



MINUTES OF THE
TWELFTH MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL
held at CITY CAMPUS, CUPB on 13th August 2016

The Twelfth Meeting of the Academic Council was held on 13th August 2016 at Central University of Punjab, Bathinda. The following members were present:

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| 1) Prof. R. K. Kohli, Vice Chancellor | – Chairman |
| 2) Prof. K. N. Pathak | – Member |
| 3) Prof. Veer Singh | – Member |
| 4) Dr. S. S. Marwaha | – Member |
| 5) Prof. Narpinder Singh | – Member |
| 6) Prof. V.K. Garg | – Member |
| 7) Prof. Ramakrishna Wusirika | – Member |
| 8) Dr. Anjana Munshi | – Member |
| 9) Dr. Tarun Arora | – Member |
| 10) Dr. Sunil Mittal | – Member |
| 11) Dr. Jagdeep Singh Registrar | – Secretary |

Prof. P. S. Jaswal, Dr. P.S. Ahuja, Prof. S. P. Singh, Prof. M.P.S. Ishar, Prof. Gurmail Singh, Prof. P. Ramarao and Prof. A. K. Dhawan could not attend the meeting due to prior engagements.

The Chairman and Vice-Chancellor, Central University of Punjab extended a warm welcome to the members to the 12th Meeting of Academic Council and thanked them for sparing their precious time for contributing towards the academic growth of the University and valuable guidance.

The Chairman then requested the Secretary to present the Agenda Items one by one to the members for deliberations and decisions. The Secretary presented the Items in sequence.

Item :12:2016:1

To confirm the minutes of 11th Meeting of Academic Council held on 20th June 2016.

It was submitted to the Academic Council that the minutes of the Eleventh Meeting of AC were circulated to all the members and no comments were received on the minutes.

RESOLVE

Academic Council, unanimously RESOLVED to confirm the minutes of its Eleventh Meeting held on 20th June 2016.



Item :12:2016:2

To consider the Action Taken Report (ATR) on the decisions of Eleventh Meeting of Academic Council.

The details of the actions taken on the decisions of the Academic Council in its Eleventh Meeting were placed before the Council as at **Annexure-12.1**.

*Annexure- 12.1
(Page 25 to 28)*

RESOLVE

Academic Council NOTED the Action Taken Report and expressed satisfaction.

Item :12:2016:3

To consider the report of the Vice Chancellor on the progress of the University.

The Vice-Chancellor gave a power point presentation on the progress of the University after the last meeting of the Academic Council held on 20th June 2016. A copy of the presentation is placed at **Annexure- 12.2**.

*Annexure-12.2
(Page 29 to 33)*

The Vice Chancellor shared that due to its research activities, the University has maintained its lead position in terms of *h*-factor, citations of the research output as per SCOPUS, RG Score etc., amongst all the newly established Central Universities.

The members were told that 73 academic programs are being offered by the university in session 2016-17. Admissions to these courses have been done on the basis of **Central Universities Common Entrance Test-2016** (CUCET-2016) and online counselling. It was also shared that Central University of Punjab is the only university that resorted to fully online counselling. Students from 26 states have taken admission in various courses offered by the University.

The other details shared with the Council included present student strength *vis-a-vis* previous years, the high number of students qualifying competitive examinations, faculty and staff strength, research projects at CUPB and academic collaborations with research and educational institutions.

The Vice Chancellor also informed that the University is celebrating Independence Day Fortnight from 9th to 23rd August 2016. The theme of the celebrations has been "Yaad Karo Kurbaani" Freedom Fortnight as prompted by the MHRD. Students are actively participating in the events organized by the University as per a list issued by the MHRD.



The Council appreciated the progress made by the University. The Council also suggested:

1. Empanelment of faculty for courses like Music, Theatre etc., which are yet to be started. The University may initially empanel some reputed teachers as guest/visiting faculty to chalk out course structure and syllabi and other details of courses which are yet to be started. Initiatives may be taken to appoint regular faculty only on enrolment of required number of students.
2. The University students should be encouraged to participate in National and State level competitions. The University may also take an initiative to start Inter-University competitions amongst the new Central Universities.

RESOLVE

After detailed discussions, Academic Council, RESOLVED to accept the report of the Vice Chancellor and appreciated the progress made by the University.

Item:12:2016:4

To consider the minutes of the Meeting of the School Board, School of Legal Studies and Governance held on 10th June 2016.

The Secretary presented before the Council, the minutes of the meeting of the School Board, School of Legal Studies and Governance as per **Annexure 12.3**.

*Annexure 12.3
(Page 34 to 37)*

The Council deliberated on the following recommendation of the School Board:

1. To consider course structure and syllabus of L.L.M. Course with minor modifications.
2. To consider partial modifications in contents of courses on Family Law and IPR.
3. To consider that there should be minimum 5 students opting for a specialization.

The Council discussed this issue and recommended that all specializations offered should be run, irrespective of the number of students opting for each specialization for initial two sessions.

4. To start 5 year integrated course of Law with specialization in B.Sc., LL.B (Hons.) and B.Tech. LL.B. (Hons.) from academic session 2017-18.



The Council deferred this recommendation of the School Boards as the University is not offering any undergraduate course or any Integrated program.

RESOLVE

The Academic Council, after detailed discussions, **RESOLVED** to approve the following recommendations of the School Board of School of Legal Studies and Governance, subject to availability of qualified faculty:

1. Course structure and syllabus of L.L.M. Course with minor modifications and Ph.D. Course for admission of 2016-17 batch onwards. (Annexure -12.4)
2. Partial modifications in contents of courses on Family Law and IPR for admissions of 2016-17 batch onwards.

*Annexure 12.4
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Further, the Council deferred the following recommendations:

- a. Minimum 5 students should opt for a course.
- b. To start 5 year integrated course of Law with specialization in B.Sc., LL.B and B.Tech. LL.B

Item : 12:2016:5

To consider the minutes of the Meeting of School Board, School of Environmental and Earth Sciences held on 27th June 2016.

The Secretary presented before the Council, the minutes of the meeting of the School Board, School of Environmental and Earth Sciences as per **Annexure-12.5**.

*Annexure- 12.5
(Page 78 to 85)*

The Council deliberated on the following recommendation of the School Board:

1. To consider the course structure and syllabi of M.Sc. and Ph.D. course work in Environmental Science & Technology for batch 2016-2017 onwards.
2. To consider course structure and syllabi of:
 - a. M.A. Geography
 - b. M.Sc. Geography
 - c. Ph.D. Geography
 - d. M.Sc. Geology
 - e. Ph.D. Geology

RESOLVE

The Academic Council, after detailed discussions **RESOLVED** to approve the following recommendations of the School Board of



School of Environmental and Earth Sciences, subject to availability of qualified faculty:

1. Course structure and syllabi of M.Sc. and Ph.D. course work in Environmental Science & Technology for admission of batch 2016-2017 onwards.
2. Course structure and syllabi of the following for admission of 2016-17 batch onwards:
 - a. M.A. Geography (Annexure-12.6)
 - b. M.Sc. Geography (Annexure-12.7)
 - c. Ph.D. Geography (Annexure-12.8)
 - d. M.Sc. Earth & Geological Sciences (Annexure-12.9)
 - e. Ph.D. Geology (Annexure-12.10)

*Annexure 12.6 to 12.10
(Page 86 to 241)*

Item:12:2016:6

To consider the minutes of the Meeting of the School Board, School of Languages, Literature and Culture held on 5th July 2016.

The Secretary presented before the Council, the minutes of the meeting of the School Board, School of Languages, Literature and Culture as per **Annexure - 12.11**.

*Annexure- 12.11
(Page 242 to 244)*

The Council deliberated on the following recommendation of the School Board:

1. To consider for approval the syllabi and course structure of
 - a. M.A. Punjabi
 - b. Ph.D. Punjabi
 - c. M.A. English
 - d. Ph.D. English
 - e. Ph.D. course work for M.Phil.-Ph.D. Integrated Programme in Comparative Literature for 2016-17 onwards with minor changes.

The Council recommended that **point 'e' be not approved** at this stage as the University is not offering any Integrated programme in any of its Centres. An exception cannot be made for a single Centre.

The Council further deliberated on the issue of distinction between the Centre for "Classical and Modern Languages" and Centre for "Comparative Literature". The course M.A. English, M.A. Punjabi and Ph.D. English/Punjabi are offered by the Centre for Classical and Modern Languages. The students are to be admitted to the course/Centre accordingly. Further these are language courses and not the courses for the Centre for



Comparative Literature. The Centre for Comparative Literature is expected to get approved their syllabus and course structure on Comparative Literature.

There is a distinction between language and literature (Comparative Literature). The course nomenclature should be matching to the content. It should neither confuse the student nor be misleading nor appear to be a misnomer.

2. The final exam should be subjective in nature. It should consist of very short, short and long answer type questions.

The Council did not consider this recommendation of the School Board. The Mid-Semester 1 and Mid-Semester 2 exams are exclusively based on Subjective type of questions. Further, the Examination system of the University has already been developed and approved from various statutory bodies. The minutes of the same have also been sent to MHRD for the information of the Visitor. A separate type of Examination System for a particular Centre is not feasible and hence this request of the School Board cannot be acceded to.

3. To consider starting of a Masters Course in the Centre for Comparative Literature with 15 seats divided into three parts based on specialization of Punjabi, English and Hindi with 5 seats each. The degree awarded will be named as M.A. Comparative Literature in Punjabi, M.A. Comparative Literature in Hindi and M.A. Comparative Literature in English for all three specializations opted by the students. Further, the first year of all three Masters Programme will be common and then divided subsequently in second year. Also, the students will be allowed to write their dissertation as well as examination in the language of their specialization viz., Punjabi, Hindi or English.

The Council deferred this recommendation of the School Board. The Centre has merely suggested starting of a course without any course structure or syllabus for this Masters programme. The detailed syllabus is yet to be prepared and got approved from Board of Studies and School Board. The recommendation of the School Board is kept pending till full details are placed before the Council, and subject to availability of qualified faculty.

4. To continue M.Phil. Programme in Comparative Literature.

The Council suggested that this recommendation of the School Board cannot be approved as the University is not offering any M.Phil. programmes in any of its Centres.



5. To continue Ph.D. Programme in Comparative Literature.

The Council could not consider this recommendation in want of detailed course structure, syllabus and other details to start the course, duly approved from Board of Studies and School Board.

RESOLVE

The Academic Council, after detailed discussions, **RESOLVED** to approve the following recommendations of the School Board of School of Languages, Literature and Culture, subject to availability of qualified faculty:

1. Syllabi and course structure of
 - a. M.A. Punjabi (Annexure-12.12)
 - b. Ph.D. Punjabi (Annexure-12.13)
 - c. M.A. English (Annexure-12.14)
 - d. Ph.D. English (Annexure-12.15)

*Annexure 12.12 to 12.15
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Further, the Council recommended to defer the following recommendations of the School Board:

1. Ph.D. course work for M.Phil.-Ph.D. Integrated Programme in Comparative Literature for 2016-17 onwards.
2. The pattern of examination.
3. Starting of a Masters Course in the Centre for Comparative Literature with 15 seats divided into three parts based on specialization of Punjabi, English and Hindi with 5 seats each.
4. Starting of M.Phil. Programme in Comparative Literature.
5. Starting of Ph.D. Programme in Comparative Literature.

Item : 12:2016:7

To consider the minutes of the Meeting of School Board of School of Engineering and Technology held on 8th July 2016.

The Secretary presented before the Council, the minutes of the meeting of the School Board, School of Engineering and Technology as per **Annexure-12.16**.

*Annexure- 12.16
(Page 322 to 324)*

The Council deliberated on the following recommendation of the School Board:

1. To consider course structure and syllabii of:
 - Ph.D. in Computer Science & Technology
 - M. Tech. in Computer Science & Technology (2016-17 onwards)



- M.Tech. in Computer Science & Technology (Cyber Security) (2016-17 onward)
2. To consider re-allocation of marks for dissertation of M.Tech. Computer Science & Technology and Computer Science & Technology (Cyber Security) (2015-17 batch)

RESOLVE

The Academic Council, after detailed deliberations, **RESOLVED** to approve the following recommendations of the School Board of School of Engineering and Technology, subject to availability of qualified faculty:

1. Course structure and syllabi of the following for admission of 2016-17 batch onward:
 - Ph.D. in Computer Science & Technology (Annexure-12.17)
 - M. Tech. in Computer Science & Technology – (Annexure-12.18)
 - M.Tech. in Computer Science & Technology (Cyber Security) (Annexure-12.19)
2. The re-allocation of marks for dissertation of M.Tech. Computer Science & Technology and Computer Science & Technology (Cyber Security) (2015-17 batch)

*Annexure 12.17 to 12.19
(Page 325 to 378)*

Item : 12:2016:8

To consider the minutes of the Meeting of School Board of School of Education held on 12th July 2016.

The Secretary presented before the Council, the minutes of the meeting of the School Board, School of Education as per **Annexure-12.20**.

*Annexure- 12.20
(Page 379 to 380)*

The Council deliberated on the following recommendation of the School Board:

1. To consider the course structure and syllabi of;
 1. M.Ed.
 2. M.A. Education
 3. Ph.D. programme

RESOLVE

The Academic Council, after detailed discussions, **RESOLVED** to approve the recommendations of the School Board of School of Education, subject to availability of qualified faculty; The course structure and syllabi of the following courses w.e.f. the admissions of 2016-17 batch:



1. M.Ed. (Annexure-12.21)
2. M.A. Education (Annexure-12.22)
3. Ph.D. programme (Annexure-12.23)

*Annexure- 12.21 to 12.23
(Page 381 to 503)*

Item : 12:2016:9

To consider the minutes of the Meeting of School Board, School of Health Sciences held on 13th July 2016.

The Secretary presented before the Council, the minutes of the meeting of the School Board, School of Health Sciences as per **Annexure-12.24.**

*Annexure- 12.24
(Page 504)*

The Council deliberated on the following recommendations of the School Board:

1. To consider the course structure and detailed syllabi of
 - M.Sc. (Life Sciences -Human Genetics)
 - M.Sc. (Life Sciences - Molecular Medicine)
 - Ph.D. Human Genetics ; Ph.D. Molecular Medicine
2. During 1st semester of the M.Sc. programmes there should be one "non-credit seminar". Only "S" or "US" will be awarded and not counted for GPA.
3. M.Sc. Programme should include 'synopsis seminar' for the proposed project work.
4. For Ph.D. programmes it was resolved that each student must give four seminars namely; synopsis submitted seminar; work progress seminar 1 and 2; thesis pre- submission seminar.

RESOLVE

The Academic Council, after detailed discussion, **RESOLVED** to approve the following recommendations of the School Board of School of Health Sciences, subject to availability of qualified faculty:-

1. The course structure and detailed syllabi of the following w.e.f from the admission of 2016-17 batch
 - M.Sc. Life Sciences-(Human Genetics) (Annex-12.25)
 - M.Sc. Life Sciences-(Molecular Medicine) (Annex -12.26)
 - Ph.D. Life Sciences-(Human Genetics) (Annex-12.27)
 - Ph.D. Life Sciences-(Molecular Medicine) (Annex-12.28)
2. During 1st Semester of the M.Sc. programmes there should be one "non-credit seminar". It was further **RESOLVED** that the seminar be evaluated as Satisfactory ("S") or Un-satisfactory

*Annexure- 12.25 to 12.28
(Page 505 to 586)*



("US") and no credit be given in final awards list. However, every student is expected to achieve "S". The mention of "S" or "US" be made in the Detailed Marks Card. The student who gets 'US' may improve by presentation of their seminar again till the evaluation team is satisfied ("S") otherwise the DMC may accordingly mention 'US'.

3. M.Sc. Programme should include 'synopsis seminar' for the proposed project work.
4. For Ph.D. programmes each student must give four seminars namely; synopsis submitted seminar; work progress seminar 1 and 2; thesis pre submission seminar.

Item : 12:2016:10

To consider the minutes of the Meeting of the School Board, School of Global Relations held on 14 July, 2016

The Secretary presented before the Council the minutes of the School Board of School of Global Relations as per **Annexure-12.29**.

*Annexure- 12.29
(Page 587 to 588)*

The Council discussed the following recommendations of the School Board

1. Course structure and syllabi of
 - a) Ph.D. South and Central Asian Studies
 - b) M.A. Political Science.
 - c) M.A. History.

RESOLVE

The Academic Council, after detailed discussions, **RESOLVED** to approve the course structure and detailed syllabi of the following, subject to availability of qualified faculty w.e.f the admissions of 2016-17 batch:

- a) Ph.D. South and Central Asian Studies (Annex-12.30)
- b) M.A. Political Science (Annexure-12.31)
- c) M.A. History (Annexure-12.32)

*Annexure- 12.30 to12.32
(Page 589 to 697)*

Item : 12:2016:11

To consider the minutes of the meeting of the School Board, School of Basic and Applied Sciences (SBAS) held on 14th July 2016.

The Secretary presented before the Council the minutes of the meeting of the School Board, School of Basic and Applied Sciences as per **Annexure- 12.33**.

*Annexure- 12.33
(Page 698 to 701)*



The Council deliberated on the following recommendations of the School Board:

- a. Course structure and syllabi of M.Sc./Ph.D. in Life Sciences with following specializations w.e.f. the admissions of 2016-17 batch:
 - i. M.Sc. Life Sciences-(Animal Sciences) (**Annexure -12.34**)
 - ii. Ph.D. Animal Sciences (**Annexure -12.35**)
 - iii. M.Sc. Life Sciences-(Biochemistry) (**Annexure-12.36**)
 - iv. M.Sc. Life Sciences-(Microbial Sciences) (**Annexure-12.37**)
 - v. Ph.D. Biochemistry and Microbial Sciences (**Annex-12.38**)
 - vi. M.Sc. Chemical Sciences (Medicinal Chemistry) (**Annexure-12.39**)
 - vii. M.Sc. Chemistry (**Annexure-12.40**)
 - viii. Ph.D. Chemistry (**Annexure-12.41**)
 - ix. Ph.D. Medicinal Chemistry (**Annexure-12.42**)
 - x. M.Sc. Chemistry (Computational Chemistry)(**Annex-12.43**)
 - xi. M.Sc. Physics (**Annexure-12.44**)
 - xii. Ph.D. Physics (**Annexure-12.45**)
 - xiii. M.Sc. Life Sciences-(Bioinformatics) (**Annexure-12.46**)
 - xiv. M.B.A.-(Agri Business) (**Annexure-12.47**)
 - xv. M.Tech. (Food Science & Technology)
 - xvi. M.Sc. Mathematics (**Annexure-12.48**)
 - xvii. M.Sc. Statistics (**Annexure-12.49**)
 - xviii. Ph.D. Mathematics/Statistics (**Annexure-12.50**)
 - xix. M.Pharm. (Medicinal Chemistry) (**Annexure-12.51**)
 - xx. M.Pharm. (Pharmacognsy and Phytochemistry) (**Annexure-12.52**)
 - xxi. Ph.D. Pharmaceutical Sciences (**Annexure-12.53**)
 - xxii. M.Sc. Life Sciences-(Plant Sciences) (**Annexure-12.54**)
 - xxiii. Ph.D. Plant Sciences (**Annexure-12.55**)

*Annexure- 12.34 to 12.55
(Page 702 to 1395)*

The Council deliberated on the above courses. During discussion on **item xiii**, the Council strongly recommended the change of **nomenclature of M.Tech. (Food Science & Technology)** at S.N. "xiii" above. It was observed that the syllabus prescribed for this course (M.Tech. Food Science & Technology) fits well for M.Sc. degree and not M.Tech. degree. It was argued that the objective of the course is to cater to the quality control and chemical analysis part of food science and not to the technology and engineering of developing equipment and tools for food science. Further, it was felt that, the M.Sc. course will attract more admissions as all the streams of science graduates will be eligible for admission to M.Sc. in Food Science and Technology. M.Sc. will also have wider scope of employment, it was felt. The university already has faculty relevant to some parts of the course on M.Sc. Food Science and Technology.



- b. merging of Ph.D. courses, Research methodology and Computer Application course and ratify as per UGC rules (For Centre of Plant Science, Animal Science, Biochemistry & Microbiology).
- c. to have academic audit and evolve a system to check the quality of teaching and research.
- d. to incorporate Economic Botany emphasizing on medicinal plants.
- e. to have a small animal house in the current location and plan one for the new campus coming up at Ghudda.

The Council discussed the point No. 'e' above in light of the paucity of space at the current location. However, the Council agreed to the inevitability of setting up of an animal house in near future.

RESOLVE The Academic Council, in light of above discussions, **RESOLVED** to approve the above recommendations 'a to d' of the School Board, School of Basic and Applied Sciences (SBAS), subject to availability of qualified faculty and w.e.f. the admissions of 2016-17 batch, with following amendments:

1. The nomenclature of M.Tech (Food Science & Technology) be changed to "M.Sc. Food Science & Technology" and the course be re-advertised for admissions. (Annexure-12.56)
2. The Council deferred the establishment of 'a small animal house' in the current location due to lack of space. However, university will sincerely consider for its availability at the permanent campus.

*Annexure- 12.56
(Page 1396 to 1433)*

Item : 12:2016:12

To consider the minutes of the School Board, School of Social Sciences.

The Secretary presented before the Council, the minutes of the meeting of the School Board, School of Social Sciences as per **Annexure- 12.57**.

*Annexure- 12.57
(Page 1434 to 1435)*

The Council deliberated on the following recommendations of the School Board:

1. To consider the revision of course structure and syllabi of
 - M.A. Sociology
 - Ph.D. Sociology



2. To consider the change in the evaluation pattern of M.A. and Ph.D. programmes

RESOLVE

The Academic Council, after detailed discussions, **RESOLVED** to approve the recommendations of the School Board of School of Social Sciences, subject to availability of qualified faculty.

1. Course structure and syllabi of w.e.f the admissions of 2016-17 batch;

- M.A. Sociology (Annexure-12.58)
- Ph. D Sociology (Annexure-12.59)

*Annexure- 12.58 to 12.59
(Page 1436 to 1486)*

Further, Council did not accede to the recommendations of the School Board to change the evaluation pattern of M.A. and Ph. D programmes

Item : 12:2016:13

To consider data transfer agreement with National University of Ireland.

The Secretary presented before the Council, that Dr. V.Y. Muley, Assistant Professor, Centre for Computational Sciences, requested for approval of Data Transfer Agreement between University College of Cork and CUPB.

The draft agreement received from University College of Cork as attached at **Annexure- 12.60** was read by the secretary.

*Annexure- 12.60
(Page 1487 to 1489)*

The Chairman shared with the Council that Dr. Muley is in contact with the scientists at the University of Cork, National University of Ireland, for obtaining their experimental data (data files) for computational analysis in the Centre for Computational Sciences at the Central University of Punjab.

The data is huge and can be transferred online for further analysis and processing. Dr. Muley, after analysis will submit report of the experimental data to the University of Cork. The University of Cork had agreed upon sending data on the basis of Data Agreement Transfer between their University and CUPB. IPR officer from our University needs to sign and apply seal on this data transfer agreement.

Dr. Muley has informed that the Dean Academic Affairs has read the agreement thoroughly and has suggested some changes. The



modifications have been incorporated and the draft agreement is placed before the Council for consideration.

During discussion, it was shared that the UGC guidelines for collaboration with foreign Institutes cover only those foreign Institutes which have to award degree. Present collaboration is for Data Analysis and for Research purpose only. There are no specific guidelines for that, however, Gol, MHRD says for collaboration with foreign Institutes, approval from the Executive Council as well as MHRD is required.

The Council deliberated on the sensitiveness of the issue pertaining to data transfer between university and a foreign university.

It was realized that such efforts by the young faculty of the University will foster research collaborations with scientists at University of Cork, Ireland in future. Further it was also agreed that this is a good opportunity for the faculty member to utilize and further his research in Computational Sciences. However, the scope of the proposed data being transferred wasn't clear from the draft agreement. Also, the agreement clearly points out that this agreement shall be governed by the laws of Ireland. This point is debatable and is not acceptable at this stage.

The members pointed out that if data is being received by the University from abroad for interpretation then it may be acceptable, subject to clear details of type of data being transferred. However, no data should be sent to any foreign laboratory or university without the approval of the concerned authorities.

RESOLVE

The Council, after detailed discussions, RESOLVED that the request of the faculty for approval of data transfer agreement with University College of Cork, National University of Ireland cannot be acceded to in the present form.

Item : 12:2016:14

To consider the minutes of the Dean's Committee meeting held on 12th July 2016.

The Secretary presented before the Council, the minutes of the meeting of the Dean's Committee as per **Annexure-12.61**.

*Annexure- 12.61
(Page 1490 to 1491)*



The Council discussed the following recommendations of the Dean Committee:

a) Rule regarding financial assistance for attending Conferences/seminars/ Workshops etc. at abroad by CUPB students:

The Deans' committee recommended that we should encourage the students to participate in the International Conference and as an incentive 25% of air fare with maximum Rs. 20,000/- could be provided to the CUPB students once during the course for attending International Conference/seminars/workshops etc. However, the applicant students have published at least one research paper in peer reviewed journal. Moreover, the supervisor of the student may provide registration fee (partially/ fully) out of his/her contingency fund provided that rules of funding agency permit this. Actual amount of Rs. 1 lakh per year will be allowed for this purpose.

It was realized that all the funding agencies in India (e.g. UGC, CSIR, ICAR, INSA, MOEF&CC, Biotechnology, DST etc.) consider only those applications where the applicant has been promised partial financial support for travel. Even the organizers of the seminars /conferences abroad prefer to provide travel grant who have partial funding from the Organization/University/Institute.

The members appreciated the recommendation and suggested that the air fare with maximum Rs. 25,000/- be reimbursed by the University. And the total amount of Rs. 5 lakh per year is recommended for this purpose.

b) Regarding establishment of Gold Medals in the name of SITARAM JINDAL FOUNDATION, New Delhi:

Proposal of M/s SITARAM JINDAL FOUNDATION, New Delhi was considered by the Deans' committee and it recommended to accept the offer of the Foundation and the University will inform the Foundation about the courses in which the gold medals will be instituted.

The Council agreed to this proposal.

c) Fee structure of M-Tech. (Food Technology) for the academic session 2016-17:

The fee of M.Tech. (Food Technology) for the academic session 2016-17 will be the same as that of M.Tech. in Computer Science & Technology (Cyber Security) 2016-17 session.



The Council considered this Item in light of the Item:12:2016:11, wherein the nomenclature of the course has been changed to M.Sc. Food Science and Technology and suggested that the fee structure be the same as other M.Sc. courses.

RESOLVE

The Academic Council after detailed discussions, **RESOLVED** to approve the recommendations of the Dean's Committee meeting held on 12th July, 2016:

- a) An incentive of 25% of air fare with maximum Rs. 25,000/- by the University to encourage the students to participate in the International Conferences abroad. This incentive will be provided to the CUPB students once during the course for attending International Conference /seminars/ workshops etc. However, the applicant student have published at least one research paper in peer reviewed journal. Moreover, the supervisor of the student may provide registration fee (partially/ fully) out of his/her contingency fund provided that rules of funding agency permit this. It further **RESOLVED** to recommend to the Finance Committee to allow the University to earmark a corpus amounting to maximum of Rs. 5 lakh for this purpose.
- b) Establishment of Gold Medals in the name of SITARAM JINDAL FOUNDATION, New Delhi. It was further **RESOLVED** to express thanks to the Foundation.
- c) Fee structure of M.Sc. Food Science & Technology for the academic session 2016-17 will be the same as that of other M.Sc. courses for 2016-17 session.

Item : 12:2016:15

To consider the list of students eligible for award of degrees at the Second Convocation of the University.

The Secretary presented before the Council, the list of students eligible for award of degrees at the Second Convocation of the University as per **Annexure-12.62**.

*Annexure- 12.62
(Page 1492 to 1494)*

The Chairman shared that after the first convocation held on 15th December 2016, 43 students have completed requirement of award of degrees. Further, 136 students are likely to complete their degrees



in near future. As per the UGC “The degree award date/s shall be within 180 days of the date/s by which the students are expected to qualify and become eligible for them”.

The Chairman further informed that the University proposes to seek permission and suitable date and place for the Second Convocation of the University from the Chancellor, as per the UGC Ordinance No. 31 (Page 121) of April 2012. The Chancellor has suggested that the Convocation should be planned after second week of October.

RESOLVE

The Council RESOLVED to approve the list of students eligible for award of degree.

It was FURTHER RESOLVED to invite some real scientist/academician for delivering the Convocation Address as the Chief Guest, subject to the approval of the Chancellor of the University. The Council also suggested to seek Chancellor’s approval to the name of Prof. Ajay Sood, President elect of INSA who is also FRS and former President of Academy of Science, Bangalore to spare a day for the purpose. This will be subject to the concurrence of the worthy Chancellor of the University.

Item : 12:2016:16

To consider the conversion of vacant seats of SC/ST/OBC categories into open category seats

In regard to admission in different courses (session 2016-17), the Secretary shared with the Council that several chances were given for admissions to the applicants who took CUCET-2016. A special online counseling was also done for the SC/ST candidates to fill the vacant seats. During every cycle of counseling, the candidates were informed individually through SMS and emails. Even after all these efforts, some reserved seats still remain vacant.

Further, the matter was also placed before the Admission Committee of the University. The Admission Committee recommended that for optimum use of university resources and infrastructure, vacant seats of SC/ST/OBC categories seats may be converted into open category seats.

The **Ordinance No. 44** of UGC applicable to all Central Universities, regarding ‘**Reservation of Seats and Other Special Provisions for Admission**’, states that:



“2.5 The vacant seats of SC/ST which could not be filled, due to non-availability of either Scheduled Caste or Scheduled Tribe candidates or both, with the pass marks in entrance test, if any, may be thrown open to the general category in that year provided this has been notified to the Special Commission for Scheduled Castes/Tribes of University Grants Commission and Ministry of Human Resource Development and concurrence has been obtained.”

As per the above Ordinance of UGC, the University had written to the SC/ST Cell of UGC with a copy to MHRD, for ratification, in this regard on 5th August 2016.

The Council discussed in detail the conversion of reserved seats to open seats.

RESOLVE **The Academic Council, after discussion, RESOLVED to *post facto* recommend the conversion of vacant SC/ST/OBC categories seats for admissions to General category seats.**

Item : 11:2016:17

To consider the adoption of “University Grant Commission on Minimum Qualifications for Appointment of Teachers and other Academic Staff In Universities and Colleges and Measures for the Maintenance of Standards in Higher Education (3rd Amendment), Regulation, 2016” and any other subsequent amendments issued by UGC/GOI

The Council was informed that the University had advertised the vacant teaching positions on 8th May 2016 vide advertisement No. T/NT-01 (2016).

In the meantime, UGC amended its regulations on ‘*Minimum Qualifications for Appointment of Teachers and other Academic Staff In Universities and Colleges and Measures for the Maintenance of Standards in Higher Education Regulations*’ by a 3rd amendment.

Later, as per the notification of UGC regarding its 3rd Amendment, the University adopted the same and a corrigendum was issued on 25th May 2016.

After last date of receipt of applications (6th June 2016), the application forms received in response to advertisement T/NT-01



(2016), were scrutinized and API calculated as per the provisions of the 3rd amendment referred to above.

Later, the UGC again issued a 4th amendment on 11th July 2016 **(Annexure-12.63)** in which there is a little change in weightages/criteria of calculation of API score from 3rd amendment. Consequently, the University informed all the concerned applicants of advertisement No. T/NT-01(2016), through emails that API score has to be recalculated as per the 4th amendment for the post of Professor and Associate Professor. This has been done in order to avoid any controversy in appointments, later.

*Annexure- 12.63
(Page 1495 to 1513)*

However, the University wishes to avoid any ambiguity regarding those candidates who may not have applied for the vacant positions, due to their ineligibility as per 3rd amendment; but now may have become eligible in light of the new 4th amendment. The Council may consider adoption of 4th amendment in this light.

The Academic Council, after thorough discussion and in view of legal aspects involved, RESOLVED to recommend to the Executive Council the following:

RESOLVE

- a. to adopt the 4th amendment as well as any other subsequent amendments issued by the UGC/GOI.
- b. to allow the applicability of the 4th amendment as regards API score calculation, for application already received vide advertisement No. T/NT-01(2016).
- c. to approve the list of journals to be issued by UGC in near future, as per 4th amendment, in anticipation.
- d. to issue a corrigendum as per 4th amendment of UGC to give fair opportunity to all those candidates who have now become eligible to apply. Those who have already applied need not be asked to apply again. However, they be allowed to update their applications if they deem fit.
- e. It was further resolved that since the process of appointment has already started this all be done in anticipation of the approval of Executive Council.

Item : 12:2016:18

To consider the minutes of the meeting of committee constituted for preparing guidelines for utilization of Contingency Grant of the Research fellowship



The Secretary presented before the Council, the minutes of the meeting of committee constituted for preparing guidelines for utilizing Contingency Grant of the research fellowships as per **Annexure 12.64.**

*Annexure- 12.64
(Page 1514)*

The committee has recommended to follow the guidelines of the funding agency wherever available. The committee has also framed guidelines for issues where the guidelines of funding agencies are silent

RESOLVE

The Council, after detailed discussions, RESOLVE to approve the recommendation of the committee constituted for preparing guidelines for utilization of Contingency Grant of the Research Fellowship.

Item : 12:2016:19

To consider the minutes of the Deans Committee meeting held on 3rd August 2016

The Secretary presented before the Council, the minutes of the meeting of the Dean's Committee held on 3rd August 2016, as per **Annexure-12.65.**

*Annexure- 12.65
(Page 1515 to 1516)*

The Council deliberated on the following recommendation of the Deans' Committee:

- 1. Implementation of credit of M.Phil./Ph.D. course work and exemption of course work to M.Phil. holders for Ph.D. in CUPB as per UGC Gazette notification dated 5th May 2016:**

The Deans' Committee has recommended to adopt UGC Gazette notification dated 5th May 2016 (**Annexure-12.66**) for exemption of course work requirement in Ph.D. for the students who are M.Phil degree holders with course work. The Committee further recommended that credit of the course work may be kept between 8-16 credits for both M.Phil and Ph.D. as per this notification of UGC.

*Annexure- 12.66
(Page 1517 to 1522)*

- 2. Case of Ms. Kirandeep Kaur, Assistant Professor in Mathematics in a college, regarding admission to in-service teacher for Ph.D. (Mathematics) programme at CUPB:**



The Secretary presented the case, vide which, the Committee had recommended that Ms. Kirandeep Kaur will have to apply for the Ph.D. admission after the University issues admission notification. Further, she will be governed by the UGC regulations of 5th May 2016, if her candidature is recommended and she will be provisionally registered for Ph.D. However, she will have to give an affidavit that in case she could not get Teacher Fellowship, her registration will be cancelled as the University allows only those students in Ph.D. Programme who have funding from some government agency. Implementation of credit of M.Phil./Ph.D. course work and exemption of course work to M.Phil. holders for Ph.D. in CUPB as per UGC Gazette notification dated 5th May 2016.

As per the Regulations 5.1 of the UGC dated 5th May 2016, referred above, the Teachers Fellow like that of UGC/CSIR NET qualified applicants shall be exempted from entrance test. Instead they will have to attend the interaction session with the proposed Centre to share the research thrust and get evaluated about research potential.

RESOLVE

The Council after detailed discussions RESOLVED to approve the recommendations of the Deans Committee taken its meeting dated 3rd August 2016, as such.

Item : 12:2016:20

To ratify the conduct of Entrance Test for the vacant seats in the seven programmes.

The Secretary presented before the Council that for admissions to various courses for session 2016-17, online counselling was conducted in two cycles. The first cycle of online counselling was conducted from 20-06-2016 to 19-07-2016. During this period three category wise lists were published on 1st, 8th and 15th July, 2016.

After the 1st cycle, some seats were still vacant, therefore second cycle of online counselling to fill the vacant seats was conducted. All the candidates were given four more chances for admissions in their respective categories on 21st, 22nd, 23rd and 25th July, 2016.



After giving above seven chances a special online counselling was also conducted for the candidates belonging to SC/ST categories on 27th July, 2016.

Even after these seven counselling and one special drive, seats for following programmes are still vacant as per detail given below:

S.No.	Programme	Total	Filled	Vacant
1.	M.A. Hindi	15	3	12
2.	M.A. History	15	7	8
3.	M.A. Punjabi	15	8	7
4.	M.A. Sociology	15	5	10
5.	M.Ed.	50	10	40
6.	M.Tech. Food Technology	10	5	5
7.	MBA Agribusiness	10	3	7

The Chairman further informed that this matter was discussed in the meeting of the admission committee held on 28th July 2016. It was observed that comparatively less number of students appeared in of CUCET for above programmes. Therefore, requisite number of CUCET-qualified candidates would not be available for admission in these programmes. The admission committee recommended that for the admissions in such programmes, the university should conduct its own entrance test so that all the aspirants (especially belonging to surrounding areas) who couldn't appear in the CUCET will get chance for the admission.

Arising out of discussions it was realized that for M.Sc. (Food Science & Technology) a separate test will have to be conducted by the University.

RESOLVE

The Council RESOLVED to ratify the conduct of Entrance Test for the vacant seats in the seven programmes as suggested and allowed the University to hold a separate Entrance Test for admission to M.Sc. (Food Science & Technology) for session 2016-17.



Item: 12:2016:21

Any other Item

21.1

To consider allocation of budget of Rs. 2, 00,000/- for IPR/Patents from session 2016-17 onwards.

The Secretary informed the Council that the University is always inspiring its young faculty for various research initiatives. Now the University wants to inspire the faculty for filing patents.

However, at present there is no provision in the Centre's budget for reimbursement of application filling fees etc., for publishing a patent. Also, there is no provision under common head also to reimburse such expenses.

Keeping in view the problems of the faculty and to inspire them, the Dean Academic Affairs has proposed that a budget of Rs. 2,00,000/- as a separate head of IPR/Patents to facilitate the faculty in filing for patents.

RESOLVE

The Academic Council, after detailed discussions, RRESOLVED to recommend allocation of budget of Rs. 2,00,000/- for IPR/Patents for session 2016-17 onwards, to the Finance Committee.

21.2

To ratify the minimum eligibility condition for faculty positions as Ph.D. + NET in relevant field.

The Secretary informed the Council that the University offers only Masters and research programmes (Ph.D.) and there are no undergraduate courses, at present.

In all fairness, the teachers for such courses should be minimum Ph.D. Therefore, the University has been advertising its teaching positions with a mandatory clause that, **Ph.D. + NET in relevant field** are mandatory.

The Council was requested to consider to ratify the making of the above clause compulsory for the positions of Assistant Professors.



RESOLVE

After discussions, the Academic Council **RESOLVED** to ratify the adoption of Ph.D. and NET in relevant field as the minimum eligibility condition for Assistant Professor.

21.3

To note modification in course codes of Courses offered under MBA-Agribusiness

The Secretary informed the Council that the In-Charge, MBA-Agribusiness Course has suggested modification in course codes of various courses offered under MBA-Agribusiness as placed at **Annexure-12.67**.

*Annexure 12.67
(Page 1523)*

These are minor modifications and there is no change in the course content.

RESOLVE

The Academic Council after discussions NOTED the modification in course codes in MBA-Agribusiness.

The members appreciated the significant progress made by the university resolved again to put on record satisfaction and congratulated the Vice Chancellor for his efforts. The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

Dr. Jagdeep Singh
Registrar & *Secretary*, Academic Council

Minutes Approved

Prof. R.K. Kohli
Vice Chancellor & Chairman Academic Council