

School of Social Sciences

Minutes of the 23rd School Board Meeting

The 23rd School Board meeting of the School of Social Sciences was held at 10.30 a.m. on 22nd November, 1999 in the Board Room, Block No. 8 IGNOU Maidan Garhi.

The following were present

1. Prof. Shobhita Jain Chairperson
2. Prof. Kapil Kumar, SOSS
3. Prof. Pardeep Sahni, SOSS
4. Dr. A. S. Narang, SOSS
5. Dr. Gopinath Pradhan, SOSS
6. Dr. Narayan Prasad, SOSS
7. Dr. Tribhuwan Kapur, SOSS
8. Dr. Abha Singh, SOSS
9. Dr. Swaraj Basu, SOSS
10. Dr. Pravakar Rath, SOSS
11. Dr. Amrita Nigam, SOS
12. Prof. Parveen Sinclair, SOS
13. Dr. Satyakam, SOII
14. Prof. S. L. Kaushik,
Punjab University, Chandigarh
15. Prof. N. Jayaram,
University of Goa, Goa
16. Prof. R. V. R. Chandrasekhar Rao,
Hyderabad.

The following could not attend the meeting :-

1. Prof. S. B. Ghosh, SOSS
2. Dr. Alka Dhameja, SOSS
3. Ms. B. Kiranmayi, SOSS
4. Dr. Dolly Mathew, SOSS
5. Dr. Uma Kanjilal, SOSS (On leave)
6. Dr. G. Subayamma, SOMS
7. Prof. Rudder Dutt, Delhi

The Chairperson welcomed all the members to its 23rd School Board meeting. To apprise the new members she gave a brief history of the activities of the School.

SB 23.1.1

The minutes of the last School Board meeting held on 28th July, 1999, were confirmed with the following modifications:-

With regard to the Hotel Management Catering Technology Programme placed under any other item the School Board decided that it was a reporting item and the minutes should read 'Prof. Kapil Kumar reported that preliminary negotiations are being held with National Council of Hotel Management Under the Tourism Ministry, Govt. of India for a degree Programme' and the rest be expunged.

SB 23.2.1

The Programme Coordinator gave a brief introduction about the new syllabus of ESO-04: Social Stratification. The members said that the course outline should carry an introductory note giving its rationale. After a detailed discussion the item was approved.

SB 23.3.1

The Programme Coordinator gave a brief description about the Course outline of two elective courses derived through the restructuring of EPS-06. The following decisions were taken in this regard:-

- a. In future all the course outlines, which are placed before the Board must carry an introductory note, giving the rationale and philosophy of the course concerned.
- b. A specific background on the administrative systems of the countries discussed in the particular unit needs to be mentioned - this should be communicated to the course writer(s) of the unit(s).
- c. India's relationship with East Asia needs to be included in the course outline.
- d. Each region needs to be introduced in the unit concerned.

With these discussions and suggestions the board approved this item.

SB 23.3.2

The affirmative action with regard to disadvantaged sections needs to be included in the course. With such suggestions to be incorporated in the syllabus of Elective Course on Political Theory EPS-01, this item was approved by the Board.

SB 23.3.3

The Board members suggested that in Block 1, Unit 1 'Utility' be replaced with 'Significance'. It was suggested that names of the full time faculty members among the Course writers should figure more frequently.

With the following comments, the item was approved:

- a. In future all the courses, submitted to the Board, must carry an introductory note.
- b. Care must be taken to submit the proposals after a careful reading of the printed matter for any typographical or grammatical errors.

SB 23.3.4

The course outline was approved by the Board after preliminary discussion on usefulness of such a course for Indian students.

SB 23.3.5

This item was approved after a general discussion on the new course outline.

SB 23.4.1

As for some reasons, the proposal to develop and launch the Certificate in Environmental Sciences has not so far been placed before the Board, the School Board has now ratified the launching of Certificate in Environmental Studies.

The School Board in principle approved the certificate and Diploma in Environmental Studies and asked the Programme Coordinator to place before the Board, outlines of all the courses of the programme in its next meeting. The Board approved the outline of the course Environmental Studies submitted by the Programme coordinator.

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SB 23.5.1

The Board approved in principle the proposal to develop a PG Diploma in Involuntary Rehabilitation and Resettlement and asked for its resubmission after finalization of the syllabus.

SB 23.5.2

The Director informed the Board members that the Master's in Tourism Management Programme will be launched from January 2000 session. This programme has been approved by the Academic Council.

UNDER ANY OTHER ITEM.

Information for School Board.

It is a pleasure to inform the School Board that the Master's in Tourism Management Programme has been launched from January 2000 session after it was approved by the Academic Council.

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

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