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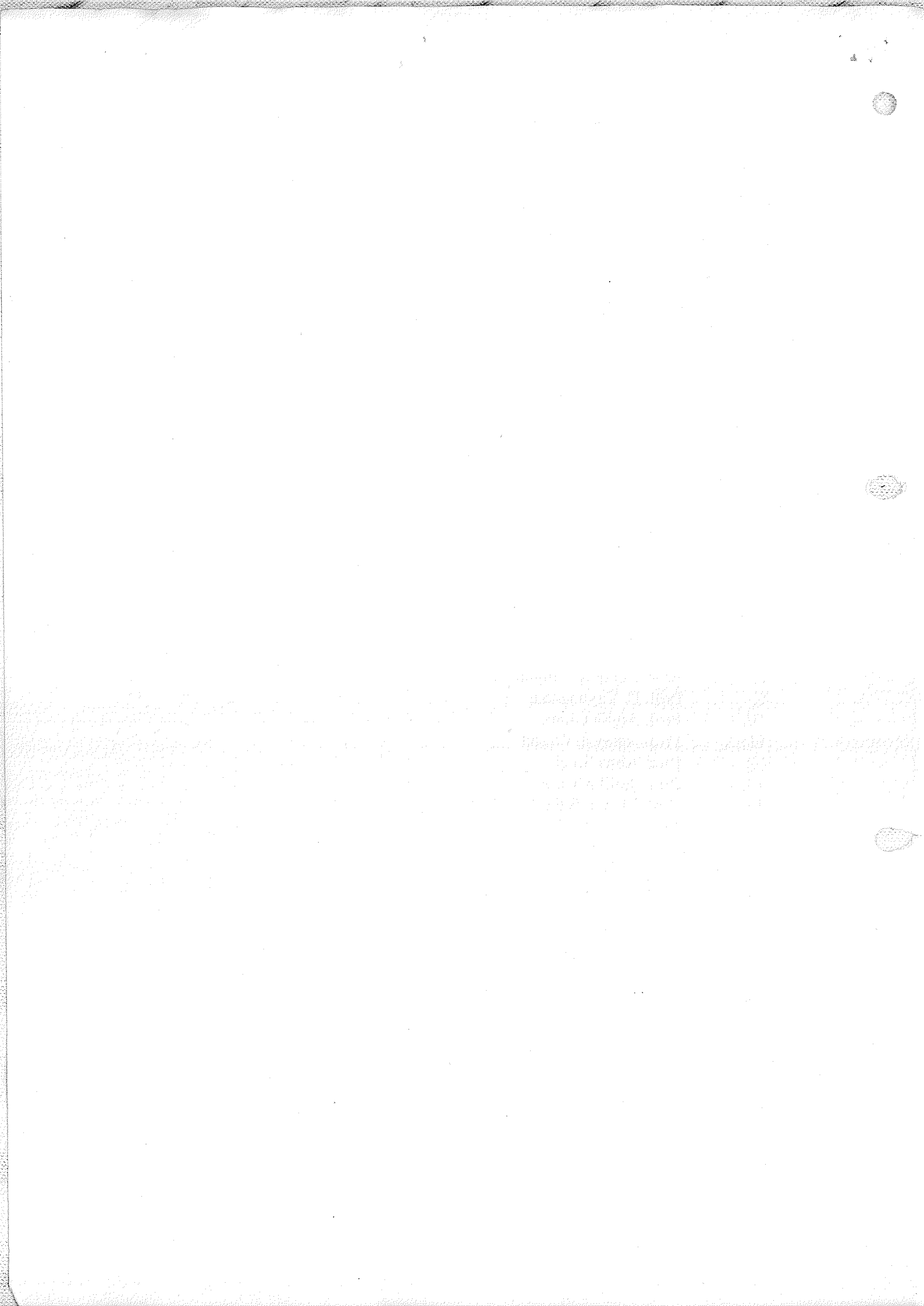
**MINUTES OF THE 43RD MEETING OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF SCHOOL
OF SOCIAL SCIENCES HELD ON 19TH MAY, 2008**

The 43rd Meeting of the School Board of the School of Social Sciences was held on May 19, 2008 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. Uma Kanjilal (In Chair)
2. Prof. Pardeep Sahni
3. Prof. A.S. Narang
4. Prof. G. Pradhan
5. Prof. Ravindra Kumar
6. Prof. A.R. Khan
7. Prof. D. Gopal
8. Prof. Debal K. Singharoy
9. Prof. E. Vayunandan
10. Prof. Anjila Gupta
11. Prof. Narayan Prasad
12. Prof. Abha Singh
13. Prof. Salil Mishra
14. Prof. Madhu Bala
15. Prof. Uma Medury
16. Prof. Alka Dhameja
17. Prof. Tribhuwan Kapur
18. Prof. Anurag Joshi
19. Prof. Neena Talwar Kanungo
20. Dr. B. Prakash
21. Dr. Jaideep Sharma
22. Dr. Jagpal Singh
23. Prof. Vibha Joshi
24. Dr. Bimal Thorat
25. Dr. Neerja Chadha

The following members could not attend the meeting:



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1. Prof. Kapil Kumar
2. Dr. Sangeeta Pandey
3. Prof. Kamal Yadav

Prof. Pandav Nayak could not attend the School Board Meeting as he attended the meeting called by the Vice Chancellor with the Directors of Schools and Heads of Division on behalf of the Director, SOSS.

At the outset, the Chairperson welcomed the members of the School Board and placed on record sincere appreciation for the outgoing external members of the School Board namely Prof. Avdhoot Nadkarni, Prof. V. Vaikuntham, Prof. J. K. Sarkhel, Prof. Prof. C. V. Raghavulu and Prof. Partha Nath Mukherjee for the support and advice received from them during their tenure. She also informed that Dr. Neena Talwar Kanungo has been promoted as professor of Library and Information Science and welcomed her as member of the School Board.

The following items on the Agenda were deliberated:

SB 43.1 Confirmation of the Minutes of the 42nd meeting of the School Board of SOSS held on 19th March, 2008.

SB 43.1.1. The Chairperson informed the Board that the Minutes of the 42nd meeting were circulated to all members. Since no comments have been received, it was proposed that the Minutes might be deemed to be confirmed, as circulated.

SB 43.1.2 Prof. Narayan Prasad pointed out that the resolution at SB 42.8.5 may be taken as dissent of the Discipline Group of Economics and not himself alone. The Board confirmed the Minutes of the 42nd School Board Meeting, as circulated with the necessary changes suggested by Prof. Narayan Prasad.

✓ **SB 43.2 To co-opt external experts for the School Board under clause 2(e) of Statute 10 A of the Statutes of the University**

SB 43.2.1 The Chairperson informed the members that the following external members, co-opted by the School Board of the School of Social Sciences in terms of the provisions of Clause 2 (e) of Statute 10A of the Statutes of the University, have completed their term of Office on 20th April, 2008].:

1. Prof. Avdhoot Nadkarni
2. Prof. V. Vaikuntham
3. Prof. J.K. Sarkhel
4. Prof. C.V. Raghavulu
5. Prof. Parth Nath Mukherjee

SB 43.2.2 Accordingly, the members were further informed that five new external members are to be co-opted by the School Board. The Chairperson placed

before the School Board the following names, as suggested by the different disciplines of the School for inclusion as Members in the School Board.

Economics

1. Prof. D. Narasimha Reddy
(Retd. Professor of Economics
Central University of Hyderabad)
House no. 3-33-33
L.Venkat Reddy Colony
Lingampally, Hyderabad – 500 019.
2. Prof. V.R. Panchmukhi
D-4/2, Welcome Groups, CGHS
Plot no. 6, Sector-3
Dwarka
New Delhi – 110 075.

History

1. Prof. K.K. Trivedi
Prof. of History (Retd.)
Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi
2. Prof. Bhagwan Josh,
Prof. Of History
Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi
3. Prof. Raghavendra Tanwar
Prof. Of History
Kurukshetra University Kurukshetra

Library & Information Science

1. Prof. K.S. Raghavan
Professor, Documentation Research & Training Centre
Indian Statistical Institute, 7th Mile, Mysore Road,
Bangalore – 560059

Prof. T. Vishwanathan
Former Director, NESCAIR
D- 508, Sector 93 A, Parsvanath Prestige,
NOIDA

Political Science

1. Prof. Javeed Alam,
Chairman (ICSSR)
New Delhi
2. Prof. Abdul Nafey Chairman, Centre for American, Latin
American and Canadian Studies, School of International Studies,
Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi.

Sociology

1. Prof. Sharit Bhowmik
Professor of Sociology
TATA Institute of Social Sciences
Deonar , Tromsai
Mumbai
2. Prof. Satish Despande
Professor of Sociology
Delhi School of Economics
Delhi University, Delhi

SB 43.2.3 The Board co-opt the following members to the School Board of the
School of Social Sciences.

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3. Prof. K.S. Raghavan
Professor, Documentation Research & Training Centre
Indian Statistical Institute, 8th Mile, Mysore Road,
Bangalor – 560059

4. Prof. Javeed Alam,
Chairman (ICSSR)
New Delhi
5. Prof. Sharit Bhowmik
Professor of Sociology
TATA Institute of Social Sciences
Deonar , Tromsay
Mumbai

SB 43.2.4 The Board also deliberated on the issue that as per the statutes (vide 10A (2)e) not more than five persons, who are not employees of the University, can be co-opted by the Board. Since the School has six disciplines of study, one discipline is not represented in the School Board in each term by rotation. It was felt that a proposal for not less than five external members, at least one from each discipline may be sent to the Vice Chancellor for consideration recommending necessary changes in the statute accordingly.

SB 43.3.1 To consider the names of Experts for development of Study Guides for M.Phil/Ph.D Courses in Public Administration

SB 43.3.1 The Chairperson informed the Board that the Faculty of Public Administration is in the process of launching courses for M.Phil/Ph.D programme which would consist of four courses of eight credits each.

SB 43.3.2 The members were further informed that the Faculty has decided to provide a detailed Course Guide for each course to the learners. The Course Guide shall contain Introduction, Course Objectives, Course Structure, pattern of assessment, evaluation methodology and study guide. The faculty intends to utilize the expertise of known scholars in the concerned area to develop the Study Guide and suggested an honorarium of Rs. 30, 000/- for an eight credit course. The faculty also proposed the names of following experts for the courses mentioned against their names.

COURSE CODE	TITLE OF THE COURSE	NAME OF THE EXPERT
RPA-001	Administrative Theories and approaches	Prof. C.V. Raghavullu Former Professor of Public Admn. & Vice-Chancellor Guntur University, Guntur
RPA-002	Administration for Development	Prof. Ramesh K. Arora, Former Professor of Public Admn., University of Rajasthan Jaipur
RPA-003	Issues in Contemporary Governance	Prof. Mohit Bhattacharya, Former Professor of Public Admn., IIPA & Former Vice-chancellor,

		Burdwan Univesity, Burdwan
RPA-004	Research Methodology	Prof. M.P. Singh Former Prof. of Pol. Sc. University of Delhi, Delhi

SB 43.3.3 The Board considered the proposal and approved the names of Experts suggested by the Faculty for preparation of study guides. The issue related to honorarium was taken up at item SB 43.12.1.

SB 43.4 To inform the School Board about the MoU with National Institute of Public Finance & Policy to develop and offer the academic programmes under joint collaboration at Doctoral and Post-Doctoral levels in the area of Public Economics and Fiscal Policy, Environmental Economics, Public Choices etc.

SB 43.4.1 The Board was informed that an MoU has been signed by the University with the National Institute of Public Finance & Policy, New Delhi to develop and offer academic programmes under joint collaboration at Doctoral and Post-doctoral levels in the area of Public Economics and Fiscal Policy, Environmental Economics, Public Choices and such other areas as may be identified and agreed mutually from time to time.

SB 43.4.2 The Board noted the same but however, suggested that in future detailed proposal may be placed for information of the Board.

SB 43.5 To consider the payment norms for development of Study Guides for M.Phil/Ph. D Course work in History.

SB 43.5.1 The Board was informed that the discipline of History is launching Course work for M.Phil/Ph.D Programme which would consist of four courses of eight credits each in the Programme. The Board was further informed that the Faculty has decided to provide a detailed Course Guide for each Course to the learners which shall contain Introduction, Course Objectives, Course Structure, Evaluation Methodology, and Study Guide. The Study Guide shall have Units covering Introduction, Objectives, Commentary, Suggested Readings, and Questions etc. The Faculty proposes to develop the Course Guides and, if needed, also utilize the outside expertise of scholars for this purpose. The faculty suggested an honorarium of Rs.30000/- for developing a study guide for a course of eight credits.

SB 43.5.2 The Board considered and approved the proposal to develop study guides for M. Phil/ Ph. D. The issue related to honorarium was taken up at item SB 43.12.1.

✓ SB 43.6

To consider the additional names of Course Writers for the BDP Elective EPS-13 of Political Science.

SB 43.6.1 The Faculty of Political Science has submitted following additional names of Course Writers for the BDP Elective (EPS-13), "Modern Indian Political Thought."

1. Prof. Bhagwan Josh, CHS, JNU, New Delhi
2. Dr. Sailaja Gullapalli, Gandhi Smriti And Darshan Samiti, New Delhi

The item was placed before the Board for consideration and approval.

SB 43.6.2 The Board considered and approved the names of Course Writers, as suggested by the Faculty.

SB 43.7 To consider the proposal for Viva-Voce Examination for MECP-001: Project Work in M.A. (Economics).

SB 43.7.1 The Board was informed that in the 25th Meeting of the Academic Council's Standing Committee, held on April 2, 2008, it was decided that viva-voce would be a compulsory component of the evaluation of all project courses at PG level. In the light of this decision the discipline of Economics has proposed to introduce viva voce examination in 'MECP-001: Project Work' with a weightage of 30%. Remaining 70% weightage in the course will be given to evaluation of Project Report. In order to complete MECP-001 successfully a student has to secure at least 40 % in Project Report and at least 40% in viva voce separately. In order to facilitate the students, viva voce examination would be decentralized to the Regional Centre level. A panel of region-wise experts across the country would be prepared by the faculty for conducting viva voce examination. The Faculty has further proposed that till such list is generated and approved by the School Board, the internal faculty members of the Economics discipline will conduct the viva voce examination in MECP-001.

SB 43.7.2 The Board considered the proposal and approved it in principle in light of the decision of the Academic Council's Standing Committee. It was further suggested that all the Programmes of the School at PG level or otherwise having project component need to incorporate viva voce component in light of the Academic Council's Standing Committee decision. The Board authorized the Chair to constitute a sub-committee comprising Programme Coordinators of programmes having project component to work out the modalities for conducting the viva voce and place it in the next School Board for approval.

SB 43.8

To consider the revised Ph.D. Synopsis of Ms. Bindu Sahni, student of History, entitled "Identity Formation among the Gujjars of Himachal Pradesh: Encounters and Challenges in the Colonial Period".

Dr. Asha Sahni
SB 43.8.1

The Chairperson informed the Board that the Faculty of History has submitted a revised synopsis of Ms. Bindu Sahni, entitled "Identity Formation among the Gujjars of Himachal Pradesh: Encounters and Challenges in the Colonial Period"

SB 43.8.2

The Board recommended that as per decision of the 42nd School Board (SB 42.8.5) all the Ph. D. proposals are to be screened by the Standing Committee of the School Board. The proposals approved by the standing Committee are to be sent directly to the RCSC for consideration and approval and report the matter for ratification in the School Board.

The conditionality will apply to all the Ph. D. proposals submitted for consideration.

SB 43.9

To consider the Ph.D Proposal of Ms. Ranjeeta Basra Korgaonkar, student of Public Administration, entitled "Healthcare IT Maturity Model-A Critical Study of Software Application for Effective Hospital Administration in India".

Dr. Dolly Mathew
SB 43.9.1

The Chairperson informed the Board that the Faculty of Public Administration has forwarded a Ph.D. Proposal of Ms. Ranjeeta Basra Korgaonkar for seeking the approval of the School Board.

SB 43.9.2

The Board was further informed that the proposal was placed before the Doctoral Committee of the Discipline for screening in its meeting held on 15th April, 2008 which has been duly approved.

SB 43.9.3

The conditionality at SB 43.8.2 applicable herein.

RCSC
✓ SB 43.10

To consider the Progress Report of Mr. Ramesh Chandra Sharma, Ph.D student of Economic for the period January 2007 to June 2007 and July 2007 to December 2007.

SB 43.10.1

The School Board considered the Progress Reports of Mr. Ramesh Chandra Sharma for the periods January-June, 2007 and July-December, 2007.

SB 43.10.2

While approving the Reports, the Board recommended that the same be forwarded to the Research Council for further necessary action.

SB 43.11 **To consider and approve the Ph.D synopsis of Mr. Nikhil Eyeroor, Student of Library & Information Science, entitled "Impact of Internet on Information Behaviour of Professionals in News Media in Kerala"**

By J. J. K. K. K.

SB 43.11.1 The Chairperson informed the Board that the Faculty of Library & Information Science has forwarded a Ph.D. Proposal of Mr. Nikhil Eyeroor for seeking the approval of the School Board.

SB 43.11.2 The conditionality at SB 43.8.2 applicable herein.

SB 43.12.1 To consider and approve the payment norms for Study Guides, evaluation methodology and other modalities for M. Phil/ Ph. D. Coursework

SB 43.12.1.1 The Chairperson informed the members that in the meeting of the Programme Coordinators for M. Phil/ Ph. D. coursework with the Director of SOSS held on May 5, 2008 and May 15, 2008 an honorarium of Rs. 40, 000/- for an eight credit course has been recommended. She also informed the Board the recommendations regarding the evaluation methodology and other modalities for conducting the coursework.

SB 43.12.1.2 After detailed deliberations the following decisions were taken:

1. The term 'Course Manual' to be used instead of 'Study Guide'.
2. For preparation of a course manual by an external expert an honorarium of Rs. 40, 000/- per course for six to eight credit course was recommended. Accordingly proportionate amount is to be worked out for four credit course or for block wise allotment of course manual development work.
3. It was felt that common methodology for all discipline may not be appropriate. Therefore, it was suggested that each discipline to work out course specific evaluation methodology and submit it to the School Board for approval.
4. The screening of applications may either be through interviews or entrance examinations.
5. For RTAs the programme will commence from July 2008 session. For open admission the programmes are to be launched from July 2009.

SB 43.12.2 To inform the Board about additional list of moderators for MSO-001, MSO- 002, MSO- 003, MSO- 004, MPSE- 006, MPSE- 007 and LIS Programmes approved by he Vice Chancellor.

SB 43.12.2.1 The Board was informed that the Faculty of Sociology, Political Science and Library and Information Science submitted additional list of moderators for MSO- 001, MSO- 002, MSO- 003, MSO- 004, MPSE-

006, MPSE- 007 and LIS Programmes which has duly been approved by
he Vice Chancellor.

SB 43.12.2.2 The Board approved the names of the moderators suggested by the
Discipline of Sociology, Political Science and Library a Information
Science.

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

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