Item No. 1

Minutes of the 19th School Board Meeting of School of Social Sciences

The 19th meeting of the School Board of School of Social Sciences was held on 30th October. 1998 at 10.30 a.m. in the Conference Room, Block-8, IGNOUS Campus, New Delhi.

The following were present:

- 1. Prof. Shobhita Jain. Chairperson
- 2. Prof. Kapil Kumar. SOSS
- 3. Prof. Pradeep Sahni. SOSS
- 4. Prof. Pandav Nayak, SOSS
- 5. Prof. S.B. Ghosh, SOSS
- 6. Prof. V.R. Jagannathan. SOH
- 7. Prof. S.N. Jha. CPF. JNU, New Delhi
- 8. Prof. R.K. Arora, Jaipur
- 9. Dr. A.R. Khan, SOSS
- 10. Dr. A.S. Narang SOSS
- 11. Dr. Gopinath Pradhan SOSS- He was invited in place of Mr. K. Barik, SOSS
- 12. Dr. T. Kapur, SOSS
- 13. Dr. E. Vayunandan. SOSS
- 14. Dr. Ravindra Kumar, SOSS
- 15. Dr. Debal S. Roy, SOSS
- 16. Dr. Nawal Kishore, SOMS
- 17. Dr. Rita Rani Paliwal, SOH
- 18. Ms. Uma Medury. SOSS
- 19. Dr. Geeta Kaicker, SOS
- 20. Dr. Neena Talwar Kanungo, SOSS
- 21. Dr. Pravakar Rath. SOSS

The following sent apologies and could not attend the meeting:

- 1. Prof. S. Setter. ICHR
- 2. Prof. Krishan Kumar, Delhi Unversity
- 3. Prof. Yogendra Singh, JNU
- 4. Dr. K. Barik

At the outset the Director SOSS welcomed the members.

Item 19.1.1

The minutes of the last School Board meeting held on December 22, 1997 were confirmed.

Item 19.2.1, 19.3.1 and 19.6.1

The School Board decided that keeping in view the AC ordinance and further details provided in the minutes of the Research Council (Area Committee) meeting, dated 16.6.97, all technicalities regarding M.Phil/Ph.D. programmes of the School be completed within the month of November, 1998, by the Committee, already constituted under the convenorship of Dr. Narang. Regarding the 12 credit common course (proposed to be developed at the University level) the School Board decided that a note inquiring its status be sent to the concerned body. The other details of M. Phil/Ph.D. programme from the faculties of Economics. Lib. & Information Sciences and History may then be modified accordingly & submitted to the next meeting of the School Board.

Item 19.2.2

The School Board approved in principle the proposal to develop a Master's programme in Business Economics and decided that instead of MA in Business Economics the degree should be in Master's in Business Economics (MBE). The Economics faculty will now work out the various stages of course planning and come again to the Board with a fully worked out proposal.

Item 19.2.3

The School Board discussed the proposal of a Certificate in Economics of Taxation and suggested that it needs further thinking at the faculty level.

Item 19.4.1

The School Board considered and decided to be associated with the proposal to develop a certificate programme in Participatory Programme Planning, submitted by Sociology faculty as it is concerned with innovatory methodology of course planning and development. The School Board suggested that assistance from collaborating agencies may be explored for maximal subsidisation of the cost of programme production. Once the course outline is developed, the same may be reported to the School Board.

Item 19.5.1

The School Board approved the proposal for developing two 8-credit BDP elective courses (i) Government and Politics in Austrialia, and (ii) Comparative Government and Politics. Outlines of the two courses of BDP may be fully worked out and submitted in the next meeting of the School Board.

Item 19.5.2

The School Board approved in principle the proposal to revise/update the following courses EPS-01. EPS-02. EPS-06. The revised outlines of these courses will however be brought to the School Board in the next meeting.

Any other Item

The School Board welcomed the idea of starting a publication series and it was decided to take up the matter with the concerned bodies.

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

(Shobhita Jain) Director

Dated. November 18, 1998