

#### INDIRA GANDHI NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY MAIDAN GARHI, NEW DELHI – 110068

#### School of Management Studies

MINUTES OF THE 53<sup>rd</sup> MEETING OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT STUDIES, IGNOU, HELD ON AUGUST 25<sup>TH</sup>, 2023 AT 11.00 AM IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM, SOMS, VISVESWARAYYA BHAWAN, NEW ACADEMIC COMPLEX, IGNOU, MAIDAN GARHI, NEW DELHI–110 068.

The 53<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the School Board of School of management Studies, IGNOU, was held on August 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 11.00 am in the Conference Room, SOMS, Visveswarayya Bhawan, New Academic Complex, IGNOU, Maidan Garhi, New Delhi–110068. The following were present:

1.	Prof. M.S.Senam Raju, SOMS, IGNOU	Chairman
2.	Prof. Nawal Kishor, SOMS, IGNOU	Member
3.	Prof. K. Ravi Sankar, Director, SOMS, IGNOU	Member
4.	Prof. Anurag Saxena, SOMS, IGNOU	Member
5.	Prof. Neeti Agrawal, SOMS, IGNOU	Member
6.	Prof. Anjali C. Ramteke, SOMS, IGNOU	Member
7.	Prof. Kamal Vagrecha, SOMS, IGNOU	Member
8.	Prof. Nayantara Padhi, SOMS, IGNOU	Member
9.	Prof. Subodh Kesharwani, SOMS, IGNOU	Member
10.	Prof. Rashmi Bansal, SOMS,IGNOU	Member
11.	Prof. Madhulika P. Sarkar, SOMS,IGNOU	
12.	Prof. Rajeev Kumar Shukla, SOMS, IGNOU	Member
13.	Dr. Venkataiah Chittipaka, Associate Professor, SOMS, IGNOU	Member
14.	Dr. Anupriya Pandey, Associate Professor, SOMS, IGNOU	Member
15.	Dr. Rajendra Prasad, Assistant Professor, SOMS, IGNOU	Member
16.	Dr. P. Vijaya Kumar, Associate Professor, SOA, IGNOU	Member
17.	Dr. Buta Singh, Assistant Professor, SOCE, IGNOU	Member
18.	Prof. M. B. Shukla, Professor (Retd.) MG Kashi Vidyapeeth,	Member
10.	Varansi, Uttar Pradesh	Member.
19.	Prof. V. Venkata Ramana, Vice Chancellor, RGUKT Basar, Telangana	Member
20.	Prof. D. D. Bedia, Professor and Former Dean, Pt. JLN Instt. of	Member
	Business Management, Vikram Univeristy, Ujjain, M.P.	Wichiber
21.	Prof. O. P. Wali, Professor & Head (Research), Indian Institute	Member
	Foreign Trade, IIFT Bhawan, New Delhi.	Member
22.	Prof. Rabi Narayan Kar, Principle, Shyam Lal College Univeristy of Delhi, Delhi	Member

Prof. Vandana Singh, SOE, IGNOU, could not attend the meeting. Prof. Sunil Kumar, and Dr. K Anil Kumar are on EOL from the University. Mr. Saurabh Jain, Assistant Professor, SOMS is under suspension.

Prof. M.S. Senam Raju, Director and Chairman extended a warm welcome to all the members of the 53<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of School Board. He informed that Prof. Srilatha has been superannuated on 31.07.2023. The Chairman and the members appreciated her contributions and valuable inputs on the resolutions of the School Board.

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He also shared to the members that the PG Diploma in Services Management and BBA (General) Programmes were launched from July 2023 session onwards. MoU with IIBF, Mumbai was signed and the signing of generic MoU with ICAI which was scheduled on 10.08.2023 was postponed. The discussions with ICSI on courses' mapping for credit transfer/exemption are in process. Deliberations are going on with National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC) for development of B.Com. (Applied) Programme. SOMS has received proposals from Maruti Suzuki India Limited (MSIL), New Delhi and Retailers Association of India (RAI), Mumbai for offering collaborative BBA (Automobile Marketing) and MBA (Retail Management) programmes respectively. He expressed thanks to the members of the School Board for their valuable inputs for the continuous growth of the School.

Thereafter, the following agenda items were taken up:

Item No. 53.1	To confirm the Minutes of 52 <sup>nd</sup> meeting of the School Board held on 20 <sup>th</sup> April, 2023.		
53.1.1	informed the	Senam Raju, Director, SOMS and Chairman of the School Board members that the minutes of 52 <sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the School Board lanagement Studies was held on 20 <sup>th</sup> April, 2023 were circulated to	- 0
	Meeting of t	informed that no comments have been received from the Members of the din the stipulated time. Therefore, presented the minutes of 52 the School Board of School of Management Studies was held on 2 for confirmation.	and
53.1.2	The School held on 20th	Board confirmed the Minutes of 52 <sup>nd</sup> meeting of the School Boa April, 2023.	ırd
Item No. 53.2	To report th	ne items approved by the School Board by circulation in the mon 3.	ıth
53.2.1	School Board	, SOMS, and Chairman of the School Board informed the Members I that in view of the urgency of the matters, the school was compelled	of to
		oval of the School Board for following four items by circulation:	
	Item No.		
		Title To consider the Minutes of Meetings of the Doctoral Research	
	Item No.	Title  To consider the Minutes of Meetings of the Doctoral Research Committee (Management Discipline) held on 15 <sup>th</sup> June 2023.  To consider the Minutes of Meetings of the Doctoral Research	
	Item No. SBC- 01	Title  To consider the Minutes of Meetings of the Doctoral Research Committee (Management Discipline) held on 15 <sup>th</sup> June 2023	

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	With the approval of competent authority, the above four items were circulated to all the members of the School Board through e-mail on 23 <sup>rd</sup> June, 2023 and received the approvals from 23 members out of 24, including the Chairperson for the proposed resolutions.
	The members appreciated the timely actions for smooth running of the academic activities of the school.
53.2.2	The School Board noted and confirmed the approvals of the Members of the School Board on the above four items through circulation in the month of June, 2023.
Item No. 53.3	To report Action Taken Report on the Minutes of 52 <sup>nd</sup> meeting of the School Board held on 20 <sup>th</sup> April, 2023 and the approval of School Board through Circulation in June-2023.
53.3.1	The Director, SOMS and the Chairman of School Board informed the Members of School Board that the 52 <sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the School Board of School of Management Studies was held on 20 <sup>th</sup> April, 2023. Further in the month of June, 2023 due to compelling situations, the school sought the approval of the School Board for four items by circulation.
	The concerned programme/course coordinators have taken/initiated the necessary actions on the items approved in the 52 <sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the School Board. The members of the School Board appreciated the prompt actions on the resolutions of the School Board.
53.3.2	The School Board noted the Action Taken Report on the Minutes of 52 <sup>nd</sup> meeting of the School Board held on 20 <sup>th</sup> April, 2023 and the approval of School Board through Circulation in June-2023.
Item No. 53.4	To consider and approve the Concept Note of the MBA (Retail Management) Programme in collaboration with Retailers Association of India (RAI) alongwith the list of experts for Programme Design and Development Committee of MBA (Retail Management).
53.4.1	Prof. Rajeev Kumar Shukla, Coordinator of the proposed Programme, presented the item and informed the members of the School Board that the SOMS has received a proposal from the Retailers Association of India (RAI) to offer an MBA (Retail Management) in collaboration with the University. The BBA in Retailing is already being offered by the school and has been running successfully since 2007 in collaboration with the Retailers Association of India (RAI).

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He informed that the retail industry in India is currently undergoing a significant overhaul, fuelled by a convergence of elements that are reshaping consumer preferences, technological progress, and shifting market dynamics. As the retail landscape in India undergoes a comprehensive makeover, the future is ripe with exciting possibilities. Amidst this dynamic landscape, an MBA in Retail Management will hold significant importance and offer a strategic edge to individuals aiming to tap into the growing opportunities within this evolving sector.

He also informed that the MBA in Retail Management Programme will equip individuals with an in-depth grasp of the knowledge and skills essential for navigating this intricate landscape. The programme will delve deeply into retail-centric subjects, furnishing insights into retail management, merchandising tactics, ecommerce strategies, and the art of creating seamless Omni-channel encounters. As the industry converging traditional retail with digital advancements, professionals armed with an MBA in Retail Management will stand poised for success.

He further informed that the proposal has been discussed in the school, and it has been decided to work out the details before taking a final decision. In view of this, a concept note alongwith the list of experts for Programme Design and Development Committee are placed for the consideration of the School Board. Once the details are worked out by the faculty and RAI representatives, a programme design committee will be convened to finalise the programme structure.

School Board appreciated the proposal and congratulated the faculty of School of Management for proposing such an excellent proposal for industry linked collaborative programme. Dr. P. Vijay Kumar asked about the Need Assessment. The programme coordinator informed that RAI has done the Need Assessment and taken the feedback from all the stakeholders including the alumni of BBA in Retailing Programme, Retailers and Academia.

The members noted that BBA in Retailing programme is already being offered in collaboration with RAI, Mumbai for the last 15 years. Members suggested that the eligibility criteria for MBA (Retailing Management) programme should be at par with other exiting MBA Programmes and in line with the AICTE norms. Members also suggested that the Programme Design and Development Committee should also be convened only once the MoU with RAI is signed.

Members also suggested that Programme Coordinator, Prof. Rajeev Kumar Shukla should be the convener of Programme Design and Development Committee and suggested following names for inclusion in the List of Experts proposed for the Programme Design and Development Committee:

 Prof. V. Shekar, Professor (emeritus), School of Management, JNTUH, Hyderabad, Mobile: 9959387485, e-mail: shesasu@yahoo.co.in

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	<ol> <li>Prof. Kavita Sharma, Department of Commerce, Delhi School of Economics University of Delhi, Delhi – 110007, Mobile: 9868214616, e-mail ksharma.dse@gmail.com.</li> <li>Dr. Kartik Dave, Dean, School of Business, Public Policy and Socia Entrepreneurship, Ambedkar University, Delhi, Mobile: 9873099223, e-mail kartik@aud.ac.in.</li> <li>Mr. Gaurang Govind, Retail Expert, Independent Consultant, Vasundhra Ghaziabad, UP, Mobile: 9810834241, e-mail: gauranggovind@gmail.com.</li> </ol>
53.4.2	School Board approved the Concept Note of the MBA (Retail Management, Programme in collaboration with Retailers Association of India (RAI), the list of experts including the above 04 names of experts and Prof. Rajeev Kumar Shukla as Convener of the Programme Design and Development Committee of MBA (Retail Management). The updated list of experts for Programme Design and Development Committee of MBA (Retail Management) Programme is attached (Annexure -53.1).
Item No. 53.5	To consider and approve the Evaluation Methodology for MBA (ODL / Online). MBF, specialized MBAs and PG Diploma Programmes in different specialized area as per the earlier evaluation methodology for pre-revised Management Programme.
53.5.1	Prof. Rajeev Kumar Shukla, Coordinator (Management Discipline) informed the members of the School Board that the school has restructured its Management Programme and the MBA (Banking and Finance) (MPB) Programme and launched the new MBA programme with specializations in Human Resource Management, Financial Management, Marketing Management, Operations Management, & Services Management and the MBA (Banking and Finance) (MBF) from July 2021. The MBA (Online) Programme (MBAOL) was launched from January 2022 session onwards. Further, four specialized MBA programmes (MBAHM, MBAFM, MBAOM, and MBAMM) were offered from the July 2022 session onwards; 4 PG Diploma programmes in different specializations (PGDIHRM, PGDIMM, PGDIFM and PGDIOM) were offered from January 2023 session onwards and finally the 5 <sup>th</sup> PG Diploma programme i.e. PGDISM is offered from July 2023 session onwards.  As per the Concept Note(s) for all above MBA Programmes, the evaluation
	methodology for these programmes are as under:  "For successfully qualifying a course, a student will have to obtain at least 'C'  Grade in both continuous and term-end-examinations and also the overall



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"For successfully qualifying a course, a student will have to obtain at least 'D' Grade in both continuous and term-end-examinations and also the overall average grade should be at least 'C' grade for the successful completion of that course".

He also informed that after analyzing the result of three Term-End-Examinations (December-2021, June-2022 and December-2022) and the grievances received from the students by the Management Discipline, it has been observed that the overall pass percentage has significantly decreased. Therefore, if the candidates of these MBA Programmes who have scored 'D' Grade in TEE may be considered as qualified, then the pass percentage may improve significantly.

In view of the above, Management Discipline, proposed the evaluation methodology for all the above MBA, MBF and PG Diploma Programmes (ODL and Online) shall be as per the pre-revised Management Programme.

The proposed evaluation methodology is in accordance with the <u>Ordinance on Conduct of Examination and Evaluation of Student Performance (Under Section 26 (1) (B) of the IGNOU Act-Clause-5.</u>

Members deliberated upon the agenda and appreciated the efforts of the discipline. Prof. Nayantara Padhi, Programme Coordinator, MBA Programme requested for issuance of Part Minutes on this agenda item, so that this revised evaluation methodology can be implemented from July 2021 batch, as the result of their final semester i.e., June 2023 is yet to be declared.

53.5.2 The School Board approved the Evaluation Methodology for MBA (ODL / Online), MBF, specialized MBAs and PG Diploma Programmes in different specialized area as per the earlier evaluation methodology for pre-revised Management Programme, as given under:

"For successfully qualifying a course, a student will have to obtain at least 'D' Grade in both continuous and term-end-examinations and also the overall average grade should be at least 'C' grade for the successful completion of that course".

The school Board agreed to issue the Part Minutes of this agenda item.

Item No.

To consider and approve the Concept Note for the BBA (Automobile Marketing) Programme in collaboration with Maruti Suzuki India Ltd (MSIL) alongwith the list of experts for programme Design and Development Committee of BBA (Automobile Marketing).

Prof. Anjali C. Ramteke, Coordinator of the proposed Programme, presented the item and informed the members of the School Board that SOMS received a proposal from Maruti Suzuki India Limited (MSIL)—a leading Automobile Brand in India, through Dr. Srikant Mohapatra, Pro-Vice Chancellor, IGNOU for offering a collaborative BBA (Automobile Marketing) Programme.

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She also informed that the main objective of the programme is to prepare the Indian youth to get professionally trained and make a career in Automobile Sector. This program will be designed and developed for young aspiring professionals who want to pursue a bright career in ever growing Automobile Industry. It will be in line with the NEP-2020 and National Council for Vocational Education and Training (NCVET).

She further informed that the proposal was discussed in the Management Discipline Meeting as well as in the meeting of School Council held on 19th July, 2023. Accordingly, the Concept Note for offering BBA (Automobile Marketing) in collaboration with Maruti Suzuki India Ltd (MSIL) and the list of experts for Programme Design and Development Committee of BBA (Automobile Marketing) are proposed for consideration and approval of the School Board.

Members appreciated the proposal and congratulated the faculty of School of Management Studies for proposing such an excellent industry linked and skill development collaborative programme. Members also suggested that the Programme Design and Development Committee to be convened after the MoU with MSIL is signed.

Members also suggested that the Programme Coordinator, Prof. Anjali C. Ramteke be the convener of Programme Design and Development Committee and the title of the programme may be re-looked/ reviewed as BBA (Automobile Management) or any other appropriate Programme Title in the meeting of Programme Design and Development Committee.

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The School Board approved the Concept Note for BBA (Automobile Marketing)/
suggested (Automobile Management) Programme in collaboration with Maruti
Suzuki India Ltd (MSIL), the List of Experts and Prof. Anjali C. Ramteke as
Convener for Programme Design and Development Committee of BBA
(Automobile Marketing). The updated list of experts for programme Design and
Development Committee of BBA (Automobile Marketing) is attached (Annexure 53.2).

Item No. 53.7 To consider and approve the proposal for offering BBA in Retailing (BBARIL) and Diploma in Retailing (DIRIL) Programmes in January academic session also.

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Prof. Nawal Kishor, Programme Coordinator, presented the item and informed the members of the School Board that the Restructured BBA in Retailing Programme have been offered from the academic cycle of July 2022 onwards.

He also informed that presently, the programme is on offer only in July Admission Cycle. The RAI, has taken feedback from market experts and its stake holders and the following points have been emerged:

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	<ul> <li>Offering the program in two separate sessions may enable the university to cater to a broader range of students. Some students might prefer initiating their academic journey in January rather than waiting for the July cycle.</li> <li>It has been identified an escalating demand for professionals in the retains sector and many other students who miss the opportunity to take admission in July academic session may join in January cycle.</li> <li>The overall enrolment may increase by offering the programmes in January and July cycle.</li> </ul>
	He further informed that the Faculty of Commerce proposes to offer the BBA in Retailing (BBARIL) and the Diploma in Retailing (DIRIL) Programmes in both academic cycles i.e. July Admission Cycle as well as January Admission Cycle.
	Members deliberated upon the proposal and appreciated the initiative taken by the discipline.
53.7.2	The School Board approved the proposal for offering BBA in Retailing (BBARIL) and Diploma in Retailing (DIRIL) Programmes in January academic sessions also. Thus, BBA in Retailing (BBARIL) and Diploma in Retailing (DIRIL) Programmes will be offered in both July and January admission sessions from January 2024 session onwards.
Item No. 53.8	To consider and approve the proposal for offering BBA in Retailing (BBARIL) and Diploma in Retailing (DIRIL) Programmes in Hindi Medium.
53.8.1	Prof. Nawal Kishor, Programme Coordinator, presented the item and informed the members of the School Board that the Restructured BBA in Retailing Programme (BBARIL) and Diploma in Retailing (DIRIL) Programmes have been offered from the academic cycle of July, 2022 onwards.
	He also informed that BBARIL and DIRIL programmes are offered in English Medium only. The RAI has requested to offer the retailing programmes in Hindi Medium also. RAI has proposed vide in the letter that the expenses towards translation and vetting will be borne by RAI and the printing of the SLM will be taken care by IGNOU.
	He further informed that the Faculty of Commerce proposes to offer the BBA in Retailing (BBARIL) and the Diploma in Retailing (DIRIL) Programmes in Hindi Medium from January 2024 admission cycle onwards.
	School Board deliberated upon the proposal and appreciated the initiative taken by the discipline.
3.8.2	The School Board approved the proposal for offering BBA in Retailing (BBARIL) and Diploma in Retailing (DIRIL) Programmes in Hindi Medium from January

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and Diploma in Retailing (DIRIL) Programmes in Hindi Medium from January-



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Item No. 53.9	To consider and approve the Minutes of Meetings of Course Design and Development Committee for the courses of V semester of BBA in Retailing (BBARIL) Programme.
53.9.1	Prof. Nawal Kishor, Programme Coordinator, presented the item and informed the members of the School Board that in the process of restricting the BBA in Retailing Programme a list of experts for Course Design and Development Committee for the V and VI semester (3rd Year) of BBA in Retailing (BBARIL) Programme was approved by the School Board in its 52 <sup>nd</sup> Meeting held on 20 <sup>th</sup> April, 2023.
	He also informed that with the approval of competent authority the Meetings of Course Design and Development Committee for the four courses (BRL-111, BRL-112, BRL-113 and BRL-114) of V semester of BBA in Retailing (BBARIL) Programme were held on 19 <sup>th</sup> and 20 <sup>th</sup> June, 2022 at Mumbai. The semester V will be commenced from July, 2024.
	Members deliberated upon the item and appreciated the actions being taken on restructuring the BBA in Retailing Programme.
53.9.2	The School Board approved the Minutes of Meetings of Course Design and
	(BBARIL) Programme held on 19th and 20th June, 2023.
Item No. 53.10	Development Committee for the courses of V semester of BBA in Retailing (BBARIL) Programme held on 19th and 20th June, 2023.  To consider and approve the Minutes of Meeting of Course Design and Development Committee for the course of VI semester of BBA in Retailing (BBARIL) Programme.
	To consider and approve the Minutes of Meeting of Course Design and Development Committee for the course of VI semester of RRA in Potolika
53.10	To consider and approve the Minutes of Meeting of Course Design and Development Committee for the course of VI semester of BBA in Retailing (BBARIL) Programme.  Prof. Nawal Kishor, Programme Coordinator, presented the item and informed the members of the School Board that similar to item no. 53.9 the Meeting of Meeting of Course Design and Development Committee for the one course (BRL-115) of VI semester of BBA in Retailing (BBARIL) Programme were held on 21st large 2022.

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Item No. 53.11	To consider and approve the panel of course writers and editors for the course of V semester of BBA in Retailing (BBARIL) Programme.
53.11.1	Prof. Nawal Kishor, Programme Coordinator, presented the item and informed the members of the School Board that based on the discussions in the Meetings of Course Design and Development Committee for the courses of V Semester of BBA in Retailing Programme held on 19th and 20th 2022 at Mumbai, the panel of course writers and editors for the four courses BRL-111, BRL-112, BRL-113 and BRL-114 are prepared.
	Members deliberated upon the item and suggested that there should be an internal editor as well for each course. Prof. Nawal Kishor informed that the concerned course coordinators will act as internal editor of their respective courses, as mentioned below:  (i) BRL-111: Dr. Anupriya Pandey (ii) BRL-112: Prof. Madhulika P. Sarkar (iii) BRL-113: Prof. Rashmi Bansal (iv) BRL-114: Prof. Madhulika P. Sarkar
	Members of School Board suggested to incorporate the above names of internal editors along with the designations and addresses of the course writers and external editors. The School Board decided to update the panel(s) of experts accordingly.
53.11.2	The School Board approved the panel(s) of course writers and external/internal editors for the courses of V semester of BBA in Retailing (BBARIL) Programme. The updated panels are attached (Annexures-53.3 to 53.6).
Item No. 53.12	To consider and approve the panel of course writers and editor for the courses of VI semester of BBA in Retailing (BBARIL) Programme.
53.12.1	Prof. Nawal Kishor, Programme Coordinator, presented the item and informed the members of the School Board that based on the discussions held in the Meetings of Course Design and Development committee the panel of course writers and editors for the course BRL-015 of VI semester of BBA in Retailing (BBARIL) is prepared.
	Members deliberated upon the item and suggested that internal faculty may be assigned the responsibility of editing as internal editor. Prof. Nawal Kishor informed that for the course BRL-015: Prof. Subodh Kesharwani, the course coordinator will act as internal editor.
	Members of School Board suggested to incorporate the above name of internal editor along with the designations and addresses of the course writers and external editors. The School Board decided to update the panel(s) of experts accordingly.
53.12.2	School Board approved the panel of course writers and internal/external editor for the courses of VI semester of BBA in Retailing (BBARIL) Programme. The updated panel is attached (Annexures-53.7).

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Programmes offered by the School. Members deliberated upon the agenda and appreciated the Analysis Report prepared based on the feedback.
The School Board approved the analysis report based on feedback from subject experts of Management and Commerce Discipline for the Academic Year (AV)
experts of Management and Commerce Discipline for the Academic Year (AV)
To consider and approve the panel of Experts for External Experts in Doctoral Research Committee (Commerce Discipline).
Prof. M.S. Senam Raju, Director, SOMS and Chairman of the School Board presented the item and informed the members that as per prevailing practices in the university the panel of External Experts for Doctoral Research Committee is valid for three years. The existing panel of experts for this purpose was recommended by the School Board in its 45 <sup>th</sup> Meeting held on 5 <sup>th</sup> November, 2020 and subsequently, approved by the Vice Chancellor on 25 <sup>th</sup> November, 2017. Hence, this panel is going to lapse soon.
In view of the above, the Commerce Discipline, SOMS has submitted a list of External Experts for Doctoral Committee in Commerce.
Members deliberated upon the agenda. During the discussion, the Chairman clarified that the proposed panel shall be processed further only once the validity period of present panel is nearing to complete. The School Board suggested the following names of experts for inclusion in the proposed panel of external experts in DRC.  1. Prof. Rabi Narayan Kar, Principal, Shyam Lal College, University of Delhi, Delhi, Mobile: 9212708740, e-mail: principal@shyamlal.du.ac.in  2. Prof. Minakshi, Deptt. Of Commerce, Dayal Singh College, University of Delhi, Delhi. Mobile: 9959387485, e-mail: sheasu@yahoo.co.in.  3. Prof. Madhu Tyagi (Retd.) School of Mangement Studies, IGNOU, Maidan Garhi, New Delhi – 110057, Mobile: 9810226767, e-mail: mtyagi@ignou.ac.in.

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33.17.2	School Board approved the panel of External Experts alongwith the above three names in Doctoral Research Committee (Commerce Discipline) The updated panel of External Experts in Doctoral Research Committee (Commerce Discipline) is attached (Annexure -53.9).
Item No. 53.15	To Consider and approve the Course Mapping and the Scheme of Credit Transfer/Exemption to the Students of Masters of Business Administration (Banking and Finance) (MBF) against the course(s) completed as part of JAIIB/CAIIB qualifications of the Indian Institute Banking and Finance (IIBF), Mumbai.
53.15.1	Prof. K. Ravi Sankar, Programme Coordinator presented the item and informed the members of the School Board that IGNOU and the Indian Institute of Banking and Finance (IIBF) [formerly the Indian Institute of Bankers (IIB)] entered into an MoU in 1998 to develop and offer MBA (Banking and Finance) Programme from the School of Management Studies, IGNOU, for career development of the personnel working in Banking and Financial sectors. Subsequently, MBA (Banking and Finance) Programme has been developed and launched in July 1999. This MBA programme has been restructured and launched from the academic session from July 2021 onwards.
	He also informed that the MoU was renewed on 28th August, 2018 for a period of five years which lapsed on 19.03.2023. Subsequently, the MoU was renewed and was signed on 08th June, 2023 for a further period of 5 years from the date of expiry of the previous MOU. In the current MOU two major changes were brought in. They are (i) relaxing the eligibility and allowing the candidates without CAIIB and Experience to take admission into this programme, (ii) Provision of Credit transfer/exemption for the courses.
	He further informed that the eligibility conditions for admission has been revised and implemented from July, 2023 admission cycle after obtaining the necessary approvals. As per clause 4 (i) of the current MOU credit transfer/exemption is to be worked out. The clause is reproduced here:
	"The University may extend Credit Transfer/Exemption to those students who take admission in the MBA (Banking and Finance) after completing the JAIIB/CAIIB qualifications of the Institute or specific subjects/courses of these qualifications. A scheme of Credit Transfer/Exemption shall be worked out for this purpose by the University in consultation with the Institute."
t	range of the concerned faculty, SOMS, and IIBF officials were held to work out the courses mapping and the operational modalities for credit transfer/exemption. Accordingly, the proposed courses' mapping for credit transfer/exemption for the courses completed in

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courses' mapping for credit transfer/exemption for the courses completed in CAIIB/JAIIB qualifications of the IIBF against IGNOU courses of MBF programme and operational modalities was placed before the School Board for consideration and



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	The School Board deliberated upon the agenda and appreciated the efforts of the discipline.
53.15.2	The School Board approved the Courses' Mapping and the Scheme of Cred Transfer/Exemption to the Students of Masters of Business Administratio (Banking and Finance) (MBF) against the course(s) completed in JAIIB/CAII qualifications of the Indian Institute Banking and Finance (IIBF), Mumbe (Annexure-53.10).
Item No. 53.16	To consider and approve the Minutes of Meeting of the Doctoral Research Committee (Management Discipline) held on 4 <sup>th</sup> August 2023, 9 <sup>th</sup> August 2023, and 22 <sup>nd</sup> August 2023 respectively.
53.16.1	Dr. Venkataiah Chittipaka, Programme Coordinator, presented the item and informed the members of the School Board that three meetings of Doctoral Research Committee (DRC) were conducted for considering and recommending the Research Topics, allocation of Research Supervisors, Correction in spelling of name of the research scholar, de-registration, progress reports etc, as per details given below:  1. The Doctoral Research Committee (Management Discipline) in the meeting held on 4th August, 2023, at 2:30 PM were considered and recommended as follows.  a) Progress Reports of the Ph.D. July 2021 batch for the period July-December 2022 & January-June 2023.  (i) Vaisali Beheron (Enrolment No. 210271303)  (ii) Prabhjinder Singh Aulakh (Enrolment No. 210271596)  (iii) Prabhakara S. (Enrolment No. 210271263)  b) Topic finalization and allocation of the supervisor (s) for Ph.D. July 2021 batch students  (i) Vaisali Beheron (Enrolment No. 210271303)  (ii) Prabhjinder Singh Aulakh (Enrolment No. 210271596)  (iii) Prabhakara S. (Enrolment No. 210271263)  2. The Doctoral Research Committee (Management Discipline) in the meeting held on 9th August, 2023, at 2:30 PM considered and recommended as follows:  a) De-registration of Mr Sudhir Kumar Sharma (173101102) (2017 batch) as his registration expired on May 02, 2023; Guide: Prof. Neeti Agrawal  b) Vivek Singh (188501279),2018 transfer case; Guide: Prof. Srilatha  c) Rajesh Mohan (188501293) 2018 transfer case; Guide: Prof. Srilatha  d) To consider and approve the progress reports for the period July-Dec 2022 and Jan-June 2023.  (i) Ms. Srishti Arora (Enrolment No. 202494214)  (ii) Mr. Jogendra Behera (Enrolment No. 188501230)  (v) Brig. Sanjeev Devasthali (Enrolment No. 188501230)  (v) Brig. Sanjeev Devasthali (Enrolment No. 188501215) January – June 2023  (vii) Anu Malhotra (Enrolment No. 188501182) – Not recommended due to unsatisfactory progress report.

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3. The Doctoral Research Committee (Management Discipline) held on 22nd August, 2023, at 2:00 PM. The following items were considered and recommended. a) Progress Reports of the July 2021 batch (i) Akshita Garg (Enrolment No. 210271288) (ii) Preeti Sharma (Enrolment No. 210271295) b) Topic finalization and allocation of the supervisor (s) for Ph.D. July 2021 batch students. (i) Akshita Garg (Enrolment No. 210271288) (ii) Preeti Sharma (Enrolment No. 210271295) Allotment of Research Supervisor to the following two Research Scholars pursuing their research work under Prof. Srilatha, who superannuated on 31st July, 2023: (i) Rajesh Mohan (Enrolment No. 188501293) (ii) Vivek Singh (Enrolment No. 188501279) 53.16.2 School Board approved the Minutes of Meetings of the Doctoral Research Committee (Management Discipline) held on 4th August 2023, 9th August 2023, and 22nd August 2023 respectively (Annexures-53.11 to 53.13). Item No. To consider and approve the Minutes of Meetings of the Doctoral Research Committee (Commerce Discipline) held on 19th May, 2023; 12th July, 2023; 10th 53.17 August, 2023; 18th August, 2023; and 21st August, 2023 respectively. 53.17.1 Prof. Nawal Kishor, Programme Coordinator, presented the item and informed the members of the School Board that five meetings of Doctoral Research Committee (DRC) were conducted for considering and recommending the Pre-Submission Seminar, Research Topics, allocation of Research Supervisors, seminar presentations, Withdrawal of admissions, progress reports, request for conversion from full-time to part-time etc, as per details given below: 1. The Doctoral Research Committee (Commerce Discipline) in the meeting held on 19th May, 2023 at 3:30 P.M. considered and recommended the Pre-submission seminar by Ms. Surbhi Gupta, Enrolment No. - 173101260, under the supervision of Prof. Sunil Kumar. 2. The Doctoral Research Committee (Commerce Discipline) in the meeting held on 12th July, 2023 at 11:00 AM considered and recommended the Pre-submission seminar by Ms. Jyoti, Enrolment 188500808, under the supervision of Prof. Subodh Kesharwani and her Progress Report for the period 1st January, 2023 to 30th June, 2023. 3. The Doctoral Research Committee (Commerce Discipline) in the meeting held on 10th August, 2023 at 12:00 Noon considered and recommended the Presubmission seminar by Ms. Varsha Jaiswal, Enrolment No. - 188500822, under the supervision of Dr. Anupriya Pandey, and Progress Report for the period 1st January, 2023 to 30th June, 2023. 4. The Doctoral Research Committee (Commerce Discipline) in the meeting held on

18th August, 2023 at 2.30 P.M. considered and recommended the following items: प्रो. एम.एस. सेनम राज्या Prol. M.S. Senam Raju निदेशक (प्र.अ.वि.) / Director (SOMS)

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- Topic and Supervisor Finalisation along with two progress reports of four Ph.D. scholars of 2021 Batch.
- The Doctoral Research Committee (Commerce Discipline) in the meeting held on considered and recommended 21<sup>st</sup> August, 2023 at 2.00 P.M. the following items:
  - (i) 2<sup>nd</sup> Seminar Presentation of five Ph.D. Scholars
  - (ii) 1st Seminar Presentation of three Ph.D. Scholars
  - (iii) Progress Reports of four Ph.D. Students of 2017 Batch, Four Ph.D. students of 2019 Batch and Five Ph.D. students of 2020 Batch.
  - (iv) Withdrawal of Ph.D candidature of Ms. Deeksha Sethi, Enrollment No. 210271342.
  - (v) Request for conversion of full time Ph.D. Scholar to part time Ph.D. Scholar in Commerce in respect of Ms. Shailza, Enrolment No. 202494150 under the supervision of Prof. Madhulika P. Sarkar.
- 53.17.2

School Board approved the Minutes of Meetings of the Doctoral Research Committee (Commerce Discipline) held on 19th May, 2023; 12th July, 2023; 10th August, 2023; 18th August, 2023; and 21st August, 2023 respectively (Annexures-53.14 to 53.18).

### Item No. 53.18

To consider and approve the course's mapping between MMPP-001 (Project Course of MBA/MBF/MBAOL/MBAHM/MBAOM/MBAFM/ MBAMM) and MS-100 (Project Course of pre-revised Management Programme) for internal credit transfer purpose.

53.18.1

Prof. K. Ravi Sankar, Programme Coordinator, presented the item and informed the members of the School Board that the Mapping of Courses of MP and MPB Programme with new MBA and MBA (Banking and Finance) Programmes for smooth transition from old to new programmes like uses of services of LSCs, Academic Counsellors, Moderators, Papers Setters and Evaluators was duly approved by the School Board in its 47<sup>th</sup> Meeting (Item No. 47.05) held on 30<sup>th</sup> July, 2021. Subsequently the same was operationalise with the approval of Competent Authority.

He also informed that the Courses' Mapping of Revised MBAs (Online/ ODL) & MBF/ 5 PG Diploma in specialization programmes with the courses of pre-revised MP/MPB/PGDFM/PGDHRM/ PGDOM/PGDMM/PGDFMP programmes for the purpose of internal credit transfer was approved by the School Board in its 51<sup>st</sup> Meeting (Item No. 51.04) held on 29<sup>th</sup> September, 2022.

Subsequently, the Courses Mapping for internal credit transfer was placed before the Academic Council in its 79<sup>th</sup> Meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> December, 2022. The Academic Council resolved that "the approval of School Board is sufficient for mapping of pre-revised and revised courses" for internal credit transfer purpose. Further, the courses mapping was notified by SRD vide Notification No. IGNOU/SRD/SOMS/R-IV/2023/1062 dated 14.02.2023.

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	He further informed that the mapping between MMPP-001 (Project Course of all MBAs (Online/ ODL) & MBF Programmes and MS-100 (Project Course of prerevised Management Programme) was mentioned in the courses' mapping done for using the services of LSCS, ACs etc. however, left out inadvertently in the courses' mapping done for credit transfer purpose. Due to this enormous error many students are getting deprived from credit transfer against MS-100 (Project Course) already successfully completed.
	He informed the members that in view of the above facts the faculty of management is proposing the course's mapping between MMPP-001 (Project Course of all MBAs (Online/ ODL) and MBF Programmes) and MS-100 (Project Course of pre-revised Management Programme) for internal credit transfer purpose.
	School Board deliberated upon the agenda and appreciated the efforts of the discipline.
53.18.2	School Board approved the course's mapping between MMPP-001 (Project Course of MBA/MBF/MBAOL/MBAHM/MBAOM/MBAFM/MBAMM/MBASM) and MS-100 (Project Course of pre-revised Management Programme) for internal credit transfer purpose.
Item No. 53.19	To consider and approve the panel of Experts for Ph.D. Thesis Evaluation.
53.19.1	Prof. M.S. Senam Raju, Director, SOMS and Chairman of the School Board informed the members that Dr. Anupriya Pandey has submitted a confidential envelope containing the list of the names of examiners for evaluation of Ph.D. Thesis and conducting the Viva Voce of Ms. Varsha Jaiswal Enrolment No. 188500822 a research scholar pursuing his Ph.D. in Commerce Programme with research topic titled: "E-Business Adoption in MSMEs: A Study of Delhi NCR".
53.19.2	School Board approved the panel of Experts for Ph.D. Thesis Evaluation and conducting the Viva Voce in respect of Ms. Varsha Jaiswal Enrolment No. 188500822, Research Scholar in Ph.D. in Commerce Programme.
Item No. 53.20	To consider and approve the Panel of experts as Hindi translators for courses and TEE Question Papers for the various programmes and courses of Commerce Discipline.
53.20.1	Prof. Nawal Kishor, presented the item and informed the members of the School Board that the School of Management Studies, IGNOU, has been offering the courses for most of the programmes of the Commerce Discipline both in Hindi and English Medium. Many courses are under revision process. Faculty of Commerce has also proposed to offer the BBA in Retailing Programme in Hindi Medium. The TEE question papers needs to be translated after moderation meetings. Translation of Question Papers has also become a big work.
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He also informed that the faculty of commerce proposes the panel of translators for translation work of courses' contents as well as for TEE Question Papers.

Members deliberated upon the agenda and suggested some more names of experts for inclusion in the proposed panel of experts as Hindi Translators.

- Dr. Ajay Kumar, Assistant Professor, Department of Hindi, College of Commerce, Arts and Science, Patna, Mobile: 8002737021, e-mail: 3331aj@gmail.com.
- (ii) Dr. Manoj Kumar Gupta, Assistant Professor, Department of Hindi, College of Commerce, Arts and Science, Patna, Mobile: 9718549219, email: manojgupta818@gmail.com.
- (iii) Mr. Sudeep Tirkey Assistant Professor, Hindi Department, Ewing Christian College, Prayagraj, U.P., Mobile: 9958833430, e-mail: tirkeysudeep570@gmail.com.
- (iv) Aakash Kumar, Assistant Professor & Head, Department of Hindi, Daudnagar College, Daudnagar, Aurangabad,, Bihar, Mobile: 8130479439, e-mail: kumar.aakash91@gmail.com.
- (v) Shwet Kumar Pandey, GM Retail Learning & Development, Retailers Association of India (RAI), Room Number-28, School of Management Studies, IGNOU, Maidan Garhi, Delhi 10068, Mobile: 9210934949, e-mail: shwet@rai.net.in.
- (vi) Manoj Sarkar Retail Expert and Consultant, Retail Learning & Development, Retailers Association of India (RAI), C-22 B.H.Colony Near Kalkaji DDA Flats, Guru RaviDas Marg-Kalkaji New Delhi-110019, Mobile: 7624937104, e-mail: manoj.sarkar@shoppersstop.com

The School Board decided to update the panel of experts as Hindi Translators, accordingly.

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The School Board approved the Panel of experts as Hindi translators for courses and TEE Question Papers including the above suggested 6 names for the various courses of the programmes in Commerce Discipline. The updated Panel of experts as Hindi translators for courses and TEE Question Papers for the various courses of the programmes in Commerce Discipline is attached (Annexure -53.19).

# Item No. 53.21

To consider and approve the additional list of experts for evaluators for the various courses of the programmes of Commerce Discipline.

#### 53.21.1

Prof. M.S. Senam Raju, Director, SOMS and Chairman of the School Board informed the members that the School of Management Studies, IGNOU, from time to time revises the panel for Evaluators in order to incorporate the new names and remove the non-functional names. As a continuation of this process, additional list of experts as Evaluators for the different courses of the Programmes in Commerce Discipline are placed for consideration of the School Board.

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 Additional list of experts as <u>Evaluators</u> for the courses of MCOM, PGDIBO, BCOM, BBA in Retailing and BBA Programmes.

During the deliberations, Dr. P. Vijay Kumar, Associate Professor, SOA pointed out the agenda item indicates only the additional lists of experts for Evaluators of various courses of the Programmes in the Commerce Discipline. Whereas, in the annexures there are other two lists. They are Additional List of Moderators for the courses of BCOMG, BBA (Retailing) and BBA Programmes and Additional List of Moderators for the course of MCOM and PGDIBO Programmes.

Dr. N. Rajendra Prasad, Coordinator of the activity brought to the notice of the members of the School Board that this agenda item pertaining to 1. Additional List of Experts for Evaluators for various courses of programme in Commerce Discipline which were attached as Annexure 53.21.1 collectively. However, following two lists of additional moderators as per details given below are not included inadvertently in this agenda item:

- Additional List of Moderators for BCOMG, BBA in Retailing and BBA Programmes.
- 2. Additional List of Moderators for MCOM and PGDIBO Programmes.

Further, he requested the members of the School Board to consider the above two lists of Moderators for approval.

The Members deliberated upon the matter and agreed to consider the omissions in the agenda item. The School Board authorized the Director, SOMS to incorporate some more names, if available, in the final panels for evaluators and moderators.

53.21.2

School Board approved the additional lists of experts for evaluators and moderators for the courses of BCOMG; BBARIL; BBA; MCOM and PGDIBO programmes in Commerce Discipline. The updated lists of: (i) experts for evaluators for the various courses of the programmes of Commerce Discipline; (ii) experts for moderators for the courses of BCOMG, BBARIL; and, (iii) experts for Moderators for MCOM and PGDIBO programmes in Commerce Discipline is attached Annexure -53.20 to 53.22 respectively.

Item No. 53.22

To consider and approve the additional list of experts for evaluators for the various courses of the programmes of Management Discipline.

53.22.1

Prof. M.S. Senam Raju, Director, SOMS and Chairman of the School Board informed the members that the School of Management Studies, IGNOU, from time to time revises the panel for Evaluators in order to incorporate the new names and remove the non-functional names. As a continuation of this process, additional list of experts of for the different course of programmes in the Management Discipline are placed for consideration of the School Board.

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	Additional list of experts as <u>Evaluators</u> for the courses of all MBA Programmes     Additional List of experts as <u>Evaluators</u> as Evaluators for MMPP-001, the project course under MBA Programmes  Members deliberated upon the agenda and suggested some more names of experts.
	for inclusion in the proposed panel. The School Board authorized the Director SOMS to incorporate some more names, if available, in the final panel.
53.22.2	School Board approved the additional list of experts for evaluators for the various courses of the programmes in Management Discipline. The updated additional lists of experts for: (i) evaluators for all courses of MBA Programmes; (ii) evaluators for MMPP-001 the project course of MBA Programmes in Management Discipline is attached Annexure -53.23 and 53.24 respectively.
Item No. 53.23	To consider and approve the List of Internal and External Experts as evaluators of MCOP-001(M.Com Project Report) of the MCOM programme.
53.23.1	Prof. M.S. Senam Raju, Director, SOMS and Chairman of the School Board informed the members that the School of Management Studies, IGNOU, has revised its M.Com. Programme and launched the M.Com. (Revised) from January 2022 as well as M.Com. (Online) Programme from July 2022 sessions onwards.
	Prof. Anupriya Pandey, Programme Coordinator, informed the members that as per the programme structure there is a six credit course MCOP-001: Project, in 4 <sup>th</sup> semester of M.Com (Revised) and M.Com (online) Programmes. Therefore, faculty of commerce Discipline proposes a List of Internal and External Experts as evaluators of MCOP-001(M.Com Project Report) of the MCOM programme.
	Members further deliberated upon the agenda and suggested that all the internal faculty members of the School should be included as Internal Evaluators in the proposed panel of evaluators and proposed the following name to be included as External Expert:
	<ol> <li>Prof. Minakshi, Deptt. Of Commerce, Dayal Singh College, University of Delhi, Delhi. Mobile: 9959387485, e-mail: sheasu@yahoo.co.in.</li> </ol>
	The School Board decided to update the panel accordingly.
53.23.2	School Board approved the List of Internal and External Experts alongwith all the faculty of SOMS as internal evaluator and Prof. Minakshi as external evaluator for MCOP-001 (M.Com Project Report) of MCOM programme. The updated List of Internal and External evaluators for MCOP-001 (M.Com Project Report) of MCOM programme is attached Annexure -53.25.



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Item No. 53.24	To consider and approve the Minutes of Meeting of the emergent Doctoral Research Committee (Management Discipline) held on 24th August, 2023.
53.24.1	Prof. M.S. Senam Raju, Director, SOMS and Chairman of the School Board informed the members that an emergent meeting of the Doctoral Research Committee (Management Discipline) held on 24th August, 2023 in the Conference Room, SOMS, for considering the progress of the following two research scholars for allotting a new research supervisors:
	<ul> <li>(i) Mr. Vivek Singh, Enrolment No. 188501279</li> <li>(ii) Mr. Rajesh Mohan, Enrolment No. 188501293</li> </ul>
	Dr. Venkataiah Chitipakka, Programme Coordinator informed the members that considering the poor progress, casual, negligent and non-committal approach of both the students and also the fact that the maximum duration of their Ph.D. Research Programme is going to be completed by 29 <sup>th</sup> June, 2024, the DRC recommended their case for cancellation of admission.
	School Board approved the Minutes of Meeting of the emergent Doctoral Research Committee (Management Discipline) held on 24th August, 2023 and approved the cancellation of admission of both the following research scholars:  (i) Mr. Vivek Singh, Enrolment No. 188501279  (ii) Mr. Rajesh Mohan, Enrolment No. 188501293
	(Annexure-53.26)

The meeting ended with the Members thanking the Chair.

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