Minutes of the 23<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of the School Board of the School of Gender and Development Studies held on 20<sup>th</sup> September, 2017 at 2:30 p.m. in the Women's and Gender Resource Space, SOGDS, Block No. 15, IGNOU Maidan Garhi, New Delhi- 110068.

The following members were present:

1.	Prof. Anu Aneja	Director, SOGDS & Chairperson,
		School Board
2.	Prof. Samita Sen,	External Member
3.	Dr. Ashok Acharya	External Member
4.	Prof. A.R. Khan, SOSS	Member
5.	Prof. Annu J. Thomas, SOGDS	Member
6.	Prof. Savita Singh, SOGDS	Member
7.	Dr. Nilima Srivastava, SOGDS	Member
8.	Dr. Himadri Roy, SOGDS	Member
9.	Dr. Sunita Dhal, SOGDS	Member
10.	Dr. Gurmeet Kaur, SOL	Member
11.	Dr. Mita Sinhamahaptra, SOA	•Member
12.	Dr. G. Uma, SOGDS	Special Invitee

Prof. Malashri Lal, Prof. Neera Chandhoke, Dr. Neelam Kumar (External Members), Prof. Malati Mathur (Member, SOH) and Dr. Smita M. Patil (Member, SOGDS) could not attend the meeting.

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

- 1. Prof. Malashri Lal, (Retd.) Dept. of English, Delhi University
- 2. Prof. Samita Sen, V.C., Jadavpur University, Kolkata, West Bengal
- 3. Prof. Neera Chandhoke, Dept. of Political Science, Delhi University
- 4. Dr. Neelam Kumar, National Institute of Science Technology and Development Studies, New Delhi
- 5. Dr. Ashok Acharya, Dept. of Political Science, Delhi University

Deliberations were conducted on the following Items during the meeting:

#### Agenda Item No.: 23.1

## To Confirm the Minutes of the 22<sup>nd</sup> School Board Meeting of SOGDS held on 19<sup>th</sup> April, 2017

The Minutes of the 22<sup>nd</sup> School Board Meeting had been previously circulated and were placed before the School Board members. No comments on the circulated Minutes had been received.

The School Board confirmed the Minutes of the 22<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the School Board of SOGDS, as circulated earlier.

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## To Note the Action Taken Report on the Minutes of the 22<sup>nd</sup> School Board Meeting

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

Item.No.	Agenda Item	Action Taken
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	The Phase-0 form for Course Work of Ph.D in Women's Studies was approved in the 44 <sup>th</sup> meeting of the ACSC held on 9 <sup>th</sup> May, 2017. The programme has been launched in July, 2017 with the approved course work and eligibility criteria.
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	The revised Phase-0 form for Course Work of Ph.D in Gender and Development Studies was approved in the 44 <sup>th</sup> meeting of the ACSC held on 9 <sup>th</sup> May, 2017. The programme has been launched in July, 2017 with the approved course work and eligibility criteria.
22.6	To Consider and Approve Phase-1 form for Diploma in Gender Studies at the undergraduate level (30 credits)	Item is being placed for the approval of the 23 <sup>rd</sup> School Board vide Item No. 23.6.
22.8.1	To Consider and Approve the Phase 1 form for PG Certificate Programme in Gender and Science.	The Phase 1 form for PG Certificate Programme in Gender and Science was approved by the APC in its 53 <sup>rd</sup> meeting. The related item is placed at 23.3.

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

#### Agenda Item No.: 23.3

# To Consider and Approve Minutes of Expert Committee meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> September, 2017 for Certificate in Gender and Science

An Expert Committee meeting for Certificate in Gender and Science (Programme Coordinators: Dr. Sunita Dhal and Prof. Savita Singh) was held on Sept.1<sup>st</sup>, 2017. As proposed by the APC in its 53<sup>rd</sup> meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> April, 2017 the committee deliberated on the level of the proposed programme for Certificate in Gender and Science. Extracts of APC meeting and Minutes of the Expert Committee meeting were placed for approval of the School Board

The School Board opined that approval of Expert Committee Minutes by the School Board was not required. The School Board noted the Minutes of the Expert Committee meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> September, 2017 for Certificate in Gender and Science.

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# To Consider and Approve the Phase II form for the Certificate in Gender and Science programme.

The Programme Coordinators Dr. Sunita Dhal along with Prof. Savita Singh reported that the phase I form for PG Certificate in Gender and Science was placed before the Academic Programme Committee (APC) of the University for approval, in its 53<sup>rd</sup> meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> April, 2017. They explained that the committee opined that the proposed programme being a socially relevant gender programme, it may be made available at all levels. The committee further recommended to finalise the nomenclature and eligibility criteria of the programme for "Certificate in Gender and Science" by holding an Expert Committee Meeting. The Expert committee meeting was held on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sep 2017 to finalise the nomenclature of the programme as Certificate in Gender and Science and deliberated upon the other suggestions of the APC. The suggestions of APC and the Expert Committee meetings have been incorporated in the Phase II form. The Phase-II form was placed before the School Board for consideration and approval

The item was discussed in detail. The School Board made the following suggestions:

- The School Board advised that the proposed fee for the Certificate in Gender and Science may be reduced keeping in mind that such a programme is of great social relevance and much needed for the society. It was suggested that the cost-analysis may be reviewed to bring down the fee for the Certificate Programme.
- Given its social relevance, a Hindi version of the programme may also be developed in the near future for its wider acceptability within the Hindi-heart belt.
- The programme needs to be promoted within the University along with the other Bachelor's degree programme such as: B.Sc.: B.Sc. Nursing; & the B.Ed. programmes.
- The credit structure of each course should reflect the total number of credits (6 credits for each course) rather than the break-up within individual courses which can be determined as required.
- The programme needs to aim at science teachers as well as B.Ed and B.Sc students who can simultaneously register for the Certificate programme. These could be part of a significant target group for sensitization and imparting gender based concepts within science disciplines.
- Academic support from partner institutions such as the Ministry and relevant NGOs can be explored.
- In order to expedite the process of course development, the School Board authorized the
  programme coordinators to identify course writers for the various courses (including faculty from
  SOS if available) and seek the School Board's approval for the course writers by circulation.

The School Board approved the Phase II form for Certificate in Gender and Science Programme with the above suggestions.

#### Agenda Item No.: 23.5

# To Consider and Approve names of Unit writers for PG Certificate in Gender, Agriculture and Sustainable Development

The Programme Coordinators Dr. G. Uma and Dr. Mita Sinhamahapatra reported that the Phase II form for PG Certificate in Gender, Agriculture and Sustainable Development was approved in 44th Academic Council Standing Committee (ACSC) held on 9<sup>th</sup> May, 2017 as item No 12. It is now proposed to develop the programme and assign course writing work for the various courses. The proposed names of course writers for the Courses MGS-041 Introduction to Gender, Agriculture and Sustainable Development, MGS-042 Gender Dynamics in Agriculture and MGS-043 Gender and Sustainable Development along with CVs were placed for approval of the School Board.

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The School Board made the following suggestions:

- School Board suggested that a comprehensive list of Course Writers with individual qualifications and experience should be included (placed below).
- In case of adapted/adopted material from existing course material of IGNOU, the original Unit writers may be informed about the percentage of course material borrowed, and the nature of changes in the Unit (like updating of data). The original writer and source should be acknowledged for copyright purposes in the credit page.

The School Board approved the names of course writers of PG Certificate in Gender, Agriculture and Sustainable Development as placed below:

# List of Course Writers for PG Certificate in Gender, Agriculture and Sustainable Development

Course I: Introduction to Gender, Agriculture and Sustainable Development (6 Credits) Course Coordinator: Dr. Smita M.Patil

Course 2: Gender Dynamics in Agriculture (6 credits) Course Coordinators: Dr.G.Uma and Dr.Mitasinhamahapatra

Course 3: Gender and Sustainable Development (4 Credits)

Course Coordinator: Dr.Sunita Dhal

#### Course Writers

- 1. Prof. Annu J. Thomas, Professor, School of Gender and Development Studies
- 2. Prof. Savita Singh, School of Gender and Development Studies
- 3. Prof. Rengan Venkatram , Director, Planning and Monitoring, Tamil Nadu Agricultural University, Coimbatore - 641 003
- 4. Dr.Sudha Nair Independent researcher from Chennai specialized in Gender, Agriculture and Sustainable Development having work experience of more than 30 years. sudan1959@gmail.com
- 5. Rajini R. Menon, Gender expert Oxfam India. PhD from Economics Centre for Development Studies, Thiruvananthapuram. She has contributed for our Programme M.A Gender and Development Studies, M.A Women's and Gender Studies and Course on Gender Sensitization. menon.rajini@gmail.com
- 6. Ranjani Murthy, Independent Researcher, M.A from IRMA and M.Phil from Institute of Development Studies, Sussex. She has widely written research articles in the areas of Gender, health and food security. She served as course writer and course editor for our programmes M.A in Gender and Development Studies and M.A in Women's and Gender Studies. ssranjani62@gmail.com
- 7. Dr. Mini is working as a fellow in TERI specializing Gender and Sustainable Development. gmini@teri.res.in
- 8. Dr. Rengalakshmi She holds doctoral degree in Agriculture and has over twenty years of experience in working with interdisciplinary team as a field worker, researcher and development

professional. Her professional areas of interest are in agriculture development including sustainable agriculture, organic farming, agro-biodiversity, climate change, livelihoods, institution building and gender. rrengalakshmi@mssrf.res.in

- 9. Dr.Sunita Dhal, Assistant Professor, School of Gender and Development Studies, IGNOU
- 10. Dr.Smita M.Patil, Assistant Professor, School of Gender and Development Studies, IGNOU
- 11. Dr. G. Uma Assistant Professor, School Of Gender and Development Studies, IGNOU
- 12. Dr.Mita Sinhamahapatra, Assistant Professor (SG), School of Agriculture
- 13. Prof. M. Seethalakshmi, is a coordinator for Postgraduate Dairy Science programme having 30 years of teaching and research experience in the Gandhigram Rural Institute (Deemed University) Gandhigram, Tamil Nadu. seethagri@gmail.com
- 14. Dr.Nikita Gopal is a Senior Scientist in the Central Institute of Fisheries Technology. She is specializing Gender issues in fisheries sector by publishing scientific papers related to the Gender and Fisheries. nikiajith@gmail.com
- 15. Dr.Khirod Moharana is a Assistant Professor in the Allahabad Central University in the Department of Anthropology. khirodmoharana@gmail.com
- 16. Ms. Aanchal Sharma Doctoral level programme at MICA. pursuing final year, currently at the stage of thesis writing. She did her M.A in Gender and Development Studies from IGNOU. Her doctoral thesis work is related to Participatory Communication and Empowerment: Women Self Help Groups (SHGs) working in the area of Environment at Tehri Garhwal, Uttarakhand, India. aanchalsharma10.89@gmail.com
- 17. Dr. R.Ramesh is Associate Professor in the National Institute of Rural Development and Panchayati raj specializing Governance, Gender, watershed management. He has contributed few Units for the programme M.A in gender and Development Studies. ramesh.gri@gmail.com
- 18. Mr. Jeevan Prakash Mohanty is specializing in Agriculture, energy and sustainable development. He did his M.Phil from Jawaharlal Nehru University in the School of International Studies. He has written units for our M.A Programmes Gender and Development Studies and women's and Gender Studies, jeevanmohanty@gmail.com
- 19. Dr.Seema Kulkarni is part of the Society for promoting participative ecosystem management (SOPPECOM), Pune working on the sustainable water management. <a href="mailto:seemakulkarni2@gmail.com">seemakulkarni2@gmail.com</a>
- 20. Dr. Nisha Varghese Assistant Professor School of Extension and Development Studies, IGNOU
- 21. Dr. M.Poornima is Assistant Professor, Council for Social Development, New Delhi specializing education and social policy. She has published research articles and research reports. She has contributed to our M.A Programme Gender and Development Studies. nima.poori@gmail.com
- 22. Dr.Heena Bijli Associate Professor in the School of Continuing Education, IGNOU. heenakb@gmail.com
- 23. Dr. PVK Sasidhar, Associate Professor, School of Extension and Development Studies, IGNOU
- 24. Dr.S.K. Yadav, Associate Professor, School of Agriculture, IGNOU

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- 25. Dr.V.Venkat Ramanan, Assistant Professor, School of Interdisciplinary and Tran- Disciplinary Studies, IGNOU
- 26. Dr. Deeksha Dave, Assistant Professor, School of Interdisciplinary and Trans-Disciplinary Studies

#### Details of Adopted/Adapted Units:

Course I: Introduction to Gender, Agriculture and Sustainable Development (6 Credits)

Block-1 Introduction to Gender

SI.No	Title of the Unit	Adopted/Adapted from the existing Course material from SOGDS
1.	Unit 1: Gender-Basic Concepts	Adopted from the Course MGS001 Block 1 Unit 2 from the Programme M.A (Gender and Development Studies)
2.	Unit 2: Social Construction of Gender	Adopted from the Course MGS001 Block 1 Unit 3 from the Programme M.A (Gender and Development Studies) The Unit is written by Dr.Sunita Dhal
3.	Unit 3: Feminism in Development	Adopted from the Course MGS001 Block 1 Unit 4 from the Programme M.A (Gender and Development Studies) The Unit is written by Prof. Annu J.Thomas for M.A (Gender and Development Studies)

## Block-2: Approaches to Gender and Development

7.	Unit 6: Development Discourses  - Unit 7: WID-WAD-GAD	Adopted from the Course MGS001 Block 2 Unit 5 from the Programme M.A (Gender and Development Studies)  Adapted from the Course MGS001 Block 2 Unit 6,7 and 8 from the Programme M.A (Gender and Development Studies) The Programme Coordinators and Course Coordinators will edit a Unit based on the Course material available in the Units 6,7 and 8 of Block 2 Course 1 MGS001.
8.	Unit 8: GAD indicators	Adopted from the Course MGS001 Block 2 Unit 8 from the Programme M.A (Gender and Development Studies).

# Course 2: Gender Dynamics in Agriculture (6 credits) Block-1 Gender and Agriculture

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1.	Unit 1: Gender Roles in Agriculture	party 2	Adopted from the Programme M.A (GD) Course MGSE 004, in the Block 1, Unit 1
2.	Unit 2: Access to resources, services and institutions	-1	Adopted from the Programme M.A (GD) Course MGSE 004, in the Block 1, Unit 2

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## Block-2 Gender and Livestock

Ö.	Unit 6: Gender Roles in Livestock farming	Adopted from the Programme
		M.A. (GD) Course MGSE 004, In
7.	Unit 7: Access to resources, services and institutions	the Block 2, Unit 5 Adopted from the Programms
		M.A.(GD) Course MGSE 004, In
		the Block 2, Unit 6

## Block-3 Gender and Fisheries

11.	Unit 11: Gender Roles in Fisheries	Adopted from the Programme
		M.A.(GD) Course MGSE 004, in the Block 3, Unit 10
12.	Unit 12: Access to resources, services and institutions	Adopted from the Programme
		M.A (GD) Course MGSE 004, in the Block 3, Unit 11

#### Agenda Item No. : 23,6

# To Consider and Approve Concept Note for Diploma in Gender Studies Programme

Dr. Himadri Roy placed the Concept Note for the proposed programme in Gender Studies before the School Board. He explained that SOGDS currently offers various programmes at Post-graduate. Masters and Ph. D. levels. There is only one programme and one course at the undergraduate level. It is, therefore, proposed to develop a Diploma programme at the undergraduate level in Gender Studies (Diploma in Gender Studies) worth 30 credits. The main objective of the proposed programme is to introduce the 10+2 learners to the basic concepts in various discourses of Gender studies. The Concept Note for Diploma in Gender Studies Programme was placed for approval of the School Board.

The School Board approved in principle the Concept Note for Diploma in Gender Studies Programme and recommended that the need assessment study may be carried out with the following recommendations:

The Programme Coordinator may proceed with the need assessment study for which other methods of data collection (besides questionnaire) may be incorporated. It was suggested to approach functionaries and beneficiaries of NGOs, the Women's Commission, members of other universities, institutions and schools offering similar programmes for a more comprehensive need assessment survery. The target group should be clearly listed and approached for the need assessment also

#### /Agenda Item No. ; 23.7

To Consider and Approve names of Course Coordinators for three courses of PG Certificate in Gender, Agriculture and Sustainable Development

The Dr. G. Uma and Dr. Mita Simhamohapatra (Programme Coordinators) for PGDGAS proposed the following names of Course Coordinators for three courses of PG Certificate in Gender, Agriculture and Sustainable Development.

- 1. Introduction to Gender, Agriculture and Sustainable Development (6 credits) : Dr. Smita M. Patil
- 2 Gender Dynamics in Agriculture (6 credits) : Dr. G. Uma and Dr. Mita Simhamahapatra
- 3 Gender and Sustainable Development (4 credits): Dr. Sunita Dhal

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The names of Course Coordinators as mentioned above were approved by the School Board.

#### Agenda Item No.: 23.8

To Consider and Approve names of translators for DWED Course Assignments and Programme Guide

Prof. Annu J. Thomas (Programame Coordinator of DWED Programme proposed the following list of names of translators for DWED Course Assignments (Courses offered by SOGDS: BWEF-002, BWEE-006,007 and 008) and DWED Programme Guide before the School Board for approval:

- 1. Dr. Satpal
- 2. Smt. Vandana Sharma
- 3. Sh. Narinder Singh
- 4. Smt. Nirmal
- 5. Smt. Anita
- 6. Sh. Deepak Kumar
- 7. Sh. Vijay Kumar
- 8. Smt. Swati Kumar

The programme coordinator communicated that the proposed names of experts have been approved earlier for MA in Gender and Development Studies by the School Board in its 16<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> November, 2013 vide agenda item No. S.B.16.16.

The School Board approved the above mentioned names of translators for DWED Course Assignments and Programme Guide.

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To Consider and Approve names of Expert Committee for Course Revision Committee of MA in Gender and Development Studies

The following list of proposed names (along with CV's) of Expert Committee for Course Revision Committee of MA in Gender and Development Studies were placed for approval of the School Board by the Programme Coordinators (Prof. Annu J. Thomas and Prof. Savita Singh):

- Prof. Vibhuti Patel, Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai
- Prof. Asha Kapur Mehta,
   Indian Institute of Public Administration,
   Delhi
- Dr. Ranjini Murthy, Consultant Chennai
- Dr. Ratna Sudarshan, Institute of Social Studies Trust, Delhi
- Prof. Kiran Prasad, Sri Padmavati Mahila Viswa Vidyalaya, Tirupati

The School Board made the following suggestions:

- It was recommended that guidelines approved by the Academic Council may be followed for course revision.
- The expert committee may decide on the nature of revision (minor/major/updating) based on feedback from all stake holders such as School Board members, outgoing students, counselors and experts in the area.
- Hindi experts may be consulted for the revision of the Hindi material.

The names of the Expert Committee for Course Revision Committee of M.A. in Gender and Development Studies were approved along with the above mentioned suggestions.

#### Agenda Item No.: 23.10

To Consider and Approve change of course coordinatorship for Gender Sensitization for CBCS format (Course Coordinators: Dr. Nilima Srivastava and Dr. G. Uma)

Dr. Nilima Srivastava and Dr. G. Uma (Course Coordinators) communicated that the Gender Sensitization course (BGSE 001) has been launched as an 8 credit elective for Bachelor's degree programme in the university in July 2017 cycle. The process to transform it into CBCS process has to begin in near future. One of the two coordinators of the course in its present form, Dr. Nilima Srivastava requested to withdraw

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her name as a Course Coordinator for the CBCS format of the course citing the reason that as the credit structure will have to be reduced to 6 credits it is not justified to have two course coordinators for one course at UG level. Dr. G. Uma agreed to function as the single Course Coordinator for this course and requested assistance from Dr. Nilima Srivastava for the Hindi version of the course.

The School Board approved the change in course coordinatorship of the Elective Course in Gender Sensitization as mentioned above.

#### Agenda Item No.: 23.11

To Consider and Approve Minutes of Doctoral Research Committee meetings for Ph.D in Gender and Development Studies held on 25<sup>th</sup> July, 2017

The Minutes of Doctoral Research Committee meeting for Ph.D in Gender and Development Studies held on 25<sup>th</sup> July, 2017 were placed for approval of the School Board

The School Board noted the Minutes and considered the following specific agenda item of Doctoral Research Committee meeting for Ph.D in Gender and Development Studies held on 25<sup>th</sup> July, 2017:

DRC Agenda Item No. 1 : To Approve/Recommend Progress Reports of the Candidates for Ph.D Programme in Gender and Development Studies

The Doctoral Research Committee accepted the recommendations of the Supervisor regarding the Progress Report for the period January, 2016 to June, 2016 of the following candidate:

S. No.	Name of the Candidate	Recommendation of the Supervisor
1.	Ms. Likha Kiran Kabak	Very Good

The Doctoral Research Committee accepted the recommendations of the Supervisors regarding the Progress Reports for the period July, 2016 to December, 2016 of the following candidates:

S. No.	Name of the Candidate	Recommendation of the Supervisor
1	Ms. Kinkini Dasgupta Misra	Very Good
2	Ms. Shalini Singh	Very Good
4	Ms. Abha Ekka	Very Good
5	Ms. Likha Kiran Kabak	Very Good

The Doctoral Research Committee accepted the recommendations of the Supervisors regarding the Progress Reports for the period January, 2017 to June, 2017 of the following candidates:

S. No.	Name of the Candidate	Recommendation of the Supervisor
1	Ms. Kinkini Dasgupta Misra	Very Good
2	Ms. Shalini Singh <sub>-</sub>	Very Good
4	Ms. Abha Ekka	Very Good
5	Ms. Likha Kiran Kabak	Satisfactory

The Progress Report of Sh. Alok Vajpayee was not received.

The School Board approved the above mentioned agenda item previously placed before the Doctoral Research Committed for Ph.D in Gender and Development Studies held on 25<sup>th</sup> July, 2017.

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#### Agenda Item No.: 23.12

To recommend change of Supervisor of Ms. Likha Kiran Kabak (a candidate for Ph.D in Gender and Development Studies) as approved by the Doctoral Research Committee for Ph.D in Gender and Development Studies (Programme Coordinator: Prof. Savita Singh)

Prof. Savita Singh (Programme Coordinator) reported the following item to the School Board:

The Doctoral Research Committee held on 25<sup>th</sup> July, 2017 discussed the letter (dated 22/3/17) from Ms Likha Kiran Kabak (registered for the Ph.D in Gender and Development Studies since January 2014) under the supervision of Prof. Annu J. Thomas for a change in Supervisor (letter shared with Doctoral Research Committee members during the meeting). Prof. Annu J Thomas clarified her position that Ms. Likha Kiran Kabak has been provided with requisite supervisory inputs from time to time as reflected in her progress reports. However, if the candidate wishes to change, Prof. Annu J. Thomas gave her consent. Since both Supervisor and candidate were in agreement regarding the requested change, the Committee took a view that an alternate supervisor may be proposed. Based on academic expertise available in the School in the relevant area of research the Programme Coordinator (Prof. Savita Singh) proposed the name of Dr. G. Uma as supervisor. Dr. G. Uma gave her concurrence for the same. The Doctoral Research Committee recommended the name of Dr. G. Uma as Supervisor, as proposed.

The School Board recommended the change of name of Supervisor as recommended by the Doctoral Research Committee in its meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> July, 2017. The recommendation of the School Board would be forwarded for placing before the RC/RCSC for approval.

#### Agenda Item No.: 23.13

To report on approval of Phase-2 form for PG Certificate in Gender, Agriculture and Sustainable Development by ACSC (Programme Coordinators: Dr. G. Uma and Dr. Mita Sinhamahapatra)

Dr. G. Uma (Programme Coordinator along with Dr. Mita Sinhamahaptra) reported that the Phase II form of the Gender, Agriculture and Sustainable Development was placed before the 44th Academic Council Standing Committee (ACSC) held on 9<sup>th</sup> May, 2017 as item No 12. The Academic Council Standing Committee approved the Phase II form for the PG Certificate Programme in Gender, Agriculture and Sustainable Development.

The School Board noted the approval of the Phase-2 form the P.G Certificate in Gender, Agriculture and Sustainable Development by ACSC with the following suggestion:

 For expediting the development of the Programme, the School Board authorized the Programme Coordinators to change/add names of course writers for existing/ remaining Units, as required, and seek the approval for the revised/ additional list by circulation.

#### Agenda Item No.: 23.14

To report on Talk on \*Love and Mourning\* by Prof. Savita Singh held on 25.8.2017 in WiNGS

The Chairperson reported that talk by Prof. Savita Singh on the topic of 'Love and Mourning' was organized in WiNGS by Dr. Smita M Patil under the Friday Seminar Series on 25.8.2017. The event was open to all IGNOU Faculty and Staff. Prof. Savita Singh presented a theoretical perspective on the topic while linking it with her poetry. The talk was very well attended and widely appreciated.

The School Board appreciated the report on the event organized by SOGDS.

## To report on Film Screening held on 21st August 2017 by Dr. Himadri Roy in WiNGS

Dr. Himadri Roy reported that as part of the Film Club activities of SOGDS, the film 'Memories in March' was screened on 21<sup>st</sup> August, 2017 at 2.30.p.m. in WiNGS for the school faculty. The screening was followed by a discussion. The event was coordinated by Dr. Himadri Roy.

The School Board appreciated the report on the event organized by SOGDS, and encouraged screening of other films for a wider audience within the university.

#### Agenda Item No.: 23.16

To ratify the constitution of SOGDS School Board Standing Committee for Research Degree Programmes, as approved by the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor

In order to expedite the process for Ph.D admission it was proposed to revive the previously constituted standing committee of the SOGDS School Board as approved by the 14<sup>th</sup> School Board meeting held on 26.2.2013.

The Chairperson reported that the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor had approved the School Board Standing Committee with the following constitution:

1. Director of the School

Chairman

2. Research Programme Coordinators (M.Phil/Ph.D):

Members

3. All Professors of the School

Members

As per the above constitution, the current members are as follows:

1. Director of the School

Prof. Anu Aneja

Research Programme Coordinators (M.Phil/Ph.D)

- 1 Prof. Savita Singh (Ph.D in Gender and Development Studies)
- 2 Dr. Nilima Srivastava (Ph.D in Women's Studies)
- 3. Professors of the School

Prof. Annu J. Thomas

The School Board opined that instead of ratification, the constitution of SOGDS School Board Standing Committee for Research Degree Programmes may be considered for approval of the School Board.

The School Board approved the constitution of SOGDS School Board Standing Committee for Research Degree Programmes as detailed above.

The School Board further suggested that the School Board Standing Committee may invite Special Invitees for specific meetings as and when required.

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To Consider and Approve additional names of evaluators for MAWGS and PGDWGS first semester courses (MWG 001 and MWG 002)

The following names (along with CV's) of evaluators for assignments and TEE answer scripts from all Regional Centers for first semester courses of MAWGS and PGDWGS (MWG 001 and MWG 002) were placed for approval of the School Board:

Meenakshi Krishnan (currently counselor for MAWGS under RC Mumbai) Tejashri Karve (currently counselor for MAWGS under RC Mumbai).

The School Board approved the additional names of evaluators for MAWGS and PGDWGS first semester courses (MWG 001 and MWG 002)

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

(Prof Anu Aneja)
Director (SOGDS) &
Charperson, School Board

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