

School of Environment and Earth Sciences

Central University of Punjab, Bathinda

Subject: Minutes of the School Board meeting held on 3rd June 2021

The meeting of the School board of Environment and Earth Sciences was held on 3rd June 2021 through online video conferencing.

Members Present:

1. Dr. Sunil Mittal, Dean, School of Environment and Earth Sciences (Chairperson)
2. Prof. J. K. Garg, Ex. GGS-Indraprastha University, New Delhi
3. Prof. Neeraj Dilbaghi, Department of Bio & Nano Technology, GJUST, Hisar
4. Prof. Saroj Arora, Department of Botanical & Environmental sciences, Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar
5. Prof. Ramesh K. Kakkar, Retd. From Dept. of Geology, Panjab University, Chandigarh
6. Prof. V. K. Garg, Dept. of Environment Science and Technology, Central University of Punjab, Bathinda
7. Prof. Anjana Munshi, Department of Human Genetics and Molecular Medicine
8. Prof. S. K. Mahapatra, School of Basic and Applied Sciences
9. Dr. J. K. Pattanaik, Head of the Department, Department of Geology
10. Dr. L. T.S. Guite, Head (In-charge) Department of Geography
11. Dr. Yogalakshmi, K. N., Associate Professor, Department of Environmental Science & Technology
12. Dr. Dhanya M. S., Assistant Professor, Department of Environmental Science & Technology

The meeting started with introduction of external member by Chairperson followed by welcome address by Prof. V. K. Garg. Chairperson invited Dr. Yogalakshmi, Dr. J. K. Pattanaik and Dr. L. T. S. Guit in a sequence to introduce and present the progress of Department of Environmental Science & Technology, Department of Geology and Department of Geography

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Resolve: The committee unanimously recommends course structure and syllabus of PG diploma in Geoinformatics for academic session 2021-2022 and onwards as recommended by Board of Studies and local School Board.

Agenda 4: To recommend the list of visiting faculty for the Departments (Environmental Science and Technology, Geology and Geography).

Resolve: The committee unanimously recommends the list of visiting faculty for the Departments (Environmental Science and Technology, Geology and Geography) as recommended by Board of Studies.

Agenda 5: To recommend the list of external experts for evaluation of M.Sc. Dissertation (Environmental Science and Technology, Geology and Geography).

Resolve: The committee unanimously recommends the list of external experts for evaluation of M.Sc. Dissertation for the departments (Environmental Science and Technology, Geology and Geography) as recommended by Board of Studies.

Agenda 6: To discuss the financial requirement for fieldwork/ industrial/study tour.

Resolve: The matter was discussed in detail. All the committee members were of the unanimous view that field visit, industrial visit and study tour are essential aspects of the curriculum in these subjects. Hence, the committee recommended the field work/industrial/study tour as per the requirement of the respective department and suggested a separate budget of Rs. 3 lakhs for Geology department, and 1.5 lakhs each for department of Environmental Science and Technology, and Geography.

Agenda 7: To discuss the suitable alternate method that may be adopted for the curriculum fieldwork/ industrial visit/field survey/study tour (credit course) etc. during a pandemic situation like COVID-19.

Resolve: The committee discussed the matter and recommended that during a pandemic situation like COVID-19, or in a similar situation in future, credit course like fieldwork/ industrial visit/field survey/study tour etc. may be converted to report writing/review/survey work with seminar presentation to evaluate the course. However, this should not be practiced in normal conditions. Further, as per discussion, the committee also recommends: flexibility may be given to conduct the fieldwork/ industrial visit/field survey/study tour (credit course) etc. any time during the allotted semester or prior to that semester as per the possibility.

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