



RAJIV GANDHI UNIVERSITY

Rono Hills, Doimukh-791112

Arunachal Pradesh

Minutes of 26th meeting of the Academic Council held on 29.11.2019

The 26th meeting of Academic Council was held on 29.11.2019 at 10.30 a.m. in the Conference Hall of Institute of Distance Education, RGU.

The following members were presented:

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| 1. Prof. Saket Kushwaha, Vice-Chancellor | : Chairman (Ex-Officio) |
| 2. Prof. Amitava Mitra, Pro Vice-Chancellor | : Member |
| 3. Prof. Rachob Taba, Dean, Faculty of Education | : Member (Ex-Officio) |
| 4. Prof. Tasi Kayi, Dean, Faculty of Commerce and Mgt & Dean i/c., Faculty of Environment Science. | : Member (Ex-Officio) |
| 5. Prof. R. K. Singh, Dean, Faculty of Life Science | : Member (Ex-Officio) |
| 6. Prof. Pradip Kumar Kalita, Dean, Faculty of Engg., Basic Science and IT | : Member (Ex-Officio) |
| 7. Prof. Oken Ilego, Dean, Faculty of Language | : Member (Ex-Officio) |
| 8. Prof. Sudhir Kumar Singh, Dean, Academic Affairs | : Member |
| 9. Prof. Sumpam Tangjang, Dean, Students' welfare | : Special Invitee |
| 10. Prof. Md. Anwar Hussain, Dept. of ECE, NERIST | : Member |
| 11. Prof. P. K. Panigrahi, Head, Dept. of Political science | : Member |
| 12. Prof. Jharna Chakraborty, Head, Dept. of Zoology | : Member |
| 13. Prof. Sanjeev Kumar, Head, Dept. of Physics | : Member |
| 14. Prof. H. Vokendro Singh, Head, Dept. of Anthropology | : Member |
| 15. Prof. Otem Padung, Head, Dept. of Commerce | : Member |
| 16. Prof. Kh. Kabi, Head, Dept. of Mass Communication | : Member |
| 17. Prof. Sahin Ahmed, Head, Dept. of Mathematics | : Member |
| 18. Prof. Vandana Upadhyay, Head, Dept. of Economics | : Member |
| 19. Prof. Kesang Degi, Head, Dept. of Education | : Member |
| 20. Prof. Sarah Hilaly, Head, Dept. of History | : Member |
| 21. Prof. Kiran Kumari, Head, Dept. of Education | : Member |
| 22. Dr. Hui Tag, Head, Dept. of Botany | : Member |
| 23. Dr. Anil Mili, Head, Dept. of Physical Education | : Member |
| 24. Dr. Md. Harunar Rashid, Head Rep., Dept. of Chemistry | : Member |
| 25. Mr. Arindam Garg, Head, Dept. of Management | : Member |
| 26. Mr. Ani Taggu, Head, Dept. of CSE | : Member |
| 27. Mr. Ashok Barman, HoD, Dept. of Music | : Member |
| 28. Dr. Milorai Modi, Principal, JNC, Pasighat | : Member |
| 29. Mr. S. Khandu, Principal, Govt. College, Bomdila | : Member |

30. Dr. P. Jayakumar, Dean, THRIMS, Naharlagun	: Member
31. Prof. Ashan Riddi, Director, Institute of Distance Education	: Member
32. Prof. N. N. Hina, Director, CDC	: Special Invitee
33. Dr. Tarun mene, Director Rep., Arunachal Institute of Tribal Studies	: Member
34. Dr. K.C. Mishra, Head, Dept. of English	: Member
35. Dr. Anwarul Alam Laskar, Head, Dept. of Geology	: Member
36. Dr. K.P. Singh, Head, Dept. of Social work	: Member
37. Dr. Kakali Goswami, Head, Dept. of Psychology	: Member
38. Mr. Bikash Bage, Head, Dept. of Sociology	: Member
39. Mr. Jagdeep Rahul, Head, Dept. of CSE	: Member
40. Dr. S. S. Singh, Head, Dept. of Hindi	: Member
41. Prof. T. Lhungdim, Dept. of Education	: Member
42. Prof. Shyam Narayan Singh, Dept. of History	: Member
43. Prof. P. K. Axharya, Dept. of Education	: Member
44. Dr. Tabang Mibang, Dept. of Political Science	: Member
45. Prof. Tomo Riba, Registrar	: Secretary (Ex-Officio)

At the outset the Vice-Chancellor welcomed all the members to the 26th meeting of Academic Council. As quorum for the meeting was met and the agenda of the meeting were accepted, the following agenda were then taken up for discussion and decision(s) taken:

AC:26:01 To consider for approval of Gold Medal and Degrees (UG, PG, & Ph.D) to be given away to the students of the scholar during 17th convocation to be held on 30 November, 2019.

The Academic Council perused and recommended the item to Executive Council for approval.

AC:26:02 The calendar of the Academic activities.

The Academic activities of the University in an academic year and schedule of the meetings in a calendar year as prepared by the committee were placed to the Academic Council as an agenda item.

The council noted the decision of the 24th Academic Council held on 17.06.2019 vide item no. AC:24:03. The letter vide no. AC-57/97(pt)/381 dated 26.06.2019 issued to HoDs/Director by Joint Registrar (Academic/Conference) shall supersede the concerned portion in the University Prospectus 2019-20. The calendar was made considering increase in number of days of summer vacation of 2019-20 due to early completion of end semester examinations 2019.

The Academic Council perused and approved the calendar of Academic activities of the University in an Academic year and schedule of the meeting in a Calendar year of the University.



AC:26:03 Permanent affiliation of Doimukh College.

The Academic Council Noted that as per decision of the 25th Academic Council meeting held on 28th October, 2019 under item No. AC:25:10, a committee is constituted to revisit the college to review the status of college for granting permanent affiliation. The recommendation of the committee was placed to AC.

The Academic Council perused and approved permanent affiliation of Govt. College, Doimukh.

AC:26:04 Introduction of BA Education and to grant permission to start the Programme at Govt. College Yachuli.

Academic Council may note that the principal government college Yachuli has submitted an application for granting of permission to start BA Education Programme in the college. Accordingly an inspection committee under the chairmanship of Prof. S.K Jena was constituted for Physical inspection of the college. The committee visited the college on 14 November, 2019 and submitted its report with a recommendation to start the B.A Education Programme in the College.

The Academic Council perused and approved for B.A Education Programme (Semester System) in Govt. College, Yachuli from Academic session 2020-21.

AC:26:05 Revise format to start a new college/Institute Programme under RGU.

The Academic Council noted that a new application format to start a new College/Institute/Programme under RGU prepared by Director, CDC was placed in Academic Council.

The Academic Council perused and approved the same. The members were requested to provide suggestion, if any within seven days.

AC:26:06 Reframing of Hostel rules.

The Academic Council Noted that a committee was constituted for reframing the hostel rules under the chairmanship of Prof. Sumpam Tangjang, Dean, Students' Welfare. The Committee prepared the rules and was placed to Academic Council as Annexure.

The Academic Council perused and approved the proposal in principle. However, it was resolved refer back to the committee headed by the present DSW to review and submit its report. The members felt that hostel rates shall be revised as per the UGC rules and if necessary by seeking advice. Regarding appointment of chief Warden, Associate warden and Caretakers will be administratively taken up.



AC:26:07 To approve the syllabus prepared by BPGS Department of Geography.

The Academic Council noted that syllabus has been prepared by the BPGS, Department of Geography and the same was tabled as Annexure before the Academic Council for its approval and consideration of implementation.

The Academic Council perused and approved the same. Further, it was resolved that all the documents shall be sent to Director, CDC and concerned College Principal(s).

AC:26:08 To approve the syllabi under semester system of Distance Education.

The academic Council noted that a Proposal was received from Director, Institute of Distance Education (IDE) regarding approval of semester syllabi prepared by various Boards of Studies for the following course of IDE.

Bachelors of ARTS with Major In	Masters of ARTS in
BA Economics	MA Economics
BA Education	MA Education
BA English	MA English
BA Hindi	MA Hindi
BA History	MA History
BA Political Science	MA Political Science
BA Sociology	MA Sociology
BA Tribal Studies	

The syllabi were placed before the Academic Council.

The Academic Council perused and approved the syllabi prepared by various Boards of studies for the above mentioned courses of IDE under Semester system to be implemented from the academic session 2020-21.

AC:26:09 The matter related to the observation of UGC on RGU Academic ordinance and Ph.D registration and sending of synopsis 3 outstation experts for comments.

The Academic Council noted that as per decision taken in the 24th Academic Council Meeting held on 17 June, 2019, under item No. AC:24:18, the proposal was approve in principle. However, a committee was constituted under chairmanship of Prof. S. K. Singh, Dean, Academic Affairs to look into the matters for framing the modalities. The committee prepared the draft ordinance which were placed to the Academic Council.

The Academic Council perused and resolved to withdraw clause no. 8.4 in Ph.D ordinance. The Chairman informed the members that Ph.D ordinance requires further modification and shall be under review and the committee constituted for the purpose is working on it. Whatever modification/inputs the HoDs intended to proposes for the Ordinance, they may do so and submit to Pro Vice chancellor on E-mail: pvc@rgu.ac.in and after which it will be placed in the



meeting of the Deans for their views/suggestions and done all the necessary improvement are done, it will be sent to MHRD for further course of action.

AC:26:10 To start the following new Departments from the Academic session 2020-21.

1. Master of Law (LLM) with intake capacity 25 seats.
2. Master of Food Technology with intake capacity 10 seats.

The Academic Council perused and approved the same.

AC:26:11 To recognize the following faculty of the Departments of Rajiv Gandhi University as Ph.D supervisor who has requisite research and three year teaching experience after obtaining Ph.D.

1. Dr. Tonlong Wangpan, Assistant Prof., Department of Botany
2. Dr. Nishat P. M. Assistant Prof., Department of Education.
3. Dr. (Mrs) Anga Padu, Assistant Prof., Department of Education.
4. Dr. Odang Tayeng, Assistant Prof., Department of Management.
5. Dr. (Mrs) Kakali Goswami, Assistant Prof., Department of Psychology
6. Dr. (Ms) Dharmeshwari Lourebam, Assistant Prof., Department of Psychology
7. Dr. (Ms) Radhe Amung, Department of Anthropology.
8. Dr. (Ms) Devi Baruah, Assistant Prof., Dept of Commerce.
9. Dr. Anwarul Alam Laskar, Assistant Prof., Department of Geology.
10. Dr. Chandra Sekaran M., Assistant Prof., Department of Geology.

The Academic Council noted that the 38th Research Board meeting held on 23 August, 2019, recommended the proposal to Academic Council for approval.

The Academic Council perused and approved the same as per UGC Regulations.

AC:26:12 To ratify the Rollback of Examination Fee.

The Academic Council noted that a decision taken by the University authority to maintain status quo in the Examination Fee hike of PG and UG vide order no. AC-116/2004/629 dated 28 November, 2019. The word 'Roll Back' will be removed and accordingly new notification may be issued.

The Academic Council ratified the action taken by the University authority.

AC:26:13 Any other Item.


- 1) The approval of UGC for creation of 25 (Twenty five) teaching positions for 5 (five) new departments under the Faculty of Agriculture was received vide UGC letter No. F. No. 1-1/2013 (CU) Vol-XVIII Dated 14.11.2019. The chairman informed that UGC will consider 14 more teaching positions shortly. The Chairmen informed that 40 teachers are required to start the faculty. The Indian Council for Agricultural Research (ICAR) will be requested to accredit the faculty. It is proposed to start the Faculty from the Academic Session 2020-21.

The following new Departments will come under the various Faculties:-



- i) Food Technology under faculty of Agriculture.
 - ii) Statistics under faculty of Basic Sciences.
 - iii) NSS and law under the Faculty of Social Science.
- 2) Introduction of CBCS in UG level courses: the University is planning to introduce Choice Based Credit System (CBCS) in the affiliated colleges soon. This may help in improving grading in NAAC accreditation. It was resolved to constitute a committee for the purpose administratively.
- 3) On submission of M.Phil dissertation: Henceforth, all the HoDs will submit M.Phil dissertation in hardcopy as well as soft copy to CoE in order to facilitate declaration of result in time.
- 4) A proposal was Placed to AC by Dean, TRIHMS, Naharlagun to obtain approval for Enhancement of additional 50 seats intake to the existing strength of 50, thus making a Total of 100 seats from the academic session 2020-21. In this regard, it was resolved to Constitute an inspection committee to inspect the college and submit its report at the Earliest.
- 5) A proposal was raised by a member during the meeting that convocation may be celebrated in alternate year with a view to reduce the amount spent, time and energy. It was resolved to examine the matter in due course of time.
- 6) Introduction of coding system in examination evaluation: the members accepted the coding system in examination evaluation.
- 7) The principal of JNC and Govt. College, Bomdila urged the house that whenever University makes changes in the Academic Calendar for college, the college may be conveyed promptly. The copy of action taken reports of the meeting should also be make available to principal as well as to Secretary Education and Director, Higher Technical Education, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh.
- 8) It was resolved that College principals may write to the University for their grievances so that the University can discuss the matter in appropriate forums and address the issue suitable. It was decided to convene a meeting of principals soon to discuss various issues relevant to the colleges.

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


23.12.19
Registrar-Cum-Ex-Officio Secretary

AC:27:09 To consider the renewal of temporary affiliation to North East Nursing college of Health Science, Nirjuli, Naharlagun.

The AC noted that an inspection committee was constituted under the Chairmanship of Prof. H. N. Sarma, Department of Zoology, for conducting Physical verification covering all requirements as per UGC (affiliation of Colleges by University) Regulation in connection with renewal of Temporary affiliation. The committee inspected the college on 17 December, 2019. The report of the Inspection committee was placed to AC.

The Academic Council perused and approved the proposal.

AC:27:10 Reporting Item.

(1) Functioning of AARGU:

As envisaged in the Clause No. 39 of the RGU Act, 2006, an Alumni Association by name AARGU is functioning in the varsity. Recently, the Competent Authority has approved the establishment of Alumni Affairs and External Relations cell of RGU with Prof. S. K. Chaudhuri as the Chairman of the Cell besides Dr. Nani T. Jose, Dr. David Pertin, Dr. Tage Rupa Sora, Mr. Gomar Basar and Mr. Solung Sonam as its members.

The duration of the committee shall be for three years. The cell shall act as an administrative backbone of Alumni of the University. It shall support Alumni Association in taking up various activities related to Alumni. Maintenance of alumni Database, Alumni Portal, Public relations with Alumni, maintenance and accountability of Alumni Funding and support Alumni association in various annual events will be some important responsibilities of the cell. All alumni matters addressed to the Competent Authority of the University will be directed to Alumni Cell for Usual office procedures. There shall be meeting of the committee at least twice in a year.

The Council deliberated the matter and approved the committee and resolved to invite suggestions from HoDs, if any.

AC:27:11 Any other item

Starting of new Department of Disaster Management and Climate Change

- a) Prof. N.C. Singh, Dean, Faculty of Environmental Science has submitted a proposal to start new Department of Disaster Management and Climate Change and briefed the members about the objectives of starting the department with justification.

The AC deliberated the matter and resolved to constitute another committee to look into it in details.

- b) Starting of new Department of Information and Library Science

The AC discussed and approved to start the department under self-financing mode.

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Registrar i/c cum Secretary (Ex-Officio)

At the outset, the Vice Chancellor welcomed all the members and greeted the members on New Year 2020. The following agenda items were then taken up for discussion and decision(s) taken.

AC:27:01 To consider the renewal of Temporary Affiliation and increase of intake capacity of Tomo Riba Institute of Health & Medical Sciences (TRIHMS), Naharlagun.

The AC noted that an inspection committee was constituted under the Chairmanship of Prof. R. K. Singh, Dean Faculty of Life Sciences for conducting physical verification covering all requirements as per UGC (affiliation of Colleges by University) Regulation in connection with renewal of Temporary affiliation and increase of intake capacity in MBBS course from 50 to 100 from Academic session 2020-21 to Tomo Riba Institute of Health & Medical Science (TRIHMS) Naharlagun, Arunachal Pradesh. The committee inspected the college on 18 December, 2019. The report of the Inspection committee was placed to AC.

The AC perused and approved the proposal of renewal of Temporary Affiliation and increase of intake capacity in MBBS Course of TRIHMS from 50 to 100 from Academic Session 2020-21.

The AC recommended the item to next EC for ratification.

AC:27:02 To approve the syllabus prepared by BPGS (Psychology.)

The AC noted that the syllabus has been prepared by the BPGS Psychology for Ph.D course and the same was placed before the Academic Council for its approval and consideration of implementation.

It was observed by the Council that;

- i) Each Paper should have 2-3 line objectives, which should be incorporated in the syllabus.
- ii) Each page of the syllabus must be signed by the HoD.
- iii) Paper Code should be done systematically.

Subject to fulfillment of the above conditions, the Academic Council approved the syllabus for PhD Course prepared by BPGS, Psychology.

AC:27:03 Introduction of M. Tech and M.Sc. in the area of Biotechnology.

The AC noted that Honorable Vice-Chancellor proposes introduction of M.Tech and M.Sc. programme in the area of biotechnology in Rajiv Gandhi University.

The Academic Council perused and approved establishment of Biotechnology Department which will run two courses simultaneously, i.e. M.Tech and M.Sc. in Bio Technology. The word Professional for M.Tech and General for M.Sc was be deleted.

AC:27:04 To discuss on the letter for Research and Publication Ethics (RPE) received from UGC.

The AC noted that a Letter was received from UGC vide D.O. No. F.1-1/2018 (Journal/CARE) dated December 2019 approved two Credit Courses to be made compulsory for all Ph.D students for pre-registration course work.

The Academic Council perused and approved switch over to CBCS mode in M.Phil and Ph.D in all the Departments by including the aforesaid two Credit Courses mandatory for all Ph.D students for pre-registration course work from the academic session 2020-21.

The AC noted that;

1. Apart from the hard copies, additionally two soft copies of the Ph.D thesis (in Pen Drive in PDF Format) is to be submitted by the candidate to the office of the Controller of Examination. The referred copies of the Ph.D of the Ph.D thesis may also be submitted to the official email of Controller of Examination.
2. Only the soft copy (PDF format) of the Ph.D thesis has to be sent to the examiners for evaluation.
3. The Examiner's report has to be sought in soft copy only.
4. Viva-Voce Examination be held through video conferencing using conventional internet tools such as; video conferencing, Skype, Google-Duo, WhatsApp etc. Physical presence of examiners need not be required.
5. Remuneration for Ph.D thesis evaluation be paid as per University Rule.
6. While sending the thesis, the examiners be requested to send the examiner's report preferably within a week. An E-mail reminder to be issued after 15(Fifteen) days. If the Examiner fails to submit the report within 30 days, it may be presumed that he is not interested in evaluating the thesis and the next examiner from the panel be contacted.
7. The Vice-Chancellor to administratively approve the consolidated report of all the unanimous recommendations of the examiners and the successful conduct of Viva-Voce examination, for the award of the provisional Ph.D Degree.

The Council discussed the matter at length and resolved as follows:

Regarding proposal No. 4: The Council made it clear that this new system/criteria is an additional option to the existing system. The selection of viable option would be up to the HoDs.

Regarding proposal No.5: The Council felt that the remuneration of examiners for Ph.D thesis evaluation may be enhanced as per the rates shown hereunder:

	existing	/enhanced
1. External Examiner:	Rs. 2000	Rs. 5000
2. Internal Examiner:	Rs. 2000	Rs. 3000

Resolved that the proposal of enhancement shall be routed through F.C.

Regarding proposal No. 6: The Council discussed and unanimously decided that the thesis evaluation process time in the following manner:

Both soft and hardcopy of the thesis will be sent to examiner(s) with a request to submit the evaluation report within a period of 2 months. If the report of the thesis is not received by the University within the first month, then a reminder (first) will be sent to the examiner concerned for sending the report and second reminder if not received within 2 months. However, it was resolved that the whole exercise must be completed within 3 months.

Regarding proposal No. 7: The current practice shall continue for now.

The AC approved the above proposals received from Examination Branch from Sl. No. 1 to 7.



AC:27:06 Disclosure of Semester Examination Answer script under RTI Act

The AC noted that in pursuant to an order received from, CIC New Delhi directing RGU to rectify the decision taken by EC in connection with disclosure of answer sheets as per RTI act. Referring to this case, a hearing was held on dated. 22.11.2019 where Hon'ble Court has directed to supply a copy of the answer sheet as sought for by the appellant within a period of 15 days from the date of the receipt. But, due to a standing decision in the EC, it may not allow supplying the copy of answer sheet.

The Academic Council perused and decided that;

1. Resolved to main the status quo
2. A committee will be constituted to look into the matter in details in which one legal expert will be included as member.

The Council recommended the item to place in next EC for discussion/decision.

AC:27:07 Regarding registration Performa for students.

The AC noted that a circular issued by Dr. Ashok Sharma, Placement Officer regarding details of students towards submission to the placement cell as per Performa attached herewith.

The Academic Council perused and decided that computer centre will prepare a new Performa in excel sheet and upload it on website. The HoDs should arrange for filling up the format from the students of the concerned Departments and send those to Placement Cell.

AC:27:08 Proposal to start New Departments:-

The AC noted that the UGC vide Letter F.No.1-1/2013 (CU) Vol-XVIII dated 14.11.2019 has approved starting of the following 5 (five) new Departments under the Faculty of Agricultural Sciences.

1. Department of Agronomy & Farm Management
2. Department of Soil Science and Agricultural Chemistry
3. Department of Microbiology and Plant Pathology
4. Department of Animal Husbandry
5. Department of Entomology and Agricultural Zoology

Further, it was proposed that the Department of Food Technology and Department of Statistics may also be included under the same Faculty.

The Academic Council perused and approved the proposal to start the new Departments as mentioned above under Faculty of Agricultural Sciences. The Council also approved inclusion of Department of Food Technology and Department of Statistics under the same Faculty and this may be an interim arrangement.

The AC recommended the item to EC for ratification.





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Minutes of the 28th meeting of the Academic Council (Special) held on 24.06.2020

The 28th meeting of Academic Council (Special) was held on 24.06.2020 at 11 a.m. in the Conference Hall of Arunachal Institute of Tribal Studies (AITS) through online mode. The following members were present:

Sl.No.	Name	Position
01	Prof. Saket Kushwaha, Vice-Chancellor, RGU	Chairman (Ex-Officio)
02	Prof. Amitava Mitra, Pro-Vice-Chancellor, RGU	Member (Ex-Officio)
03	Prof. Rachob Taba, Dean, Faculty of Education, RGU	Member(Ex-Officio)
04	Prof. Tasi Kaye, Dean, Faculty of Commerce & Management, RGU	Member(Ex-Officio)
05	Prof. Pradip Kr. Kalita, Dean, Faculty of Basic Sciences, IT & E and Tech., RGU	Member(Ex-Officio)
06	Prof. Nandini C. Singh, Dean, Faculty of Environmental Sciences, RGU	Member(Ex-Officio)
07	Prof. Oken Lego, Dean, Faculty of Languages, RGU	Member(Ex-Officio)
08	Prof. R.K. Singh, Dean, Faculty of Life Sciences, RGU	Member(Ex-Officio)
09	Prof. Tana Showren, Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences, RGU	Member(Ex-Officio)
10	Prof. Sudhir Kumar Singh, Dean, Academic Affairs, RGU	Member
11	Prof. R.S. Dubey, Vice-Chancellor, Central University of Gujarat, Gandhinagar	Member
12	Prof. H.S. Yadav, Director, NERIST, Nirjuli	Member
13	Prof. Avinash C. Pandey, Director, Inter-University Accelerator Centre, Delhi	Member
14	Prof. R.C. Parida, Director, IQAC, RGU	Member
15	Prof. Nabam Nakha Hina, Director, College Development Council, RGU	Member
16	Prof. Harish Kr. Sharma, Dept. of Hindi, RGU	Member
17	Prof. Sumpam Tangjang, Dept. of Botany, RGU	Member
18	Prof. Sanjeeb Kr. Jena, Dept. of Commerce, RGU	Member
19	Prof. P.K. Acharya, Dept. of Education, RGU	Member
20	Dr. Satish Kumar, Dept. of Education, RGU	Member
21	Dr. Sailajananda Saikia, Dept. of Geography, RGU	Member
22	Dr. Marpe Sora, Dept. of Computer Science & Engineering, RGU	Member
23	Mrs. Teli Yami, Dept. of Mass Communication, RGU	Member
24	Dr. Rejir Karlo, Principal, Donyi Polo Govt. College, Kamki	Member
25	Dr. N.T. Rikam, Principal, Dera Natung Govt. College, Itanagar	Member
26	Dr. P. Jayakumar, Dean, TRIHMS, Naharlagun	Member
27	Prof. Ashan Riddi, Director, Institute of Distance Education, RGU	Member
28	Prof. S. Simon John, Director, Arunachal Institute of Tribal Studies, RGU	Member
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31	Dr. Lakhinath Saikia, Head i/c, Dept. of Chemistry, RGU	Member
32	Prof. Otem Padung, Head, Dept. of Commerce, RGU	Member
33	Prof. Utpal Bhattacharjee, Head, Dept. of Computer Sc. & Engineering, RGU	Member
34	Prof. Vandana Upadhyay, Head, Dept. of Economics, RGU	Member
35	Prof. (Mrs.) Kesang Degi, Head, Dept. of Education, RGU	Member
36	Mr. Jagdeep Rahul, Head i/c, Dept. of Elec. & Comm. Engin., RGU	Member
37	Dr. K.C. Mishra, Head, Dept. of English, RGU	Member
38	Prof. (Mrs.) Kiran Kumari, Head, Dept. of Geography, RGU	Member
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46	Prof. Nani Bath, Coordinator, Dept. of National Security Studies, RGU	Member
47	Dr. Anil Mili, Head i/c, Dept. of Physical Education, RGU	Member
48	Prof. Sanjeev Kumar, Head, Dept. of Physics, RGU	Member
49	Prof. PK Panigrahi, Head, Dept. of Political Science, RGU	Member
50	Dr. (Mrs.) Kakali Goswami, Head i/c, Dept. of Psychology, RGU	Member
51	Dr. Kaushalendra Pratap Singh, Head i/c, Dept. of Social Work, RGU	Member
52	Mr. Bikash Bage, Head i/c, Dept. of Sociology, RGU	Member
53	Dr. Daniel Mize, Head i/c, Dept. of Zoology, RGU	Member
54	Dr. Nani Tamang Jose, Jt. Reg. (Exams.) cum CoE i/c, RGU	Invitee
55	Dr. David Pertin, Jt. Reg. (Acad. & Conf.), RGU	Invitee
56	Prof. Tomo Riba, Registrar (Acting), RGU	Secretary (Ex-Officio)

At the outset, the Vice Chancellor and also the Ex-Officio Chairman of the Academic Council Prof. Saket Kushwaha welcomed all the members to the 28th meeting of Academic Council, especially the external members who have attended the meeting despite their busy schedules.

The Chairman while informing the house about the re-constitution of 5th Academic Council of Rajiv Gandhi University, pointed out that this is the first meeting of the Fifth Academic Council which was conducted through online mode in view of COVID-19 Pandemic and subsequent lockdowns. The agenda items were then taken up for discussion/deliberation and following decisions were taken accordingly;

AC:28:01 To decide on the promotion of students of Intermediate Semesters without any examinations:

The AC noted that Rajiv Gandhi University shall exercise promotion of students of all Intermediate Semesters (Students in semester 2nd for a 2 year course, semester 2 & 4 for a 3 year course and semesters 2, 4 & 6 for a 4 year course). There shall be no examination for them. Their 'Grading' shall be based on 50:25:25 ratios. Students shall be awarded with 50% weight-age on the basis of the last semester examination marks. 25% weight-age shall be drawn from the internal sessional marks and rest of the 25% weight-age shall be calculated from the assignment marks. In case, if any student is having backlog papers in previous semester, the weight-age of 50% shall be considered from the previous Semester average marks. The UGC guidelines in this regard was perused by the AC as Annexure-1.

In case of Law students, the promotions shall be based on the BCI released press communication dated 9th June, 2020. As per it, all students except Final year students will be promoted to the higher class on the basis of performance of previous year's mark and the marks obtained in the internal examinations of the current year. However, it is clarified that after reopening, the university shall conduct the end semester examinations with respect to the year from which they have been promoted, within a reasonable period of time, though, such promoted student shall continue to study in the year to which they have been promoted, and in case, they are unable to pass/clear any such paper or such end semester examination of the year from which they have been promoted, they shall have to clear the same, before they are granted the degree. In the case of students who have been promoted to the final year as LLB students, they shall have to pass all papers in order to obtain their degree/s. BCI's Press communiqué was placed to AC as an Annexure.

The Council deliberated the matter and approved the proposal. Moreover;

The Council decided that where there is no guideline for professional courses from national

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regulatory bodies, Rajiv Gandhi University will follow the advisory/guidelines of the UGC, New Delhi.

The word "without any examination" shall be replaced by "with cumulative assessment".

These decisions are exclusively for the current pandemic situation, and should not be cited as a precedent in future.

AC:28:02 To decide on the conduct of examination for Terminal semester students:

The Council noted that on the recommendation/advisory/guidelines of the UGC, RGU is proposing to conduct examination for all students of terminal semesters/years (4th for 2 year course, 6th for 3 year course & 8th for 4 year course and all final year examinations including that of distance education mode and LLB & BA-LLB students) while reducing the time from 3 hours to 2 hours, without compromising the quality of the examinations in the conventional mode (Physical appearance/writing), maintaining the norms of social distancing. The Examinations shall be conducted in the month of August/September, 2020.

After deliberations, the Council approved the same following due procedure, subject to (i) filling up of exam forms by the students ii) students have requisite percentage of attendance, iii) Fee will be reduced to 40% (exam handling charges only will be charged). 100% attendance shall be given to all the enrolled students against the lockdown period from 25/3/2020 to 18/5/2020 and further felt that a tentative timetable for final examinations keeping in view the best interest of all the stakeholders shall be prepared. The house authorized the Vice-Chancellor, if further decision is required in the examination related matter. The university will discuss the issue and shall come out with a decision for which a local AC meeting may be convened, if desired. The Exams shall however be for a period of 3 hours as usual and not 2 hours as proposed.

These decisions are exceptionally only for the current pandemic situation, and should not be cited as a precedent in future

AC:28:03 To decide on the conduct of examination for all semesters/years for the students of MBBS, BSc (Nursing) and BHMS:

The AC noted that as the examinations for the few professional courses are based on the academic calendars of their concerned recognizing bodies, the MBBS exams will be held in the month of September 2020 as per MCI, BSc. (Nursing) Supplementary and Final exams in August/September 2020 as per INC and BHMS exams in December 2020 as per CCH calendars. The Practical Examinations for BHMS Final Year shall be conducted within July 2020. In the situations where previous semester or previous year marks are not available, particularly in the first year of annual pattern of examinations, 100% evaluation shall be done on the basis of internal assessments.

The Council approved the same as per the academic calendar and guidelines of respective regulatory bodies, such as; MCI, INC, CCH, AICTE and NCTE.

These decisions are exclusively for the current pandemic situation, and should not be cited as a precedent in future.

AC:28:04 To decide on the proposal to Carry Forward in case student fails:

The AC noted that in case of failure in examinations, all such students would be allowed to Carry Forward (for the papers in which the student has failed) for current academic year and all the students would be promoted to next semester/year. Such students may then clear such examinations in the next semester or whenever the examination is held next.

The Council approved the proposal following due procedure, subject to (i) filling up of exam forms by the failed students.

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AC:28:05 To decide on the conduct of M. Phil Examinations.

The AC noted that there should be option for the conduct of M. Phil 2nd semester Examinations since there is less number of students in the course.

The Council approved the same.

AC:28:06 On Admission to examinations by filling up online examination form.

The AC noted that as decided in a meeting headed by Vice-Chancellor on 9th June, 2020, it is decided that both the intermediate and term end semester students shall have to fill up examinations form online. The minutes of the meeting was placed to AC as Annexure.

The Council perused and approved the proposal.

AC:28:07 To discuss on Admission in UG, PG, M. Phil and Ph. D.

The AC noted that as the online admission process is not possible to be introduced for admissions in UG, PG, M. Phil and Ph. D. Courses in the ensuing Academic Session, 2020-21 considering the remoteness and poor connectivity of the region.

In this regard, the Council decided that for this time the admission to all courses shall be on the basis of merit. For M.Phil/PhD admissions, the university will conduct Entrance Test mandatorily. Moreover, there are few courses such as Physical Education, Music & Fine Arts, etc which will need compulsory Practical tests for admission and the same shall be conducted as usual. In case of the courses in which national regulatory/supervisory bodies have their guidelines or national level test shall be governed by the same.

The Academic Council authorised the Vice Chancellor, Rajiv Gandhi University to take further decision as and when needed with committee of Deans and / or Academic Council members available locally at Campus.

These decisions are exclusively for the current pandemic situation, and should not be cited as a precedent in future.

AC:28:08 To recognize the eligible faculty members of RGU as PhD Supervisors

The AC noted that following faculty members of RGU have requisite research and teaching experiences to guide research scholars to PhD degrees. Their cases were vetted and forwarded by the University's Research Board for recognition;

Sl. No.	Name of the proposed supervisors	Designation	Department/ Institute
01	Dr. Ravi Ranjan Kumar	Assistant Professor	Social Work
02	Dr. Doyir Ete	Assistant Professor	English
03	Dr. Prachand Narayan Piraji	Assistant Professor	English
04	Dr. Akash Ranjan	Assistant Professor	Education

The Council perused and approved the proposal in effect from the date of notification.

AC:28:09 To approve the syllabus of Master of Law (LLM) course to be taught in Rajiv Gandhi University, Doimukh.

The AC noted that the constituted BPGS (Law) for LLM course under the chairmanship of Prof. R. C. Parida, Director IQAC, RGU has prepared the syllabus of Master of Law (LLM) and the same was placed to AC as Annexure.

The Council perused and approved the proposal and the same will be in effect from the date of notification for all the new batches in colleges.

AC:28:10 To discuss regarding conduct of Online Viva-Voce of M.Phil. and Ph.D. Scholars in view of COVID-19 Pandemic.

The AC noted that as per the decision taken in previous Academic Council, a provision was made to conduct Online Viva-Voce of M.Phil and Ph.D Scholars. In view of the extra-ordinary situation due to COVID-19 Pandemic, additional provision may be made allowing the candidates to present their open Viva-Voce from place of residence as it would be difficult for them to be present physically in the department due to compulsory quarantine imposed for persons coming from outside of the state. In view of the above, the AC may like to exempt the candidates from physical presence for delivering open Viva-Voce. The department will record the online Viva-Voce in such cases.

The Council perused and approved the proposal.

The Council further observed that;

- (a) Departments which are capable to conduct the viva-voce physically can conduct the same.
- (b) In view of pandemic situation, the viva-voce can be conducted online in the following cases;
 - (i) Where the external examiner is online, and HoD, Dean, examiner with other members of DRC and Supervisor(s) are offline and at the Department. Research Scholar may join the viva voce off/online.
 - (ii) Where external examiner/supervisor/scholar is online and HoD/Dean and other members are offline and at the department. The Research Scholars may join the Viva



Voce off/online.

(iii) Complete recording of the process of Viva-Voce shall be made.

(iv) Approval may be sought individually from the Vice-Chancellor.

(v) HoD has to prepare the minutes of the Viva-Voce examination and the report for further submission

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AC:28:11 To intimate about the signing of mandatory annual Tripartite Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) for the Financial Year 2020-21 with Ministry of Human Resource Development, University Grants Commission and Rajiv Gandhi University.

The AC noted that on being advised by the ministry of HRD through an email dated 30 April, 2020 the University prepared the MoU and submitted it to the MHRD. The drafted MoU was vetted and approved by the Executive Council of the university in the first week of May, 2020 through emails and WhatsApp due to the on-going Pandemic situation. On their approval the same was submitted to the Ministry of HRD on 3rd May, 2020 positively.

This is an annual mandatory requirement for the University to sign the tripartite MoU with MHRD & UGC.

The Council noted the same.

AC:28:12 Intimation regarding RGU's participation in the Himalayan Project by NITI Aayog along with the Consortium of the Central Universities of the Himalayan States

The AC noted that Vice Chairman, NITI Aayog had a Video Conference meeting with the Vice Chancellors of Central Universities in Himalayan States on 27th May, 2020, wherein the five thematic areas by the Consortium of the Central Universities of the Himalayan States were launched formally.

RGU has been actively taking part in the Himalayan Project having five Research Theme in the areas of (i) Enumeration and Valuation of the Economic Impact of Female Labour in the Hills, (ii) Agro-Ecology in Himalayan States with Special Emphasis on Marketing, (iii) Development of Eco-Friendly and Cost Effective Tourism in Hills, (iv) Opportunities of Livelihood to Check Migration from Hills, and (v) Water Conservation and Harvesting Strategies.

RGU's Prof. Vanadana Upadhyay, Dept. of Economics is the National Coordinator for the theme Enumeration and Valuation of the Economic Impact of Female Labour in the Hills, while Prof. Amitava Mitra, Prof. R. C. Parida, Prof. Nishamani Kar, Prof. S.K. Jena, Dr. Gibji Nimasow, Dr. Sailajananda Saikia, Dr. Maila Lama, Dr. Dil Bahadur Gurung, Dr. K.P. Singh, Dr. A. A. Laskar and Mr. Arindam Chakrabarti besides others are the Theme Level Coordinators from the University.

The Council noted the same.

AC:28:13 Intimation about RGU being chosen for establishment of Atal Community Innovation Centre (ACIC) under NITI Aayog

The AC noted that RGU is the only government funded university from the North-East India which stood out among 24 organizations of the entire country selected for receiving grant-in aid under Atal Innovation Mission of NITI Aayog for establishment of Atal Community Innovation Centre (ACIC).

The Council noted the same.

AC:28:14 To intimate about the review works on Ordinances and Guidelines

The AC noted that the university is carrying out review works on (i) implementation of CBCS in all the undergraduate courses, (ii) PhD/M.Phil Ordinances, (iii) Academic Ordinances, and (iv) Guidelines for college affiliations by Committees chaired by senior faculty members and officers.

The Council noted and was informed on the same.

AC:28:15 To discuss on the constituted committee's recommendations on the start of CBCS in undergraduate courses in both RGU and its affiliated colleges

The AC noted that a committee was constituted under the chairmanship of Prof. Amitava Mitra, PVC have recommended for the start of Choice Based Credit System (CBCS) in undergraduate courses in both RGU and its affiliated colleges. The 9 member committee in its meeting on 17th March, 2020 had recommended it. The committee has suggested for constitution of faculty-wise committees and also for the conduct of a sensitising workshop on it at the earliest.

The Council perused and approved the same. Further, the Council authorised Vice-Chancellor to look into the matter.

AC:28:16 To decide on the start of UG level courses in all the departments of the University.

The AC noted that there is discussion going on for transforming every central university as unitary ones, there is need for starting undergraduate courses, and hence, step should be taken to start UG in each department to cater to the demand of such learning in a university.

The Council deliberated on it and resolved to form a committee, which will suggest, make a road map and will decide the way forward and the report shall be placed in the next meeting of the Academic Council.

AC:28:17 Intake capacities in new departments:

The AC noted that the University authority proposes to have the following intake capacities in the departments, as under;

- (i) Dept. of Food Technology: 20 seats
- (ii) Dept. of Statistics: 20 seats
- (iii) Dept. of Law: 20 seats
- (iv) Department of Agronomy & Farm Management: 20 seats
- (v) Department of Soil Science and Agricultural Chemistry: 20 seats
- (vi) Department of Microbiology and Plant Pathology: 20 seats
- (vii) Department of Animal Husbandry: 20 seats
- (viii) Department of Entomology and Agricultural Zoology: 20 seats

While discussing the matter, the Council observed that this should be done as per the UGC guidelines. However, the Council authorized the Vice-Chancellor to look into the matter.

AC:28:18 Proposal for shifting the Dept. of Psychology from faculty of Education to the faculty of Social Science

The AC noted that the faculty of Education was housing the dept. of Psychology academically and



administratively, since its inception. However, keeping in view the actual area and domain of the Psychology studies, the dept. will be deemed fit to be included as one of the social science subjects and hence it is proposed to shift the dept. to the faculty of Social Sciences.

The Council approved the proposal.

AC:28:19 Intimation regarding the establishment of Alumni Affairs and External Relations cell of RGU

The AC noted that as reported in the 27th AC meeting, an Alumni Affairs and External Relations cell of RGU has been established with Prof. S. K. Chaudhari as the Chairman of the Cell besides Dr. Nani T. Jose, Dr. David Pertin, Dr. Tage Rupa Sora, Mr. Gomar Basar and Mr. Solung Sonam as its members.

The duration of the committee shall be for three years. The cell shall act as an administrative backbone of Alumni of the University. It shall support Alumni Association in taking up various activities related to Alumni. Maintenance of alumni Database, Alumni Portal, Public relations with Alumni, maintenance and accountability of Alumni Funding and support Alumni association in various annual events will be some important responsibilities of the cell. All alumni matters addressed to the Competent Authority of the University will be directed to Alumni Cell for Usual office procedures. The Council after deliberation on the matter and approved it and invited further suggestions from HoDs. No suggestions have been received so far.

The Council noted the same.

Further, the Council observed that;

- (a) The President and Secretary of the Alumni Association may not be included as Members of the Alumni Cell and hence, the Alumni Cell may be reconstituted. Constitution of Alumni Association is as per the Act and Statutes and hence the composition of the Cell should be accordingly modified.
- (b) The Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) of the cell is ready, which shall be circulated to the members for feedback.
- (c) The University will invite members for discussion and guidelines shall be modified and drafted accordingly.

AC:28:20 Intimation regarding the start of faculty of Sports Science

The AC noted that the university has recently got the approval for starting courses in Sports Anthropometry, Sports Biochemistry, Sports Biomechanics & Performance Analysis, Sports Nutrition and Sports Physiology under faculty of Sports Science & Sports Medicine from the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports under MYAS scheme of National Centre of Sports Sciences and Research (NCSSR). However, the faculty positions at the ratio of 1:2:4 for Professors, Associate Professors and Assistant Professors is being pursued from the relevant agencies. Bagging the Centre of Excellence on Sports Science Education & Research is a big score for RGU as this elite establishment on sports education and research will be the first of its kind in the entire northeast India. In this regard, the University has already constituted a Registrar led eight member team to execute the establishment. The committee has already furnished its positive reports and the present Physical Education Dept. is taking the lead in the establishment of these departments under the faculty of sports sciences. The departments will start functioning from the coming academic session i.e. 2020-21 on getting academic clearance by the academic council. The letter received from MYAS was placed as Annexure.

The Council resolved that the UGC may be informed that the university will put the above mentioned four departments under the Faculty of Sports Science. It will be under project mode for 3 years. A

recent email received from MHRD states that henceforth all the additional teaching positions will be considered as per the new regulation. And therefore, the university must obtain approval of the Ministry of Finance, Govt. of India.

AC:28:21 To approve the setting up of Buddhist Study Centre, RGU

The AC noted that in the backdrop of RGU's unique socio-cultural location as a key contributor to the development of Arunachal Pradesh the Competent Authority of the university proposes the establishment of Buddhist Study Centre which will contribute towards the research and archival base of the said practice and belief. A concept note prepared by AITS in this regard may be seen as Annexure. As for the funds, the centre will mobilize for it through UGC and other funding agencies.

The Council approved the same and decided that the Centre shall be called 'Centre for Buddhist Studies'. It will be housed in Arunachal Institute of Tribal Studies (AITS).

Further it was resolved that, an initial allocation of Rs. 2.00 lakh only shall be kept for the Centre.

AC:28:22 To decide on the proposal for the establishment of two additional university campuses in the state.

The AC noted that Rajiv Gandhi University since its inception has been steadily progressing and serving the State of Arunachal Pradesh as the lone premier Central University. The numbers of Departments, number of students, number of faculty and non-teaching staffs have been growing over the years. Many new Departments have been approved and several other Departments are under consideration at MHRD. As such there is growing pressure on the existing land in the University campus for further growth in a systematic manner. Significantly, the RGUSU also during orientation cum fresher social function 2019 invited Shri. Pema Khandu, Chief Minister of the State and submitted memorandum for having such campus for RGU.

As per the Rajiv Gandhi University Act, 2006 vide Article 7 clause (1) the jurisdiction of the University is extending to the whole of the State of Arunachal Pradesh. As such, more campuses can be set up within the State. There is also provision in the UGC Act, 1956 vide section 12 A (1) (b) Constituent College can be set up by the Universities.

Therefore, RGU proposes to establish two nos. of additional campuses in the state of Arunachal. The two new additional campuses will cater to the need of the huge number of students looking for admissions to various courses. The state being geographically very large and diverse in many aspects needs such campuses. Such campuses are also seen for NEHU, Shillong (2 campuses) and Nagaland University, Lumami (3 campuses). The campuses can have Centres/Departments concerned to particular area of the State.

The Council approved the proposal unanimously. Further, it was resolved that university will request for more centres/departments from MHRD/UGC.

AC:28:23 To discuss on having alternative parameters for the conduct of Field Works in various courses due to Pandemic

The AC noted that the Pandemic situation has halted many field work related exercises of the departments. Whereas, Field Works are an integral part of the course and is purely syllabus based, thus, there arises the need of having alternatives to it and to have some general guidelines to proceed on with.

The Council deliberated the matter and resolved that ;



(i) Field study trip may be conducted through virtual visits to the Institutes or areas as done by the Dept. of Education.

(ii) They may conduct field visits to nearby places as proposed by the Dept. of Geology.

The Council further resolved that the university will bear only the travel expenses of the teachers who escort the field trips.

AC:28:24 To approve the draft Rules and Regulations for the disclosure of Answer Scripts to the Examinees 2020 under RTI Act, 2005

The AC noted that a committee was constituted headed by Prof. S.K. Jena, Dept. of Commerce has submitted the draft Rules and Regulations for the disclosure of Answer Scripts to the Examinees under RTI Act 2005, which may be perused and deliberated upon. The matter was also brought to the notice of the esteemed EC members through emails and WhatsApp due to the on-going Pandemic situation. The members of EC have also given their approval for the same with comments and suggestions. The said 5 member committee had incorporated all the suggestions in the draft. The draft guidelines were placed as an Annexure.

The Council noted and approved the same and decided that the required infrastructure shall be provided.

AC:28:25 To approve the draft Guidelines and Regulation on Intellectual Property Rights, RGU, 2019

The AC noted that a committee was constituted and headed by Prof. D.N. Das, Dept. of Zoology and Chairman IPR Cell has submitted the draft Guidelines and Regulations on Intellectual Property Rights, RGU, 2019.

The Council perused and approved the proposal. Further, the AC suggested that, inputs shall be obtained from the members within a week's time. The AC expressed that IPR is important for growth in areas such as research, innovation and employment. Hence, IPR are worth protecting both domestically and internationally, especially in the area of Science and Technology, empanelling along the CSIR and TRIFED; RGU can go for monetization of patent filing and publication purposes. Option should be kept open for consultancy with some organisation in collaboration on utilization sharing and good governance. AC was informed that, RGU has a clear cut policy of consultancy. Some fund is allocated for filing of patents. The AC further suggested that RGU should monetize the successful patent filing.

AC:28:26 To approve the setting up of the dept. of Ancient History and Archaeology in RGU

The AC noted that over the last few years, the ASI has been sending communications for starting some projects with the dept. of History on Ancient India and Archaeology. There are many archaeological sites in the state have not been thoroughly excavated. A full-fledged dept. will yield manpower for the state and could help in unearthing the rich-sites present in Arunachal Pradesh especially in the area of ethno-Archaeology which is of great relevance these days. The departmental council of the dept. of History RGU has endorsed the same.

The Council deliberated the matter and approved the setting up of the same in the Department of History. However, the HoD, History shall convene a departmental meeting and discuss the matter on changing the nomenclature and also discuss on the proposal for appointment of Adjunct Professor / Visiting Professor / Guest Faculty in consultation with AITS. It was further decided that, efforts will be made to introduce Pali and Sanskrit language course in RGU.

AC:28:27 Intimation regarding conduct of online interview for CAS promotion

The Council authorized Vice-Chancellor to look into the matter.

AC:28:28 To discuss on B.Voc. course application

The Chairman briefed the members that to make the unemployed youth of the state skilled to be self-employed or to prepare them for the job market, Rajiv Gandhi University has planned to open the following 4 (four) vocational courses under National Vocational Education Qualification Framework (NVEQF), as augmented by UGC. In this regard, the University will sign a MoU with the State Government.

RGU has applied for 4 (four) B. Vocational Courses in the areas, namely; i) Tax Management and Consultancy, ii) Food Processing and Nutrition Management, iii) Micro Biology and Pathology and iv) Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning.

Signing of MoU with 5 Central Universities are under process They are; i) Central University of Gujarat (CUG), ii) Tezpur University, iii) NEHU, iv) BHU and v) Nagaland University.

The Council deliberated the matter and approved the same.

AC:28:29 Any other item, with the permission of the Chair.

A On the minutes of the Committee constituted to frame the modalities of promotion of students of intermediate semesters to next semester and preparation of tentative academic calendar.

The minutes were placed to Academic Council by Prof. Utpal Bhattacharjee. The Council perused and authorized the Vice Chancellor to look into it.

B Introduction and Implementation of Learning Management System (LMS)

The Joint Director (CC) briefed the members about Learning Management System (LMS). In the present Covid-19 situation, University need to cope with the situation by introducing the LMS. This is an open solution where teaching aids are used by teachers and students.

Learning Management System as a vast repository where one can store and track information. Anyone with a login and password can access these online training resources whenever and wherever. For self-hosted Learning Management Systems, users must also have the LMS software installed on their hard drive or access to the company's server. Whatever the installation option, the thing to bear in mind is that LMS users fall into two categories: First, online learners who use the Learning Management System to participate in online training courses; second, the eLearning team who relies on the LMS platform to disburse information and update the online training content. Students will be monitored in a better way if University uses such solutions. It is one of the NAAC criterions also.

The Council approved the proposal in principle. In this line, the AC felt that the facilities for LMS/online teaching-learning process should be augmented. Faculty-wise committee should be formed to monitor. All the departments shall be provided with multi-media facilities to cope up with poor connectivity and every department shall be provided with partial Smart Class Rooms so that online classes are not affected in the absence of infrastructure.


The council was also informed that, Campus Wifi survey has been completed and there is a plan for setting up studios for Content generation, which will help in engaging students in making of videos and in post production process.



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Registrar and Ex-Officio Member Secretary

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MINUTES OF THE 29 ACADEMIC COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 06.08.2020

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

The following members were present:

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

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

AC: 29:02 Award of Marks for Intermediate Semester

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

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

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

AC: 29:03 To discuss and approve the followings

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

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

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

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

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

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

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


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Minutes of the 30th meeting of the Academic Council (Special) held on 28.10.2020

The 30th meeting of Academic Council (Special) was held on 28.10.2020 for passing the resolution by circulation on the following single agenda item that was sent to all the members in advance by email and WhatsApp.

AC:30:01 To approve the conduct of XVIII Convocation of the University

It is quite notable that the conduct of Convocations of RGU on a particular date (30 November) every year has been highly praised by the MHRD, now Ministry of Education, in the year 2018. The Visitor of the University had also made a mention of this good practice during a meeting with the Vice-Chancellors. Keeping up the show as one of the Best Practices of this Varsity it was discussed and decided in the 31st meeting of the EC held on 14th Oct., 2020 vide Resolution No. EC:31:07(e), to conduct the XVIII Convocation of RGU on the 30th November, 2020 in blended mode. However, the EC also decided that only PhD, MPhil and Gold Medalists can participate in physical mode considering the protocol of COVID-19.

The AC noted that the conduct of Convocations of RGU on a fixed date is one of the Best Practices of the University, and endorsed the decision taken in 31st meeting by the Executive Council for conducting the XVIII Convocation of RGU on the 30th November, 2020 in a blended mode for this year in view of COVID-19 pandemic wherein the candidates to be conferred PhD, MPhil degrees, and awardees of the various Gold Medals shall be invited to attend the convocation in person with strict adherence to the safety protocol of COVID-19, and the other candidates to be conferred degrees shall be invited to attend online.

The AC members were also informed during the deliberation that the Chief Rector of the University, Honourable Governor of Arunachal Pradesh Brig. (Dr.) B.D. Mishra (Retd.) shall preside over the Convocation, and for the Chief Guest, the Guest of Honour and the Convocation Speaker, the Vice-Chancellor Prof. Saket Kushwaha is entrusted to correspond and invite distinguished persons.

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The following members registered their presence in the meeting through email and WhatsApp messaging, provided their suggestions and endorsed the above mentioned decision;

1.	Prof. Saket Kushwaha, Vice-Chancellor, RGU	Chairman (Ex-Officio)
2.	Prof. Amitava Mitra, Pro-Vice-Chancellor, RGU	Member (Ex-Officio)
3.	Prof. Rachob Taba, Dean, Faculty of Education, RGU	Member (Ex-Officio)
4.	Prof. P.K. Kalita, Dean, Faculty of Basic Sciences, IT & E and Tech., RGU	Member (Ex-Officio)
5.	Prof. Nandini C. Singh, Dean, Faculty of Environmental Sciences, RGU	Member (Ex-Officio)
6.	Prof. Oken Lego, Dean, Faculty of Languages, RGU	Member (Ex-Officio)
7.	Prof. R.K. Singh, Dean, Faculty of Life Sciences, RGU	Member (Ex-Officio)
8.	Prof. Tana Showren, Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences, RGU	Member (Ex-Officio)
9.	Prof. R.C. Parida, Dean, Faculty of Commerce & Management and Director, IQAC, RGU	Member (Ex-Officio)
10.	Prof. Sudhir Kumar Singh, Dean, Academic Affairs, RGU	Member
11.	Prof. H.S. Yadav, Director, NERIST, Nirjuli	Member
12.	Prof. Nabam Nakha Hina, Director, CDC, RGU	Member
13.	Prof. Sumpam Tangjang, Dept. of Botany, RGU	Member
14.	Prof. Sanjeeb Kr. Jena, Dept. of Commerce, RGU	Member
15.	Prof. P.K. Acharya, Dept. of Education, RGU	Member
16.	Dr. Marpe Sora, Dept. of Computer Science & Engineering, RGU	Member
17.	Dr. Rejir Karlo, Principal, Donyi Polo Govt. College, Kamki	Member
18.	Prof. Jumyir Basar, Director, AITS, RGU	Member
19.	Prof. H. Vokendro Singh, Head, Dept. of Anthropology, RGU	Member
20.	Dr. Hui Tag, Head, Dept. of Botany, RGU	Member
21.	Dr. Rajesh Chakrabarty, Head, Dept. of Chemistry, RGU	Member
22.	Prof. Sanjeeb Kr. Jena, Head, Dept. of Commerce, RGU	Member
23.	Prof. Utpal Bhattacharjee, Head, Dept. of CSE, RGU	Member
24.	Prof. Vandana Upadhyay, Head, Dept. of Economics, RGU	Member
25.	Prof. (Mrs.) Kesang Degi, Head, Dept. of Education, RGU	Member
26.	Mr. Maibam Sanju Meetei, Head i/c, Dept. of ECE, RGU	Member
27.	Dr. K.C. Mishra, Head, Dept. of English, RGU	Member
28.	Prof. (Mrs.) Kiran Kumari, Head, Dept. of Geography, RGU	Member
29.	Dr. Chandra Sekaran M., Head i/c, Dept. of Geology, RGU	Member
30.	Dr. Shyam Shankar Singh, Head, Dept. of Hindi, RGU	Member
31.	Prof. Ashan Riddi, Head, Dept. of History and Director, Institute of Distance Education, RGU	Member
32.	Mr. Arindam Garg, Head, Dept. of Management, RGU	Member
33.	Mr. Moji Riba, Head i/c, Dept. of Mass Communication, RGU	Member
34.	Dr. Nipen Saikia, Head i/c, Dept. of Mathematics, RGU	Member

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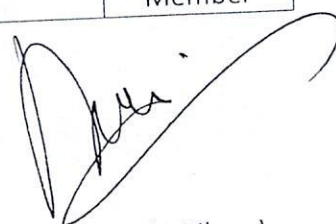
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35.	Mr. Punyo Chobin, Head i/c, Dept. of Music, RGU	Member
36.	Prof. Nani Bath, Coordinator, Dept. of National Security Studies, RGU	Member
37.	Dr. Tadang Minu, Head i/c, Dept. of Physical Education, RGU	Member
38.	Prof. Sanjeev Kumar, Head, Dept. of Physics, RGU	Member
39.	Prof. P.K. Panigrahi, Head, Dept. of Political Science, RGU	Member
40.	Dr. (Mrs.) Dharmeshwari Lourembam, Head i/c, Dept. of Psychology, RGU	Member
41.	Dr. Kaushalendra Pratap Singh, Head i/c, Dept. of Social Work, RGU	Member
42.	Dr. Shashank Yadav, Head i/c, Dept. of Sociology, RGU	Member
43.	Dr. Bijay Raji, Controller of Examination, RGU	Invitee
44.	Dr. David Pertin, Joint Registrar (Acad. & Conf.), RGU	Invitee
45.	Dr. Nabam Tadar Rikam, Registrar, RGU	Member Secretary (Ex-Officio)

The following eight members of the AC did not send their opinion on the said agenda item;

1.	Prof. R.S. Dubey, Vice-Chancellor, Central University of Gujarat, Gandhinagar	Member
2.	Prof. Avinash C. Pandey, Director, Inter-University Accelerator Centre, Delhi	Member
3.	Prof. Jharna Chakravorty, Head, Dept. of Zoology, RGU	Member
4.	Prof. Harish Kr. Sharma, Dept. of Hindi, RGU	Member
5.	Dr. Satish Kumar, Dept. of Education, RGU	Member
6.	Dr. Sailajananda Saikia, Dept. of Geography, RGU	Member
7.	Mrs. Teli Yami, Dept. of Mass Communication, RGU	Member
8.	Dr. Shyamal Kr. Bhattacharya, Dean, TRIHMS, Naharlagun	Member



(Dr. Nabam Tadar Rikam)
Registrar and Member Secretary (Ex-Officio)