

**MINUTES OF THE 39TH SCHOOL BOARD MEETING OF SCHOOL OF GENDER AND DEVELOPMENT STUDIES
HELD ON APRIL 10, 2024**

The 39th School Board Meeting of the School of Gender and Development Studies (SOGDS) was held on April 10, 2024 at 3 pm in **virtual mode**. The following School Board members attended:

Prof. Annu J. Thomas, Director, SOGDS
Prof Anita Singh, Professor and Head, Department of English, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi
Prof. Seema Malik, Former Dean of Research and Professor, Department of English, ML Sukhadia University, Udaipur
Prof. Sawmya Ray, Professor, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, IIT, Guwahati
Dr. Balkar Singh, SOCE, IGNOU
Prof. Savita Singh, SOGDS
Prof. Nilima Srivastava, SOGDS
Prof. Himadri Roy, SOGDS
Dr. Smita M. Patil, SOGDS
Dr. Sunita Dhal, SOGDS
Dr. G. Uma, SOGDS

Prof. Kalpana Purohit, Prof. Nagaraju Gundemeda, Prof. Neera Singh, Prof. Ramesh Yadav and Dr. Vijeta Banwari could not attend.

The School Board took the following decisions/ made the following recommendations.

Agenda Item 39.1 To Confirm the Minutes of the 38th School Board Meeting

The 38th School Board Meeting was held on March 05, 2024. The Minutes were circulated to the School Board members. No comments were received. However, in the faculty meeting held on April 10, 2024, it was suggested that in Agenda Item 38.5, in addition to Research Monographs, Occasional Papers and Working Papers could be added to the eGender Research Initiative approved by the School Board and recommended for consideration to the University authorities. With this change, the School Board was requested to confirm the minutes of the 38th School Board Meeting. The School Board confirmed the minutes of the 38th School Board Meeting.

Agenda Item 39.2 To Consider and Recommend the List of Selected Candidates in Sealed Envelope for Admission to Ph.D. (Women's Studies) in July 2023 Cycle

The list of selected candidates for General and OBC Categories as per stated vacancies by the University Advertisement (Information Brochure) for the Ph.D. Admissions in the July 2023 cycle were placed in sealed envelope before the DRC. The DRC in its meeting held on April 04, 2024 approved the above mentioned list of selected candidates in sealed envelope for Ph.D. (Women's Studies) and recommended placing it before the School Board for its consideration and approval. This is the first Item of the Minutes of the DRC Meeting held on April 04, 2024 also placed for approval as Agenda Item 39.4.1. It was requested that a correction may be made in the Minutes (Item 1) to read as "Two candidates were found not eligible out of the three who were present for the Interview from Category A". The School Board approved the correction. This correction had no implications for list of candidates selected.

The School Board recommended the list of selected candidates in sealed envelope for General and OBC Categories as per stated vacancies by the University Advertisement (Information Brochure) for the Ph.D. Admissions in the July 2023 cycle to RCSC/ RC for consideration and approval.

Agenda Item 39.3 To Consider and Approve in Principle the Offer of the Postgraduate Diploma in Gender and Development Studies in the Online Mode

The Postgraduate Diploma in Gender and Development Studies is available as an exit option for students who successfully complete the first year courses of the M.A. (Gender and Development Studies). The programme proposers/ coordinators are Dr. G. Uma, Dr. Smita M. Patil and Dr. Sunita Dhal. The proposal for offering the Postgraduate Diploma as an independent programme in the online mode was placed before the School Board for consideration and approval (instead of approval in principle) since the external members have been notified. Three external members attended the School Board meeting.

The offer of the Postgraduate Diploma in Gender and Development Studies was recommended for consideration and approval for further processing by the Centre for Online Education (COE). The required forms may be duly filled and submitted for consideration and approval by the University authorities.

Agenda Item 39.4.1 To Consider and Approve the Minutes of the Doctoral Research Committee Meeting for Ph.D. (Women's Studies) held on April 04, 2024

The DRC meeting for Ph.D. (Women's Studies) was held on April 04, 2024. The minutes were placed for approval of the School Board. It was requested that a correction may be made in the Minutes (Item 1) to read as "Two candidates were found not eligible out of the three who were present for the Interview from Category A". The School Board approved the correction. This correction had no implications for list of candidates selected.

The School Board approved the minutes of the Doctoral Research Committee Meeting for Ph.D. (Women's Studies) held on April 04, 2024 with the above mentioned correction.

Agenda Item 39.4.2 To Consider and Approve the Minutes of the Doctoral Research Committee Meeting for Ph.D. (Women's Studies) held on January 30, 2024

The DRC meeting for Ph.D. (Women's Studies) was held on January 30, 2024. The minutes were placed for the approval of the School Board.

The School Board approved the minutes of the Doctoral Research Committee Meeting for Ph.D. (Women's Studies) held on January 30, 2024.

Agenda Item 39.4.3 To Consider and Approve the Minutes of the Doctoral Research Committee Meeting for Ph.D. (Gender and Development Studies) held on January 25, 2024

The DRC meeting for Ph.D. (Gender and Development Studies) was held on January 25, 2024. The minutes were placed for approval of the School Board.

The School Board approved the minutes of the Doctoral Research Committee Meeting for Ph.D. (Gender and Development Studies) held on January 25, 2024.

Agenda Item 39.4.4 To Consider and Approve the List of Expert Committee Members for the Four Year Undergraduate Programme (FYUP) (Gender Studies)

The Item was withdrawn on the recommendation of the Programme Coordinator since a list of experts was approved in the 37th Meeting of the School Board held on October 17, 2024.

Agenda Item 39.4.5 To Report on the Status of the Project Proposal for a Collaborative IGNOU Project on Cascade Model for Training of Trainers in Cooperative Management and Self Help Group Management for Women

The Item was taken together with Agenda Item 39.4.6 since the external members of the School Board have been notified. Three external members attended the School Board meeting.

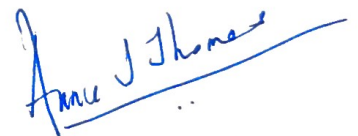
Agenda Item 39.4.6 To Consider and Recommend the Collaborative IGNOU Project on Cascade Model for Training of Trainers in Cooperative Management and Self Help Group Management for Women

The proposal for the collaborative project was placed before the School Board for consideration and recommendation.

The School Board recommended the project proposal to the University authorities for decisions regarding:

- (i) proposed partners
- (ii) proposed project coordinator(s) and project team
- (iii) locus of the project

The School Board meeting concluded with a vote of thanks to the Chair.



(Prof. Annu J. Thomas)
Director