

Minutes of the 22nd Meeting of the School Board of the School of Gender and Development Studies held on 19th April, 2017 at 11 a.m. in the Women's and Gender Resource Space, SOGDS, Block No. 15, IGNOU Maidan Garhi, New Delhi- 110068.

The following members were present:

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| 1. | Prof. Anu Aneja | Director, SOGDS & Chairperson,
School Board |
| 2. | Prof. A.R. Khan, SOSS | Member |
| 3. | Prof. Annu J. Thomas, SOGDS | Member |
| 4. | Prof. Savita Singh, SOGDS | Member |
| 5. | Prof. Malati Mathur, SOH | Member |
| 6. | Dr. Nilima Srivastava, SOGDS | Member |
| 7. | Dr. Himadri Roy, SOGDS | Member |
| 8. | Dr. Gurmeet Kaur, SOL | Member |
| 9. | Dr. Smita M. Patil, SOGDS | Member |
| 10. | Dr. Sunita Dhal, SOGDS | Member |
| 11. | Dr. G. Uma, SOGDS | Special Invitee |

Dr. Mita Simhamahapatra, SOA, Member could not attend the meeting.

At the outset, the Chairperson extended a warm welcome to all the members. She welcomed especially the following new members of the School Board of SOGDS:

1. Prof. A.R. Khan, Professor, SOSS
2. Prof. Malati Mathur, Professor, SOH
3. Dr. Gurmeet Kaur, Assistant Professor, SOL
4. Dr. Mita Sinhamahapatra, Assistant Professor, SOA

She placed on record her sincere appreciation for the unstinting support, advice and encouragement of the following **outgoing external members** of the School Board:

1. Prof. Kumkum Roy, JNU
2. Prof. Sanjay Srivastava, JNU
3. Prof. Renu Addlakha, CWDS
4. Dr. Meenakshi Malhotra, DU
5. Dr. Anuradha Marwah, DU
6. Prof. Srilatha, Professor, SOMS
7. Prof. Sunil Kumar, Professor, SOPVA
8. Dr. Rekha S. Sen, Associate Professor, SOCE
9. Dr. Shubhangi Vaidya, Assistant Professor, SOITS

Deliberations were conducted on the following Items during the meeting:

Agenda Item No. : 22.1

To Confirm the Minutes of the 21st School Board Meeting of SOGDS held on 30th September, 2016

The Minutes of the 21st School Board Meeting had been previously circulated. No comments were received. The School Board confirmed the Minutes of the 21st Meeting of the School Board of SOGDS, as circulated earlier.

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Anu Aneja

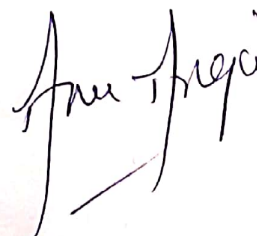
Agenda Item No. : 22.2**To Note the Action Taken Report on the Minutes of the 21st School Board Meeting**

The Chairperson reported the Action Taken on several Items of the 21st Meeting of the School Board as follows:

Item No.	Agenda Item	Action Taken
21.3	To Consider and Approve Phase 0 form for simultaneous development of Gender Sensitization course as per CBCS guidelines	The 8 credit Elective course for BDP programme is to be launched in July, 2017. Course Coordinator will place the Phase-Zero form for CBCS format in the next School Board meeting.
21.4	To Consider and Approve Phase 0 form for coursework for Ph.D in Gender & Development Studies	ACSC - the Standing Committee of Academic Council decided to refer the proposal back to School Board to review it in the light of IGNOU Guidelines for Research Degrees and placed before the AC in its next meeting for consideration. The revised Phase-Zero form is being placed at Item No. 22.4 for review and approval of the School Board in its 22 nd meeting scheduled for 19 th April, 2017.
21.5	To Consider and approve Phase-2 form for PG Certificate in Gender, Agriculture and Sustainable Development Programme	The Phase-2 form was approved by the School Board in its 21 st meeting. The coordinators have forwarded the same for placing before ACSC in its next meeting.
21.6	To Consider and Approve the 2nd level Need Assessment Study of PG Diploma Programme in Gender in Law (PGDLAW) (Modular approach)	The 2nd level Need Assessment Study of PG Diploma Programme in Gender in Law (PGDLAW) (Modular approach) was approved by the School Board in its 21 st meeting. The related item is being placed at Item No. 22.7 for consideration of the School Board in its 22 nd meeting scheduled for 19 th April, 2017.
21.9	To Consider and approve nomination of panel of external members for Doctoral Committee for Ph.D programme in Women's Studies	The constitution of the Doctoral Committee for Ph.D programme in Women's Studies had been sent back by the Vice Chancellor for re-examination as per IGNOU guidelines. The revised constitution of the Doctoral Research Committee as per new guidelines along with the panel of names previously approved by the School Board has been approved by the Vice Chancellor. The related item is being placed at Item No. 22.17 as reporting item before the School Board in its 22 nd meeting scheduled for 19 th April, 2017.
21.10	To Consider and approve nomination of panel of external members for Doctoral Committee for Ph.D programme in Gender and Development Studies	The constitution of the Doctoral Committee for Ph.D programme in Gender and Development Studies had been sent back by the Vice Chancellor for re-examination as per IGNOU guidelines. The revised constitution of the Doctoral Research Committee as per new guidelines along with the panel of names previously approved by the School Board has been sent to the Vice Chancellor for approval.

The Action Taken Report was noted by the School Board members.

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Agenda Item No. : 22.3**To Approve previously circulated names of External School Board Members under Clause 2(e) of the Statute 10A**

According to Clause 2(e) of Statute 10A "Not more than five persons, who are not the employees of the University, Co-opted by the Board for their specialized knowledge in any discipline assigned to the School or in any allied branch of knowledge". The list of names of external members as previously approved by the School Board by circulation had been forwarded to the Vice Chancellor. However, it was noted that as there is no provision of Co-opting the members of School Board through circulation, the names may be approved by the School Board in a meeting. Accordingly the following names were placed before the School Board for approval :

1. Prof. Neelam Kumar, (Gender & Science) National Institute of Science Technology and Development Studies, New Delhi
2. Prof. Neera Chandok, (Political Theory) Delhi University, New Delhi
3. Prof. Malashri Lal, (Retd.) Dept. of English, Delhi University, New Delhi
4. Prof. Samita Sen, (History) V.C., Diamond Harbour Women's Univ., West Bengal
5. Dr. Ashok Acharya, Dept. of Political Science, Delhi University, New Delhi

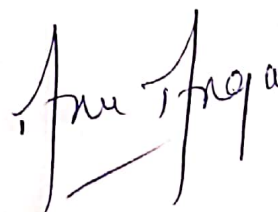
The School Board approved the above names of External School Board Members under Clause 2(e) of the Statute 10A.

Agenda Item No. : 22.4**To Consider and Approve Phase Zero form for pre- Ph.D Course Work for Ph.D in Women's Studies in the light of IGNOU guidelines for Research Degrees**

Prof. Anu Aneja (previous Programme Coordinator) presented a brief background about the Ph.D programme in Women's Studies. The Ph.D Programme in Women's Studies was approved by Research Council's Standing Committee in its 2nd Meeting held on May 18, 2007, Approved by Research Council in its 9th Meeting held on August 21, 2007 (Item 9.2.1) and Approved by Academic Council in its 51st Meeting held on March 3, 2010. The programme design for the Ph.D Programme in Women's Studies was finalized in an expert committee meeting held on 24th November, 2008. The course planning committee meeting for the course "Concepts and Theories in Women's Studies" was held on 23rd February, 2009 and the syllabus of the above mentioned course was finalized. The syllabus for the "Feminist Research Methodologies" course was finalized by the experts in group meetings and by circulation through email between 13 to 18th August, 2009. In the light of the IGNOU Regulations for conducting Research Degree Programme the structure of both the courses was finalized by the faculty in a meeting held on 22nd March, 2017. In a faculty meeting held on 12th April, 2017 it was agreed to place the Phase-Zero form before the School Board. As the programme has been offered only to candidates possessing M.Phil degrees till date, it is proposed to develop coursework in line with the IGNOU Guidelines for Research Degree Programmes. The Programme Coordinatorship of the Ph.D programme in Women's Studies has been relinquished by Prof Anu Aneja and Prof. Debal Singharoy and Dr. Nilima Srivastava has taken up the Coordinatorship for the next two years (2017-2019)

Dr. Nilima Srivastava (Programme Coordinator) presented the Phase Zero form for approval of the following two courses:

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1. Concepts and Theories in Women's Studies (8 credits) (Course Coordinator :Dr. Smita Patil)
2. Feminist Research Methodologies (8 Credits) (Course Coordinator: Dr. Sunita Dhal)

Dr. Smita Patil and Dr. Sunita Dhal (Course Coordinators) gave a brief presentation regarding the individual courses and explained the concept notes, objectives and highlights of the syllabi.

The School Board discussed the syllabi and offered the following suggestions:

- i. A sub-theme on "cultural relativism" may be included in both the courses. (under Theme 6 of Concepts and Theories in Women's Studies and under Theme 4 of Feminist Research Methodologies).
- ii. In the Feminist Research Methodologies course, the theme of 'Thesis Writing' may also include teaching of writing for research (including how to prepare and present research for academic presentations and publications).

The eligibility criteria for admission of candidates were also discussed. The School Board suggested that the following points may be included in developing eligibility criteria for the Ph.D programme:

- i. Master's degree in Women's Studies or Gender Studies with 55%
OR
- ii. Master's degree in other streams with one or two courses in the area of Women's/Gender Studies and/or with demonstrable evidence of teaching and / or research and publications in the area of Women's /Gender Studies.
- iii. Notwithstanding any of the above, the Doctoral Research Committee may recommend any additional coursework to individual candidates as required.
- iv. Fulfillment of eligibility criteria would be subject to qualifying in the entrance test and any other requirements as stipulated by the University.

The Phase Zero form for pre- Ph.D Course Work for Ph.D in Women's Studies in the light of IGNOU guidelines for Research Degrees was approved by the School Board with the above mentioned suggestions.

Agenda Item No. : 22.5

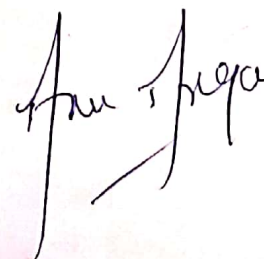
To Review and Approve revised phase zero form for pre- Ph.D Course Work for Ph.D in Gender and Development Studies in the light of IGNOU guidelines for Research Degrees

Prof. Savita Singh (Programme Coordinator) for Ph.D in Gender & Development Studies presented the Phase Zero form for development of coursework in line with the IGNOU Guidelines for Research Degree Programmes. She explained that in the light of the decision taken by ACSC in its 43rd meeting held on 28th November, 2016, that the Phase-Zero form submitted for approval by the above committee should be reviewed by the School Board in the light of IGNOU guidelines for research degree and placed before the AC in its next meeting for consideration, the revised Phase-zero form for the two courses of Ph.D in Gender and Development Studies was placed before the School Board for approval. Prof. Savita Singh and Dr. G. Uma (Course Coordinators) presented a brief about the following two courses:

- i) Gender and Development: Concepts and Theories (8 credits) (Course Coordinator : Dr. G. Uma)
- ii) Research Methodology in Gender and Development Studies (8 credits) (Course Coordinator : Prof. Savita Singh)

The School Board discussed the Phase Zero form and suggested that the following points may be included in developing eligibility criteria for the Ph.D programme:

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- i. Master's degree in Gender Studies or Gender & Development Studies with 55%
OR
- ii. Master's degree in other streams with one or two courses in the area of Gender Studies or Gender & Development Studies and/or with demonstrable evidence of teaching and / or research and publications in the area of Gender Studies or Gender & Development Studies.
- iii. Notwithstanding any of the above, the Doctoral Research Committee may recommend any additional coursework to individual candidates as required.
- v. Fulfillment of eligibility criteria would be subject to qualifying in the entrance test and any other requirements as stipulated by the University.

The Phase Zero form for pre- Ph.D Course Work for Ph.D in Gender and Development Studies in the light of IGNOU guidelines for Research Degrees was approved by the School Board with the above mentioned suggestions.

Agenda Item No. : 22.6

To Consider and Approve Phase-1 form for Diploma in Gender Studies at the undergraduate level (30 credits)

The item was withdrawn as requested by the faculty member concerned (Dr. Himadri Roy).

Agenda Item No. : 22.7

To Consider and Approve the Phase 1 and Phase 2 forms for PG Certificate Programme in Gender in Law.

Dr. Smita Patil and Dr. Gurmeet Kaur, SOL (Programme Coordinators) presented the item regarding approval of Phase 1 and Phase 2 forms for PG Certificate Programme in Gender in Law.

The Programme Coordinators explained the background for presenting the item:

The School of Gender and Development Studies and School of Law were jointly developing and designing the P.G. Diploma Programme in Gender in Law with Modular Approach with exit point at the level of Certificate. The Phase-I form for PG Diploma in Gender in Law (Modular approach with exit point for PG Certificate) was placed and approved in the 15th School Board held on 25th July, 2013. It was also placed in the APC on 18th October, 2013 and approved. The Phase 2 form was placed and approved in the 17th School Board held on 19th February, 2014.

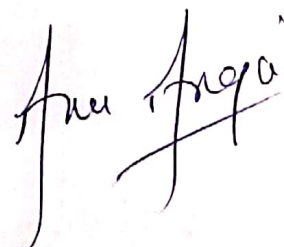
Further, the Phase 2 form for P.G. Diploma in Gender in Law (Modular Approach) with an exit point at the level of Certificate was placed before the ACSC at its 38th Meeting held on 25th August, 2014 for approval at Flag A. However, the ACSC recommended that "there was need to develop this programme in modular format rather than to have an exit point in between". Taking into account all the recommendations of ACSC for developing the programme with modular framework along with need assessments reports and minutes of ACSC meeting, it is proposed to develop the P.G.Certificate Programme in Gender in Law initially. Subsequently it is proposed to develop a P.G.Diploma programme in Gender in Law in modular format.

The Programme Coordinators explained that since Phase -1 and Phase 2 form for the PG Diploma in Gender in Law were earlier approved by the School Board, the Phase 1 and Phase 2 for P.G.Certificate Programme in Gender in Law are being placed together for consideration and approval of the School Board.

22.7.1 To Consider and Approve Phase 1 form for PG Certificate Programme in Gender in Law

Dr. Smita Patil and Dr. Gurmeet Kaur, SOL (Programme Coordinators) reported that the Phase 1 form for PG Certificate Programme in Gender in Law had been revised after being placed before the APC (18th

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October, 2013) and as per subsequent recommendations of the ACSC (38th Meeting held on 25th August, 2014) to develop the programme in modular format.

Taking into account all the previous approvals, recommendations and revisions carried out, the School Board approved the Phase 1 form for the PG Certificate Programme Gender in Law and further recommended that it may be placed before the APC in its next meeting.

22.7.2 To Consider and Approve Phase 2 form for PG Certificate Programme in Gender in Law

Dr. Smita Patil and Dr. Gurmeet Kaur, SOL (Programme Coordinators) reported that the Phase 2 form for the previously proposed PG Diploma programme in Gender in Law had been approved by the School Board and placed before the ACSC. The recommendations of the ACSC for the Phase 2 form (38th meeting held on 25th August, 2014) were as follows: "there was need to develop this programme in modular format rather than to have an exit point in between." Based on the recommendations of the ACSC it is proposed to initially develop the PG Certificate Programme in Gender in Law. The Programme Coordinators communicated that all the recommendations of the ACSC have been incorporated in the Phase-2 form for PG Certificate Programme in Gender in Law.

The School Board approved the Phase 2 form for PG Certificate Programme in Gender in Law. The School Board further recommended that the Phase-2 form may be forwarded for placing before the ACSC in its next meeting subsequent to the approval of Phase 1 form for the PG Certificate Programme in Gender in Law by the APC.

Agenda Item No. : 22.8

To Consider and Approve the Phase 1 and Phase 2 forms for PG Certificate Programme in Gender and Science.

Dr. Sunita Dhal (Programme Coordinator) along with Prof. Savita Singh presented the item regarding approval of Phase 1 and Phase 2 forms for PG Certificate Programme in Gender and Science.

The Programme Coordinators explained the background for presenting the item:

It was earlier proposed to develop a PG Diploma Programme in Gender and Science (with exit point for Certificate). The Phase 1 form for the same was approved by the School Board in its 15th meeting held on 25th July, 2013, and by the Academic Programme Committee in its 43rd meeting held on 18th Oct 2013. The Phase 2 form was approved by the School Board in its 17th meeting held on 19th Feb 2014 and placed before the Academic Council's Standing Committee (ACSC) in its 38th meeting held on 8th Aug 2014. The ACSC recommended that "the need assessment of the programme would be carried out again with the involvement of Department of Science and Technology (DST) and the committee advised to resubmit the proposal with emphasis on modular approach and with appropriate credit requirements in line with the IGNOU norms". As suggested by the ACSC another need assessment study was carried out with the involvement of Science for Equity Empowerment and Development (SEED) division, DST. The consolidated report of both the need assessment studies were placed in the 21st School Board meeting held on 30th Sept 2016. The remaining suggestions of ACSC with regard to cost-analysis also have been incorporated.

The Programme Coordinator explained that based on the previous recommendations of ACSC for resubmitting the proposal with emphasis on modular approach and with appropriate credit requirements, it is proposed to initially develop the PG Certificate Programme in Gender and Science. Subsequently, the PG Diploma programme in Gender and Science will be proposed in modular format. Taking into account previous approvals and recommendations, the Phase 1 and Phase 2 forms P.G. Certificate Programme in Gender and Science are being placed together for consideration and approval of the School Board.

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22.8.1 To Consider and Approve the Phase 1 form for PG Certificate Programme in Gender and Science

Dr. Sunita Dhal (Programme Coordinator along with Prof. Savita Singh) reported that the Phase 1 form for PG Certificate Programme in Gender and Science has been revised taking into account the recommendations of the APC (43rd meeting on 18th Oct 2013) regarding use of Modular approach and subsequent recommendations of the ACSC (38th meeting held on 8th Aug 2014) regarding emphasis on modular approach, appropriate Credit requirements and cost analysis.

Taking into account all the previous approvals, recommendations and revisions carried out, the School Board approved the Phase 1 form for PG Certificate Programme in Gender and Science. The School Board further recommended that the revised Phase-1 form may be forwarded for placing before the APC in its next meeting.

22.8.2 To Consider and Approve the Phase 2 form for PG Certificate Programme in Gender and Science

Dr. Sunita Dhal (Programme Coordinator along with Prof. Savita Singh) reported that the Phase 2 form for the previously proposed PG Diploma in Gender and Science Programme had been approved by the School Board and placed before the ACSC. The recommendations of the ACSC (as per 38th meeting held on 25th August, 2014) was as follows: "the need assessment of the programme would be carried out again with the involvement of Department of Science and Technology (DST) and the committee advised to resubmit the proposal with emphasis on modular approach and with appropriate credit requirements in line with the IGNOU norms". Based on the recommendations of the ACSC it is proposed to initially develop the PG Certificate Programme in Gender and Science. Dr. Sunita Dhal reported that all the recommendations of the ACSC including those related to cost analysis have been incorporated in the Phase-2 form for PG Certificate Programme in Gender and Science.

The School Board approved the Phase 2 form for PG Certificate Programme in Gender and Science. The School Board further recommended that the Phase-2 form may be forwarded for placing before the ACSC in its next meeting after approval of Phase 1 form for the Certificate Programme in Gender and Science by APC.

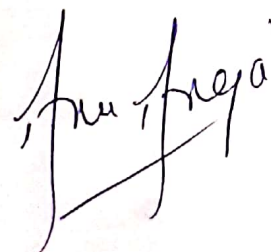
Agenda Item No. : 22.9**To consider and approve names of External evaluators for MAGD programme**

The list of following names of External evaluators (along with CVs) for MAGD programme was placed for consideration and recommendation of the School Board:

1. Dr. Deepika Hande- Assistant Professor, Motilal Nehru College, University of Delhi
2. Dr. M.Poornima- Assistant Professor, Council for Social Development, Delhi
3. Dr. Pushpakumari- Assistant Professor, Miranda House, University of Delhi
4. Dr. Rityusha Tiwary- Assistant Professor, Shahid Bhagat Singh College, University of Delhi
5. Dr. Rajini R. Menon- Oxfam International, Delhi

The School Board approved the above names of External Evaluators for MAGD Programme.

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Agenda Item No. : 22.10

To report on term of new School Board Members under clause 2 (d) of the Statute 10 A as approved by Vice Chancellor

The Chairperson reported to the School Board that the following faculty have been notified as School Board Members of SOGDS for the term from 3rd February, 2017 to 3rd February, 2019 by the competent authority:

1. Prof. A.R. Khan, Professor, SOSS
2. Prof. Malati Mathur, Professor, SOH
3. Dr. Gurmeet Kaur, Assistant Professor, SOL
4. Dr. Mita Sinhamahapatra, Assistant Professor, SOA

The School Board noted the term of new School Board Members under clause 2 (d) of the Statute 10 A.

Agenda Item No. : 22.11

To report on lecture by Prof. Clem Herman on "ODL and Women's Career in IT and STEM" held on 3rd March, 2017

School of Gender & Development Studies (SOGDS), IGNOU organised a talk on "ODL and Women's Careers in IT & STEM" by Dr. Clem Herman, a Senior Lecturer in the Department of Computing and Communications at the UK Open University on 3rd March, 2017. This talk kicked off of the celebration of International Women's Week by SOGDS. The event was hosted in WiNGS (Women's and Gender Resource Space) and coordinated by Dr. Sunita Dhal and Dr. G. Uma.

In her talk, Dr. Herman touched upon the issue of Women's under-representation in STEM education across the world. She attributed this to cultural and social biases that women have to face everywhere. She also dwelt upon strategies to increase participation and retention of women in STEM, based on researched and documented evidences. She advocated the role of Open and Distance learning in helping women equip themselves with STEM related knowledge and focused on using ODL to overcome barriers faced by women 'returners'. She also spoke of UK Open University's interventions using ODL to support women in IT and STEM careers.

Prof Anu Aneja, Director thanked Dr. Clem Herman for the interesting and thought provoking talk on the topic and hoped that the shared ideas would help towards better representation of women in STEM related careers through IGNOU's ODL courses in India.

The School Board appreciated the report on lecture by Prof. Clem Herman on "ODL and Women's Career in IT and STEM" held on 3rd March, 2017

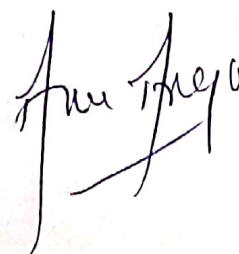
Agenda Item No. : 22.12

To report on celebration of International Women's Day held on 8th March, 2017

School of Gender & Development Studies (SOGDS), IGNOU commemorated International Women's Day by organizing an event where Gender activists working for Gender inclusivity and equity shared their experiences working for the cause especially for women and transgender communities in India.

This year SOGDS organized the event to celebrate the day on the theme "Voices from the Grassroots" highlighting ground-breaking work done by the grass-root activists sharing their work and the issues that women face. The event was coordinated by Dr. Himadri Roy and Dr. Nilima Srivastava.

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The event began with a welcome address by Prof Anu Aneja, Director SOGDS. Prof Aneja talked about the importance of highlighting the work done by gender activists in the remote areas of India. She also spoke on the contribution by the School of Gender & Development Studies in research and other areas of Gender and Development since inception of the school in IGNOU. Prof. Savita Singh anchored the programme and introduced the theme as well as the speakers.

One of the panelists Shubha, a gender activist, and a poetess who has been working in Haryana on issues like female foeticide, women rights, and other ills like Dowry and patriarchal mindset prevailing in Haryana, narrated incidents of the poor state of women in Haryana. She has been running Janwadi Mahila Samiti with other activists in Haryana to change the mindset which according to her is still far away from the just and equity based status for women in India.

The key highlights of the event were voices from the transgender community and their plight in the country. Rudrani Chetri represented the community and spoke about the discrimination faced by them in the society. She said like any other Indian citizen transgenders want to have equal opportunities for education and livelihood and want to be socially included in the society. She runs an NGO for transgender community, Mitr which works towards social awareness regarding transgender rights and on the issue of health for the community.

As the discussant on the panel, Prof Annu J Thomas, SOGDS, IGNOU recapitulated the deliberations. She summarized that social acceptance of all the genders on the basis of equality and equity can only happen through grassroots agents like the ones we heard today. She congratulated them for their work in uplifting and empowering women.

The event was webcast in real-time to all the regional centers of IGNOU. Subsequently, RC Delhi-1 has taken up an initiative to raise awareness regarding transgender rights at the Regional Center.

The School Board appreciated the report on Celebration of International Women's Day on March 8th, 2017

Agenda Item No. : 22.13

To report on the update regarding Gender Sensitization Course for upcoming launch in July 2017

Dr. Nilima Srivastava and Dr. G. Uma presented the update regarding the course material for the course titled "Gender Sensitization – Society, Culture and Change" in English is currently under printing. The material has been translated into Hindi. Hindi material has also been sent for composing and printing. The course will be launched as an 8 credit Elective Course for the Bachelor's Degree Programme (BDP) in July, 2017 session

The School Board noted the update regarding Gender Sensitization Course for upcoming launch in July 2017.

Agenda Item No. : 22.14

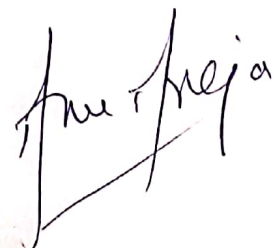
To Report on Rotation of Coordinatorship for Ph.D Programmes

The Chairperson reported on the rotation of Coordinatorship for Ph.D Programmes.

Ph.D in Women's Studies:

In a Faculty meeting held on 22nd March, 2017 it was decided to rotate the Coordinatorship for the Ph.D in Women's Studies as per the IGNOU guidelines for research degrees. Prof. Anu Aneja Coordinator, Ph.D Programme in Women's Studies volunteered to hand over the Coordinatorship of Ph.D. Programme in

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Women's Studies to another faculty with specialization in Women's Studies on the basis of seniority. Prof. Debal Singharoy (previous Co-coordinator along with Prof. Anu Aneja) has also communicated that he would be relinquishing the Coordinatorship as per the IGNOU guidelines for research degree. In the light of the above, Dr. Nilima Srivastava agreed to take on coordinatorship of Ph.D (WS) from 2017-20019 for a period of two years.

Ph.D in Gender and Development Studies:

In a faculty meeting held on 12th April, 2017 Prof. Annu J. Thomas communicated that she would like to relinquish Coordinatorship of the Ph.D Programme in Gender and Development Studies. Prof. Savita Singh expressed that she would continue as Programme Coordinator for the next 2 years (2017-2019). The same was agreed upon by the faculty present.

The School Board noted the following rotation of Coordinatorship for Ph.D Programmes:

1. Dr. Nilima Srivastava, Coordinator (Ph.D in Women's Studies) from 2017-2019.
2. Prof. Savita Singh, Coordinator (Ph.D in Gender and Development Studies) from 2017-2019.

Agenda Item No. : 22.15

To report on lecture by Professor Alan Norrie, Faculty of Law, School of Social Sciences, University of Warwick, held on 10th April, 2017

The Chairperson reported on the lecture by Professor Alan Norrie, Faculty of Law, School of Social Sciences, University of Warwick. The School of Gender and Development Studies, IGNOU organized a lecture by Professor Alan Norrie, Faculty of Law, School of Social Sciences, University of Warwick on 10th April, 2017 at 11.30 am. at EMPC Studio. The title of the lecture was "Love and Justice: Can we Flourish without Addressing the Past?" The lecture was followed by an interactive question-answer session with the audience.

The lecture was coordinated by Prof. Savita Singh and Dr. Smita M. Patil under the guidance of Director, SOGDS, Prof. Anu Aneja. The Audio-Video recording of the lecture was done by EMPC.

The School Board appreciated the report on the lecture by Professor Alan Norrie, Faculty of Law, School of Social Sciences, University of Warwick, held on 10th April, 2017.

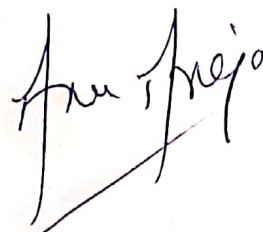
Agenda Item No. : 22.16

To report on the update regarding PG Certificate Programme Gender, Agriculture and Sustainable Development.

Dr. G. Uma, Programme Coordinator reported on the update regarding PG Certificate Programme Gender, Agriculture and Sustainable Development. The Phase-2 form for the PG Certificate Programme in Gender, Agriculture and Sustainable Development was approved in the 21st School Board Meeting held on 30th September, 2016. The Phase-2 form for the PG Certificate Programme in Gender, Agriculture and Sustainable Development has been forwarded for the consideration and approval of the Academic Council.

The School Board noted the update regarding PG Certificate Programme Gender, Agriculture and Sustainable Development.

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Agenda Item No. : 22.17**To report on the approval of constitution of Doctoral Research Committee for Ph.D in Women's Studies**

The Chairperson reported on the approval of constitution of Doctoral Research Committee for Ph.D in Women's Studies as per IGNOU guidelines. The constitution of the Doctoral Research Committee as per new guidelines along with the panel of names of external members as previously approved by the School Board has been approved by the Vice Chancellor

The School Board noted the following constitution of Doctoral Research Committee for Ph.D in Women's Studies approved by the Vice Chancellor:

As per Regulations for conducting Research Degree Programme approved by the Board of Management at its 127th Meeting held on 13th February 2017(Flag -A) the composition of the Doctoral Research Committee for Ph.D in Women's Studies is as follows:

- (i) Director of School (Chairperson) : Prof. Anu Aneja
- (ii) All eligible Research Supervisors of the Discipline :

1. Prof. Savita Singh
2. Dr. Nilima Srivastava
3. Dr. Himadri Roy
4. Dr. Smita M. Patil
5. Dr. Sunita Dhal
6. Dr. G. Uma

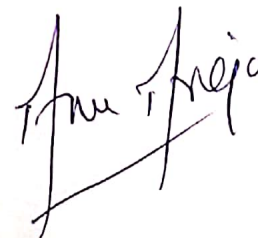
- (iii) One external expert (and maximum three experts) from related areas of Research Degree Programmes from a panel recommended by the School Board and approved by the Vice-Chancellor for a period of three years. Joint Supervisors/ Co-supervisor with the approval of the Director of the School concerned if applicable, may be special invitees to the Doctoral Research Committee:

No more than 3 External Experts from the approved panel will be invited to attend DRC meetings. Names of External Experts to be invited will be decided based on expertise required for registered candidates.

A panel of External Members as approved by the School Board in its 21st meeting (Flag- A) held on 30th Sept.,2016 is as follows:

1. Prof. Malashri, Retired, Delhi University, New Delhi
2. Prof. Maitrayee Chaudhari, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi
3. Prof. Mary John, Center for Women's Development Studies, New Delhi
4. Prof. Kumkum Roy, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi
5. Prof. Renu Addlakha, Center for Women's Development Studies, New Delhi
6. Dr. Anuradha Marwah, Zakir Hussain College, Delhi University
7. Prof. Brinda Bose, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi
8. Prof. Krishna Menon, Ambedkar University Delhi
9. Dr. Deepti Mehrotra, Independent Scholar and Visiting Faculty, Ambedkar University, Delhi
10. Dr. Meenakshi Malhotra, Delhi University
11. Dr. G. Arunima, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi
12. Dr. Janaki Abraham, Delhi University
13. Dr. Karan Gabriel, Delhi University
14. Dr. Anita Ghai, Ambedkar University, New Delhi

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15. Dr. Ravinder Kaur, IIT, New Delhi
16. Prof. Shruti Tambe, Pune University, Pune
17. Prof. Laxmi Lingam, TISS, Mumbai
18. Dr. Ritika Khera, IIT Delhi
19. Dr. N. Neetha, CWDS, New Delhi
20. Dr. Nishi Mitra, TISS, Mumbai
21. Prof. Sanjay Srivastava, Institute of Economic Growth, New Delhi

(iv) Research Programme Coordinator of the Discipline (Convener) : Dr. Nilima Srivastava

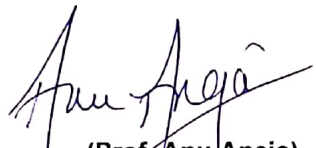
Agenda Item No. : 22.18

To report on the Gold Medal awarded to Ms. Neelam Singh, DWED student

The Chairperson reported that a gold medal had been awarded to Ms. Neelam Singh, student of DWED Programme in the 30th Convocation held on 13th April, 2017.

The School Board appreciated the honor awarded to a student of SOGDS.

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


(Prof. Anu Aneja)
Director (SOGDS) &
Chairperson, School Board

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