

Minutes of the 13th School Board Meeting of School of Law held on Friday, 9 November, 2012 at 12.00 Noon at the Conference Room of School of Law, G Block, IGNOU, New Delhi-110068

The following Members were present:

1. Prof. K. Elumalai, Director, SOL, IGNOU - Chairman
2. Prof. Ravindra Kumar, Professor, School of Social Sciences (SOSS)
3. Prof. S.R. Jha, Professor, School of Sciences (SOS)
4. Dr. O.P. Dewal, Associate Professor, School of Journalism and New Media Studies (SOJNMS)
5. Dr. Suneet Kashyap, Assistant Professor, School of Law, IGNOU
6. Dr. Gurmeet Kaur, Assistant Professor, School of Law, IGNOU
7. Ms. Mansi Sharma, Assistant Professor, School of Law, IGNOU

Mr. Akshay Kumar, Associate Professor, School of Computer and Information Sciences (SOCIS) and Mr. Anand Gupta, Assistant Professor, School of Law, (SOL) IGNOU could not attend this meeting.

At the outset, the Chairman welcomed all the Internal Members of the School Board. The Chairman informed the members that the tenure of the external members have expired already, hence, this meeting is called primarily for the purpose to co-opt new external members under clause 2(e) of statute 10 (A). The Chairman also placed on record the contributions made by the previous External Members of School Board of School of Law.

Thereafter, the Agenda items were taken up for discussion.

Item No. 13.1 Confirmation of Minutes of the Twelfth School Board Meeting

SB 13.1.1 The Chairman and Director, SOL informed the Board Members that the Minutes of the Twelfth Meeting of the School Board of School of Law held on 19th June, 2012 were circulated among the Members on 25 July, 2012. The comments received from Dr Gurmeet Kaur, Dr. Suneet Kashyap, Ms. Mansi Sharma and Mr. Anand Gupta was brought to the notice of the Members.

The comments received from the said faculty members in connection with the objection to review of the progress of the work of SOL faculty by School Board was discussed at length and after detailed deliberations, it was resolved that it is well within the purview of School Board to review the work done by faculty of SOL. Accordingly, it was held that there is no need to effect any change in the paragraph 12.2.9 of the Minutes of 12th School Board Meeting.

SB 13.1.2 The other observations made by the said faculty members have been noted and accepted.

SB 13.1.3 The Minutes of the 12th School Board Meeting were confirmed with above observations.

Item No. 13.2 The Action Taken Report on the Minutes of the Twelfth School Board Meeting

SB 13.2.1 The Action Taken Report on the Minutes of the Twelfth School Board Meeting was reviewed and noted by the School Board Members.

Item No:13.3 Recommendation of names of outside Experts for Co-option of School Board Members of SOL under Clause 2 (e) of Statute 10 (A)

SB13.3.1 The Chairman informed the School Board Members that the terms of External School Board Members of SOL has come to an end on 23 August, 2012. Hence, new external Members have to be recommended for reconstitution of School Board under Clause 2 (e) of Statute 10 (A). The names as recommended by the School in the 7th School Council Meeting held on 28 September, 2012 was placed before the Members.

The Chairman observed and suggested that it is desirable to have one female outside expert member in the school board. The Chairman also informed that Prof. K.N. Chandrashekar Pillai, Director, National Judicial Academy Bhopal whose name has been recommended by School Council could not attend expert committee meetings called earlier due to his busy schedule. In view of the above, it was suggested that a female outside expert may be included against the name of Prof. Chandrashekar Pillai for the reasons specified above.

After detailed discussion/ deliberations the name of Dr. Chandra Krishnamurthy, Vice Chancellor, National Law University, Odisha was proposed.

The final names proposed before the school board for consideration and approval are given below:

1. Prof. N.R. Madhava Menon
Former Member, Member
Commission on Centre-State Relations, GOI
Devi Priya, Sai Ram Road,
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2. Mr. R. Venkata Ramani
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3. Prof. V.B. Coutinho
Principal Director
(Former VC, Gulbarga University and Director, Legal Studies Bar Council of India)
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4. Prof.R.G.B. Bhagavath Kumar
Vice-Chancellor

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Andhra Pradesh,
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5. Mrs. Chandra Krishnamurthy
Vice Chancellor
National law University, Odisha
Brajabharipur, Near Narah Barrage,
CDA, Cuttack- 753014, Odisha

SB 13.3.2 The School Board members after due deliberations recommended and approved the names of above Members for Co-option of School Board Members of SOL under Clause 2 (e) of Statute 10 (A).

Item No. 13.4 To deliberate on the Vision Document of School of Law

SB.13.4.1 The item was deferred to the next School Board Meeting. It was suggested by the School Board Members that the Vision Document may be prepared comprehensively by covering all the activities of SOL since inception and future plan of action to carryout the academic activities with a specific time frame.

Item No.13.5 To consider and approve the Names of Content Editor for PG Diploma in Intellectual Property Rights Programme

SB 13.5.1 The names of Content Editors for PG Diploma in Intellectual Property Rights (PGDIPR) Programme for Course MIP 101 Block 3, (Unit 1&2), MIP 107 Block 3 (Unit 1 to 4) which is under Revision was placed before the School Board for consideration and approval.

SB.13.5.2 The School Board approved the following names of Content Editors for PG Diploma in Intellectual Property Rights (PGDIPR) Programme as proposed.

Course/ Unit	Content Editor
MIP 101: General Introduction to IP Rights Block 3 Kinds of IPR Unit 1: Copyright and related Rights Unit 2: Industrial Property Rights- I	Mr. C M Gaind, Former Chief (IPR) and Head IPCMD, NRDC, New Delhi
Course MIP 107, Trade Secrets, Competition Law and Protection of Traditional Cultural Expression Block -3 IP and Protection of traditional Cultural expression Unit 1 Signification of and reasons for protecting TCE Unit 2 Current International efforts for the protection of TCE Unit 3 WIPO, UNESCO and CBD Unit 4 Global issues in the protection of TCE	Dr. Suneet K. Srivastava Assistant Prof., SOL, IGNOU Dr. Sanjeev Kr Srivastava SBBJ, New Delhi

Item No. 13.6 To consider and Approve the additional names of Supervisors for project work (MIRP 003) of Master in Intellectual Property Law Programme

SB 13.6.1 The Master in Intellectual Property law (MIPL) is the online programme offered by SOL. One of the courses is Research Project titled "MIRP- 003". The names of three additional external supervisors for Research Project titled "MIRP- 003" was placed before School Board for approval.

SB.13.6.2 The School Board approved the following four names of the additional external supervisors as proposed for Research Project titled "MIRP- 003".

- M. M. Tambe
Lecturer in Law
New Law College Ahmednagar
Maharashtra- 414003
- Rajkumar R. Hirwani
Head CSIR, (URDIP) Pune
Pune-411038
- Kamal Kumar
Assistant Professor of Law
Janhit College of Law
Noida, U. P - 201308
- V. C. Vivekanandan
Ph.D -NLSIU (Bangalore)
MHRD IP-Chair
Professor Coordinator - NALSAR Proximate Education
Nalsar University of Law Justice
Shameerpet, R.R. District - 500 078.
Phone: 040-23498404

Item No 13.7 To consider and Approve the names for Paper setter/Moderator/Evaluator for Master in Intellectual Property law and PG Diploma in Legal Process Outsourcing (On line) Programmes

SB 13.7.1 The names for paper setters/moderator/Evaluator for Masters in Intellectual Property Law (MIPL) and PG Diploma in Legal Process Outsourcing (PGDLPO) Programmes were placed before the School Board for approval.

SB13.7.2 The School Board approved the names for Paper setter/Moderator/Evaluator for MIPL and PGDLPO (On line) Programmes as proposed. The same is given **Annexure 1**.

Item No 13.8 To consider and approve the panel of Supervisors & Evaluators for PG Diploma in Environmental Law, PG Diploma in Environmental Law-On line, Certificate in Anti-Human Trafficking and PC Diploma in Criminal Justice Programmes

SB 13.8.1 The names for Paper setters/Moderator/Evaluators for PG Diploma in Environmental Law, PG Diploma in Environmental Law -On line, Certificate in Anti Human Trafficking and PG Diploma in Criminal Justice Programmes were placed before the School Board for approval.

SB13.8.2 The School Board, after due deliberations, approved the names of the panel of Supervisors & Evaluators for PG Diploma in Environmental Law, PG Diploma in Environmental Law - Online, Certificate in Anti Human Trafficking and PG Diploma in Criminal Justice Programmes as proposed. The same is given in **Annexure 2**.

Item No 13.9 To consider and approve the additional name of experts for inclusion in the panel of Doctoral Committee Members for Ph.D. Programme in School of Law

SB 13.9.1 The names of external experts were placed before the School Board for inclusion in the panel of Experts for reviewing the research proposals in Law Discipline i.e. Doctoral Committee.

SB 13.9.2 The School Board Members suggested that few more names may be added to the list and the same may sent to the Research Council for its approval. The list of experts proposed for inclusion in the Panel of Doctoral Committee is given at **Annexure 3**.

Item No 13.10 To consider the offer of One Year LLM Programme

SB 13.10.1 The Chairman informed the School Board Members about the offering of one Year LLM Programme by School of Law. The Chairman informed the members that an Expert Committee appointed by the UGC in 2010 submitted a report proposing LLM one year course under certain conditions. It is learnt that the UGC has accepted the recommendations for its early implementation. He further said that foreign universities are offering LLM for one year only. The Chairman said that faculty position needs to be strengthened enhanced for the purpose of offering one year LLM by SOL. Initially, the School will offer LLM for two years through distance mode.

SB 13.10.2 The School Board Members appreciated and considered the proposal and requested the SOL to prepare detailed curriculum and place it before the next School Board Meeting.

Item No 13.11 To consider the offer of Programme on Laws governing Police Officials

SB 13.11.1 The Chairman informed the School Board Members that in the 13th Trafficking in Human Being Review Meeting held on 2nd November, 2012 organized by Ministry of Home Affairs, GOI, a suggestion -cum-request was made to SOL, IGNOU to consider the scope and possibility to offer a course on Laws governing Police personnel including state special laws. It was felt in the meeting that a design of such a course will go a long way in helping the police personnel to understand clearly the relevant legal provisions they come across very often.

The Director, SOL who participated in the meeting felt that it is desirable to initiate steps to design such a course. Initially the school will start the programme exclusively for the

Police Personnel at the Constable Level. The Chairman said that already ground level work has been initiated by the School. He said that SOL in collaboration with NHRC has already offered a one week online Training Programme for Police Personnel simultaneously at three places i.e. the police academies of Delhi at Delhi, UP at Moradabad and Haryana at Madhuban.

The Chairman said that National Police Academy, Hyderabad and BPR&D will be consulted to start this programme for police personnel by School of Law.

SB 13.11.2 The School Board Members said it is a very good idea and it should be a bilingual programme for sensitization of police personnel. Discussion was held whether it should be a credit or non credit programme.

SB13.11.3 The School Board approved this item for starting the Programme on Laws governing Police Officials

Item No13.12 To discuss the composition and terms of reference of the Review of the Course Work for Ph.D. in Law

SB 13.12.1 Director, SOL informed that School of Law informed the members that the candidates are admitted to PhD in law after fulfilling the required qualification and experience and thereafter they have to present the proposed topic before the doctoral committee and also have to under go one year course work. (Two compulsory and one optional) under Category A. Director, SOL, also informed that in the 10th School Board Meeting of SOL, the curriculum of course work as finalized in Expert Committee Meeting held on 15 November, 2010 was placed before the School Board. In that meeting, the School Board members felt that curriculum should be made more exhaustive by expanding the panel of experts. Hence, it was felt by Members to streamline the process, and to reconsider and incorporate the changes in the curriculum and redraft it.

SB13.12.2 After long discussion, it was felt by all the members that the Course Work need not be reviewed but appropriate steps may be taken for operationalization of Course work of Ph.D in Law.

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


(Prof. K. Elumalai)
Director, SOL.