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of the

FIFTY THIRD MEETING

of the

ACADEMIC COUNCIL

held on

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INDIRA GANDHI NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY

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MINUTES OF THE FIFTY THIRD MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL HELD ON 27TH SEPTEMBER 2010 AT 10.00 A.M. IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM, BLOCK-8 IGNOU, MAIDAN GARHI, NEW DELHI-110 068.

The following were present:

1. Prof. V. N. Rajasekharan Pillai, Vice-Chancellor	-	Chairman
2. Dr. Latha Pillai, PVC	-	Ex-officio Member
3. Prof. K.R. Srivasthan, PVC	-	Ex-officio Member
4. Prof. P.R. Ramanujam, PVC	-	Ex-officio Member
5. Prof. Renu Bhardwaj, Director, SOH	-	Ex-officio Member
6. Prof. Gopinath Pradhan, Director, SOSS	-	Ex-officio Member
7. Prof. Geeta Kaicker, Director, SOS	-	Ex-officio Member
8. Prof. Naval Kishore, Director, SOMS	-	Ex-officio Member
9. Prof. M. Aslam, Director, SOCE	-	Ex-officio Member
10. Prof. Bimla Kapoor, Director, SOHS	-	Ex-officio Member
11. Prof. Manohar Lal, Director, SOCIS	-	Ex-officio Member
12. Prof. Ajit Kumar, Director, SOET	-	Ex-officio Member
13. Prof. K. Elumalai, Director, SOL	-	Ex-officio Member
14. Prof. M.K. Salooja, Director, SOA	-	Ex-officio Member
15. Prof. Shambhu Nath Singh, Director, SOJNMS	-	Ex-officio Member
16. Dr. Harkirat Bains, Director (I/c), SOTHSSM	-	Ex-officio Member
17. Prof. Gracious Thomas, Director, SOSW	-	Ex-officio Member
18. Prof. Savita Singh, Director, SOGDS	-	Ex-officio Member
19. Prof. B. K. Pattanaik, Director, SOEDS	-	Ex-officio Member
20. Prof. Sunil Kumar, Director, SOPVA	-	Ex-officio Member
21. Prof. G. Choudhary, Director, SOFL	-	Ex-officio Member
22. Prof. K. Satchidanandan, Director, SOTST	-	Ex-officio Member
23. Dr. Nandini Sinha Kapoor, Director (I/c), SOITS	-	Ex-officio Member
24. Prof. T.K. Jena, SOHS	-	Member
25. Prof. Anjila Gupta, SOSS	-	Member
26. Prof. Rita Rani Paliwal, SOH	-	Member
27. Dr. Nehal A Farooque, Reader, SOEDS	-	Member
28. Dr. A.K. Gaba, Reader, SOVET	-	Member
29. Sh. P.V. Suresh, Lecturer, SOCIS	-	Member
30. Dr. Kamalika Banerjee, Lecturer, SOS	-	Member
31. Sh. S.K. Arora, Librarian	-	Member
32. Dr. R.R. Rausaria, Director, DEC	-	Member
33. Dr. Kusum Sharma, Director, ID	-	Member
34. Sh. Ravi Kanth, Director, EMPC	-	Member
35. Prof. K.P. Singh	-	Member
36. Dr. K.V. Peter	-	Member
37. Prof. Rama Mohan Rao	-	Member
38. Prof. L. Venugopal Reddy,	-	Member
39. Dr. C.K. Ghosh, Director, NCIDE	-	Member
40. Dr. Pankaj Khare, Registrar, SRD	-	Member
41. Prof. M.S. Senam Raju	-	Member Secretary

Prof. N.K. Das, SOE attended the meeting as a representative of the Director, SOE.

Maj. Gen. S.P. Kochhar, Col. N.N. Singh, Mr. Y.B. Mathur, Prof. D.S. Bhattacharjee, I-PCAT, Guwahati attended the meeting as special invitees.

Prof. Parvin Sinclair, PVC, Dr. D. K. Chaudhary, PVC, Prof. C. Gajendra Naidu, Director, SOVET, Dr. Babu P. Ramesh, Reader, SOITS, Sh. Arvind Kr. Dubey, Lecturer, SOTHSSM, Prof. N. Mukunda, Prof. Mahendra Dev, Dr. George Mathew, Prof. N.K. Jain, Prof. Uma Alladi, Prof. S.N. Maheshwari, Dr. D.K. Datta Majumdar, Prof. Mohammad Miya, Prof. Kannan M. Modugalya, Prof. Devi Singh, and Prof. Pushplata Tripathi, Registrar, SED could not attend the meeting.

Shri K. D. Sharma, Assistant Registrar, ACD was present to assist the Council.

The Chairman welcomed the members of the Academic Council to the 53rd meeting and extended special welcome to the new members Prof. P.R. Ramanujam, PVC, Prof. Gopinath Pradhan, Director, SOSS, Prof. Geeta Kaicker, Director, SOS, Prof. Nawal Kishore, Director, SOMS, Prof. Vibha Joshi, Director, SOE represented by Prof. N.K. Dash, Prof. G. Choudhary, Director, SOFL, Prof. K. Satchidanandan, Director, SOTST, Prof. Kusum Sharma, Director, International Division, Prof. Rita Rani Paliwal, Professor, SOH, Dr. R.R. Rausaria, Director, DEC, Dr. Pankaj Khare, Registrar, SRD who attended the meeting for the first time.

The Academic Council appreciated and thanked for the contributions made by its outgoing members Prof. O.P. Mishra, PVC, Prof. Uma Kanjilal, Director, SOSS, Prof. Sunita Malhotra, Director, SOS, Prof. G. Subbayamma, Director, SOMS, Prof. M.L. Koul, Director, SOE, Prof. Sushant Kumar Mishra, Director (I/c), SOFL, Dr. Deo Sankar Navin, Director, SOTST, Prof. Pandav Nayak, SOSS, Dr. Silima Nanda, Director (I/c), International Division, Prof. Manjulika Srivastava, Director (I/c), DEC, Dr. R.R. Rausaria, Registrar (I/c), MPDD, Shri K. Laxman, OSD, SRD.

The Chairman reported on the appointment of Prof. U.R. Anantha Murthy as the Tagore Chair Professor in the School of Humanities. Prof. U.R. Anantha Murthy born in 1932 in village of Melig, Karnataka, he began his studies in a traditional Sanskrit school and grew up as a Gandhian Socialist and later studied the English and comparative literature in Mysore and Birmingham. He was professor of English Literature at Mysore university and Vice-Chancellor of the Mahatma Gandhi University in Kottayam, Chairman of the National Book Trust and President of Sahitya Academy, Delhi and nominated Chairman of the Film & Television Institute of India, Pune. Prof. Ananthamurthy began his literary career in 1955 with the story volume "Endendhigu Mugiyada Kathe". Since then he has published five novels, one play, six short story volumes, four poetry volumes (including translation of Tao, Yeats and Rilke and Brecht) and ten essay volumes in Kannada and several pieces on literature in English. His works have been translated into several Indian and European languages and have been awarded with significant literary prizes, including the 'Jnanpeeth Award' (1994), the most renowned Indian literature prize. He was honoured by the Government of India with 'Padma Bhushan'.

The Chairman also moved a felicitative resolution to 2007 and 2008 Gyan Peeth Award winners, Prof. O N V Kurup and Prof. Akhlaq Khan Shahryar, Poets in Malayalam and

Urdu respectively. The selection board chaired by Oriya writer and Jnanpith winner Sitakant Mahapatra made the choices for the top literary awards. Kurup, popularly known as "ONV" born in 1931 at Chavara, a coastal village in South Kerala, is a leading voice among contemporary Malayalam poets. He began his career as a "progressive writer and matured into a humanist though he never gave up his commitment to socialist ideology." ONV has 20 collections of poetry and six works of prose to his credit.

Urdu poet Akhlaq Khan Shahyar was born in 1936 in a Muslim Rajput family in Uttar Pradesh's Bareilly district, Shahryar shaped himself as an "intellectual poet", whose poetry strongly expresses an "ideological non-commitment." His roots, lie in a desire for self-realization and his attempt to understand modern problems. "Shahryar is not concerned in his poetry with messages or conclusions. Rather, he expresses the spiritual suffering and psychological anguish of what he regards as the wounded modern man," Shahryar, played a major role in shaping Urdu poetry as it is today, has received many awards including the Uttar Pradesh Urdu Akademi award, the Sahitya Akademi award, the Delhi Urdu Akademi award and the Firaq Sammaan. The Academic Council authorized the Vice Chancellor to send the resolution of Appreciation to these great Men of letters.

The Chairman then asked the Member Secretary to present the Agenda. The following agenda items were taken up:

ITEM NO. 1 To confirm the minutes of the 52nd meeting of the Academic Council held on 20th April 2010 and to note action taken on 51st and 52nd Meeting of the Academic Council.

- AC 53.1.1 The member secretary informed that minutes of the 52nd Meeting of the Academic Council were circulated to its members and the comments have been received from some of the members;
 - 1. Prof. Sunita Malhotra, Director, SOS submitted her comments on Item No. 1, Resolution No. AC 52.1 (A).3: that she had never opined or expressed the views as has been recorded.

She requested that in the above Resolution No. AC 52.1 (A).3 the lines "She impressed Astrophysics is a discipline of the School of Sciences and the Masters programmes are required to be housed in School of Sciences." may be deleted.

2. Prof T.K. Jena, Member Academic Council and Programme Coordinator for the programme: Post Doctoral Certificate in Dialysis Medicine sent his comment on Item No. 14 & Resolution No. AC 52.14.2. He stated that the members had suggested to change nomenclature from the 'Post Doctoral Certificate' to Post Graduate Certificate. In response to this, the Programme Coordinator had mentioned that the eligibility for admission to the programme is 'Doctor of Medicine' (MD) and hence the programme is named as 'Post Doctoral Certificate'. The word 'Post Doctoral' is a standard term used for programme being offered for MD students. This was agreed to by the Academic Council. Hence, the minutes of AC 52.14.3 has to be rectified. The name of the programme should be Post Doctoral Certificate instead of Post Graduate Certificate.

- 3. There is a typographical error in Resolution No. AC 52.16.2 and therefore the same may be read as "The Academic Council considered and approved the proposal for revising the fee structure for MA in Extension and Development from ₹ 5000/- to ₹ 2500/- i.e. (₹ 10,000/- for the full programme)" *instead of* "The Academic Council considered and approved the proposal for revising the fee structure for MA in Extension and Development from, as recorded, ₹ 5000/- to ₹ 500/- i.e. (₹10,000/- for the full programme)".
- AC 53.1.2 The comments of Prof. Sunita Malhotra were noted by the council and agreed that it was recorded correctly and decided not to delete the sentence as pointed out. He was also reiterated that the Astrophysics is a discipline which has to be part of the School of Sciences. The Academic Council considered the comments received from Prof. T.K. Jena and noted the same. The Council agreed to change the nomenclature of the "Post Graduate Certificate in Dialysis Medicine" as a "Post Doctoral Certificate in Dialysis Medicine".

The Academic Council also agreed to correct the typographical error in resolution no. AC 52.16.2 and approved to read the resolution as "The Academic Council considered and approved the proposal for revising the fee structure for MA in Extension and Development from $\overline{\mathbf{x}}$ 5000/- to $\overline{\mathbf{x}}$ 2500/- i.e. ($\overline{\mathbf{x}}$ 10,000/- for the full programme)"

The Academic Council noted the action taken report on the minutes of the 51^{st} & 52^{nd} meetings placed at Annexure 2 & 3 respectively of the agenda.

AC 53.1.3 The Academic Council confirmed the minutes of 52nd meeting held on 20th April 2009 (**Annexure 1**) with the changes to resolution no. AC 52.14.2 & 3 and resolution no. AC 52.16.2

ITEM NO. 2 To consider and approve the minutes of the 31st meeting of the Academic Council's Standing Committee held on 12th May 2010.

AC 53.2.1 The Member Secretary informed that the 31st meeting of the Academic Council's Standing Committee (ACSC) was held on 12th May 2010 and noted that in resolution no. ACSC 31.27.2 there is a typographical error while recording the discipline of the faculty mentioned at S.No.2 in the last paragraph of the resolution. The same may be corrected and read as follows

"2. one with specialization in Home Science *instead* one with specialization in Science"

AC 53.2.2 The Academic Council considered and approved the decisions of the 31st meeting of the ACSC as per minutes placed at **Annexure 2**.

- ITEM NO. 3 To ratify the action taken report by the Vice-Chancellor for launching of MSW in Counselling as an On-Campus Programme from July 2010 - SOSW
- AC 53.3.1 The, Director, School of Social Work, informed that at the 48th Meeting of the Academic Council held on April 24, 2009, approved the proposal of School of Social Work to offer a Post Graduate Diploma in Counselling as stand alone diploma programme as well as specialization module in 2nd year of MSW. The School Board of School of Social Work approved the proposal to offer this Programme initially as Regular On-Campus Programme w.e.f. July 2010, having 4 semesters with 64 credits (10 Theory papers of 4 credits each and 4 Practicals of 6 credits each.

Since the proposal and courses were approved by the School Board and Academic Council for offering through ODL, the approval of the Vice-Chancellor was taken for launching the Programme as Regular On-Campus Programme at Headquarters and Cochin Regional Centre.

AC 53.3.2 The Academic Council ratified the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor for launching of MSW Counseling programme as regular On-Campus Programme at Headquarters and Cochin Regional Centre from July 2010. The detailed programme structure and syllabus is enclosed (Annexure 3).

ITEM NO. 4 To ratify the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in approving Phase 3 Form for launching of Certificate in Social Work and Criminal Justice System from July 2010 – SOSW

AC 53.4.1 The, Director, School of Social Work, informed that the School Board of School of Social Work is facilitating prison inmates in several prisons including Tihar Jail to enroll for various Programmes of IGNOU, exploring possibilities for placement of those being released from jails as well as providing counseling service to prisoners. Several NGOs working on jails have requested the university to develop and launch a Certificate Programme in Social Work and Criminal Justice System.

The School of Social Work and School of Law jointly proposes to offer a six month Certificate Programme in Social Work and Criminal Justice System having 16 credits (4 credits on "Social Work Intervention in Correctional Settings" from SOSW, IGNOU, 4 credits on "Social Work and Criminal Justice" from SOL, IGNOU and 8 credits of Practicals)

Keeping in view the necessity of the programme, the Chairman felt that the fee may be ₹1000 instead the proposed fee ₹2000 for which the council had agreed to.

The School Board of SOSW has approved the Phase 3 Form at its Meeting held on 3.9.2010 and advance approval was taken from the Vice-Chancellor for the Phase 3 Form since the programme is to be offered

from July, 2010.

AC 53.4.2 Prof. M. Aslam, Director, School of Continuing Education raised the issue relating to Phase 3 forms. He stated that there are 16 agenda items (agendas items 18 to 29 and 59 to 63) pertaining to Phase-3 forms either for ratification or for consideration of the Academic Council. The Planning and Development Division has recently communicated to us *that 'Phase 1 to Phase 3 forms be approved by the School Board and only Phase 4 forms be sent to the Planning and Development Division."* (*Annexure-1*) if this is to be followed *then all the above items need not come to the Academic Council.* Since there is *a lot of confusion created by the Planning & Development Division,* it is necessary that the mechanism expected to be followed by the Schools in processing the programmes through various stages (Phase 1 to Phase 4) be circulated.

Similarly Agenda Item no. 32 pertains to consideration of Phase 1 &3 forms of B.A (Hons) International Culinary Arts Programme have been submitted for consideration *and approval*. Firstly, there was no *mention about Phase 2 Form* and secondly if both the Phase 1 & 3 have been approved by the School Board, have they to be approved by the Academic Council also, in the light of the above.

AC 53.4.3 The Chairman clarified that since the Academic Council has authorized the Schools of Studies to approve the Phase 1 to 3 forms that decision stands. Further, the School Board is the highest and credible authority to approve these forms as it comprises of subject experts. Therefore, the School Board is responsible for ensuring the level of content, quality of content, duplication of programmes etc. However even though Phase 3 form is approved by the School Board it should be placed before the AC for approval / ratification.

Regarding authorization of the programmes which are of collaborative in nature and the university offering these programmes through centres in collaboration with the premier institutions, industry players etc. in which the course is of the specialized nature and the university is not developing these specialized courses because these are highly technical and professional courses. The institutions and industrial players are offering these courses in their own campus, through their own faculty.

In the present scenario the university requires to be pro-active to compete with the other institution for Public Private Sector Cooperation in disseminating higher and professional education to make the students competent enough to compete in the market. Therefore, the Vice-Chancellor approved the Phase form to avoid the delay and same are being placed before the Academic Council for ratification.

AC 53.4.4 The Academic Council ratified the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in approving the Phase 3 Form for launching of Certificate in Social Work and Criminal Justice System and also approved the fee of ₹1000 instead of the proposed fee of ₹2000/-.(Annexure 4).

ITEM NO. 5 To consider and approve the Proposal for establishing Centre for Tibetan Studies – SOSW

- AC 53.5.1 It was presented that his Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama, Tenzin Gyasto was the special invitee to deliver the Third Annual Mother Teresa Memorial Lecturer on the topic "Mother and Compassion" on April 16, 2010. In July 2010 HH Dalai Lama will be 75 and also Prof. V.N. Rajasekharan Pillai, Vice-Chancellor, IGNOU in his welcome address offered to establish a **Centre for Tibetan Studies** in the SOSW to mark the visit of H.H Dalai Lama to IGNOU.
- AC 53.5.2 The Director, SOSW explained the importance, salient features and objectives of the proposal for establishing a Centre for Tibetan Studies in the School of Social Work, the objectives of the Centre for Tibetian Studies will be;

He also proposed for requirement of the following academic and non academic positions for the centre. **Requirement of Staff**

Academic Positions		Non-Academic Positions	
Professor	1	AR	1
Associate Professor	1	PA-II	1
Assistant Professor	1	Stenographer	1
		Sr. Assistant	1
		DEO	1
		JAT	1
		Attendant	1

AC 53.5.3 The Academic Council approved the proposal for establishment of Centre for Tibetan Studies in principle subject to the condition that the creation of Teaching and non academic positions will be subject to the approval by the other statutory bodies of the University as per the requirement.

ITEM NO. 6 To consider and approve the Proposal for establishing "Mother Teresa Chair" – SOSW

AC 53.6.1 It was presented that the Prime Minister's Office has communicated through the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Deptt. of Higher Education that all Central Universities may establish Mother Teresa Chair as part of the centenary celebration of holy Mother Teresa from 26th August 2009 to 26th August 2010. IGNOU has undertaken some initiatives to honour Mother Teresa which include the naming of the Computer Division building as "Mother Teresa Bhavan" and organizing the Annual Mother Teresa Memorial Lecture by inviting eminent personalities.

The inaugural lecture was delivered by Dr. A.P.J. Abdul Kalam former President of India, in 2008 on "Giving dignity of human life". The second

lecture was delivered by Mr. Navin B. Chawla, Chief Election Commissioner of India, in 2009 on "Electoral democracy in India" and the third lecture was delivered by his Holiness, the Dalai Lama on April 16, 2010.

The Chair could be an independent unit focusing on socially relevant programmes in the area of Philanthropy and Inter-religious studies and extra-curricular activities which could include implementation of couple of projects having targeted intervention among the poorest of the poor such as the leprosy patients, HIV infected, orphans, beggars, refugees, destitute, migrant workers, street children etc. which were areas of major concern of late Blessed Mother Teresa.

AC 53.6.2 The Director, SOSW explained the significance, salient features and objectives of the proposal for establishing Mother Teressa Chair in the School of Social Work.

initial stages as given below.

The requirements of the academic and non academic positions in the

Academic Positions		Non-Academic Positions	
Professor	1	AR	1
Associate Professor	1	PA-II	1
Assistant Professor	1	Stenographer	1
		Sr. Assistant	1
		DEO	1
		JAT	1
		Attendant	1

AC 53.6.3 The Academic Council approved the proposal for establishment of the Mother Teressa Chair in principle subject to the condition that the creation of teaching and non academic positions will be subject to the approval by the other statutory bodies of the University as per the requirement.

ITEM NO. 7 To consider and approve the review of various Financial Aspects Relating to Partner Institutes of the University – International Division

AC 53.7.1 It was presented that the International Division functions as the nodal agency to coordinate the activities of the Partner Institute (Private and Public) abroad.

These Partner Institute (PI) offer their services and infrastructure for offering IGNOU's programmes to the Distance Learners on fees-sharing basis. The fee of the student is shared between IGNOU and PI. As per MoU, they are supposed to remit the dues within 4 weeks of being informed of the suitability of the candidates for admission to the programmes with complete details i.e. raising the Invoice by the University. IGNOU has been experiencing some difficulties in realizing the outstanding dues from some of the Partner Institutes.

In order to overcome the difficulties, International Division proposed the following for consideration of the Council:

- 1) Acceptance of Local Currency from Ethiopia as a special case. Time and again, Partner Institute of Ethiopia has been informing that there is acute shortage of US\$ due to which they are enable to remit the dues as scheduled. A committee, duly approved by Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, examined the issue and submitted its recommendations for accepting local currency from Ethiopia as a special case for interim period till the economy of the country is stabilized.
- Inclusion of Penalty Clause for defaulter PIs in the Invoice for IGNOU's share of Fee. It has been observed that some of the PIs are not remitting or remitting a part after a long gap. To curb this practice of PIs while remitting IGNOU's share, the above mentioned Committee recommended for inclusion of Penalty Clause in the Invoice as detailed below:
 For the First Month 2% of the total outstanding

For the First Month2% of the total outstandingFor second & subsequent months5% of the total outstanding

- 3) Proposal for obtaining Bank Guarantee from Partner Institutions. In order to realize the outstanding dues of the Partner Institutions, the above mentioned Committee also recommended to have Bank Guarantee equivalent to US\$ 20,000 (from the Bank recommended by Indian Embassy of the respective country of Partner Institution) so that the same may be realized in case the Partner Institutes default in remitting the payment of IGNOU.
- AC 53.7.2 During the discussions issues were raised relating to acceptance of the fees from the Partner Institute in their currency and clearance from the authorities i.e. Ministry of External Affairs & Finance.

The Academic Council suggested that the committee may be constituted to look into the issues involved in accepting of local currencies, inclusion of penalty clause and obtaining guarantee from Partner Institutes in detail and make its recommendations on the proposal.

AC 53.7.3 The Academic Council approved the proposal in principle and suggested that all the issues involved should be looked into by the committee as suggested in resolution no. AC 53.7.2 above and its recommendations for evolving the fool proof system may be placed before the Academic Council.

ITEM NO.8 To consider and approve the Fee for Conduct of Term End Examination of the University in the Indian Embassy at Overseas – International Division

- AC 53.8.1 The Director International Division informed that the Division has noticed that students migrate and request for conduct of examination at overseas where no Partner Institute of the University operational. However, as per the norms of the University, the student is permitted to take the exam in such country only twice provided Indian Embassy in that country agrees to conduct the Term End Exam as per Indian Standard Time (IST). Such student is required to remit a fee of US\$ 60 for appearing for the first time and US\$ 110 for the second chance. The University has a provision to make payment to the Exam Supdt. / Coordinator, Exam Centre, Invigilator, Attendant etc. for conduct of Term End Exam at exam centres run by Government / Private Institution. However, no provision has been made with regard to conduct of Term End Exam in the Indian Embassy at overseas country. As gesture of honour, it is proposed that the fees paid by such students be shared between the Embassy in question and IGNOU equally. For this, the student may be asked to remit 50% of the Fee to the Embassy and 50% to IGNOU. This will facilitate the student in obtaining the consent of the Embassy for conduct of the exam there.
- AC 53.8.2 During the discussions Dr. Pankaj Khare raised the issue of payment where there are no Partner Institutions.
- AC 53.8.3 The Academic Council deliberated the issues involved in detail and resolved that the Director International Division may take up the matter with Ministry of External Affairs and resolve the issues.
- ITEM NO.9 To consider and approve the proposal for charging Penalty for declaration of withheld result due to appearing the University's Examination by the Student without Re-admission / Re-registration – (International Division)
- AC 53.9.1 The International Division had submitted the proposal for charging Penalty for declaration of withheld results due to appearing in the University's Examination by the international student without Readmission /Re-registration as a penalty of ₹1000 is imposed on the students with in the country for doing so.
- AC 53.9.2 During the discussion Sh. P.V. Suresh, Member pointed out that the admit card issued to the students should have instructions to make them aware of the terms and conditions for appearing in the term end examinations. The other members opined that proper systems are to be developed to monitor the registration.

The Chairman expressed that how the concerned divisions are issuing the admit cards for the TEEs without Re-registration/Re-admission of the courses/programmes. He felt that the students could not be penalized for

the lapses of the University. He agreed the views of the members that proper system has to be developed and carefully monitored so that admit cards for TEEs are issued to only to registered students for the courses/Re-registered students of the programmes.

AC 53.9.3 The Academic Council deferred the proposal of charging penalty from the international students who appear in the examinations without re-admission / re-registration.

ITEM NO. 10 To consider and approve the Programme of Certificate in Chinese Language and Culture – SOFL

- AC 53.10.1 The School of Foreign Language had submitted the concept paper on Chinese Language and Chinese Culture programme in Indira Gandhi National Open University along with Phase 3 Form for Certificate in Chinese Language (Face-to-Face mode).
- AC 53.10.2 During the discussions the members expressed their views that the University should follow the procedures and regulations which are being followed in the other conventional Universities to workout the numbers of hour of teaching hours, class room infrastructure and there should not be any Phase form as in the case of programmes in ODL system. The University shall also make institutional framework and format for on-campus programmes following the procedures which are available in the other universities and UGC guidelines for the purpose.
- AC 53.10.3 The Academic Council after deliberating on the above subject resolved to approve the Phase 3 form (Annexure 5) and authorized the Chairman to constitute 3 to 5 members committee for finalizing the procedures, rules regulations and other requirements for on-campus programmes.

ITEM NO. 11 To consider and approve the Course Work and Minutes of Experts Committee for Designing Course Work for Ph.D. in French - SOFL

- AC 53.11.1 It was presented that the proposal for launch of Ph.D. in French was approved by the Research Council at its 15th Meeting and consequently by the Academic Council in its 51st Meeting. The Course Work has been approved by the Expert Committee and the Minutes of the same along with the Course Work were approved by the School Board of School of Foreign Languages at its 4th Meeting held on 9th July 2010.
- AC 53.11.2 The Academic Council considered and approved the Course Work (Annexure 6) for Ph.D. programme in French.

At his stage, the Chairman suggested to take up the items 66 and 67 as the experts related to these items have to go.

The Chairman informed that the IGNOU has signed MoU with Indian Army and offering programmes under Gyandeep Project. He has invited Maj. Gen. S.P. Kochhar to make the presentation regarding the vertical mobility of Associate Degree holders of Army IGNOU Community colleges under this project and requested for consideration of agenda items on the above project.

ITEM NO. 66 To consider the vertical mobility of Associate Degree holders of Army IGNOU Community colleges under Gyandeep Project into IGNOU Under-graduate Programmes (BA/BCOM/B.Sc./BTS) – Minutes of the meeting held on 22/09/2010 for approval.

- AC 53.66.1 The Vice-Chancellor informed that the Indira Gandhi National Open University has signed a MoU with Indian Army on 4.09.2009 under Gyandeep Project (Army-IGNOU Community Colleges).
- Under this MoU the IGNOU and Indian Army jointly develop the AC 53.66.2 programmes for the award of Certificate (16 credits), Diploma (32 credits) and Associate Degree (64 credits) to the Army Personnel Below Officer's Rank (PBORs). Further it was proposed to extend the facility of vertical 3rd to vear of IGNOU's Bachelor mobility Degree of BA/B.Com/B.Sc./BTS to obtain 32 credits and award of Bachelor Degree of 96 credits. Consequently a meeting of the Army Community Colleges was held on 22.9.2010 under the chairmanship of the Vice-Chancellor, IGNOU with PVC (LP), faculty of six community colleges, Directors of SOH, SOS, SOMS, SOSS, SOTHSSM and the Registrars of SED, SRD to deliberate upon the proposal of vertical mobility from Associate Degree into BA/B.Com/B.Sc./BTS degrees. The faculty of each Army College which are specialized in their areas in providing training to lacs of soldiers under the supervision of thousands of faculty members, professors and experts with the State of Art Technology and Infrastructure gave a detailed Power Point Presentation. The detailed report of the minutes of the meeting held on 22.09.2010 was presented before the Academic Council.
- AC 53.66.3 Major General S.P. Kochhar was invited as a special invitee to this Academic Council meeting. Major General S.P. Kochhar briefly described the IGNOU- Army Collaboration, which was followed by a detailed presentation by the Pro-Vice Chancellor (copy attached). As per the approved MoU between IGNOU and the Indian Army the council was informed and the present status of the project which is as follows:
 - Students registered: 98,500 appx.
 - Convocations held: 3
 - Certificates awarded: 2255
 - Diplomas awarded:646
 - Associate Degrees awarded: 271
 - Convocations to be held: Two (29 September & 31 October) 1379 Certificates, Diplomas and Associate Degrees each will be awarded.

The presentation highlighted the detailed mapping done by the Army of their programmes vis-à-vis IGNOU's programmes, structure of the Community Colleges in the Army, the framework of CCs in the Army, their approach to training, infrastructure facilities available such as workshops, computer laboratories, simulation models and other state-of-the-art, educational facilities. The army has also done an extensive exercise of the various courses their personnel could adopt from IGNOU for the third year.

Based on the above information, the Council recommended that:

- All Associate Degree holders interested in registering with IGNOU for the third year may exercise their option through the concerned Regimental Training Centre:
- For the session July 10, the first batch of 271 (approximately) students who had obtained Associate Degree from IGNOU to be registered into the third year of IGNOU.
- The third year programme of IGNOU may be done through the Study Centres of the Army/any other educational facility of the Army or through the distance mode.
- The Army will make available to IGNOU the repository of its programmes for use by other Community College/ students of IGNOU.

Major General S.P. Kochhar also explained the functioning of their Community Colleges and the need for Vertical Mobility. While deliberations he made an offer of sharing Army course material for IGNOU programmes. Dr. Latha Pillai, Pro-Vice-Chancellor, IGNOU made a detailed power point presentation on various academic activities under Gyandeep Project. It was informed that at present about 98,500 army staff enrolled in the programmes. The members of the Academic Council appreciated the presentation and initiatives taken by both Army and the University under Gyandeep Project for vertical mobility of Associate Degree holders of Army-IGNOU Community Colleges. The members viewed that it is another excellent success story in the IGNOU initiatives.

AC 53.66.4 The Academic Council considered and approved the minutes of the meeting held on 22.09.2010 (Annexure 7). The Academic Council further decided that a Committee may be constituted to visit the Army Centres to interact with their faculty, to see the infrastructural facilities i.e Library and Laboratory facilities etc, available for vertical mobility. The Committee shall also make recommendations in respect of courses to be offered in third year of B.A/ B.Com/ B.Sc/BTS and the complete methodology i.e. fee structure, registration, delivery system examination evaluation etc., for implementation of the scheme of Vertical Mobility i.e. from Associate Degree to third year Degree programme. The Council authorized the Vice-Chancellor to constitute the Committee and approved the vertical mobility from Associate Degree (Advanced Diploma) to the third year of the Degree Programme. The Committee constituted will suggest the courses need to be part of the 3rd year degree programme. The entry into the 3^{rd} year will be w.e.f. the July 2010 session for which admissions are in the process of finalization. The Academic Council also approved the relevant regulations ordinances for this vertical mobility. The fees for the 3^{rd} year is 1/3 of the total BDP fees.

ITEM NO. 67 To consider for extending the Gyandeep (Army-IGNOU Community College) activities to Army Officers for obtaining IGNOU MBA-Report of the expert committee for approval.

- AC 53.67.1 It was informed that, based on the request of the Army to extend the Gyandeep project to officers of the army, an expert committee was constituted to visit the Army Training Intuitions at MHOW to examine the course done by Army Officers at these institutions and recommend the Quantum of Credit that can be allotted to the courses to partially meet the requirement for award of MBA degree exclusively for Army Staff/officers by IGNOU.
- AC 53.67.2 Prof. L. Venugopal Reddy, former Vice-Chancellor, Andhara University & Nagarjunna University, member Academic council, and member of this Expert Committee, informed that this Committee consisting of Prof. D.K. Banwet, IIT Delhi; Prof. MSS Raju, Director, ACD, IGNOU, Brig; J. George, IHQ of MoD (Army), Army Representative; Shri K Laxman, OSD, AICCU, IGNOU, visited Army War College, Military College of Telecommunication Engineering (MCTE) and Infantry School, MHOW. The committee interacted with the faculty and staff of the above institutions and carefully gone through the curriculum being followed while imparting training to officers of the Army. The centers such as young officers (YOs) Programme; Junior Command Officers (JCOs) programme; and Senior Command Officers (SCOs) programme.

The committee also examined the infrastructural facilities at all three colleges. It was found that the curriculum covered in all courses of the three programmes are fairly exhaustive and has a significant portion related to management of finance, men, material, strategies, operational research etc. All the institutions have state of Art facilities like hostel, technology supported classrooms, experienced faculty, systematic learners' support system, Library, labs, ODL system etc.

- AC 53.67.3 The expert committee of the view that the vast experience accumulated by Army Officers during their service career, substantiated by the intense training provided by Army Training Institutions which have a rich blend of theory and field work provide adequate grounds for extension of credits which could partially meet the credit requirements for award of an MBA degree exclusively for Army officers/staff by IGNOU. The committee also examined the IGNOU courses of JCOs, SCOs and YOS of Army War College, MCTE and recommended the course structure.
- AC 53.67.4 The Academic Council considered and approved the report of the expert committee visit (Annexure 8) along with the IGNOU courses and ARMY WAR COLLEGE courses as Specialization courses for award of MBA

exclusively for Army officers/staff by IGNOU. Since they were admitted to the training after a rigorous entrance test, they need not undergo a further university level entrance test for MBA admission.

ITEM NO. 12 To consider and approve the First Year Curriculum of MA in Women's and Gender Studies (On-Campus Mode) - SOGDS

AC 53.12.1 The item was presented that the programme will have an exit point i.e., PG Diploma, after completion of the first year curriculum. The first year curriculum will be identical for both modes. In second year, two optional specializations will be available for ODL students only. The second year curriculum for both on campus and ODL modes is currently under development, and will be placed before the Academic Council after finalization and approval of the School Board of SOGDS.

The School Board at its 7th Meeting held on 19.04.2010 approved the first year curriculum of the MA programme. The Vice-Chancellor has approved the launch of MA in Women's and Gender Studies programme from July 2010.

AC 53.12.2 The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the detailed course outline for first year courses for both on campus and ODL modes (Annexure 9).

ITEM NO. 13 To consider the proposal for introduction of various fees in addition to tuition fee for full time programmes and to introduce add on fee structure from next cycle of admission 2010-11 - (SRD)

- AC 53.13.1 The item was presented that the University has been offering full time programmes at IGNOU Campus from 2009 and providing facilities other than class room teaching to the students for these programmes. It is therefore, proposed to have the following fee structure for on campus programmes.
 - 1. Student registration charges of ₹1000/- will be charged from the Students (one time).
 - 2. Caution money ₹2000/- will be charged from the Student (one time to be refunded on completion of the programme and when the student apply for it).
 - 3. Library fee which will include issuance of Library Card, issuance of books etc. ₹ 500/- per annum will be charged from the student.
 - Identity Card fee ₹150/- will be charged from the Student (one time) and ₹ 50/- for issue of duplicate Identity Card, if demanded by the Student.
 - 5. Student Re-registration charges of ₹ 500/- to be paid at the time of reregistration (along with II Semester/IInd year fee)

AC 53.13.2 The proposal was prepared after consulting the concerned Directors of the Schools which are offering these on campus full time programmes. The most of the Directors agreed to the above proposal in principle.

AC 53.13.3 The Academic Council approved the proposal for introduction of above add on fee structure from the next cycle of admission 2010-11 for on campus programme.

ITEM NO. 14 To consider and approve the revised policy for funding of the Institution under the Convergence Scheme – Convergence Unit

- AC 53.14.1 The Member Secretary presented the items that the Convergence Scheme has been operational since last two years. The Unit is receiving applications from different types of institutions and considered for convergence scheme has been analyzed. Their performance in terms of student enrollment has been monitored for the last four sessions. Based on the experiences and feed back, it is necessary to review and revise the funding policy of the convergence scheme.
- AC 53.14.2 The Academic Council resolved that a committee should be constituted by the Vice-Chancellor to review the progress of Convergence Scheme in detail for preparing a scheme of funding policy under convergence scheme. The council further authorized the Vice-Chancellor to constitute the committee consisting of four to five members under the Chairmanship of a Pro-Vice-Chancellor of the University to study the impact and utility of the scheme.

ITEM NO. 15 To consider and approve the scheme for Establishment of Learner Support Centres under Public - Private Partnership Scheme – Regional Service Division (RSD)

- AC 53.15.1 The Member Secretary informed that Regional Services Division had proposed the scheme for establishment of Learner Support Centres under Public - Private Partnership Scheme.
- AC 53.15.2 Since there was no representative of the Regional Services Division available to explain the issues raised by the members, it was decided to defer the item and consider it in the next meeting of Academic Council.
- ITEM NO. 16 To consider and approve the Proposal for Sharing of Fee of the Academic Programmes launched by the National Centre for Disability Studies in Collaboration with Rehabilitation Council of India - NCDS
- AC 53.16.1 The item was presented that the National Centre for Disability Studies (NCDS) has submitted a proposal for Sharing of Fee of the Academic Programmes launched by the National Centre for Disability Studies in collaboration with Rehabilitation Council of India. These programmes are being delivered through the Special Study Centres (SSC) located at various Institutions throughout the country. As per the policy decision taken by the University, the responsibilities for providing the students support services to the learners enrolled for the programmes launched by the NCDS, lie with the Special Study Centres. These programmes are in collaboration with RCI and initially all the development cost of the Study material was met by RCI.

Programme	IGNOU Share	RCI Share	SSC Share
MEDSEMR	40%	10%	50%
MEDSEVI	40%	10%	50%
MEDSEHI	40%	10%	50%
PGPDSEMR	40%	10%	50%
PGPDSEVI	40%	10%	50%
PGPDSEHI	40%	10%	50%
PGPCSEMR	30%	10%	60%
PGPCSEVI	30%	10%	60%
PGPCSEHI	30%	10%	60%
PGDMD	20%	10%	70%
CESE-MR	25%	10%	65%
CESE-CP	25%	10%	65%
CESE-HI	25%	10%	65%
CESE-VI	25%	10%	65%

The following fee sharing pattern may be approved for the programmes of NCDS.

- AC 53.16.2 The Academic Council considered and approved the proposal for sharing of fees of the above Academic Programmes launched by the NCDS in collaboration with Rehabilitation Council of India as per details given in (Annexure 10).
- ITEM NO. 17 To ratify the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in approving the decisions reached in the meeting of Expert Committee for Online Examination RIVET
- AC 53.17.1 The Member Secretary informed that the Academic Council at its 50th Meeting held on 8th October 2009 vide Resolution No. 50.19.3 ratified the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor for online examination, evaluation and Certification of performance of students in the Vocational Education and Training (VET) stream under Regional Institute of Vocational Education (RIVET-EZ) and suggested that Prof. Pandav Nayak OSD RIVET should discuss the matter in detail with Registrar(SED) in order to frame a detailed policy note regulations for online examination. Accordingly, a meeting of the Joint Coordination Committee of IGNOU SAHAJ was held on 29th April 2010.
- AC 53.17.2 The Academic Council approved the minutes (Annexure 11) of the Expert Committee meeting held on 29th April 2010.

- ITEM NO. 18 To ratify the approval of Phase-3 forms by the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor for the M.Tech programmes (10 programmes) – offered jointly by IGNOU and International Institute of Information Technology (I²IT), Pune – ACIIL
- AC 53.18.1 The item was presented that ACIIL, IGNOU has entered into an MoC with I²IT, Pune to set up a Center of Excellence for Advanced Education and Research in their campus at Pune. This Center of Excellence will offer M.Tech. in Advanced Information Technology with 10 specializations. All the programmes are duly approved by School Board/JCC meeting held on 24th June 2010.
- AC 53.18.2 Prof. K. Subhramaniam, Director (ACIIL) explained the details of the Programmes being offered in collaboration with I²IT, Pune and informed that the Phase-3 forms for M.Tech Programmes (10 Programmes) as per detail given below have been approved by the Vice-Chancellor.
 - 1. M.Tech in Advanced Information Technology with specialization in Software Technologies (MTECHST).
 - 2. M.Tech in Advanced Information Technology with specialization in Networking and Telecommunications (MTECHTC)
 - 3. M.Tech in Advanced Information Technology with specialization in Embedded Systems Design (MTECHSD)
 - 4. M.Tech in Advanced Information Technology with specializat Microelectronics & VLSI Design (MTECHVD)
 - 5. M.Tech in Advanced Information Technology with Specialization in Intelligent Systems & Robotics (MTECHSR)
 - 6. M.Tech in Advanced Information Technology in Intelligent Transportation Systems (MTECHTS)
 - 7. M.Tech in Advanced Information Technology with specialization in Satellite Communication & Space Systems (MTECHCS)
 - 8. M.Tech in Advanced Information Technology with specialization in Nanoelectronics (MTECHNE)
 - 9. M.Tech. in Advanced Information Technology with Specialization in Nanobiotechnology (MTECHNB)
 - 10. M.Tech in Advanced Information Technology with specialization in Automotive Engineering & e-manufacturing (MTECHAE)

The above Programmes will be offered fulltime regular programmes at I^2IT , Pune.

AC 53.18.3 Academic Council approved all the Phase 3 forms (Annexure 12) of M.Tech Programmes with 10 specializations offered jointly by the ACIIL, IGNOU and I²IT, Pune.

- ITEM NO. 19 To ratify the approval of Phase-3 forms by the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor for the M.S. in Biotechnology Programmes (4 programmes) – offered jointly by IGNOU and International Institute of Information Technology (I²IT), Pune. – ACIIL
- AC 53.19.1 The Member Secretary informed that ACIIL -IGNOU has entered into an MoC with I²IT, Pune on 8th June 2010 and set up a Center of Excellence for Advanced Education and Research in their campus at Pune. This Center will offer 4 programmes of M.S. in Biotechnology with different specializations. All the programs are duly approved by School Board/JCC meeting held on 24th June 2010.
- AC 53.19.2 Prof. K. Subhramaniam, Director (ACIIL) explained the details of the Programmes being offered in collaboration with I²IT, Pune. The Phase 3 forms of these following Programmes have been approved by the Vice-Chancellor.
 - 1. M.S. in Biotechnology with Specialization in Applied Biotechnology (MSBOT)
 - 2. M.S. in Biotechnology with Specialization in Bioinformatics (MSBOBI)
 - 3. M.S in Biotechnology with Specialization in Stem Cell Biology (MSBOSC)
 - 4. M.S. in Biotechnology with Specialization in Molecular Medicine (MSBOMM)

The above Programmes will be offered as Post Graduate level fulltime regular programmes offered in face-to face mode at I^2IT , Pune .

- AC 53.19.3 The Academic Council approved all the Phase 3 forms (**Annexure 13**) of M.S. in Biotechnology Programmes offered jointly by the ACIIL, IGNOU and I²IT, Pune.
- ITEM NO. 20 To ratify the approval of Phase-3 forms by the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor for the MBA Programmes (5 programmes) – offered jointly by IGNOU and International Institute of Information Technology (I²IT), Pune – ACIIL
- AC 53.20.1 The Member Secretary informed that ACIIL, IGNOU has entered into an MoC with I²IT, Pune on 8th June 2010 and set up a Center of Excellence for Advanced Education and Research in their campus at Pune. This Center will offer 5 programmes in MBA with different specializations. All the above mentioned programs are duly approved by School Board/JCC meeting held on 24th June 2010.
- AC 53.20.2 Prof. K. Subhramaniam, Director (ACIIL) explained the details of the Programmes being offered in collaboration with I²IT, Pune. The Phase-3 forms for the following programmes have been approved by the Vice-Chancellor.
 - 1. MBA with specialization in Marketing, Finance, HR and Production & Operations Management (MBABM)
 - 2. MBA with specialization in Information Technology Management (MBAITM

- 3. MBA with specialization in Telecom Management MBATCM)
- 4. MBA with Specialization in Biotechnology Management (MBABOM)
- 5. MBA with specialization in Service Management (MBASM)

The above Programmes will be offered as fulltime regular programmes at I^2IT , Pune.

AC 53.20.3 The Academic Council approved all the Phase -3 forms (**Annexure 14**) of 5 Programmes of MBA offered jointly by the ACIIL, IGNOU and I²IT, Pune.

ITEM NO. 21 To ratify the approval of Phase-3 forms by the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor for the M.S. (Nanoscience & Nanotechnology) –offered jointly by IGNOU and International Institute of Information Technology (I²IT), Pune – ACIIL

- AC 53.21.1 The Member Secretary informed that ACIIL -IGNOU has entered into an MoC with I²IT, Pune on 8th June 2010 and set up a Center of Excellence for Advanced Education and Research in their campus at Pune. This Center will offer in M.S in Nanoscience & Nanotechnology (1 Programme). The programme is duly approved by School Board/JCC meeting held on 24th June 2010.
- AC 53.21.2 Prof. K. Subhramaniam, Director (ACIIL) explained the details of the Programmes being offered in collaboration with I²IT, Pune. The Phase-3 form of the programme has been approved by the Vice-Chancellor.
- AC 53.21.3 The Academic Council approved the Phase 3 form (Annexure 15) of M.S. in Nanoscience & Nanotechnology offered jointly by the ACIIL, IGNOU and I²IT, Pune.

ITEM NO. 22 To consider and approve Phase 3 form for Masters of Arts in Adult Education - SOEDS

- AC 53.22.1 The item was presented that the School of Extension and Development Studies has submitted the Phase 3 form Programme Design and Detailed Programme Report for Masters of Arts in Adult Education.
- AC 53.22.2 The Programme Coordinator Dr. M.V. Laxmi Reddy explained the salient features of the Programme. The Phase 3 form of this programme was approved by the School Board at its 7th meeting held on 24.05.2010.
- AC 53.22.3 The Academic Council approved the Phase-3 form for Masters of Arts in Adult Education (Annexure 16).

ITEM NO. 23 To consider and approve Phase 3 form for Post Graduate Certificate in Adult Education (PGCAE) – SOEDS

AC 53.23.1 The Member Secretary informed that School of Extension and Development Studies has submitted the Phase 3 form (Programme Design

and Detailed Programme Report) for Post Graduate Certificate in Adult Education.

- AC 53.23.2 The Programme Coordinator Dr. M.V. Laxmi Reddy explained the silent feature of the Programme. The School Board approved the Phase 3 form at its 8th meeting held on 26.07.2010.
- AC 53.23.3 The Academic Council approved the Phase 3 form of Post Graduate Certificate in Adult Education (Annexure 17).

ITEM NO. 24 To consider and approve Phase 3 form for Certificate in Anti Human Trafficking - SOL

- AC 53.24.1 The item was presented that the School of Law has submitted the Phase-3 form for Certificate in Anti Human Trafficking.
- AC 53.24.2 The Director, SOL informed the members of ACSC in the last meeting about the launch of this programme from July, 2010. The ACSC considered and noted the launch of this programme by School of Law. The Phase 3 form was approved in the 9th School Board Meeting held on 3rd May, 2010.
- AC 53.24.3 The Academic Council approved the Phase-3 form for Certificate in Anti Human Trafficking (Annexure 18).

ITEM NO. 25 To consider and approve Phase 3 form for PG Diploma in Environmental Law - SOL

- AC 53.25.1 The item was present that the School of Law has submitted the Phase-3 form for PG Diploma in Environmental Law. The Director, SOL informed the members of ACSC in the last meeting about the launch of this programme from July, 2010. The ACSC considered and noted the launch of this programme by School of Law. The Phase 3 form was approved in the 9th School Board Meeting held on 3rd May, 2010.
- AC 53.25.2 The Academic Council approved the Phase-3 form for PG Diploma in Environmental Law (Annexure 19).

ITEM NO. 26 To consider and approve Phase 3 form for PG Certificate in International Humanitarian Law - SOL

- AC 53.26.1 The item was presented that the School of Law has submitted the Phase-3 form for PG Certificate in International Humanitarian Law. The Director, SOL informed the members of ACSC in the last meeting about the launch of this programme from July, 2010. The ACSC considered and noted the launch of this programme by School of Law. The Phase 3 form was approved in the 9th School Board Meeting held on 3rd May, 2010.
- AC 53.26.2 The Academic Council approved the Phase-3 form of PG Certificate in International Humanitarian Law (Annexure 20).

ITEM NO. 27 To consider and approve Phase 3 form for Awareness Programme on Right to Information. - SOL

- AC 53.27.1 It was presented that the School of Law has submitted the Phase-3 form for Awareness Programme on Right to Information. The Director, SOL informed the Director, SOL informed the members of ACSC in the last meeting about the launch of this programme from July, 2010. The ACSC considered and noted the launch of this programme by School of Law. The Phase 3 form was approved by the School Board at its 9th meeting held on .3.05.2010.
- AC 53.27.2 The Academic Council approved the Phase-3 form for Awareness Programme on Right to Information (Annexure 21).

ITEM NO. 28 To consider and approve Phase 3 form for Certificate in Cooperation, Cooperative Law and Business Law - SOL

- AC 53.28.1 It was presented that the School of Law has submitted the Phase-3 form for Certificate in Cooperation, Cooperative Law and Business Law. The Director, SOL informed the members of ACSC in the last meeting about the launch of this programme from July, 2010. The ACSC considered and noted the launch of this programme by School of Law. The Phase 3 form was approved in the 9th School Board Meeting held on 3rd May, 2010.
- AC 53.28.2 The Academic Council approved the Phase-3 form for Certificate in Cooperation, Cooperative Law and Business Law (Annexure 22).

ITEM NO. 29 To consider and approve Phase 3 form for PG Diploma in Criminal Justice - SOL

- AC 53.29.1 The item was presented that the School of Law has submitted the Phase-3 form for PG Diploma in Criminal Justice. The Director, SOL informed the members of ACSC in the last meeting about the launch of this programme from July, 2010. The ACSC considered and noted the launch of this programme by School of Law. The Phase 3 form was approved in the 6th School Board Meeting held on 18th September, 2008,
- AC 53.29.2 The Academic Council approved the Phase-3 form for PG Diploma in Criminal Justice (Annexure 23).

ITEM NO. 30 To report the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor for giving one-time opportunity for RTAs to register for M.Phil with Integrated Mode (Ph.D.) – Research Unit.

AC 53.30.1 The Member Secretary informed that the Vice-Chancellor has approved the proposal of Research Unit (RU) for giving one time opportunity to RTAs to register for M.Phil with Integrated Mode (Ph.D.).

The University has introduced Research Programme with integrated mode w.e.f. July, 2010. The Research and Teaching Assistantship (RTAs)

Scheme, number of RTAs are registered for full time Ph.D. for various disciplines in the year 2009-2010 (well before the introduction of Integrated Mode). They requested the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor to permit them to register for M.Phil. additionally with Integrated Mode (Ph.D). The matter was placed before the 7th RCSC held on 7th April, 2010. After detailed deliberations the members felt that one-time offer may be given to all candidates (registered before July 2010) with a specific deadline for July 2010 cycle irrespective of date of registration. Anybody who will not report under this offer before the deadline cannot be permitted".

The RCSC approved with a specific deadline as a "one-time" offer to register for Ph.D. with Integrated Mode irrespective of date of registration. Accordingly, a notification was issued to all RTAs on 26th May, 2010 (Annexure 3) with a deadline upto 30th June, 2010.

The following seven RTAs submitted their request for M.Phil registration with Integrated Mode.

1) Ms. Rafat Aara, Social Work, SOSW, 2)Ms. Iti Vyas, SOSS – Economics, SOSS, 3) Ms. Sabha Fatima, SOSS – Economics, SOSS, 4) Mr. Lal Khawangaiha, Rural Development – SOCE, 5) Ms. Kanika Singh, History – SOSS, 6) Ms. Seema Chelhat, Economics – SOSS and 7) Ms. Akansha Shukla, Sanskrit – SOH

The Vice-Chancellor approved and directed to place before the Academic Council.

AC 53.30.2 After deliberations the Academic Council noted and ratified the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor for giving one time opportunity for RTAs to register for M.Phil with Integrated Mode (Ph.D.).

ITEM NO. 31 To ratify the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor of approving the curriculum of the B.Sc. Honours International Hospitality Administration programme - (SOTHSSM).

- AC 53.31.1 Dr. Sonia Sharma, Director (I/c), School of Tourism, Hospitality and Sectoral Service Management has informed that the curriculum for 4yrs. B.Sc. Honours International Hospitality Administration programme was approved by the School Board at its 4th meeting held on 16.10.2009 and by the Academic Council at its 50th meeting held on 08.10.2009. The Expert Committee restructured the curriculum at its meeting held on 09.03.2010. The final curriculum design and structure along with the evaluation methodology format after in corporation of IGNOU component as recommended by the Expert Committee placed before the Vice-Chancellor for consideration and approval. The School Board has ratified the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor at its meeting held on 03.08.2010.
- AC 53.31.2 The Academic Council ratified the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in approving the final course structure (Annexure 24) 4yrs. B.Sc. Honours International Hospitality Administration programme.

ITEM NO. 32 To consider and approve the Phase 1 and 3 form of B.A (Hons) International Culinary Arts Programme of IGNOU-FHRAI (ET) Collaboration - SOTHSSM

- AC 53.32.1 The School of Tourism, Hospitality and Sectoral Service Management has submitted Phase 1 and Phase 3 Forms for B.A (Hons) International Culinary Art Programme of IGNOU-FHRAI (ET) Collaboration.
- AC 53.32.2 Dr. Sonia Sharma informed that the Phase 1 and Phase 3 form placed before the School Board at its 3rd Meeting held on 21.04.2009 wherein the Board members felt that the present syllabus structure was not viable for offering a specialization, as minimum 48 credits are required to offer a major/specialization as per the IGNOU Bachelor's degree programmes. The School Board recommended that the faculty should first take into account the various syllabus structures being offered internationally as there is no such specialization offered in the India Education System. Further the Board Members observed that it is only after due preparation both academically as well as infrastructurally that the programme be offered in future, possibly from July 2010. The Board also referred to another proposal received by the School regarding establishment of a Culinary Art Institute.

As per the advice and approval of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, an Expert Committee meeting was organized on 23rd July 2009 and the syllabus of the programme was framed taking into account the syllabus as proposed by FHRAI-ET. The finalized syllabus was reported to the 50th Academic Council meeting and the 4th School Board meeting (16th October 2009) respectively. As there was no enrolment by any student in the programme launched in the academic session August 2009, the 4th School Board recommended the withdrawal of the programme and consequently due approval was sought by the Programme Coordinator and approved by the competent authority.

However as per resolutions of the 3^{rd} and the 4^{th} JCC meetings of IGNOU-FHRAI (ET) Collaboration and approval of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, it was recommended that the programme stands suspended only for the 2009-2011 batch and that students would be admitted to the programme from the 2010 academic session onwards. The Phase 1 and 3 form of the programme duly approved by the School Board at its 6th Meeting held 3^{rd} August.

AC 53.32.3 During the discussion the Chairman informed that the Culinary Art is one of the important aspects of the tourism in the country and the University is going to have an Institute of Culinary Arts at its Campus. Mr. Y.B. Mathur, Chef was engaged by the University to prepare the project report for establishment of the Institute of Culinary Arts and then requested Mr. Y.B. Mathur to present the detailed project report before the Council. Mr. Mathur explained the salient features of the project report and requirements of Culinary Arts in the field of Tourism its advantages and job opportunities to the students to complete their courses in the Culinary field.

Dr. K.P. Singh one of the members impressed that the Food Processing of Agricultural products (primary & secondary processing) should also be one of the areas which should be considered by the Institute of Culinary Arts.

- AC 53.32.4 The Academic Council in view of its decision at 46th meeting as mentioned above consequent upon the approval of the Phase 3 form by the School Board, approved the Phase 1 & 3 form Forms (**Annexure 25**) for B.A (Hons) International Culinary Art Programme of IGNOU-FHRAI (ET) Collaboration and detailed project report on Institute of Culinary Arts submitted by Mr. Y.B. Mathur for establishment of Culinary Arts and authorized the Vice-Chancellor for initiating the action for establishment of the Institute.
- ITEM NO. 33 To ratify the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor of approving withdrawal of 'Diploma in Hotel Management from an Institute recognized by the NCHMCT of AICTE' as Eligibility criterion for admission to Master of Arts in Tourism Management (MTM) programme in Category II – (SOTHSSM)
- AC 53.33.1 The Director (I/c), SOTHSSM informed that the SRD issued a circular to incorporate the condition "Master's degree awarded without a first degree is not accepted for purposes of admission to IGNOU's academic programmes" in all prospectus that will be printed as a foot note under eligibility criteria.

In view of the above condition, the eligibility criterion of admitting *Diploma in Hotel Management Diploma holders* (admission in Category II) into MTM programme was reviewed and the matter was placed before the 6th School Board meeting held on 3rd August 2010 for advice, since the National Council of Hotel Management and Catering Technology, NCHMCT had discontinued their 3 Years Diploma in Hotel Management programme about 10 years back. The School Board recommended that the withdrawal of the Diploma in Hotel Management **as an eligibility criterion for admission (category II) into the MTM programme from the January 2011 session onwards.** This recommendation was approved by the Vice-Chancellor.

AC 53.33.2 The Academic Council ratified the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor, in withdrawing the 'Diploma in Hotel Management, as Eligibility criterion for admission into Master of Arts in Tourism Management (MTM) programme under Category II.

ITEM NO. 34 To consider and approve the course structure of BHY 011 of BA-IHA Programme - (SOTHSSM)

AC 53.34.1 The item was presented that the syllabus structure and course writers for the course - TS 8 "Understanding Tourists: Profile and Markets" of BA in International Hospitality Administration (BA– IHA) programme were approved by the 30th Academic Council Standing Committee. Later on, during the content editing, some changes were made in the course structure which was approved by the 6th School Board held on 3rd August 2010.

Previous Course Structure:	Revised Course Structure:
UNIT 1: International Tourist Flows UNIT 3: Market Segments and Tourist Typologies UNIT 4: Approaches to Market Segmentation	UNIT 1: Introduction to Tourist Flows UNIT 3: Approaches to Market Segmentation UNIT 4: Market Segments

- AC 53.34.2 The Academic Council noted and approved the revised course structure of BHY 011 of BA- IHA programme.
- ITEM NO. 35 To consider and approve the programmes and syllabus being launched in collaboration with Centre for Corporate Education, Training & Consultancy (CCETC) and Sri Sanskar School of Etiquette & Career Development Pvt. Ltd. – (SOTHSSM)
- AC 53.35.1 Director (I/c), SOTHSSM informed that with the institution of CCETC, the IGNOU signed a MoU with Sri Sanskar School of Etiquette & Career Development Pvt. Ltd. with the objective to develop and offer the following programmes in collaboration with the SOTHSSM:
 - 1) Diploma in Hospitality & Travel Management
 - 2) Diploma in Food Production
 - 3) Diploma in Front Office
 - 4) Diploma in House keeping

Expert Committees finalized the syllabus of the above mentioned Programmes. The School Board considered and approved the recommendation of the Expert Committee along with the detailed syllabus for the above programmes at its 6^{th} meeting held on 03.08.2010.

AC 53.35.2 The Academic Council approved the programmes and syllabus for the above mentioned four programmes-(Annexure 26) being launched by SOTHSSM in collaboration with CCETC and Sri Sanskar School of Etiquette and Career Development Pvt. Ltd.

ITEM NO. 36 To consider and approve the establishment of a Training cell in RC Bhopal – (SOTHSSM)

AC 53.36.1 The School of Tourism, Hospitality and Sectoral Service Management has submitted the proposal for establishment of Training Cell, RC-Bhopal. The Director (I/c), SOTHSSM explained the activities of the Centre in detail before the council. She informed that the Centre has developed three certificate programmes in Hospitality and the study materials are being used by many other states other than Madhya Pradesh and Rajasthan Govt. is also looking for association to offer these programmes.

> She is also working with UNICEF to provide training to Angan Wadi worker as well as training for trainers (TOT) for Angan Wadi workers from Bhopal, Regional Centre, she is also involved in the process of developing 3 additional Diploma Programmes in Hospitality and one PG Diploma in Hotel Operations. The proposal for establishment of a separate Training Cell of SOTHSSM at RC Bhopal was approved by the Vice-Chancellor subject to the condition that the unit shall be selfsustainable by way of projects and students' enrollment revenue with a direction to placed before the School Board. Accordingly, a statement showing the expenses of the proposed cell and its Revenue in the year 2009-10. The expenses incurred are one time expenses to develop the programmes and study materials and programmes develop will be offered by the School in future with printing undertaken by MPDD. The statement of Revenue and expenditure was approved by the School Board at its 6^{th} Meeting held on 3^{rd} August, 2010.

- AC 53.36.2 The Council discussed details of the programme relating to Angan Wadi workers and TOTs by the Centre in Bhopal. Participating in the discussion, the chairman suggested that other students who have not sponsored may also be given opportunity to join in the programme by paying requisite fee.
- AC 53.36.3 The Academic Council in view of the above discussions suggested that the School of Health Sciences should also be involved for the training programmes for Angan Wadi workers and TOT for Angan Wadi workers. It also ratified the approval of the Vice-Chancellor for establishment of the cell at RC, Bhopal subject to the condition that the unit shall be self sustainable by way of projects and student enrollment revenues.

ITEM NO. 37 To consider and approve the syllabus and Phase forms of Post Graduate Diploma in Hotel Operations. – (SOTHSSM)

AC 53.37.1 The item was presented that School of Tourism, Hospitality and Sectoral Service Management has submitted the Phase forms for the Post of Graduate Diploma in Hotel Operations. A meeting of the Expert Committee was held on 23rd July'10 at Regional Centre Bhopal for developing the Curriculum of Post Graduate Diploma in Hotel Operations. The expert committee minutes and Phase 1 and 3 forms along with syllabus and were approved in the 6th School Board Meeting held

on 2nd August 2010. The Director explained the complete curricula of the programme.

AC 53.37.2 The Academic Council approved the Phase 3 form (Annexure 27) as approved by the School Board for the Post Graduate Diploma in Hotel Operations.

ITEM NO. 38 To consider the cancellation of post basic B.Sc. Nursing Degree-SOHS.

- AC 53.38.1 The School of Health Sciences had submitted the proposal of cancellation of post basic B.Sc. Nursing Degree.
- AC 53.38.2 Prof. Bimla Kapoor, Director, SOHS, explained the reasons for the proposal for cancellation of the Degree of Ms. Mariamma George (Enrolment no. 946130320). The main reason for cancellation was that Ms. Mariamma George was not eligible for admission in Post Basic B.Sc. Nursing, during admission and selection, eligibility criteria may have been overlooked. As per the prospectus and application form in the year 1994 on page no. 7 eligibility criteria is given and the declaration on application form given by applicant that

"I hereby declare that I have read and understood the conditions of eligibility for the programme for which I seek admission. I fulfill the minimum eligibility criteria and I have provided necessary information in this regard. In the event of any information being found incorrect or misleading, candidature shall be liable to cancellation by the University at any time and I shall not be entitled to refund of any fee paid by me to the University".

Ms. George has completed her programme in June 1999 and was awarded Degree by the University. Dr. Bimla Kapoor further informed that the matter came to light when the request of the student was not accepted by the Maharashtra State Nursing Council to add her qualification in records.

- AC 53.38.3 During the discussions the Chairman and the members of the Academic Council taken a strong view that degree which has been awarded by the University 11 years before cannot be cancelled for the reasons that a student who has been admitted to the programme without verification of the eligibility criteria by the concerned Regional Director or other staff. The University is further at fault for not canceling the admission during the duration of the programme and permitted the student to appear in all the examination and complete the programme. This lapse on the part of the University staff and hence it requires strict action against the erring staff.
- AC 53.38.4 In view of the above the Academic Council decided that the matter relating to the cancellation of the degree cannot be considered at this stage. However, the action may be taken against the concerned staff, who are responsible for giving admission without verification of the eligibility

criteria from the date of admission to award of degree.

- ITEM NO. 39 To report the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in respect of considering MTE-03 course at par with any other course of BCA programme. SOCIS
- AC 53.39.1 The item was presented that the School of Computer & Information Sciences submitted a proposal **for treating the MTE-03 course similar to any other course of BCA programme,** with immediate effect, in the sense that a student registering for MTE-03 course is allowed, with immediate effect, to pass the MTE-03 course during the validity period of registration to the BCA programme, and not necessarily before admission to 3rd semester of BCA programme.
- AC 53.39.2 Dr. Manohar Lal, Director, SOCIS explained that the BCA Students, who are not having mathematics at 10+2 level, register for MTE-03 course (a mathematics course) along with 1st semester of BCA programme. So far, **student need to clear MTE-03 before registering for the 3rd semester of BCA.** In view of the difficulty, expressed by the students of BCA, registering for MTE-03, in clearing the MTE-03 in the first year itself in order to be eligible for admission to BCA 3rd semester, the Director (SOCIS) requested the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor that MTE-03 be allowed to be cleared within the period of validity of registration of the student to the BCA programme, and not necessarily within first year itself. The Vice-Chancellor has approved the proposal.
- AC 53.39.3 The Academic Council ratified the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in approving the proposal for considering MTE-03 course at par with any other course of BCA programme and to complete this course during the validity period of the programme registration.
- ITEM NO. 40 To report for ratification of the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor for Implementation of Reservation Policy, Govt. of India for admission in the academic programmes having fixed number of seats – SRD
- AC 53.40.1 Registrar, SRD informed that the Vice-Chancellor has approved for issuing the notification in order to reinforce the implement the Reservation Policy for admission in the Academic Programmes having fixed number of seats. Accordingly the notification was issued on 7-9-2010. As per the notification the following reservation are to be offered: 1. Scheduled Castes 15%, 2. Scheduled Tribes 7½%, 3. OBC 27%, 4. War Window 5%, 5. Kashmiri Migrant 1 seat and 6. Physically Handicapped 3%.
- AC 53.40.2 The Academic Council ratified the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in issuing of Implementation of the Reservation Policy for admission as per notification.

- ITEM NO. 41 To consider and approve the proposal to accept programme fee from People of Indian Origin (PIO) students residing in India at par with Indian students - International Division.
- AC 53.41.1 It was presented that the International Division has proposed to accept the programme fees from people of Indian Origin (PIO) students residing in India at par with Indian students.

The Director, International Division informed that she was not clear about the proposal as she had joined very recently and it needs further examination by the division.

AC 53.41.2 The Academic Council, in view of the observations of Director, International Division, deferred the proposal and suggested that Director should examine the proposal in detail and thereafter submit the same for its consideration.

ITEM NO. 42 To consider and approve the proposal for credits and courses for contextualized MSW for the North East Region – EDNERU

AC 53.42.1 It was presented that EDNERU has submitted the proposal for credits and courses for contextualized MSW for the North East Region. The Academic Council at its 51st meeting held on 3rd March 2010 approved the proposal for launching the MSW programme having focus on the North-East with 64 credits (10 theory papers, 4 practicum and 4 non-credit courses, however, now, it is proposed that MSW (Social Justice, Sustainable Development and Peace) will have 80 credits. Accordingly, the NGA Project proposes to offer the FOUR non-credit courses mentioned above as 4 credit courses and thus enhancing the total number of credits to 80 this programme.

In a meeting held on 18th June 2010, the Vice-Chancellor suggested that an agenda item should be placed before the Academic Council along with the rationale and structure of the curriculum and also suggested to obtain the opinion (views) from the experts.

In pursuance of the above suggestions, the Project Director prepared the rationale for conversion of non credit courses to credit courses curriculum for NGA Project and obtained the comments from outside experts.

The Project Director has also enclosed UGC model curriculum 2001 Social Work and justification for enhancement of credits.

AC 53.42.2 The Academic Council considered and approved the proposal for credits and courses for contextualized MSW for the North East Region (Annexure 28) for regular programme.

ITEM NO. 43 To consider and approve the IGNOU-IIA Integrated M.Sc-Ph.D. in Physics and Astrophysics – SOITS

- AC 53.43.1 The School of Interdisciplinary and Trans-disciplinary Studies has submitted the proposal for PhD registration for the students of Integrated M.Sc-PhD. in Physics and Astrophysics was placed before the 16th meeting of the Research Council the salient features of which were as under:
 - The students of the first batch completed their M.Sc Examination in June 2010. The results have been declared. Since the programme is being conducted in the integrated mode, the students have virtually started their PhD work and their registration has to be formalized.
 - Those who will secure 60% and above will be eligible for joining Ph.D.
 - As per the guidelines of IGNOU a candidate has to *inter-alia* submit a Synopsis along with the names and credential of the guide(s) for consideration of the Doctoral Committee (DC).
 - If the Synopsis and the guide(s) are to be approved by the DC and then the candidate gets the green signal from the Research Council for doing the registration.
 - The DC for the said purpose will be constituted with the belowmentioned structure:

Dean-Academic, IIA – Chairperson Research Supervisor A Nominee of Director, IIA A Nominee of VC, IGNOU Nodal Officer, IGNOU

- The academic as well as logistic support towards preparation of the Synopsis will be provided by IIA.
- The students selected for the PhD under this programme are fully supported with a fellowship (presently ₹12,000/- p.m. for the first 2 years and enhanced to ₹14,000/- after 2 years), a book grant, accommodation and medical facilities. IIA will support the participation of students in National and International conferences.

The above said norms procedure has been duly approved by the Research Council through 16.26.1 and 16.26.2.

Subsequently a document was received from the Research Unit which *inter alia* envisaged 32 Credits of Course Work for the students of

Integrated-PhD. In this connection, the course structure for Integrated M.Sc-PhD Programme in Physics and Astrophysics is placed for approval.

A student who fails in the 4th semester M.Sc subjects(s) will be given a maximum of six months grace period to write the exam for the subject(s) once again. The student will be provided stipend and hostel accommodation during the above period only if he/she has 60% and above marks in the successfully completed courses, and is willing to carry out the Post-M.Sc (Pre-PhD) laboratory or observational astrophysics course work.

AC 53.43.2 The Academic Council considered and resolved to approve the norms and scheme for registration for IGNOU-IIA Integrated Ph.D in Physics and Astrophysics (Annexure 29) and suggested that the above Doctoral Committee should be as prescribed in the Ordinance for Research Degree Programme.

ITEM NO. 44 To consider the terminology to be printed on Degree Certificate of B.Sc. (Nautical Science) - SED

AC 53.44.1 The Student Evaluation Division submitted the proposal for terminology to be printed on Degree Certificate of B.Sc. (Nautical Science).

Director, SOET, explained that the Memorandum of Understanding was signed between IGNOU & Directorate General of Shipping (DGS) on 12th February 2004 regarding conduct of Programme of B.Sc. (Nautical Science). As per Section (4) of MOU a suitable terminology is to be worked out by the Monitoring Implementation Committee (MIC) in order to suitably place the DGS name on the degree subject to the approval of the Academic Council.

AC 53.44.2 The Academic Council considered and approved the specimen of degree (Annexure 30) for B.Sc. Nautical Science.

ITEM NO. 45 To consider and approve the proposal received from M/s. Karrox Technology Limited, (KTL) Mumbai – CCETC

AC 53.45.1 It was presented that the Centre for Corporate Education and Training Consultancy received a proposal from M/s. Karrox Technology Limited, Mumbai (KTL) is a leading ISO certified IT Education organization, HQs. at Mumbai. They provide training in different areas like programming, networking, information network security, data base, operating systems, soft skills and management etc. They propose to conduct IT based education programmes with an objective of bridging the gap between academic and industrial requirements, developing directly employable workforce. The company has proposed conducting various skill development programmes like communication skills, professional and leadership skills, advance computer skills, internet technology and web designing, programming of logic and techniques and live skills like personal competency, problem solving, effective work habits, healthy life style, drug resistance skills etc. The programmes proposed by them target transformation of the students by imparting them soft skills while not compromising on the time they devote to normal studies.

- AC 53.45.2 The KTL has submitted the proposal with a view to introduce job-oriented courses so as to make the students job ready. They wish to conduct these programmes both in Distance mode and also in the Face to Face mode. The target groups of students are first year, second year and third year B.Com/BA/BSc (IT)/BMI/BBA students. The CMC approved the proposal for commencement of Diploma / Certificate programmes to be conducted in collaboration with M/s. Karrox Technologies Ltd., Mumbai.
- AC 53.45.3 The Academic Council considered and approved the proposal for need based programmes Diploma/Certificate in Professional Development in collaboration with M/s. Karrox Technologies Ltd., Mumbai. The Council directed to place the curricula of the different programmes in AC/ACSC for approval.

ITEM NO. 46 To consider and approve the proposal to introduce an MBA programme in Fashion Business Management in collaboration with U-21 G and MODSPE Paris – CCETC

- AC 53.46.1 It was presented that the Centre for Corporate Education and Training Consultancy had submitted the proposal to introduce an MBA programme in Fashion Business Management in collaboration with U-21 G and MODSPE Paris. The M/s U-21 Global is a Singapore based online business group. In order to develop educational cooperation through academic exchange/collaboration and joint programmes and to advance education and training, IGNOU and U-21 Global had entered into an MoU on 24th April, 2009. As per this MoU, an 18 months duration Executive MBA programmes in Information Technology has been introduced. This programme is currently on offer.
- AC 53.46.2 Prof. P.R.R. Nair explained that the present proposal is to launch an Executive MBA programme in Fashion Business Management to be jointly developed by IGNOU, U-21 Global Singapore and MODSPE, Paris, in three phases, comprising of face to face, online and blended mode with each partner imparting certificate/degree/diploma for their component of the programme. M/s MODSPE, Paris is the official school of French Federation Ready to Wear garments, specialized on fashion marketing and they are active in delivering academic programmes.

Since it is a collaborative programme between IGNOU, U-21 Global and MODSPE, Paris, a tripartite agreement will be executed between of the three and an appropriate course structure worked out by an expert committee. Within IGNOU, the CCETC will be the nodal point for conduct of the programmes in collaboration with the Advanced centre for Informatics and Innovative Learning (which is now monitoring the Executive MBA programme) and the School of Computer Sciences. Any

assistance required from external agencies in the area of Fashion Design Technology will be availed of as per the University norms.

The CMC has approved the proposal to develop an MBA programme in Fashion Business Management in collaboration with U-21G and MODSPE Paris.

AC 53.46.3 The Academic Council approved the proposal for developing the Executive MBA in Fashion Business Management in collaboration with U-21G and MODSPE Paris and advised to place the detailed course structure and programme curriculum before the AC/ACSC for consideration.

ITEM NO. 47 To consider and approve the proposal from Hindustan Aviation Academy, Bangalore for conduct of MBA programme in Aviation Business Management – CCETC

- AC 53.47.1 The item was presented that the CCETC received a proposal from Hindustan Aviation Academy, Bangalore for develop a MBA programme in Aviation Business Management.
- AC 53.47.2 Prof. P.R.R. Nair, OSD, has explained the proposal in detail and informed that the Centre Management Committee, CCETC after detailed discussions and in view of the MoU with M/s. Cochin International Airport Ltd. for conduct of MBA programme in Aviation Business Management felt that the proposed new programme should not be in conflict with the programme being currently offered at Cochin. While a PG Diploma in Aviation Business Management could be considered, but it was felt necessary to discuss the proposal further with M/s. Hindustan Aviation Academy and also CIAL to avoid any duplication. OSD & Coordinator, CCETC, was requested to have this discussion and come back before the CMC with the details of deliberations thereon.
- AC 53.47.3 The Academic Council considered and approved the decision taken by the CMC. The Council advised that the finalized programme details/structure has to be placed before AC/ACSC for consideration and approval.
- ITEM NO. 48 To consider and approve the proposal received from M/s. Everonn Business Education Ltd. to initiate Academic Programmes – CCETC
- AC 53.48.1 It was presented that the CCETC received a proposal from M/s. Everonn Business Education Ltd. to initiate Academic Programmes.
- AC 53.48.2 Prof. P.R.R. Nair, OSD informed that M/s Everonn Business Education Ltd. is a leading company engaged in technology support to the educational infrastructure in the country and is a listed company in the stock exchange. M/s. Everonn Education Ltd. has an MoU with the University for the conduct of certain skill development certificate programmes. The first batch of this programme has already commenced and was inaugurated by the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor on 14th of August at

Chennai. The company now proposes to establish educational institutions for imparting business education in undergraduate and post graduate level programmes. In this context, the representatives of the company had detailed discussion with us on 14th August, 2010. The company proposes to launch certain post graduate programmes in various parts of the country and abroad through Technology Platforms and direct Face to Face mode to benefit a large number of students to make them employable. The following are the proposed programmes in collaboration with Everonn Business Education Ltd.,

- 1. MBA # years programme General
- 2. MBA Retail Management
- 3. MBA Banking, Financial Services and Insurance
- 4. MBA Education Management

The CMC approved the proposal to develop MBA Programmes, both face-to-face mode and distance mode, by the M/s EBEL in collaboration with CCETC, IGNOU. Dr. Latha Pillai stated that it may be advisable to involve the faculty members of School of Management Studies (SOMS) in order to take the assistance and draw the expertise in development of these collaborative programmes/courses.

AC 53.48.3 The Academic Council considered and approved the proposal for development of the programmes without any duplication with other programmes & IGNOU. The Council advised to place the complete programme structure and details for approval of AC/ACSC.

ITEM NO. 49 To consider and approve the proposal received from Institute of Industrial Management for Safety, Health and Environment – CCETC

- AC 53.49.1 It was presented that the CCETC received a proposal from Institute of Industrial Management for Safety, Health and Environment.
- AC 53.49.2 Prof. P.R.R. Nair, OSD explained the Institute of Industrial Management for Safety, Health and Environment is an organization based in Bhopal. They have submitted a proposal for commencing of MBA Programme in Safety Management. Due to rapid industrialization, the corporate field is facing complex industrial challenges in the field of safety, health as well as environment, thus, necessitating skill upgradation. This in turn has created demand by industries for hiring professionals with safety management qualifications. This is a growing area in the industrial sector and the Govt. also lays great emphasis on this with a view to achieve safe healthy work environment, thereby enhancing production, and productivity and profit. This institute already has an MoU with IGNOU for conduct of various diploma programmes in industrial safety, health and environment management, construction management etc. The institute has necessary infrastructure and academic support for conduct of this programme. It is proposed to launch this programme from the academic session January 2011.

The CMC approved the proposal received from Institute of Industrial Management for Safety, Health and Environment

AC 53.49.3 The Academic Council considered and approved the proposal for development of MBA in Safety Management Programme and advised to place the finalized programme structure and details before AC/ACSC for approval.

ITEM NO. 50 To consider and approve the proposal received from Bombay Stock Exchange Training Institute, Mumbai – CCETC

- AC 53.50.1 The Item was presented that the CCETC received a proposal from Bombay Stock Exchange Training Institute, Mumbai.
- AC 53.50.2 The OSD, CCETC explained that the Bombay Stock Exchange is the largest stock exchange in the country. They have Training Institute at Mumbai. The authorities of the institute had called on us for discussion for launching of an MBA programme and also a Post Graduate Diploma programme with specialization in financial markets. This institute currently offers over 40 courses attended by over 8500 participants in an year. They also offer customized programmes for various corporates, financial and educational institutions. It has required infrastructure facility and faculty support and the school attracts practitioners from the industry as faculty support.

A faculty team of the University will be visiting the institute shortly for further discussion to fine tune the courses and also to ensure the facility available for conduct of the programmes at Mumbai.

The CMC approved the proposal for conduct of MBA programme and Post Graduate Diploma programme with specialization in financial markets.

AC 53.50.3 The Academic Council considered and approved the proposal matter as at above item.

ITEM NO. 51 To consider and approve the proposal received from the Centre for Investment Education and Learning, Mumbai – CCETC

AC 53.51.1 The Council noted that the CCETC received a proposal from the Centre for Investment Education and Learning (CIEL), Mumbai to launch certificate/diploma programmes in Wealth Management in collaboration with CCETC. The CIEL offers a core programme on Wealth Management Certification. The Centre Management Committee, CCETC after deliberations, felt that the proposal needs further clarity. It does not appear to be a limited company, their capability with regard to conduct of various on-line programmes, needs to be seen in person and details like the financial standing, availability of faculty resources, etc. should be ascertained and recorded. It was felt that during the next visit to Mumbai, the OSD & Coordinator, CCETC, could visit the applicant's office to have detailed deliberations and based on this, a further note can be put up to the Centre Management Committee in its next meeting.

AC 53.51.2 The Academic Council considered the views and recommendations of the CMC and decided that the proposal may be re-submitted after careful examination and recommendation of the CMC by considering all aspects and due procedures and norms of the University.

ITEM NO. 52 To consider and approve the proposal received from Training and Advanced Studies in Management and Communications Limited (TASMAC) – CCETC

- AC 53.52.1 The council noted and considered that the CCETC received a proposal from Training and Advanced Studies in Management and Communications Limited (TASMAC) for developing and launching the following collaborative programmes:
 - 1. Master of Business Administration in Real Estate Management
 - 2. Master of Business Administration in Health Care Management
 - 3. Master of Business Administration in Hospitality Management
 - 4. Master of Business Administration in Fashion Management
 - 5. Certificate programme in Valuation
- AC 53.52.2 The OSD, CCETC, explained that the M/s TASMAC is located at Pune with campuses at Pune, Bangalore, Kolkata, Mumbai and London. It is a leading management institute with whom the University has signed two MoUs, one for international programme and another for a PG diploma in Management. Copies of these MoUs are placed below. TASMAC is in the area of management education and training for the last nearly 20 years and has sufficient infrastructural and faculty support for conduct of various academic programmes. Faculty teams from the University have already visited the campuses submitted their reports.

The CMC, after detailed deliberations on the proposal, felt that the programme of one-year PG Diploma has just commenced and also the academic programmes in London campus. While noting that the institute has adequate facilities for the conduct of the proposed MBA/Certificate programmes, it was suggested to wait till July 2011 in order to evaluate the performance of the current batch and examine how the institute has been able to run the first batch of the programme. After making a review, this proposal may be re-submit to the Centre Management Committee for approval for conduct of the academic programmes being proposed by TASMAC.

AC 53.52.3 The Academic Council considered and noted decision taken by the CMC.

- ITEM NO. 53 To consider and approve the proposal received from M/s. Centum Learning (A Bharti Associate Company) for conduct of MBA full time programme. – CCETC
- AC 53.53.1 The council considered the item and noted that CCETC received a proposal from M/s. Centum Learning (A Bharti Associate Company) for offering of MBA regular full time programme.
- AC 53.53.2 The OSD, CCETC informed that M/s. Centum Learning is a constituent of the CCETC and currently are running an MBA Programme through Distance Mode. The first batch started in July 2009 has 198 students and the second batch commencing July 2010 has 450 students.

The company has now approached the University for permission to conduct an MBA Face-to-Face full time programme. They propose to run the course at their centres at New Delhi, Mumbai, Mohali, Pune and Hyderabad. They have adequate infrastructural facilities and faculty support in all the above centres. A faculty team will visit the above centres before commencement of the programme.

The CMC after detailed deliberations on the details of MBA Programme (Distance Mode) being run in collaboration with M/s. Centum Learning Ltd. and considering, that the first batch of the programme in July 2009 had 198 students and the second batch has 450 students. With the expansion of its activities recently to African countries, especially due to the take over of a foreign company, the Bharti Group is on expansion They are in urgent need of trained manpower and to meet this path. requirement they are launching several academic programmes. The current proposal is to conduct MBA face-to-face programme at their campuses at New Delhi, Mumbai, Mohali, Pune and Hyderabad and the infrastructure, financial and faculty support, the CMC approved the proposal for conduct of MBA full time programme by M/s. Centrum Learning (A Bharti Associate Company). After detailed deliberations, the Centre Management Committee approved the proposal.

AC 53.53.3 The Academic Council considered the decision taken by the CMC in approving the proposal received from M/s. Centum Learning (A Bharti Associate Company) for conduct of MBA full time programme. The council approved the programme subject to the adequate infrastructural facilities and faculty resources, which has to be recommended by the faculty team after the visit.

- ITEM NO. 54 To report for ratification of the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in approving Phase 3 form for launching of Degree programme in B.Sc. (IT) in the software engineering stream and B.Sc. (IT) in the networking stream by SOCIS under IGNOU-NIIT joint collaboration for enhancing employability and skills for international students: -SOCIS
- AC 53.54.1 The item was considered and noted the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor, in approving the Phase 3 form for launching of Degree programme in B.Sc. (IT) in the software engineering stream and B.Sc. (IT) in the networking stream by SOCIS under IGNOU-NIIT joint collaboration for enhancing employability and skills for international students.
- AC 53.54.2 Prof. Manohar Lal, Director, SOCIS explained the salient features of the programmes.
- AC 53.54.3 The Academic Council ratified the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in approving the Phase 3 form for launching of Degree programme in B.Sc. (IT) in the software engineering stream and B.Sc. (IT) in the networking stream by SOCIS under IGNOU-NIIT joint collaboration for enhancing employability and skills for international students.

ITEM NO. 55 To report for ratification the action taken by the Vice- Chancellor: Lateral entry policy for NIIT Diploma students to IGNOU B.Sc. (IT) international (for both software engineering and networking streams) – SOCIS

- AC 53.55.1 The Council considered and noted that the Vice-Chancellor approved the proposal of the Lateral Entry Policy for NIIT Diploma students to IGNOU B.Sc. (IT) international (for both software engineering and networking streams).
- AC 53.55.2 During the discussion it was pointed out that the policy should be examined from all legal aspects before it is implemented by the University as it involves legal complications.
- AC 53.55.3 The Academic Council ratified the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in approving the Lateral Entry Policy in principle for NIIT Diploma students to IGNOU B.Sc. (IT) international (for both software engineering and networking streams) with the suggestion that the Legal aspect of the Policy may be examined in detail before implementation.

ITEM NO. 56 To report for ratification the action taken by the Vice- Chancellor: Semester wise payment for B.Sc.(IT) as well as lateral Entry Students: - SOCIS

AC 53.56.1 The item was considered and noted that a meeting was held on 23rd July 2010 to finalize the semester wise payment terms to B.Sc. (IT) and NIIT

diploma students being offered under joint collaboration between IGNOU and NIIT. The recommendations of the meeting for approved by the Vice-Chancellor.

AC 53.56.2 The Academic Council ratified the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in approving the recommendations of the committee (**Annexure 31**) with the suggestion that the legal aspect regarding the payments norms recommended may also be looked into before implementation.

ITEM NO. 57 To report for ratification the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor: Reconsideration fees related to value added services for B.Sc. (IT) international. – SOCIS

- AC 53.57.1 The council considered and noted that a meeting was held on 23rd July 2010 to finalize the semester wise payment terms to B.Sc. (IT) and NIIT diploma students being offered under joint collaboration between IGNOU and NIIT. The International Division has fixed the rate in USD for different kinds of value added services: examination fee, re-evaluation of examination script, issue of certificate and duplicate degree, etc. In this context, NIIT requested to reconsider charging first time examination fee as well as reduction in re-evaluation charges. The faculty meeting was held on 23rd July 2010 and made recommendations for waiving off the fist time examination fee as well as reduction in re-evaluation charges.
- AC 53.57.2 The Academic Council ratified the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in approving the recommendations of the faculty meeting held on 23rd July 2010 (**Annexure 32**) with the suggestion that the legal aspect regarding the payments norms recommended may also be looked into before implementation.

ITEM NO. 58 To consider and approve the proposal for Revised Selection Criteria for post basic B.Sc. Nursing programme – SOHS

- AC 53.58.1 The item was considered and noted that the Academic Council at its 19th meeting held on 12th October 1998 under item no. 19.11.1 approved the proposal for entrance test for the post basic B.Sc. Nursing programme. However in the 20th meeting of the Academic Council held on 17th February 1999 under item no. 20.1.2 the Academic Council accepted the suggestion not to have the entrance test for post basic B.Sc. Nursing programme due to the problem of logistics and cost vs. number of students for post basic B.Sc. Nursing.
- AC 53.58.2 Director, SOHS informed that at present selection criterion for Post Basic B.Sc. Nursing Programme was calculated by giving weightage to GNM marks and years of experience of the candidates. Due to increase in the number of applicants and limited seats and to give equal and fair chance to all the candidates an Entrance Test is proposed. Logistics will be combined with OPENMAT and B.Ed. entrance test conducted Region wise.

AC 53.58.3 The Academic Council approved to have an entrance examination with the condition that the logistic will be combined with OPENMAT and B.Ed. Entrance Test conducted region wise by the University as recommended by the School Board of School of Health Sciences at its 42nd meeting held on 3rd August 2010

ITEM NO. 59 To consider and approve the Phase 3 form for PG Diploma in Disability Rehabilitation Psychology Programme. – NCDS

AC 53.59.1 It was informed that National Centre for Disability Studies has submitted Phase 3 form for PG Diploma in Rehabilitation Psychology is a programme approved by Rehabilitation Council of India. RCI has proposed the IGNOU to launched PG Diploma in Rehabilitation Psychology through distance mode. Accordingly, the proposal was approved by the Vice-Chancellor and the development of the programme was assigned to NCDS. The objectives of the programmes are a) To create a cadre of Rehabilitation Psychologists b) To strengthen the professionals working in the field of disability to qualify as rehabilitation psychologist.

The curriculum of the programme was modified and formatted by the experts as per the IGNOU norms.

AC 53.59.2 The Academic Council ratified the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor and approved the final version of curriculum and Phase 3 Form (Annexure 33) PG Diploma in Disability Rehabilitation Psychology Programme.

ITEM NO. 60 To consider and approve the Phase 3 form with revised evaluation methodology of PG Diploma in Food Science and Technology – SOA

AC 53.60.1 It was informed that the School of Agriculture is developing PG Diploma in Food Science & Technology.

The Phase 3 from for PG Diploma in Food Science and Technology has been approved by the School Board in the 15th Meeting held on 09.04.2010 and Academic Council Standing Committee in the 30th Meeting held on 24.02.2010.

- AC 53.60.2 The Council noted that the weightage of the two components of theory viz. continuous assessment and term and examination has been modified and included in the revised form. The revised weightage of continuous assessment and term end examination is 30% and 70% of the theory, respectively and the Phase 3 form with revised evaluation methodology has been approved by the School Board in its 16th Meeting held on 13.08.2010.
- AC 53.60.3 The Academic Council approved the revised evaluation methodology of PG Diploma in Food Science & Technology (Annexure 34).

ITEM NO. 61 To consider and approve the Phase 3 form of the "Masters in Agribusiness Management" – SOA

AC 53.61.1 The Council considered the Phase 3 Form for Masters in Agribusiness Management programme and noted that

The minimum eligibility for the programme shall be graduation in Agriculture and Allied Sector. Non agri-graduate shall also be eligible for this programme but they have to undertake the two additional bridge courses. The programme will be of total 126 credits and duration of the programme will be minimum $2\frac{1}{2}$ years. The School Board has approved the Phase 3 form of the programme in its 16^{th} meeting held on 13^{th} August, 2010.

AC 53.61.2 The Academic Council approved the Phase 3 form for Masters in Agribusiness Management (Annexure 35).

ITEM NO. 62 To consider and approve the Phase 3 form with revised evaluation methodology and revised eligibility requirement for Ph.D. in Dairy Science and Technology – SOA

- AC 53.62.1 It is informed that the School of Agriculture has offered 'PhD in Dairy Science and Dairy Technology' to augment and strengthen research activities, particularly in the industry, in the area of Dairy Science with focus on Dairy Technology specialization. The Phase 3 form has been approved by the School Board in the 15th Meeting held on 09.04.2010. Subsequently, the Research Council has approved the same vide Agenda No. 17 in its 16th Meeting held on 03.02.2010.
- AC 53.62.2 Now the revised weightage of the two components of course work viz. continuous assessment and term end examination is 30% and 70%, respectively and in addition to the eligibility criteria which were already approved in the RC at its 16th meeting. M.Sc. (Agriculture Processing and Food Engineering) with B.Tech (Dairy Technology) has been included as eligibility criteria for admission to Ph.D. in Dairy Science and Technology. The Phase 3 form with revised evaluation methodology and eligibility requirement has been approved by the School Board in its 16th Meeting held on 13.08.2010.
- AC 53.62.3 The Academic Council considered and approved the revised evaluation methodology for course work and revised eligibility requirement for Ph.D. in Dairy Science and Technology.
- ITEM NO. 63 To consider and approve the proposal of the Discipline of History to adopt the courses from Gandhi and Peace Studies Programmes as optional courses for M.A. History Programme (MAH) – SOSS
- AC 53.63.1 It is informed that the discipline of History had submitted the proposal to adopt the courses 4 credits each from Gandhi and Peace Studies Programmes as optional courses for M.A. History Programme. They are:

i) Gandhi: The man and his Times (MGP-001) ii) Philosophy of Gandhi (MGP-002) iii) Gandhi's Social Thought (MGP-003) iv) Gandhi's Political Thought (MGP-004). The School Board in its 50th meeting held on 18th August 2010 considered and approved the adoption of the courses as optionals in M.A. History Programme.

AC 53.63.2 The Academic Council considered the proposal and approved to adopt the four courses (Annexure 36) of M.A. (Gandhi and Peace Studies) as optional in M.A. History Programme.

ITEM NO. 64 To consider and approve the course structure of the two courses on History of Architecture – (1) & (2) as optionals in M.A. History Programme (MAH) – SOSS

- AC 53.64.1 It was informed that the discipline of History had submitted the Course Structure of the two courses (8 credits each) of History of Architecture (1) & (2) as optionals in M.A. History Programme (MAH). They are:
 1) History of Architecture in India: 1 (Harappans 11th Cen. A.D.)
 2) History of Architecture in India: 2 (Twelfth Eighteenth Century). This proposal was approved by the School Board in its 50th meeting held on 18th August 2010.
- AC 53.64.2 The Academic Council approved the course structure of the two courses on History of Architecture -(1) & (2) (Annexure 37) as optional in M.A. History Programme.

ITEM NO. 65 To consider and approve the Modular Form of the Diploma in Vocational Teacher Education Programme (DVTE) - SOVET

AC 53.65.1 It is informed that the School of Vocational Education and Training had submitted the Modular Form the Diploma in Vocational Teacher Education Programme (DVTE). As suggested by the expert meeting that the programmes can be offered in modular form, the School Board, SOVET in its 50th meeting approved the following:

The revised eligibility for the programme

- 10th + technical (Vocational Qualification (Certificate or Diploma)
 + 2 Year Experience; or
- > 10+2 (Vocational stream/Technical stream); or
- 10+2 (general stream) + technical /vocational qualification (certificate or diploma)

All the above stated qualifications should be from government recognized institute/board.

The options for registration with above mentioned eligibility are:

- Direct enrolment in Certificate Programme (16 Credits);
- Direct enrolment in Diploma programme (32 Credits) with option to exit after completion of 16 credits of the programme; and
- Direct enrolment in DVTE programme in second semester those who completed Certificate programme.

AC 53.65.2 The Academic Council considered the proposal and approved the revised eligibility criteria Modular Form of registration of the Diploma in Vocational Teacher Education Programme (DVTE).

ITEM NO. 68 To consider and approve Programme code for Post Graduate Certificate in Cyber law (online).

AC 53.68.1 It was presented that School of Law proposed to offer Post Graduate Certificate in Cyber law (PGCCL) through ODL mode and also through VEL (Virtual Education in Law), which is totally online with the support of e-Gyankosh

The Director, SOL informed that two different evaluation methodologies have been followed for ODL and online. In distance mode, evaluation of student's performance is assessed through continuous internal assessment and term-end examinations. 30% and 70% weightage will be given to Assignments and TEEs respectively.

Where as through online mode, continuous evaluation is through assignments of 30% weight age and Research paper for all four courses which carries 70% weight age.

(Research Paper will have written project of 50 marks and 20 marks for presentation and Viva-voce through web conferencing mode).

Since different methodology has been followed in online and distance learning mode for PGCCL examination, it is proposed that there should be different code for the online mode of PGCCL.

Hence, it is proposed that online course should be renamed as Post Graduate Certificate in Cyber law-Online and the programme code is suggested PGCCL-OL.

AC 53.68.2 The Academic Council considered and approved the PGCCL programme to be offered through ODL as well as on-line modes and revised name of the online programme and Evaluation Methodology. Regarding programme code it was resolved to obtain from the Planning and Development Division.

ITEM NO. 69 To consider and approve online examination for MIPL and PGDLPO programmes

- AC 53.69.1 The Council noted that the School of Law is offering the following two programmes, PG Diploma in Legal process Outsourcing (PGDLPO-Online) Master in Intellectual Property Law (MIPL-Online), through online platform supported by IGNOU's e-Gyankosh, Virtual Education in Law (VEL) and Rainmaker's E mentor's platform.
- AC 53.69.2 The Director, SOL, informed that the Term End Examination was due for both PGDLPO and MIPL programmes, the School of Law has approached Reliance World web store for conducting online examination for

PGDLPO and MIPL programmes since the total number of students appearing in both the online examination is less than 500 students, the school may be permitted to conduct the online examination with the help of Reliance Web store Limited (Reliance World), who have agreed to provide the back up support and ensures the availability of computers with broadband internet connection in each examination centers as identified throughout India. This proposal was approved by the Vice-Chancellor.

AC 53.69.3 The Academic Council considered the matter and ratified the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor for conduct of online examination for MIPL and PGDLPO programmes of SOL with the help of Reliance Web Store Ltd.

ITEM NO. 70 To consider and approve the Phase 3 Form for the proposed the programme in Foot Wear Technology under IGNOU-FDDI Project

AC 53.70.1 It was presented that the School of Engineering & Technology, IGNOU had signed a MoU with Footwear Design and Development Institute (FDDI), Ministry of Commerce and Industry, GOI, for activating its programmes in Footwear Technology. As per the MoU the School has already been offering the Certificate programmes in Shoe upper cutting, shoe upper stitching and shoe lasting and finishing. The FDDI vide their letter no. FDDI/IGNOU/DT/05/2010 dated April 23, 2010 requested the University to incorporate the following five PG programmes (2yrs duration) and three UG programmes. (3 yrs duration):

PG Programmes: 1) M.Sc. (Fashion Merchandizing & Retail Management), 2)M.Sc. (Footwear Technology), 3) M.Sc. (Creative Designing CAD/CAM), 4) M.Sc. (Leather Goods & Accessories Design) and 5) M.Sc. (Visual Merchandizing & Communication Design)

UG Programmes: 1) B.Sc. (Fashion Merchandizing & Retail Management), 2) B.Sc. (Footwear Technology) and 3) B.Sc. (Leather Goods & Accessories Design)

- AC 53.70.2 Prof. Subhasis Majhi informed the Council that the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor has approved the proposal of FDDI, Ministry of Commerce and Industry, GOI and directed the School of Engineering and Technology for development and activation of these programmes in the centres of FDDI at Noida, Rae Bareilly, Chindwara, Kolkata, Chennai and Rohtak. Accordingly, the faculty deliberated upon the proposal and the course structure for all the above programmes have been developed in consultation with FDDI. The Phase 3 Forms for all the programmes have been approved by the School Board of School of Engineering & Technology at its 38th meeting held on 27.08.2010.
- AC 53.70.3 The Academic Council considered and approved the Phase 3 Forms (Annexure 38) for all the proposed 8 programmes being offered by the School of Engineering and Technology in collaboration with FDDI and ratified the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in permitting the FDDI to

start the classes for the above programmes at 6 centre as mentioned above from the first week of September, 2010.

ITEM NO. 71 To consider and approve the Phase 3 Form the "B.Tech (Aircraft Technology and Maintenance)"

- AC 53.71.1 The Council noted that the School of Engineering & Technology, and Regional Centre Bangalore are developing B.Tech (Aircraft Technology and Maintenance)" in order to launch the programme from January 2011.
- AC 53.71.2 It was informed that the minimum and maximum duration of the Programme will be 4 years and 6 years respectively. The admission eligibility of the programme is 3 years Diploma in Mechanical/Electrical/ Electronics/Computer/Civil Engineering from a recognized Polytechnic or its equivalent; should be employed/self-employed. The programme fee is ₹ 1,48,000/- per year. The proposed programme is unique in many ways and first of its kind in the country and the model generated, to be the best knowledge does not have a parallel else where in the world. It combines distance education with 'one-to-one' contact and emphasis on 'practicals' and 'hands on' there by Engineers coming out are ready to obtaining licenses as well as to start the job in Airports, Maintenance Depot, Factories, Airlines and enhance the reliabilities in operations.

The Phase-3 form along with the course structure of the "B.Tech (Aircraft Technology and Maintenance)" has been approved by the School Board at its 38th meeting held on 27.08.2010.

AC 53.71.3 The Academic Council approved the Phase 3 Forms (Annexure 39) for B.Tech (Aircraft Technology & Maintenance) to launch the programme from January 2011.

ITEM NO. 72 To ratify action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in approving the modalities for launching of course wise registration and examination on Flexi Learn Platform

- AC 53.72.1 It was informed that the Academic council at its 49th meeting held on June 29, 2009 approved the proposal for setting up of Flexi Learn Platform. The platform was launched by Smt. Pratibha Devi Singh Patil, Hon'ble President of India on November 19, 2009. The Platform received the tremendous response and there are more than 25,000 active registered users demanding more courses to be added and also the facility for certification. The modalities for implementation of the course wise registration and certification has been prepared based on the discussion of the Flexi Learn Committee Meeting held on 6.08.2010 and the same was approved by the Vice-Chancellor.
- AC 53.72.2 The Academic Council considered the proposal and ratified the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in approving modalities (Annexure 40) for launching of course wise registration and examination on Flexi Learn

Platform. It was also decided to extend the same condition of a course wise registration to all the Distance Learning programmes of IGNOU. The fees for each course would be proportionate to the number of credits plus a nominal Registration fee of Rs.25/- per course.

ITEM NO. 73 To consider the proposal for placement of advertised positions in Environmental Studies under the Chair for Sustainable Development (CSD) for the Sustainability Science Discipline - CSD

AC 53.73.1 It was informed that the University Advertisement No. 1/ACD/2010 includes seven teaching positions of Environmental Studies under the School of Interdisciplinary and Trans-disciplinary Studies. The positions are: (i) Professor-1, (ii) Reader-2 and (iii) Lecturers- 4. The genesis of these positions lies with the CSD. The CSD made the request for approval of discipline and creation of positions as per approval given to the discipline in the Third School Board Meeting of the School of Interdisciplinary and Trans Disciplinary Studies vide Agenda No. SOIS: 3.13.1 and 3.13.2 held on 15.10.2008.

The subject was discussed in the 48th Meeting of the Academic Council; The Academic Council opined that there is no need to create a new discipline of Sustainable Development. The School is basically interdisciplinary and trans-disciplinary, therefore can cover any discipline including Sustainable Development.

AC 53.73.2 Dr. Latha Pillai, Pro-Vice-Chancellor informed that the Academic Council at its 52nd meeting held on 20th April, 2010 vide resolution no. AC 52.26.3 approved the proposal wherein the Sustainability Science as a discipline was approved under the School of Agriculture and the creation of following position is under process. The Centre for Sustainability Science is offering and developing the following programmes:

1. ONGOING PROGRAMMES

- Appreciation Programme on Sustainability Science
- Leadership Programme on Nutrition Security & Sustainable Development
- Appreciation Programme on "Sustainable Management of Wetlands"

2. PROGRAMME UNDER DEVELOPMENT

- ✤ PG Diploma in Sustainability Science
- PG Certificate in Climate Change and Sustainable Development
- Appreciation Programme on Biodiversity and Sustainable Development
- ✤ Appreciation Programme in Himalayan Ecosystem
- Appreciation Programme on Population and Sustainable Development

Appreciation Programme on Sustainable Development of Ganga

✤ Appreciation Programme on Gender and Sustainable Development The Chair in addition has also initiated two action research projects; one at the Kuttanad Wetland Ecosystem in Kerala on the restoration of this ecosystem and another on Sustainable Biomass System Management in the North East. Based on the activities initiated by the CSD under the Sustainability Science, the Academic Council approved the Sustainability Science as a new Discipline under the School of Agriculture in its 52nd Academic Council as per details given above. Taking into account the work load, the CSD requires core faculty members immediately to coordinate and maintain the online programmes (Eighth session of the APSS, 5th session of Nutrition the first session of wetland) -which involves regular online counseling, and develop the newly created discipline of Sustainability Science and the corresponding programmes. In view of the above it is proposed that

- the posts advertised for the Environmental Studies under the School Interdisciplinary and Trans-disciplinary Studies be located in the Chair for Sustainable Development for the Sustainability Science discipline under the School of Agriculture to support the ongoing activities of the CSD in the area of Sustainability science and
- that a part of the positions (two/ three positions: one professor and/or one reader and/or one lecturer) may be filled from the advertised positions for the Environmental Studies as the Environmental Studies is one of the important components of the Sustainability Science –which integrates **five** E^s viz. Ecology, Economics, Energy, Equity and Employment, and the remaining three/ four positions may be re- advertised for the Sustainability Science discipline with specializations in Energy, Economics/Social Science, Biodiversity and Climate change. This will save the time to sustain the ongoing activities of the CSD and build the framework for growth of the discipline.
- AC 53.73.3 The Academic Council after deliberating the issues involved resolved to approved the proposals regarding (1) location of Environmental Studies under the SOITS in Chair for Sustainable Development for the Sustainability Science and (2) filling up the part of the position (two/ three positions: one professor and/or one reader and/or one lecturer) from the advertised positions for Environmental Studies as the Environmental Studies is one of the important components of Sustainability Science as mentioned above and the remaining four positions be re-advertised for the Sustainability Science discipline with the specializations in Energy, Economics/Social Science, Biodiversity and Climate Change.

ITEM NO. 74 Reporting Courses codes for Degree, Diploma, and Advanced Certificate Programmes in Engineering under IGNOU-VIEP allotted by Planning and Development Division IGNOU for ratification.

AC 53.74.1 The School of Engineering & Technology has reported that course codes

for Degree, Diploma and Advanced Certificate programmes in Engineering under IGNOU-VIEP has been allotted by the Planning & Development Division. The Phase 3 form for these programmes has been approved by the School Board at its 35^{th} meeting and also the Academic Council at its 51^{st} meeting held on 3^{rd} March 2010.

AC 53.74.2 The Academic Council noted the details of the programme alongwith the course codes allotted by the Planning & Development Division (Annexure 41).

ITEM NO. 75 To consider the proposal for changing the mode of admission in Degree and Diploma in Engineering under IGNOU-VIEP for 2010-2011 session only

AC 53.75.1 The School of Engineering & Technology had submitted the proposal for changing the mode of admission the degree and diploma in Engineering under IGNOU-VIEP for 2010-2011 session only. The main reason for changing in mode of admission as one time for 2010-11 batch is that the online entrance examination which was conducted on October 31st 2009 and on December 27, 2009 for admission in diploma and degree in Engineering under IGNOU-VIEP was unsuccessful due to technical reasons. Considering the time constraint the following eligibility criteria is proposed for admission to IGNOU-VIEP programme only one time for batch of 2010-11.

Programme	Minimum Eligibility Criteria
Diploma 1 st Year	10 th Pass with minimum 50% in aggregate
Diploma (Lateral	10+2 with ITI in Engineering Trades/10+2
Entry)	Vocational in Engineering, Streams with 50%
	marks
Degree 1 st Year	10+2 with 50% in Physics, Chemistry,
	Mathematics aggregate
Degree (Lateral	Diploma in Engineering/BCA/B.Sc. with
Entry)	minimum 50% Marks.

AC 53.75.2 The Academic Council considered and approved in changing the mode of admission for the above programmes for 2010-2011 session only.

ITEM NO. 76 Proposal for finalizing the allocation of Institutes to the candidates who have, submitted applications for admission in degree and diploma programmes in engineering under IGNOU-VIEP

AC 53.76.1 The School of Engineering & Technology had submitted the proposal for finalizing the allocation of Institutes to the candidates who have, submitted applications for admission in degree and diploma programmes in engineering under IGNOU-VIEP in 2009 after the advertisement, conduct of examination entrance test on 31.10.2009 (online) and 27.12.2009 about 6100 candidates were declared successful. Because of the issue of running degree and diploma programmes in engineering with or without approval of AICTE, the final allocation of these candidates of the institutes were delayed. From this batch only 2924 candidates have shown their willingness to continue with IGNOU-VIEP. It was decided that these students will be admitted in July 2010 session. After the advertisement for next session, admission process was carried out on the basis of marks obtained in the qualifying exam. Total 7328 candidates participated in the online admission counseling. But at present approximately 6500 application only along with demand drat have been received at SOET.

- 1. As per the direction of MHRD, IGNOU should run full time programme in Engineering and Technology and should follow AICTE regulations.
- 2. All the institutes which are approved by AICTE (total 109) and where candidates under IGNOU-VIEP have been allocated will run IGNOU engineering programme in the second shift (Allocation List enclosed as Annexure 'A' for Diploma and Annexure 'B' for Degree).
- 3. As per the AICTE regulations, these institutions require prior approval from AICTE to run IGNOU engineering programme in the second shift. Since admission process started in 2009 and 2010 and session is already delayed it is proposed that admission for diploma and degree may be started in the AICTE approved institutions with the approval of Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor. As soon as the admission process is completed it is proposed that the complete data may be sent to AICTE and MHRD for there information and approval of the institutions.
- 4. There are 49 institutes (Allocation list enclosed as annexure 'C') which are being verified by the team of experts nominated by project partner on the basis of norms and standards prescribed by AICTE. Since these institutes are not approved by AICTE. It is proposed that the candidates for Advance Certificate (First and Second year diploma) will be allotted to these institutes. These candidates, after completing first year and second year of diploma will be shifted to the near by institutes approved by the AICTE.
- AC 53.76.2 The Academic Council approved the proposal for allocation of Institutes to the candidates who have, submitted applications for admission in degree and diploma programmes in engineering under IGNOU-VIEP.

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

(V.N. Rajasekharan Pillai) Chairman