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**Subject: Minutes of the 68<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Academic Programme Committee (APC), held on 12<sup>th</sup> September 2023 reg:**

Please find enclosed herewith a copy of the Minutes of the 68<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Academic Programme Committee (APC), held on 12<sup>th</sup> September 2023 for your kind perusal and necessary action. The ATRs (Action Taken Reports) on the 68<sup>th</sup> APC meeting may be furnished to P&DD at the earliest.

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**MINUTES**

**OF THE**

**SIXTY EIGHTH (68th) MEETING**

**OF**

**ACADEMIC PROGRAMME COMMITTEE (APC)**

**HELD ON**

**12<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2023**



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**68<sup>th</sup> MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC PROGRAMME COMMITTEE (APC) HELD ON 12<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2023 (TUESDAY) AT 3.00 P.M. IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM, VICE CHANCELLOR BLOCK, IGNOU, MAIDAN GARHI, NEW DELHI – 110068.**

The following were present in the meeting:

1.	Prof. Nageshwar Rao, Vice Chancellor	Chairperson
2.	Prof. Satyakam, Pro-Vice Chancellor	Special Invitee
3.	Dr. Srikant Mohapatra, Pro-Vice Chancellor	Special Invitee
4.	Prof. Uma Kanjilal, Pro-Vice Chancellor	Special Invitee
5.	Prof. Sumitra Kukreti, Pro-Vice Chancellor	Special Invitee
6.	Dr. Kiran Hazarika, Pro-Vice Chancellor	Special Invitee
7.	Prof. Sudip Ranjan Jha, Professor, SOS	Member
8.	Prof. Meenal Mishra, Director, SOS	Member
9.	Prof. K.S. Arul Selvan, Director, SOJNMS	Member
10.	Dr. Himansu Bose, Registrar, SRD	Member
11.	Dr. U. C. Pandey, Director, RSD	Member
12.	Prof. Nita Mathur, Professor, SOSS	Special Invitee
13.	Prof. Nawal Kishor, Professor, SOMS	Special Invitee
14.	Prof. Madhu Parhar, Director, COE	Special Invitee
15.	Dr. Dev Kant Rao, Director, ACD	Special Invitee
16.	Dr. V. B. Negi, Registrar, SED	Special Invitee
17.	Colonel Sree Krishna, Registrar, MPDD	Special Invitee
18.	Prof. Neeti Agrawal, Director, P&DD.	Member Secretary

Dr. M.C. Nair, Additional Director, Dr. Pankaj Khanna, Deputy Director and Dr. Sunil Kumar, Deputy Director from P&DD were present to provide academic support to the Committee.

At the outset, the Member Secretary welcomed the Chairperson, Member(s), and Special Invitee(s) to the 68<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Academic Programme Committee (APC) and requested the Chair for opening remarks.

Prof. Nageshwar Rao, Vice Chancellor, IGNOU and Chairperson of APC welcomed all the Members and Special invitees to the 68<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Academic Programme

Committee (APC). The Chairperson then invited the Member Secretary to initiate the proceedings.

The Member Secretary briefed the Committee that there were 16 agenda items and 2 tabled items having 21 Programme Proposal Forms (PPFs) and 13 Programme Launch Forms (PLFs) in all to be considered. The agenda also include the Action Taken Reports (ATRs) and comments received on the Minutes of the 67<sup>th</sup> APC meeting held on 1st June 2023.

The proceedings of the Academic Programme Standing Committee are as follows:

<b>A.P.C. 68.1</b>	<b>To confirm the Minutes of the 67<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Academic Programme Committee held on 01<sup>st</sup> June 2023 and consider the action taken reports.</b>
<b>A.P.C. 68.1.1</b>	The Member Secretary informed that the Minutes of the 67 <sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Academic Programme Committee held on 01 <sup>st</sup> June 2023 were circulated to the Members of the Committee for comments.
<b>A.P.C. 68.1.2</b>	<p>The Member Secretary informed that the comments were received on the Minutes from Prof. Sudip Ranjan Jha, Professor, SOS. He has requested that the Item no. A.P.C. 67.13.2 <b>Programme Launch Form (PLF) of M.Sc. (Physics) (SOS)</b> may be modified as:</p> <p><b><i>"The School submitted that the total credit (72 credits) of the programme proposed to be launched is in accordance with PDF of the programme approved by the School Board and the Academic Council and, if required in future by a regulation, the total credit of the programme will be made consistent with the stipulations in the said regulation."</i></b></p>
<b>A.P.C. 68.1.3</b>	The Committee noted the comments and recommended to modify the minutes and delete <b><i>"The School submitted that initially the programme will be launched with 72 credits and if required will be enhanced to 80 credits later"</i></b> in the minutes of the 67 <sup>th</sup> APC.
<b>A.P.C. 68.1.4</b>	<p><b>Refer item No. 67.2: Programme Proposal Form (PPF) of Post Graduate Diploma in Waste Management (SOITS).</b></p> <p>The Director (SOITS) submitted that the School has already conducted the Expert Committee meeting and finalized the programme structure.</p> <p>The Committee took a serious note about the slow progress of the programme and advised the School (SOITS) to expedite the development and launch of the said programme.</p>



**Refer item No. 67.4: Programme Proposal Form (PPF) of M.A. (Japanese) with exit option as P.G. Diploma in Japanese (SOFL).**

The Director (SOFL) informed about the progress of the programme and submitted that the proposed P.G. Diploma in Japanese will be launched once the MOU is formalized and signed.

**Refer item No. 67.5: Programme Proposal Form (PPF) of Diploma in Agriculture Cost Management (SOA).**

The Director (SOA) informed that the PDF and PPR have been approved in the School Board meeting and about 87% of the programme has been developed.

The Committee took a serious note about the slow progress of the programme and advised the School to expedite the development and launch of the programme in January 2024 session.

**Refer item No. 67.11: Programme Launch Form (PLF) of संस्कृत साहित्य में विज्ञान में स्नातकोत्तर डिप्लोमा (SOH).**

The Director (SOH) informed that the programme has been launched in July 2023 session. The Committee observed that the enrollment in the above mentioned programme is quite low. The Committee suggested that the School should take suitable action to increase enrollment.

**Refer item No. 67.12: Programme Launch Form (PLF) of Post Graduate Diploma in Population and Family Health Studies (SOEDS).**

The Director (SOEDS) informed that the programme has been launched in July 2023 session. The Committee observed that the enrollment in the above mentioned programme is quite low. The Committee suggested that the School should take suitable action to increase enrollment.

**Refer item No. 67.15: Online Programme Approval Form (OPAF) of M.A. (Sanskrit) (Online) (SOH).**

The Director (SOH) informed that the programme has been launched in July 2023 session. The Committee observed that the enrollment in the above mentioned programme is quite low. The Committee suggested the School to expedite the process of completing the videos and use strategies to increase the programme enrollment.

	<p><b>Refer item No. 67.17: Programme Launch Form (PLF) of M.A. (Hindu Studies) (SOH).</b></p> <p>The Director (SOH) informed that the programme has been launched in July 2023 session. The Committee observed that the enrollment in the above mentioned programme is considerably low. The Committee suggested the School to take suitable action to promote the programme.</p>
<b>A.P.C. 68.1.5</b>	<p>The Committee expressed serious concern over the growing number of academic programmes having low enrollment. The Committee suggested that the Director of the Schools should explore to understand the reasons of low enrollment in their academic programmes and take corrective actions to improve enrollment in low enrollment academic programmes.</p> <p><b>Action: All Schools of Studies</b></p>
<b>A.P.C. 68.1.6</b>	<p>After the detailed deliberations, the Committee noted the Action Taken Reports and confirmed the minutes of the 67<sup>th</sup> APC meeting with minor change as mentioned at 68.1.2. para.</p> <p><b>Action: P&amp;DD</b></p>
<b>A.P.C. 68.2</b>	<p><b>To consider and approve the Programme Proposal Form (PPF) of M.A. in Population and Family Health Studies (SOEDS).</b></p>
<b>A.P.C. 68.2.1</b>	<p>The Member Secretary informed that the School of Extension and Development Studies (SOEDS) has submitted the Programme Proposal Form (PPF) of M.A. in Population and Family Health Studies.</p>
<b>A.P.C. 68.2.2</b>	<p>The Director and Programme Coordinator, School of Extension and Development Studies (SOEDS) presented the Programme Proposal Form (PPF). The Programme Proposal Form (PPF) of the programme was approved in 29<sup>th</sup> School Board Meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> June, 2023 vide item No. 29.11. The main objective of this programme is to enhance knowledge of the learners on population dynamics and its related issues and challenges. The programme shall increase the knowledge of learners on migration, health, nutrition, safe drinking water and sanitation, impart knowledge of population and its impact on ecology, environment and sustainable development and to increase knowledge and capacities of learner to conduct research and studies on various aspects of population and family health care related issues and challenges.</p>
<b>A.P.C. 68.2.3</b>	<p>After the detailed deliberations, the Committee suggested that the duration of the programme should be minimum 2-years and maximum 4-years as per the norms. The Committee recommended to launch the programme by January 2024 session.</p>

<b>A.P.C. 68.2.4</b>	<b>The Committee considered and approved the Programme Proposal Form (PPF) of M.A. (Population and Family Health Studies).</b> <b>Action: (SOEDS)</b>
<b>A.P.C. 68.3</b>	<b>To consider and approve the Programme Proposal Form (PPF) of Ph.D in Applied Energy Science (SOET).</b>
<b>A.P.C. 68.3.1</b>	The Member Secretary informed that the School of Engineering and Technology (SOET) has submitted the Programme Proposal Form (PPF) of Ph.D in Applied Energy Science.
<b>A.P.C. 68.3.2</b>	The Director, School of Engineering and Technology (SOET) presented the Programme Proposal Form (PPF). The Programme Proposal Form (PPF) of the programme was approved in the 68 <sup>th</sup> School Board meeting held on 28 <sup>th</sup> July 2023 vide item no. 68.7. The main objective of the programme is to provide opportunity to the learners to deepen their knowledge of Renewable Energy and Environment and to understand the principles of Energy conservation and energy conversion and its effect on the environment. The programme shall expand the capacities of learners on theoretical and practical aspects of renewable energy sources. The programme shall develop professional knowledge and skills to formulate, implement, monitor and evaluate the projects and programs on energy conversion and conservation.
<b>A.P.C. 68.3.3</b>	<b>The Committee deliberated on the matter and decided to refer back the Programme Proposal Form (PPF) to the School with the suggestion to consult and take the due approvals of the regulatory bodies before proposing Ph.D in Applied Energy Science programme.</b> <b>Action: (SOET)</b>
<b>A.P.C. 68.4</b>	<b>To consider and approve the Programme Proposal Form (PPF) of Post Graduate Diploma in Tribal Studies (SOEDS).</b>
<b>A.P.C. 68.4.1</b>	The Member Secretary informed that the School of Extension and Development Studies (SOEDS) has submitted the Programme Proposal Form (PPF) of Post Graduate Diploma in Tribal Studies.
<b>A.P.C. 68.4.2</b>	The Director and Programme Coordinator presented the Programme Proposal Form (PPF). The Programme Proposal Form (PPF) of the programme was approved in the School Board Meeting held on 14 <sup>th</sup> August, 2023 through Circulation. The main objective of this programme is to enhance knowledge of the learners on tribal issues and challenges and increase the knowledge of learners on tribal development social and economic challenges such as poverty, inequality and unemployment etc. the programme shall enhance knowledge about tribal culture and livelihood and to increase



	<p>knowledge and capacities of learner to conduct research and studies on various aspects of Tribal issues and challenge challenges. The need assessment of the programme has been conducted and report is submitted. The tentative launch date of this programme is January 2024.</p>
<b>A.P.C. 68.4.3</b>	<p>After the detailed deliberations, the Committee observed that the Certificate level programme in tribal studies is already running in School of Social Work (SOSW). The Committee was informed that the Certificate programme offered by SOSW is concentrated only to North East region, however, this programme will have a wider reach.</p> <p>The Committee suggested reducing the eligibility qualification from Graduate to 10+2. The duration of the programme should be minimum 1-year and maximum 3-years as per the norms.</p>
<b>A.P.C. 68.4.4</b>	<p><b>The Committee considered and approved the Programme Proposal Form (PPF) of Post Graduate Diploma in Tribal Studies.</b></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Action: (SOEDS)</b></p>
<b>A.P.C. 68.5</b>	<p><b>To consider and approve the Programme Proposal Form (PPF) of Post Graduate Diploma in Environmental Studies (PGDEVS) (SOITS).</b></p>
<b>A.P.C. 68.5.1</b>	<p>The Member Secretary informed that the School of interdisciplinary and Trans-disciplinary Studies (SOITS) has submitted the Programme Proposal Form (PPF) of Post Graduate Diploma in Environmental Studies.</p>
<b>A.P.C. 68.5.2</b>	<p>The Director, School of interdisciplinary and Trans-disciplinary Studies (SOITS) presented the Programme Proposal Form (PPF) of the programme. The Programme Proposal Form (PPF) of the programme was approved in School Board Meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> June 2023 through circulation vide item no.1. The proposed programme is a step in the direction to make meaningful contribution towards the implementation of National Education Policy 2020. The objective of this programme is to prepare the learners in a manner they are able to recognize their role in environment protection, demonstrate the interrelationship between the man nature interactions, provide knowledge of contemporary issues and challenges in environment and to enable the learners to independently apply and assimilate the cutting edge knowledge in practice in environment protection.</p>
<b>A.P.C. 68.5.3</b>	<p><b>The Committee considered and approved the Programme Proposal Form (PPF) of Post Graduate Diploma in Environmental Studies.</b></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Action: (SOITS)</b></p>



<b>A.P.C. 68.6</b>	<b>To ratify the action taken by the Competent Authority in approving the Programme Launch Form (PLF) of Post Graduate Diploma in Environmental Studies (PGDEVS) (SOITS).</b>
<b>A.P.C. 68.6.1</b>	The Member Secretary informed that the School of interdisciplinary and Trans-disciplinary Studies (SOITS) has submitted the Programme Launch Form (PLF) of Post Graduate Diploma in Environmental Studies.
<b>A.P.C. 68.6.2</b>	<p>The Director, School of interdisciplinary and Trans-disciplinary Studies (SOITS) presented the Programme Launch Form (PLF). The Programme Launch Form (PLF) of the programme was approved by the Competent Authority on 7<sup>th</sup> July 2023. The PDF and PPR of the programme were approved in the 61<sup>st</sup> meeting of ACSC held on 4<sup>th</sup> July 2023 vide item No. 18. The proposed programme will provide the lateral entry to M.A. (Environmental Studies) and have an interdisciplinary approach with an aim to generate awareness on a variety of environmental concern.</p> <p>The launch notification has been issued vide notification no. 115 dated 7<sup>th</sup> July 2023 for its launch from July 2023 session.</p>
<b>A.P.C. 68.6.3</b>	<p><b>The Committee ratified the action taken by the Competent Authority in approving the Programme Launch Form (PLF) of Post Graduate Diploma in Environmental Studies</b></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Action: (SOITS)</b></p>
<b>A.P.C. 68.7</b>	<p><b>To consider the Programme Proposal Form (PPF) of SOCE:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) <b>Certificate in Early Childhood Special Education Enabling Inclusion (Hearing Impairment)</b></li> <li>ii) <b>Certificate in Early Childhood Special Education Enabling Inclusion (Cerebral Palsy)</b></li> <li>iii) <b>Certificate in Early Childhood Special Education Enabling Inclusion (Intellectual Disability)</b></li> <li>iv) <b>Certificate in Early Childhood Special Education Enabling Inclusion (Visual Impairment)</b></li> <li>v) <b>Awareness cum Training package in Disability (Hearing Impairment)</b></li> <li>vi) <b>Awareness cum Training package in Disability (Cerebral Palsy)</b></li> </ul>

	<p><b>vii) Awareness cum Training package in Disability (Intellectual Disability)</b></p> <p><b>viii) Awareness cum Training package in Disability (Visual Impairment)</b></p>
<b>A.P.C. 68.7.1</b>	<p>The Member Secretary informed that the School of Continuing Education (SOCE) has submitted the Programme Proposal Forms (PPFs) of the following programmes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) Certificate in Early Childhood Special Education Enabling Inclusion (Hearing Impairment)</li> <li>ii) Certificate in Early Childhood Special Education Enabling Inclusion (Cerebral Palsy)</li> <li>iii) Certificate in Early Childhood Special Education Enabling Inclusion (Intellectual Disability)</li> <li>iv) Certificate in Early Childhood Special Education Enabling Inclusion (Visual Impairment)</li> <li>v) Awareness cum Training package in Disability (Hearing Impairment)</li> <li>vi) Awareness cum Training package in Disability (Cerebral Palsy)</li> <li>vii) Awareness cum Training package in Disability (Intellectual Disability)</li> <li>viii) Awareness cum Training package in Disability (Visual Impairment)</li> </ul>
<b>A.P.C. 68.7.2</b>	<p>The Director and Programme Coordinator informed that the 66<sup>th</sup> meeting of the School Board, which was held on 20<sup>th</sup> June 2023, approved the aforementioned Programme Proposal Form (PPF) for the certificate programmes and awareness programmes. Additionally, it was reported that all of the disability programmes that were offered from 2009 to 2012 are being revised and launched by the School in accordance with the IGNOU-RCI MoU.</p>
<b>A.P.C. 68.7.3</b>	<p>The Committee suggested exploring the establishment of study centre for the said programmes and relaxing the eligibility qualification (10+2) for the awareness programme. It was also suggested that the age should be 18+ years for all awareness</p>

	programmes. The learners enrolling for the awareness programmes will be provided with the participation certificate. The modalities related to awarding the participation certificate will be decided by the School in consultation with RCI.
<b>A.P.C. 68.7.4</b>	<p><b>After detailed deliberations, the Committee considered and approved the following eight Programme Proposal Forms (PPFs).</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) <b>Certificate in Early Childhood Special Education Enabling Inclusion (Hearing Impairment)</b></li> <li>ii) <b>Certificate in Early Childhood Special Education Enabling Inclusion (Cerebral Palsy)</b></li> <li>iii) <b>Certificate in Early Childhood Special Education Enabling Inclusion (Intellectual Disability)</b></li> <li>iv) <b>Certificate in Early Childhood Special Education Enabling Inclusion (Visual Impairment)</b></li> <li>v) <b>Awareness cum Training package in Disability (Hearing Impairment)</b></li> <li>vi) <b>Awareness cum Training package in Disability (Cerebral Palsy)</b></li> <li>vii) <b>Awareness cum Training package in Disability (Intellectual Disability)</b></li> <li>viii) <b>Awareness cum Training package in Disability (Visual Impairment)</b></li> </ul> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Action: (SOCE)</b></p>
<b>A.P.C. 68.8</b>	<b>To ratify the action taken by the Competent Authority in approving the Programme Launch Form (PLF) of Certificate in Early Childhood Special Education Enabling Inclusion- Visual Impairment (CESEIVI) (SOCE).</b>
<b>A.P.C. 68.8.1</b>	The Member Secretary informed the Committee that the School of Continuing Education (SOCE) has submitted the Programme Launch Form (PLF) of Certificate in Early Childhood Special Education Enabling Inclusion-Visual Impairment.
<b>A.P.C. 68.8.2</b>	The Director, School of Continuing Education (SOCE) informed that the Programme Proposal Form (PPF) of the programme was approved in the 66 <sup>th</sup> meeting of the School Board held on 20 <sup>th</sup> June 2023 vide item no. 61.14. The PDF and PPR of the programme were

	<p>approved in the 61<sup>st</sup> meeting of ACSC held on 4<sup>th</sup> July 2023 vide item no. 61.20. The Launch form of Certificate in Early Childhood Special Education Enabling Inclusion – Visual Impairment was approved by the Competent Authority on 26<sup>th</sup> July 2023.</p> <p>The launch notification has been issued vide notification no. 123 dated 4<sup>th</sup> August 2023 for its launch from July 2023 session.</p>
<b>A.P.C. 68.8.3</b>	<p><b>The Committee ratified the action taken by the Competent Authority in approving the Programme Launch Form (PLF) of Certificate in Early Childhood Special Education Enabling Inclusion- Visual Impairment (CESEIVI).</b></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Action: SOCE</b></p>
<b>A.P.C. 68.9</b>	<p><b>To consider and approve the Programme Proposal Form (PPF) of Diploma in Apparel Merchandising (DAPMER) (SOCE).</b></p>
<b>A.P.C. 68.9.1</b>	<p>The Member Secretary informed that School of Continuing Education (SOCE) has submitted the Programme Proposal Form (PPF) of Diploma in Apparel Merchandising (DAPMER).</p>
<b>A.P.C. 68.9.2</b>	<p>The Director and programme Coordinator informed that the Programme Proposal Form (PPF) of the programme was approved in 66<sup>th</sup> School Board Meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> June, 2023 vide item no. 66.27. Now, the School has enhanced the credits from 32 to 40 as per the requirement of NEP 2020.</p>
<b>A.P.C. 68.9.3</b>	<p>The Committee observed that the Phase-1 Form for the Diploma was already approved in 2017 and new PPF was referred back to the School in 2021. The Programme Development Form (PDF) of the programme was approved in the 55<sup>th</sup> ACSC meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> December 2021. The PDF and PPR with revised credits was approved in 61<sup>st</sup> meeting of ACSC held on 4<sup>th</sup> July 2023 vide item no. 20.</p> <p>The Committee observed that in-case modifications were required to increase the credits from 32 to 40 as required by NEP 2020, appropriate revision phase form should have been submitted and placed before the Academic Council.</p> <p>After deliberations, the Committee took a serious note regarding the approval procedure followed by SOCE and advised the School (SOCE) to carefully re-look and complete all the statutory requirements of Phase Form procedure sequentially for the design, development and launch of all their academic programmes.</p> <p>The Committee recommended modifying the programme of Diploma in Apparel Merchandising (DAPMER) of 40 credits.</p>



<b>A.P.C. 68.9.4</b>	<p>The Committee considered and approved the Programme Proposal Form (PPF) of Diploma in Apparel Merchandising (DAPMER).</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Action: (SOCE)</b></p>
<b>A.P.C. 68.10</b>	<p>To ratify the action taken by the Competent Authority in approving the Programme Launch Form (PLF) of Diploma in Apparel Merchandising (DAPMER) (SOCE).</p>
<b>A.P.C. 68.10.1</b>	<p>The Member Secretary informed that the School of Continuing Education (SOCE) has submitted the Programme Launch Form (PLF) of Diploma in Apparel Merchandising (DAPMER).</p>
<b>A.P.C. 68.10.2</b>	<p>The Director and Programme Coordinator briefed about the Diploma in Apparel Merchandising (DAPMER) that the programme has been enhanced from 32 to 40 credits as per the requirement of NEP 2020. The PDF and PPR of the programme were approved in the 61<sup>st</sup> meeting of ACSC held on 4<sup>th</sup> July 2023 vide item No. 22. The Launch form of the programme has been approved by the Competent Authority on 14<sup>th</sup> July 2023.</p> <p>The launch notification has been issued vide notification no. 116 dated 18<sup>th</sup> July 2023 for its launch from July 2023 session.</p>
<b>A.P.C. 68.10.3</b>	<p>The Committee ratified the action taken by the Competent Authority in approving the Programme Launch Form (PLF) of Diploma in Apparel Merchandising (DAPMER).</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Action: (SOCE)</b></p>
<b>A.P.C. 68.11</b>	<p>To consider and approve the Programme Proposal Form (PPF) of Diploma in Apparel Merchandising- Applied (with NSDC) (DAPMERA) (SOCE).</p>
<b>A.P.C. 68.11.1</b>	<p>The Member Secretary informed that the School of Continuing Education (SOCE) has submitted the Programme Proposal Form (PPF) of Diploma in Apparel Merchandising (Applied) (DAPMERA).</p>
<b>A.P.C. 68.11.2</b>	<p>The Director and the Programme Coordinators of School of Continuing Education (SOCE) briefed that the Programme Proposal Form (PPF) of the programme was approved in 66<sup>th</sup> School Board Meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> June, 2023 vide item No. 66.30.</p> <p>The programme will be launched in collaboration with National Skill Development Corporation (NSDC). NSDC has signed a MoU with IGNOU on 29<sup>th</sup> September 2022, where it will provide inputs for skill training by facilitating internship at their work centers. A letter of intent has been provided by NSDC for the activity.</p>

<b>A.P.C. 68.11.3</b>	<p>The Committee considered and approved the Programme Proposal Form (PPF) of Diploma in Apparel Merchandising-Applied (DAPMERA).</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Action: (SOCE)</b></p>
<b>A.P.C. 68.12</b>	<p>To ratify the action taken by the Competent Authority in approving the Programme Launch Form (PLF) of Diploma in Apparel Merchandising (Applied) with NSDC (DAPMERA) (SOCE).</p>
<b>A.P.C. 68.12.1</b>	<p>The Member Secretary informed that the School of Continuing Education (SOCE) has submitted the Programme Launch Form (PLF) of Diploma in Apparel Merchandising (Applied) with National Skill Development Council (NSDC).</p>
<b>A.P.C. 68.12.2</b>	<p>The Director and Programme Coordinator of School of Continuing Education (SOCE) informed that the PDF and PPR of the programme were approved in the 61<sup>st</sup> meeting of ACSC held on 4<sup>th</sup> July 2023 vide item No. 21. The Launch form of Diploma in Apparel Merchandising Applied (DAPMERA) has been approved by the Competent Authority on 26<sup>th</sup> July 2023.</p> <p>The launch notification has been issued vide notification no. 122 dated 4<sup>th</sup> August 2023 for its launch from July 2023 session.</p>
<b>A.P.C. 68.12.3</b>	<p>The Committee ratified the action taken by the Competent Authority in approving the Programme Launch Form (PLF) of Diploma in Apparel Merchandising (Applied) with NSDC.</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Action: (SOCE)</b></p>
<b>A.P.C. 68.13</b>	<p>To ratify the action taken by the Competent Authority in approving the Programme Launch Forms (PLFs) of:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>B.A.(Applied Skills) (BAAS)</li> <li>B.Com.(Applied Skills) (BCOMAS)</li> <li>B.Sc.(Applied Skills) (BSCAS)</li> <li>B.A. (Applied Skills) Tourism Management (BAASTM)</li> <li>B.A. (Applied Skills) Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (BAASMSME)</li> </ol>
<b>A.P.C. 68.13.1</b>	<p>The Member Secretary informed that the School of Vocational Education and Training (SOVET) has submitted the Programme Launch Form (PLF) of above five academic programmes.</p>
<b>A.P.C. 68.13.2</b>	<p>The Committee was informed that the Programme Proposal Form (PPF) of the programmes were approved in the 67<sup>th</sup> APC meeting held on 01<sup>st</sup> June 2023 vide No. 67.18. The Programme Launch Forms (PLFs) of the five above mentioned programmes has been approved by the Competent Authority on 31<sup>st</sup> July 2023. The launch</p>

	<p>notifications of all the five programmes have been issued vide notification no. 117 to 121 dated 01<sup>st</sup> August 2023 for July 2023 session.</p>
<b>A.P.C. 68.13.3</b>	<p>The Committee ratified the action taken by the Competent Authority in approving the Programme Launch Forms (PLF) of following five programmes.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) B.A.(Applied Skills) (BAAS)</li> <li>ii) B.Com.(Applied Skills) (BCOMAS)</li> <li>iii) B.Sc.(Applied Skills) (BSCAS)</li> <li>iv) B.A. (Applied Skills) Tourism Management (BAASTM)</li> <li>v) B.A. (Applied Skills) Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (BAASMSME)</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Action: (SOVET)</b></p>
<b>A.P.C. 68.14</b>	<p>To consider and approve Programme Proposal Form (PPF) for Master of Science (M.Sc.) in Data science and Analytics (SOCIS).</p>
<b>A.P.C. 68.14.1</b>	<p>The Member Secretary informed that the School of Computer and Information Science (SOCIS) has submitted the Programme Proposal Form (PPF) Master of Science (M.Sc.) in Data Science and Analytics).</p>
<b>A.P.C. 68.14.2</b>	<p>The Committee was informed that the Programme Proposal Form (PPF) of the programme was approved in 56<sup>th</sup> School Board Meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> July, 2023 vide item No. 56.3. The proposed M.Sc. in Data Science and analytics is a two year programme that aims to train learners in computational and statistical skills for data-driven problem solving. The programme covers courses like statistical analysis, data mining, machine learning. The programme is designed for learners from a broad range of background who wish to enhance their existing knowledge and skill or convert into data science specialists. The programme prepares the learners to apply data science techniques to solve real world problems in various domains such as business, health care, social sciences and engineering. The tentative launch date of this programme is July 2025.</p>
<b>A.P.C. 68.14.3</b>	<p>After deliberations, the Committee suggested that the nomenclature and description of the programme (professional or general) should be as per the UGC norms.</p> <p>The Committee considered and approved the Programme Proposal Form (PPF) of Master of Science M.Sc. (Data Science and Analytics).</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Action: (SOCIS)</b></p>

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<b>A.P.C. 68.15</b>	<b>To consider and approve Programme Proposal Form (PPF) for Master of Science (M.Sc.) in Industrial Safety (SOET).</b>
<b>A.P.C. 68.15.1</b>	The Member Secretary informed that the School of Engineering & Technology (SOET) has submitted the Programme Proposal Form (PPF) Master of Science (M.Sc.) in Industrial Safety.
<b>A.P.C. 68.15.2</b>	The Director and the Programme Coordinator informed that the Programme Proposal Form (PPF) of the programme was approved in 68 <sup>th</sup> School Board Meeting held on 28 <sup>th</sup> July, 2023 vide item No. 68.9. The M.Sc. in Industrial Safety is a two years programme that aims to provide students with a comprehensive understanding of the principles and practices of Industrial safety and accident prevention. It shall equip students with the necessary skills to evaluate and mitigate risks associated with industrial processes and work environments. It shall train students to effectively manage safety programmes and lead teams of safety professional in industrial setting. The tentative launch date of this programme is January 2024.
<b>A.P.C. 68.15.3</b>	<b>The Committee considered and approved the Programme Proposal Form (PPF) of M.Sc. (Industrial Safety).</b> <b>Action: (SOET)</b>
<b>A.P.C. 68.16</b>	<b>To consider and approve Programme Proposal Form (PPF) for M.A. in Indian Knowledge Systems Programme (SOH).</b>
<b>A.P.C. 68.16.1</b>	The Member Secretary informed that the School of Humanities (SOH) has submitted the Programme Proposal Form (PPF) of M.A. in Indian Knowledge Systems Programme. It was informed that the Director and Programme Coordinator from the School (SOH) has requested vide through email received on 07 <sup>th</sup> September 2023 that the agenda item for the APC meeting may be withdrawn so that the programme details and Programme Proposal Form (PPF) could be modified as per the suggestions of the School Board.
<b>A.P.C. 68.16.2</b>	The Committee noted the above and referred back the item to the School. <b>Action: (SOH)</b>
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<b>A.P.C. 68.17</b>	<b>To consider and approve the Programme Proposal Form (PPF) for M.Sc. (Analytical Chemistry) Programme.</b>
<b>A.P.C. 68.17.1</b>	The Member Secretary informed that the School of Sciences (SOS) has submitted the Programme Proposal Form (PPF) for M.Sc. (Analytical Chemistry).
<b>A.P.C. 68.17.2</b>	The Director of the School briefed that the Programme Proposal

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	Form (PPF) of the programme was approved in the 73 <sup>rd</sup> meeting of the School Board held on 11 <sup>th</sup> September 2023 vide item No. 73.4.4. The programme will be launched from January 2024. The Post Graduate Diploma in Analytical Chemistry is already on offer from 2009. The Discipline of Chemistry proposed to offer M.Sc. (Analytical Chemistry) by utilizing the course material being developed for M.Sc. (Chemistry) and the available SLM of PGDAC programme.
<b>A.P.C. 68.17.3</b>	<b>The Committee considered and approved the Programme Proposal Form (PPF) of M.Sc. (Analytical Chemistry).</b>  <b>Action: (SOS)</b>
<b>A.P.C. 68.18</b>	<b>To consider and approve the Programme Launch Form (PLF) of M.Sc. (Zoology) (SOS).</b>
<b>A.P.C. 68.18.1</b>	The Member Secretary informed that the School of Sciences (SOS) has submitted the Programme Launch Form (PLF) of M.Sc. (Zoology).
<b>A.P.C. 68.18.2</b>	The Director of the School briefed that the Programme Launch Form (PLF) of the programme was approved in the 73 <sup>rd</sup> meeting of the School Board held on 11 <sup>th</sup> September 2023 vide item No. 73.7.4. It was also informed that the Programme Proposal Form (PPF) of the programme was approved in the 62 <sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the APC held on 16 <sup>th</sup> December 2021. The PDF and PPR of the programme were approved in the 57 <sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Academic Council on 9 <sup>th</sup> June 2022. The programme will be launched from January 2024.
<b>A.P.C. 68.18.3</b>	<b>The Committee considered and approved the Programme Launch Form (PLF) of M.Sc. (Zoology).</b>  <b>Action: (SOS)</b>
<b>A.P.C. 68.19</b>	<b>To consider and approve the Programme Proposal Forms (PPF) of the following programmes (SOE):</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. B.A. B.Ed.</li> <li>2. B.Sc. B.Ed.</li> <li>3. B.Com. B.Ed.</li> </ol>
<b>A.P.C. 68.19.1</b>	The Member Secretary informed that the School of Education (SOE) has submitted the Programme Proposal Form (PPF) of Integrated Teacher Education Programmes (ITEP) namely, B.A. B.Ed; B.Sc. B.Ed. and B.Com B.Ed.
<b>A.P.C. 68.19.2</b>	The Member Secretary informed that the School of Education (SOE) has submitted that they had applied to National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE) for grant of recognition to offer the Integrated Teacher Education Programmes (ITEP), namely, B.A. B.Ed, B.Sc.

	<p>B.Ed. and B.Com B.Ed. from the Academic Session July 2023-24. The proposal for developing the ITEP programme was approved by the School in its 78th School Council meeting held on 8.12.2021. The National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE) has conducted an online / virtual inspection on 5<sup>th</sup> Dec. 2022 and the Letter of Intent has been received. The Committee was informed that the programmes will be offered in F2F mode. The programme will be offered on a pilot basis.</p> <p>The Programme Coordinators informed that the curriculum has been provided by National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE) and the School will modify it with 30% change as per the IGNOU requirements. The concept note of the said Integrated Teacher Education Programmes has already been approved in the School Board, APC and Academic Council.</p>
<b>A.P.C. 68.19.3</b>	<p>The Committee after deliberations suggested taking the assistance of academic counselors for conducting face to face classes for the said Integrated Teacher Education Programmes.</p> <p>The Committee advised that School must follow the established procedure and practice for approval of new academic programmes. It was suggested that the School (SOE) must ensure that the necessary phase forms and other statutory approvals are obtained for all the proposed academic programmes.</p>
<b>A.P.C. 68.19.4</b>	<p><b>The Committee took note of the deliberations and recommended the approval of the Programme Proposal Forms (PPFs) of the following three academic programmes subject to approval of concerned School Board.</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. B.A. B.Ed.</li> <li>2. B.Sc. B.Ed.</li> <li>3. B.Com. B.Ed.</li> </ol> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Action: (SOE)</b></p>
<b>A.P.C. 68.20</b>	<p><b>To consider and approve the Programme Launch Form (PLF) of the following programmes (SOE):</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. B.A. B.Ed.</li> <li>2. B.Sc. B.Ed.</li> <li>3. B.Com. B.Ed.</li> </ol>
<b>A.P.C. 68.20.1</b>	<p>The Member Secretary informed that the School of Education (SOE) has submitted the Programme Launch Forms (PLFs) of Integrated Teacher Education Programmes, namely, B.A. B.Ed; B.Sc. B.Ed. and B.Com B.Ed.</p>
<b>A.P.C. 68.20.2</b>	<p><b>The Committee deliberated on the Programme Launch Forms</b></p>

	(PLFs) and referred back with the suggestion to place the progress in the next APC meeting. <b>Action: (SOE)</b>
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The meeting ended with thanks to the Chair, the members and the special invitees.

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