

**INDIRA GANDHI NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY**  
**School of Social Sciences**

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March 29, 2006

**MINUTES OF THE 38<sup>TH</sup> MEETING OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF SCHOOL  
OF SOCIAL SCIENCES, HELD ON 24<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2006**

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The Meeting of the School Board of the School of Social Sciences was held on March 24, 2006 at 11.00 a.m. in the Conference Room, School of Social Sciences, Tagore Bhawan, New Academic Building, IGNOU Campus, Maidan Garhi, New Delhi.

The following were present:

1. Prof. Pardeep Sahni, Chairman
2. Prof. Pandav Nayak
3. Prof. Kapil Kumar, SOSS
4. Prof. G. Pradhan, SOSS
5. Prof. Ravindra Kumar, SOSS
6. Prof. A.R. Khan, SOSS
7. Prof. D. Gopal, SOSS
8. Prof. Uma Kanjilal, SOSS
9. Prof. Anjila Gupta
10. Prof. D.K.S. Roy
11. Prof. Madhulika Kaushik, SOMS
12. Dr. Salil Mishra, SOSS
13. Dr. Uma Medury
14. Dr. Kaustuva Barik, SOSS
15. Dr. Neeta Mathur, SOSS
16. Sh. R. Sevukan, SOSS

**Spl. Invitee:**

1. Prof. S.B. Ghosh

The following members could not attend the meeting:

1. Prof. A.S. Narang, SOSS
2. Prof. Vijaishri, SOS
3. Sh. Akshay Kumar, SOCIS
4. Dr. Kiron Bansal, EMPC

The Chairman welcomed the members to the 38<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the School Board of SOSS.

The Chairman placed on record sincere appreciation for the contributions and guidance of the outgoing School Board members, Prof. Bhaskara Rao, Prof. B.S. Brar, Prof. Tulsi Patek, Prof. S.M. Azizuddin Hussain, Prof. M.P. Satija.

The following items on the Agenda were deliberated:

**SB 38.1 Confirmation of the minutes of the 37<sup>th</sup> meeting of the School Board of SOSS held on November 25, 2005.**

SB 38.1.1 The Chairman informed that the Minutes of the 37<sup>th</sup> meeting were circulated to all members. Since no comments have been received, the Chairman proposed that the Minutes may be deemed to be confirmed.

SB 38.1.2 The Board confirmed the Minutes of the 37<sup>th</sup> School Board Meeting, as circulated (Annexure-1).

**SB 38.2 To consider the progress report of Mrs. Priti Sharma, Ph.D. student in Political Science**

SB 38.2.1 The Chairman apprised the members of the observation of the Research Council, on the progress reports of the Ph.D. students, in its 7<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on 30<sup>th</sup> December 2005, which reads as *"the Research Council on studying the progress reports submitted by the students, was of the view that the progress reports should contain full details of the work done by the student, so that the progress of the student can be assessed properly by the Authorities such as School Board/Research Council etc."*. The said observations shall be passed on to all faculty members of the SOSS for adherence while writing their comments on the Progress Reports as Supervisors.

SB 38.2.2 The School Board considered the Progress Report of Mrs. Priti Sharma.

SB 38.2.3 While approving the report, the Board recommended that the same be forwarded to the Research Council for further necessary action (Annexure-2).

**SB 38.3 To approve the revised Ph.D. synopsis of Mr. Mehar Singh in Political Science**

SB 38.3.1 The Chairman informed that in the 7<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Research Council held on 30<sup>th</sup> December 2005, it was observed that the proposals submitted to the Research Council need to be refined.

SB 38.3.2 The Chairman informed that the Information Brochure of Ph.D. programmes states that *"the research proposal should clearly state the problem, objectives, hypothesis, methodology (which may include sampling design, sources of data, data analysis, etc.) and expected outcome of the study"*. In the light of this, it was proposed by the Chairman that a Sub-Committee, comprising a Professor from each discipline in the School may be constituted.

- SB 38.4.2 Prof. D. Gopal made a presentation on the concept and rationale of the programme. He informed that it shall be developed in collaboration with Gandhi Smriti Darshan Samiti.
- SB 38.4.3 The School Board deliberated on the item and approved the same with change in title of the programme from "P.G. Diploma in Gandhian Studies on Peace and Development" to "P.G. Diploma in Gandhian Studies" (Annexure-4).
- SB 38.5 To approve the Phase Zero Form : New Courses(s)/Major revision in existing course(s) title "Globalisation and International Politics" (MPSE) proposed by Prof. Pandav Nayak**
- SB 38.5.1 The Chairman informed that M.A. (Political Science) is already launched and has respectable number of learners enrolled in it. The Board was informed that to increase options, the faculty of Political Sciences proposes to add a new course, entitled "Globalisation and International Politics". It shall be coordinated by Prof. Pandav Nayak.
- SB 38.5.2 Prof. Pandav Nayak explained the rationale and significance of the course.
- SB 38.5.3 The School Board deliberated on the proposal and approved the same with the suggestions to remove the programme fee mentioned in the form as it shall be a course in M.A. (Political Science) programme and there shall be no separate fee for the course. It was also decided to consider Pt. No. 13 in the Phase Zero Form as deleted (Annexure-5).
- SB 38.6 Co-option of 5 outside members of the School Board under Clause 2 (e) of Statute 10A**
- SB 38.6.1 The Chairman informed the School Board that the term of 5 outside experts in the earlier School Board, namely, Prof. B.S. Brar, Prof. S.M. Azizuddin Husain, Prof. V. Bhaskara Rao, Prof. M.P. Satija and Prof. Tulsi Patel has ended on 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2006.
- SB 38.6.2 The Chairman informed that as per Clause 2(e) of Statute 10A of the University, the School Board is to co-opt 5 outside experts as members of the School Board.
- SB 38.6.3 It was decided that in accordance with the Statute there shall be 5 experts, who are not the employees of the University, to be co-opted by the School Board.

This Sub Committee shall screen applications for Ph.D. registration in SOSS and shall suggest changes/modifications, if any. After the needful has been done, the same shall be placed before the School Board for consideration and approval.

✓ SB 38.3.3 It was decided that the term of the Sub-Committee shall be two years and the same shall be reconstituted by the School Board after the expiry of two years.

SB 38.3.4 It was further decided that the Sub-Committee, for the years 2006 and 2007, shall comprise of the following:

(i) Director (SOSS) : Chairperson  
(Since there is only one Professor in Public Admn. who is also the Director of the School, he will represent Public Administration Discipline in the Sub-Committee.

- (ii) Prof. A.S. Narang (Political Science)
- (iii) Prof. Ravindra Kumar (History)
- (iv) Prof. Uma Kanjilal (Library & Info. Sc.)
- (v) Prof. D.K.S. Roy (Sociology)
- (vi) Prof. Anjila Gupta (Economics)

\* Internal Supervisor (s) of the Applicant (s) shall be invited as Spl. Invitee (s).

SB 38.3.5 The Sub-Committee shall meet frequently to avoid delay in registration process and its recommendations shall be placed in the next meeting of the School Board.

✓ SB 38.3.6 With regard to the registration of Mr. Mehar Singh in Ph.D. Programme in Political Science, it was decided that the proposal shall be considered by the Sub-Committee and if recommended by it, the same shall be forwarded to the Research Council for further necessary action (Annexure-3).

**SB 38.4 To approve the new programme proposal title "P.G. Diploma in Gandhian Studies" proposed by Prof. D. Gopal.**

SB 38.4.1 The Chairman informed that Prof. D. Gopal has submitted a proposal for developing "Post Graduate Diploma in Gandhian Studies on Peace and Development (PGDGSPD)"

SB 38.6.4 The name of following experts were finalized:

Sl.No.	Discipline	Names & Addresses of the Experts
1.	Economics	Prof. Avdhoot Nadkarni Dept. of Economics University of Mumbai Tel: (022) 26528198 (Off) (022) 26526942 (Resi) Mobile # 09821086394 E.mail: <a href="mailto:anakarni@economics.mu.ac.in">anakarni@economics.mu.ac.in</a>
2.	History	Prof. Y. Vaikunthum Retd. Professor of History History Department Osmania University Hyderabad
3.	Library & Information Science	Prof. J.K. Sarkhel Head of Library & Info. Sc. Director of Distance Education Vidyasagar University Midnapur, West Bengal-721102 Mobile # 09433175705
4.	Public Administration	Prof. C.V. Raghavulu 102, Jaya Residency 11-4-646/D1/B, A.C. Guards Hyderabad - 500 004
5.	Sociology	Prof. Partha Nath Mukherjee "Ashray" F-2/19, Bodhi Marg DLF City Ltd., Phase-I Gurgaon - 122002 Mobile # 9899295551

SB 38.7 To consider Ph.D. Synopsis of Mrs. Amritbir Kaur Brar and Mr. Ramesh Chandra Sharma

SB 38.7.1 It was decided that the proposals should be examined by the Sub-Committee constituted vide SB 38.3.4 above (Annexure-7)

SB 38.8 To approve the Ph.D Progress Reports of Ms. Latha Manickavasagam, student of Library & Information Science, for the periods January-June 2005; and July-December 2005

SB 38.8.1 The School Board considered the Progress Reports of Ms. Latha Manickavasagam.

SB 38.2.3 While approving the reports, the Board recommended that the same be forwarded to the Research Council for further necessary action (Annexure-8).

#### TABLED ITEMS

**SB 38.9 (1) To approve the Phase Zero Form for BDP Elective Course in Political Science, EPS-13, Modern Indian Political Thought**

SB 38.9 (1).1 Prof. D. Gopal explained the rationale for revising EPS-3 as EPS-13.

SB 38.9 (1).2 The Board deliberated on the contents of the Course and made suggestions to be incorporated. It was decided that Prof. Pandav Nayak shall carry out the changes as proposed by the members and submit the revised course contents to the Director of the School for further necessary action (Annexure-9).

**SB 38.9 (2) To approve the Ph.D proposal on Users Perception about Service Quality in Select University Libraries of Hyderabad : A LibQual+TM Approach by Mr. S. Shyam Sunder Rao**

SB 38.9 (2).1 It was decided that the proposal should be examined by the Sub-Committee constituted vide SB 38.3.4 above (Annexure-10).

**SB 38.9 (3) To approve the Ph.D Progress Report of Ms. Renu Arora, student of Library & Information Science for the period October 2005 to March 2006**

SB 38.9 (3).1 The School Board considered the Progress Report of Ms. Renu Arora.

SB 38.9 (3).2 While approving the report, the Board recommended that the same be forwarded to the Research Council for further necessary action (Annexure-11).

**SB 38.9 (4) To approve the Ph.D Progress Reports of Mr. P. Vijayakumar, student of Library & Information Science for the period January 2005 to December 2005**

SB 38.9 (4).1 The School Board considered the Progress Reports of Mr. P. Vijayakumar.

SB 38.9 (4).2 While approving the reports, the Board recommended that the same be forwarded to the Research Council for further necessary action (Annexure-12).

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

*Pardeep Sahni*  
(Pardeep Sahni) 29/3/2006