

INDIRA GANDHI NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY
Planning & Development Division

**Minutes of the Thirteenth Meeting of the Academic Programme Committee
held on 1.1.2002 at 9.30 AM in Block No. 8, Board Room, IGNOU**

The Thirteenth meeting of the Academic Programme Committee (APC) was held on 1.1.2002. The following members were present:

1.	Prof. H.P.Dikshit, Vice Chancellor,	Chairman
2.	Prof. A.K.Agarwal, Director, SOHS,	Member
3.	Prof. S. C. Garg, Director, SOS,	Member
4.	Prof. P.K. Mehta	Member
5.	Dr. R. N. Salhan, Consultant, Pediatrics, DGHS	Member
6.	Prof. P.R. Ramanujam, Director, STRIDE	Member
5.	Dr. (Mrs.) Anju Sehgal Gupta, Reader, SOH	Member
6.	Prof. Ram Pratap, Director, PD&D	Member-Secretary

The following faculty members also attended the meeting as special invitees for participating in the discussion on the programmes with details provided in the respective forms:

- (i) Prof. Gracious Thomas
- (ii) Dr. R.P. Singh
- (iii) Dr. Uma Kanjilal

The member-secretary welcomed the Chairman and members of the Committee. The agenda items were taken in seriatim.

- APC 13.1** Confirmation of the minutes of the Twelfth Meeting held on 29.8.01.
- APC 13.1.1 The minutes of the last meeting held on 29.8.01 were approved as no Comments were received from any member.
- APC 13.2** Deferred Item of Twelfth APC meeting (APC 12.4): A Report on the proposal of Veterinary Council of India for Post-graduate Diploma in Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Service Management based on Brain storming session held on 15-16th March, 2001.
- APC 13.2.1 Dr. M.K. Salooja, Convenor of the Brain-storming Session summarised the main features of the report, and the developments taken place in respect of the proposal submitted by the VCI.
- APC 13.2.2 The Committee approved the report with following observations:
- (a) The University may inform the VCI that the University approves the programme in principle and further action on the subject would be taken on confirmation of availability of funds from the Veterinary Council of India.
 - (b) The Convenor may undertake the costing of the programme in respect of development cost of the programme, the delivery cost and the fee for the programme based on the expected enrolment.

- (c) The issue of Academic home may be kept in abeyance for time being as the proposals to establish the School of Agriculture in the University is already included in the X Plan.

APC 13.3 Phase II form - Graduate Programme: BA in Social Work, School of Continuing Education.

APC 13.3.1. Prof. Gracious Thomas the Programme Coordinator, made a presentation of the programme proposal covering the rationale, objectives and main features of the programme.

APC 13.3.2 The issues related to the i) need assessment, ii) theory and practical ratio, ii) identification of institutions for 'imparting practical components, iii) fee of the programme, iv) focus on psychological and mental health, v) offering it as a part of the BDP programme or as a separate independent programme in collaboration with reputed and recognised national institutes e.g. Gujarat Vidapeeth for development of programme structure, curriculum and study material, and vi) costing aspects were discussed.

APC 13.3.3 The Committee approved the programme with the following observations:

- i) To begin with, the programme be embedded with the existing BDP structure.
- ii) The courses on Social work may be developed on modular form and may be incorporated as electives under the existing BDP programme.

APC 13.4 Phase II form - 'Diploma in HIV and Family Education', School of Continuing Education.

APC 13.4.1. Prof. Gracious Thomas, one of the Programme Coordinators, gave a brief of the programme proposal. The development time and cost would be much reduced, as major part of it would be taken from the Certificate programme study material available at present in the modular form as other electives.

APC 13.3.2 The issues related to i) pedagogical adequacy of the existing material for the Diploma level programme. ii) mechanism for incorporation of the recent research findings and developments on the subject in the study material and iii) costing aspects were discussed.

APC 13.3.4 The Committee approved the programme with the following observations:

- i) continuous updating of the material with recent research findings and developments may be made by publishing and providing supplementary reading material
- i) The School of Health Science would also develop a module/ certificate/ Kit on the same and seek fund from UNESCO/ COL.

**APC 13.5 Phase II form - 'Certificate in Library Automation and Network',
School of Social Science.**

APC 13.5.1. Dr. Uma Kanjilal the Programme Coordinator, made a presentation of the programme proposal covering the rationale, objectives and main features of the programme.

APC 13.5.2 The issues related to the i) extent and use of ICT in the programme, ii) identification of institutions for imparting practical components, iii) fee of the programme in view of Target group selected, iv) expected enrolment v) successful delivery of the ICT based programme and vi) costing aspects were discussed.

APC 13.5.3 The Committee approved the programme in principle with the following observations:

- i) It needs restructuring in the light of inputs from emerging ICT scenario and need to be resubmitted for approval of the APC.
- ii) Some study material may be taken from the existing computer based programmes material and the cost could be reduced
- iii) The focus should also be to develop the self-instructional material in the vernacular language so that the programme could be a mass training programme.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair.

(Chairman)