MINUTES OF THE 16TH SCHOOL BOARD MEETING OF SCHOOL OF SOCIAL SCIENCES HELD ON 12.4.1996 AT 11.00 A.M. IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM OF BLOCK-8 AT IGNOU CAMPUS, MAIDAN GARHI, NEW DELHI 110 068

Chairman

The following members were present:

Prof. Pandav Nayak 1. Prof. Kapil Kumar 2. Prof. S.K. Singh 3. Prof. Pardeep Sahni 4. Prof. B. S. Baviskar 5. Prof. R. K. Bose 6. Dr. M. C. Sharma 7. Dr. J. M. Parekh 8. 9. Dr. T. K. Jena Dr. D. Gopal 10. Dr. G. Pradhan 11. Dr. Shailendra Kumar 12. Sh. Ajay Mahurkar 13. Ms. B. Kiranmayi 14. Special Invitee Dr. Ravindra Kumar 15. Special Invitee Dr. T Kapur 16. Special Invitee 17. Dr. Debal Singharoy

The following members could not attend the meeting.

- Prof. Thomas Pantham 18.
- Prof. B.B. Chaudhuri 19.
- Prof. Atul Sarma 20.
- Prof. Kuldeep Mathur 21.
- Dr. A. S. Narang 22.
- Ms. Alka Dhameja 23.

The following decisions were taken.

- At the outset, the Chairman welcomed the SOSS 16.1.1 members of the Board to its 16th meeting
- The minutes of the 15th School Board Meeting SOSS 16.2.1 were confirmed.
- The structure of the Programme "Bachelors' SOSS 16.3.1 Degree in Business Economics" as submitted to the Board has been accepted in principle. After discussions and modifications the break-up of the Programme stands as follows:

24 Credits Foundation Courses

Application Oriented . - 16 Credits Courses

Electives to be adopted from Economics- 16 Credits Electives to be adopted from Commerce - 16 Credits Electives to be developed afresh - 24 Credits

The proposal to develop a new Application Oriented Course on Quantitative Techniques for Economics and Business (AQT-1) of 8 Credits will have to be submitted separately.

The list of Course Writers stands approved along with the Courses mentioned under the categories given above.

The proposal on National Income Accounting as an additional Elective course of 8 credits has been accepted, which will therefore be available to the students of Economics.

- SOSS 16.4.1 Two proposals from the Discipline of Sociology were discussed at length. The following decisions were taken:
 - (i) In respect of the proposal on Certificate/Diploma in Women's Empowerment and Development, the idea of an integrated programme design in collaboration with the School of Continuing Education was welcomed and the proposals contained in Stream -I bearing on social science perspectives (area one) were approved in principle.
 - (ii) In respect of the proposal for programmes on the focal areas of Society and Environment the need to anchor programme development on Society and Environment was considered, for the School to take the necessary initiative. In this context, the proposal and the argument from the Discipline of Sociology to have Society and Environment identified as a programme for future planning, course development and research was welcomed. While accepting the proposal of the Discipline in principle, the following observations were however made.
 - a) the focus will be on society and environment
 - b) the scope of academic activities will cover society - mediated problems of environment.

- c) efforts to duplicate the courses shall be avoided. Integration of the focal area through coordination among disciplines and schools of the University will be encouraged.
- d) in the light of the above, the Discipline of Sociology is requested to present to the next Board details of some facets of this focal area (Society and Environment) for planning and development of course/s.
- The Programme Structure of the Certificate SOSS 16.5.1 Programme on Disaster Management was approved Approval was accorded to in principle. appointment of Course Editors:

Dr. S. M. Kulshereshtra

Er. R. Rangachari

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Proposal to develop a Certificate Programme SOSS 16.6.1 on Visual Art Appreciation (together with School of Humanities) in collaboration with the Lalit Kala Akademi was accepted with the following clarifications/ modifications.

> Minimum Entry Qualifications 10th Pass

Dr. J. Parekh from School of Humanities and Dr. D. Gopal from School of Social Sciences were inducted as members to the existing composition which has been jointly approved by the Lalit Kala Akademi.

- The Board accords its approval to the SOSS 16.7.1 following proposals:
 - From the Registrar vide No.IG/Admn(G)/St.10A/ i) 89/763 dated March 21, 1996 in respect of amendment to Clause 2(c) of Statute 10A.
 - From the Director SR&E vide No.IG/SRE/11(4)/95 ii) dated December, 11, 1995 in respect of DEC's proposal for standardizing the Grading and Credit Hours System in the University.

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

CHAIRMAN