. If that is so, then the candidate should also accept the lesser marks awarded after the Re-evaluation. The marks of First Evaluation must be cancelled. The matter being debatable, more mechanism is to be evolved to make evaluation more systematic and quality based.

Taking all these facts into consideration and also keeping in view that RGU has introduced semester system in UG programmes (B.Sc. & B.Com.) from current academic session 2013-14, it would be appropriate to consider for discontinuing the Re-evaluation system with immediate effect in all courses/ subjects of both conventional UG courses and other professional courses like BHMS. Interestingly, in BHMS, a professional course, the university is so far allowing re-evaluation, which is reportedly rarest in the country, and therefore needed to be stopped.

After deliberations, the Council resolved to discontinue with the practice of Re-evaluation followed in case of BHMS from the academic session 2013-14 as supplementary examinations are conducted as part of the BHMS norms. However, in case of U.G programme, the re-evaluation will be continued for the time being. The Council further resolved to constitute a 3 (three) member Committee to examine the issue of re-evaluation and its recommendation would be placed in the next meeting of A.C for a final decision.

AC: 11:12: Legal implications relating to the decision of 9th meeting of the A.C on extending weight-age in admission to P.G and B.Ed programmes.

With regard to extending weight-age to students for admission in B.Ed. and P.G programmes, the 9th meeting of the Academic Council vide item No. AC: 9:25 had decided as follows:



"The Council had a very lengthy deliberation on the matter and resolved that while preparing merit list for admission in Rajiv Gandhi University, the students of all categories passing out from Rajiv Gandhi University will be given a weight-age of 15% marks. Further, it was also resolved that a weight-age of 5% marks shall be given to the APST students passing out from other UGC recognized universities for the purpose. The same may be included in the University Prospectus for the academic session 2013-14."

The above decision of the Academic Council was incorporated in the University prospectus and admissions were given accordingly.

Recently, the decision has been challenged in the Hon'ble High Court.

The Council after deliberations, resolved to constitute a 5 (five) member Committee to look into the issue of weight-age in admission to P.G and B.Ed. programmes.

AC: 11:13: To ratify the approval of implementing syllabus for PGDBI First semester.

The council noted that, the BPGS (Commerce) has prepared the syllabus and Course structure of the first semester for the newly introduced Post Graduate Diploma in Banking & Insurance (PGDBI) in the department of Commerce and the same was approved by the Competent Authority on 23rd August, 2013 as a special case considering the fact that the classes have started in first week of August.

The Council ratified the action taken by the University authority with regard to implementation of syllabus for PGDBI (1st Semester) from the academic session 2013-14.

AC: 11:14: To accord Temporary Affiliation to Denning College for Teacher Education, Tezu

The issue of granting temporary affiliation in respect of Denning College for Teacher Education, Tezu for conducting B.Ed. Programme from the academic session 2013-14 under the aegis of the Denning Society came up in the 10th meeting of the Academic Council vide item No.AC:10:06(a). The Council resolved as under:

"Council authorized the Vice-Chancellor to examine the case administratively as per rules and decide subject to ratification by the next Academic Council meeting".

The University authority approved the grant of temporary affiliation to facilitate B.Ed admission from the current academic session 2013-14 in line of the Hon'ble Supreme Court directives and NCTE recognition. Subsequently, an Inspection Committee was constituted and the same has submitted its report.

The Council ratified the action taken by the University and approved the report of the Inspection Committee for grant of temporary affiliation to Denning College of Teacher Education, Tezu for a period of one year (2013-14). The Council also suggested that the University should constantly monitor all private B.Ed and Professional Colleges affiliated to R.G.U with regard to their fee structure, etc.

AC: 11:15: Introduction of Arunachal Times Media Scholarship

Responding to the noble idea and proposal of the Chief Executive Officer of the Arunachal Times, to establish an Annual Media Scholarship to support students who are pursuing their Masters in Mass Communication, in the backdrop of celebration of 25th year of publication of Arunachal Times, the RGU authority have approved the same recently and the scholarship was formally launched on 29th August, 2013 at Itanagar. The objective of Arunachal Times Media Scholarship is to support 2 scholars every year in the pursuit of their Masters Degree in Mass Communication and in honouring their skills as print media journalists. The Scholarship support consists of Rs. 25,000/- (twenty five thousand) annually.

The Council ratified the action taken by the university authority.

AC: 11:16: To ratify the approval for fixing Intake capacity of M.A. in Tribal Studies to 18 from the academic session 2014-15.

Pursuant to the 8th AC meeting decision vide resolution No. AC:08:32, the University is introducing M.A. in Tribal Studies under the Arunachal Institute of Tribal Studies (AITS) from the next academic session i.e. 2014-15. Administratively the intake capacity has been fixed at 18 seats initially.

The Council noted and approved for 20 seats as the intake capacity of the programme.

AC: 11:17: To ratify the action taken by the University approving the Minutes and the Draft Guidelines for Task Force on Innovative Research and Outreach Programme to be Executed under the UGC's XII Plan period.

The Task Force Comprising of the following members, namely, (1) Prof. D.N. Das, Chairman, and members (2) Prof. K.C. Kapoor, (3) Prof. A. Mitra, (4) Prof. T. Riba and (5) Prof. S. Chaudhuri, had a meeting on 15.5.2013 and prepared guidelines for operational activities of the Task Force (TF) constituted for regulating innovative Research (IR) and Outreach Programme (OP) under UGC's XII plan period.

The Committee submitted the minutes of the meeting and the guidelines. The Council noted that the minutes were administratively approved by the University Authority.

The Council ratified the action taken by the University Authority and suggested that allocation of funds for innovative research programme will be reviewed by the Task Force as per UGC allocation/availability of the fund.

AC: 11:18:

To consider the introduction of Tribal Studies as discipline at U.G Level

Few representations with highly favorable comments and feedbacks are in receipt from few government colleges such as; (1) JNC, Pasighat, (2) DNGC, Itanagar, (3) IGGC, Tezu, (4) DPGC, Kamki, (5) WRGC, Deomali, (6) Govt. College Doimukh, (7) RFGC, Changlang, and (8) Govt. College Seppa strongly recommending and endorsing the proposal floated by RGU's AITS for introduction of Tribal Studies discipline at U.G level.

Tribal Studies as an emerging interdisciplinary discipline has a vast scope to address the emerging issues in contemporary globalised society. Tribal studies, if introduced at UG level, will play a very crucial role in the context of Arunachal Pradesh in the absence of a state language and common script.


And therefore, considering its growing importance, the proposal for introduction of the course in the University's affiliated colleges was placed.

The council after a threadbare deliberations deferred the item to the next A.C.

AC: 11:19:

To consider proposal for establishment of Centre for South-East Asian Studies

The council noted that, the University is planning to start a Centre for South-East Asian Studies. The centre is proposed to be attached to Arunachal Institute of Tribal Studies (AITS), RGU. The Director of the institute has submitted the proposal in writing giving all the details. The state of Arunachal Pradesh with its strategic location and tribal dominated populace share a lot in common with people of south-east Asian countries, and therefore, the centre may be



considered for being established in the University, and the proposal to be submitted to UGC for fund support.

In the course of discussion, the Departments of History, Political Science and Geography along with the AITS also expressed their desire to set up the Centre for South-East Asian Studies in their Departments. Hence, the Council authorized the Vice-Chancellor to decide administratively.

AC: 11:20: To approve the Rules of Admission of Foreign Students/Visit of Foreign Scholars to Rajiv Gandhi University

Prof. S.K. Chaudhuri, Coordinator of International Scholars' Cell and his deputy Dr. Hui Tag, have prepared the draft Rules for Admission of Foreign Students/Visit of Foreign Scholars to RGU and submitted it to University for consideration/approval.

The Council deliberated on it and approved the same subject to correction of fee part by fee review Committee.

AC: 11:21: On the conduct of Special examination for B.Sc./B.Com. First Year students

As decided in the 10th (Special) AC meeting held on 15th July, 2013, all the those students who got failed in B.Sc. & B.Com 1st year in 2012-13 university examinations have been allowed to take admission in 2nd year provisionally as an adjustment measure to mitigate the likely academic complexities caused due to the recent introduction of semester programme in the two undergraduate courses. Likewise, pursuant to the last AC decision, a special examination is to be conducted for them during December 2013 to facilitate appearing regular examination of 2nd year.

The Council approved the conduct of the Special Examination in December 2013.

AC: 11:22: Formal introduction/start of semester system in BA programme from 2014-15 academic session

It was in the 7th meeting of the AC held on 17th Feb., 2012 vide its resolution No. AC: 07: 03, the Council approved in principle the introduction of semester system in the UG courses of affiliated colleges from the year 2013. Subsequently, the semester related issues were discussed thoroughly in the next AC meeting. As a result, the system has been introduced in a phased manner, and as a modest beginning, B.Com. & B.Sc. programmes were brought under the system

in the current academic session 2013-14. Now, the same is to be formally implemented for the BA programmes from the 2014-15 academic session. However, this will involve series of exercises related to initiation for preparation of syllabi by the university in due course of time.

The Council after deliberations suggested for the start of academic exercise. With regard to start of the academic programme from the next academic session, inputs will be invited from the Principals of affiliated Colleges and representatives of Higher and Technical Education, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh.

AC: 11:23: On the Evaluation of Answer Scripts of U.G courses under Semester programme.

Semester programme has been started in B.Sc. and B.Com. from the academic session 2013-14. Of late, the University has been evaluating answer scripts of the undergraduate examinations centrally in two centers. In semester system, the task is likely to be more tedious.

The Council deliberated and suggested for constitution of a Committee to examine and suggest modalities to be followed on the evaluation of answer scripts of UG courses under semester programme.

AC: 11:24: Introduction of M.A. in Hindi programme at J.N. College Pasighat.

Hon'ble Minister for Education, Arunachal Pradesh, in the backdrop of celebration of Golden Jubilee year of the college in 2014, has requested the University to introduce M.A programme in Hindi at J.N. College, Pasighat citing feasibility, availability of faculty, facility and also keeping in view the demand for the programme.

The Council approved the introduction of M.A in Hindi at J.N. College, Pasighat from the academic session 2014-15. The intake capacity shall be decided later on.

AC: 11:25: Recognition of UGC to offer Open and Distance Learning programmes in Rajiv Gandhi University.

The UGC has granted recognition to Rajiv Gandhi University to offer the following programmes through Open and Distance Learning (ODL) mode from the academic session 2013-14 to the academic year 2017-18. As granted by UGC, the university proposes to start the following new programmes under the IDE, RGU;



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| (a) M.A (History) | |
| (b) M.A (Political Science) | : 2 years |
| (c) M.A (Education) | : 2 years |
| (d) M.A (English) | : 2 years |
| (e) M.A (Hindi) | : 2 years |

The Council noted the recognition of UGC to offer open and distance learning programme in R.G.U. and also approve the start of the same.

AC: 11:26:

Reporting Items

(a) Appointment of New Chancellor of RGU

His Excellency, the President of India in his capacity as the Visitor of Rajiv Gandhi University has appointed Air Marshal (Retd.) Pranab Kumar Barbora, as the Chancellor of Rajiv Gandhi University for a period of five years.

The Council noted the appointment.

(b) Conduct of XII Convocation of University

The XII Convocation of the University is proposed to be held in the month of November-2013. Rajiv Gandhi University has extended an invitation to His Excellency, the President of India, who is also the Visitor of Rajiv Gandhi University, to grace the XII Convocation of the University as Chief Guest. The University has communicated two slots viz. 14th to 16th November and 18th to 22nd November to enable Rashtrapati Bhavan to choose a suitable date for the Convocation. Meanwhile, a preliminary notification for holding the 12th Convocation of RGU tentatively in the mid of November 2013 has been issued recently.

The Council noted the conduct of XII Convocation and wished for successful conduct of the same.


(c) Visit of the Chancellor of RGU

Air Marshal (Retd.) Pranab Kumar Barbora, the Chancellor of Rajiv Gandhi University, is visiting the University during 23-26 September, 2013. During his visit he will have interactions with the faculty members, Academic administrators and students' representatives.

The Council noted the visit of Chancellor to RGU campus.

(d) Visit of H.E the Governor of Arunachal Pradesh and Chief Rector of RGU

His Excellency the Governor of Arunachal Pradesh, who is also the Chief Rector of the University, has expressed his desire to visit Rajiv Gandhi University in the first week of October 2013. The University has prepared a tentative programme



and has communicated to the Raj Bhavan. The visit to R.G.U is likely to be in the afternoon of 3rd October. The finalization of date and time on the part of Raj Bhavan is awaited.

The Council noted the visit of H.E the Governor of A.P and Chief Rector of RGU to the campus.

AC: 11:27:

Miscellaneous item:

(a) Request for issuance of N.O.C. to Dr. Md. Nawaz Khan, Asstt. Prof., Dept of Mass Communication, RGU for appearing in Ph.D. Entrance Test. Dr. Md. Nawaz Khan, Assistant Professor, Department of Mass Communication had applied for issuance of NOC for appearing in Ph.D Entrance Test in Zoology under this university. Needless to mention, that, he already has a Ph.D degree in Mass Communication. As per office records furnished by the Establishment branch of the university, Dr. Khan has a M.Sc. degree in Zoology with 58 % marks and done his M.Phil in Biodiversity, and thus, by virtue of having requisite qualifications he is eligible for appearing directly in the viva-voce of the Ph.D Entrance Test (RGUPET) and on selection can pursue his PhD course. But the question of obtaining double PhD degree is silent as far as university's academic ordinance is concerned.

The council dropped the item.

AC:11:28:

Any Other Item with the Permission from the Chair

- (a) The Coordinator of the Centre with Potential for Excellence in Biodiversity, RGU has proposed for adoption of Darlong Govt. Secondary School, Seijosa in East Kameng District of Arunachal Pradesh, under the 'Out Reach Programme' of CPEB. The Council suggested examining the matter administratively.
- (b) The council was informed that, a Committee shall be constituted to examine the MoU to be signed with the ShodhGanga, INFLIBNET with regard to digitalization and uploading of M.Phil and Ph.D Theses.
- (c) On the representation submitted by Dr.(Mrs.) N.C. Singh on the modification of M.A Geography Syllabi, the Chairman suggested that the Department can modify 10% of their syllabus as per the existing norms.

As there was no other item for discussion, the meeting ended with proposal of vote of thanks from the Registrar.



Registrar

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MINUTES OF THE 12TH ACADEMIC COUNCIL MEETING

The 12th Academic Council meeting of the University was held on 28th April, 2014 at 10.30 a.m in the Council Hall of the University. The following members attended the meeting;

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| 1. Prof. Tamo Mibang, Vice-Chancellor, RGU | :Chairman (Ex-Officio) |
| 2. Prof. J.C. Soni, Dean, Education & Languages, RGU | : Member (Ex-Officio) |
| 3. Prof. S.K. Nayak, Dean, Social Science, RGU | : Member (Ex-Officio) |
| 4. Prof. R. Tamuli, Dean, Comm. & Management, RGU | : Member (Ex-Officio) |
| 5. Prof. Tomo Riba, Dean, Environmental Science, RGU | : Member (Ex-Officio) |
| 6. Prof. D. N. Das, Dean, Life Science, BS, IT, E&T, RGU | : Member (Ex-Officio) |
| 7. Prof. Joyanta Borbora, Dept. of Sociology, Dibrugarh University | : Member |
| 8. Prof. Amrendra Kr. Thakur, Dept. of History, NEHU, Shillong | : Member |
| 9. Prof. P.R. Alapati, Dept. of Physics, NERIST, Nirjuli | : Member |
| 10. Prof. Tana Showren, Dept. of History, RGU | : Member |
| 11. Prof. (Mrs.) Jharna Chakraborty, Dept. of Zoology, RGU | : Member |
| 12. Prof. (Mrs.) Sarah Hilaly, Dept. of History, RGU | : Member |
| 13. Dr. (Mrs.) Elizabeth Hangsing, Dept. of Education, RGU | : Member |
| 14. Dr. Hui Tag, Dept. of Botany, RGU | : Member |
| 15. Dr. B.K. Nath, Principal, IGGC, Tezu | : Member |
| 16. Mr. Tayek Talom, Principal, JNC, Pasighat | : Member |
| 17. Dr. Ashan Riddi, Director, IDE, RGU | : Member |
| 18. Dr. S. Simon John, Director i/c, AITS, RGU | : Member |
| 19. Ms. Radhe Amung, HoD i/c, Anthropology, RGU | : Member |
| 20. Prof. R.K. Singh, HoD, Botany, RGU | : Member |
| 21. Dr. Rajesh Chakraborty, HoD i/c, Chemistry, RGU | : Member |
| 22. Prof. R. C. Parida, HoD, Commerce, RGU | : Member |
| 23. Prof. Nirod Chandra Roy, HoD i/c, Economics, RGU | : Member |
| 24. Dr. Thensei. K. Lhungdim, HoD, Education, RGU | : Member |
| 25. Dr. Asima Ranjan Parhi, HoD, English, RGU | : Member |
| 26. Dr. Nishamani Kar, HoD, Geography, RGU | : Member |
| 27. Dr. Harish Kumar Sharma, HoD, Hindi, RGU | : Member |
| 28. Dr. Shyam Narayan Singh, HoD, History, RGU | : Member |
| 29. Mr. Moji Riba, HoD i/c, Mass Communication, RGU | : Member |
| 30. Dr. Saifur Rahman, HoD i/c, Mathematics, RGU | : Member |

31. Dr. Upamanyu Das, HoD i/c, Physics, RGU	: Member
32. Dr. Nani Bath, HoD, Political Science, RGU	: Member
33. Prof. Maqitul Hussain, HoD , Sociology, RGU	: Member
34. Prof. Hirendra Nath Sarma, HoD, Zoology, RGU	: Member
35. Prof. Khem Chand Kapoor, Director, CDC, RGU	: Special Invitee
36. Dr. Rachob Taba, Registrar, RGU	:Secretary (Ex-Officio)

At the outset, the Chairman welcomed all the members to the first meeting of the 3rd Academic Council. Then, he introduced the three new external members attending the Council meeting, namely, Prof. A.K. Thakur, Dept. of History, NEHU, Prof. J. Borbora, Dept. of Sociology, Dibrugarh University and Prof. P.R. Alapati, Dept. of Physics, NERIST. The Principals of JNC, Pasighat and IGGC, Tezu have also attended the meeting. The other external member of the Academic Council, Prof. M.P. Bezbaruah, Dept. of Economics, Gauhati University could not attend the meeting as he was preoccupied. Four other internal members also could not attend the meeting due to pre-occupations.

The following agenda were then taken up for discussion.

AC: 12:01: To confirm the minutes of the 11th meeting of Academic Council held on 20th September, 2013.

The Council noted that the minutes of the 11th meeting of Academic Council held on 20th September 2013 were circulated amongst the members and no comments received from any of the members so far.

The Council confirmed the minutes of the 11th meeting of Academic Council held on 20th September, 2013.

AC: 12:02: To consider the Action Taken Report (ATR) on the minutes of the 11th meeting of the Academic Council held on 20th Sept., 2013.

The Council noted that in pursuance of the 11th Academic Council meeting decisions, the University authority has implemented and executed the decisions of the Council, wherever possible.

The Council accepted the Action Taken Report (ATR) on the minutes of the 11th meeting of Academic Council held on 20.09.2013.

AC: 12:03: To consider the approval of the teaching posts sanctioned for newly created departments under the XII Plan.

The Council noted that the UGC had sanctioned few teaching posts for three newly constituted departments vide letter No. F.1-12013 (CU) dated 5.02.2014 as per details shown below:

Sl. No.	Name of the Departments created	Teaching positions approved by UGC			
		Professor	Associate Professor	Asst. Professor	No. of posts
1.	Department of Social Work	01	02	04	07
2.	Department of Electronics Communication	01	02	04	07
3.	Department of Physical Education	01	0	05	06
4.	Total	03	04	13	20

The Council discussed the matter at length and approved to start the above programmes from the academic session 2014-15 subject to availability of basic infrastructure and appointment of required teaching staff. The item was recommended to Finance Committee.

AC: 12:04: To consider the approval of course and man power for the establishment of School of Education.

The Council noted that the University is in receipt of an approval for establishment of School of Education vide order No. 15-5/2012 (CU) dated 5.08.2013 with course and manpower as shown below:

Sl. No.	Name of the Program	Teaching positions approved by UGC			
		Professor	Assoc. Professor	Asst. Professor	Total
1	M.Ed	01	01	02	04

The Council examined the item and approved to start the programme from the academic session 2014-15.

AC: 12:05: To ratify the Course Structure & Syllabi of Post-Graduate Diploma in Banking and Insurance (PGDBI)

The Council noted that the Course Structure & Syllabi for Paper 201-204 of the Post-Graduate Diploma in Banking and Insurance (PGDBI) II semester has been prepared by the BPGS in Commerce was approved for implementation in the academic session i.e. 2013-14 by the University Authority.

The Council ratified the action taken by the University Authority.

AC: 12:06: To Consider the introduction of Tribal Studies as a discipline in UG level

The Council deferred the item to the next meeting of Academic Council.

AC: 12:07: To consider the switching over from Certificate Course in GIS to Post Graduate Diploma in Remote Sensing & GIS.

The Council deferred the item to the next meeting of Academic Council. For now, the Certificate Course in GIS (CCGIS) will continue.

AC: 12:08: To consider the modalities on evaluation of answer scripts of UG courses & systematic conduct under semester system.

The Council noted that the 11th AC meeting suggested for constitution of a Committee to examine and suggest modalities to be followed on the evaluation of answer scripts of UG courses under semester programme. The reports of the committee were placed before the Council for consideration.

The members perused the reports of the Committee and deliberated the matter and approved the recommendations of the Committee in principle.

AC: 12:09: To consider mentioning of the Faculty name along with the Department in the Ph.D Award Notification.

The Council noted that Mr. Dinesh Chandra Kalita, a Research Scholar from the Dept. of Geography was awarded Ph.D degree under the Faculty of Environmental Science as per a RGU notification with a mention of the Faculty name and name of Department/subject in the Ph.D Award Notification as he was working under interdisciplinary area with Science background as per recommendation of the Departmental council meeting of the Dept. of Geography. The item was placed to the Council meeting for ratification.

The Council ratified the action taken by the University authority.

AC: 12:10: To consider and approve the fee structure related to admission of foreign scholars/NRI students to Ph.D Programme in RGU.

The Council noted that the International Scholars Cell (ISC), RGU has prepared the Fee Structure for Admission to Ph.D Programme in RGU for Foreign/NRI students, as follows;

Fee structure for admission to Ph.D. programme in RGU for foreign/NRI students		Indian currency (Rs.)
1. Synopsis Submission Fee		1000/-
2. Registration Fee	a) Practical Oriented	10,000/-
	b) Non Practical	8,000/-
3. Re-Registration		2,000/-
4. Ph.D Evaluation and Submission Fee	a) Regular	5,000/-
	b) Part- Time	5,000/-
5. Ph.D Application Form for Registration	a) Regular	500/-
	b) Part – Time	500/-
6. Other Miscellaneous Fees (For Both Regular & Part – Time Research Scholars)	a) Practical Oriented	7,000/-
	b) Non – Practical	3,000/-
7. Ph.D course work fee (for both Regular & Part – Time Research Scholars)		2,000/-

It was further noted by the Council that unless the University have hostel for International Students/Scholars, provisions will have to be kept for accommodating them in University.

Guest House. International students/scholars have to pay charges both for lodging and food as per the existing norms of the Guest House. Once International Students/Scholars hostel is in place, then new rate can be fixed.

The Council examined the Fee Structure for Foreign/NRI students prepared by the International Scholar Cell (ISC) for admission to Ph.D Programme and approved the same. The Council maintained that all the portions/columns in the Fee Structure where "Part-Time Research Scholars" is wrongly mentioned should be deleted from the above Table.

AC: 12:11: To consider and approve the increase of intake capacity in MA in Mass Communication
The Council noted that the Department of Mass Communication started functioning with running the Post graduate Diploma in Mass communication in the year 2004. It has also started the MA program from 2011 with an intake capacity of 15 students and M. Phil from 2013 with 5 students, as well as a Certificate Course in Graphics and Animation from September 2013 with an intake of 10 students.

It is now seen that with a huge turnout of Arunachalee students with graduate degrees in Mass Communication, coupled with the demand for qualified academic and professional media personnel, there is a need to offer more students access to opportunities in pursuing higher studies in Mass Communication.

Therefore, it was proposed to increase the intake in the MA programme in Mass Communication from the existing 15 seats to 20 seats.

The Council approved the same.

The Council also decided to increase the intake capacity of following PG Programmes in the University and its affiliated college, as follows:

Sl. No.	Course/Programme	Existing intake	Raised intake
(A)	In RGU		
1.	M.Phil in History	5	8
2	M.Phil in Commerce	8	10
3	M.Sc. Botany	24	25
4	M.Sc. Zoology	24	25
(B)	In JNC, Pasighat		
1	M.A./M.Sc. Geography	12	15
2	M.A. History	20	25
3	M.A. Hindi (being launched from 2014-15 session)	Approved for 20 seats	

The Council unanimously felt that creation of basic infrastructure and appointment of sufficient teaching staff are the main hindrance towards increase of intake in UG/PG programmes and starting of new courses in the University as well as all its affiliated colleges under the semester system.

AC: 12:12: To consider and approve the proposal to discontinue the Post Graduate Diploma in Mass Communication (PGDMC).

The Council deferred the item to next AC.

AC: 12:13: To consider and approve the proposal to introduce various short term courses in Mass Communication

The Council deferred the item to next AC.

AC: 12:14: To consider and approve separation of Bridge Course Paper (MASCOM 0107- Computer Application for Mass Media) from overall aggregate in the Masters program

The Council noted that while designing the syllabus for the Masters degree in Mass Communication, the BPGS had recommended that a Bridge Course in Computer Application in Mass Media may be included in order that all students attain a basic minimum knowledge of computer media applications. This was felt necessary as it was observed that some students did not have a background in this aspect.

However, in the examination process there appeared a lack of clarity on whether the marks for the bridge course are to be included in the overall aggregate of the candidate.

It is proposed that since the paper is of a bridge course nature and intended mainly to create skills in media computer applications, the marks of the paper may not be counted in the overall aggregate. However, it would be compulsory for the candidate to clear the paper in order to be considered for promotion or for securing positions.

The council examined the matter and approved the separation of Bridge Course Paper - MASCOM -0107 (Computer Application for Mass Media) from overall aggregate in the Masters programme and at the same time changed its nomenclature to Audit Course instead of Bridge Course.

AC: 12:15: To ratify the establishment of Intellectual Property Right Cell, RGU.

It was noted that as per the provisions made by the Department of Science and Technology, Govt. of India, the University authority has approved the establishment of Intellectual Property Right (IPR) Cell in RGU consisting of following members:

1. Prof. D.N. Das, Dean, Faculty of Life Science : Coordinator
2. Mr. Ani Taggu, Associate Professor in CSE : Dy. Coordinator

The Cell shall coordinate towards documentation and protection of research work, creativity and intellectual output. The Cell shall work in tandem with the state's patent information Centre (PIC) and the Department of Science & Technology, Govt. of India and shall update its report to the university authority from time to time.

The Council ratified the action taken by the University authority.

AC: 12:16: To consider in facilitating admission of deserving and eligible candidates facing financial constraint by MHRD, Govt. of India.

The Council noted that in the 12th Five Year Plan Document' para 21.232, it states that, 'the reach of scholarships and students loans with government guarantees would be universalized so that no student is deprived of Higher education opportunities for financial reasons. As such, all Centrally Funded higher educational institution may adopt the following course of action for admission of differently categories of students based on intelligible criteria:

- (i) No fees need be charged at the time of admission from those SC/ST students who are eligible for Post-matric Scholarships/Top Class Scholarships. At the time of admission they may be advised to deposit the fee with the Institute as soon as they receive the scholarship amount. An undertaking to this effect may be taken from them at the time of admission. However, the CFHEIs will be responsible for timely verification, etc. of documents and their submission to facilitate timely disbursement of scholarship.
- (ii) In other cases, if any SC/ST students failed to deposit the fee in the Institute then fees may be charged after making special efforts to get them requisite loan sanctioned, including facility of interest subsidy to those whose income is below Rs. 6 lacs where applicable.
- (iii) Special schemes under SCSP/TSP may also be drawn, in consultation with the target group in respective CFHEIs, for providing other facilities like books, equipment etc. essentially required for completion of course, which are not covered under these Scholarship Schemes, for SC/ST students.

The Council deliberated the matter and approved the same.

AC: 12:17: To consider the introduction of Diploma in Elementary Education (D.El.Ed.) from session 2014-15.

The Council noted the proposal to introduce two year D.El.Ed. programme in the Department of Education, either from the academic session 2014-15 or 2015-16, for which, the course structure of D.El.Ed. of the state government could be adopted for which a proposal to UGC shall be sent for granting additional faculty positions in line of M.Ed. programme.

The Council discussed the item and approved to start the Diploma programme in Elementary Education from the next academic session - 2014-15 and the course structure of D.El.Ed. of the State Government should be adopted with modification for the time being. In this connection, University should write to NCTE for consideration/approval of the programme.

AC: 12:18: To consider introducing and maintaining of Dress Code for various professional programmes run in the Dept. of Education.

It was noted that, since the Department of Education is running professional programmes, the Department is proposing to introduce dress codes for the trainees of Teacher Education Programmes.

The council discussed the matter and decided to leave the matter to the concerned Department subject to administrative approval.

- AC: 12:19: To consider introduction of common entrance test system for B.Ed. & M.Ed. programme
The Council deliberated on it and authorized the department of Education to do preliminary exercises on modalities for entrance test system.
Further, the Council authorized the Chairman to constitute a three-member committee to work out the probability of conducting separate Common Entrance Test for admission to B.Ed. and M.Ed. programmes in the University and its affiliated teachers training colleges.
- AC: 12:20: To consider allocating funds to the dept. of Education from the revenue generated from B.Ed. & M.Ed. paid seats.
The Council noted that the B.Ed and M.Ed. professional courses are being run in the Department of Education having some number of paid seats. That, there was a proposal from the Department for funding it with at least 50% of the revenue collected from the paid seats annually, for the procurement of TTIMs and other equipments required for the professional programmes.
The Council after deliberation, decided to examine the proposal administratively.
- AC: 12:21: To consider enhancement of admission fee in the Department of Anthropology.
The Council noted that the admission fee to the MA 2nd Semester Anthropology is proposed to be enhanced by Rs.500/- only to facilitate short-term fieldwork in Archaeological Anthropology for the students.
The Council perused and approved it for incorporation in the fee structure to be printed in the Prospectus.
- AC: 12:22: To consider levying/fixing a fee on application towards renewal of temporary affiliation of the applicants:
It was noted that the university charges a fee of Rs. 5000/- only from the applicants through DD or challan, who intends to apply for obtaining affiliation from the university with an additional amount of Rs. 1000/- only for the affiliation application format, making it a total of Rs. 6000/-.
But, so far the university is not charging a penny for the temporarily affiliated colleges when they apply for renewal of their Temporary Affiliations to RGU on the expiry of temporary affiliation period. Temporary affiliation is granted for a period of one year only which is subject to extension on being applied for renewal of the same by a temporarily affiliated college at the end of every one year period. This way, undoubtedly the university is losing its source of revenue. Moreover, since, the labour and efforts in terms of official procedure involved in extending the temporary affiliations i.e. renewal of temporary affiliation is exactly as same as that of granting temporary affiliations, it was proposed to levy a fixed fee of Rs. 2,500/- only as renewal fee while applying for the renewal of temporary affiliations by the affiliated colleges/institutes under this varsity, with immediate effect.
The Council examined the matter and approved it.

AC: 12:23: Temporary Affiliation to Kasturba Gandhi Institute of Higher Education (B.Ed.) College, Roing

The Council noted that, the Secretary, Kasturba Gandhi Institute of Higher Education (B.Ed.) College, Roing, had submitted a representation for temporary affiliation for conducting B.Ed. Programme under the aegis of the Abralow Multipurpose (Memorial) Society, Roing. He has requested the University to accord temporary affiliation of the proposed B.Ed. College from the academic session 2014-15.

The Society has already conducted series of interviews for the selection of principal, faculty members, Librarian and other staffs for the College during Sept./Oct., 2013 at Itanagar Guwahati & Bhubhaneshwar with a representative from the University on getting the NCTE letter of intent. The said college has obtained formal recognition from the NCTE on 7.8.13 for running the B.Ed. Course.

The Council further noted that, the University constituted Committee to study the request and feasibility had also furnished its reports. The committee report states, that, since, the college fulfills all the basic criteria as per UGC, NCTE and RGU norms; recommends for the grant of Temporary Affiliation to the College by the Academic Council of RGU from the academic session 2014-15.

The Council examined the reports of the Committee and approved the temporary affiliation of the college.

AC: 12:24: To consider and approve the Revised Fee Structure of various courses.

It was noted that the constituted committee under the chairmanship of Prof. S.K. Nayak had submitted a revised fee structure for various courses offered in the university and recommended for implementation from academic session 2015-16.

The Council thoroughly perused the revised fee structure of various courses prepared by the Committee thoroughly and approved the same with minor incorporations and modifications.

AC: 12:25: To consider discontinuation of Re-Evaluation System in RGU

It was noted that the matter was placed in the 11th AC meeting, wherein the Council suggested for constitution of a Committee to examine the issue of re-evaluation and its recommendation to be placed in the next meeting of A.C for a final decision. The committee has submitted its reports on the matter.

The Council perused the reports and recommendation of the Committee to examine the issue of re-evaluation and it was decided that re-evaluation should be allowed for the 1st Year students of B.A., who are appearing in the examinations currently i.e. in the month of April/May 2014. However, the minimum percentage of marks, i.e., at least 20% in the failed paper should be considered as criteria for applying for re-evaluation in a particular paper.

AC: 12:26:

To Consider the extension of Temporary affiliation to Teacher Training College (B.Ed), Aalo. The Council noted that, the Managing Director, T.T.C (B.Ed.), Aalo has submitted representation for extension of temporary affiliation to their college, under the aegis of the Marjum Welfare Society, Aalo. The Temporary affiliation was given to this college for a

period of one year w.e.f 30/8/2012, which expired on 29/08/2013.

Accordingly, the constituted College Inspection committee visited the said college on 7/03/2013 and submitted its report with a positive recommendation to accord annual extension of temporary affiliation.

The Council examined the reports of the Inspection Committee and approved extension of temporary affiliation to Teacher Training College (B.Ed), Aalo for a period of one year.

AC: 12:27: To consider the extension of Temporary affiliation to Mudo Tamo Memorial College (B.Ed), Ziro

The Council noted that, the Chairperson, N.H.W.S. Ziro has submitted representation for extension of temporary affiliation of Mudo Tamo Memorial College (B.Ed), Ziro under the aegis of the New Heritage Welfare Society, Ziro. The Temporary affiliation was given to the college for a period 1 year w.e.f. 23/8/2012, which expired on 22/08/2013.

Accordingly, the constituted College Inspection committee visited the said college on 7/03/2013 and submitted its report with a positive recommendation to accord annual extension of temporary affiliation.

The Council examined the reports of the Inspection Committee and approved extension of temporary affiliation to Mudo Tamo Memorial College (B.Ed), Ziro for a period of one year.

AC: 12:28: To consider increase in supernumerary seats in various professional courses:

It was noted that the existing seat limit of one as 'Supernumerary seat' is insufficient to meet the ever increasing applications in this category. With the university expanding and number of employees increasing, their spouses and children's number is also increasing and thereby, causing heartbreaks and dissatisfaction at the time of seeking admissions through supernumerary quota, which has strength of only one seat per course at present.

In the given condition, it was proposed to increase the Supernumerary seat to at least three seats in all the professional courses offered by the university, such as B.Ed., PG Diploma, etc.

The council discussed the item at length. It was decided to constitute a three member committee, which will examine the matter in detail and report accordingly to be placed at the next meeting of AC for consideration.

AC: 12:29: To consider introduction of Online Admission procedure by RGU:

The Council noted that in today's fast moving world of IT age, it is expected that a central university like RGU keep in place the provisions of "applying online" while seeking admissions to various courses of RGU by intending applicants, including students, scholars and researchers from across the state and beyond. It is since last year only, this university is providing the prospectus and forms in downloadable format in its website, and it has proved to be of immense help so far. To go a step further, it was proposed to introduce online admission system, where applicants can apply online through a set mechanism in the university website, making ease the way for many students even from far flung districts of the state as well as from across the nation and beyond to apply for the admissions to various courses of RGU.

The Council discussed on the pros and cons of the item and approved the proposal in principle. The Council also authorized the Chairman to constitute an Advisory Committee associating V-SAT officials in this regard.

AC: 12:30: To approve the revised syllabi as prepared by various BUGS and BPGS

The following syllabi have been revised by the BUGS and BPGS concerned, and were tabled before the AC for its approval and consideration for implementation;

- i) B.Sc. Physics
- ii) M.Tech. in CSE
- iii) M.Sc. in Botany

The Council perused the syllabi prepared by various BUGS and BPGS and approved the same.

AC: 12:31: To approve the syllabuses and course structures as prepared by various BUGS and BPGS of RGU

The following syllabuses have been prepared by the BUGS and BPGS concerned, and were tabled before the AC for its approval and consideration for implementation;

(a) Syllabi prepared for Under-Graduate Programmes to be implemented under Semester Mode.

- i) B.A. English
- ii) B.A. Sociology
- iii) B.A. Anthropology
- iv) B.A. Economics
- v) B.A. Geography
- vi) B.A. Hindi
- vii) B.A. Education
- viii) B.P.Ed. Programme
- ix) BA Political Science
- x) BA History

(b) Syllabi prepared for Post-Graduate Programmes to be implemented under Semester Mode.

- i) M.Tech. in Electronics and Telecommunication
- ii) M.Ed.
- iii) Masters in Social Work (MSW)
- iv) M.Phil. in Sociology
- ~~v)~~ Bachelor in Physical Education (BPEd.)

The Council perused the syllabi prepared by various BUGS and BPGS and approved the same.

AC: 12:32: On approval by UGC for Up-gradation of RGU's Department of Hindi
The Council noted that the university is in receipt of an approval letter for up-gradation of department of Hindi, RGU under the UGC's scheme for non-Hindi spoken areas vide UGC letter No.14-7/2014 (official language), Dated 4th Feb., 2014. The detail is as under;

Sl. No.	Purpose, regarding which the grant is approved	Sanctioned post/items	Sanctioned grant
1	Opening / Up-gradation of Hindi Department	1. Professor (1)	Actual pay as per UGC rule
		2. Reader (0)	
		3. Lecturer (2)	
		4. Books & Journals/Magazines	Rs.1,00,000/-
		5. Seminars, Conferences & Symposiums	Rs. 1,00,000/-

The Council noted and approved the same.

AC: 12:33: To approve the proposal for recognition of Rajiv Gandhi University Museum of Fishes (RGUMF) as Departmental fish repository

The Council noted that the office of the Dean, Faculty of Life Sciences has proposed for recognition of Rajiv Gandhi University Museum of Fishes (RGUMF) as Departmental Fish Repository.

It is to make mention that the museum is an outcome of fish collections and maintenance activities initiated way back in the year 2001 through several collaboratively sponsored projects. The collections were later housed in the fish diversity laboratory of Centre of Biodiversity in 2007, and its resources have so far earned global fame as an endemic fish repository of eastern Himalayan biodiversity hotspot. Such academic asset of the University needs further boosts for maintaining its standard and brand which in turn will cater to the need of biodiversity conservationists and fishery scientists nationally and globally. It also proposes for creation of the post for museum curatorial services and financial allocation for its maintenance.

The matter was discussed at length. The Chairman emphasized a special mention on the RGU Museum of Fishes for its globally acclaimed reputation. He added due recognition and every possible support will be provided to the Museum by University as per the norms. However, it was decided to revert back the matter to the Department of Zoology for detailed discussion as the proposal should be routed through proper channel as per norms.

AC: 12:34: To consider admission of Post graduate degree holders in allied subjects to M.Phil and Ph.D. courses in Botany

The Council noted that students having Admission of Post Graduate degree holders in allied subject in M.Phil and Ph.D courses in the department of Botany from 2001 to 2009 and many of them have been awarded Ph.D degrees. However, from 2010 onwards, the new Ph.D guidelines permitted only those students who have their degrees in concerned subjects, and as a result students from allied subjects are not being admitted in the course.

It further noted that many Central/State Universities admit students from allied subjects in respective Ph.D course. Moreover, the faculty members of the department have research specialization related to allied subjects and are running externally funded interdisciplinary research project and scheme such as the Centre of Bioinformatics, the centre of Biodiversity and the Biotech Hub in which students from allied subjects have been appointed as JRF.

Therefore, it was proposed to amend the existing provisions for facilitating admission of such students in the M.Phil/Ph.D courses of the department and disciplines like Microbiology, Plant Physiology, Biochemistry, Biotechnology, Bioinformatics, Food Technology, and Environmental Sciences etc. be recognized as allied subject of Botany and be considered for admission to M.Phil and Ph.D. courses in Botany.

There was a lengthy deliberation on the matter. The Council decided that the proposal will be incorporated in the University Ordinances.

AC: 12:35: On the proposal for establishment of Centre for Endangered Languages in AITS, Rajiv Gandhi University

The Council noted that for establishment of Centre for Endangered Languages in AITS, RGU, the University has received fund support to the tune of Rs.1.8 crores from UGC, New Delhi vide Letter No. F.No.15-6/2012 (CU), dated the 3rd April, 2014.

The Council discussed the item and approved it.

AC: 12:36: To approve the Academic Calendar of the University for the session 2014-15.

The Council noted that the Academic Calendar of the University for the session 2014-15, for the University faculties and the Affiliated Colleges of the University have been reviewed and framed by the constituted committee, and was placed for perusal by the AC.

The Council examined the Academic Calendar framed by the Committee and approved with minor modification.

The Council observed that there needs some minor modification on the admission dates and commencement of classes, viz.;

2.3 iii) Commencement of classes for Third/Fifth Semester (MA/M.Sc., M.Com, B.Ed./MBA/M.Tech/ all UG Courses based on Semester & other Diploma Courses) – Given date should be changed to 14th July 2014 (Monday) instead of 28th July, 2014 (Monday)

2.4 iii) Commencement of classes for Second/Fourth/Sixth Semester (MA/M.Sc., M.Com, B.Ed./MBA/M.Tech/ all UG Courses based on Semester & other Diploma Courses) - Given date should be changed to 19th January 2015 (Monday) instead of 30th January, 2015 (Friday)

Further, the Council authorized the Academic Calendar Committee to review the Calendar of the affiliated colleges in tune with the Semester Programme to be introduced at B.A. Level from the academic session 2014-15.

AC: 12:37: Legal implications relating to the decision of 9th meeting of the A.C on extending weight-age in admission to P.G and B.Ed. programmes.
The Council noted that with regard to extending weight-age to students for admission B.Ed. and P.G programmes, the 9th meeting of the Academic Council vide item No. AC: 9:7th had decided as follows:

"The Council had a very lengthy deliberation on the matter and resolved that while preparing merit list for admission in Rajiv Gandhi University, the students of all categories passing out from Rajiv Gandhi University will be given a weight-age of 15% marks. Further, it was also resolved that a weight-age of 5% marks shall be given to the APST students passing out from other UGC recognized universities for the purpose. The same may be included in the University Prospectus for the academic session 2013-14."

The above decision of the Academic Council was incorporated in the University prospectus and admissions were given accordingly.

It also noted that the decision on being challenged in the Hon'ble High Court, the matter was placed in the 11th AC meeting held on 20th Sept., 2013, wherein the Council resolved to constitute a 5 (five) member Committee to look into the issue of weight-age in admission to P.G and B.Ed. programmes. Accordingly, the said committee had furnished its reports on the matter.

The Council perused the reports of the 5 (five) member committee and had threadbare discussion on it.

The Council resolved that a 10% point additional weightage shall be given to the students passing out from Rajiv Gandhi University and 5% point additional weightage shall be given to the APST students, who have done their graduation from other UGC recognized Universities for admission to PG and B.Ed. programmes.

AC: 12:38: Temporary Affiliation to Donyi Polo B.Ed. College, Itanagar

It was noted that the Executive Director of the Donyi Polo B.Ed. College, Itanagar, has submitted a representation for temporary affiliation of Donyi Polo B.Ed. College, Itanagar, for conducting B.Ed. Programme under the aegis of the Society for Women Welfare Awareness & Training (SWWAT), Itanagar. He has requested the University to accord temporary affiliation of the proposed B.Ed. College from the academic session 2014-15. The Society has already conducted interview for the selection of principal, faculty members, Librarian and other staffs for the College during February, 2014 with a representative from the University on getting the NCTE's letter of intent.

The Council further noted that the Society had applied to the University for Temporary Affiliation to Donyi Polo B.Ed. College, Itanagar in the year 2010 and accordingly a Screening Committee was formed. After screening, an Inspection committee was constituted on recommendation of the screening committee. The college was physically inspected by the constituted committee recently. The committee had furnished its reports. The committee report states, that, since, the college fulfills all the basic criteria as per UGC, NCTE and RGU norms; recommends for the grant of Temporary Affiliation to the College by the Academic Council of RGU, with a condition that the academic program shall be started in the college only after obtaining of a formal Recognition Order/Letter from the NCTE.

The Council perused the reports of the Inspection Committee and approved temporary affiliation subject to formal approval of NCTE. The College should not start academic programme/course without formal approval of NCTE.

AC: 12:39: Formal introduction/start of semester system in BA programme from 2014-15 academic session

It was noted that in the 7th meeting of the AC held on 17th Feb., 2012 vide its resolution No. AC: 07: 03, the Council approved in principle the introduction of semester system in the UG courses of affiliated colleges from the year 2013. Subsequently, the semester related issues were discussed thoroughly in the next AC meetings. As a result, the system was introduced in a phased manner, and as a modest beginning, B.Com. & B.Sc. programmes were brought under the system in the current academic session 2013-14. Accordingly, the same is to be formally implemented for the BA programmes from the 2014-15 academic session.

The matter was again placed in the 11th AC meeting, wherein the Council suggested for the start of academic exercise. With regard to start of the academic programme from the next academic session, inputs were to be invited from the Principals of affiliated Colleges and representatives of Higher and Technical Education, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh. The said input drawing meeting was convened on 18th Dec., 2013 and agreed in principle to start the BA programme under Semester system.

The exercises related to preparation of syllabi by the university have been done.

The Council after having a thorough deliberation on the item, approved to start BA programmes under semester system from the next academic session - 2014-15. The Council also suggested that workshop/orientation programmes should be organized for college teachers and administrators to get them oriented beforehand.

AC: 12:40: To consider for nominating RGU Representatives to the Governing/Management Bodies of each colleges affiliated to this University.

The Council noted that there are 26 colleges affiliated to this University as on date, of which barring very few have university representatives in their governing/management bodies. This perhaps is needed for more academic soundness of the college and for maintaining an indirect supervision of the development in the said college academically and functionally. Senior faculty members not below the rank of Associate Professors and eligible officers not below the rank of Deputy Registrars of the university are to be considered for being nominated by the Vice-Chancellor through the Academic Council resolutions as RGU Representatives to the governing bodies of the colleges. Such practices have been seen in NEHU also. These nominations could be made for a period of 2 academic years initially and may be renewed or revised biannually.

The Council deliberated on it and approved the same.

AC: 12:41: To consider making PG degrees as eligibility base for admission to B. Ed. programmes

The Council deferred the item to the next meeting of Academic Council.

/ C: 12:42: Continuation of Late College for B.Sc, B.Com failed students for 2013-14 session.

Already in practice as an outcome of a decision in the last AC meeting and hence need discussion. The item was withdrawn.

AC: 12:43: To ratify the introduction of Honours Course in History at Govt. College, Doimukh
It was noted by the Council, that, the university on receipt of a request from the Principal, Govt. College, Doimukh, for the approval of an already introduced Honours Course in History in the said College in November last year, viewed it seriously, keeping in view the undermining of the stand of RGU in its established norms and academic control and credibility. Accordingly, a letter of denial was issued to the college authorities. Recently a committee has been formed by the University to screen the application and documents submitted by the Principal.

However, given the circumstances, that, the college, in anticipation of the approval from RGU is already running the course in the current academic session (2013-14), the competent authority of the university while exercising leniency had approved the running of the course i.e, Honours in History in Govt. College, Doimukh, subject to ratification by the Academic Council, on a condition that, in future, no such lapse shall be repeated by all affiliated colleges.

The Council while ratifying the action taken by the University authority reiterated that all colleges are permitted to start Honours programme(s) in their colleges without obtaining prior permission from Rajiv Gandhi University.

AC: 12:44: To approve the grant of Temporary affiliation to Venerable Uktara Bethany College, Manmao, Namsai, for running B.A & B.Com. courses

The Council noted that Bethany Charitable Trust, Guwahati had submitted a proposal for setting up an Arts & Commerce College in the name and style of Venerable Uktara Bethany College, at Manmao, Namsai in the prescribed Forms and deposited the required fee towards the grant of Temporary affiliation to the new college.

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 said committee had visited the College, and recommended for the start of BA & B.Com. courses there by giving Temporary affiliation to the college.

The Council perused the reports of Inspection Committee and its recommendations and approved temporary affiliation to Venerable Uktara Bethany College, Manmao, Namsai, for running B.A & B.Com. courses from the academic session 2014-15.

AC: 12:45: Any other item, with the permission of the chair.

Under this item, the following agenda were taken up for discussion and resolved:

- 1) To consider exempting RGU MPhil degree holders from appearing/attending course work of PhD courses

It was noted that of late, this issue had remained a point of debate among the Ph.D scholars with M.Phil degree from Rajiv Gandhi University (RGU) and the administrators. The former

are on their stand that, they should be exempted from attending Course Work classes and appearing examinations, as the course structure which is taught in the PhD course work and the M.Phil is almost similar and of same volume and depth, but the latter, in the absence of a clear-cut guidelines, did not endorsed it. The matter was therefore placed to the Council for perusal and deliberations.

The Council deliberated on the issue and decided to exempt M.Phil degree holders from attending Ph.D. Course Work.

- 2) To consider allocating and introducing supernumerary seats in MCA, MBA, M.Ed., M.Phil and PhD courses

The Council noted that as a step towards welfare measures for the RGU fraternity, it is proposed that, supernumerary seats be kept and introduced in MBA, BCA, MCA, M.Ed., M.Phil and PhD courses also for the eligible spouses and children of the regular employees of the university. Such a step, perhaps, could boost the spirit and morale of the employees and could also play a part towards retaining employees in this University.

The Council deliberated the matter and approved introducing/allocating supernumerary seats in professorial courses like, MCA, MBA and M.Ed. subject to fulfillment of requirements as per the existing system, however, turned down the proposal for introducing it in M.Phil and Ph.D courses.

- 3) On special examination for practical paper, i.e. Remote Sensing and GIS (Paper Code:528)

It was noted that a representation was received from Mr. Karan Kholie, IV Semester student in the Department of Geography, requesting for the conduct of special examination in the above cited practical based paper, stating that he appeared the examination in the month of December 2013 and failed to get through the paper. His case was examined as per the existing ordinance and was not considered. However, the student is repeatedly requesting to allow him to re-appear the paper alongwith the IV Semester examinations scheduled to be held in the month of May 2014. In this regard, comments from the subject teacher and HoD have been obtained. The HoD states that there is no explicit difference within practical and theory papers as per the existing practice. Three students under the same rule were found to be failed in the subject/paper, but on moderation, one of them has cleared the same paper. However, he suggested entertaining the case on the basis of progressive and lenient consideration.

The council had threadbare discussion on the subject and decided to facilitate special examination to be conducted as an exceptional case, although one member had given his dissent on the decision.

4) Regarding Collection of Sports Fee etc., from Colleges

It was noted that the University has been collecting Sports fee from the Under Graduate Students for the last many years. The amount collected is used for the conduct of Inter Collegiate Youth Festival in two years' interval at the cost of large expenditure which does not at all match with the fees collected from the students. It has almost become a regular affair in the University. To overcome the financial constraint and other logistic problem it was proposed to do away with the existing system of fee collection for sports from the colleges effective from the upcoming 2014-2015 session.

The council discussed the matter and decided to do away with the existing system of sports fee collection from the colleges from the next academic session 2014-15.

5) Regarding conduct of the XIII Convocation of RGU

The Council noted that the XIII Convocation of the University is proposed to be held in the month of November-2014 tentatively. The time is fixed to be in the month of November-2014 as per the University calendar.

The Council noted and observed that Executive Council is the deciding body for Convocation.

6) To approve the draft syllabi and course structure for skill based papers for B.Sc. Botany submitted by the faculty council in Botany


The Council noted and approved the same.

7) To ratify the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) signed between RGU and University of Madras, Chennai

The signed Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between Centre with Potential for Excellence in Biodiversity, RGU and Centre of Advanced study in Crystallography and Biophysics, University of Madras, Guindy Campus, Chennai was placed before the Council for perusal and ratification.

The Council perused the item and ratified the action taken by the University authority.

As there was no other item for discussion, the meeting ended with proposal of vote of thanks from the Registrar.


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THE MINUTES

The 13th Meeting of the Academic Council (Special) was held on 31st October 2014 at the Council Hall of the University. The following members attended the meeting:

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| 1. Prof. Tamo Mibang, Vice-Chancellor, RGU | :Chairman (Ex-Officio) |
| 2. Prof. J.C. Soni, Dean, Education & Languages, RGU | : Member (Ex-Officio) |
| 3. Prof. S.K. Nayak, Dean, Social Science, RGU | : Member (Ex-Officio) |
| 4. Prof. Tomo Riba, Dean, Environmental Science, RGU | : Member (Ex-Officio) |
| 5. Prof. D. N. Das, Dean, Life Science, BS, IT, E&T, RGU | : Member (Ex-Officio) |
| 6. Prof. R. C. Parida, Dean, Commerce & Management, RGU | : Member (Ex-Officio) |
| 7. Prof. (Mrs.) Nandini C. Singh, Dept. of Geography, RGU | : Member |
| 8. Prof. (Mrs.) Elizabeth Hangsing, Dept. of Education, RGU | : Member |
| 9. Dr. Hui Tag, Dept. of Botany, RGU | : Member |
| 10. Mr. Tayek Talom, Principal, JNC, Pasighat | : Member |
| 11. Prof. Ashan Riddi, Director, IDE, RGU | : Member |
| 12. Dr. S. Simon John, Director i/c, AITS, RGU | : Member |
| 13. Prof. Sarit K. Chaudhuri, HoD, Anthropology, RGU | : Member |
| 14. Prof. Rajiv K. Singh, HoD, Botany, RGU | : Member |
| 15. Dr. Md. Harunar Rashid, HoD i/c, Chemistry, RGU | : Member |
| 16. Prof. Utpal Bhattacharjee, HoD, C.Sc. & Engineering, RGU | : Member |
| 17. Dr. (Ms) Vandana Upadhyay, HoD, Economics, RGU | : Member |
| 18. Prof. Thensei. K. Lungdim, HoD, Education, RGU | : Member |
| 19. Dr. Bhagabat Nayak, HoD i/c, English, RGU | : Member |
| 20. Prof. Nishamani Kar, HoD, Geography, RGU | : Member |
| 21. Dr. Harish Kumar Sharma, HoD, Hindi, RGU | : Member |
| 22. Prof. Sudhir K. Singh, HoD i/c, History, RGU | : Member |
| 23. Mr. Bhaskar Pratim S. Baruah, HoD i/c, Management, RGU | : Member |
| 24. Dr. Kh. Kabi, HoD, Mass Communication, RGU | : Member |
| 25. Dr. Sahin Ahmed, HoD, Mathematics & Computing, RGU | : Member |
| 26. Dr. Upamanyu Das, HoD i/c, Physics, RGU | : Member |
| 27. Prof. Nani Bath, HoD, Political Science, RGU | : Member |
| 28. Dr. Soubhagya Ranjan Padhi, HoD, Sociology, RGU | : Member |
| 29. Dr. Daniel Mize, HoD i/c, Zoology, RGU | : Member |
| 30. Prof. R. Tamuli, Controller of Examinations, RGU | : Special Invitee |
| 31. Dr. David Pertin, Dy. Reg. (Aca. & Conf.), RGU | : Invitee |
| 32. Prof. Rachob Taba, Registrar, RGU | : Secretary (Ex-Officio) |

At the outset the Chairman welcomed all the members. The following agenda items were then taken up for discussion and decision(s) thereon.

AC: 13:01: To confirm the minutes of the 12th meeting of Academic Council held on 28th April, 2014.
The Council noted that the minutes of the 12th Academic Council meeting were circulated amongst the members and no comments received from any of the members so far.

The Council confirmed the minutes of the 12th meeting of Academic Council held on 28th April, 2014.

AC: 13:02: To consider the Action Taken Report (ATR) on the decision(s) of the 12th meeting of the Academic Council held on 28th April, 2014.

The Council noted that in pursuance of the 12th Academic Council meeting decisions, the University authority has implemented and executed the decisions of the Council, wherever applicable.

The Council accepted the Action Taken Report (ATR) on the minutes of the 12th meeting of Academic Council held on 28th April 2014.

AC: 13:03: For grant of Temporary affiliation to North East Nursing College of Health Sciences, Itanagar.

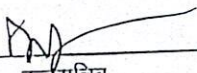
The Member Secretary, Abo Tani Charitable Society, Itanagar, has submitted an application for grant of temporary affiliation to start a B.Sc. Nursing college in the name and style of North-East Nursing College of Health Sciences, Itanagar. Accordingly, a Screening committee to screen the application and an Inspection committee under the Chairmanship of Prof. D.N. Das for physical inspection was constituted. The committee visited the college on 5th August, 2014, for inspection towards the grant of temporary Affiliation to the college from the current academic session and the committee submitted its report with recommendation for the grant of temporary Affiliation from the current Academic session 2014-15.

The Council perused the report of the screening/inspection committee to start B.Sc. Nursing College by Abo Tani Charitable Society, Itanagar from the current academic session 2014-15 and granted approval for Temporary Affiliation for one year to Abo Tani Charitable Society, Itanagar to start a B.Sc. Nursing College, in the name and style of North-East Nursing College of Health Sciences, Itanagar from the academic session 2014-15.

AC: 13:04: For grant of Temporary affiliation to Govt. Model Degree College, Geku, A.P.

The Principal, i/c, Govt. Model Degree College, Geku, has submitted an application for the grant of Temporary Affiliation to start Govt. Model Degree College at Geku, Upper Siang, district, Arunachal Pradesh offering BA programme. Accordingly, a Screening committee to screen the application was constituted under Prof. Sarah Hilaly as the chairperson and an Inspection committee for Physical Inspection under the chairmanship of Prof. R.C. Parida. The committee visited the college on 9th August, 2014, for inspection towards the grant of temporary affiliation to the College from the current academic session and the committee submitted its report with recommendation for the grant of Temporary Affiliation to the College from the current Academic session 2014-15.

The Council perused the report of the Screening and Inspection committees and granted approval for Temporary Affiliation (initially for a period of one year) to Govt. Model Degree College, Geku, Upper Siang district with BA programme from the academic session 2014-15.


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AC: 13:05: For grant of Temporary affiliation to Govt. Women's College, Lekhi Village, Naharlagun, A.P.

The Jt. Dir., Hr. & Tech. Education, Govt. of AP, has submitted an application for the grant of Temporary Affiliation to start a Govt. College exclusively for Women in the name and style of Govt. Women College at Lekhi Village, Naharlagun offering BA programme. Accordingly, a Screening Committee to screen the application was constituted under Prof. (Mrs.) Elizabeth Hangsing as the Chairperson and an Inspection Committee for Physical Inspection under the chairmanship of Prof. N.C. Roy was constituted. The team visited the college on 28th October, 2014, and carried out the inspection towards the grant of Temporary Affiliation to the College from the current academic session and the committee submitted its report with recommendation for the grant of Temporary Affiliation to the college from the current academic session 2014-15.

The Council perused the report of the Screening and Inspection committees and granted approval for Temporary Affiliation (initially for a period of one year) to Govt. Women's College, Lekhi Village to start the college with BA programme from the academic session 2014-15.

AC: 13:06: To consider the Renewal of Temporary affiliation to SFS College, Aalo

The Principal, St. Francis de Sales College, Aalo, has submitted an application for renewal of Temporary Affiliation of the college. The Temporary Affiliation was given to the college for a period of one year w.e.f 24.08.2012, which expired on 23.08.2013. Accordingly, an Inspection Committee was constituted for Physical Inspection of the college under the chairmanship of Prof. R.C. Parida. The Inspection team visited the college on 8th August, 2014, for verification and the committee submitted its report with recommendation for the renewal of Temporary Affiliation to the St. Francis de Sales College, Aalo.

The Council examined the report of the Inspection Committee and approved the Renewal of Temporary Affiliation to St. Francis de Sales College, Aalo, West Siang for a period of one year.

AC: 13:07: To consider the Renewal of Temporary Affiliation to Siang Royal Academy (B.Ed. College) Pasighat.

The Principal, Siang Royal Academy, Pasighat, has submitted an application for Renewal of Temporary Affiliation of the college. The Temporary Affiliation was given to the college for a period of one year w.e.f 28.08.2012, which expired on 27.08.2013. Accordingly, an Inspection committee was constituted under the chairmanship of Prof. J.C. Soni for Physical Inspection of the college. The Inspection team visited the college on 19th July, 2014, for verification and the committee submitted its Report with recommendation for renewal of Temporary Affiliation to Siang Royal Academy, Pasighat.

The Council examined the report of the Inspection Committee and approved the Renewal of Temporary Affiliation to Siang Royal Academy (B.Ed. College), Pasighat for a period of one year.

AC: 13:08: To consider the Renewal of Temporary Affiliation to Mahabodhi Lord Buddha College, Namsai.

The Director, Mahabodhi Lord Buddha College, Namsai, has submitted an application for Renewal of Temporary Affiliation of the college. The Temporary Affiliation was given to the college for a period of one year w.e.f 29.05.2013, which expired on 28.05.2014. Accordingly, an Inspection committee was constituted for Physical Inspection under the chairmanship of Prof. R.C. Parida. The Inspection team visited the college on 27th September, 2014, for verification and the committee submitted its

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report with recommendation for Renewal of Temporary Affiliation to Mahabodhi Lord Buddha College, Namsai.

The Council examined the report of the Inspection Committee and approved the Renewal of Temporary Affiliation to Mahabodhi Lord Buddha College, Namsai for a period of one year.

- AC: 13:09: To approve the syllabus for the B.Sc. Nursing 4 year Course
A committee under the Chairmanship of Prof. D.N. Das was constituted for drafting the syllabus of B.Sc. Nursing 4 Year course under the Rajiv Gandhi University as per Indian Nursing Council's established guidelines. The constituted committee submitted the Syllabus of the B.Sc Nursing 1st year (Basic course) to the Competent Authority for approval.

The Council after thorough perusal accepted and approved the syllabus of B.Sc. Nursing 1st Year (Basic course) and authorized the BUGS to complete the remaining syllabi and for placing the same to next Academic Council.

- AC: 13:10: To approve the Ordinance for the B.Sc. Nursing Course
The constituted committee under the Chairmanship of Prof. J.C. Soni submitted the Ordinance of the B.Sc Nursing 4 year course to the Competent Authority for approval.

The Council perused the Ordinance and recommended the same to the Executive Council for approval.

- AC: 13:11: To approve the Ordinance for M.Ed. Programme under Semester system
The constituted Ordinance Committee under the Chairmanship of Prof. T. Lungdim, Head, Department of Education, has submitted the prepared draft ordinance for Master of Education (M.Ed) Programme under Semester system for approval by the Academic Council.

The Council perused the Ordinance and recommended the same to the Executive Council for approval.

- AC: 13:12: To ratify the syllabi approved for Skilled Based Papers in B.Sc. 3rd Semester
The internal BUGS members have prepared the syllabuses of Skilled Based Papers in B.Sc Course to be introduced from the current academic session 2014-15. Due to paucity of time, the University authority has approved the syllabuses and sent it to the affiliated colleges.

It was noted that RGU has introduced Skilled Based Paper in B.Sc. 3rd Semester in its affiliated colleges in Science stream from the academic session 2014-15. The University could not dispatch the prescribed syllabus to the affiliated colleges due to delay in preparing the same by the BUGS. The University has decided to allow the colleges to teach any of the skill based papers as optional due to limited time to cover the syllabus.

The Council ratified the action taken by the University Authority.

- AC: 13:13: To consider for Re-evaluation of LL.B Examination answer scripts
The University is in receipt of a representation submitted by the students of Arunachal Law Academy (ALA), Naharlagun to facilitate re-evaluation of L.L.B examination answer scripts at par with the under-graduate courses.

The Council had threadbare discussion on the matter. It was resolved to continue the existing practice as per the provision laid down in the University Ordinance.

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- AC: 13:14: To consider for bifurcation of subjects in two papers in the MBA Curriculum, namely; Mathematics & Statistics-I (MBA-05) in 1st Semester and Mathematics & Statistics-II (MBA-13) in 2nd Semester:

The Head i/c, Department of Management, has endorsed the proposal after a Departmental meeting convened on the issue. The proposal suggests that for the ease of Question paper setting, moderation and evaluation of scripts, the components of Mathematics and Statistics be bifurcated into two Sections as Section A and B, where Section A will consist of 3 Units of Mathematics and Section B will consist of two Units of Statistics.

The Council deliberated on the item and approved the bifurcation to facilitate convenient paper setting and evaluation of papers.

- AC: 13:15: To grant permission to start B.Com programme from the Session 2014-15 at Govt. College, Bomdila.

The Principal i/c Govt. College Bomdila has submitted an application for grant of permission to start B.Com programme in the College. Accordingly, an Inspection committee under the Chairmanship of Prof. R.C. Parida was constituted for Physical Inspection of the College. The committee visited the college on 30th July, 2014, for the commencement of B.Com (Semester System) course from the current academic session and the committee submitted its report with a recommendation to start the B.Com Programme in the College from the current Academic session 2014-15.

The Council perused the report of the Inspection Committee and approved the start of B.Com Programme in the college from the current academe session - 2014-15.

- AC: 13:16: To grant permission to start B.Sc. programme at IGGC, Tezu from the Session 2014-15.

The Inspection committee under the Chairmanship of Prof. K.C. Kapoor was constituted for Physical Inspection of the College. The committee visited the college on 17th October, 2014, for the commencement of Bachelor of Science (Semester System) course from the current academic session and the committee submitted its report with a recommendation to start the Bachelor of Science course in the College from the current Academic session 2014-15.

The Council perused the report of the Inspection Committee and approved the start of B.Sc. Programme in the college from the current academe session - 2014-15.

- AC: 13:17: To consider syllabi of M.A. in Economics, Sociology and Bachelor of Tourism Management in the Institute of Distance Education (IDE), RGU.

The respective Boards of Management in IDE have recommended syllabi and course structure of semester I & II for M.A. Economics, Sociology and Bachelor of Tourism Management which were placed to AC.

The Academic Council examined the same and approved the syllabi and course structure of semester I & II for the M.A. in Economics, Sociology and Bachelor of Tourism Management, under IDE.

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AC: 13:18: For permission to use Scientific Calculator in M.Sc. Mathematics & Computing Examinations.
The Departmental meeting of the concerned Department has sought approval from the Academic Council on the matter.

The Council deliberated on it and approved the use of Scientific Calculator in M.Sc. Mathematics & Computing Examinations.

AC: 13:19: To consider permission to allow Scientific Calculators in the M.Sc. Physics Examinations.

The Head, Department of Physics had submitted a representation towards obtaining permission to allow the use of scientific calculators in M.Sc Physics Examinations.

The Council deliberated on it and approved the use of Scientific Calculators in M.Sc. Physics Examinations.

In the sideline of this decision, it was also decided to allow use of Scientific Calculators in all the Science subjects/departments and in their examinations.

AC: 13:20: To approve draft regulation for D. Litt Programme in the Department of Commerce.

The draft regulation for commencing D.Litt Programme in the Department of Commerce along with minutes of the committee was placed to AC.

The Council decided that the draft regulation be circulated to all the Deans and HoDs for their perusal and comments to be placed again in the next Academic Council.

AC: 13:21: To consider recognition of Graduateship (AIMIETE) Examination of IETE for higher studies.

The HoD, Computer Science and Engineering, RGU has submitted a proposal for the recognition of Graduateship (AIMIETE) Examinations of IETE for higher studies. The Council noted that it is a programme, which is recognized as equivalent to B.E./B.Tech by Govt. of India, Ministry of HRD & UPSC.

The Council deliberated on it and approved the same.


AC: 13:22: To ratify the Action Taken by the University on Intake Capacity and Fee Structure of Diploma in Elementary Education and M.Ed. Programme in the Department of Education.

a) RGU has introduced D.El.Ed Course from the 2014-15 academic session with an Intake capacity of 30 seats, of which 15 are kept as "Paid seats", while the rest as "Open Seats". An amount of Rs. 25,000/- only (one time) fee with normal fee in line of B.Ed course has been kept as fee for the paid seats, while the fee for open seats were kept at par with the B.Ed course.

b) The university had also introduced M.Ed Course in 2014 Academic session with an Intake of 20 Seats, of which 10 are kept as "Paid Seats", while, the rest 10 are Open seats. An amount of Rs. 25,000/- only (one time) fee with normal fee in accordance with the fee for B.Ed course has been fixed for the paid seats. While, fee for Open Seats were kept at par with the B.Ed course.

The Council ratified the action taken by the University regarding Intake Capacity and Fee Structure of M.Ed. Programme in the Department of Education. The Council however, had dropped the item related to Diploma in Elementary Education.

AC: 13:23: To ratify the increase in Intake Capacity from 05 to 07 in M.Phil programme in the Department of Political Science


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On the request of the HoD, Political Science, the University Authority had increased the Intake Capacity in M.Phil programme of the Department to 7 from 5 Seats.

The Council ratified the action taken by the University raising the intake capacity to 07 from 05 in M.Phil programme in the Department of Political Science.

AC: 13:24: To introduce M.Phil and Ph.D in the Department of Sociology

The 23rd Research Board in its meeting held on 05/02/2014 had recommended for the introduction of M.Phil and Ph.D programme in Dept. of Sociology from the Academic session 2014-15, initially with 5 scholars in M. Phil programmes and as per university ordinance in the Ph.D programme. The faculty members appointed in the department have requisite expertise and are eligible to supervise PhD/M.Phil Scholars.

The Council deliberated on the item and decided that M.Phil/Ph.D programme shall be introduced in the Department of Sociology from the next academic session - 2015-16.

AC: 13:25: To approve the proposal for granting Ph.D Guideship to College teachers and to approve the draft Guidelines.

As per Notification No.AC-117/2001/Ph.D.Corres/08, dated 25th February, 2014, a three member Committee inspected the three shortlisted permanently affiliated colleges. These colleges were shortlisted by the Academic Council of the University in its 10th (Special) meeting held on 15th July, 2013. Firstly, the committee visited and inspected Indira Gandhi Government College, Tezu on 17th Oct., 2014, Jawaharlal Nehru College, Pasighat on 24th Oct., 2014 and finally Dera Natung Government College, Itanagar on 27th Oct., 2014.

Before the commencement of inspections the committee devised a proforma (Format), which was sent to the three Principals in advance for necessary furnishing of information with relevant documents.

The committee has recommended for the recognition of DNGC, Itanagar and JNC, Pasighat as centres with potentiality to guide Ph.D scholars by recognizing the eligible faculty members of the two colleges, subject to fulfillment of the criteria prescribed in the Academic ordinances of the University and prior approval of the state government for launching of the programme in the colleges.

The Council discussed the matter at length and appreciated the move, although it suggested for more exercise on the matter. It was resolved that the concerned college(s) should pursue and take up the matter with the State Government for launching of the PhD programme in the two colleges. The Council approved the draft Guidelines in principle.

AC: 13:26: To recognize Dr. Philip Modi, Assistant Professor in the Department of Commerce as a Ph.D Supervisor.

The DRC Commerce has proposed and forwarded the name of Dr. Philip Modi, Assistant Professor in Commerce for PhD Supervisorship. Dr. Modi obtained his PhD degree on 12/04/ 2012 from RGU, while in his regular service as an Assistant Professor in RGU. He joined RGU as an Assistant Professor in September 2005, and has requisite teaching and research experiences. He has got 3 books and more than 67 research papers published.

As per RGU Ordinance, an Assistant Professor with PhD degree having three years of postgraduate teaching (after PhD) and research experience at the University level with three research papers published in referred Research Journals can guide PhD scholar.

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The 25th Research Board meeting held on 12/09/2014 has recommended for approval of the proposal of recognition by the Academic Council with prospective effect from 12th April, 2015.

The Council deferred the item to next AC meeting, since the approval of recognition will be too early at this point as the teacher shall be fulfilling the requirements on 12th April, 2015.

AC: 13:27: To recognize Dr. Soubhagya Ranjan Padhi, Associate Professor in the Department of Sociology as a Ph.D Supervisor.

While serving as an Assistant Professor in Sociology in this University, Dr. Soubhagya Ranjan Padhi, has recently joined the same department as an Associate Professor on 23/05/2014. As per RGU Ordinance, a Professor /Associate Professor/ Scientist with PhD degree having nine years of teaching experience in University/Research Institute/Affiliated Colleges having at least two research publications in referred Research Journals (after obtaining PhD) can guide and co-guide a PhD scholar.

The 25th Research Board meeting held on 12/09/2014 has recommended for approval of the proposal of recognition by the Academic Council with retrospective effect.

The Council examined the item and approved the recognition of Dr. Soubhagya Ranjan Padhi, Associate Professor, Sociology as a Ph.D Supervisor from the date of his joining (23rd May, 2014), as per rule.

AC: 13:28: To recognize Dr. (Mrs.) Jumyir Basar, Associate Professor in Tribal Studies as a Ph.D Supervisor. The Director i/c of AITS forwarded the name of Dr. (Mrs.) Jumyir Basar, Associate Professor in Tribal Studies for PhD supervisorship. Dr. Jumyir obtained her PhD degree on 22nd June, 2011 from RGU, while in her regular service as an Assistant Professor in RGU. She has requisite teaching and research experience. She recently joined the same institute as an Associate Professor on 02/6/2014.

The 24th Research Board meeting held on 20/05/2014 has recommended for approval of the proposal of recognition by the Academic Council with retrospective effect.

The Council examined the item and approved the recognition of Dr. (Mrs.) Jumyir Basar, Associate Professor, AITS as a Ph.D Supervisor as per rule with retrospective effect from 02.06.2014.

AC: 13:29: To recognize Dr. Tabang Mibang, Assistant Professor in the Department of Political Science as a Ph.D Supervisor.

The DRC Political Science has proposed and forwarded the name of Dr. Tabang Mibang, Assistant Professor in Political Science for PhD supervisorship. Dr. Mibang obtained his PhD degree on 21st June, 2011 from RGU, while in his regular service as an Assistant Professor in RGU. He joined RGU as an Assistant Professor in September 2005, and has requisite teaching and research experiences. He has got a book and three research papers published.

The 24th Research Board meeting held on 20/05/2014 has recommended for approval of the proposal of recognition by the Academic Council with retrospective effect.

The Council examined the item and approved the recognition of Dr. Tabang Mibang, Assistant Professor in the Department of Political Science as a Ph.D Supervisor as per rule with retrospective effect from 20.06.2014.

AC:13:30: To recognize Dr. Nabam Nakha Hina, Associate Professor in the Department of Political Science as a Ph.D Supervisor.

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The DRC Political Science has proposed and forwarded the name of Dr. Nabam Nakha Hina, Associate Professor in Political Science for PhD supervisorship. Dr. Hina obtained his PhD degree on 24th June, 2011 from RGU, while in his regular service as an Assistant Professor in RGU. He has requisite teaching and research experience, having a book and three research papers published to his credit. He recently joined the same department as an Associate Professor on 23/5/2014.

The 24th Research Board meeting held on 20/05/2014 has recommended for approval of the proposal of recognition by the Academic Council with retrospective effect.

The Council examined the item and approved the recognition of Dr. Nabam Nakha Hina, Associate Professor in the Department of Political Science as a Ph.D Supervisor as per rule with retrospective effect from 23.05.2014.

AC:13:31: To recognize Dr. Bhagabat Nayak, Associate Professor in the Department of English as a Ph.D Supervisor.

Dr. Bhagabat Nayak, has joined the university on 7th July, 2014 as an Associate Professor in English, and has offered himself to act as a Ph.D Supervisor. His application has been duly forwarded by the DRC, English held on 28/05/2014 and has recommended the same.

As per RGU Ordinance, a Professor /Associate Professor/ Scientist with PhD degree having nine years of teaching experience in University/Research Institute/Affiliated Colleges having at least two research publications in referred Research Journals (after obtaining PhD) can guide and co-guide a PhD scholar.

The 25th Research Board meeting held on 12/09/2014 has recommended for approval of the proposal of recognition by the Academic Council.

The Council examined the item and approved the recognition of Dr. Bhagabat Nayak, Associate Professor, Department of English as a Ph.D Supervisor as per rule from the date of his joining, i.e. 7/7/2014.

AC: 13:32: To consider affiliation of Mr. Christopher Weedall, Research Scholar (Linguist) of Australian National University (ANU) to AITS for 3 years.

Mr. Christopher Weedall, a research scholar (Linguistic) from Australian National University (ANU) has submitted an application to the Coordinator, ISC, RGU, expressing his interest for developing collaborative research and to organize workshops, teaching students of both Anthropology and AITS, sharing digital data base for developing an archive etc., which will be mutually beneficial for both the parties. Also going by his research interest on the Mijis/Sajolangs of Arunachal Pradesh and also considering the initiations of Endangered Languages Cell in AITS, his affiliation will be extremely beneficial towards getting valuable inputs, the proposal was examined by the ISC, RGU. The ISC found it fit to grant affiliation to Mr. Christopher Weedall initially for a period of three years. However, he has to get RAP/VISA from Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt. of India following the norms set by the ISC, RGU, and will have to join AITS formally along with a NOC from ANU, Australia.

The Council discussed the matter and decided that the scholar should apply for affiliation supported with relevant documents as per norms.

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AC:13:33: Items on Examination reforms from the Examination Branch

A. On the Issue of Photo embedded Mark Sheet and Certificates

The Examination Reforms Committee held on 25.10.2014 recommended implementation of photo embedded Mark Sheet and Certificate in the University. The Secretary, UGC in his letter has informed that Mumbai University has initiated issuing photo embedded mark sheet/certificate in rainbow colour for eliminating duplicity and requested to implement the same system in the Universities of the country.

The Council examined the matter and approved the same.

B. On the Decentralization of evaluation of Answer Scripts of PG Semester examinations

The Office of the CoE is distributing packets of answer scripts of PG semester examinations to the individual examiners but sometime, due to proceeding on leave/vacation, the concerned examiner refuses to accept the packets and in such cases, searching another examiner and dispatching the packets in time taking and delay in declaring the results. Hence, it was proposed to shift the responsibility of evaluation to the concerned Head of the Department, who will distribute the packets and return it to the CoE after evaluation. The Exam Reforms Committee recommended continuing the existing system.

The Council noted and decided to continue the existing system.

C. On the Introduction of Photo embedded Admit Card

It is observed that day by day impersonation cases are increasing in examinations. Hence, it is proposed to introduce photo embedded Admit cards in both PG and UG examinations. Further, preparing admit card of each student at University is time taking and with the introduction of semester system of examinations at UG level, it will not be possible to do so, Hence, it is proposed that now onward the colleges will issue Photo Embedded Admit Card in the format issued by the University. The Examination Reforms Committee recommended the item to AC.

The Council approved the same.

D. On the Commencement of University Vacations one week later after completion of Semester examinations

It is observed that University vacations commenced immediately after completion of semester examinations and as a result the packets of answer script likes in the examination branch undisbursed till reopening of vacations. It delays more if the particular examiner avails leave with the vacations. In such cases, declaration of result delays and ultimately students suffer. Hence, to facilitate the examination branch to declare the results in time, it was proposed to commence the University vacations one week later after completion of semester examinations. The Examination Reforms Committee recommended the item to AC.

The Council approved the same and the changes should be incorporated in the next Academic Calendar.

E. On the Disposal of Used answer scripts

The Examination Reforms Committee considering the quantum of Answer scripts and space constraints recommended disposing of the used answer scripts after completion of one year from the examination. The committee also suggested to dispose of old filled up examination forms, etc. after completion of one year from the examination.

The Council discussed the matter and approved the same. It also decided that the changes should be incorporated in the University ordinance.

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F. On the Uploading of Marks of the students in the University website

The preparation and dispatching of mark sheets immediately after declaration of result is not possible, but uploading provisional mark sheets in the University website will help the students to access their marks and expedite admission in colleges and Universities. In other case the modified copy of tabulation/statement of marks of students may be uploaded to University website. The examinations committee recommended the proposal to AC. The Examination Committee also recommended that technical persons may be appointed for the purpose and if required necessary software may be procured or developed by the University.

The Council approved the same.

G. On the Change of pattern/format of University Marksheet

It is observed that some time different appointing authority/educational institutions raise some queries on the pattern and descriptions in the mark sheets of RGU. Hence, it was proposed to accept and adopt the pattern and descriptions of Dibrugarh University for both UG and PG courses. The Examination reforms committee recommended continuing the existing format of Mark Sheets while instituting certain changes in the description in the Mark Sheet wherever necessary like, mentioning Pass Course and Honours Course in full, etc.

The Council approved the same.

H. On the Discontinuation of writing Fictitious Number

Considering the large volume of answer scripts and coding/writing fictitious number on each answer script in old system is time taking. Further, scripts of affiliated colleges are evaluated in different examination centres. Hence, it was proposed to discontinue the coding/writing fictitious number on scripts and explore easy method. Given Roll No. in each answer script shall be suffice to maintain confidentiality as the answer script of each script shall be suffice to maintain confidentiality as the answer script of each centre shall be exchanged. This shall be ensured by Examination Branch. The Examination Reforms Committee recommended the matter to AC for deliberations.

The Council approved the continuation of the existing system.

I. On Promotion from lower to higher semester

As per the existing guideline of RGU if a particular student fails in first semester then he/she is not promoted to next semester. The matter was discussed in detail by the members of the committee and recommended that all students may be promoted to next semester whether they are declared as pass or fail. However, such students shall clear the back paper by availing maximum two changes and complete the whole course within a period of five years. The Controller of Examinations of Dibrugarh University (DU) who was also the member of the committee said that the above system has been followed in DU under the semester system in UG level.

The Council discussed the matter and decided to continue the existing system.

J. On the Evaluation System of Undergraduate Examinations

The Exam Reforms Committee appreciated the present system of Zonal Central Evaluation at (i) RGU, Rono Hills, (ii) JNC, Pasighat and (iii) IGGC, Tezu centers. The committee also recommended to explore another two centers at DNGC, Itanagar and GC, Yachuli in coming years. The committee felt that evaluation through exchange of various colleges may not be convenient as number of colleges is not very large.

The Council authorized the University authority to decide it administratively.

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K. On the issue of Failure in theory/ practical paper

The Exam Reforms Committee recommended that, "if a particular student fails in theory part or practical part of the semester examination, he/she will re-appear the examination of concerned component only".

The Council decided that if a particular student fails in practical part of the semester examination, he/she will re-appear the practical examination within six months and for theory, the existing system will continue.

L. On the Internal Assessment in Undergraduate level

The Examination Reforms Committee strongly felt that the college should strictly follow the guidelines for internal assessment by conducting three Internal Assessment tests/ assignments and copies of such Internal Assessment tests/ assignment examinations should be sent to the University immediately.

The Council discussed the item and decided that;

- *Colleges should send the mark sheets of internal assessment on record time, failing which the internal assessment marks shall not be accepted by the University.*
- *Under extra ordinary circumstance, the University shall ask answer script of those students whose marks of internal assessment are submitted after the expiry of the stipulated date.*

M. Appointment of Observer

The Examination Reforms Committee recommended the appointment of Observers in each examination centre through the exchange of one/two faculty member(s) among the colleges of adjacent area. The committee also recommended appointing a central team of observer from the University for the said purpose.

The Council decided that, a central team/squad will be sent to the examination centre(s) from the University.

AC:13:34 Any other item:

a) Written authorization for awarding Diploma by Community College and post facto approval of syllabus for Diploma in Tourism.

While referring to the UGC letter No. F.No.1-54/2013 (CC/NVEQF) dated 13th August, 2013, the Principal/Chairperson, UGC Community College, Jawaharlal Nehru College, Pasighat has submitted an application for providing written authorization for awarding Diploma by Community College and ex-post facto approval of syllabus for "Diploma in Tourism" which was prepared by the BoS.

The Council decided that the college will be allowed to run the programme. The syllabus should be prepared by the colleges themselves and formal permission shall be given by the Affiliating University as per the UGC norms.

b) Introduction of 3 months' Certificate Course in German Language

Two representatives of Goethe Institute, Maxmuller Bhawan, New Delhi and Goethe Institute, Maxmuller Bhawan, Kolkata visited the University on 18th September, 2014, to discuss regarding teaching of German Language in the University. The Goethe Institute is a cultural institution of Germany to promote the study of German Languages. It is already introduced in some of the schools in Arunachal Pradesh.

The University also proposes to introduce teaching of German Language in the University, preferably as a three months Certificate Course from the current academic session, 2014-15.

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Preparation of syllabus/study materials, etc shall be worked out in due course of time.

The Academic Council deliberated on the matter and approved the same.

c) Introduction of 'Certificate Course in Office Automation'

A proposal has been received from the Senior System Analyst, RGU for introduction of two months Certificate Course in Office Automation. Syllabus has also been prepared by duly constituted board.

The Council examined the proposal and approved the same.

d) On Allowing the First Semester failed students to appear as repeater in the subsequent examination

A proposal was moved for allowing the First Semester failed students to appear as repeater in the subsequent examination only once instead of asking them to seek fresh admission in the College, keeping in view the practical and logistical difficulty to admit the failed students in large numbers.

The Council did not approve the proposal.

e) On the enhancement of the retention of examination fees

A proposal was moved to enhance the retention of Examination Fees from 25% to 40% to enable the smooth conduct of the examinations. Financial liability sometime cripple the examination processes, as retaining only the 25% of the examination fees is not sufficient to meet the expenditures related to both Practical and Theory Examinations in the various University examination centers.

The Council approved enhancement of retention of Examination Fee by the College from the existing 25% to 30%.

f) On the disclosure of the Internal Assessment marks of In-Semester tests/examinations

A proposal was moved to allow declaring/disclosing the Internal Assessment marks of the three In-semester examinations so that the students are kept abreast of their performances in the continuous learning and evaluation process of the semester mode.

The Council approved the proposal.

g) On the fee reduction for the Certificate Course in Graphics & Animation in Mass Communication

The Certificate Course in Graphics & Animation was started in November 2013 by the department of Mass Communication with an intake capacity of 10. However, only two students took admission and have completed the course.

In the current academic session altogether eight candidates appeared in the entrance test and qualified but only one student have taken admission. In view of this the University has re-advertised on 28th August 2014 inviting applications for the course. Seven candidates submitted applications but none of them took admission, expressing the reason that the fee was too high for them.

Therefore, considering this feedback from the aspiring applicants, the department would like to propose that the present structure of ₹22,000 may be reduced to ₹ 10,000 in two installments to attract more candidates to join the course in the next academic session.

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The Council discussed the matter and did not approve the reduction. It was also resolved that the admission fee of the enrolled student should be refunded to him/her in view of the fact that as per norms, at least, there should be 10 students enrolled to run such a Course.

- h) For approving the remuneration amount for invited experts/trainers for short term Certificate Course in Office Automation by V-SAT Centre.

The proposed remuneration against each category:

- i. External faculty/Trainers from institutes/industries: ₹500 per class.
- ii. Interdisciplinary faculty: ₹300 per class
- iii. Staff: ₹200 per class

The Council examined the matter and did not consider the proposal. The existing system in the University shall continue.

- i) For approving the payment of remuneration to the members of Inspection Committee of the colleges.

Prof. R.C. Parida who has inspected four colleges as Chairman/member of inspection committee for affiliation/renewal of temporary affiliation of colleges has highlighted the issue pertaining to non-payment of remuneration for undertaking inspection visits. A sum of ₹25,000/- is collected from colleges for each inspection. A proposal was submitted to introduce paying remunerations to inspection committee members as per rates proposed below:

- i. Chairman ₹2000/- only per college
- ii. Convenor ₹1500/- only per college
- iii. Members ₹1200/- only per college

The Council did not approve the proposal.

- j) To recognize Dr. P.C. Swain, Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, IGGC, Tezu as Co-Supervisor for guiding the Ph.D research scholars.
The 22nd RB meeting held on 13/08/13 has recommended the item to Academic Council.

The Council approved the same.

- k) To approve the enhancement of the rate of remuneration for various purposes related to examinations.

A committee was constituted under the Chairmanship of Prof. P.K. Panigrahi to review the rate of remuneration for various assignments related to examination and has furnished few recommendations.

The Council perused the recommendations of the committee constituted to review the rate of remuneration for various purposes of examinations and decided that the existing fee structure will continue and the proposal for revision/enhancement should be routed through the Finance Committee.

- l) For Renewal of Temporary Affiliation to Denning College of Teacher Education, Tezu, Lohit, A.P.
The Committee under the Chairmanship of Prof. K.C. Kapoor has inspected the college on 17/10/2014 for the renewal of Temporary Affiliation and recommended for renewal of Temporary Affiliation to the college for another period of one year.

The Council perused the recommendation submitted by the Chairman of the committee and approved the same.

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- m) Matter related to TA/DA for External Experts for conducting Ph.D viva-voce.

Prof. S.K. Singh, Head (i/c) Department of History, RGU has proposed that in the larger interest of administrative convenience and external experts, the TA/DA advance for the external expert for conducting M.Phil and Ph.D viva-voce in the Departments may be directly drawn from Controller of Examinations Office for effective and smooth dispensing of the matter, which otherwise as a conventional practice, the Head of the concerned department has to apply for an advance.

The Council discussed the item and decided to continue the present system.

- n) Regulations for Diploma/Certificate Courses in the University

Prof. J.C. Soni, Chairman, Ordinance Committee has prepared regulations for Diploma/Certificate Courses in the University, which was placed to Academic Council.

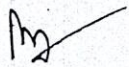
The Council discussed the matter and decided to circulate the regulations to all the Deans and HoDs. It was also decided to place the item in the next Executive Council.

AC:13:35 Reporting item

- (i) On the Holding of the XIII Convocation of the University

The Chairman informed the members that the XIII Convocation of the University would be held in November 2015.

As there was no any other item for discussion, the meeting ended with a vote of thanks from the Chair.


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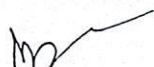
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MINUTES OF THE 14TH ACADEMIC COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 27TH APRIL, 2015

The 14th Meeting of the Academic Council of RGU was held on 27th April 2015 at 10 a.m. in the Council Hall of the University. The following members attended the meeting:

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| 8. Prof. P.R. Alapati, Dept. of Physics, NERIST, Nirjuli | : Member |
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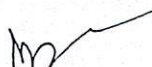


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- v. M.B.A.
- vi. Post Graduate Diploma in Hotel & Tourism Management (PGDHTM)
- vii. M.A. in English
- viii. M.A/M.Sc. in Mathematics
- ix. M.Phil in Mathematics
- x. M.A. in Sociology
- xi. M.Tech. & MCA (CSE)
- xii. M.A. in Anthropology
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- xxiii. PhD in Geography
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- xxv. PGDFH
- xxvi. APGDDM
- xxvii. PGD in Geo-informatics
- xxviii. B.Sc. Chemistry syllabus for 5th & 6th semesters
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- xxx. Certificate Course in Animation
- xxxi. Yoga therapy, Nyishi and Adi languages under AITS
- xxxii. M.Com
- xxxiii. Bachelor of Physical Education (B.PEd.)

The council perused all the Departments have submitted revised syllabi prepared by the concerned BUGS/BPGS except the Departments of History and Political Science. The HoDs of the two departments whose syllabuses are yet to be furnished have assured that they would submit the syllabi by 15th of May, 2015.

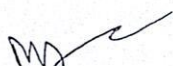
Academic Council deliberated on it and approved the same. It was also resolved to introduce CBCS in the postgraduate level and Diploma/Certificate courses shall be Credit Based from the Session - 2015-16.

AC: 14:06: To consider and approve the agenda items submitted by the Dept. of Education

The following agenda items received from the Head, Dept. of Education were placed before the Academic Council:

- a) **Faculty requirement to run the B.Ed and M.Ed (two years) courses:** With increase in duration of the course, the Dept. will require more number of faculty members. The recruitment as per university norms may be initiated.

The Council noted the same and decided that the matter shall be taken up administratively.



- b) **Intake capacity for B.Ed & M.Ed programmes:** The intake and distribution of seats for the two teacher training courses was proposed as follows;

Sl. No.	B.Ed (50 seats)	M.Ed (20 seats)
1	Open seats :10	Open seats :10
2	Paid seats : 30	Paid seats :10
3	Deputation seats :10	-

The Council examined the same and approved the distribution of intake capacity for B.Ed. & M.Ed. Programmes as follows:

Sl. No.	B.Ed (50 seats)	M.Ed (20 seats)
1	Open seats :20	Open seats :10
2	Paid seats : 15	Paid seats :10
3	Deputation seats :15	-

- c) **Revision in Fee structure for B.Ed and M.Ed Courses paid seats:** It was proposed to increase the fee from Rs. 25,000/- to Rs. 50,000/- for the paid seats of both the courses.

The Council decided to increase the fee from Rs. 25,000/- each in two instalments per Unit for the paid seats of both the courses. Two years' programme in B.Ed. and M.Ed. will start from next academic session 2015-16.

Regarding Fee Structure/Fee Hike, academic programme etc. of Pvt. B.Ed. Colleges in the state, it was decided to constitute a 3-member Monitoring Committee to devise mechanism for quality control. The Director, College Development Council (CDC) will be the Chairman of the Committee.

AC: 14:07: Approval for Introduction of following courses in the University:

- I. Introduction of Physical Education, Social work and Electronics & Communication from the Academic Session-2015-16.

The proposal has been approved in principle and authorized the Vice-Chancellor to decide students' intake capacity administratively.

- II. Introduction of M.Sc. Course in Geology (Earth Science) under faculty of Environmental Science.

Academic Council deliberated on it and approved the same. Further, the Council also approved two more courses, namely, Fine Arts & Music and Department of Psychology and authorized the university authority to take up the matter to MHRD/UGC for consideration.

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- III. 3 Months' Certificate course in communicative English under the Department of English.

The Council approved the introduction of three months' Certificate Course in the Department of English from the academic session 2015-16. Admission fee shall be decided administratively.

- IV. 3 Months' Certificate course in Myanmarese (Burmese) language under the Department of Anthropology.

The Council approved the introduction of three months' Certificate Course in the Department of Anthropology from the academic session 2015-16. Admission fee shall be decided administratively.

AC: 14:08: To consider introduction of new programmes under following Departments:

Representations were received from two Heads for introduction of following programmes in their respective Departments;

- i. **Dept. of Mathematics:** Introduction of M.Phil programme in the Department of Mathematics from the session 2015-16. The Department is having adequate number of qualified faculty members.

The Council approved the proposal.

- ii. **Dept. of Mass Communication:** Introduction of PhD programme in the Department of Mass communication. The Dept. is having adequate number of qualified faculty members. They have also prepared the required syllabus after duly constituting the DRC.

The Council approved the proposal:

AC: 14:09: To consider and approve the recommendations of the action committee to study the module prescribed by UGC on environmental studies (EVS)

A five member committee under the chairmanship of Prof. Tomo Riba, Dean, Faculty of Environmental Science was formed to study the module prescribed by UGC on environmental studies (EVS) for undergraduate and also to explore the possibility to introduce the same in the post graduate level.

The committee has recommended and endorsed the module of EVS prescribed by UGC for under graduate level and suggested its acceptance in toto and made effective in all the affiliated colleges along with BCA course. The committee also recommended that the EVS should be introduced at PG level.

The Council approved the committee's recommendation to commence programme for introduction of EVS paper in colleges from next academic session 2015-16 in 3rd semester and the syllabus shall be circulated to all the colleges.

The council approved to introduce EVS paper as a compulsory paper and all colleges should start the programme from 3rd semester.

AC: 14:10: To ratify the intake capacity of M.Phil. in the Dept. of Hindi from 05 to 10, from the academic session 2015-16.

On the request of the Head, Dept. of Hindi the University authority had increased the Intake Capacity in M.Phil programme of the Department from five (5) to ten (10) Seats.

The Council ratified the action taken by the university authority.

AC: 14:11: To ratify the signing of MOU for Sodhganga/Shodhgangotri Project with INFLIBNET.

It was informed to the Council that RGU has signed a MOU on Shodhganga project (ETD -A Repository of Indian electronic Theses and Dissertations) with INFLIBNET.

*The Council noted that MoU Shodhganga project is signed by the University.
The Council ratified the action taken by the university authority.*

AC: 14:12: To approve the recommendations as submitted by fee revision Committee.

The five member fee revision committee under the Chairmanship of Prof. R.C. Parida was constituted for revision of existing fee structures relating to admission and examination fees of various UG, PG and research based courses being offered in RGU and its affiliated colleges.

The members perused the report and did not approve the same. However, modified/enhanced some fee of the existing fee structure as follows:

Sl. No.	Description	Existing (INR)	Enhanced to (INR)	Reduced to (INR)
1	Field Study Tour Fee	1,100/-	1,500/-	--
2	Students' Union Fee	220/-	300/-	--
3	Certificate Course in Graphics & Animation	22,000/-	--	10,000/-
4	Postgraduate Dip. in Geo-informatics (One Year)	--	10,000/- per Sem.	--
5	Mark sheet Fee	55/-	60/-	--
6	Practical Examinations/Project/Field Report fees	220/-	250/-	--
7	Prospectus Fee	100/-	200/-	--
8	Magazine Fee	83/-	90/-	--
9	NSS Fee	11/-	15/-	--

AC: 14:13: To recognize Dr. Philip Mody, Assistant Professor in the Department of Commerce as a PhD Supervisor.

The Council noted that Dr. Philip Modi, Assistant Professor in Commerce obtained his PhD degree on 12/04/ 2012 from RGU, while in his regular service as an Assistant Professor in RGU. He joined RGU as an Assistant Professor in September 2005, and has requisite teaching and research experiences. He has got 3 books and more than 67 research papers published.

As per RGU Ordinance, an Assistant Professor with PhD degree having three years of postgraduate teaching (after PhD) and research experience at the University level with three research papers published in referred Research Journals can guide PhD scholar.

The 25th Research Board meeting held on 12/09/2014 has recommended for approval of the proposal of recognition by the Academic Council with prospective effect from 12th April, 2015.

The council approved the proposal and recognized Dr. Philip Mody, as a PhD Supervisor with retrospective effect from 12th April, 2015.

AC: 14:14: To recognize Dr. C. Siva Sankar, Assistant Professor in the Department of Education, RGU as a PhD Supervisor.

The Council noted that Dr. C. Siva Sankar has done his Ph.D in the year 2011.

The R.B in its 26th meeting has noted and recommended the same to AC for consideration subject to submission of required supporting documents as per PhD ordinance.

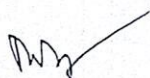
The required documents have been submitted.

The Academic Council approved the same and recognized Dr. C. Siva Sankar, as a PhD Supervisor with immediate effect.

AC: 14:15: To formally recognize Dr. Sanjeev Kumar, Associate Professor in the Department of Physics as a PhD Supervisor.

The Council noted that Dr. Sanjeev Kumar has done his PhD in the year 2005. *The R.B in its 26th meeting has noted the same and recommended to AC for formal recognition as per PhD ordinance.*

The council formally recognized Dr. Sanjeev Kumar as a PhD Supervisor.



AC:14:16: To recognize Dr. Upamanyu Das, Assistant Professor in the Department of Physics as a PhD Supervisor

The Council noted that Dr. Das has done his Ph.D in the year 2011.

The R.B in its 26th meeting has noted the same and recommended to AC for consideration as per PhD ordinance.

The Council approved and recognized Dr. Upamanyu Das, as a PhD Supervisor with immediate effect.

AC:14:17: To recognize Dr. M.K. Bharali, Assistant Professor in the Department of Zoology as a PhD Supervisor

The Council noted that Dr. Bharali has obtained his PhD in the year 2011.

The R.B in its 26th meeting has noted the same and recommended to AC for consideration as per PhD ordinance.

The Council approved and recognized Dr. M.K. Bharali, as a PhD Supervisor with immediate effect.

AC:14:18: To consider and approve the items from IDE as endorsed by the Board of Management (BOM), IDE-RGU

- a) Closing of IDE Study Centre at Don Bosco College, Jollang from the next academic session i.e. 2015-16.

The Council approved closing of IDE Study Centre at Don Bosco College, Jollang from the academic session – 2015-16.

- b) Introduction of IDE Study Centre at Govt. College, Yachuli.

The Council approved the proposal.

- c) Introduction of IDE Study Centre at Govt. College Doimukh, Doimukh and at Govt. Women's College, Lekhi.

The Council approved the introduction of IDE Study Centres at Govt. College, Doimukh and Govt. Women's College, Lekhi.

- d) **Approval of syllabus for under-Graduate courses of IDE:** As per recommendations of the BoM, the syllabus of Under Graduate courses in Economics, Education, English, Hindi, History, Political Science, Sociology and Tribal Studies was placed before the Academic Council for approval.

The council approved the same.

- e) **Opening of M. A. (Post graduate) Examination Centers at Study Centers:** The XXII BoM of IDE has endorsed that Study Centers of the IDE across the state may be allowed to open Examination Centers facilitating the conduct and process of MA examinations under IDE, RGU. This will benefit more in-service learners in the respective catchments.

The council perused the item and decided that for now only one IDE Examination Centre will be opened in addition to the one in RGU at JNC, Pasighat which will cover eastern zone of the state. The Director, IDE shall explore the feasibility for opening of more study centers. For the current session, Examinations will be conducted in the RGU centre as usual.

- f) To approve the Academic Calendar, 2015-16 of IDE, RGU: As per recommendation of the Board, a committee was formed for drafting the Academic Calendar for IDE. The Academic Calendar, 2015-16 for IDE was placed before the Council for approval.

The Council approved the same.

AC: 14:19: To approve the grant of Permanent affiliation to St. Francis De Sales College, Aalo.

The Council noted that this privately run college was established in 2007 and run by the Saint Francis De Sales College Society, Aalo, Arunachal Pradesh. It has completed 8 years of its existence as temporary affiliated college of RGU. The college offers BA courses since then and five batches have so far passed from the college. It offers BA Pass and honours courses in the subjects like English, History, Political Science, Geography and Sociology. The total enrolment of the college in the current academic session is 352 students, with a regular Principal and 16 faculty members besides administrative staffs including Library staffs.

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 said committee had visited the College and found that the college fulfills all the basic criteria. The committee has recommended for grant of Permanent Affiliation to the College by RGU from the coming academic session (2015-16). The report of the committee was placed before the Academic Council for perusal.

The council perused the inspection committee report and approved for permanent affiliation. It was observed that no University expert is associated in the selection process of teachers of said college since the last couple of years although VC's nominee is a must in selection committee.

AC: 14:20: To consider and approve the agenda items as submitted by Examination Branch

- i. Ratification of Action taken By the University Administration Regarding Amendment of Clause 20.6 of OE: 7, Clause 32 of OE: 8 and Clause 2.1(IV) of OE: 10:

As per Clause 20.6 of OE: 7, Clause 32 of OE: 8 and Clause 2.1(IV) of OE: 10 appearing in all theory/practical papers of the end semester examination are compulsory. But some students of different departments/courses could not appear

in all theory papers on medical ground and appealed the University authorities to consider their absent papers as back paper.

Considering the grievances and for the interest of the students, the Vice-Chancellor approved to promote those students who remained absent in the end semester examinations maximum 1 (one) paper subject to ratification by the Academic council.

The Council ratified the action taken by the university.

ii. **Ratification of Action taken By the University Administration Regarding One Time Special Consideration for Extending Additional Chance to BA First Year Failed Students who availed 3 (three) Chances in the same Class:**

Due to failure to qualify the BA First year Examination including special examination the filled in examination form of such candidates were rejected by the Examination Branch. But including the failed students and different students organization appealed the University Authority to consider one more last chance to clear the BA First year course as a special case. The Vice-Chancellor approved the appeal of the students' community subject to ratification by the Academic Council.

The Council ratified the action taken by the university authority.

iii. **Amendment of Clause 21 of OE:1:**

A resolution was adopted vide Item No. AC: 09:07 of the 9th meeting of Academic Council held on April 2, 2013 that withheld result of all University Examinations shall be declared within 45 days of declaration of main results with effect from the academic session 2012-13 and accordingly examination branch is implementing the same.

But as per Sub-clause iii of Clause 21 of the OE: 1 of the amended ordinance effected from the session 2014-15, for those candidates passed out from outside state and unable to submit migration certificate before due date may submit an undertaking letter within prescribed time limit along with copy of application form for Migration Certificate submitted to last institute from where candidates passed out. They shall be provisionally registered. But failing to submit the original migration certificate, the result of final year (Annual/Sixth semester (UG)/Fourth semester (PG) (courses completion) examination shall be withheld up to 45 days from the date of declaration of result. Thereafter, the result shall stand cancelled. This provision of the ordinance will facilitate students to pursue double degree under two Universities.

This is also to mention that after declaration and issue of mark sheet of lower examinations withholding result of final year under Annual system and last semester under semester system of examination is not possible for examination branch. As soon as a student is allotted provisional registration number, the same number continues throughout his/her academic career under this University or till

the candidate withdraws migration certificate. Further, failing to submit the original migration certificate within given time and cancellation of final year result under Annual system of examinations and last semester result under semester system of examination, may create legal problems.

Hence, it was proposed to amend the Clause 21 of OE: 1 and incorporate the resolution adopted in the 13th AC.

It was decided to fine tune some clauses of the Ordinance as proposed.

iv: **Amendment of Clause 20 of OE. 07:**

In the university Examination ordinance under clause, 20.2 and 20.3, it is reflected regarding the internal assignment but it is not specified that how many times the student should appear the test or about qualifying marks. Therefore, confusion has been created amongst all affiliated colleges.

Hence, it was proposed that a candidate may be made to appear at least 2(two) Internal Tests out of 3 tests. The candidates should pass (Required Pass Mark is minimum of 8 out of 20 marks) the two tests mandatorily and the average of the two shall be taken into consideration for final compilations of the results.

The Council decided to maintain status quo and continue the existing system.

AC: 14:21: Approval of Panel of Experts:

The Council was informed that, the panel of experts for various Selection committees has been constituted as the university is planning to conduct interviews for various teaching positions during the year 2015-16. The sealed panel of experts as prepared and updated was placed before the AC.

The Council approved the same.

AC: 14:22: The conduct of the XIII Convocation of the University


The XIII Convocation of the University is proposed to be held in the month of November-2015. The item was also reported in the 13th AC meeting held on 31st Oct., 2014.

The Council noted the same.

AC: 14:23: The visit of the NAAC peer team to Rajiv Gandhi University

The Council was informed that a nine member NAAC peer team delegation is visiting the University during 11th to 15th May, 2015.

The Council noted the same.



AC: 14:24: Any other item:

- 1) Agenda items received from Principal, Jawaharlal Nehru College, Pasighat

The following agenda items have been received from the Principal, Jawaharlal Nehru College Pasighat:

- i) Finalization of the syllabus of EVS for Undergraduate Studies under Bachelor of Arts Programme for the III Semester which is due to start from July 2015 (no syllabus for EVS under Semester system has been received till date).

The Council noted the same.

- ii) Finalization of the syllabus of Skill Based Papers of various subjects taught in the undergraduate studies under Bachelor of Arts Programme for the IV Semester which is due to start from January 2016 (no syllabus for Skill Based Papers under Semester system have been received till date).

The council noted that the Science Departments along with the Departments of English, Education, Sociology and Commerce have prepared the Skilled based papers and its syllabuses. Therefore, a notice may be issued from the Academic Branch to other Departments/BUGSes urging them to submit the pending syllabi of skill based papers in undergraduate course at the earliest.

- iii) Finalization of the syllabus of EVS for Undergraduate Studies under Bachelor of Science Programme for the II Semester which has already started. Presently in the B.Sc. II Semester the EVS (for science only) syllabus which was taught for the Certificate Course in the Annual System is being taught, which is insufficient. Hence, a new syllabus may be framed by a competent board.

The Council decided to constitute a 3-member committee to look into the matter. It was also decided to re-structure the syllabi for EVS II Semester B.Sc. course.

- iv) Criteria for selection of students for offering a subject as a Major in the V Semester are to be clearly laid down so that the students do not face any difficulty in choosing the same. Clarification was also sought on whether a student with a backlog in a particular subject will be allowed to opt for Major paper in the said subject in V Semester.

The council deliberated on it and authorized the Principals of affiliated colleges to decide on the criteria for selection. The issue of opting for major paper was also clarified. The student can opt for the majors from such subjects also.



- v) The Skill Based Paper in Zoology IV Semester may be re-framed so as to remove the clinical aspects in the paper because the teachers are not trained to teach the clinical aspects of the paper.

The Council did not accepted the same. At the same time it was also decided to look for skill based optional papers. The CoE will examine and further initiate the matter.

2) *Agenda items from Principal, Govt. College, Doimukh*

A list of agenda items has been received from the Principal, Govt. College Doimukh as follows:

- i) **To shorten the duration of admission:** Citing that a very long duration of about one month for admission in the colleges was kept in the preceding academic calendar, hampering the normal academic classes and some courses could not be completed within the stipulated period, it was proposed to shorten the admission duration to a maximum of 7 (seven) working days.

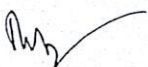
It was decided to reduce the admission period to 15 days with a view to have more class room teaching.

- ii) **Abolition of giving separate date of admission for compartmental students:** Since last few years separate dates were given for admission of compartmental candidates (Class-XII) that too in the month of August. This creates lot of problems for those students as they could not cope up with the courses/syllabus already covered. Hence, it is imperative that the compartmental candidate may be allowed to take provisional admission during the normal admission period thereby enabling them to attend the classes from the very beginning of the session.

Regarding admission time for compartmental students (Class XII), the members authorized university authority to decide the matter administratively.

- iii) **Uniformity and strict conduct of Examinations:** Expressing that there are few colleges where examinations including internal tests and main examinations are being casually conducted. These colleges are reported to be conducting only two sessional tests whereas three tests are mandatory. Needless to say that examinations are the crux of education system and if examinations are not conducted fairly and strictly, the whole system get spoiled. Hence, the university authority was urged to ensure the strict adherence of the examination norms through regular monitoring of the conduct of examinations in the colleges/institutions.

The CoE will examine the matter.



- iv) **Frequent meeting of College Development Council:** Since the College Development Council (CDC) is one of the statutory bodies of the University, it should be made functional. The meeting of CDC may be held at least once in an academic year preferably before the meeting of Academic Council so that the issues raised/discussed in the CDC may be taken up in the Academic Council for deliberations.

The council noted and endorsed the same.

The Council also perused few agenda items submitted by the Principal i/c, Indira Gandhi Govt. College, Tezu, and felt that most of the items were already covered with the issues raised by JNC Pasighat and GC Doimukh above and further resolved that these items shall be administratively dealt with after examining the merit of the cases.

- 3) To consider for discussion on the suggestions for RGUMPET received from Prof. J. Chakravorty, Professor, Department of Zoology.

- i. Results of the Ph.D entrance be assessed after taking into account of their average marks obtained in both the papers instead of making compulsory pass in both the papers separately.

The Council did not accepted the proposal as the two papers are entirely different. It felt that the 2nd paper is the most important paper as it is purely subject based.

- ii. Students already working in the research projects such as- UGC, DST, DBT etc, be given exemption from PhD entrance test or some preference in the selection.

The Council felt that selection criteria relating to the matter will be as per UGC guidelines.

- iii. RGUMPET be conducted twice a year.

The Council decided that present system will continue.

- 4) To grant permission to start Geography subject from the Session 2015-16 at VUB College, Manmao, Namsai.

The Council noted that the Principal Venerable Uktara Bethany College, Manmao, Namsai has submitted an application for grant of permission to start Geography as a subject in the BA course in the College. Accordingly, a screening committee under the Chairmanship of Prof. Tomo Riba was constituted. As per report, the application and documents are found to be in order. The college has sufficient space (class rooms) and a well furnished Geography laboratory. The college should procure more books on Geography and equipments for Practical oriented classes. They need to appoint one more faculty member for the subject. In 2014 the chairman had physically inspected the college in connection with the grant of Temporary affiliation.

The committee has recommended for the start of the subject from the academic session 2015-16.

The Council perused the committee report and approved to start Geography subject from the Session 2015-16 at VUB College, Manmao, Namsai.

AC: 14:25: Miscellaneous Items:

1. A 5-member committee under the Chairmanship of Prof. J.C. Soni has submitted the reviewed draft REGULATIONS ON DIPLOMA/CERTIFICATE COURSES UNDER RAJIV GANDHI UNIVERSITY, to be passed UNDER SECTION 31(i) OF RAJIV GANDHI UNIVERISTY ACT, 2006 (NO. 8 OF 2007 DATED THE 10TH JANUARY, 2007) on 13th April 2015.

The committee has submitted the draft after thoroughly reviewing the earlier draft submitted to the 13th AC meeting held on 31st October, 2014, for being accepted and endorsed to the Executive Council of the University for approval.

The Council recommended the same to the Executive Council.

2. On the introduction of B.Com programme at St. Claret College, Ziro from the 2015-16 academic session:

After due screening of the documents an Inspection Committee was constituted. The committee inspected the college on 25th April, 2015, under the interim chairmanship of Dr. Tasi Kaye, HoD, Commerce. The report was placed before the Council for consideration.

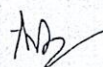
The Council approved the proposal.

3. Regarding intake capacity in the University Teaching Departments:

The Chairman requested all the Heads of Departments to enhance the intake capacity in their departments. Some of the Heads of departments expressed their inability to enhance the intake capacity citing infrastructure crises and problems. After threadbare discussion, it was decided to enhance the intake capacities of the following departments from the next academic session i.e. 2015-16:-

Sl. No.	Department	Existing	increased	Total
1	Anthropology	24	02	26
2	Botany	25	02	27
3	Chemistry	16	02	18
4	Commerce	44	02	46

As there was no other item for discussion, the meeting ended with the proposal of vote of thanks from the Registrar i/c.


Registrar



MINUTES OF THE 15TH ACADEMIC COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 14TH SEPTEMBER, 2015

The 15th meeting of the Academic Council was held on 14th September, 2015 at 10 AM in the Council Hall of the University.

The following members attended the meeting:

01	Prof. Tamo Mibang, Vice-Chancellor, RGU	Chairman (Ex-Officio)
02	Prof. Sushanta Kumar Nayak, Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences, RGU	Member(Ex-Officio)
03	Prof. Toimo Riba, Dean, Faculty of Environmental Sciences, RGU	Member(Ex-Officio)
04	Prof. Jayadeba Sahoo, Dean, Faculty of Education, RGU	Member(Ex-Officio)
05	Prof. (Mrs.) Jharna Chakravorty, Dean, Faculty of Life Sciences, RGU	Member(Ex-Officio)
06	Prof. Rama Chandra Parida, Dean, Faculty of Commerce & Mangt., RGU	Member(Ex-Officio)
07	Prof. A. R. Parhi, Dean, Faculty of Languages, RGU	Member(Ex-Officio)
08	Prof. Utpal Bhattacharjee, Dean, Fcty. of Basic Sc., IT & Eng. & Tech., RGU	Member(Ex-Officio)
09	Prof. P.R. Alapati, Dept. of Physics, NERIST, Nirjuli	Member
10	Prof. Prashna Kumar Panigrahi, Department of Political Science, RGU	Member
11	Prof. Tana Showren, Head, Department of History, RGU	Member
12	Prof. (Mrs.) Sarah Hilaly, Dept. of History, RGU	Member
13	Prof. (Mrs.) Elizabeth Hangsing, Dept. of Education, RGU	Member
14	Dr. Shyam Shankar Singh, Dept. of Hindi, RGU	Member
15	Dr. Hui Tag, Dept. of Hindi, RGU	Member
16	Mr. Tayek Talom, Principal, Jawaharlal Nehru College, Pasighat	Member
17	Prof. Ashan Riddi, Director, IDE, RGU	Member
18	Dr. S. Simon John, Director i/c, AITS, RGU	Member
19	Dr. H. Vokendro Singh, Head, Dept. of Anthropology, RGU	Member
20	Dr. Md. Harunar Rashid, Head i/c, Dept. of Chemistry, RGU	Member
21	D. Tasi Kaye, Head, Dept. of Commerce, RGU	Member
22	Dr. (Ms) Vandana Upadhyay, Head, Dept. of Economics, RGU	Member
23	Prof. Thensei Kuki Lungdim, Head, Dept. of Education, RGU	Member
24	Mr. Jagdeep Rahul, Head i/c, Dept. of Elec. & Comm. Engineering, RGU	Member
25	Prof. S.K. Patnaik, Head, Dept. of Geography, RGU	Member
26	Prof. Harish Kumar Sharma, Head, Dept. of Hindi, RGU	Member
27	Mr. Arindam Garg, Head i/c, Dept. of Management, RGU	Member
28	Mr. Sunil Koijam, Head i/c, Dept. of Mass Communication, RGU	Member
29	Dr. Sahin Ahmed, Head, Dept. of Mathematics & Computing, RGU	Member
30	Dr. Anil Mili, Head i/c, Dept. of Physical Education, RGU	Member
31	Dr. Sanjeev Kumar, Head i/c, Dept. of Physics, RGU	Member
32	Dr. Nabam Nakha Hina, Head, Dept. of Political Science, RGU	Member
33	Ms. Chaphiak Lowang, Head i/c, Dept. of Social Work, RGU	Member
34	Dr. Soubhagya Ranjan Padhi, Head, Dept. of Sociology, RGU	Member
35	Prof. D. N. Das, Head, Dept. of Zoology, RGU	Special Invitee
36	Dr. Nani T. Jose, CoE i/c, RGU	Invitee
37	Dr. David Pertin, DR (Aca. & Conf.), RGU	Secretary (Ex-Officio)
38	Prof. Rachob Taba, Registrar, RGU	



At the outset, the Chairman welcomed all the members. The following agenda items were then taken up for discussion and decisions taken.

AC: 15:01: To confirm the minutes of the 14th meeting of Academic Council held on 27th April, 2015

The minutes of the 14th Academic Council meeting were circulated amongst the members. No comments have been received so far.

The Council confirmed the minutes of the 14th meeting of Academic Council held on 27th April, 2015.

AC: 15:02: To confirm the Action Taken Report (ATR) on the decisions of the 14th meeting of Academic Council held 27th April, 2015.

In pursuance of the 14th Academic Council meeting decisions, the University authority has implemented and executed the decisions of the Council, wherever possible.

The Council accepted the Action Taken Report on the minutes of the 14th meeting of Academic Council held on 27th April 2015.

AC: 15:03: To recognize Dr. Md. Asghar, Assistant Professor in the Department of Anthropology, RGU as a PhD Supervisor who has completed his Ph.D in year 2011 and has requisite research and teaching experience of three years.

The AC noted that as per RGU Ordinance, an Assistant Professor with PhD degree having three years of postgraduate teaching (after PhD) and research experience at the University level with three research papers published in referred Research Journals can guide a PhD scholar.

The 27th Research Board meeting held on 27/08/2015 has recommended for approval of the proposal of recognition by the Academic Council with retrospective effect from 22nd June, 2015.

The Council approved the proposal to recognize Dr. Md. Asghar, Department of Anthropology as PhD supervisor with retrospective effect from 22nd June, 2015.

AC: 15:04: To recognize Dr. Dhritiman Sarma, Assistant Professor in the Department of Anthropology, RGU as a PhD Supervisor who has done his PhD in year 2011 and has requisite research and teaching experience of three years.

The AC noted the 27th Research Board meeting held on 27/08/2015 has recommended for approval of the proposal of recognition by the Academic Council with retrospective effect from 5th June, 2015.



The Council approved the proposal to recognize Dr. Dhritiman Sarma, Department of Anthropology as PhD supervisor with retrospective effect from 5th June, 2015.

AC: 15:05: To recognize Dr. Oyi Dai (Nimasow), Assistant Professor in the Department of Botany, RGU as a PhD Supervisor. (Reference: Letter No. Nil, dated: 18/02/2015).

The AC noted the 26th Research Board meeting held on 25th February, 2015 has recommended for approval of the proposal of recognition by the Academic Council with retrospective effect from 18th February, 2015.

The Council approved the proposal to recognize Dr. Oyi Dai (Nimasow), Department of Botany as PhD Supervisor with retrospective effect from 18th February, 2015.

AC: 15:06: To recognize Dr. Miazi Hazam, Assistant Professor in the Department of English, RGU as a PhD Supervisor who has done his Ph.D in year 2012 and has requisite research and teaching experience of three years.

The AC noted that the 27th Research Board meeting held on 27/08/2015 has recommended for approval of the proposal of recognition by the Academic Council with retrospective effect from March, 2015.

The Council approved the proposal to recognize Dr. Miazi Hazam, Department of English as PhD supervisor with retrospective effect from 31st March, 2015.

AC: 15:07: To recognize Dr. Samanta Sahu, Assistant Professor in the Department of Political Science, RGU as a PhD Supervisor who has done his Ph.D in year 2010 and has requisite research and teaching experience of three years.

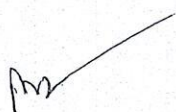
The AC noted that the 27th Research Board meeting held on 27/08/2015 has recommended for approval of the proposal of recognition by the Academic Council with retrospective effect from 25th June, 2015.

The Council approved the proposal to recognize Dr. Samanta Sahu, Department of Political Science as PhD supervisor with retrospective effect from 25th June, 2015.

AC: 15:08: To recognize Dr. Nawaz Khan, Assistant Professor in the Department of Mass Communication, RGU as a PhD Supervisor who has done his PhD in the year 17/08/2012 and has requisite research and teaching experience of three years.

The AC noted that the 27th Research Board meeting held on 27/08/2015 has recommended for approval of the proposal of recognition by the Academic Council with retrospective effect from 17th August 2015.

The Council approved the proposal to recognize Dr. Nawaz Khan, Department of Mass Communication as PhD supervisor with retrospective effect from 17th August 2015.



AC: 15:09: To recognize Dr. Daniel Mize, Assistant Professor in the Department of Zoology, RGU as a PhD Supervisor who has completed PhD in year 28/05/2012 and has requisite research and teaching experience of three years.

The AC noted that the 27th Research Board meeting held on 27/08/2015 has recommended for approval of the proposal of recognition by the Academic Council with effect from 28th May, 2015.

The Council approved the proposal to recognize Dr. Daniel Mize, Department of Zoology as PhD supervisor with effect from 28th May, 2015.

AC: 15:10: To recognize Dr. Utpal Jyoti Das, Assistant Professor in the Department of Mathematics, RGU as a PhD Supervisor who has completed PhD in year 02/04/2012 and has requisite research and teaching experience of three years.

The AC noted that the 27th Research Board meeting held on 27/08/2015 has recommended for approval of the proposal of recognition by the Academic Council with effect from 2nd April, 2015.

The AC approved the proposal to recognize Dr. Utpal Jyoti Das, Department of Mathematics as PhD supervisor with effect from 2nd April, 2015.

AC: 15:11: To recognize Dr. Saifur Rahman, Assistant Professor in the Department of Mathematics, RGU as a PhD Supervisor who has completed PhD in year 03/09/2012 and has requisite research and teaching experience of three years.

The AC noted that the 27th Research Board meeting held on 27/08/2015 has recommended for approval of the proposal of recognition by the Academic Council with effect from 3rd September, 2015.

The AC approved the proposal to recognize Dr. Saifur Rahman, Department of Mathematics as PhD supervisor with effect from 3rd September, 2015.

AC: 15:12: To recognize Dr. A.I. Singh, Dept. of Economics, DNGC College, Itanagar as Co-supervisor for guiding the PhD scholars.

The AC noted that the 27th Research Board meeting held on 27/08/2015 has recommended for approval of the proposal of recognition by the Academic Council.

The Council authorized the university authority to examine the case in line with UGC circular/regulations and decide administratively.



AC: 15:13: To recognize Dr. Debajit Mahanta, Joint Director/Scientist -D in the State Council for Science and Technology, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar as a PhD Co - Supervisor who has done his Ph.D in year 2009. (*Reference: Letter No.RGU/BOT/Sipend/13, dated 20/03/2014*)

The AC noted that the 26th RB noted that the DRC, Department of Botany has proposed and forwarded the name of Dr. Debajit Mahanta for Ph.D Co-supervisorship and recommended it to the A.C. for consideration, subject to submission of NOC from the employer. The NOC received from the Director cum Member Secretary Arunachal Pradesh State council for Science & Technology, Itanagar was placed before the AC.

The Council authorized the university authority to examine the case in line with UGC circular/regulations and decide administratively.

AC: 15:14: To consider the Re-registration of Mr. Pura Guth Tago PhD Scholar.

The AC noted that an application received from Mr. Pura Guth Tago, Associate Professor of Govt. College, Doimukh and PhD Scholar under Department of Political Science RGU for consideration of re-registration as a special case. He got registered as a fulltime PhD scholar under the supervision of Professor P.K. Panigrahi vide memo No. Regn. 4075/1994-95 Vol.XVIII/202 dated 1st May 2009, which got expired on 17th March 2012. After completion of three years he was given one year extension which got expired on 16/03/2013 vide order No AC-183/PhD (Vol-II) dated 4th December 2013, with effect from 24/08/2012.

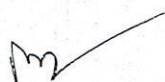
As per the ordinance a PhD scholar has to apply for re-registration within one year from the date of lapse of registration. It is observed that the scholar has not applied in time for re-registration. The appropriate time for the same should have been in the month of January/February, 2013. But, for the same the scholar applied on 10th March, 2015 only, after gap of more than two years.

The applicant have requested for giving him a onetime special consideration and grant him extension of at least one more year after regularizing his registration upto 16th March, 2015.

The members deliberated on it and did not approve re-registration of Mr. Pura Guth Tago, PhD Scholar.

AC: 15:15: To approve the renewal of temporary affiliation to North East Nursing College of Health Science, Vivek Vihar, Itanagar.

The AC noted that the Principal of North East Nursing College of Health Science, Vivek Vihar, Itanagar applied for renewal of temporary affiliation to their college. Consequently a four member inspection committee was formed vide notification no. AC-



1389/B.Sc.N.College/2013, dated 31st July, 2015. The inspection committee inspected the college on 14th August, 2015 and recommended for renewal of the temporary affiliation to the College.

The council perused the same and approved renewal of temporary affiliation to North-East Nursing College of Health Science, Vivek Vihar, Itanagar for a period of one year.

AC: 15:16: To grant Temporary affiliation to Vivekananda Kendra College of Teacher Education Nirjuli, A.P.

The AC noted that the Secretary VKV, AP Trust, has submitted an application for the grant of Temporary affiliation to start Vivekananda Kendra College of Teacher Education at Nirjuli, A.P. offering B.Ed programme. The College authority has informed that they have obtained the recognition order from the NCTE, Bhubhaneshwar to start the programme from the session 2015-16. Accordingly, an Inspection Committee for Physical Inspection under the chairmanship of Prof. N.C. Roy was constituted. The team visited the college on 4th August, 2015, and carried out the inspection towards the grant of Temporary Affiliation to the College from the current academic session and the committee submitted its report with recommendation for the grant of Temporary Affiliation to the college from the current academic session 2015-16.

The Council perused the same and approved Temporary Affiliation to Vivekananda Kendra College of Teacher Education, Nirjuli for a period of one year and allowed the college to start the academic programme from the session 2016-17.

AC: 15:17: To consider approval for granting Temporary Affiliation to Government Model College, Basar.

The AC noted that the Principal of Government Model College, Basar has submitted an application for the grant of Temporary affiliation to start the college. Accordingly, a three member screening committee cum Inspection Committee was constituted for screening the application and Physical Inspection under the Chairmanship of Prof. H.K. Singh was constituted. The team visited the college and the report with recommendation for the permission to start the new college was submitted.

The members of the Council expressed their serious concern on the establishment of new colleges by the Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh without any prior information and communication to the affiliating university i.e. RGU. The Council also noted that for the last few years, the Govt. agency has been applying for Temporary Affiliations only after opening of colleges, which does not fall under the existing university norms. In this regard, the Council authorized the university authority to take up the matter with the state government.

However, as for the instant college in question, the Council examined the application and approved for granting Temporary Affiliation to Government Model College, Basar for a period of one year as a very special case.



AC: 15:18: To consider approval for granting Temporary Affiliation to National Institute of Electronics and Information Technology (NIELIT), Itanagar Centre.

The AC noted that the Registrar of NIELIT, New Delhi, Shri B.N. Choudhury, has submitted an application for the grant of Temporary Affiliation for running BCA Course in their Itanagar centre. Accordingly, a screening committee under the Chairmanship of Prof. K.C. Kapoor was constituted to scrutinize the application along with documents. Consequently a three member inspection committee was constituted under the Chairmanship of Prof. U. Bhattacharjee. The Inspection team found the facilities at NIELIT to be satisfactory for running the BCA course and recommended for granting Temporary Affiliation for one year.

The Council examined the same and approved for granting Temporary Affiliation to National Institute of Electronics and Information Technology (NIELIT) for running BCA programme from the session 2016-17.

AC: 15:19: To grant permission to start new training courses in the field of special education and disability rehabilitation at Hills College of Teacher Education.


The AC noted that the Principal of Hills College of Teachers Education, Lekhi village has submitted an application for the start of new training courses in the field of special education and disability rehabilitation. The College authority have informed that the inspection team of RCI, New Delhi after its visit and inspection on 5th June 2015 has awarded approval to the college to start all the three (03) new training courses in the field of Special Education and Disability Rehabilitation (Locomotive Disability, Hearing Impaired & Visually Impaired) from current academic session -2015-16.

Accordingly, a four member Inspection committee under the Chairmanship of Prof. J. Sahoo, Dean, faculty of Education was constituted for physical inspection of the college. The team visited the college and the report with recommendation for the permission to start the new programmes was placed to AC for consideration.

The Council deliberated on it and approved for granting permission to start new training courses in the field of Special Education and Disability Rehabilitation at Hills College of Teacher Education from the academic session 2016-17. The University will constitute its BPGS to frame the syllabus of the programme in tune with the syllabus of RCI.

AC: 15:20: To effect consequential increase of Ph.D Seats:

The AC noted that the Academic Brach of the university is in applications of requests from few departments namely; 1) Hindi, 2) Botany, 3) Mass Communication, 4) Commerce, 5) Political Science, 6) Zoology and 7) Economics for considering causing of increase of PhD seats with the consequential resultant vacancies and on subsequent attaining of eligibility by the faculty members in their departments, with a view to exercise the optimum utilization of available resources in the university.



The Council had threadbare discussion on the matter and decided to continue the existing system.

AC: 15:21: To ratify the decision to allow final year student to appear in the M.Phil/PhD entrance test conducted by RGU (RGUMPET-2015).

The AC noted that during the RGUMPET-2015 lot of final year students who have appeared in the 4th semester exams also applied for M.Phil and PhD programmes which was slated to be held from 24th to 26th June, 2015. However as per the guidelines as mentioned in the ordinance; all applicants having PG degree with 55% marks are eligible to appear for the entrance. But, it has been found that there were precedent of allowing such candidates in 2013 and 2014 RGUMPET exams. So the final year students were allowed to appear in the exam subject to ratification of the AC.

The Council ratified the action taken by the university authority and at the same time felt that the clauses of ordinance related to same shall be looked into for modification.

AC: 15:22: To consider holding of single entrance test for M.Phil and Ph.D from the academic session 2016-17.

It is found that question papers for M.Phil and PhD are repeated at times. In order to minimize such instances and to rationalize the entrance exam; a single test may be conducted for both M.Phil and PhD.

The Council approved the proposal in principle and decided to constitute a four-member committee to work out the modalities.

AC: 15:23: Introduction of Entrance Test for admission to various PG courses:

The AC noted that the Academic Branch of the University is in receipt of applications from few departments namely; 1) History, 2) Political Science and 3) Mathematics for introducing Entrance test for admission to the PG courses. The collective argument put forwarded by these Departments is that the present system of taking admission is not scientific, to test and examine the quantum of knowledge and quality of students. The observations made by these departments indicate that those students who are admitted on the basis of their high percentage are seldom found to be able to complete the course as well as not able to perform in the class at desirable level. Apparently, the candidates who are admitted with average percentage are performing better despite of their low percentage obtained in their undergraduate qualifying examinations. As a result, the existing process of taking admission based on high percentage order of merit is virtually depriving the genuine deserving candidates coming from affiliated colleges/institutions

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for pursuing their higher education. Entrance test would instill sense of competition among the students.

The Council deliberated on it and decided to constitute a five-member committee to work out the modalities.

AC: 15:24: To add one more semester to M.Phil course:

The AC noted that Prof. Tana Showren, Head, Dept. of History has submitted a proposal for adding up one more semester and make M.Phil a four semester long duration course, particularly in History subject. He has put forward justification that the three semesters is not sufficient enough to prepare a proper dissertation in accordance with the canons of historical method. Thereby, every batch of the M.Phil Programme in History, the candidates could not complete the preparation of the dissertation on time and quite often requests for an extension of date for submission of the dissertation.

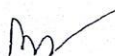
In the larger interest of the scholars the Department of History proposes to shift from three semesters to four semesters system of the M.Phil Programme in History from the academic session 2016-17.

The Council deliberated on it and it was decided to continue the existing system. It was also felt that extension of date for submission of M.Phil dissertation should be considered administratively.

AC: 15:25: To set up a Central Instrumentation Facility Centre in RGU campus.

The AC noted the agenda item received from Dr. Md. Harunar Rashid for setting up of a Central Instrumentation Facility Centre in RGU campus with the following reasons/justification:

- i. As the University has limited instrumental facilities, the faculty members have to depend on other institute to avail their facilities on payment basis. He opined that sometimes it becomes very difficult to get slot that delayed the research advancement.
- ii. Secondly, the university is currently allocating fund to each department for purchase of instruments. It is possible that a particular instrument is purchased by 2/3 department separately or even 2/3 research groups within the same department. So, instead of allocating funds to different departments for same instruments, that fund can be utilized for purchase of other important instrument. This will improve the overall infrastructure of the university. If the university set up the central Instrumental facility centre, faculty from all the departments can avail the facility. Even the instrumental facility can be extended to other institute on payment basis.



The Council approved the same and decided to constitute a five-member committee to work out the details. The Committee shall be constituted with members from the Faculty of Basic Sciences, Life Sciences and Environmental Science.

AC: 15:26: To ratify the increase in the number of seats from 24 to 48 in the Department of Sociology in the current academic session 2015-16.

The AC noted that on the request of the HoD Sociology, the University authority had increased the intake capacity in post graduate programme of the Department from 24 to 48 Seats.

The Council ratified the action taken by University authority.

AC: 15:27: To approve the syllabus of Master of Technology Program in Electronics and Communication.

The AC noted that the Head (i/c) of the Department of Electronics and Communication Mr. Jagdeep Rahul has submitted the syllabus of Master of Technology Program in Electronics and Communication after making necessary amendments through the meeting of Board of Postgraduate Studies.

The Council approved the syllabus of Master of Technology (M.Tech) Program in Electronics and Communication.

The Council also suggested the Head i/c of the Department of Social work and the Director, AITS, who is overseeing the Department to modify the syllabus of Social Work in tune with CBCS course and submit to university authority for approval.

AC: 15:28: To approve the syllabi prepared by various BPGS:

The following syllabi have been prepared by the concerned Departments and the same are placed before the AC for approval and consideration.

- a) Three month Certificate Course in Communicative English under Dept. of English.
- b) Three month Certificate Course in German Language under AITS
- c) Three month Certificate Course in Myanmar Language under Dept. of Anthropology.

The Council approved the syllabi of three months' certificate course(s) in Communicative English, German and Myanmar Languages. The Council also felt that the RGU authorities may explore for introducing Diploma level programme in Yoga Therapy.

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AC: 15:29: To ratify the syllabi prepared by various BPGS:

The AC noted that the syllabi under CBCS of History and Political Science were prepared by the respective BPGS and approved administratively subject to ratification by the Academic Council.

The Council ratified the action taken by the university authority.

AC: 15:30: To ratify the administrative approval for issuance of a revised circular on the mandatory conditions of Ph. D scholars.

Endorsing the UGC directives on the matter and in accordance with the decision in the 26th Research Board meeting held on 25th February, 2015 vide item no. RB: 26:12 a circular was issued to be adhered as mandatory conditions for research scholars.

Since owing to practical problem in adhering to the directives of the circular especially the point no.3, wherein it is mentioned that, "That he/she (Research Scholar) should have at least 1 (one) research publication before submission of PhD thesis" was dropped in the revised circular as it became practically impossible for the research scholars who are in the verge of submission of their thesis to get their articles published. So administratively it was decided to drop item no.3 of the circular for time being subject to formal approval by the AC.

The council ratified the action taken by the university authority.

AC: 15:31: To approve the mandatory conditions for Ph.D scholars from the current academic session.

The AC noted that the university while endorsing the UGC directives and in accordance with the recommendation of the 26th Research Board meeting held on 25th February, 2015 vide item No. RB: 26:12, it was decided to adhere to the mandatory conditions prescribed by UGC for research scholars, wherein it is mentioned that, "That he/she (Research Scholar) should have at least 1 (one) research publication before submission of PhD thesis".

The Council examined the matter and noted that as per UGC norms the mandatory Research Publications in journal are kept at a minimum of one (1) publication, and approved the adherence to mandatory UGC guidelines for Ph.D scholars of the University in toto with prospective effect from the date of approval of the Academic Council.

AC: 15:32: To approve the discontinuation of DPTE Programme in the Department of Education.

The AC noted that Prof. T. Lhungdim, Head, Dept. of Education has submitted a proposal of discontinuation of DPTE Programme in the Department of Education. The DRC meeting of Education has put on record that Diploma in Pre-Primary Teacher Education



did not fall under the domain of University system thus the DRC members unanimously proposed to discontinue DPSTE course from the next academic session.

The Council did not approve the proposal. The council felt that there exists an obligation on the part of the university to sustain such courses for the greater interest of the aspiring candidates of the State.

AC: 15:33: To consider the agenda items from Examination Branch.

- i. To approve the recommendation of the Ordinance Review Committee

A committee was constituted to modify/review the examination ordinances including M.Phil/PhD entrance test ordinance under the Chairmanship of Prof. A.K. Das. The committee has submitted its report which was placed to AC.

The Council decided to circulate the Ordinance to all AC Members immediately. The members shall submit their comments/inputs within fifteen (15) days.

- ii. To decide the recommendation of the Viva-Voce committee for M.Phil and Ph. D entrance test, Department of History.

The AC noted that as per notification vide No. AC.845/Ph.D Ent/08 (Vol-II)/167 dated May 26, 2015; one Ponung Darang had applied separately for M.Phil and Ph.D entrance test 2015 and appeared both the test bearing Roll No. 15/MET/HIST/035 and 15/PET/HIST/037 respectively. Though the candidate qualified the Ph. D entrance test but failed in M.Phil entrance test and he appealed the HoD, History to consider his case for admission into M.Phil course.

The Viva-Voce committee, Dept. of History took the Viva-Voce test of Ponung Darang along with other qualified candidates for Ph. D and consequent upon qualifying the Viva-Voce test, the committee recommended considering his admission into M.Phil programme if qualifies the pre-requisite admission process.

Since University conducts entrance test for admission into M.Phil and Ph. D programme separately, qualifying in the written test for each course is also a compulsory pre-requisite condition. Further, ordinance is also silent whether a scholar can join a course other than the course he qualified for.

The Council did not approve the proposal as the proposal does not fall under the existing system as per norms.



iii. Phasing out the Private System Examination from 2015-16

In pursuant to UGC directives and guidelines and to set up national standard of education Rajiv Gandhi University has introduced Choice based Credit System (CBCS) from academic session 2015-16 in all PG/UG courses in the University.

And since, the prescribed syllabuses for all courses under CBCS are for regular courses only, hence, Private system of examination for few courses be phased out and discontinued with immediate effect.

The Council had threadbare discussion on the matter and decided to phase out the Private System of examinations for M.Com., MA Sociology and MA Economics programmes from the current academic session 2015-16.

iv. To ratify the onetime special consideration for rejected candidates to appear for Special Annual Exam.

A special consideration was granted to few students for appearing in the special exam for those students who have duration to complete the course and have appeared three times in lower exam (including special exam).

The Council ratified the action taken by the University authority.

AC: 15:34: Any other item:

Under the item, the following points were discussed and decided:

i) Implementation of NSS as elective subject in the University regarding.

A letter has been received from Secretary UGC requesting for implementation of NSS as elective subject in University. The Ministry of Human Resource Development, as part of the discussion in the 62nd meeting of the Central advisory Board of Education (CABE) held on 10.10.2013, has decided to consider making NSS as an elective subject in higher education. Now the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports (MYAS), Government of India has designed a template of NSS curriculum for introduction of NSS as credit based elective subject in the Higher Education System.

The Council noted and deferred the item to next Academic Council.

ii) To allow Assistant Professor(s) to register for PhD Programme after completion of probation period.

The AC noted that as per the Ph.D Ordinance the Assistant Professors who have joined in the University and other affiliated colleges under RGU can pursue PhD only after completion of three years of service. However this system needs to be relooked



upon and the Assistant Professors joining RGU may be allowed to register for PhD programmes after completion of their probationary period.

The Council approved that Assistant Professors from RGU can register for PhD programme after completion of their probationary period. Further, it was decided that the Assistant Professors from affiliated colleges should submit NOC from the State Government/employer, clearly stating that aspiring teacher(s) would be granted study leave to carry out his/her research work.

- iii) To stop the affiliation of any new B.Ed Colleges from the next academic session except two/three cases already issued NOC from the University.

The AC noted that at present there are eight (08) B.Ed. colleges affiliated to Rajiv Gandhi University and another three Colleges have also applied for the same. Beside there is couple of Private Universities offering B.Ed and M.Ed courses in the State. It is pertinent to note that in a small State like Arunachal Pradesh; the number of institutions/colleges offering B.Ed. courses has proliferated quite rapidly. As such there is a need to have a concrete step to check such unrestraint growth of colleges with monolithic objectives. Exception may be exercised on the few cases which were already issued NOC from RGU as on date.

The members had a detail discussion on it and also deliberate on quality control of existing B.Ed. Colleges. The Council deferred the item to next AC.

- iv) To approve the Regulations and Course Curriculum for starting one year Diploma in Computerized Accounting Course.

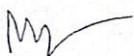
The AC noted that Prof. R.C. Parida, Chairman of the BOS for developing course curriculum of Diploma in Computerized Accounting under the scheme of UGC Community College at Rajiv Gandhi University, had submitted the detail regulations and Course Curriculum of the proposed course which was placed to AC.

The Council perused and approved the same.

- v) To consider the mandatory Course Work for M.Phil scholars from other disciplines for pursuing PhD in Geography

Prof. S.K. Patnaik, HOD Geography has submitted a representation wherein he has put forwarded the decision of the DRC which states that M.Phil from other disciplines must go through course work as prescribed for scholars to pursue PhD in Geography.

The Council noted and approved the same.

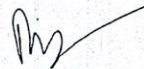


- vi) To consider the case of Mrs. Yadi Nani, Asst. Prof. at Govt. College, Yachuli for allowing her to continue PhD work by permitting to do course work next year.

Mrs. Yadi Nani, Asst. Professor at Govt. College, Yachuli and a PhD scholar candidate admitted in the current 2015-16 session has applied for considering her case for pursuing PhD in Geography thereby allowing her to attend the course work next year; as her application for study leave has not been granted by Directorate of Higher and Technical Education, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh.

The Council noted that Mrs. Yadi Nani was a student of Geography and did her M.Phil from AITS with Geography as area of specialization and M.Phil scholars are exempted from Ph.D Course Work. However, option is open to willing candidates to attend Ph.D Course Work.

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



Registrar