## IGNOU (SOMS)

MINUTES OF THE 34<sup>th</sup> SCHOOL BOARD MEETING OF THE SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT STUDIES HELD ON JANUARY 4, 2016, AT 11.30 AM IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM, SOMS, VISVESWARAYYA BHAWAN, BLOCK – C, NEW ACADEMIC COMPLEX, IGNOU, MAIDAN GARHI, NEW DELHI – 110 068.

## The following were present:

1. Prof. Srilatha, Director, SOMS, IGNOU	Chairperson
2. Prof. Nawal Kishor, SOMS, IGNOU	Member
3. Prof. Kamal Yadava, SOMS, IGNOU	Member
4. Prof. M.S.S. Raju, SOMS, IGNOU	Member
<ol><li>Prof. Anurag Saxena, SOMS, IGNOU</li></ol>	Member
6. Prof. T.U. Fulzele, SOMS, IGNOU	Member
7. Dr. Gopal Jadav, SOMS, IGNOU	Member
8. Dr. Subodh Kesharwani, SOMS, IGNOU	Member
9. Dr.Rashmi Bansal, SOMS, IGNOU	Member
10. Prof. Annu J. Thomas, SOGDS, IGNOU	Member
11. Prof. Gracious Thomas, SOSW, IGNOU	Member
12. Dr. Rashmi Sinha, SOSS, IGNOU	Member
13. Dr. V.V. Subramanyam, SOCIS, IGNOU	Member
14. Prof. Kailash Sodani, VC, Maharishi Dayanand Sarswati University	Member
15. Prof. H. Venkateswarlu, Director, PGRRCDE, Osmania University	Member
16. Prof. Abid Haleem, Coordinator, Faculty of Engg. And Tech.,	Member
Jamia Millia Islamia University	Member
17. Mr. R.K. Dubey, Former CMD, Canara Bank	Member

Prof. B.B. Khanna, SOMS, IGNOU, Prof. Madhu Tyagi, SOMS, IGNOU, Prof.G. Subbayamma, SOMS, IGNOU, Prof. K. Ravi Sankar, SOMS, IGNOU, Dr. Anjali Ramteke, SOMS, IGNOU, Prof. Sunita Singh Sengupta, University of Delhi could not attend the meeting.

Item No.	Subject
34.1	To confirm the minutes of 33 <sup>rd</sup> School Board Meeting held on April 22, 2015
	Chairperson informed that the minutes were circulated to the members of the School Board and no comments were received from any of the members.
34.1.1	The School Board confirmed the minutes of the 33 <sup>rd</sup> meeting of the School Board held on April 22, 2015.
34.2	To consider & approve the MoU with IGNOU and Retailer's Association of India (RAI), Mumbai.
	Prof. Nawal Kishor, Programme Co-ordinator, presented the item. He explained that IGNOU & Retailers Association of India, Mumbai entered into an MoU on 17 <sup>th</sup> August, 2007. Under this MoU Diploma in Retailing Programme was launched in 2008. Subsequently BBA in Retailing was launched in July, 2009. As per MoU the conduct of five batches completed during 2012-13. The MoU required to be renewed from the year 2012-13. The School initiated the process of renewal of MoU and got it approved by the 31 <sup>st</sup> School Board of School of Management Studies held on January 21, 2014. The Legal Cell and Finance Division also examined and found MoU is in order. The MoU Committee has recommended for continuance of the BBA in Retailing Programme which has been approved by the 118 <sup>th</sup> meeting of the Board of Management held on June 15, 2013. In anticipation of getting the MoU renewed, the students were enrolled during 2013-14 and 2014-15. The programme was put on hold during the year 2015.  He stated that BBA in Retailing is a distance learning industry linked programme. The programme focuses on skill development and employment generation. Retailers Association of India, Mumbai provides internship and sponsored candidate from the industry. During the internship the students also get stipend from the industry. Thus, the programme fulfills the features of learning by doing and learning and earning. The students also get opportunity for employment in the industry.  He highlighted that the modified MoU advocates that IGNOU will design, develop, revise, deliver the course materials and admit, evaluate and provide certificates to the learners. IGNOU shall have the exclusive copyright for all the course materials of

IGNOU and RAI jointly, RAI can use the course materials for the academic purpose only and not for any commercial purpose. IGNOU will issue certificates to all successful learners under its bonafide signature and stamp. Besides providing internship and sponsored candidates, RAI will organize special workshops, training sessions for imparting practical knowledge and facilitating the employability. The infrastructural logistics will be provided by IGNOU. The 43<sup>rd</sup> meeting of Planning Board held on July 13, 2015 has approved the proposal for renewal of the MoU for BBA in Retailing programme. The MoU has been examined by Legal Cell and F&A Division.

The School Board appreciated and approved the revised MoU. The Board further stated that this sector will be playing a significant role and will create lot of opportunities for employment and boost the economy. The members suggested for the development of Master in Retailing as well as E-commerce programmes in future as they are relevant in the present day context. They also said that one should also think of sector wise allocation as specialization.

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The School Board considered and approved the MoU between IGNOU and Retailers Association of India, Mumbai.

34.3

To consider & approve for regularization of admission for BBA in Retailing Programme for the year 2013-14 & 2014-15.

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The Admission cum Examination Committee has approved the final list of programmes to be offered during 2013-14 and 2014-15. BBA in retailing programme has been included in the final list of the programmes approved by Admission cum Examination Committee. The final list of programmes to be offered during 2013-14 and 2014-15 had been further approved by the then VC, IGNOU.

The Admission cum Examination Committee in its meeting held on June 19, 2015 has recommended that since the students have taken admission for the programme in July 2013 and July 2014, their interest may be protected by taking requisite action with RAI in regularizing the admission with retrospective effect, so that their (RAI) fee share (30%) can also be made.

While deliberating on the item 30% fee share to RAI was raised. The Coordinator BBA in Retailing clarified that it is not a fresh proposal. The provision for fee share of 30% to RAI was already there in the previous MoU and the same fee sharing ratio (30%) to RAI has been proposed in the revised MoU by taking the services of the RAI into account.

34.3.1

The School Board considered and approved the regularization of admission for BBA in Retailing Programme for the year 2013-2014 and 2014-15 and release of RAI fee share 30% accordingly as per the earlier MoU norms as one time measure.

34.4

## To consider and approve CBCS Scheme for BDP (Commerce)

Prof. MSS Raju, (B.Com Coordinator) informed that the scheme has been approved by the Academic Council at its 64<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 10-07-2015 for adoption of the scheme and directed the schools to devise strategies for implementation of the CBCS

	from coming session Jan/July 2016 in a phased manner. Accordingly, the commerce discipline identified the necessary actives and the support services which are required
34.4.1	for implementation of the CBCS.  The Board considered and approved the support services for implementation of the CBCS Scheme for BDP (Commerce).
34.5	To consider and approve the Minutes of the meetings of Doctoral Research Committee (DRC) in Commerce held on 11.08.2015, 14.09.2015, 22.09.2015, 24.09.2015, 15.10.2015, (i) 01.12.2015, (ii) 01.12.2015, 14.12.2015, (i) 31.12.2015 and (ii) 31.12.2015.
	While discussing on the minutes of the Doctoral Research Committee meeting the Research Coordinator of Commerce Discipline explained that besides the items of seminar (1 <sup>st</sup> /2 <sup>nd</sup> ) presentations, pre-submission thesis seminars, progress reports, status report of the Ph.D candidates, certain other important items were also approved by the DRCs. They are:
	I. (a) In the DRC held on 11.8.2015 under item No. 2 recommended cancellation of six Ph.D candidates registration due to expiry of the maximum period and cancellation of registration of six Ph.D candidates due to non-satisfactory of the progress of the work.  (b) Under item No. 4, Withdrawal of Prof. S.K. Jain the External supervisor of Ph.D candidate Mr. Jatin Vaid. (c) Under item No. 5 Withdrawal of M.Phil registration of Ms. Sapna Rani (Enrolment No. 144500414) as per her request.
	II. The DRC meeting which was held on 01.12.2015 the typographical error of the topic 'Impact of Category Management on the Profitability and Operators of the Retail Stores' of Mr. Ravindra Mahadeo Chiplunkar, Enrolement No. 122877593 was rectified to 'Impact of Category Management on the Profitability and Operations of the Retail Stores' was considered and approved by the Doctoral Research Committee.
-	III. In the DRC held on 31-12-2015 under item No. 2 approved to persue the course work by category –A Ph.D candidates who are desired to undertake the course work.
34.5.1	The Board considered and approved the minutes of the meetings of Doctoral

	Research Committee (DRC) in Commerce held on 11.08.2015, 14.09.2015, 22.09.2015, 24.09.2015, 15.10.2015, (i) 01.12.2015, (ii) 01.12.2015, 14.12.2015, (i) 31.12.2015 and (ii) 31.12.2015.
34.6	To consider and approve the four lists of examiners for Ph.D thesis in commerce in respect of (i) Mr. Ravindra Mahadeo Chiplunkar, Enrolment No. 122877593; (ii) Mr. Chaman Lal, Enrolment No. 122877601; (iii) Ms. Ruchi Gupta, Enrolment No. 131637539; and (iv) Ms. Ankita Bhatia, Enrolment No. 100165617
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34.7	To consider and approve the two lists of examiners for M. Phil thesis in commerce in respect of (i) Ms. Tina Thomas, Enrolment No. 144500399; and (ii) Ms. Harshita Arora, Enrolment No. 131637127
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34.8	To consider and approve the list of experts for major revision of MS-42: Capital Investment and Financing Decisions and MS-45: International Financial Management  The members were of the view that there should be a road map to be prepared by the
	faculty for the revision of the courses. They advised that instead of five years, the revision should take place once in three years as the context is changing very fast. They also suggested that faculty should also explore new and emerging areas and develop courses on those areas. Dr. Kamal Vagrecha course coordinator for these courses was invited to explain the reasons for revision. He explained that this course was revised

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34.11.1	The Board considered and approved the additional list of experts for the course $MS-21$ : Social Processes and Behavioural Issues.
34.12	To consider and approve the list of evaluators for Ph.D Management Candidate Ms. Shikha Chandra, Enrolment No. 122878019
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34.14	To consider and approve the names of evaluators and question paper moderators in the Operation Management Area
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34.15	Any other item

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

(Srilatha)
Director