

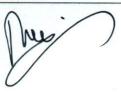
RAJIV GANDHI UNIVERSITY

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MINUTES OF THE 39^{th} MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL HELD ON 10/06/2022 AT 10:30 AM AT SMART THEATER, CSE

The 39th meeting of the Academic Council of Rajiv Gandhi University was held on 10th June, 2022 at 10:30 a.m. in the Smart Theater of CSE. The following members were present:

01	Prof. Saket Kushwaha, Vice-Chancellor, RGU	Chairman (Ex-Officio)		
02	Prof. Amitava Mitra, Pro-Vice-Chancellor, RGU	Member (Ex-Officio)		
03	Prof. Oken Lego, Dean, Faculty of Languages, RGU	Member (Ex-Officio)		
04	Prof. R.C. Parida, Dean, Fac. of Commerce & Mangmt. & Law, RGU & Director (IQAC)	Member (Ex-Officio)		
05	Prof. Sahin Ahmed, Dean, Faculty of Tech. Engineering, RGU	Member (Ex-Officio)		
06	Prof. Kh. Kabi, Faculty of Information Technology, RGU	Member (Ex-Officio)		
07	Prof. T. Lhungdim, Dean, Faculty of Education, RGU	Member (Ex-Officio)		
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10	Prof. S. K. Chaudhuri, Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences, RGU	Member (Ex-Officio)		
11	Prof. Sanjeeb Kr. Jena, Head, Dept. of Commerce, RGU	Member		
12	Dr. Satish Kumar Kalhotra, Dept. of Education, RGU	Member		
13	Dr. Miazi Hazam, Dept. of English, RGU	Member		
14	Mr. B.P.S. Baruah, Department of Management, RGU	Member		
15	Ms. Teli Yami, Department of Mass Communication, RGU	Member		
16	Dr. Rejir Karlo, Principal, Govt. College, Yachuli	Member		
17	Dr. Kangki Megu, Principal, IGGC, Tezu (Online)	Member		
18	Prof. S.K. Nayak, Director, CDC, RGU	Member		
19	Prof. Jumyir Basar, Director, AITS, RGU	Member		
20	Prof. H. Vokendro Singh, Head, Dept. of Anthropology, RGU	Member		
21	Prof. Sumpam Tangjang, Coord., Agri. Sc. & Food Technology, RGU	Member		
22	Prof. RK. Singh, Head, Dept. of Botany, RGU	Member		
23	Dr. Rajesh Chakrabarty, Head, Dept. of Chemistry, RGU	Member		
24	Prof. Utpal Bhattacharjee, Head, Dept. of CSE, RGU	Member		
25	Prof. Vandana Upadhyay, Head, Dept. of Economics, RGU	Member		
26	Prof. T. Lhungdim, Head (Acting), Dept. of Education, RGU	Member		
27	Dr. Maibam Sanju Meetei, Head i/c, Dept. of ECE, RGU	Member		
28	Prof. Bhagabat Nayak, Head, Dept. of English, RGU	Member		
29	Mr. Ashok Barman, Head i/c, Fine Arts and Music, RGU	Member		
30	Prof. Tomo Riba, Head, Dept. of Geography, RGU	Member		
31	Dr. Chandra Sekaran. M, Head i/c, Dept. of Geology, RGU	Member		
32	Prof. Shyam Shankar Singh, Head, Dept. of Hindi, RGU	Member		
33	Prof. Ashan Riddi, Head, Dept. of History, RGU	Member		
34	Prof. Ashan Riddi, Director, IDE, RGU	Member		
35	Dr. Topi Basar, Head, Dept. of Law, RGU	Member		



36	Dr. Sankar Thappa, Head, Dept. of Management, RGU	Member		
37	Prof. Uttam Kr. Pegu, Head, Dept. of Mass Communication, RGU Member			
38	Dr. Nipen Saikia, Head, Dept. of Mathematics, RGU	Member		
39	Prof. Uttam Kr. Pegu, Head, Dept. of Mass Com., RGU	Member		
40	Dr. K. Rojeet Singh, Head i/c, Dept. of Phy. Edu. & Sports Sc., RGU	Member		
41	Prof. Pradip Kr. Kalita, Head, Dept. of Physics, RGU	Member		
42	Prof. Nabam Nakha Hina, Head, Dept. of Political Science, RGU (Online)	Member		
43	Dr. (Mrs.) D. Lourembam, Head i/c, Dept. of Psychology, RGU	Member		
44	Dr. Ravi Ranjan Kumar, Head i/c, Dept. of Social Work, RGU	Member		
45	Ms. Nani Umie, Head i/c, Dept. of Sociology, RGU	Member		
46	Prof. Vandana Upadhyay, Coordinator, Statistics, RGU	Member		
47	Dr. Daniel Mize, Head i/c, Dept. of Zoology, RGU	Member		
48	Dr. Bijay Raji, CoE, RGU	Member		
49	Prof. Hui Tag, Dept. of Botany, RGU	Invitee		
50	Dr. David Pertin, Jt. Reg. (Acad. & Conf.), RGU	Invitee		
51	Dr. Nabam Tadar Rikam, Registrar, RGU	Secretary (Ex-Officio)		

At the outset, Prof. Saket Kushwaha, Vice Chancellor and Chairman of the Council extended warm welcome to all the members in the 39th meeting of the Academic Council. Thereafter, the Chairman invited the Pro-Vice-Chancellor, Prof. A. Mitra to table the agenda items before the august house. In his opening remark, the Registrar Dr. N.T. Rikam informed the house about the details of issues and academic matters that are being tabled in the meeting.

The following agenda items were then placed before the Council for discussion and consideration;

SL. NO.	THE AGENDA ITEM
	To confirm the Minutes of the 35 th meeting of the Academic Council which was held in blended mode on 27.11.2021.
AC:39:01	The AC noted that, the minutes of the 35 th meeting of the Academic Council which was held in blended mode on 27.11.2021, were circulated amongst the members. No comments have been received so far. A copy of the minutes of the 35 th meeting of the Academic Council was placed as Annexure-1. The Academic Council approved and ratified the same.
	To confirm the Minutes of the 36 th meeting of the Academic Council which was held in
	circulation mode on 20.03.2022.
AC:39:02	The AC noted that, the minutes of the 36 th meeting of the Academic Council which was held in circulation mode on 20.03.2022, were circulated amongst the members. No comments have been received so far. A copy of the minutes of the 36 th meeting of the Academic Council was placed as Annexure-2 .
	The Academic Council approved and ratified the same.
	To confirm the Minutes of the 37 th meeting of the Academic Council which was held in
	blended mode on 30.03.2022
AC:39:03	The AC noted that, the minutes of the 37 th meeting of the Academic Council which was held
	in blended mode on 30.03.2022, were circulated amongst the members. No comments have been received so far. A copy of the minutes of the 37 th meeting of the Academic Council was



	placed as Annexure-3.	
	The Academic Council approved and ratified the same.	
AC:39:04	To confirm the Minutes of the 38 th meeting of the Academic Council which was held in blended mode held on 15.04.2022. The AC noted that, the minutes of the 38 th meeting of the Academic Council which was held in blended mode held on 15.04.2022, were circulated amongst the members. No comments have been received so far. A copy of the minutes of the 38 th meeting of the Academic Council was placed as Annexure-4. The Academic Council approved and ratified the same.	
AC:39:05	To confirm the Action Taken Report (ATR) on the decision of the 35 th meeting of the Academic Council held on 27.11.2021. The AC noted that, the Action Taken Report (ATR) was placed as Annexure-5 for perusal and consideration. The Academic Council approved and ratified the same. However, the Council asked the progress of item No. AC:35:23(5).	
AC:39:06	To confirm the Action Taken Report (ATR) on the decision of the 36 th meeting of the Academic Council held on 20.03.2022. The AC noted that, the Action Taken Report (ATR) was placed as Annexure-6 for perusal and consideration. The Academic Council approved and ratified the same.	
AC:39:07	To confirm the Action Taken Report (ATR) on the decision of the 37 th meeting of the Academic Council held on 30.03.2022. The AC noted that, the Action Taken Report (ATR) was placed as Annexure-7 for perusal and consideration. The Academic Council approved and ratified the same. Regarding item No. AC:37:02(B), the Chairman informed that instead of constituent college, faculty of undergraduate courses will be established. It will start with Basic Sciences courses at UG level (under NEP) but in future other faculties are expected to join in the respective UG courses. A committee will be constituted to frame the rules and fee structure.	
AC:39:08	To confirm the Action Taken Report (ATR) on the decision of the 38 th meeting of the Academic Council held on 15.04.2022. The AC noted that, the Action Taken Report (ATR) was placed as Annexure-8 for perusal and consideration. The Academic Council approved and ratified the same.	
AC:39:09	To approve the Academic Calendar of the varsity for 2022-23 (session). The AC noted that, the Academic activities of the University for the coming academic session i.e. 2022-23 session as prepared by the constituted committee was placed before the Academic Council as Annexure—9 for perusal and approval. The AC approved the Academic Calendar of the varsity for 2022-23 Academic session.	



To ratify recognizing the following faculty members of the University as Ph.D supervisors who have requisite research and teaching experiences after obtaining Ph.D.

- 1. Dr. Ramen Jamatia, Dept. of Chemistry
- 2. Dr. Bharat Kumar Allam, Dept. of Chemistry
- 3. Dr. Sikdar Md. Sultan Askari, Dept. of CSE
- 4. Dr. Narender Singh, Dept. of Education
- 5. Dr. Maibam Sanju Meetei, Dept. of ECE
- 6. Dr. Nikhil Kumar Mahnot, Dept. of Food Technology
- 7. Dr. Deependra Rajoriya, Dept. of Food Technology
- 8. Dr. Satchit Prasun Mandal, Dept. of Psychology
- 9. Dr. Sandeep Panchal, Dept. of Psychology
- 10. Dr. Sonika, Dept. of Physics
- 11. Dr. Sayan Bayan, Dept. of Physics
- 12. Dr. Jyoti Jaiswal, Dept. of Physics

The Academic Council noted that, the 45th Research Board of RGU while following the UGC Regulations had considered the recognition of the above mentioned faculty members as Ph.D Supervisors, vide item No. RB: 45: D, and recommended the proposal to Academic Council for ratification.

The AC further noted that, the following application were also received as mentioned below for Ph. D Guide-ship which were not routed through R.B and placed directly to the AC.

- 1. Dr. Sunil Nandi, Dept. of Commerce
- 2. Dr. Padi Hana, Dept. of Sociology
- 3. Dr. Arvind Kumar Kushwaha, Dept. of NSS
- 4. Dr. Gunjan Kumar Saurav, Dept. of Zoology
- 5. Dr. Arnav Gosh, Dept. of Zoology
- 6. Dr. Bibhuti Bhashan Das, Dept. of Botany
- 7. Dr. Samir Bhadury, Dept. of Law
- 8. Dr. Rahul Chandra Kushwaha, Dept. of CSE
- 9. Dr. Rupam Kumar Sharma, Dept. of CSE
- 10. Dr. Ningthoukhongjam Vikimchandra Singh, Dept. of Statistics
- 11. Dr. Jagdish Prasad Maurya, Dept. of Mathematics & Computing
- 12. Dr. Anil Kumar Singh, Dept. of Management

The AC perused the item regarding recognizing the following faculty members of the University as Ph.D supervisors who have requisite research and teaching experiences after obtaining Ph.D. with the following conditions:

- Prospective approval is granted to those faculty members who have fulfilled the mandatory eligibility criteria, viz. PhD degree, One year teaching experience in RGU, publications of research papers as PhD supervisor provided their applications have been approved by the respective DRC and the RB.
- The cases of those faculty members who don't satisfy these criteria should be brought to the AC as soon as they fulfill these requirements and the laid down procedure. Such faculty members after being declared as supervisors may enroll Ph.D. students from January 2023.

To ratify recognizing as Ph.D Co-Supervisor.

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1. Dr. Sahil Rizwan, Scientist-C, NCF, Bengaluru, to act as a Co-Supervisor in the Dept. of Anthropology, RGU.

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The Academic Council noted that, the 45th Research Board of RGU while following the UGC Regulations has considered the recognition of the above mentioned Scientist as Ph.D Co-Supervisor vide item No. RB:45:E, and recommended the proposal to Academic Council for ratification. Further, the following application which has been received from DRC (Social Work) for consideration to be recognized as Ph.D Co-Supervisor which however, was not routed through R.B and is being placed directly to the AC. Dr. Pragya Tiwari Gupta, Associate Professor, Dept. of Geography, Sharda University, Greater Noida, to act as a Co-Supervisor in the Dept. of Social Work, RGU. The AC perused and ratified the case of Dr. Sahil Rizwan, Scientist-C, NCF, Bengaluru, to act as a Co-Supervisor in the Dept. of Anthropology, RGU. Further, the AC also approved the proposal for recognizing Dr. Pragya Tiwari Gupta, Associate Professor, Dept. of Geography, Sharda University, Greater Noida to act as a Co-Supervisor in the Dept. of Social Work, RGU subject to fulfillment of all norms as enshrined in the Ordinance pertaining to PhD Co-Supervisorship in RGU. To ratify the syllabus of Post Basic BSc. (Nursing) program framed by the Board of Under Graduate Studies (Nursing). The AC noted that, the meeting of the BUGS (Nursing) was held on 28 Dec' 2021 in the Department of Botany, RGU under the Chairmanship of Prof. Sumpam Tangjang, and prepared the syllabus for Post Basic BSc. (Nursing) which was approved by the university authority for implementation. AC:39:12 The AC perused the syllabus of Post Basic B.Sc. (Nursing) program framed by the Board of Under Graduate Studies (Nursing). Prof. Sumpam Tangjang certified that the guidelines of Indian Nursing Council was consulted and taken into consideration. The AC ratified the same and advised that the copy of syllabus be circulated to all Members through e-mail. Stray case of the use of old registration number. The AC noted that, few students of Mudo Tamo Memorial College, Ziro were found using the old registration numbers while pursuing B.Ed after obtaining migration from the University. The students completed the course and mark sheets were also issued reflecting their old registration number. The matter was placed before the Competent Authority and approval was accorded for its cancellation. Thereafter, the students were asked to submit migration from the last AC:39:13 attended College/University and accordingly new registration numbers and mark sheets were issued. An extract of the approval note and order was placed for perusal as Annexure-10. The AC ratified the same and suggested that the colleges must have a robust Admission Committee and do the verification part seriously. The University may also explore of procuring a software, so that, such type of stray cases can be minimized and checked upon. Ratification on the decision to count date of admission to PhD program as the effective date of registration of all the Ph.D scholars enrolled suo moto. AC:39:14

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The AC noted that, a notification was issued vide No. AC-2273/Ph.D/2021, dated the 21 February' 2022, extending the benefit of preponement of registration to Ph.D scholars of the University who were admitted in the Ph.D course in the year 2019 but their registration process could not be completed till 29th January 2021, due to transitional period of effect of implementation of Ph.D Ordinances from old system to the new system provided the scholars make such requests through the DRC concerned. This decision was taken with reference to the implementation of Ph.D Ordinance w.e.f. 29.01.2021, which is the date of approval of the new Ordinance in the 34th meeting of the Executive Council. The notification was placed as **Annexure-11**.

In continuation to the above, a sequential circular was issued pursuant to a decision in the Research Board of the University vide No.AC-1401/RB/2014(Vol-VIII), Dated the 12 May '2021, that, with the new Ph.D ordinance in force, all the Ph.D scholars including those who have joined prior to 2021 and are still pursuing the programme are required to complete their Ph.D works/programmes within a period of 6 years from the date of their joining/admission in the programme. Thereby, all the periodic activities related to registration viz. (i) One year extension, (ii) Re-registration and (iii) Other relaxations beyond re-registration period will be counted from date of admission upto 3 years, 3+ 1 years and 3 + 1 + 2 years respectively. The Circular was placed as **Annexure-12**.

The AC further noted that, the counting of the date of admission to PhD program as the effective date of registration of the Ph.D scholars suo moto, was necessitated to regularize all the PhD programs and the scholars enrolled under the program in the University keeping in view the non-existence of a gazetted ordinance earlier and also considering the transitional period of effect of implementation of the Ph.D Ordinances evolved due to shifting from old system to the new system. The earlier ordinance on PhD of this University was rejected by UGC in the year 2017 with an advisory to reframe. The reframed copy got gazetted in January, 2021 only.

The AC after a thorough deliberation decided to defer the item to next meeting of the AC, while instructing the Supervisors to put up the file of the scholars to the Vice-Chancellor for perusal with all details. To further study the matter and suggest way forwards, this will be placed in Dean's committee.

Report on the one day Principal's Conclave held on 26.04.2022.

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The AC noted that, a One-Day Principals' Conclave on the topic 'Implementation of NEP-2020 at UG Level and Other Related Matters of Academic, Examinations, Affiliations, NAAC Assessment, Autonomy of Institute, etc.' was organized by Rajiv Gandhi University in the University Convention Hall, on the 26th April' 2022. The report of the Conclave with recommendations was placed as **Annexure-13**.

The AC perused the Report on the One-Day Principal's Conclave held on 26.04.2022 and suggested that, the recommendations made by the conclave may be transmitted to the State Govt. for follow-up.

Compliance status report on directions issued on Teachers Training Courses by Hon'ble Supreme Court against Maa Vaishno Devi Mahila Mahavidyalaya vs. State of U.P.

The AC noted that, a Committee was constituted under the chairmanship of Prof. T.

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Lhungdim the letter from Director of Higher and Technical Education, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh regarding status report on the compliance of directions issued by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in the matter of Maa Vaishno Devi Mahila Mahavidyalaya. The committee meeting was held on 17.02.2022 at 3.00 PM in the dept. of Education and submitted the report placed vide Annexure-14. Accordingly, the Academic Branch had transmitted the information to the Higher and Technical Education directorate. The AC perused the Compliance status report on directions issued on Teachers Training Courses by Hon'ble Supreme Court against Maa Vaishno Devi Mahila Mahavidyalaya vs. State of U.P. and ratified the same. Regarding the admission of students in various PG programs of the Agricultural Sciences at Rajiv Gandhi University. The AC noted that, a joint meeting of the BPGS members of the Faculty of Agricultural Sciences (Department of Agricultural Sciences) and Department of Food Technology was held on 5 February' 2022 under the Chairmanship of Prof. Sumpam Tangjang, Dean, Faculty of Agricultural Sciences to discuss the matter related to the nomenclature of departments, Faculty recruitments and other related matters related of the department. AC:39:17 Regarding the admission of the students in various PG programs of the Agricultural Sciences at RGU, the board members endorsed the decision of the RGU authorities for admitting the students' graduated from ICAR accredited Central/Private Universities/Institutes only. The members unanimously resolved not to dilute the ICAR system. The minutes of the meeting was perused by the AC at Annexure-15. The AC perused the matter related to admission of students in various PG programs under the faculty of Agricultural Sciences at Rajiv Gandhi University and ratified the same. For the grant of renewal of Temporary affiliation to TRIHMS, Naharlagun. The AC noted that, on receipt of an application for renewal of Temporary Affiliation by the Principal, TRIHMS, Naharlagun, Arunachal Pradesh, an Inspection Committee was constituted for Physical Inspection of the college under the Chairmanship of Prof. R.K. Singh. Accordingly, the Inspection team visited the college on 13th May' 2022, for physical AC:39:18 verification and the committee submitted its report with recommendation for the renewal of Temporary Affiliation to the TRIHMS, Naharlagun, Arunachal Pradesh. The report was perused at Annexure-16. The AC perused the matter related to the grant of renewal of Temporary affiliation to TRIHMS, Naharlagun and approved the same. For the grant of renewal of Temporary affiliation to Binni Yanga Govt. Women College, Lekhi, Arunachal Pradesh. AC:39:19 The AC noted that, on receipt of an application for renewal of Temporary Affiliation by the Principal, Binni Yanga Govt. Women College, Lekhi, Arunachal Pradesh, an Inspection Committee was constituted for Physical Inspection of the college under the Chairmanship of Prof. N.C. Singh. Accordingly, the Inspection team visited the college on 1st February' 2022,

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for physical verification and the committee submitted its report stating not to consider the renewal of Temporary Affiliation to the Binni Yanga Govt. Women College, Lekhi, Arunachal Pradesh. The report was perused at Annexure-17. The AC perused the matter related to the grant of renewal of Temporary affiliation to Binni Yanga Govt. Women College, Lekhi, Arunachal Pradesh and empowered the Vice-Chancellor to look into the report. It was further decided that, within a week's time, the matter should be communicated to the State Govt. for compliance of the observations within a month's time. For the grant of renewal of Temporary affiliation to Donyi Polo B.Ed. College, Itanagar, Arunachal Pradesh. The AC noted that, on receipt of an application for renewal of Temporary Affiliation by the Principal, Donyi Polo B.Ed. College, Itanagar, Arunachal Pradesh, an Inspection Committee was constituted for Physical Inspection of the college under the Chairmanship of Prof. T. Lhungdim. Accordingly, the Inspection team visited the college on 04 April' 2022, for physical AC:39:20 verification and the committee submitted its report with recommendation for the renewal of Temporary Affiliation to the, Donyi Polo B.Ed. College, Itanagar, Arunachal Pradesh. The report was perused at Annexure-18. The AC perused the matter related to the grant of renewal of Temporary affiliation to Donyi Polo B.Ed. College, Itanagar, Arunachal Pradesh and approved the same. For the grant of renewal of Temporary affiliation to Jarbom Gamlin Govt. Law College, Jote, Arunachal Pradesh. The AC noted that, on receipt of an application for renewal of Temporary Affiliation by the Principal, Jarbom Gamlin Govt. Law College, Jote, Arunachal Pradesh, an Inspection Committee was constituted for Physical Inspection of the college under the Chairmanship of Prof. R.C. Parida. Accordingly, the Inspection team visited the college on 26th May, 2022, for physical verification and the committee submitted its report with recommendation for the renewal of Temporary Affiliation to the Jarbom Gamlin Govt. Law College, Jote, Arunachal AC:39:21 Pradesh. The report was perused at Annexure-19. The AC perused the matter related to the grant of renewal of Temporary affiliation to Jarbom Gamlin Govt. Law College, Jote, Arunachal Pradesh and it was resolved to grant temporary affiliation for one year as per the prevalent UGC norms. A committee however, shall be constituted to examine the matter to make it in the line of BCI with regard to the duration of affiliation. To grant the Permanent affiliation to Venerable Uktara Bethany (VUB) College, Manmow, Namsai, Arunachal Pradesh. The AC noted that, on receipt of an application for the grant of Permanent Affiliation by the AC:39:22 Principal, Venerable Uktara Bethany (VUB) College, Manmow, Namsai, Arunachal Pradesh, an Inspection Committee was constituted for Physical Inspection of the college under the Chairmanship of Prof. Tomo Riba. Accordingly, the Inspection team visited the college on 24 April' 2022, for physical verification and the committee submitted its report with recommendation for the grant of Permanent Affiliation to the Venerable Uktara

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Bethany(VUB) College, Manmow, Namsai, Arunachal Pradesh. The report was perused at Annexure-20. The AC perused the matter related to the grant the Permanent affiliation to Venerable Uktara Bethany (VUB) College, Manmow, Namsai, Arunachal Pradesh and it was resolved to defer the matter. And instead, based on the report, the college was granted the temporary affiliation for another year. Further, a committee shall be constituted to prepare SOPs pertaining to grant of Permanent affiliations to affiliated colleges. Introduction of Ph.D program in the Department of National Security Studies. The AC noted that, a representation has been received from Head, Dept. of NSS to introduce Ph.D program in the Dept. of NSS from the session 2022-23. It was suggested that, initially, two seats only may be filled up and out of those two seats; one seat may be reserved for personnel from armed forces, as the Department deals with National Security and Defense Organizations, subject to fulfillment of the minimum eligibility criteria set by the University. Based on this proposal, the University has announced and floated advertisement inviting applications through RGUPET-2022 for admission to the program on 31st May, 2022. AC:39:23 The HoD further, proposed that, two seats in M.A. (NSS) may be reserved for defense personnel, subject to fulfillment of the minimum eligibility criteria set by the University. The minutes were placed as Annexure-21. The AC perused the matter related to the introduction of Ph.D program in the Department of National Security Studies and approved it and further ratified the action taken by the university to reserve 1(one) seat for the Defense personnel subject to fulfillment of minimum eligibility criteria set by the university. To approve the syllabus framed for Ph.D program in National Security Studies. The AC noted that, the BPGS (NSS) in its meeting held on 3rd June, 2022, has framed the syllabus for Ph.D program in National Security Studies. The minutes and the draft syllabus were perused at Annexure-22. AC:39:24 The AC perused the matter related to the approval of the syllabus framed for Ph.D program in National Security Studies and approved the same. Introduction of M.Sc. (Electronics) in the Department of ECE. The AC noted that, the Departmental meeting held under the chairmanship of Head i/c, Dept. of ECE has recommended for starting a new course, namely; Master of Science (M.Sc.) in Electronics from coming academic session i.e. 2022-23, with an Intake Capacity of 12(Twelve). The draft syllabus for the program was also framed. AC:39:25 The minutes of the meeting were placed as Annexure-23. Based on this recommendation, the University has announced and floated advertisement inviting applications through RGUCET -2022 for admission to the program on 31st May, 2022. The AC perused the matter related to the introduction of M.Sc. (Electronics) in the Department of ECE and approved it and further ratified the action taken by the university in this regard.

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	To approve the syllabus framed for MSc. (Electronics) program in Dept. of ECE.
AC:39:26	The AC noted that, the BPGS (ECE) in its meeting held on 23 rd May, 2022, has framed the syllabus for MSc. (Electronics) program in Dept. of ECE. The minutes and the draft syllabus were placed as Annexure-24 .
	The AC perused the matter related to the syllabus framed for MSc. (Electronics) program in Dept. of ECE and approved the same.
	Course Re-structuring and Revision of MA Mass Communication & PGDMC Programmes.
AC:39:27	The AC noted that, a meeting of the Board of Post Graduate Studies (BPGS) of Agricultural Sciences held on 11 April'2022 in the Dept. of Mass Communication and had re-structured and revised the MA Programme in Mass Communication and Post Graduate Diploma in Mass Communication while keeping provisions for multiple entry and exit in compliance with the NEP-2022. The minutes of the meeting were perused at Annexure-25 .
	The AC perused the matter related to the Course Re-structuring and Revision of MA Mass Communication & PGDMC Programmes and approved the same.
	Course Re-structuring and Revision of PG programs in Agricultural Sciences.
AC:39:28	The AC noted that, while endorsing the modified syllabus of three PG programmes by ICAR, the Coordinator of Agricultural Sciences Prof. Sumpam Tangjang on 8 th June, 2022 has furnished the modified syllabus by ICAR for the MSc. Agronomy, MSc. Agricultural Economics and MSc. Entomology Programmes. The modified syllabi were perused at Annexure-26 .
	The AC perused the matter related to the Course Re-structuring and Revision of PG programs in Agricultural Sciences and approved the same.
	To approve the introduction of Ph.D program in the Department of Food Technology.
AC:39:29	The AC noted that, in the greater interest of the prospective research scholars, the University Authority has decided to introduce the start of PhD program in the Dept. of Food Technology from the session 2022-23. And in anticipation of the approval from the AC, the University has announced and floated advertisement inviting applications through RGUPET-2022 for admission to the program on 10 th May, 2022.
	The AC perused the matter related to the approval of the introduction of Ph.D program in the Department of Food Technology and approved it and further ratified the action taken in this regard.
	To approve the syllabus framed for Ph.D program in Food Technology.
AC:39:30	The AC noted that, the BPGS (Food Technology) in its meeting held on 27 th May, 2022, has framed the syllabus for Ph.D program in Food Technology. The minutes and the draft

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	syllabus were perused at Annexure-27.
	The AC perused the matter related to the approval of the syllabus framed for Ph.D program in Food Technology and approved the same.
	To approve the introduction of Ph.D program in the Department of Statistics.
AC:39:31	The AC noted that, in the greater interest of the prospective research scholars, the University Authority has decided to introduce the start of PhD program in the Dept. of Statistics from the session 2022-23. And in anticipation of the approval from the AC, the University has announced and floated advertisement inviting applications through RGUPET-2022 for admission to the program on 31 st May, 2022.
	The AC perused the matter related to the approval of the introduction of Ph.D program in the Department of Statistics and approved it and further ratified the action taken in this regard by the University Authority.
	To approve the syllabus framed for Ph.D program in Statistics.
AC:39:32	The AC noted that, the BPGS (Statistics) in its meeting held on 8 th June, 2022, has framed the syllabus for Ph.D program in Statistics. The minutes and the draft syllabus were placed as Annexure-28 .
	The AC perused the matter related to the approval of the syllabus framed for Ph.D program in Statistics and approved the same.
	To approve the Guidelines for the constitution of Departmental Research Committee.
AC:39:33	The AC noted that, a committee headed by Prof. SK. Chaudhuri, Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences as chairman had its meeting on 23.05.2022, and framed the guidelines for the constitution of Departmental Research Committee (DRC). The minutes of the meeting were placed as Annexure-29 .
	The AC perused the matter related to the Guidelines for the constitution of Departmental Research Committee and approved the same. However, for engaging external experts in DRC the matter should be taken care on case to case basis as per need by following RGU ordinance.
	On the Constitution of Board of Studies and its functions.
AC:39:34	The AC noted that, of late there used to be two separate boards of studies in each department and institutes, namely; the BUGS and the BPGS. To bring the two under one banner, a Board of Studies (BOS), a single-body entity for all departments instead of two separate Boards is hereby proposed to be constituted and implemented upon. The BOS composition is proposed to be comprised of Head/Director/Coordinator of the Dept./Institute as the ex-officio-Chair, all Professors and Associate Professors of the dept. concerned as the Members, one Asstt. Professor on seniority from the dept. concerned as Member, two Professors (one each from the NEI region and other part of the country) as

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The AC perused the matter related to the Constitution of Board of Studies and its functions and approved it subject to the repealing of BPGS and BUGS guidelines and replacing it with the ordinance on BOS. The proposal for the establishment of Advance Centre for Traditional Medicines in RGU The AC noted that and perused the proposal for establishment of an "Advance Centre for Traditional Medicine (ACTM)" at the Rajiv Gandhi University under subject expert Prof. Hui Tag, Department of Botany, RGU as PI. In this connection, a meeting was also held on 25th May, 2022 in the office Chamber of the Pro-Vice-Chancellor wherein the proposal AC:39:35 committee of ACTM-RGU discussed at length on the establishment of the same. The minutes of the meeting were placed as Annexure-30. The AC after a deliberation approved the establishment of Advance Centre for Traditional Medicines in RGU with a suggestion to seek and pursue for the budgetary support from external funding agencies. A report on the submission of University's data through the Data Capturing System (DCS) of National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) Portal for NIRF 2022 The AC noted that, Rajiv Gandhi University has successfully submitted its data through the Data Capturing System (DCS) of National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) Portal on 10 February, 2022. The National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) is a methodology adopted by the Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD) to rank institutions of higher education in India. The Framework was launched on 29 September 2015. A set of measurable parameters have been used as metrics for ranking the institutions The parameters have been organized into five (05) groups and each group has been divided into suitable subgroups. Each group has an overall weight assigned to it. The broad parameters for evaluation are: Teaching, Learning & Resources (TLR) AC:39:36 This parameter is evaluated on the basis of the following Quality indicators: Student strength (Number of UG/PG and Research Students) Faculty-student ratio with emphasis on permanent faculty (FSR) Combined metric for Faculty with PhD (or equivalent) and Experience (FQE) Financial Resources and their Utilization (FRU) Graduate Outcome This parameter is evaluated on the basis of the following Quality indicators: Number of graduate students placed through campus placement, averaged over previous 3 years o Percentage of graduating students (both at the UG and PG levels) who have been selected for higher studies, averaged over the previous three years Number of sustained spin-off companies set up over the previous 5 years period Outreach and Inclusivity This parameter is evaluated on the basis of the following Quality indicators:

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- Percent Students from other states/countries (Region Diversity RD)
- Percentage of Women (Woman Faculty) + (Woman Students) + (Woman Administrator)
- o Economically and Socially Challenged Students (ESCS)
- Facilities for Physically Challenged Students (PCS)

Perception

This parameter is evaluated on the basis of the following Quality indicators:

- o Peer Perception: Employers and Research Investors (PREMP)
- o Peer Perception: Academic Peers (PRACD)
- o Public Perception (PRPUB)
- o Competitiveness (PRCMP)

Ranking History of Rajiv Gandhi University

Year	Ranking
2016	Nil
2017	76
2018	101-150
2019	99
2020	101-150
2021	101-150
2022	Applied

The AC further noted that, the NIRF 2022 was prepared under the chairmanship of Prof. Utpal Bhattacharjee, Department of CSE by the committee constituted vide notification No. RGU/REG-45/AC/21, dated 28th December, 2021. After the collection of the data from the departments/institutes, the parameter-wise compilation of the data was assigned to the members. The committee after several rounds of meetings finally submitted the data to the competent authority for verification and approval.

The AC perused the matter related to the submission of University's data through the Data Capturing System (DCS) of National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) Portal for NIRF 2022 and ratified the same while appreciating the effort of all the stakeholders.

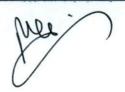
A report on the submission of AQAR 2020-21

The AC noted, that, Rajiv Gandhi University has successfully submitted its Annual Quality Assurance Report (AQAR) for the academic year 2020-21 to the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) higher education portal on 18 May 2022. The AQAR 2020-21 was accepted after review on 6th June, 2022.

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The AC further noted that, the AQAR 2020-21 was prepared under the chairmanship of Prof. Sanjeev Kumar, Dean, Faculty of Basic Sciences by the committee constituted vide notification No. RGU/REG-136/NAAC/21 dated 30th July 2021. Three new members were added to the committee vide notification no. RGU/REG-136/NAAC/21 dated 16th November 2021. The category-wise compilation of the data was carried out by the members each as follows. The work was completed within the stipulated time.

The new format for submission of AQAR by HEI's as per the revised guidelines has come into



effect from August 2020 effective from the academic year 2020-21. The new format consists of 7 criteria-based assessments. The seven criteria represent the core functions and activities of an HEI. In the revised framework not only the academic and administrative aspects of institutional functioning but also the emerging issues have been included. The seven Criteria to serve as the basis for assessment of HEIs are:

- 1. Curricular Aspects
- 2. Teaching-Learning and Evaluation
- 3. Research, Innovations and Extension
- 4. Infrastructure and Learning Resources
- 5. Student Support and Progression
- 6. Governance, Leadership and Management
- 7. Institutional Values and Best Practices

Under each Criterion, key indicators are identified. These key indicators (KIs) are further delineated as metrics which actually elicit responses from the HEIs.

The AC perused the report on the submission of AQAR 2020-21 and ratified the same while appreciating the effort of all the stakeholders.

A report on the submission of SSR for the assessment period 2014-1019

The AC noted that, on February 8, 2020, Rajiv Gandhi University filed the Institute Information for Quality Assessment (IIQA) for the third cycle of NAAC assessment. A sixmember committee was constituted to prepare the draft of the NAAC Self Study Report (SSR). After collecting data from secondary sources, the committee drafted an SSR and submitted it to the Director of IQAC on February 26, 2020. The IIQA was accepted on March 16, 2020, and 45 days were allotted for the SSR submission. Under the direction of the Director of IQAC, the committee analyzed the draft SSR and compiled a list of documents to be collected from various academic departments and sections. It also outlined a plan for preparing the SSR and also to mitigate the deficiencies at the ground level. However, because of the emergence of COVID-19, NAAC issued a directive to all institutions not to submit their SSRs. It was clarified that, when the situation returns to normalcy, all institutes will get sufficient time to prepare and submit the SSR. The NAAC SSR submission portal was subsequently deactivated for those institutes whose IIQA were accepted.

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Immediately after the 1st phase of the lockdown, the NAAC SSR committee circulated its 1st mail to all the Departments on 27th April, 2020 providing all the data templates and user manual for submission of data. However, due to partial lockdown and other issues, the responses were very poor. Subsequently, the SSR team follow-up the matter and collected a major portion of data.

During the data collection period, the committee faced major challenges in the form of discrepancies in the data filled in the template and supporting documents provided, incomplete data, tempering of the data format etc. The committee perused the matter with the concerned departments/branches, however, many departments/branches expressed their inabilities to supply the data in required format and provide necessary documents.

Most of the data received by the committee required major data cleaning and therefore to expedite the process, two new members were inducted to the team.

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By then, the academic year 2019-20 had ended, and there were many doubts about the assessment period, which, according to NAAC guidelines, is five years backward from the date of SSR submission. Therefore, it was decided that the assessment period will be from 2015-16 to 2019-20 and accordingly we were asked to prepare the SSR for that particular period. The committee accordingly prepared a draft SSR and made it ready for submission to the NAAC portal once it is open.

On August 26, 2021, the portal was finally opened. However, when we went to submit the data, we saw that templates for the years 2014-2015 through 2018-2019 were provided. On liaising the matter with NAAC officials, it was clarified that as we have submitted the IIQA on the academic year 2019-20, the assessment period will be from 2014-15 to 2018-19.

Therefore, the committee collected data for academic year 2014-2015. However, it was observed that quality of the data for the academic year 2014-15 was very poor and most of the departments/branches failed to provide data with required supporting documents for that period due to the changes in the Heads/Directors and other staff. The data cleaning operation took lots of extra time due to the insufficient information provided by the stakeholders. To strengthen the team, 10 new members were inducted in the month of December 2021.

Finally, in spite of all challenges, the committee come out with a Draft SSR for the period 2014-15 to 2018-19 in the month of February 2022 and circulated the same among the Deans, Directors/Heads for feedback and accordingly the suggestions/feedbacks were incorporated in the final draft.

The data is uploaded in the University website and formal request has been sent to the NAAC for opening the portal again for onward uploading of the SSR.

The AC perused the report on the submission of SSR for the assessment period 2014-2019 and ratified the same while appreciating the effort of all the stakeholders.

On submission of Report on All India Survey of Higher Education of Rajiv Gandhi University, Arunachal Pradesh for the Session 2020-21

The AC noted that, the All India Survey of Higher Education of Rajiv Gandhi University, Arunachal Pradesh for the Session 2020-21 (reference no. U-0047-2020) was uploaded on the AISHE portal on 29/03/2022 which was revised on 12/04/2022. The highlights of the AISHE 2020-21 of Rajiv Gandhi University are:

- The university was established in 1984.
- The number of guarters available for staff is 236.
- · The university has 12 halls of residence.

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- The university has Institute of Distance Education which has 14 study centers.
- There are 38 departments (including IDE).
- 13 faculties are there in the university.
- There are 91 regular programmes through department and 1 regular programme through faculty.
- Under IDE, there are 1 UG and 7 PG programmes.
- Total enrolment of students including IDR during the period is 5148 (2331 male and 2817 female).

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- During the session, 172 students placed with a median salary of 42000.
- Total number of non-teaching staff is 171 out of which 140 are male and 31 are female.
- Total financial income of the university during the period is 124.82 crore.
- The university has infrastructures like 2 playgrounds, 3 auditorium, 1 central library, 1 health centre, 2 fitness centres, 1 indoor stadium, 1 guest house etc.
- There are also provisions of solar power generation, NKN and NMEICT connectivity, grievance redressal mechanism, vigilance cell, equal opportunity cell, gender harassment cell, and separate toilets for girls, skill development centre, anti ragging cell etc.
- The university has IQAC cell.
- The university has been re-accredited by NAAC with score 2.4 in the year 2015.

The AC perused the Report on All India Survey of Higher Education of Rajiv Gandhi University, Arunachal Pradesh for the Session 2020-21 and ratified the same while appreciating the effort of all the stakeholders.

Reporting items:

(i) RGU's participation in the NTA conducted CUET-2022

The AC noted that, RGU being a central university has joined the NTA, New Delhi conducted CUET-2022 and is all set to participate with its 5 UG programmes namely; (1) BCA, (2) BFA, (3) BMUS, (4) BSc. Agriculture & (5) BSc. Geology, from the current session.

The AC took note of the same and ratified the action taken by the University Authority in this regard.

(ii) Conduct of RGUCET & RGUPET-2022

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The AC noted that, RGU is all set to conduct RGUPET for admissions to PhD programmes in 28 departments of the University besides 55 Post Graduate courses, Under Graduate courses, PG Diploma and Certificate programmes ranging from conventional to technical and professional ones, being offered in the Rajiv Gandhi University and its affiliated colleges and is keeping no stone unturned to conduct the two entrance examinations namely; RGUPET-2022 and RGUCET-2022. RGUPET-2022 shall be conducted in RGU centre only while RGUCET-2022 will be conducted in six designated centers. The centers identified for RGUCET-2022 are at RGU's Rono Hills campus besides at Gauhati University, Guwahati, Jawaharlal Nehru College at Pasighat, Dera Natung Govt. College at Itanagar, Indira Gandhi Govt. College at Tezu and at Govt. College Bomdila campuses from 25th June to 5th July, 2022.

Candidates who are appearing in final semester/year examinations of any qualifying degrees are eligible to apply and sit for the ensuing RGUPET & RGUCET-2022. One may visit the university's website www.rgu.ac.in for further detail on the eligibility criteria for admissions to the courses, syllabus and unit wise mark distribution for the entrances, Sample Question Papers.

The online application submission which started on 10th May, 2022 will culminate on 12th June, 2022 (For few selected programmes only). For the successful conduct of the

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entrances, a 15 member committee headed by Professor S.K. Patnaik from department of Geography has been constituted. A 24x7 helpline is also in place to attend to the queries of applicants led by RGU's VSAT centre.

The AC took note of the same and ratified the action taken by the University Authority in this regard.

(iii) On the inclusion of programs offered in affiliated colleges in RGUCET-2022

The AC noted that, for the greater interest of the prospective candidates, the Rajiv Gandhi University, announces admissions to Post Graduate and Under-Graduate Programmes being offered in various affiliated colleges which include MA (Hindi), MA (Geography), MA (History), and M.A (English) in JN College, Pasighat, M.Ed & Special B.Ed. in HCTE, Naharlagun, LLM in ALA, Naharlagun, LLB in ALA, Naharlagun & JGGL College, Jote, and B.Ed. programmes in all Teacher Education colleges through common entrance tests being conducted by Rajiv Gandhi University through RGUCET, henceforth. A notification in this regard was issued vide No.AC-2340/Colleges/UG-Admission/22, Dated the 27th May, 2022.

The AC took note of the same and ratified the action taken by the University Authority in this regard.

- (iv) On the shifting of Exams within the notified duration as per Academic Calendar
- (a) The AC noted that, on request made by applicants/students who have qualified for appearing physical test for the post of Sub-Inspector, the university exams scheduled on 25th and 26th May, 2022 were shifted to 13th and 14th June, 2022, in the greater interest of the students.
- (b) The AC further noted that, on the appeal made by AAPSU leaders, the university exams scheduled on 22nd and 23rd May, 2022 were shifted to 8th and 9th June, 2022, in the greater interest of the students' community.

The AC took note of the shifting of examination dates and ratified the action taken by the University Authority in this regard.

(v) On the postponement of one Examination of a Paper due to a technical issue
The AC noted that, due to an inadvertent technical issue occurred at JNC, Pasighat, the
university examinations scheduled on 27th May, 2022 had to be shifted to 6th June, 2022, for
maintaining the sanctity and decorum of the University's examination system.

The AC took note of the shifting of examination date due to the technical issue and ratified the action taken by the University Authority in this regard.

(vi) To update on the progress of Buddhist Study Centre in RGU:
The AC noted that, keeping in view the backdrop of RGU's unique socio-cultural location as a key contributor to the development of Arunachal Pradesh the AC in its 28th meeting held on 24th June, 2020, had approved the setting up of Buddhist Study Centre in RGU with a view to



make contributions towards the research and archival part, to be housed in AITS. Towards this, RGU also made an initial allocation of Rs. 2.00 lakh only for the centre. And as for more funds and resources, the University through the centre will mobilize through UGC and other funding agencies.

The Council further noted that, recently vide letter No. ED/HE/PLG-543/2015, dated Itanagar the 5th April, 2022 the state govt. is inviting the university to submit a proposal/estimate of Rs. 500.00 lakhs only under Grant-in-aid for Centre of Buddhist Studies Centre to be executed during the current financial year 2022-23.

In this regard, the competent authority has constituted an 8 member committee headed by Dean, faculty of Social Sciences. Further, as for the academic part, there is a decision to take analogy and academic advice to run the centre from Nava Nalanda Mahavihara University, Nalanda, Bihar under Ministry of Culture, New Delhi. The notification for the setting up centre, letter from the state govt. and notification constituting the committee for the centre was perused at Annexure-31.

The AC took note of the same and ratified the action taken by the University Authority in this regard.

(vii) Intimation regarding likely increase of seats in BEd. Program from 850 to 950 seats in RGU's affiliated colleges:

The AC noted that, RGU has announced vide notification No.AC-56/OAS/2015(Vol-I), Dated the 1st June, 2022, that there are 850 seats in BEd. program in RGU's 9 affiliated colleges excluding one Teacher Education college, namely; TT (BEd.) College, Aalo. The seats in the said college was not announced as the college was debarred from admitting students in the coming session owing to PAR non submission issue based on an order from NCTE, New Delhi. Recently, the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India has issued a stay order against the NCTE order. Now since, there is a stay order from the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India on the PAR matter, the college may be allowed to admit students and thereby, on being permitted, the number of seats for BEd. program will rise to 950 excluding RGU's seats. RGU has a total of 100 B.Ed. seats with an additional 10 EWS seats.

The AC perused the matter and decided to wait for more legal inputs in this regard from legal experts and suggested to keep the matter in abeyance.

AC:39:41 Any other items, with the permission of the Chair.

1) To ratify the establishment of a Centre for Wildlife Rehabilitation and Research (CWRR) in RGU.

The AC noted that, a Centre for Wildlife Rehabilitation and Research (CWRR) in RGU to be stationed at RGU's Department of Zoology was established vide Notification No. AC-2341/CWRR/Zoology/2022, Dated the 25th January, 2022 renaming and upgrading the aviary facility under the department of Zoology.

The AC took note of the same and ratified the action taken by the University Authority in

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this regard and suggested for initiation of appointment of officials for the centre at the earliest.

2) On the application for grant of affiliation to Central Institute of Himalayan Culture Studies, Dahung, West Kameng, Arunachal Pradesh

The AC noted that, the Central Institute of Himalayan Culture Studies, Dahung, West Kameng, Arunachal Pradesh, a Ministry of Culture, Govt. of India run institute is seeking for the grant of temporary affiliation from RGU to continue run their programmes which otherwise is so far affiliated to Sampurnanand Sanskrit Viswavidyalaya(SSVV), Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh.

The AC after a deliberation decided that the matter may be routed as per official norms and should pass through the screening and physical inspections. The reports of these committees may be placed in the next meeting of the AC.

As there was no other item for discussion, the meeting came to an end with proposal of vote of thanks from the Joint Registrar (Academic & Conference), Dr. David Pertin, to the Chair and to all the Members of the Academic Council.

(Dr. N.T. Rikam) Registrar