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Dear Sir/Madam,

Please find enclosed herewith a copy of the minutes of the 50th meeting of the Planning Board, held on 08/09/2022 for your kind perusal.

With regards

Yours sincerely,

04/10/2022

(Neeti Agrawal)
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OF THE

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PLANNING BOARD

HELD ON

08th SEPTEMBER 2022

INDIRA GANDHI NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY
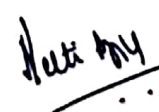
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MINUTES OF THE 50THMEETING OF THE PLANNING BAORD MEETING HELD ON 08thSEPTEMBR 2022 AT 2.30 P.M. IN THE BOARD ROOM, VICE CHANCELLOR OFFICE, IGNOU, MAIDAN GARHI, NEW DELHI-110 068.

The following were present in the meeting:

No.	Name		Role
1.	Prof. Nageshwar Rao, Vice Chancellor.	-	Chairperson
2.	Prof. Rama Shankar Dubey, Vice Chancellor, Central University of Gujarat.	-	External Member
3.	Prof. V. Venkaiah, Former, Vice Chancellor, Krishna University of Distance Education Hyderabad.	-	External Member
4.	Dr. D. Subramanyam, Sr. Executive Director, HUDCO.	-	External Member
5.	Dr. Sujata K. Dass, MBBS, Delhi University.	-	External Member
6.	Prof. R.P. Das, Pro-Vice Chancellor, IGNOU.	-	Special Invitee
7.	Prof. Satyakam, Pro-Vice Chancellor, IGNOU.	-	Special Invitee
8.	Prof. Uma Kanjilal, Pro-Vice Chancellor, IGNOU.	-	Special Invitee
9.	Prof. Sumitra Kukreti, Pro-Vice Chancellor, IGNOU.	-	Special Invitee
10.	Dr. Manroop Singh Meena, Pro-Vice Chancellor, IGNOU.	-	Special Invitee
11.	Dr. Srikant Mohapatra, Pro-Vice Chancellor, IGNOU.	-	Special Invitee
12.	Prof. Nawal Kishor, SOMS.	-	Member
13.	Prof. Sudip Ranjan Jha, SOS.	-	Member
14.	Prof. Nita Mathur, SOSS.	-	Member
15.	Dr. U.C. Pandey, Director, RSD.	-	Member
16.	Sh. Alok Chaube, Registrar, Administration Division.	-	Member
17.	Prof. Manjulika Srivastava, Director, CIQA.	-	Special Invitee
18.	Dr. V.B. Negi, Registrar, SED.	-	Special Invitee
19.	Sh. Sree Krishna, Registrar, MPDD.	-	Special Invitee
20.	Dr. Himansu K. Bose, Registrar, SRD.	-	Special Invitee
21.	Dr. Dev Kant Rao, Director, ACD.	-	Special Invitee
22.	Prof. Subodh Kesharwani, Director, COE.	-	Special Invitee
23.	Er. R. Sudhir Kumar Reddy, CPO, CMD.	-	Special Invitee
24.	Prof. Neeti Agrawal, Director, P&DD.	-	Member Secretary

Prof. V. Venkaiah attended the meeting virtually. Prof. M.C. Nair, Dr. Pankaj Khanna and Dr. Sunil Kumar were present to provide the academic support.

At the outset, the Member Secretary welcomed the Chairperson, Member(s), and Special Invitee(s) to the 50thMeeting of the Planning Board (PB) and requested the Chair for opening remarks.

The Vice Chancellor and Chairperson of the Planning Board Prof. Nageshwar Rao welcomed all the members of the Planning Board. The Chairperson welcomed Dr. Manroop Singh Meena, Pro-Vice Chancellor and Prof. Srikant Mohapatra, Pro-Vice Chancellor who joined recently. He then welcomed Prof. Neeti Agrawal as new Member Secretary in the Planning Board. The Chairperson also formally welcomed the new members and placed on records the valuable contribution of the outgoing members. He also placed on record the valuable contributions made by Dr. Pankaj Khare, Director(P&DD) during his tenure as Member Secretary of the Planning Board who has been superannuated.

The Chairperson informed that the last Planning Board meeting was conducted on 07th August 2021 through online mode. Since then, the four meetings of APC of the Planning Board Standing Committee were convened. He then apprised the Planning Board about the progress made by the University. The highlights are as follows:

- The focus of NEP is on capacity utilisation IGNOU is collaborating with different agencies. A proposal from Dattopant Thengadi National Boaard of workers education and development to train the workers in the organised and unorganized sectors has been received. Apart from this a proposal to train cooperatives has also been received. The Models which are already present with them will be reviewed. MoU is ready and a pilot study will be conducted shortly.
- The project Agniveer is ready for launch and has duly been approved by all the approving bodies.
- All the programmes of IGNOU will be approved by NCVET and the MoU in this regard has been received.
- The skill based programmes will be offered through 1000 centres of MSDE. These centres will become the awareness examination and skilling centres.
- The ITI's and Jan Shiksha Sasthan (JSS) are being identified and will form a part of IGNOU network for imparting skill based education.
- ICCR and Central Hindi Directorate will collaborate with IGNOU to provide an awareness programme in Hindi internationally.
- Academic Bank of credit (ABC) portal is gaining importance.
- 2 credit course on 'Ek Bharat Shreshta Bharat' has been developed by IGNOU which is first of its kind in the country. Till date around 8,000 students have registered for the programme.
- 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav' is being celebrated, where a series of webinars and lectures from eminent personalities are held. Celebrations to commemorate 'Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat 'week was organized from 24th February to 15th March 2022.
- An Alumni portal is being developed for more than 36 lakh alumni students. This will be one of the largest IGNOU Alumni global community portal.
- An Awareness Development Programme on National Education Policy-2020 for 15 Lakh University and College Teachers is being implemented. Around 10,000 teachers have registered for the programme and the pilot project to train 6, 000 teachers commences from September 9, 2022.

The Planning Board acknowledged the contribution of all the teachers, academics, and staff to the academic growth of the University. The Board appreciated the University for its sincere
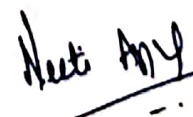
efforts towards the development of innovative, skill-oriented academic programmes, effective educational SLM-based videos, and work for the revision of existing academic programmes.

The Chairperson then invited the Member Secretary to start the proceedings. The Member Secretary thereafter presented the agenda items with the permission of the Chair. She informed that this agenda contains the reports related to the new initiatives, confirmation of minutes, action taken reports, Phase forms, reporting and ratification items for various academic programmes and developments taking place in the University.

P.B.50.1	To confirm the minutes of the 49th meeting of the Planning Board, held on 07th August 2021 and the Action Taken Reports (ATRs)
P.B.50.1.1	The Member Secretary informed that the Minutes of the 49th Meeting of the Planning Board held on 07th August 2021 were circulated to the Members of the Board for comments/observations. No comments were received from the members.
P.B.50.1.2	The Board confirmed the minutes of the 49th meeting of the Planning Board and noted the action thereon.
P.B. 50.1(A)	To consider and apprise the following: i) NEP 2020 implementation in IGNOU ii) Technology Enabled Teaching Learning in Digital Era – Online Programmes and other activities iii) SWAYAM and SWAYAMPRABHA Channels iv) International Operations
P.B. 50.1(A) (i)	The Chairperson informed the Planning Board about the University's efforts to implement the NEP 2020. He highlighted various areas where NEP 2020 is being implemented. These are: • The Chairperson informed the Board that the University has moved forward for the nation-wide implementation of NEP 2020. The online programme shall be implemented by all the 56 regional centres of IGNOU in their respective states through three 'S' network (Samarth, SWAYAM and SWAYAMPRABHA. The online programme consists of videos, a discussion forum, virtual conferencing, discussion forum test, and program-end test. • The Board was informed that University Grants Commission (UGC) has notified the Academic Bank of Credits (ABC) which was adopted in the 77th meeting of the Academic Council held on 28th December 2021. The Academic Bank of Credits (ABC) have been implemented in the University so as to facilitate students to choose their learning path to attain a Degree/Diploma /Certificate, working on the principle of multiple entry-multiple exit as well as anytime, anywhere, and any-level of learning.
P.B. 50.1(A)(ii)	The Board was informed that the University is offering 41 online programmes.

	The Popular UG and PG level programmes like MBA, MCA, MA English, MA in Journalism and Mass Communication, MA Rural Development, BCA, B. Com, Bachelor of Social Work, BA (Tourism Studies), Bachelor of Library and Information etc. are also on offer in online mode. The University is already offering programmes through SWAYAM portal. The SWAYAMPRABHA channels also have videos in regional languages. • The University has been making extensive use of the Samarth Platform provided by the Ministry of Education for the digitalization of various processes. The University's goal is to implement Student Life Cycle (admission, examination, evaluation, convocation and alumni, etc.) with the Administrative and Finance Modules required for University administration. Presently various operations are being developed and customized and the Admission Portal, Re-registration Portal, Recruitment Portal, Alumni Portal, Capacity Development and Payroll are fully functional on the Samarth Platform.
P.B. 50.1(A) (iii)	• The Board was informed that the courses offered by SWAYAM have been adopted by different educational institutions across the country. As of now 186 programmes are on offer through SWAYAM. • SWAYAMPRABHA Channel is being used to provide counseling to the learners in Regional languages as well. Till date over 2000 sessions in different regional languages have been recorded on SWAYAMPRABHA.
P.B. 50.1(A) (iv)	The Board was informed about various developments at International level. • International operations have been extended across the globe through Overseas centres. • E-vidyabharti has been initiated to provide online education internationally and till date 1000 learners have enrolled.
P.B. 50.1(A) (v)	The Planning Board appreciated the efforts and noted the progress made by the University in the implementation of National Education Policy 2020, with respect to Online Programmes, SWAYAM, SWAYAMPRABHA and International Operations. **(Action: CIQA, COE and ID)**
P.B. 50.1(B)	**To consider and approve the OER Policy**
P.B. 50.1(B) (i)	The Board was informed that as per the UGC (Open and Distance Learning programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 dated 04th September 2020 much emphasis was given on the Open Educational Resource (OER). The UGC Regulations, 2020 highlight and promote the use OERs for Open & Distance Learning (ODL) mode and focuses on 40% delivery of Self Learning Material (SLM) through OERs. In this context, a committee was constituted for drafting of the Open Educational Resources (OER) policy for the University. "Institutional OER Policy 2020 of IGNOU" was considered in the Academic Council in 78th meeting held on 13th June 2022, and it was suggested to

	circulate the OER Policy document to the stakeholder and place the feedback received from them.
P.B. 50.1(B)(ii)	The Board deliberated on the policy requirement. The Board was informed that the suggestions will be taken while framing the training guidelines. The Board suggested that the OER policy and other academic reports or documents should be printed. It was also suggested to prepare Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) so as to implement the policy.
P.B. 50.1(B)(iii)	The Board approved the OER Policy 2020 with directions that the final version be again placed in the Academic Council after incorporating the feedback and the other modifications suggested by the members. *(Action: COE)*

P.B. 50.2.	To consider and approve the minutes of the
	  i) 61st Academic Programme Committee Meeting held on 20th September 2021
	  ii) 62nd Academic Programme Committee Meeting held on 16th December 2021
	  iii) 63rd Academic Programme Committee Meeting held on 22nd February 2022
	  iv) 64th Academic Programme Committee Meeting held on 9th June 2022

P.B. 50.2.1	The Member Secretary reported that four meetings (61st to 64th) of the Academic Programme Committee(s), a Standing Committee of the Planning Board were held, and the following academic programmes and activities were recommended:
	
	Programmes approved at the 61st Meeting of the Academic Programme Committee held on 20th September 2021:
	
	Programme Proposal Form (PPF):
	  1. M.A. Urban Studies
	  2. M.Sc. Physics
	  3. M.Sc. Chemistry
	  4. M.Sc. Geoinformatics & P.G. Diploma in Geoinformatics
	  5. M.Sc. Applied Statistics
	  6. Certificate in Professional Development of Teachers
	  7. Post Graduate Diploma in Agribusiness
	  8. M.A. Arabic
	  9. M.A. Russian
	  10. M.A. Spanish
	  11. M.A. French
	
	Programme Launch Approval Form (PLAF):
	  1. PhD. in Sanskrit.
	  2. P.G. Diploma in Migration and Diaspora

Online Programmes:
1. B.Com. (Online)
2. Bachelor of Computer Application (Online).

Programmes approved at the 62rd meeting of the Academic Programme Committee held on 16th December 2021:

Programme Proposal Form (PPF):
1. M.A. (Hindi Vyasaik Lekhan)
2. Introduction to Publishing – CBCS Courses
3. M.Sc. (Food Safety and Quality Management)
4. B.Sc. in Food Safety and Quality Management under CBCS
5. Master of Arts in Sustainability Science
6. M.A. (Environmental and Occupational Health)
7. M.A. (Corporate Social Responsibility)
8. Master of Business Administration (Marketing Management)
9. Master of Business Administration (Human Resource Management)
10. Master of Business Administration (Operations Management)
11. Master of Business Administration (Finance Management)
12. M.Sc. (Early Childhood Care and Education)
13. M.Sc. (Zoology)
14. Certificate in Skill Acquisition and Knowledge Awareness for Livelihood Promotion
15. P.G. Diploma in Vastu Shastra (वास्तु शास्त्र मे स्नातकोतर डिप्लोमा)
16. B.A. Legal Studies / General Law.

Programme Launch Approval Form (PLAF):
1. Anuvad avam Rupantaran mein Snatakottar Pramanpatra (अनुवाद एवम रुपांतरण में स्नातकोत्तर प्रमाणपत्र)
2. B.A. (Hons.) Urdu

Online Programmes:
1. Master of Business Administration (Online)
2. M.A. English (Online)
3. BSW (Online)
4. MCA (2-Year Duration) (Online)

Online Course Approval Form (OPAF):
1. Media and Information Literacy for Teachers I
2. Media and Information Literacy for Teachers II

Other items:
1. Programme Proposal Form (PPF) of P.G Diploma in Agribusiness: It was suggested that the school should retain the approved title of P.G Diploma in Agribusiness and seek permission from AICTE to rename the programme as P.G. Diploma in Agribusiness Management. School proposes to develop MBA (Agribusiness Management) with due permission from the AICTE, if required for it.
2. B.Sc. (Hons.) Geography (CBCS): It was suggested that the school

expedite the development of the B.Sc. programme and inform target date for its launch.

3. Certificate in Nano Technology and Certificate in Smart City Development and Management: It was suggested that Certificate in Nano Technology and Certificate in Smart City Development and Management should not be dropped by the school.

4. Programme Concept approved: P.G. Diploma in Vastu Shastra (वास्तुशास्त्र में स्नातकोत्तर डिप्लोमा)

5. Advanced Diploma in Early Childhood Education and Development nomenclature be designed and developed as P.G. Diploma programme of one year duration in consonance with UGC Regulations on the nomenclature.

6. Referred to the school: Diploma and Certificate in Apparel Merchandising.

7. Streamline process for development / adoption / adaptation of standalone online courses and offer of existing ODL programmes in Online mode: It was suggested that the group constituted by the 49th Planning Board to revisit programme development and Revision process consider online mode deliveries of courses and programmes and propose a system.

8. Launch of skill enhancement courses for CBCS programme(s):
   • Understanding Development during Early Childhood Years- SOCE (Development during Early Childhood Years)
   • Understanding Professional Social Work – SOSW (Professional Social Work)
   • Fundamentals of Bharatanatyam – SOPVA (Performing Art of Bharatanatyam)
   • An introduction to Indian Art – Painting – SOPVA (Indian Art – Painting)
   • Nutrition – Basic concepts - SOCE (Nutrition concepts)
   • Community Nutrition – SOCE

Programmes approved at the 63rd meeting of the Academic Programme Committee held on 22nd February 2022

Programme Proposal Form (PPF)
1. Post Graduate Diploma in Population and Family Health Studies.
2. B.A. in Journalism and Mass Communication.
3. Post Graduate Diploma in Early Childhood and Foundational Stage Education.
4. M.Sc. in Community Development & Extension Management
5. Post Graduate Diploma in Community Development and Extension Management.
6. Certificate programme in Bhartiya Kalgadna (भारतीय कालगणना).
7. Ph. D in Sanskrit
8. Ph. D in Urdu
9. Post Graduate Diploma in Industrial Safety

Programme Launch Form (PLF)
1. M.A (Urban Studies)
2. M.A (Corporate Social Responsibility)
3. M.A (Sustainability Science)
4. M.A (Environmental and Occupational Health)
5. M.Sc. (Renewable Energy and Environment)
6. Certificate in Condition Monitoring
7. Certificate in Smart City Development and Management
8. P.G. Diploma in Sindhi Hindi Sindhi Translation
9. B.A (Hons.) Urdu
10. B.A (Hons.) Sanskrit
11. P.G. Diploma in Agribusiness
12. Ph. D in Sanskrit
13. Ph. D in Urdu

Online Programmes:
1. Certificate in French (Online)
2. Certificate in Spanish Language & Culture (Online)
3. Post Graduate Diploma in Environmental and Occupational Health (Online).
4. M.A in Journalism and Mass Communication (Online)
5. Master of Arts in Rural Development (Online)
6. Post Graduate Diploma in Rural Development (Online)
7. Certificate in Rural Development (Online).

Online Courses:
1. Sindhi Bhasha Shikshan through SWAYAM.

Other Items:
1. School was requested to re-look the nomenclature of the proposed programme: PG Diploma in संस्कृत में विज्ञान.
2. Four credit courses on Machine Translation: An introduction with a focus on Indian languages under B.A. General programme recommended with changed nomenclature as decided by the school.
3. Development of a content quality assurance system to ensure high standards of contents to be offered by IGNOU.

Programmes approved at the 64th meeting of the academic programme committee held on 09th June 2022:

Programme Proposal Form (PPF):
1. B.Sc. (Applied Science)
2. M.Sc. (Forensic Science)
3. M.Sc. (Biochemistry)
4. भारतीय दर्शन में स्नातकोतर डिप्लोमा.
5. Master of Arts (Environmental Studies)
6. Post Graduate Diploma in Environmental Management and Law Programme
7. Certificate Programme in Early Childhood Care and Education.
8. Bachelor of Arts (Facility and Services Management)

Programme Launch Form (PLF)

1. B.A (VS) (Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises)
2. Certificate in Apparel Merchandising
3. P.G. Diploma in Vastu Shastra
4. M.A. (Hindi Vyavsayik Lekhan)
5. Certificate in Vedic Ganit
6. एम. ए. (वैदिक अध्ययन)
7. Post Graduate Diploma in Writings from India
8. Post Graduate Diploma in British Literature
9. Post Graduate Diploma in The Novel
10. Post Graduate Diploma in Writings from the Margins
11. Post Graduate Diploma in American Literature
12. Post Graduate Diploma in New Literatures in English
13. Certificate in Gender and Science
14. Certificate in Gender in Law
15. Certificate in Professional Development of Teachers programme
16. M.Sc. (Food Safety and Quality Management) programme
17. Post Graduate Diploma in Electronic Media.
18. M.A. (Arabic)
19. Master of Business Administration (Marketing Management)
20. Master of Business Administration (Human Resource Management)
21. Master of Business Administration (Operations Management)
22. Master of Business Administration (Financial Management)
23. Certificate in Skill Acquisition and Knowledge Awareness for Livelihood Promotion (SANKALP)

Online Programmes Approval Forms (OPAF)

1. Certificate in Urdu Language (Online)
2. Diploma in Urdu Language (Online)
3. M.A.(English) (Online)
4. सरल संस्कृत बोध में प्रमाणपत्र (Certificate in Communicative Sanskrit) (Online)
5. Diploma in Creative Writing in English (Online)

Online Course Approval Forms (on SWAYAM):

1. संस्कृत साहित्य का आलोचनात्मक विश्लेषण
2. संस्कृत भाषा और साहित्य
3. Digital Safety of Journalists and Cyber security

Other Items:

1. The title of the Programme renamed as संस्कृत साहित्य में विज्ञान में स्नातकोत्तर डिप्लोमा
2. Programme referred back to the school for review: Ph. D (Energy Studies)
3. To entrust the responsibility to CIQA for the quality assurance system i.e., development of a content quality assurance system to ensure high standards of contents to be offered by IGNOU.

P.B. 50.2.2	The Planning Board considered, and approved minutes and ATRs of the Academic Programme Committee(s) made at its 61st, 62nd, 63rd and 64th Meeting of APC and actions taken thereon in launching these programmes. *(Action: P&DD)*
P.B. 50.3	**To report the Institutional Development Plan of IGNOU-2030**
P.B. 50.3.1	The Member Secretary informed that the 145th meeting of the BOM held on 25th October 2021approved the Institutional Development Pan of the University.It was informed that the National Education Policy 2020 (NEP 2020) envisages an Institutional Development Plan (IDP) wherein each institution will make a Strategic Institutional Development Plan on the basis of which institutions will develop initiatives, assess their own progress, and reach the goals set therein, which could then become the basis for further public funding and Monitoring System for implementation of IDP.
P.B. 50.3.2	The Board appreciated and suggested to develop a monitoring system for its implementation and update the Institutional Development Plan (IDP) based on the progress made by the respective School of Studies, Divisions and Centres.
P.B. 50.3.3	The Board Members, after the detailed deliberations approved the Institutional Development Plan (IDP) 2030 of the University. *(Action: CIQA)*
P.B. 50.4	**To consider and approve the report on Enrichment of IGNOU's active Academic Programmes for Synergizing Effective Academic Deliveries**
P.B. 50.4.1	The Board was informed that a committee has been constituted to develop action plans for synergizing delivery of academic programmes of IGNOU in line with the recommendations of NEP-2020. The recommendations of the committee were presented for incorporating core recommendations of NEP-2020 and strategies for synergizing the delivery process were informed in detail through a PowerPoint presentation. After deliberations, the Board suggested that the report be circulated to the Schools of Studies, Divisions and Centres for their valuable inputs and feedback before printing the final report.
P.B. 50.4.2	The Board approved the report on Enrichment of IGNOU's active Academic Programmes for Synergizing Effective Academic Deliveries of IGNOU. The Board suggested that the document be printed as early as possible. *(Action: P&DD)*
P.B. 50.5	**To consider and approve the report on IGNOU's Strategy in enhancing National GER**
P.B. 50.5.1	The Board was informed that the Planning Board in its 49thmeeting held on 7th August 2021 recommended that a committee be constituted for enhancing National GER by 2030.The various aspects of the matter where the New Education Policy (NEP) 2020 proposed to increase the Gross Enrolment Ratio

	in higher education including vocational education was deliberated upon. The recommendations of the committee were presented with the trends in enrolment in IGNOU and promotional strategies to be adopted for enhancing the national GER. After deliberations, the Board suggested that the GER report be circulated to the Schools of Studies, Divisions and Centres for their valuable inputs and feedback before printing the final report.
P.B. 50.5.2	The Board approved the "the report on IGNOU's Strategy in enhancing National GER" and suggested that the document be printed soon. *(Action: P&DD)*
P.B. 50.6	**To consider and approve the report of the revised phase forms for streamlining the process of development of academic programmes& courses along with its closure**
P.B. 50.6.1	The Board was informed that the Planning Board in its 49th meeting held on 7th August 2021 recommended that a committee be constituted for streamlining the process of development of academic programmes& courses and their closure in line with the requirement of ODL/ONLINE Regulations 2020.
P.B. 50.6.2	After deliberations, the Board suggested for modifications in the phase forms as per NEP, NSQF and ODL/ONLINE Regulations 2020. It was advised to incorporate the suggestions in the Phase forms and simplify the process of phase forms. It was also suggested that the Phase forms be circulated to the Schools of Studies, Divisions and Centres again for their valuable inputs and receive feedback before finalizing the forms.
P.B. 50.6.3	The Board approved the "the report on Revised Phase forms". The Board suggested that the revised phase forms be placed before the next meeting of the Academic Council for its consideration and approval. *(Action: P&DD)*
P.B. 50.7	**To report the status of IGNOU's permanent Infrastructure facilities at State Level – Own Buildings for Regional Centers**
P.B. 50.7.1	The Board noted the status of permanent Infrastructure facilities for Regional Centers at State level. *(Action: CMD)*
P.B. 50.8	**To report the fee exemption / reimbursement to SC/ST students admitted as part of the utilization of grants under SCSP and TSP components of the Budget along with its Demographic and Utilization Analysis Report**
P.B. 50.8.1	The Member Secretary informed that the Planning and Development Division was mandated to formulate the scheme of fee reimbursement for SC/ST students to utilize grants under SCSP and TSP components. The Planning and Development Division notified the scheme of financial support to SC and ST

	students for January 2022 admission cycle on 20th December 2021 in 55 academic programmes followed by another notification of financial support to SC and ST students for the same academic programmes for July 2022 admission cycle on 15 July 2022. This is in line with the norms of the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment for fee exemption which is being implemented from July 2022. The Demographic and Utilization Analysis Report was presented before the Planning Board summarizing the academic impact of SCSP and TSP financial grants.
P.B. 50.8.2	The Board noted and ratified and action taken on the fee exemption to SC/ST students admitted as part of the utilization of grants under SCSP and TSP components of the Budget. *(Action: P&DD)*
P.B. 50.9	**To report the revised fee of academic programmes for the July 2022 admission cycle based on recommendations of the Committee on rationalization of fee**
P.B. 50.9.1	The Board was informed that fee rationalization Committee held its meeting on 09th May 2022 to rationalize fee of academic programmes for admission cycle July 2022. The Competent Authority considered and approved the following recommendations of the Committee. *a. To make provisions to increase programme fee for 35 UG and PG programmes out of 281 academic programmes.* *b. To increase the registration fee by ₹ 100 for all academic programmes.* It was also directed to get further inputs from the Research Unit to rationalize fee of Research programmes. The Planning & Development Division notified the revised fee of academic programmes for the admission cycle July 2022 vide Notification No. 43 dated 17th May 2022 and it was ratified by the Academic Council in its 78th meeting held on 13th June 2022.
P.B. 50.9.2	The Board ratified the action taken on revision of fee of academic programmes for the admission cycle in July 2022 issued vide Notification No. 43 dated 17th May 2022 by the Planning & Development Division (P&DD). *(Action:P&DD)*
P.B. 50.10	**To consider and approve the Handbook on Project Management-2022**
P.B. 50.10.1	The Board was informed that IGNOU had prepared a Handbook on Project Management in the year 2004 and a committee was constituted in the year 2019 to revise the handbook. Three meetings of the above Committee were held in connection with the preparation of the draft Handbook. The draft of the Handbook on Project Management was placed before Competent Authority on 01st January 2021 and Academic Programme Committee (APC) in its 60th Meeting held on 22nd January 2021. The APC recommended seeking approval

	for the Handbook on Project Management from the Planning Board. The 49ᵗʰ Planning Board approved the Handbook on Project Management in principle. However, it was suggested to seek comments from the Finance officer and the Schools of Studies before adopting and circulating the Handbook on Project Management-2020 to stakeholders.
P.B. 50.10.2	After deliberations, the Board suggested that the report be again circulated to the Schools of Studies, Divisions and Centres for their valuable inputs and feedback before printing the Handbook.
P.B. 50.10.3	The Board approved the Project Management Handbook and suggested that the printing of the handbook at the earliest. *(Action: P&DD)*
P.B. 50.11	To consider and approve the Programme Proposal Form (PPF) of i) Certificate in Event Management. (SOCE) ii) Post Graduate Diploma in Disaster Risk Reduction and Management (SOSS) iii) M.A. Urdu Baraye Peshawarana Maharat(SOH) iv) M.A (Sindhi Studies) (SOH) v) B.A (Gender Studies) (SOGDS)
P.B. 50.11.1	The Member Secretary informed that the following Programme Proposal Forms(PPF) forms have been received from the School of Studies. i) Certificate in Event Management. (SOCE) ii) Post Graduate Diploma in Disaster Risk Reduction and Management- (SOSS) iii) M.A. Urdu Baraye Peshawarana Maharat- (SOH) iv) M.A (Sindhi Studies)- (SOH) v) B.A (Gender Studies)- (SOGDS)
P.B. 50.11.2	The Board advised the Director and Programme Coordinator from School of Humanities (SOH)of the M.A. Urdu (Baraye Peshawarana Maharat) programme to re examine the nomenclature, if required. The updated nomenclature may be discussed in the respective Expert Committee and School Board..
P.B. 50.11.3	The Board approved Programme Proposal Form (PPF)of the following academic programmes: i) Certificate in Event Management. (SOCE) ii) Post Graduate Diploma in Disaster Risk Reduction and Management- (SOSS) iii) M.A. Urdu Baraye Peshawarana Maharat (may be changed if required and be finalized by the School) - (SOH) iv) M.A (Sindhi Studies)- (SOH) v) B.A (Gender Studies)- (SOGDS) *(Action: SOCE, SOSS, SOH, SOGDS)*
P.B. 50.12	To consider and approve/ratify the Programme Launch Form (PLFs) of i) M.A. (Russian)-SOFL

	ii) B.A. (Facility and Services Management)- SOTHSM iii) An introduction to Machine Translation (CBCS course) SOTST iv) MIL course in Sindhi (CBCS course) – SOTST v) P.G. Diploma in Early Childhood Foundation Stage Education – SOCE
P.B. 50.12.1	The Board approved and ratified the Launch and Programme Launch Form (PLF) of the following academic programmes: i) M.A. (Russian)-SOFL ii) B.A. (Facility and Services Management)- SOTHSM iii) An introduction to Machine Translation (CBCS course) SOTST iv) MIL course in Sindhi (CBCS course) – SOTST v) P.G. Diploma in Early Childhood Foundation Stage Education – SOCE *(Action: SOFL, SOTHSM, SOTST, SOCE)*

The meeting ended with thanks to the Chair and the Members

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