



Krishna Kanta Handiqui State Open University
GUWAHATI – 781022

PROCEEDINGS OF THE 35th MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL HELD ON
18.01.2023

Present were:

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| 1. Vice Chancellor | -- | Chairman |
| 2. Registrar | -- | Member |
| 3. Dean (Study Centre) <i>(Ref: As per Hon'ble Gauhati High Court Order dated 22/12/2022)</i> | -- | Member |
| 4. Dr. Marami Goswami Former Associate Professor
Department of Education, Gauhati College | -- | Member |
| 5. Prof N.N. Sarma, M.D. School of Management | -- | Member |
| 6. Prof Pranjit Bora, P.G.B. School of Humanities | -- | Member |
| 7. Prof Joydeep Barua, S.K.B. School of Social Science | -- | Member |
| 8. Dr. Bhabaranjan Sarma, Controller of Examination | -- | Member |
| 9. Dr. Parag Dutta, Associate Professor in Economics | -- | Member |
| 10. Dr. Neeva Rani Phukan, Associate Professor in Assamese | -- | Member |
| 11. Dean (Academic) i/c | -- | Member Secretary |

The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor and the Chairman of the Council extended a warm welcome to all the members present. The Chairman called the 35th meeting of the Academic Council as in order and requested Dean (Academic) i/c to proceed with agenda items for consideration.

Item No.	Agenda with notes
AC.35/2023/1/1.1	<p>Confirmation of the Proceedings of the 34th meeting of Academic Council held on 28-12-2021.</p> <p>Resolution No.1.1: Resolved that Proceedings of the 34th meeting of the Academic Council held on 28-12-2021 be confirmed.</p>

Items for approval (AC.35/2023/2/1)

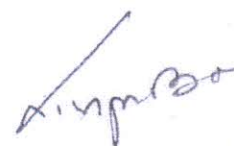
Item No.	Proceedings
AC.35/2023/2.1	<p>Approval of the certificate format to be presented in the 5th Convocation to be held on 2nd February 2023.</p> <p>Discussion: The Certificate format for Degree Programme, M.Phil. and Ph.D. was discussed in the Academic Council. After deliberate discussion, the Academic Council accepts the format with a suggestive remark that the format of Doctor of Philosophy and Master of Philosophy will be in dual language that is both Assamese and English.</p> <p>Resolution No.2.1: Resolved that the Certificate format for Degree Programme, M.Phil. and Ph.D. Programme be approved. It was also resolved that M.Phil. and Ph.D. format will be in dual language that is both Assamese and English with additional security features for safety and security.</p>
AC.35/2023/2.2	<p>Approval of Gold Medal to be awarded for the rank holders of 2020-21.</p> <p>Discussion: The Academic Council discussed the list of rank holders for Gold Medals as submitted by CoE. The Council also discussed the proposal regarding the inclusion of separate gold medal for BA Hons. category. The council after deliberate discussion has accepted the proposal regarding the additional gold medal for the BA Hons. Category. The Council also decided to form a committee comprises of all the Professors of the School with Professor N.N. Sarma as Chairperson and Dr. Neeva Rani Phukan as the Convener of the Committee. The</p>

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	<p>Committee will fixed and finalized the endowment fund and will find the donors for gold medals in each category.</p> <p>Resolution No.2.2.1: Resolved that the list of Gold Medals awardees be approved.</p> <p>Resolution No.2.2.2: Resolved that proposal of the additional gold medal in the BA Hons. Category be accepted and approved.</p> <p>Resolution No.2.2.3: A committee was formed to explore the possibilities regarding the endowment fund and donors for gold medal in each category and will apprise the same in the next academic council.</p>
AC.35/2023/2.3	<p>Appraisal of use of Khadi in Ceremonial Dress.</p> <p>Discussion: The Academic Council was apprised of Govt. letter regarding use of Khadi in Ceremonial Dress and about the use of Khadi dress in 3rd and 4th Convocations respectively.</p> <p>Resolution No.2.3: Resolved that Ceremonial Dress in Khadi as already been used in earlier convocation was apprised to the Academic Council. The Academic Council has accepted and approved the same.</p>
AC.35/2023/2.4	<p>Approval list of Ph.D. Awardees.</p> <p>Resolution No.2.4: The Academic Council approves the list of Ph.D. awardees for 5th Convocation. A total of 15 Ph.D. awardees will be conferred the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in the ensuing 5th Convocation.</p>
AC.35/2023/2.5	<p>Approval list of M. Phil. Awardees.</p> <p>Resolution No.2.5: The Academic Council approves the list of M. Phil. awardees for 5th Convocation. A total of 6 M.Phil. awardees will be conferred the degree of Master of Philosophy in the ensuing 5th Convocation.</p>
AC.35/2023/2.6	<p>Approval list of Post Graduates.</p> <p>Resolution No.2.6: The Academic Council approves the list of Post Graduates awardees for 5th Convocation. A total of 2788 Post</p>

	<p>Graduates awardees will be conferred Post Graduates degree in the ensuing 5th Convocation including the physically challenged candidates.</p>
AC.35/2023/2.7	<p>Approval list of Graduates.</p> <p>Resolution No.2.7: The Academic Council approves the list of Graduates awardees for 5th Convocation. A total of 6083 Under Graduates awardees will be conferred Under Graduates degree in the ensuing 5th Convocation including the physically challenged candidates.</p>
AC.35/2023/2.8.	<p>Approval list of PG Diploma.</p> <p>Resolution No.2.8: The Academic Council approve the list of PG Diploma awardees for 5th Convocation. A total of 655 PG Diploma awardees will be conferred PG Diploma in the ensuing 5th Convocation.</p>
AC.35/2023/2.9	<p>Readiness regarding PPR submission and approval of the Programmes.</p> <p>Discussion: The matter regarding PPR submission and for seeking approval of the programmes from UGC DEB in the months of March/April 2023 and constitution of CCS for different schools for finalization of syllabus and PPR was appraised to the Academic Council.</p> <p>Resolution No.2.9.1: The Academic Council take a note regarding preparedness of PPR submission by different school.</p> <p>Resolution No.2.9.2: It was also resolved that the PPR will accommodate the features of NEP 2020 and the ODL regulation 2020.</p> <p>Resolution No.2.9.3: The Academic Council urge upon all the schools to from the CCS and complete all the formalities regarding PPR submission.</p> <p>Resolution No.2.9.4: The Council also desires that the PPR and SLM by different schools will be apprised in the next Academic Council meeting.</p>

AC.35/2023/2.10	<p>Proposal for future Convocations to be organized every year to avoid the burden of the number of degree holders after every two years.</p> <p>Discussion: The proposal regarding organization of Convocations every year as submitted by CoE was discussed in the Council. The Council appreciated and accepted the proposal.</p> <p>Resolution No.2.10: Resolved that in future the Convocations may be organized every year and as per KKHSOU act.</p>
AC.35/2023/2.11	<p>Launching of new Programmes by different Schools of Studies.</p> <p>(I) Launching of new programmes from the Surya Kumar Bhuyan School of Social Sciences.</p> <p>A. <u>PG Programme</u></p> <p>i) Master of Social Work. ii) MA in History. iii) MA in Philosophy. iv) MA in Business Management. v) MA in Rural Development. vi) Master in Economics. vii) MA in Sociology. viii) MA in Political Science.</p> <p>B. <u>UG Programme</u></p> <p>i) BA in Economics. ii) BA in Political Science. iii) BA in Sociology. iv) BA in Philosophy. v) BA in History. vi) Bachelor in Social Work.</p> <p>C. <u>Certificate Programme</u></p> <p>i) Certificate in Tribal Studies. ii) Certificate in Social Work Practice. iii) Certificate Programme in Applied Statistics. iv) Certificate Programme in Environmental Studies. v) Certificate Programme in Adolescent Health Counselling.</p>

(II) Launching of new programmes from the Padmanath Gohain Baruah School of Humanities.

A. PG Programme:

- i) MA in Bengali.
- ii) MA in Hindi.
- iii) MA in Sanskrit.
- iv) MA in Assamese.
- v) MA in English.

B. UG Programme:

- i) BA in Bengali.
- ii) BA in Hindi.
- iii) BA in Assamese.
- iv) BA in English.
- v) BA in Sanskrit.

C. Diploma Programme:

- i) Diploma in Sattriya Khol Vadya.
- ii) Diploma in Theatre Arts.
- iii) Diploma in Translation.


D. Certificate Programme:

- i) Communicative Assamese for Non-Assamese Speakers.
- ii) Traditional Indian Knowledge System (Bharatiya Gyan Parampara).

(III) Launching of new programmes from the Maniram Dewan School of Management.

A. PG Programme:

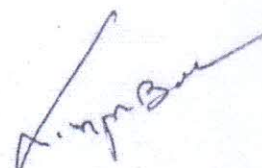
- i) MBA in Financial Analysis.
- ii) MBA in Human Resource Development.
- iii) MBA in Marketing Management.
- iv) M.Com in Financial Analysis.
- v) M.Com in Human Resource Development.
- vi) M.Com in Marketing Management.
- vii) MBA.
- vi) M.Com.



	<p>B. <u>UG Programme:</u></p> <p>i) BBA.</p> <p>ii) B.Com.</p> <p>(IV) Launching of new programmes from the Indira Mi School of Education.</p> <p>A. <u>PG Programme:</u></p> <p>i) MA in Education.</p> <p>B. <u>UG Programme:</u></p> <p>i) BA in Education.</p> <p>ii) Two-year B.Ed. (ODL) Programme.</p> <p>C. <u>Certificate Programme:</u></p> <p>i) Certificate in Early Childhood Education.</p> <p>ii) Certificate in Application of ICT in Education.</p> <p>(V) Launching of new programmes from the Bhup Hazarika School of Mass Communication.</p> <p>A. <u>PG Programme:</u></p> <p>i) MA in Journalism and Mass Communication.</p> <p>B. <u>UG Programme:</u></p> <p>i) BA in Journalism and Mass Communication.</p> <p>C. <u>Diploma Programme:</u></p> <p>i) Diploma Programme in Digital Media, Law and Ethic</p> <p>D. <u>Certificate Programme:</u></p> <p>i) Certificate programme in Digital Media.</p> <p>ii) Certificate programme in Media, Law and Ethics.</p> <p>(VI) Launching of new programmes from the Hiranya Chand Bhuyan School of Science and Technology.</p> <p>A. <u>PG Programme:</u></p> <p>i) M.Sc. in Information Technology.</p> <p>B. <u>UG Programme:</u></p> <p>i) BCA in Computer Application.</p> <p>C. <u>Certificate Programme:</u></p> <p>i) Certificate programme in Computer Application.</p> <p>ii) Certificate programme in Digital Literacy.</p> <p>(VII) Launching of new programmes from the Guru Prasad D School of Interdisciplinary and Vocational Studies.</p>
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	<p>A. Certificate Programme:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Certificate programme in Electrical Programme in Electrical House wiring. ii) Certificate programme in Welding and Cutting. iii) Certificate programme in Plumbing. iv) Certificate programme in Computer Hardware and Networking. v) Certificate programme in Beauty Care. vi) Certificate programme in Disaster and Emergency Management. vii) Certificate programme in Organic Farming. viii) Certificate programme in Poultry Management. <p>Discussion: The members discussed the proposal of various PG, UG, Diploma and Certificate Programme proposed by various schools and appreciated the venture. The Council also discussed the multidisciplinary approach in line of NEP 2020 and also the school system of the University to cater the need of faculty members required as per ODL regulation 2020. After through discussion the Council decided to approve all the programmes.</p> <p>Resolution No.2.11: Resolved that launching of the above PG, UG, Diploma and Certificate Programmes from the different schools be approved.</p>
AC.35/2023/2.12	<p>Regarding ABC registration of the University as per NEP-2020 guidelines.</p> <p>Discussion: The Academic Council was apprised that the University has already registered in the ABC Portal. The University has also created the ABC IDs of the learners of our study Centre (KKHSOU City Study Centre) and other study centres.</p> <p>Resolution No.2.12: Resolved that the Academic Council accepted and approved the ABC registration of the University and appreciated the ABC IDs created by the University for the learner of their own Study Centre and others Study Centres.</p>



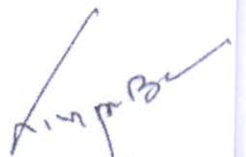
AC.35/2023/2.13	<p>Approval of the Grading Pattern and Grading System of the University.</p> <p>Discussion: The report of the committee was appraised to the Academic Council after deliberate discussion the council accepted the committee report.</p> <p>Resolution No.2.13.1: Resolved that the absolute grading system as proposed by the committee be approved.</p> <p>Resolution No.2.13.2: The council accept that pass marks will be 40% and a discretion of 5 marks will be with controller of examinations which will be valid for three years to the benefit of the learners who were already admitted in different programmes of the University.</p>
AC.35/2023/2.14	<p>Admission for January-February 2023 Cycle as per UGC guidelines.</p> <p>Discussion: The Academic Council was apprised regarding the UGC letter for admission in the Academic session January/February, 2023. The Council also discussed the examinations point of view for the learners of even and odd semester. It was also apprised from the next Academic session there would be two rounds of admission in July/August and January/February.</p> <p>Resolution No.2.14.1: Resolved that from the next Academic session the admission will be in July/August and January/February.</p> <p>Resolution No.2.14.2: Resolved that a maximum of four attempts will be granted for each of the learners to clear the examination irrespective of even and odd semester.</p> <p>Resolution No.2.14.3. The Examination and Academic Calendar be revised accordingly.</p>
AC.35/2023/2.15	<p>Approval of Memorial Lectures.</p> <p>Discussion: The Academic Council discussed in details the proposal of memorial lectures proposed by different schools. The committee after deliberated decided to form a committee with all the Professors. The Prof. N.N. Sarma will be Chairperson of the committee and Dr. Neeva Rani Phukan will be the Convener.</p>

	<p>Resolution No.2.15.1: Resolved that Academic Council in principle accepted the proposal of Jyotshna Bhattacharjee memorial lecture proposed by discipline of Philosophy under Surya Kumar Bhuyan School of Social Sciences, Padmanath Gohain Baruah memorial lecture on 24th November, proposed by Padmantath Gohain Baruah School of Humanities and Indira Miri memorial lecture on 5th January, proposed by Indira Miri School of Education.</p> <p>Resolution No.2.15.2: A committee was formed to explore the possibilities regarding the endowment fund for the memorial lectures and possible sponsors for the memorial lectures.</p>
AC.35/2023/2.16	<p>Approval of Proceeding of School meeting of Maniram Dewan School of Management.</p> <p>Resolution No.2.16: Resolved that the proceedings of the 5th Meeting of Maniram Dewan School of Management be approved.</p>
AC.35/2023/2.17	<p>Appraisal of MOOCs proposal approved in regard to Prof. Pranjit Bora and Dr. Prasenjit Das and MOOCs proposals received from the MOOCs committee regarding MOOCs courses to be offered by faculty members.</p> <p>Resolution No.2.17.1: Resolved that Prof. Pranjit Bora and "English for Professionals" by Dr. Prasenjit Das by IGNOU to be launched through IGNOU SWAYAM platform from July session, which is a four-credit course, apprised the Academic Council of the approval of MOOC on "Assamese Poetry From Ancient to Modern Period".</p> <p>Resolution No.2.17.2: The MOOCs proposals as received from the MOOCs committee be approved to be applied in the platform of SWAYAM of IGNOU and CEC for further approval. All the courses are of 4 Credits.</p>
AC.35/2023/2.18	<p>Appraisal of dual degree Programme of UGC.</p> <p>Resolution No.2.18.1: Resolved that the UGC guidelines regarding dual degree programme be adopted and approved by the Academic Council.</p>

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	Resolution No.2.18.2: Resolved that in the admission of January-February 2023 cycle dual degree programme will be focused and promoted.
AC.35/2023/2.19	Adoption of curriculum and Credit framework of UGC. Resolution No.2.19.1: Resolved that the curriculum and Credit framework of UGC be adopted and the Credit framework for Under Graduate and Post Graduate programme be accepted. Resolution No.2.19.2: Resolved that the University will follow the curriculum and Credit framework of Post Graduate degree programmes as an when released from UGC.
AC.35/2023/2.20	Adoption of Cyber Security Course at Under Graduate and Post Graduate level and Constitution of India Course at Under Graduate level. Resolution No.2.20.1: Resolved that the compulsory Cyber Security Course at Under Graduate and Post Graduate level be accepted which will be a 4 Credit course. Resolution No.2.20.2: Resolved that the Constitution of India Course will be a 4 Credit course and discipline of Political Science is entrusted with the responsibility preparation of SLMs. Resolution No.2.20.3: Resolved that course on life skills was apprised to the Academic Council. The course is prepared by Maniram Dewan School of Management as per UGC model curriculum syllabus, which will be 4 Credit course.
AC.35/2023/2.21	NEP Compliance. Resolution No.2.21: Resolved that the NEP 2020 will be implemented from the academic session 2023-24 and will be reported in the next Academic Council meeting.
AC.35/2023/2.22	Approval of the list of Content Writers/Content Editors/ Language Editors as proposed by different School of KKHSOU. Resolution No.2.22: The Academic Council approves the List of Content Writers / Content Editors / Language Editors.

AC.35/2023/2.23	<p>Financial Assistance for seminar on Fiscal Policy and Economic Development – Sustainability Perspective in the North Eastern States.</p> <p>Resolution No.2.22.1: The matter was apprised to the Academic Council.</p> <p>Resolution No.2.22.2: The seminar will be a national seminar of 3 days duration.</p> <p>Resolution No.2.22.3: The Academic Council allows the University to collaborate with Omeo Kumar Das Institute of Social Change and Development and other academic institutions for Financial Assistance of the national seminar.</p>
AC.35/2023/2.24	<p>Any other matter.</p> <p>Resolution No.2.24.1: The matter was appraised to be Academic Council and there will be no Examinations held since the last batch of admission in the (Old) Master Degree programmes was in 2016 and validity of the registration period was over. The MBA (Old) examinations will continue till 2024 as it was 3 years programme and at that time the total tenure was eight years.</p> <p>Resolution No.2.24.2: The matter was appraised to be Academic Council that examination will be conducted for the last time in the year 2023 for all other Master Degree (Old) programmes.</p> <p>Resolution No.2.24.3: The matter was appraised to be Academic Council regarding the mark sheets and certificates, which are uploaded on the NAD Digi locker Platform. The data of the Digi locker Platform is available to the learners as per Govt. of India and UGC guidelines.</p> <p>Resolution No.2.24.4: The Academic Council was apprised of similarity check regarding Master degree dissertation and apprised of revised submission of dissertation.</p>



	Resolution No.2.24.5: The CCS as proposed by the Director Bhupen Hazarika School of Mass Communication was accepted by the Academic Council with a provision that name of one more academician is to be included in the CCS.
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As there was no other matter for discussion, the meeting ended with a vote of thanks from the chair.

Rajendra P. Jha

Signature of the Chairman

Kimpa B. M.

Signature Member Secretary