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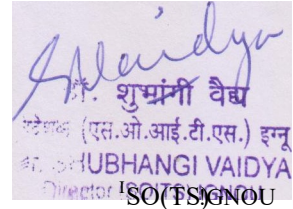
Indira Gandhi National Open University
School of Inter-Disciplinary and Trans-Disciplinary Studies (SOITS)

Minutes of 27th Sch001 Board of SOITS held on 10th February 2020

The 27th Meeting of the School Board of SOITS was held on 10th February, 2020 from 10:30 A.M. in Room No.2, Baba Saheb Ambedkar Convention Centre, IGNOU Maidan Garhi. The following members were present:

1.	Dr. Shubhangi Vaidya, Director, SOITS, IGNOU, New Delhi	Chairperson
	Prof. R.K. Sharma, Department of Chemistry, University of Delhi, Delhi	Mem ber
3.	Prof. P.C. Jain, Retd. Professor, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi	Member
4.	Prof. (Mrs.) Avinash Kaur Nagpal Department of Botanical & Environmental Sciences Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar	Member
5.	Mr..Saugatosen, SOSS, IGNOU	Member
6.	Prof. Nandini Sinha Kapur, SOITS, IGNOU, New Delhi	Member
7.	Dr.Boyina Rupini, Associate Professor, SOITS, IGNOU, New Delhi	Member
8.	Dr.Shachi Shah, Associate Professor, SOITS, IGNOU, New Delhi	Member
9.	Dr.SushmithaBaskar,Assistant Professor, SOITS, IGNOU, New Delhi	Member
10.	Dr.V.Venkat Ramanan, Assistant Professor, SOITS, IGNOU, New Delhi	Special Invitee
11.	Dr. Deeksha Dave, Assistant Professor, SOITS, IGNOU, New Delhi	Special Invitee
12.	Dr.Y.S.C.Khuman, Assistant Professor, SOITS, IGNOU, New Delhi	Special Invitee

Prof. Deepak Pathania, Head, Department of Environmental Science, Central University of Jammu, Prof. Nilika Mehrotra, Centre for the Study of Social Systems, School of Social Sciences, JNU; Prof. Ruchika Kuba, School of Health Sciences, , IGNOU; Prof. Anu Aneja, School of Gender and Development Studies, IGNOU; Prof. P.V.K. Sasidhar, School of Extension and Development Studies, IGNOU and Dr. Sadananda Sahoo, School of Interdisciplinary and Trans-disciplinary Studies, IGNOU could not attend the School Board Meeting.

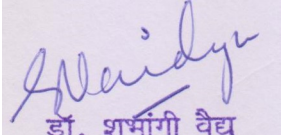


At the outset, the Chairperson extended a warm welcome to all the Members of the School Board and thanked them for their active participation and constant support to the activities of the School. She expressed thanks and appreciation to the former Director and Chairperson of the School Board, Dr. B. Rupini, for her leadership and efficient management during her tenure. She thanked the members whose terms had ended, namely, Dr. Deeksha Dave, Dr. YSC Khuman and Dr. V. Venkat Ramanan, for their contributions, and welcomed Dr.Sushmitha Baskar and Dr. Sadananda Sahoo who are newly inducted as Members.

The following agenda items were taken up for consideration and approval of the School Board.

SB. 27.1	To confirm the minutes of the 26 th Meeting of the School Board of SOITS held on 25th Jul 2019 and the Action Taken Report.
SB.27.1.1	The minutes of the 26 th Meeting of the School Board and the Action Taken Report of the 26 th School Board meeting were reviewed and noted by the members.
SB.27.1.2	The School Board confirmed the minutes of the 26 th School Board meeting and noted the Action Taken Report.
SB. 27.2	To report the action taken by the University with regard to provision of Technology Enabled Learner Support (TELS) for selected SOITS programmes.
SB.27.2.1	The Director informed the School Board that as per the decisions taken by the Academic Council in its 73 rd Meeting (Item No. 5) on low enrolment programmes, and the subsequent notification by the Planning and Development Division (P&DD) vide its Notification No. 22 dated 22 nd November, 2019, certain programmes of the School have been identified for 'Technology Enabled Learning Support' (TELS). The identified programmes of the School are Post Graduate Diploma in Folklore and Culture Studies (PGDFCS); Post Graduate Diploma in Sustainability Science (PGDSS); Post Graduate Certificate in Climate Change (PGCCC) and Appreciation Certificate in Population and Sustainable Development (ACPSD). The respective programme coordinators have accordingly started preparing for the same. For example, Web Enabled Academic Support (WEAS) through the National Centre for Innovation in Distance Education (NCIDE) for the PGDSS programme has also been initiated.

SB.27.2.2	The School Board noted the decisions taken by the University and the initiatives with regard to the Technology Enabled Learner Support provided to the learners' of the programmes offered by SOITS. The members advised the School to widely publicise its programmes and strategically target the
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	stakeholders in order to popularize the programmes and enhance enrollment.
SB. 27.3	To consider and approve the Programme Launch Form for Certificate in Solid Waste Management Programme (CSWM).
SB.27.3.1	The Programme Coordinator Dr. Deeksha Dave presented to the School Board about the state of readiness of the programme and requested approval to launch the same in the July 2020 session. She informed that out of 50 Units, 40 have been received and 33 edited. The audio-video programmes are developed.
SB.27.3.2	The School Board considered and approved the Programme Launch Form for Certificate in Solid Waste Management Programme (CSWM). The members also suggested that the School should offer the Programme in English and Regional Languages in addition to Hindi due to its contemporary need and relevance .
SB. 27.4	To approve the List of Paper setters, Moderators and Evaluators for Certificate in Solid Waste Management Programme (CSWM).
SB.27.4.1	The Programme Coordinator, Dr. Deeksha Dave presented to the School Board a list of paper setters, moderators and evaluators for Certificate in Solid Waste Management Programme (CSWM).
SB.27.4.2	The School Board considered and approved the list of paper setters, moderators and evaluators for Certificate in Solid Waste Management Programme (CSWM).
SB. 27.5	To approve the List of Additional Course writers for Certificate in Solid Waste Management Programme (CSWM).
SB.27.5.1	The Programme Coordinator, Dr. Deeksha Dave presented to the School Board a list of Additional Course writers for Certificate in Solid Waste Management Programme (CSWM).
SB.27.5.2	The School Board members considered and approved the list of Additional Course writers for Certificate in Solid Waste Management Programme (CSWM).

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SB. 27.6	To consider and approve the names of paper setters, moderators and evaluators for M.Sc. (Environmental Science) Programme.
SB.27.6.1	The Programme Coordinator, Dr.Shachi Shah presented to the School Board a list of paper setters, moderators and evaluators for M.Sc. (Environmental Science) Programme.
SB.27.6.2	The School Board members considered and approved the list of paper setters, moderators and evaluators for M.Sc. (Environmental Science) Programme.
SB. 27.7	To consider and approve the names of additional course writers for M.Sc. (Environmental Science) Programme.

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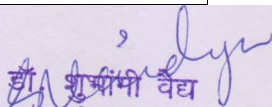


SB.27.7.1	The Programme Coordinator, Dr.Shachi Shah presented to the School Board a list of additional course writers for M.Sc. (Environmental Science) Programme. The Members also suggested additional names for incorporation in the list.
SB.27.7.2	The School Board members considered and approved the list of additional course writers for M.Sc. (Environmental Science) Programme.
SB. 27.8	To consider and approve the names of paper setters, evaluators and moderators for the Post Graduate Diploma in Folklore and Culture Studies (PGDFCS).
SB.27.8.1	The Programme Coordinator, Prof. Nandini Sahu, (Director, School of Foreign Languages) had proposed the names paper setters, evaluators and moderators for PGDFCS programme. The list was placed in the School Board.
SB.27.8.2	The School Board Members considered and approved the names of paper setters, evaluators and moderators for PGDFCS programme.
SB. 27.9	To consider and approve the Minor Revision of Post Graduate Diploma in Sustainability Science (PGDSS).
SB.27.9.1	The Programme Coordinator Dr. Y SC Khuman presented the Programme Revision Form to the School Board. Since the subject of sustainability science is evolving and the changes that are happening in the field must be suitably incorporated in the programme, the Programme Coordinator emphasized the need for minor revision. Further, the revisions will make the Programme more up-to-date and rigorous and may help to enhance the enrollment. The members opined that it was a socially relevant and interdisciplinary programme addressing the contemporary issues and challenges, and needs to be widely publicized.
SB.27.9.2	The School Board considered and approved the Programme Revision Form for minor revision of Post Graduate Diploma in Sustainability Science (PGDSS)
SB. 27.10	To consider and approve the Paper Setters, Evaluators and Moderators for Post Graduate Diploma in Sustainability Science (PGDSS).

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SB.27.10.1	The Programme Coordinator, Dr. Y SC Khuman presented to the School Board a list of paper setters, moderators and evaluators for Post Graduate Diploma in Sustainability Science (PGDSS).
SB.27.10.2	The School Board members considered and approved the list of paper setters, moderators and evaluators for Post Graduate Diploma in Sustainability Science (PGDSS).
SB. 27.11	To consider and approve the conduct of viva- voce of Project Work (MSDP-018) of the Post Graduate Diploma in Sustainability Science


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	(PGDSS) in online mode.
SB.27.11.1	The programme coordinator Dr. Y SC Khuman expressed to the School Board the difficulty of conducting viva- voce for Project Work (MSDP-018) of the Post Graduate Diploma in Sustainability Science (PGDSS) at the Regional Centres. Furthermore, since the programme will now be offered in Technology Enabled Learner Support mode, conducting Viva-voce online is feasible and practical.
SB.27.11.2	The School Board members considered and approved the conduct of viva-voce of Project Work (MSDP-018) of the Post Graduate Diploma in Sustainability Science (PGDSS) in online mode.
SB. 27.12	To consider and approve the Minutes of the Doctoral Committee Meeting of Ph.D in Interdisciplinary and Trans- Disciplinary Studies (PHDITS).
SB.27.12.1	The Programme Coordinator Prof. Nandini Sinha Kapur presented to the School Board the minutes of the Doctoral Committee Meeting of Ph.D in Interdisciplinary and Trans- Disciplinary Studies (PHDITS). She also informed that Ms. Bandna Kumari, research scholar working under the supervision of Dr. Shubhangi Vaidya and Prof. Babu P. Remesh (Ambedkar University, Delhi) has applied for an extension of a further one year as her period of registration has lapsed on 13 th January 2020. The Doctoral Committee considered the request and in view of the progress made by the scholar and the circumstances mentioned in her request, recommended an extension of one year.

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SB.27.12.2	The School Board considered and approved the minutes of Doctoral Committee Meeting of Ph.D in Interdisciplinary and Trans- Disciplinary Studies (PHDITS). The School Board considered the request for extension of Registration for one year for Ph.D candidate Ms. Bandana Kumari (Enrollment No. 131636569) and recommended that the extension be ranted.
SB. 27.13	To consider and approve the Minutes of the Doctoral Committee Meeting of Ph.D in Environmental Science (PHDEV).
SB.27.13.1	The Programme Coordinators Dr. B. Rupini and Dr.Sushmitha Baskar presented to the School Board the minutes of the Doctoral Committee Meetin of Ph.D in Environmental Science (PHDEV).
SB.27.13.2	The School Board considered and approved the minutes of Doctoral Committee Meetin of Ph.D in Environmental Science (PHDEV).
SB. 27.14	To consider and approve the change in admission criteria for Post Graduate Diploma in Environmental and Occupational Health (PGDEOH).
SB.27.14.1	The Programme Coordinator Dr. B. Rupini reported that the programme PGDEOH was running successfully since January 2019. Presently, the

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	admission criteria for PGDEOH is 10+2 (Science) and graduation from any discipline. In order to attract wider student community and increase the enrollment, the programme coordinator proposed to modify the admission criteria to 'graduation in any discipline' only, and removing the '10+2 (Science)' criteria.
SB.27.14.2	The School Board members considered and approved the change in admission criteria for Post Graduate Diploma in Environmental and Occupational Health (PGDEOH).
SB 27.15	To consider and approve the Programme Development Form (PDF) for B.A. (General) Programme in Philosophy.

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SB 27.15.1	Prof. Nandini Sinha Kapur, Programme Coordinator of the Philosophy programmes housed in SOITS, presented the Programme Development Form for the BA (General) Programme in Philosophy under CBCS. She informed the School Board that the Programme Proposal Form (PPF) had earlier been approved by the Academic Programme Committee (APC) in its 58 th Meeting held on 22 nd November, 2019.
SB 27.15.2	The School Board considered and approved the Programme development Form of BA (General) Philosophy.
SB 27.16	To consider and approve the List of Paper setters, Evaluators, ProjectEvaluators and Moderators for BA and MA in Philoso h
SB 27.16.1	Prof. Nandini Sinha Kapur presented to the School Board a list of paper setters, evaluators and moderators for the BA and MA programmes in Philosophy.
SB 27.16.2	The School Board considered and approved the names of paper setters, moderators and evaluators and Project Evaluators for BA and MA in Philosophy.
SB 27.17	To consider and approve the Additional Names of Course writers and Editors for BA Philoso h
SB 27.17.1	Prof. Nandini Sinha Kapur presented a list of names of course writers and editors for BA Philosophy. The Members opined that the names be considered onl as Course Writers and not as Editors.
SB 27.17.2	The School Board approved the list of Course Writers For BA Philosophy programme.
SB 27.18	To consider and approve the request of the School of Performing and Visual Arts (SOPVA) to adopt some Self Learning Materials of M.A. Philosoph Programme for rorammes under develomentb SOP VA.
SB 27.18.1	Dr.GovindrajuBharadwaza, Associate Professor, (SOPVA) presented the Agenda item on behalf of SOP VA, He informed that the SOP VA is developing BA in Fine Arts and MA in Performing Arts. The School Board of SOPVA in its 24 th meeting had approved adapting /adopting Units from

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	MA Philosophy (MAP Y) programme of SOITS, specifically the Course MPYE-OOL. It was clarified that due credit and acknowledgement would be given to the SOITS while adapting/adopting these materials. The Programme Coordinator of MAP Y, Prof. Nandini Sinha Kapur also expressed willingness to share the materials with the SOPVA.
SB 27.18.2	The request of SOP VA to adopt/adapt Self Learning Materials of MA Philosophy programme, with due acknowledgement/credit to the SOITS, was considered and approved by the School Board.
SB 27.19	To approve the names of Course Coordinators for Post Graduate Diploma in Migration and Diaspora (PGDMIDI).
27.19.1	The Programme Coordinator Prof. Nandini Sinha Kapur while presenting the item, informed that in order to expedite the work of Programme Development, the Courses of PGDMIDI had been re-allocated as follows: Dr. Sadananda Sahoo-MDI 001, MDI 002, MDIP 001; Prof Nandini Sinha Kapur-MDI 003, MDI 004; Dr. Shubhangi Vaidya-MDI 006, MDIE 001; Dr. Anil Kumar (Faculty of Anthropology, School of Social Science) and Dr. Sadananda Sahoo- MDI-005, MDIE-002. She informed that Dr. Anil Kumar has expressed his willingness to coordinate courses for the programme.
27.19.2	The School Board considered and approved the revised allocation and names of the Course Coordinators of PGDMIDI.
Tabled Agenda Items	
SB.27.20	To consider and approve the minutes of the course development committee meeting for the course Global Diasporas: Case studies (MDI 003) for the programme Post Graduate Diploma in Migration and Diaspora PGDMIDI held on 11 th October 2019.
SB.27.20.1	The programme coordinator Dr Nandini Sinha Kapur presented to the School Board the minutes of the course development committee meeting for the course Global Diasporas: Case studies (MDI 003) for the programme Post Graduate Diploma in Migration and Diaspora (PGDMIDI) held on 11 October 2019, wherein the Course Structure was discussed and finalized.
SB.27.20.2	The School Board members considered and approved the minutes of the course development committee meeting and the Course Structure for the course Global Diasporas: Case studies (MDI 003) of the programme Post Graduate Diploma in Migration and Diaspora (PGDMIDI).
SB.27.21	To consider and approve the names of the course writers for Post Graduate Diploma in Migration and Diaspora PGDMIDI .

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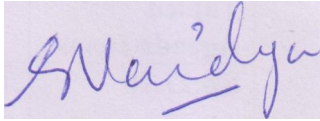
SB.27.21.1	The Programme Coordinator, Dr Nandini Sinha Kapur presented to the School Board the names of the additional course writers for Post Graduate Diploma in Migration and Diaspora (PGDMIDI).
SB.27.21.2	The School Board members considered and approved the course writers for Post Graduate Diploma in Migration and Diaspora (PGDMIDI).

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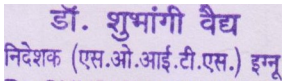
SB.27.22	To consider and approve the list of evaluators for the project MEVP-OOI in Post Graduate Diploma in Environmental and Occupational Health PGDEOH programme.
SB.27.22.1	The programme coordinator Dr B Rupini presented to the School Board the list of additional evaluators for the project MEVP-OOI in Post Graduate Diploma in Environmental and Occupational Health (PGDEOH) programme.
SB.27.22.2	The School Board members considered and approved the list of additional evaluators for the project MEVP-OOI in Post Graduate Diploma in Environmental and Occupational Health (PGDEOH) programme.

The Chairperson thanked all the members for their valuable suggestions. In conclusion, she reported the successful conduct of the National Seminar 'Environment, Society and Culture: Interdisciplinary Perspectives' organized by the School on 28th January 2020, and recorded her appreciation of the faculty and staff of SOITS for their team-work and cooperation. The Members conveyed their congratulations and encouraged the School to take the lead in organizing more such academic events in the future.

The Meeting ended with a Vote of Thanks to the Chair.



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