

**INDIRA GANDHI NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY**  
(Planning & Development Division)

**MINUTES OF THE 55<sup>th</sup> MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC PROGRAMME COMMITTEE (APC) HELD ON 20<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2018 AT 12:30PM IN THE BOARD ROOM, VICE CHANCELLOR BLOCK, IGNOU, MAIDAN GARHI, NEW DELHI – 110068.**

The following were present:-

1)	Prof. S.B. Arora, Vice Chancellor	Chairman
2)	Prof. Satyakam, Director, SOH	Member
3)	Prof. K. Ravi Sankar, SOMS	Member
4)	Prof. M.S.Raju, Registrar, MPDD	Member
5)	Prof. Jaideep Sharma, Librarian	Member
6)	Dr. Jagdish Sharma, Director, SOTST	Member
7)	Prof. S. Srilatha Registrar, SRD	Special Invitee
8)	Dr. Pankaj Khare, Dy. Director, P&DD	Special Invitee
9)	Prof. T. U. Fulzele, Director, P&DD	Member Secretary

Prof. M.K. Salooja, SOA, Member, APC could not attend the meeting. Dr. Pankaj Khanna, Dy. Director, P&DD was present to assist the Committee.

At the outset, the Member Secretary welcomed the Members and Special Invitees to the 55<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Academic Programme Committee. The Member Secretary thereafter presented the agenda items with the permission of the Chair.

**A.P.C. 55.1** To confirm the Minutes of the 54<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Academic Programme Committee held on 15<sup>th</sup> March 2018 and Action Taken Reports (ATRs).

**A.P.C. 55.1.1** The Member Secretary informed that the Minutes of the 54<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Academic Programme Committee were circulated to the Members of the Committee. The Member Secretary informed that some observations / comments on resolutions of the APC Minutes had been received from Director(SOGDS), Director(SOSS) and Director (SOTHSM). The comments/observations were now placed before the APC for its consideration.

**A.P.C. 55.1.2** As regards the APC Item No.54.4, the Committee noted the School concerns that the coordinators of the programme were Dr. Smita M.Patil (SOGDS) and Dr. Gurmeet Kaur (SOL).

**A.P.C. 55.1.3** As regards the APC Item No.54.8, the Committee noted the concerns and resolved to defer the proposed form with suggestion that the Phase-I form as per existing procedure / stages may be re-submitted to the School Board of SOTHSM.

**A.P.C. 55.1.4** As regards the APC Item No.54.14, the Committee noted that the programme nomenclature was Certificate Programme on Life & Thought of B.R. Ambedkar.

- A.P.C. 55.1.5 The Board noted the Action Taken Reports and confirmed the Minutes of the 54<sup>th</sup> APC Meeting with the above observations / directions.
- A.P.C. 55.2 To consider the Phase -1 (Programme Proposal Form) of Certificate in Chemical-Biological-Radiological- Nuclear & Explosive (CBRNE) Medical Management Programme.
- A.P.C. 55.2.1 The Member Secretary informed the Committee that the School of Health Science (SOHS) has submitted Phase -1 (Programme Proposal Form) of Certificate in Chemical-Biological-Radiological- Nuclear & Explosive (CBRNE) Medical Management Programme.
- Prof. Ruchika Kuba, SOHS briefed that the Phase-1 form of the programme was approved in the 64th School Board Meeting on 02<sup>nd</sup> May 2017. The programme was being developed in collaboration with INMAS-DRDO to cater customized needs of the armed officials as well as civilians in the area of medical management.
- A.P.C. 55.2.2 After detailed deliberations, the Committee observed that since the target group of the programme was to be provided specifically by the DRDO, the proposed programme may be designed, developed and implemented under a Project mode on Pilot basis. Further, in-case, it would be launched in common prospectus in order to attract wider target group, i.e. civilian doctors, shall DRDO provide the practical training for these civilian doctors at their study centres / location(s).
- A.P.C. 55.2.3 The Committee after going through INMAS-DRDO-IGNOU general agreement signed on 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2018 felt that there is an absolute need to strengthen the capacity building in the proposed area of Medical management.
- In this regard, Prof. Ruchika Kuba, Programme Coordinator (SOHS) was advised that the issues related to target group, practical centres, digital SLM (CD / Pen Drive ), student registration, evaluation, level of programme under Certificate (professional) as mentioned in the point no.2 of Phase-1 form, etc. be further discussed with INMAS-DRDO. It was suggested that a Committee may be constituted by APC with the following members to discuss the above issues with INMAS-DRDO and finalise the arrangement:-
- 1) Finance Officer
  - 2) Registrar, SED
  - 3) Registrar, MPDD
  - 4) Registrar, SRD
  - 5) Director, RSD
  - 6) Director, P&DD
  - 7) INMAS-DRDO Officials
  - 8) Prof. Ruchika Kuba, SOHS – Convener
- A.P.C. 55.2.4 The Committee recommended for in-principle approval the Phase-1



(Programme Proposal Form) of Certificate in Chemical-Biological- Radiological- Nuclear & Explosive (CBRNE) Medical Management and authorized the Vice Chancellor to take a final view on the academic programme based on the discussions of the Committee for the proposed INMAS-DRDO-IGNOU programme.

**A.P.C. 55.3** To consider the Phase - 3 (Programme Launch Approval Form) of Certificate in Korean Language & Culture.

**A.P.C. 55.3.1** The Member Secretary informed the Committee that the School of Foreign Languages (SOFL) has submitted the Phase -3 (Programme Launch Approval Form) of Certificate in Korean Language & Culture Programme and two more programmes listed at Item no. 55.4 (Certificate in Japanese Language) and 55.5 (Certificate in Spanish Language & Culture).

Director, SOFL informed that the print study material and other resources are ready and all the divisions (SRD; SED; EMPC; RSD and MPDD) have given their consent for launch of the programmes in July 2018.

**A.P.C. 55.3.2** After deliberations, the Committee opined that Director SOFL should also explore the possibility of providing SLM course through digital medium in Pen drive or Compact Disc to the students initially. The Director (SOFL) and Programme Coordinator(s) agreed to develop and provide SLM through digital medium to the learners at this stage, however the print material will be provided for future batches.

**A.P.C. 55.3.3** The Committee took note of the readiness for launching the programme and recommended for approval the Phase - 3 (Programme Launch Approval Form) of Certificate in Korean Language & Culture.

**A.P.C. 55.4** To consider the Phase - 3 (Programme Launch Approval Form) of Certificate in Japanese Language.

**A.P.C. 55.4.1** The Committee had already deliberated on it with the previous Item no. 55.3.

**A.P.C. 55.4.2** The Committee took note of the readiness for launching the programme and recommended for approval the Phase - 3 (Programme Launch Approval Form) of Certificate in Japanese Language.

**A.P.C. 55.5** To consider the Phase - 3 (Programme Launch Approval Form) of Certificate in Spanish Language & Culture.

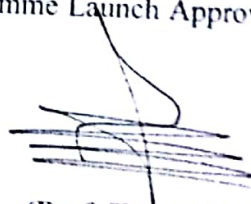
**A.P.C. 55.5.1** The Committee had already deliberated on it with the previous Item no. 55.3.

**A.P.C. 55.5.2** The Committee took note of the readiness for launching the programme and recommended for approval the Phase -3 (Programme Launch Approval Form) of Certificate in Spanish Language & Culture.

**TABLED ITEM(s)**

- A.P.C. 55.6** To consider the Phase -1 (Programme Proposal Form) of Master of Arts in Drawing and Painting.
- A.P.C. 55.6.1** The Member Secretary informed the Committee that the School of Performing and Visual Arts (SOPVA) has submitted the Phase -1 (Programme Proposal Form) of Master of Arts in Drawing and Painting.
- A.P.C. 55.6.2** After detailed deliberations, the Committee observed that enrolment of the School of Performing and Visual Arts was very low in past admission cycles. On the query of low enrollment, Prof. Sunil Kumar and Mohd. Tahir Siddiqui, Programme Coordinator(s) informed that sufficient number of learners would be enrolled in the proposed M.A. programme. It was assured that the proposed ODL programme will attract sustainable enrollment numbers since the feeder learners i.e. Bachelor (BFA) degree holders for the proposed programme were already available.
- A.P.C. 55.6.3** The Committee felt that the School should develop skill based courses in the area of Performing and Visual Arts for the University CBCS Bachelors' degree programmes.
- A.P.C. 55.6.4** After detailed deliberations, the Committee deferred the Phase-I Form (Programme Proposal Form) of Master of Arts in Drawing and Painting and advised to conduct a survey of aspirants of the Masters programme before the respective School-Board and subsequently to the APC.
- A.P.C. 55.7** To consider the Phase - 3 (Programme Launch Approval Form) of Post Graduate Certificate in Acupuncture.
- A.P.C. 55.7.1** The Member Secretary informed the Committee that the School of Health Sciences (SOHS) has submitted the Phase -3 (Programme Launch Approval Form) of Post Graduate Certificate in Acupuncture. The study material and other resources were almost ready and all the divisions (SRD; SED; EMPC; RSD and MPDD) have given their consent for re-launch of the proposed programme in July 2018.
- A.P.C. 55.7.2** The Committee took note of the readiness for launching the programme and recommended for approval the Phase-3 (Programme Launch Approval Form) of Post Graduate Certificate in Acupuncture.

The Meeting ended with thanks to the Chair.

  
(Prof. T.U. Fulzele)  
Member Secretary-APC