



MINUTES OF 22ND MEETING OF ACADEMIC COUNCIL HELD ON 29.11.2018

The 22nd meeting of the Academic Council was held on 29th November 2018 at 10.30 a.m. in the Council Hall of the University.

The following members were present:

Sl.No.	Name	Position
01.	Prof. Saket Khushwaha, Vice-Chancellor, RGU	Chairman (Ex-Officio)
02.	Prof. A. Mitra, Dept. of Economics, RGU	Member (Special Invitee)
03.	Prof. Sudhir Kumar Singh, Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences, RGU	Member (Ex-Officio)
04.	Prof. Nishamani Kar, Dean, Faculty of Environmental Sciences, RGU	Member (Ex-Officio)
05.	Prof. Rachob Taba, Dean, Faculty of Education & Languages, RGU	Member (Ex-Officio)
06.	Prof. Tasi Kaye, Dean, Faculty of Commerce & Management, RGU	Member (Ex-Officio)
07.	Prof. Harish Kr. Sharma, Dean, Faculty of Languages, RGU	Member (Ex-Officio)
08.	Prof. U. Bhattacharjee, Dean, Faculty of IT, Basic Sciences, RGU	Member (Ex-Officio)
09.	Prof. R.K. Singh, Dean, Faculty of Life Sciences, RGU	Member (Ex-Officio)
10.	Prof. Shyam Narayan Singh, Dept. of History, RGU	Member
11.	Prof. T. Lungdim, Dept. of Education, RGU	Member
12.	Prof. P.K. Acharya, Dept. of Education, RGU	Member
13.	Mr. Moji Riba, Dept. of Mass Communication, RGU	Member
14.	Prof. Ashan Riddi, Director, IDE, RGU	Member
15.	Prof. Simon John, Director, AITS, RGU	Member
16.	Prof. H. Vokendro Singh, Head, Dept. of Anthropology, RGU	Member
17.	Prof. Hui Tag, Head, Dept. of Botany, RGU	Member
18.	Dr. R. Chakraborty, Head, Dept. of Chemistry, RGU	Member
19.	Prof. Otem Padung, Head, Dept. of Commerce, RGU	Member
20.	Mr. Ani Taggu, Head, Dept. of CSE, RGU	Member
21.	Prof. Sushanta Kr. Nayak, Head, Dept. of Economics	Member
22.	Prof. (Mrs.) Elizabeth Hangsing, Head, Dept. of Education, RGU	Member
23.	Mr. Jagdeep Rahul, Head i/c, Dept. of Elec. & Comm. Engin., RGU	Member
24.	Dr. K.C. Mishra, Head, Dept. of English, RGU	Member
25.	Prof. (Mrs.) Kiran Kumari, Head, Dept. of Geography, RGU	Member
26.	Dr. Anwarul Alam Laskar, Head i/c, Dept. of Geology, RGU	Member
27.	Prof. (Mrs.) Sarah Hilaly, Head, Dept. of History, RGU	Member
28.	Prof. Oken Lego, Head, Dept. of Hindi, RGU	Member
29.	Mr. Arindam Garg, Head, Dept. of Management, RGU	Member
30.	Prof. Kh. Kabi, Head, Dept. of Mass Communication, RGU	Member
31.	Prof. Sahin Ahmed, Head, Dept. of Mathematics, RGU	Member
32.	Mr. Ashok Barman, Head i/c, Dept. of Music & Fine Arts, RGU	Member
33.	Dr. Anil Mili, Head i/c, Dept. of Physical Education, RGU	Member

34. Prof. Sanjeev Kumar, Head, Dept. of Physics, RGU	Member
35. Prof. PK Panigrahi, Head, Dept. of Political Science, RGU	Member
36. Dr.(Mrs.) D. Lourembam, Head i/c, Dept. of Psychology, RGU	Member
37. Dr. K.P. Singh, Head i/c, Dept. of Dept. of Social Work, RGU	Member
38. Mr. Bikash Bage, Head i/c, Dept. of Sociology, RGU	Member
39. Dr. Nani Tamang Jose, COE i/c, RGU	Member
40. Prof. Nabam Nakha Hina, Director, College Development Council, RGU	Invitee
41. Dr. David Pertin, Jt. Registrar (Acad./Conf.), RGU	Invitee
42. Prof. Tomo Riba, Registrar i/c, RGU	Secretary (Ex-Officio)

At the outset the Chairman welcomed all the members to the 22nd Academic Council. The agenda items were then taken up for discussion and decisions taken thereon.

AC:22:01 To confirm the minutes of the 21st meeting of Academic Council held on 13TH June, 2018.

The AC noted that minutes of the 21st meeting of Academic Council were circulated amongst the members. No comment has been received so far.

The AC confirmed the minutes of the 21st meeting of Academic Council held on 13TH June, 2018.

AC:22:02 To confirm the Action Taken Report (ATR) on the decision of the 21st meeting of Academic Council held on 13th June, 2018.

The AC accepted the Action Taken Report on the decision of the 21st meeting of Academic Council held on 13th June, 2018.

AC:22:03 To approve for Establishing International Centre for Gandhian Studies

The AC noted that a representation has been received from Prof. Amitava Mitra for establishment of International Centre for Gandhian Studies in Rajiv Gandhi University. As per the proposal, the Centre to be established would combine research, training and action with a global perspective and connectivity.

The AC perused and approved the proposal. It was also decided that two programmes of History Department shall be clubbed with the proposed ICGS. The members felt that it must be a Peace Centre.

AC:22:04 To approve for introduction of Intellectual Property Rights in PhD curriculum of relevant subjects

The AC noted that a representation has been received from Prof. Tomo Riba, Registrar i/c for introduction of intellectual property rights in PhD curriculum in relevant subjects.

The AC perused and approved the proposal.

AC:22:05 To approve the proposal for starting Agriculture Faculty in Rajiv Gandhi University

The AC noted that a representation has been received from Hon'ble Vice Chancellor Prof. Saket Kushwaha for starting Agriculture Faculty in Rajiv Gandhi University.

The AC perused and approved the proposal.

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AC:22:06 To approve the proposal for establishing the following :

The AC noted that a representation has been received from Prof. Oken Lego, Head, Department of Hindi for establishing the following in Rajiv Gandhi University;

- 1) Directorate of Hindi Medium Implementation in the Department of Hindi
- 2) Study Centre for Indian Languages and Folk Literature in the Department of Hindi

The AC perused and approved both the proposals.

AC:22:07 To approve for starting new courses in Environmental Sanitation in Rajiv Gandhi University.

The AC noted that a representation has been received from Mr. Bikash Bage, HoD i/c Department of Sociology for starting:

- I. Six (6) months Certificate Course on Environmental Sanitation to be run by the Department of Social Work, RGU
- II. Three (3) semester PG Diploma Course on Environmental Sanitation to be run by Department of Sociology, RGU

The AC perused and approved both the proposals.

AC:22:08 To approve the proposal for Introduction of 3 months Certificates Course in GST

The AC noted that a proposal has been received from Prof. Otem Padung, Head, Department of Commerce for introduction of 3 months certificate course in GST.

The AC perused and approved the proposal.

AC:22:09 To approve the proposal for establishment of Centre for Environment and Sustainable Development.

The AC noted that a proposal has been received from Dr. Rajesh Chakrabarty, HoD, Department of Chemistry for establishment of Centre for Environment and Sustainable Development.

The AC perused and approved the proposal.

AC:22:10 To approve the proposal for appointment of External Examiners only in consultation with respective HoDs

The AC noted that a representation has been received from Mr. Ani Taggu, HoD CSE regarding reforms in the process of appointment of External Examiners for viva-voce or practical papers in other departments or colleges by the Controller of Examination. As per his representation, he opined that; In present pattern the external examiners are appointed by CoE without consultation of respective heads of departments- this can potentially hamper the functioning of the departmental examinations if the external examinations and the departmental examinations, especially in practical subjects, clash. The department is the final loser and its students suffer since a suitable permanent faculty, who might be assigned as the practical examiner, cannot take examinations because he is busy elsewhere. Therefore, he proposed that CoE may kindly appoint external examiners only after due consultation with the HoD of respective departments to avoid hampering

internal practical and viva-voce examinations of a department.

The AC discussed and approved the proposal.

AC:22:11 To sort out certain anomaly pertaining to PhD ordinance

The AC noted that a proposal has been received from Hon'ble Vice- Chancellor for placing the PhD Ordinance before the Academic Council as an agenda for discussion and to sort-out certain anomaly such as inclusion of clause related to chapterization, adherence of UGC guidelines, matter related to gazette notification, etc.

The AC perused and decided that UGC Regulation notified in the Gazette of India dated July 2018 would be followed in toto.

AC:22:12 To approve the Placement Review Committee Report

The AC noted that an eight member (with at least two members each from RGU, NIT and NERIST) placement review committee was formed with Mr. Ani Taggu, HoD, CSE as the coordinator of the committee by His Excellency the Governor of Arunachal Pradesh to review the placement scenario of three Institutes/Universities in particular and State in general. The committee had several sitting at RGU and one meeting at Raj Bhavan and prepared the report. His Excellency desired that the report be placed in respective Academic Council meetings for approving the report prior to placing the same before the State Government.

The AC perused and approved the same.

AC:22:13 To approve appointment of Prof. A.P Das as Adjunct Professor in RGU for two years

The AC noted that a representation has been received from Dr. Hui Tag, Head Department of Botany for appointment of Prof. A.P Das as Adjunct Professor in the Department of Botany under UGC Scheme. Prof. A.P Das is presently a visiting faculty in the Department of Botany, RGU and he has submitted his application for adjunct faculty. The faculty council meeting of Department of Botany held on 24th September 2018 after threadbare discussion on merit and eligibility of the applicant recommended for appointment of Prof. (Retd) A.P Das as adjunct faculty in the Department of Botany.

The AC further noted that as per guidelines for empanelment of adjunct faculty in Universities and Colleges Adjunct faculty will be appointed by the competent authority based on the recommendation of a committee.

As per UGC guidelines an amount of Rs.9, 60,000 only is required per annum for payment of honorarium. In addition the adjunct faculty is entitled for travel cost as per his entitlement maximum of six times per academic year. As per the proposal, an amount of RS. 3.42 lakh is needed for appointment of adjunct faculty during current financial year. However, UGC is yet to release any fund against this head.

The AC decided that the appointment of Prof. A.P. Das as Adjunct Professor in the Department of Botany will be considered once fund is received from UGC.

AC:22:14 Matters regarding M.Ed course and Examination in Hills College of Teacher Education, Naharlagun.

The AC noted that a representation has been received from Dr. M.M. Mohapatra, Principal, Hills College of Teacher Education, Naharlagun in connection with start of M.Ed Course without prior approval of University

authority creating a complex situation among the admitted students in the said college.

The AC discussed the matter and decided that the College would be allowed to conduct examination for the students. Further, it was decided that in addition to examination and tuition fee, the College should deposit 10% of admission fee to the University. Further, it was also decided to send a warning letter to the College.

AC:22:15 Permission to start M.Phil Programme in English from the session 2018-19, at the Dept. of English, RGU.
The AC noted that the Departmental Research Committee in English, RGU is proposing to start M.Phil Course from the Academic Session 2018-19 with an Intake Capacity of 5 seats.
It was decided that the constituted a BPGS should prepare the syllabus for M.Phil course and the same be placed to next AC for approval.

AC:22:16 To approve introduction of Master of Physical Education Course and creation of faculty positions thereof
The AC noted that a representation has been received from Dr. Anil Mili, Head i/c , Department of Physical Education for starting two year M.PEd course and appointment of faculty positions as per the NCTE guidelines.

The AC perused and approved the proposal.

AC:22:17 To approve for conducting entrance examination for admission to B.Ed course from 2019-2020.

The AC noted that a representation has been received from Prof. E. Hangsing ,Head, Department of Education, RGU for conducting entrance examination for admission to B.Ed course from 2019-2020 Session. The Departmental Committee has recommended for the same. The members of the Department committee suggested that entrance examination for B.Ed may be conducted centrally by the office of Controller of Examination (CoE), RGU considering large number of candidates in anticipation. The members also felt that entrance examination for B.Ed may be conducted in the month of April 2019.

The AC deliberated the matter and approved the same. However, it was decided that modalities should be worked out by the CoE i/c in consultation with the Department.

AC:2:18 Permission to start Master in Tourism Management Program M.Phil Programme in Department of Management

The AC noted that a representation has been received from Mr. Arindam Garg, Head Department of Management for starting Masters in Tourism Management Program in the Department of Management. The Departmental council of the Department has recommended the same.

The AC approved the proposal keeping in view the scope that there is chance of 100% placement. For such programme, all possible support shall be extended by the competent authority .

AC:22:19 To consider for approval of Gold Medals and Degrees (UG, PG and PhD) to be given away to the students/scholars during XVI Convocation of RGU.

The AC noted that list of Gold Medalists for XVI Convocation has been announced, which include (i) Chancellor's Gold Medal and (ii) Vice-Chancellor's Gold Medal and (iii) Gold Medals awarded to the toppers of each category and list of scholars/students, who will be conferred degree(s) at the convocation for undergraduate, postgraduate and Ph.D programmes.

The AC perused and recommended the item to EC for approval.

AC:22:20 Any Other Item

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

i) NIRF Ranking

- a) The Director, IQAC & NIRF informed that the Departments, who have not yet submitted data for NIRF, should ensure submission of data latest by 30th Nov, 2018 for uploading. He requested all departments that in future they should submit data ahead of the deadline.
- b) They can send data for uploading through e.mail/WhatsApp.
- c) All the placements/jobs, whatsoever will come under the purview of NIRF ranking.

It was decided to upload publications from each department for creation of Citation Index of publications of the University.

iii) Proposal for introduction of Entrance Test for Geology Department. The Dean, Faculty of Environmental Science has placed a proposal for introduction of Entrance Test for Geology Department:-

The AC discussed the matter at length and felt that a committee may be constituted to work out on the modalities for conducting entrance tests for admission in the University.

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


30/1/19
Registrar /Ex-Officio-Secretary