

Minutes of the Seventeenth Meeting of Research Council Standing Committee held on 17th October 2017 AT 2.30 PM in the Board Room, Vice Chancellor's Office, Indira Gandhi National Open University, New Delhi-110068.

The Seventeenth Meeting of the Research Council Standing Committee was held in the Board Room, Vice Chancellor's Office, Indira Gandhi National Open University, New Delhi on 17th October 2017 at 2.30 PM .

The Meeting was attended by the following members:

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| 1. | Prof. Ravindra Kumar, Vice Chancellor | ... | Chairperson |
| 2. | Prof. Anu Aneja, Director, SOGDS, IGNOU | ... | Member |
| 3. | Prof. T. U. Fulzele, Director, P&DD, IGNOU | ... | Member |
| 4. | Prof. B. I. Fozdar, Professor of Chemistry, SOS, IGNOU... | | Member |
| 5. | Dr. Seema Johari, Director, SOPVA, IGNOU | ... | Member |
| 6. | Dr. P. Sivaswaroop, Regional Director, IGNOU RC,
Nagpur | ... | Member |
| 7. | Prof. Kaustuva Barik, Director, Research Unit | ... | Member-Convener |

Prof. Harjeet Singh, Ex-Dean, JNU could not attend the Meeting due to his pre-occupation. Dr. Bharat Bhushan, Dr Bijayalaxmi Mishra, Deputy Directors and Dr. Satish, Assistant Director, Research Unit were also present to assist the RCSC proceedings.

After formal welcome to the members of the RCSC, the Chairperson requested Prof. Barik Member-Convener of the RCSC to present the Agenda Items.

The Director, Research Unit informed the Members that the admission process to MPhil/ PhD programmes for July 2017 session in twelve Disciplines (PhD in Geology, Geography, Chemistry, Statistics, Physics, Biochemistry, Journalism & Mass Communications, French, Fine Arts, Theatre Arts, Gender & Development Studies, Women's Studies and MPhil in Chemistry and Geography) including conduct of Entrance Test, Interviews, recommendations of candidates selected finally for admission to MPhil/ PhD programme in the above mentioned disciplines by the respective DRCs/ School Boards have been completed within a span of two months. He thanked the Schools and concerned Divisions for their undaunted support and cooperation in accomplishing the task within stipulated time. The Members appreciated the efforts of Director and the staff members of Research Unit for the systematic accomplishment of the entire process. The Director shared with the members the details on the number of seats advertised and final selection of candidates, category-wise, adding that the stipulated reservation of seats has been nearly achieved in the selection process. He informed the members that out of 106 seats advertised, 52

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candidates in total were selected in different disciplines (excluding the candidates in three Disciplines viz., Theatre Arts, Fine Arts and French which could not be received by the RU in time). The selection of the candidates were done strictly as per the IGNOU Regulations for conduct of Research Programme and judged in terms of candidates' research aptitudes (40% weightage), subject knowledge (40% weightage), and communication skills (20% weightage). As per the performance of the candidates both in Entrance Test and interview, the breakup of the selected candidates, Discipline-wise as recommended by the respective DRCs/ School Boards is as follows:

Sl N O	Name of the Programme	Total Seats Advertised	Candidates selected	General	OBC	SC	ST	PWD	Remarks
1.	PhD in Gender & Development Studies	06	05	03	02	
2.	PhD in Women's Studies	07	07	04	02	01			
3.	PhD in Journalism & Mass Communication	15	07	03	02	01	01		
4.	PhD in Statistics	08	02	01		01			
5.	PhD in Bio Chemistry	09	08	07	01				
6.	PhD in Chemistry	06	06	03	01	02			
7.	PhD in Geology	20	08	07		01			
8.	PhD in Geography	16	09	04	02		03		
9.	PhD in French	02							List not received
10.	PhD in Theatre Arts	01							List not received
11.	PhD in Fine Arts	04							List not received
	Total	94	52	32 (61.5%)	10 (19%)	06 (12%)	04 (7.5%)	Nil	
12.	MPhil in Chemistry	05	01	01			
13.	MPhil in Geography	10	10	04	04	02			
	Total	15	11	05 (45.4%)	04 (36.3%)	02 (18%)			

The members also noted that in the Discipline of Physics, there was no entrance test and as per the eligibility criteria (*UGC-NET(including JRF)/UGC/CSIR-NET (including JRF)/SLET/GATE or should be a teacher fellowship holder, and ii) MPhil (Physics) Degree with course work*) laid down by the Discipline, only A1 category candidates (candidates exempted from Entrance Test) were called for the interview, of which no candidate was found suitable for admission. The members while taking note of the lists of final selected candidates in the remaining 11 Disciplines, suggested that along with the list of selected candidates placed before the RCSC/ RC for approval, the names of waitlisted candidates (if any) along with the selected candidates may also be placed to save delay in getting it approved again in RC/RCSC. The committee after due deliberations on the matter authorized the Vice Chancellor to approve the names of waitlisted candidates for admission to research degree programmes after due approval of the DRC and School Board. Thereafter agenda items were taken up.

Item	Details and Decision/s				
RCSC 17.1	Consideration and approval of the names of the candidates for admission to PhD Programme of various Disciplines for July 2017 session				
RCSC 17.1.1	The Doctoral Committees and School Board of the following Disciplines recommended the list of candidates for admission to PhD Programme for the academic session July 2017.				
	1. PhD in Geology (SOS)				
	S. No.	Name of the Candidate	Control No.	Category (Gen/SC/ST/OBC/PWD)	Details of Course Work recommended
	01	Sourish Chatterjee	172E27014	General	Yes
	02	Deepak Kumar	172E28217	General	Yes
	03	Shalini Kumari	172E29076	General	Yes
	04	Bilal Ahmad Sunu	172E33244	General	Exempted (M.Phil Passed)
	05	Sugeeta Sharma	172E31242	General	Yes
06	Ihsan Ullah	172E29633	General	Yes	

	Lone			
07	Rajesh Kumar	172E32869	General	Yes
08	S. Kiran	172E29273	SC	Yes

2. PhD in Statistics, (SOS)

S. No.	Name of the Candidate	Enrl No./ Control No.	Category (Gen/SC/ST/OBC/PWD)
01	Ms. Menakshi Pachori	172E29516	General
02	Ms. Pinky Rani	172E29077	SC

3. PhD in Geography (SOS)

S. No.	Name of the Candidate	Control No	Category (Gen/SC/ST/OBC/PWD)
01	Karma Rinchen T Wangmo	172E29744	ST
02	Himayoon	172E33147	General
03	Bipin Kumar	172E28232	General
04	Noopur Mishra	172E29568	General
05	Hena Khatoon	172E31805	OBC (NCL)
06	Padma Namgyal	172E26578	ST
07	Mohd. Asim	172E27547	OBC (NCL)
08	Kirpa Ram	172E29237	General
09	Karma Loday Tamang	172E30086	ST

4. PhD in Bio-Chemistry (SOS)

S. No.	Name of the Candidate	Control No	Category (Gen/SC/ST/OBC/PWD)
01	Shipra	172E32007	General
02	Prajakta Ravindra	172E30047	General

	Jadhav		
03	SaiemaAhmedi	172E27180	OBC
04	Divya Bisht	172E29607	General
05	Dalal Juned	172E27398	General
06	Roma Lal	172E28650	General
07	Gaurav Srivastava	172E29068	General
08	Rafizullabai G. Meerja	172E26359	General

5. PhD in Chemistry (SOS)

S. No.	Name of the Candidate	Control No	Category (Gen/SC/ST/OBC/PWD)
01	Ankita Dureja	172E28094	General
02	Raju Marripelly	172E29639	OBC(NCL)
03	Mohd. Abdul Rahman	172E32412	General
04	Rashmi Verma	172E26456	General
05	Yogesh Kumar	172E33038	SC
06	Pintu Goutam	172E32747	SC

6. PhD in French (SOFL): The committee noted that the list of recommended candidates from SOFL has not been received although interview of the candidates has been conducted.

7. PhD in Journalism and Mass Communication (SOJNMS)

S. No.	Name of the Candidate/	Control No.	Category (Gen/SC/ST/OBC/PwD)
01	Raj Lakshmi	172E27595	General
02	Nimish Kapoor	172E28678	General
03	Talat Siddiqui	172E31185	General
04	Niranjan Kumar	172E26929	OBC-NCL
05	Ravinder Kumar	172E29511	OBC-NCL
06	Sunil Kumar	172E26436	SC
07	Shivram Meena	172E28941	ST

8. PhD in Gender and Development Studies (SOGDS)

S. No.	Name of the Candidate	Control No.	Category (Gen/SC/ST/OBC/PwD)
01	Sree Kumar	172E32029	General
02	Reena Gopalakrishnan	172E32448	General
03	Ashwinder	172E33547	General
04	Sher Singh Kuri	172E33902	OBC- NCL
05	Krishna Kumari	172E28457	OBC -NCL

Waitlisted Candidates

01	Kumari Pushpa	172E32411	General
02	Bhavna Kale	172E33962	General
03	Chetana Shukla	172E33929	General

9. PhD in Women Studies (SOGDS)

S. No.	Name of the Candidate	Control No/ Enrl No.	Category (Gen/SC/ST/OBC/PwD)
01	Aparna Dixit	172E28202	General
02	Anika Singh	172E29297	General
03	Durga K	172E33670	General
04	Kavita	172E30090	General
05	Anamika Das Bora	172E32148	OBC (NCL)
06	Radhey Shyam Sharma	172E27668	OBC (NCL)
07	Km. Manju Arya	172E30337	SC

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01	Jaya Sarkar	172E30444	General
02	Chetana Shukla	172E32403	General
03	Vartika	172E27828	General

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	10. PhD in Fine Arts and PhD in Theatre Arts (SOPVA): The committee noted that the list of recommended candidates from SOPVA has not been received although interview of the candidates has been conducted.																																					
RCSC 17.1 .2	The RCSC approved the admission of candidates for July 2017 cycle in the Disciplines of Geology, Geography, Chemistry, Statistics, Biochemistry, Gender and Development Studies, Women's Studies, Journalism and Mass communications as recommended by the DRCs of respective disciplines and School Board of the respective Schools. The committee authorized the Vice Chancellor to approve the admission of recommended candidates from SOFL and SOPVA for July 2017 after due approval of respective DRCs and School Boards. The committee after due deliberations on the matter of waitlisted candidates authorized the Vice Chancellor to approve the names of waitlisted candidates in order of merit. The waiting list reported to the RCSC will only be considered for admission.																																					
RCSC 17.2	Consideration and approval of the names of the candidates for admission to MPhil Programme of various Disciplines for July 2017 session.																																					
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	05	Anurag Singh	172E29008	SC	Yes												
	06	Birendra Kumar Roniya	172E30198	General	Yes												
	07	Ghanshyam Singh Yadav	172E30301	OBC- NCL	Yes												
	08	Neeraj Kumar Mishra	172E30069	General	Yes												
	09	Alpana Kumari	172E28572	General	Yes												
	10	Vipul Garg	172E33701	General	Yes												
RCSC 17.2.2	The Research Council Standing Committee approved admission of above listed candidates to MPhil Programme for July 2017 cycle in the Disciplines of Chemistry and Geography as recommended by the Doctoral Committee of respective disciplines and approved by the School Board, SOS.																
RCSC 17.3	Ratification of the approval of the Vice Chancellor on the waitlisted candidates for admission to PhD Programme in the Discipline of English, School of Humanities for January 2017 session.																
RCSC 17.3 .1	Consequent upon vacancies of seats arising under Dr. Pema Eden Samdup and Dr. A. Malathy in the Discipline of English, the School (SOH) recommended three (03) names of the candidates from the Waiting List as mentioned under for admission to PhD. programme in English for January 2017 session which was approved by the e Vice Chancellor. <table><tr><td colspan="2">Name of the Candidate</td><td>Category</td></tr><tr><td>1.</td><td>Mr. Deepak</td><td>Gen</td></tr><tr><td>2.</td><td>Ms.PragyaKumari</td><td>Gen</td></tr><tr><td>3.</td><td>Ms. Ragini Kapoor</td><td>Gen</td></tr></table>					Name of the Candidate		Category	1.	Mr. Deepak	Gen	2.	Ms.PragyaKumari	Gen	3.	Ms. Ragini Kapoor	Gen
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RCSC 17.3. 2	The RCSC ratified the approval of the Vice Chancellor on admission of the above listed candidates.																
RCSC 17.4	Consideration and approval of allocation of Research Topics to the PhD students of English Discipline admitted in January 2017 session.																
RCSC 17.4 .1	The Doctoral Committee of English Discipline in its meeting held on 21.8.2017 recommended research topics to the following students. The recommendations of the Doctoral Committee were ratified by the School Board of School of Humanities held on 30.8.2017.																

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RCSC 17.5	Consideration and approval of Research Topics and supervisors to the MPhil and PhD students of Economics Discipline of School of Social Sciences.																																			
RCSC 17.5.1	<p>The Doctoral Committee of Economics Discipline in its meeting held on 7th July 2017 recommended research topics to the following students. The recommendations of the Doctoral Committee were ratified by the 66th Meeting of the Standing Committee of the School Board of School of Social Sciences held on 26th July 2017.</p> <p>The details of the recommended research topics of the following students are as under:</p> <table><tr><th>Sl No</th><th>Name/ Enrollment No</th><th>Research Topic</th><th>Supervisor</th></tr><tr><td>1.</td><td>Ms. Loveleen Gupta, PhD 149500608</td><td>Efficiency and Productivity of Indian Railways</td><td>Prof. Kaustuva Barik, SOSS, IGNOU</td></tr><tr><td>2.</td><td>Ms. Pratibha Madaan, PhD 173100014</td><td>Dimensions of malnutrition among women and children in India</td><td>Prof. Narayan Prasad, SOSS, IGNOU</td></tr><tr><td>3.</td><td>Mr. Mandeep Kumar, PhD 173100092</td><td>Cost and efficiency of Open and Distance Learning System: A case study f Indira Gandhi national Open Univrsity</td><td>Prof. Kaustuva Barik, SOSS, IGNOU</td></tr><tr><td>4.</td><td>Ms. Ruchita</td><td>Impact of microfinance on livelihood of</td><td>Prof. Kaustuva Barik</td></tr></table>				Sl No	Name/ Enrollment No	Research Topic	Supervisor	1.	Ms. Loveleen Gupta, PhD 149500608	Efficiency and Productivity of Indian Railways	Prof. Kaustuva Barik, SOSS, IGNOU	2.	Ms. Pratibha Madaan, PhD 173100014	Dimensions of malnutrition among women and children in India	Prof. Narayan Prasad, SOSS, IGNOU	3.	Mr. Mandeep Kumar, PhD 173100092	Cost and efficiency of Open and Distance Learning System: A case study f Indira Gandhi national Open Univrsity	Prof. Kaustuva Barik, SOSS, IGNOU	4.	Ms. Ruchita	Impact of microfinance on livelihood of	Prof. Kaustuva Barik												
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		Saxena, PhD 149500765	rural households: district level study in Odisha	SOSS, IGNOU		
	5.	Mr. Saugato Sen, PhD 173100039	Determinants of undernutrition in Rural India: spatial and temporal dimensions	Prof. Narayan Prasad, SOSS, IGNOU		
	6.	Mr. Biman Maity, MPhil 145900156	Performance of cooperative banks in West Bengal: A case study of Burdwan and Purulia districts	Prof. Kaustuva Barik, SOSS, IGNOU		
RCSC 17.5.2	The Research Council Standing Committee approved the Research Topics of the above mentioned students as recommended by the DRC/SBSC					
RCSC 17.6	Consideration and approval of Research Topics and Supervisors for PhD students of Sociology Discipline, School of Social Sciences.					
RCSC 17.6.1	The Doctoral Committee of Sociology Discipline in its meeting held on 27 th May 2016 recommended research topics of the following students. The recommendation of the Doctoral Committee was ratified by the 60 th Meeting of the Standing Committee of the School Board of School of Social Sciences held on 8 th August 2016. Ratification of Research Topic and Supervisor(s) Name (MPhil /PhD in Sociology, SOSS)					
	Sl No	Name and Enrol.No.	Supervisor (s) Name (s)	Existing Title and Reason for ratification	Date of approval of DC	Date of approval of SB
	1	Ms.UpaasanaBorthakur PhD, En.NO.140500701	Prof. Nita Mathur	Women, Work and Economy; A study of Tea Plantation Workers in Assam	27-05-2016	04.08.2016
	2	Mr. Akhilesh Kumar, PhD, En.149500615	Dr. Kiranmayi Bhushi	Linguistic and Cultural Dynamics of Inter-state Border: A Study of “Farsara” in Bihar and West Bengal	27-05-2016	04.08.2016
	3.	Ms. Pooja Kumari, PhD, En.No.149500686	Prof. T. Kapur	Women in War Zone: A Study of Life and Livelihood in Jammu	19-08-2016	30.09.2016

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	4.	Mr. Vijay Pal, PhD, En.No.149500622	Dr. Kiranmayi Bhushi	Honour in everyday life: A Study of Social Structure in Jind District, Haryana	27-05- 2016	04.08.2016
	5.	Ms. Shweta Pawar, PhD, En.No.149500726	Prof. Dabel K. Singharoy	Work and Networking in the age of ICTs: A Study of the Informal Sector in Delhi	19-08- 2016	30.09.2016
	6.	Mr. Vikash Sharma, MPhil, En.No.149500228	Prof. Nita Mathur	Development, Land Acquisition and Involuntary Resettlement: A Sociological Study of Road Project Affected people in Jammu	27-05- 2016	04.08.2016
	7	Ms. Indukala Yadav, MPhil, En.No.149500077	Prof. T. Kapur	Woman's Empowerment on Decision-making in Urban Society of India: A Sociological Study at Palm Colony's families, Kailashpuri, New Delhi	27-05- 2016	04.08.2016
	8	Ms. Rekha, MPhil, En.No.149500084	Dr. Rabindra Kumar	Gharelu Hinsa Avam Dalit Mahilae: Uttar Dilli ke Mangolpuri Kshetra ke Vishesh Sandarv Me	27-05- 2016	04.08.2016
	9	Ms. Sushma Kumari, MPhil, En.No.149500091	Dr. Rabindra Kumar	Education and Social Mobility: A Study of Scheduled Castes Women in Rajwal Panchayat of Jammu District	19-08- 2016	30.09.2016
	10	Mr.Sudhanshu Kumar Sultania, MPhil, En.No.149500052	Prof. Dabel K. Singharoy	Social Status of Widows in Vrindhavan: A Sociological Investigation	27-05- 2016	04.08.2016
	11	Mr. Gowhar Yousuf Ganai, MPhil, 149500060	Dr. Kiranmayi Bhushi	Discourses on Nationalism in India: A Sociological Analysis	27-05- 2016	04.08.2016
RCSC 17.6. 2	The Research Council Standing Committee approved the Research Topics of the above mentioned PhD students of Sociology as recommended by DRC/SB					
RCSC 17.7	Consideration and approval of allocation of Research Supervisors to the PhD students of Life Sciences Discipline of School of Sciences admitted in January 2017 session					
RCSC 17.7. 1	The Doctoral Committee of Life Sciences Discipline in its meeting held on 29 th May 2017 recommended allocation of Research Supervisors to the PhD students admitted in January 2017 session. The recommendation of the Doctoral Committee was ratified by the 20 th Meeting of the Standing Committee of the School Board of School of Sciences held on 22 nd June 2017. The details of the recommended Research Supervisors of the following students					

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are as under:

Sl no	Name & Enrollment Of the student	Name of the Supervisor allocated	Date of Approval of DRC/ SBSC
1.	Ms. Priyam Panda, En.No.173101919	Prof. Amrita Nigam, SOS, IGNOU	29/05/2017/22 nd June 2017
2.	Mr. Gujan Sharma, En.No.173101893	Prof Neera Kapoor, SOS, IGNOU & Dr OP Singh, Scientist (G) National Institute of Malaria research Sector 8, Dwarka, Delhi-110077	29/05/2017/22 nd June 2017
3.	Ms. Taranjeet Kaur, En.No. 173101901	Prof Neera Kapoor, SOS, IGNOU & Dr OP Singh, Scientist (G) National Institute of Malaria Research Sector 8, Dwarka, Delhi-110077	29/05/2017/22 nd June 2017
4.	Ms. Rashmi Kumari, En.No.173101926	Dr Bano Saidullah, SOS, IGNOU	29/05/2017/22 nd June 2017
5.	Mr. Rohit Sagar, En.No.173101933	Prof Neera Kapoor, SOS, IGNOU & Pratima Ray, Dept of Biotechnology, Jamia Hamdad University, Delhi-110062	29/05/2017/22 nd June 2017
6.	Ms. Nisha Kachhap, En.No.173101958	Dr Bano Saidullah, SOS, IGNOU	29/05/2017/22 nd June 2017
7.	Ms. Shweta Singh, En.No.173101940	Prof. Neera Kapoor, SOS, IGNOU & Dr, R K Jauhari, Head, Dept of Zoology, DAV (PG) College, Dehradun-248001	29/05/2017/22 nd June 2017
8.	Mr. Akhaya Kumar Behera, En.No.173102745	Prof. Amrita Nigam SOS, IGNOU	29/05/2017/22 nd June 2017
9.	Ms. Preeti Chaudhary, En.No.173101965	Prof. Neera Kapoor, SOS IGNOU & Dr Abhinav Sinha, Scientist (E) Division of Epidemiology and Clinica Research, National Institute of Malaria Research Sector 8, Dwarka, Delhi-110077	29/05/2017/22 nd June 2017

RCSC 17.7. 2 The Research Council Standing Committee approved the Research Supervisors as mentioned above to the PhD students of Life Sciences Discipline of School of Sciences admitted in January 2017 session as recommended by the Doctoral committee of Life Sciences and SBSC of SOS.

RCSC 17.8 **Consideration and approval of change of status from Part-time to Full-time of PhD Students of various Disciplines.**

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RCSC 17.8.1	<p>The Doctoral Committees of Disciplines of Nutritional Sciences (SOCE) and Rural Development (SOCE) recommended change of status from Part-time to Full time in the case of the following two PhD students:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ms. Shipra Gupta Enrl no. 149500575 2. Ms. Iram Sabha, Enrl no, 149500550 <p>The recommendations of the Doctoral Committees were ratified by the School Board of School of Continuing Education at its 55th and 56th meeting held on 15th Feb 2017 and 24th August 2017 respectively.</p>																																		
RCSC 17.8.2	<p>The RCSC approved the change of status from Part-time to Full time in the case of the above mentioned two PhD students of Disciplines of Nutritional Sciences (SOCE) and Rural Development (SOCE).</p> <p>The committee observed that conversion of student's profile from part time to full time and vice versa is required when a student avails a fellowship or takes up a job. Existing procedure of seeking approval of RC is time consuming and there is a need to simplify the process. The RCSC decided that conversion of status from part time to fulltime and vice versa shall be approved by the Vice Chancellor on the recommendation of Doctoral Committee and School Board. The Schools shall route the requests for conversion of part-time to full time and vice versa through the Research Unit.</p>																																		
RCSC 17.9	Consideration and approval of change of Supervisor (s) of PhD students of various Disciplines.																																		
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RCSC 17.9. 2	The RCSC approved the change of supervisor in the case of the above mentioned PhD students of Economics, Hindi, and Gender & Development Studies as recommended by the respective Doctoral Committees and School Boards.								
RCSC 17.10	Consideration and approval of minor change/modification of research topic of PhD student Mr. P. Mathiyalagan (En.No.122877665) of Mechanical Engineering Discipline.								
RCSC 17.10 .1	<p>The Doctoral Committee of the Discipline of Mechanical Engineering (SOET) in its 14th Meeting held on August 03, 2017 recommended minor change/modification in research topic of Mr. P. Mathiyalagan (En.No.122877665), PhD student of Mechanical Engineering. It is reported by the School that the recommendation of the Doctoral Committee would be placed in the next meeting of the School Board of SOET for ratification.</p> <p>Existing Title: "Meta Heuristics Approach for a class of supply chain optimization problems"</p> <p>Modified title: "Meta Heuristic approach to measure the performance of health care sector by its supply chain optimization"</p>								
RCSC 17.1 0.2	The RCSC approved the changes/ modifications as recommended by the Doctoral Committee of Mechanical Engineering (SOET) subject to its ratification by the School Board of SOET.								
RCSC 17.1 1	Consideration and approval of minor change/modification of research topic of Ms. Pooja Kumari, PhD student of Sociology Discipline, SOSS.								
RCSC 17.11	The Doctoral Committee of the Discipline of Sociology (SOSS) in its Meeting held on August 19, 2016 recommended minor change/modification of the research topic of Ms.								

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.1	<p>Pooja Kumari (En.No.149500686), PhD student of Sociology as mentioned under. Existing Title: "Women in War Zone: A study of life and livelihood in Jammu" Modified title: "Women in Border Zone: A study of life and livelihood in Jammu" The recommendation of the Doctoral Committee was ratified by 61st Meeting of the Standing Committee of the School Board of SOSS held on 30th September 2016</p>							
RCSC 17.11.2	<p>The RCSC approved the minor change/modification of research topic of Ms. Pooja Kumari, PhD student of Sociology Discipline, SOSS.</p>							
RCSC 17.12	<p>Consideration and approval of allocation of Research Topics and Supervisors to the PhD students of Hindi Discipline admitted in January 2017 session.</p>							
RCSC 17.1.2.1	<p>The DRC of the Hindi discipline recommended research topics and supervisors for the PhD Students of English Discipline of January 2017 session in its meeting held on 11.08.2017. The School Board of the School of Humanities ratified the decision of the DRC in its 55th Meeting held on 30th August 2017. The details of the research topics of the students are given in the Table below:</p>							
	School	Discipline	Name of the Student and Enrolment Number, Programme	Supervisor(s) Name(s)	Research Topic(s)	Details of approval of DC	Details of approval of SB	Details of approval of VC
	SOH	Hindi	Ms. Garima Singh Enrolment NO.173102476	Prof. Satyakam	स्वातंत्र्योत्तर भारतीय सामाजिक संरचना और मोहनरा केशके स्त्री पात्र	11 th August, 2017	30 th August, 2017	26 th September, 2017
	SOH	Hindi	Mr. Pawan Kumar Enrolment NO.173102523	Prof. Shatrughna Kumar	इक्कीसवीं सदी की हिंदी दलित कहानियों का समाजशास्त्रीय अध्ययन	11 th August, 2017	30 th August, 2017	26 th September, 2017
	SOH	Hindi	Ms. Savita Enrolment NO.173100007	Dr. Smita Chaturvedi	हिंदी दलित साहित्य में अभिव्यक्त स्त्री छवियाँ	11 th August, 2017	30 th August, 2017	26 th September, 2017
RCSC 17.1.2.2	<p>The RCSC approved the allocation of Research Topics and Supervisors to the above mentioned PhD students of Hindi Discipline as per the recommendations of the DRC and School Board.</p>							
RCSC 17.1.3	<p>Consideration and approval of the name of the Teachers as IGNOU Research Supervisors for guiding the M.Phil. and PhD. students</p>							
RCSC 17.1.3.1	<p>In pursuance of the provisions for fulfillment of eligibility criteria for a Research Supervisor as laid down in Clause 9.2(i) of IGNOU Regulations for conducting Research Degree Programmes (in consonance with UGC (Minimum standards and procedure for awards of MPhil/PhD degree) Regulations, 2016) as approved by the Board of Management in its 127th Meeting held on 13th February 2017, Research Unit vide its letter dated 10th January 2017 sought details about meeting of the following</p>							

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two conditions from the teachers across various disciplines in Schools of Studies:

- i. Professor with a PhD. Degree must have at least 5 research publications in referred journals
- ii. Associate/Assistant Professor with a PhD. Degree must have at least two research publications in referred journal.

The details of the publications and holding of PhD. degree provided by 192 Teachers in various disciplines in 21 Schools were placed in 16th Meeting of Research Council Standing Committee held on 15th March 2017 as Agenda Item RCSC 24 with Annexure 16.24.1 and also in 25th Meeting of Research Council held on 27th June 2017 as Agenda Item RC 20. Two of the Disciplines have sent the names of proposed research supervisors as mentioned under:

S. No	Name of the School	Name of the Faculty Member with Designation	No. of Existing Students allocated for Supervision*		No. of Research Papers contributed	Whether a list of at least 5/2 Research Publications (as the case may be) published in refereed journal provided by the concerned faculty
			M.Phil.	PhD.		
1.	School of Continuing Education	1. Dr.Heena K. Bijli	Nil	01	10+	Yes (2+)
2.	School of Social Sciences	1. Dr. Durgesh Nandini	Nil	Nil	3	Yes (2+)

RCSC 17.1 3.2 The RCSC approved the above mentioned IGNOU teachers as Research Supervisors to supervise MPhil and PhD students.

RCSC 17.1 4 **To consider and approve de-registration/cancellation of PhD registration of Mr. Ankit J. Thesiya, Discipline of Dairy Science & Technology, School of Agriculture.**

RCSC 17.14 .1 The DRC of the Discipline of Dairy Science & Technology (SOA) in its 14th Meeting held on 20.09.2017 recommended deregistration/cancellation of admission of Mr. Ankit J. Thesiya, En.No.144500191, PhD in Dairy Science & Technology. The recommendation of the DRC was ratified by the School Board of SOA on 12.10.2017.

RCSC 17.1 4.2 The Committee deliberated on the matter and observed that prior to cancellation of registration of an MPhil/ PhD student by the concerned Doctoral Committee/ School Board, the student may be intimated in writing to explain as to why his/her registration shall not be cancelled. The cancellation process may be carried out after this by the concerned Discipline.

RCSC 17.1 4.3 The RCSC approved de-registration/ cancellation of PhD registration of Mr. Ankit J. Thesiya, Discipline of Dairy Science & Technology, School of Agriculture as recommended by the Doctoral Research Committee and the School Board of SOA subject to the condition that a final notice has been served by the Discipline to the above mentioned student.

RCSC 17.15	Consideration and approval of de-activation of PhD registration of Ms. Neelam Rani, En.No.122877468 of Hindi Discipline (SOH).
RCSC 17.1 5.1	Ms. Neelam Rani (En.No.122877468) has requested for deactivation of her PhD enrolment vide letter dated 11/08/2017 on health grounds. The matter was placed before the School Board of School of Humanities in its meeting held on 30 th August, 2017. One of the members of the School Board pointed out that de-activation of registration of a student is a part of the PhD Guidelines 2017 (Clause 4.2) and thus may be available to students registered in 2017 onwards.
RCSC 17.1 5.2	The RCSC deliberated on the issue at length and approved de-activation of PhD registration of Ms. Neelam Rani, En.No.122877468 of Hindi Discipline (SOH) as recommended by Doctoral Committee and School Board (SOH).
RCSC 17.1 6	To Consider and approve the guidelines for implementation of Reservation Policy in admission to Research Degree Programmes (MPhil/PhD).
RCSC 17.1 6.1	<p>The University has a provision for reservation of seats for Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, non-creamy layer of OBC, War widows, Kashmiri migrants and persons with disability (PwD) as per the Government of India rules in admission to various academic programmes offered by the University including Research Degree programmes. As per UGC (Minimum standards and procedures for award of MPhil/ PhD Degree) Regulations 2016, it is mandatory for every University/ Higher Education Institution to decide on an annual basis through their academic bodies, a pre-determined and manageable number of MPhil/ PhD students depending on the available research supervisors as per the scholar-teacher ratio (i.e., 3 MPhil 8 PhD, 2 MPhil 6 PhD and 1 MPhil 4 PhD for Professor, Associate Professor and Asst Professor respectively) and other infrastructural facilities such as library, laboratory, etc. Further, the distribution of seats (discipline wise/subject wise) along with admission criteria also needs to be placed on the public domain as well as in the advertisement for admission to research degree programmes.</p> <p>In order to formulate guidelines on reservation policy in admission to MPhil and PhD programmes of the University, a Committee was constituted by the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor on 22nd march 2017. The Committee discussed the matter at length and agreed that Reservation Policy, stream-wise, may be implemented at the earliest. For implementation of reservation policy in admission during the July 2018 session, there is an urgent need to finalize the policy the reservation policy before the admission process begins. In view of this, the Committee advised the RU to circulate the draft guidelines among Schools of Studies and concerned Divisions so as to evoke feedback from stakeholders.</p> <p>The RCSC approved the draft Guidelines on Reservation Policy prepared by the Committee in principle. It was suggested that in case it is not possible to maintain reservation of vacancy of smaller number of seats (due to mandatory teacher-student ratio) in a discipline, the observance of for the reservation of seats category wise, the School will</p>

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	ensure category wise maintenance of reservation seats as per Govt. of India stipulations by taking all disciplines into account. The exercise at the level of each Discipline/ School may be taken up at the earliest so that every discipline would be able to calculate the number of vacant seats existing and inform the same by end of November 2017 to the Research Unit which is likely to advertise admission to Research Degree programmes for July 2018 in various Disciplines in January 2018. The Director, Research Unit informed the committee that the RU, as per the guidance of the Committee constituted for implementation of the reservation policy has circulated the guidelines to all Schools of Studies and Divisions to have their feedback on the draft so that the suggestions received could be incorporated in the guidelines. The feedback received on the draft guidelines will be placed before the Committee.																																
RCSC 17.1 6.2	The RCSC approved the 'Reservation Policy in admission to Research Degree Programmes (MPhil/PhD)' in principle. The RCSC authorized the Vice Chancellor to approve the final version of the Reservation Policy in admission to Research Degree Programmes (MPhil/PhD).																																
RCSC 17.1 7	To Consider and approve the candidates for the award of IGNOU-Research - Fellowship (IGNOU RF) 2017-18.																																
RCSC 17.1 7.1	<p>The IGNOU-RF which was discontinued for some period was resumed in October, 2016 as per the decision of the 23rd Research Council held on 29th June, 2016. Particularly, IGNOU is offering two fellowships, viz., Dr Baba Saheb Bhimrao Ambedkar Fellowship (AF) for male students and Savitribai Phule Fellowship (SF) for female students. The fellowship has been successfully disbursed to 20 MPhil/ PhD students for the year 2016-17.</p> <p>The IGNOU-RF has provision of fellowship of Rs.5000/- per month to MPhil Scholars and Rs. 8000/- per month to PhD students of the University. In addition, Rs. 10,000/- contingency grant is also provided. In the case of PhD Scholars, the fellowship may be extended for a period of two more years subject to the fulfillment of certain terms and conditions provided in the guidelines on IGNOU-RF.</p> <p>With due approval of the Vice Chancellor, applications were invited for the award of IGNOU-RF for the academic year 2017-18. Total 68 applications were received comprising 07 MPhil and 61 PhD applicants. A duly constituted Selection Committee scrutinized the application forms and recommended IGNOU RF to 58 candidates (comprising 07 MPhil and 51 PhD students). The details are as under:</p> <table><tr><th>Sl No</th><th>Name of the Fellowship</th><th>Name of the Student</th><th>Enrl no.</th><th>Programme</th><th>Discipline</th><th>Gender</th><th>Category</th></tr><tr><td>1</td><td>SF</td><td>Ms. Neha Kaushik</td><td>173102071</td><td>M.Phil</td><td>Translation Studies</td><td>Female</td><td>General</td></tr><tr><td>2</td><td>AF</td><td>Mr. Sumit Kumar Bansal</td><td>173101539</td><td>M.Phil</td><td>Commerce</td><td>Male</td><td>General</td></tr><tr><td>3</td><td>AF</td><td>Mr. Ashok Kumar</td><td>173102064</td><td>M.Phil</td><td>Translation</td><td>Male</td><td>General</td></tr></table>	Sl No	Name of the Fellowship	Name of the Student	Enrl no.	Programme	Discipline	Gender	Category	1	SF	Ms. Neha Kaushik	173102071	M.Phil	Translation Studies	Female	General	2	AF	Mr. Sumit Kumar Bansal	173101539	M.Phil	Commerce	Male	General	3	AF	Mr. Ashok Kumar	173102064	M.Phil	Translation	Male	General
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4	AF	Mr. Ankur Aggarwal	173100140	M.Phil	Economics	Male	General	
5	SF	Ms. Neha Verma	173100419	M.Phil	Political Science	Female	OBC	
6	AF	Mr. LaishangthemPriyobartaMeetei	173100275	M.Phil	Sociology	Male	OBC	
7	SF	Ms. Ritu Anand	173102942	M.Phil	Distance Education	Female	SC	
8	SF	Ms. ShyamashreeGhosal	149500299	PhD	Music	Female	General	
9	SF	Ms. Karishma Kapoor	173100060	PhD	Economics	Female	General	
10	SF	Ms. Anita Chauhan	173101711	PhD	Bio-Chemistry	Female	General	
11	SF	Ms. Sanna Khan	173102673	PhD	English	Female	General	
12	SF	Ms. AnupriyaKhare	173100860	PhD	English	Female	General	
13	AF	Mr. Rajkumar	173101980	PhD	Translation Studies	Male	General	
14	SF	Ms. Pratima Singh	173102319	PhD	Law	Female	General	
15	AF	Mr. Sunil Singh	173100315	PhD	Political Science	Male	General	
16	SF	Ms. Rashmi Kumari	173101926	PhD	Life Sciences	Female	General	
17	AF	Ms. Anupama A.L.	173100891	PhD	English	Female	General	
18	AF	Mr. Abdul Maajid Dar	173102666	PhD	Political Science	Male	General	
19	AF	Mr. Gyandendra Singh	173100196	PhD	Sociology	Male	General	
20	SF	Ms. Priyam Panda	173101919	PhD	Life Sciences	Female	General	
21	SF	Ms. NarmdaSanjaysingh Thakur	173102018	PhD	Translation Studies	Female	General	
22	SF	Ms. Shivani Kohli	149500038	PhD	Translation Studies	Female	General	
23	SF	Ms. Minakshi	173100569	PhD	History	Female	General	
24	AF	Mr. Abdul Ahad	173100583	PhD	History	Male	General	
25	SF	Ms. Priyanka Sharma	173100590	PhD	History	Female	General	
26	SF	Ms. Mamta	173102516	PhD	Hindi	Female	General	
27	AF	Mr. Gh. Mohd. Sheikh	138000973	PhD	Political Science	Male	General	
28	AF	Mr. Shyam Narayan Pandey	173100330	PhD	Political Science	Male	General	
29	AF	Mr. Ashwin Kumar	173100931	PhD	Interdisciplinary & Trans-disciplinary Studies	Male	General	
30	AF	Mr. Brijesh Shivhare	173101736	PhD	Bio-Chemistry	Male	General	
31	SF	Ms. Shelly Oberoi	173101370	PhD	Commerce	Female	General	
32	SF	Ms. Nikita Singh	127723314	PhD	Sociology	Female	General	
33	AF	Mr. Gowhar Yousuf Ganai	149500060	PhD	Sociology	Male	General	

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34	SF	Ms. Garima Singh	173102476	PhD	Hindi	Female	General
35	SF	Ms. Sakshi Grover	173101625	PhD	Journalism and Mass Communication	Female	General
36	SF	Ms. Sonali Srivastav	173101592	PhD	Journalism and Mass Communication	Female	General
37	AF	Mr. Ajay Kumar	173100229	PhD	Sociology	Male	General
38	SF	Ms. ShailBala Mishra	173100544	PhD	History	Female	General
39	SF	Ms. Anushka Nagpal	173100884	PhD	English	Female	General
40	SF	Ms. Manjula Raghav	173102286	PhD	Law	Female	General
41	SF	Ms. JhilikSom	149500400	PhD	Tourism Studies	Female	General
42	AF	Mr. Akhaya Kumar Behera	173102745	PhD	Life Sciences	Male	OBC
43	SF	Ms. Nisha Rani	173102444	PhD	Computer Science	Female	OBC
44	AF	Mr. Sushil Kumar Yati	173101600	PhD	Journalism and Mass Communication	Male	OBC
45	SF	Ms. Rajni Yadav	173101664	PhD	Journalism and Mass Communication	Female	OBC
46	SF	Ms. Bharti	173101657	PhD	Journalism and Mass Communication	Female	OBC
47	SF	Ms. Pallavi Baghel	173102358	PhD	Law	Female	OBC
48	AF	Mr. Gaurav Karan	173100710	PhD	Public Administration	Male	SC
49	AF	Mr. Rohit Kumar	173101886	PhD	Geology	Female	SC
50	SF	Ms. Gurmeet Kaur	173100354	PhD	Political Science	Female	SC
51	SF	Ms. Nisha	173100630	PhD	History	Female	SC
52	SF	Ms. Deena Prakash	173101768	PhD	Bio-Chemistry	Female	SC
53	AF	Mr. Shekhar Kumar	173101861	PhD	Geography	Male	SC
54	AF	Mr. Deepak	173101023	PhD	Interdisciplinary & Trans-disciplinary Studies	Male	SC
55	AF	Mr. Amit Kumar Chauhan	173101689	PhD	Journalism and Mass Communication	Male	SC
56	AF	Mr. Ujjal Deka Boruah	173101997	PhD	Translation Studies	Male	ST
57	SF	Ms. Kumari Nisha Kachhap	173101958	PhD	Life Sciences	Female	ST
58	SF	Ms. Meenakshi Meena	173100118	PhD	Economics	Female	ST

RCSC 17.1 7.2	<p>The members appreciated the efforts of the Research Unit in reviving the IGNOU-RF scheme. One of the members pointed out that the maximum age limit for being eligible to apply for IGNOU-RF is 35 years and women students should be given a relaxation of five years in the maximum age limit as the women students face various difficulties in pursuing higher education and therefore every effort should be made to motivate them not only to pursue research but to sustain their research career. The suggestion was appreciated and some members suggested that a similar age relaxation may be given to SC/ ST/ OBC (NCL)/ PwD students.</p> <p>The Director RU pointed out that three students, viz., Ms Namrata Singh (173102548, PhD Hindi), Mr. Md Imran Rizvi (OBC, 173101879, PhD Geography), and Mr Ram Sanjivan Pal (OBC, 173100236, PhD Sociology) fall into this category and may be considered for IGNOU-RF.</p>																																				
RCSC 17.1 7.3	<p>The RCSC decided that relaxation of five years in maximum age limit in receiving IGNOU-RF shall be given to SC/ST/OBC (NCL)/PwD and women students. The RCSC approved the list of 58 students for the award of IGNOU-Research Fellowship (IGNOU-RF) 2017-18 as recommended by the Selection Committee. The RCSC also approved that IGNOU-RF may be awarded to the following students in the category of Women and OBC :</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Ms Namrata Singh, Enrollment No - 173102548 Ph D Hindi2. Mr. Md Imran Rizvi,(OBC) Enrollment No- 173101879 Ph D Geography3. Mr Ram Sanjivan Pal (OBC) Enrollment No -173100236 Ph D Sociology																																				
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RCSC 17.1 8.1	<p>Many of the research students in IGNOU are availing fellowships from various funding agencies such as UGC, ICSSR, ICMR and IGNOU. As per the guidelines of the funding agencies, it is mandatory that Research Scholars availing fellowship should be working on a full time basis.</p> <p>From the available records, it is observed that as on 31st January, 2016 out of a total number of 82 Research Scholars availing various fellowships, the status is either not indicated or mentioned as part time in the case of 41 Research students given as under.</p> <table><tr><th>Sl. No.</th><th>Faculty</th><th>Department</th><th>Name of the PhD Scholar</th><th>Mode of PhD (Full-Time & Part Time)</th><th>Registration Number</th><th>Programme</th><th>Cycle</th><th>Registration Date</th><th>Likely Date of Completion of PhD</th><th>Availing /Availed Fellowship Yes/No</th><th>Funding Agency of Fellowship</th></tr><tr><td colspan="12">Awarded M.Phil Degree</td></tr><tr><td>1</td><td>SOSS</td><td>Economics</td><td>MsPriti Agrawal</td><td>-</td><td>100165574</td><td>M.Phil</td><td>10Jul</td><td>Jul. 2010</td><td>2013</td><td>Yes</td><td>UGC-JRF</td></tr></table>	Sl. No.	Faculty	Department	Name of the PhD Scholar	Mode of PhD (Full-Time & Part Time)	Registration Number	Programme	Cycle	Registration Date	Likely Date of Completion of PhD	Availing /Availed Fellowship Yes/No	Funding Agency of Fellowship	Awarded M.Phil Degree												1	SOSS	Economics	MsPriti Agrawal	-	100165574	M.Phil	10Jul	Jul. 2010	2013	Yes	UGC-JRF
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	2	SOSS	Sociology	Ms. Priya Bharti Churiyana,	-	138000902	M.P hil	Jul y 13	18.08.2013	2016	YES	UGC-JRF
	Students on Roll in M.Phil/PhD Degree programme											
	3	SOSS	Economics	Ms. Priyanka Gupta	Part-Time	118701419	Ph D	Jul y 11	23.01.2012	22.01.2019	Yes	IGNOU-RF
	4	SOJN MS	Journalism and Mass Comm.	Sh. Devender Kumar	-	127723883	Ph D	Jul y 12	25.10.2012	24.10.2017	YES	UGC-JRF
	5	SOJN MS	Journalism and Mass Comm.	Ms. Navodita Pandey,	-	127723851	Ph D	Jul y 12	25.10.2012	24.10.2019	Yes	ICSSR-DF
	6	SOSS	Political Science	Ms. Somita Chakraborty	-	127722907	Ph D	Jul y 12	01.10.2012	30.09.2019	Yes	IGNOU-RF
	7	SOSS	Political Science	Ms. Aruna Singh,	-	127722921	Ph D	Jul y 12	01.10.2012	30.09.2019	YES	UGC-RGNF
	8	SOSS	Political Science	Ms. Meena,	-	127722953	Ph D	Jul y 12	01.10.2012	30.09.2019	Yes	IGNOU-RF
	9	SOSS	Political Science	Ms. Mawin Gail Lian	-	127722960	Ph D	Jul y 12	01.10.2012	30.09.2019	YES	ICSSR-DF
	10	SOSS	Political Science	Ms. Pooja,	-	127722985	Ph D	Jul y 12	01.10.2012	30.09.2019	Yes	IGNOU-RF
	11	SOSS	Public Administration	Sh. Lal Chand Raigar,	-	127723131	Ph D	Jul y 12	01.10.2012	31.09.2017	YES	UGC-JRF
	12	SOSS	Sociology	Ms. Renu Kumari	-	127723267	M.P hil	Jul y 12	06.10.2012	05.10.2016	Yes	UGC-JRF
	13	SOSS	Sociology	Sh. Harish Kumar	-	127723274	M.P hil	Jul y 12	06.10.2012	05.10.2016	YES	UGC-RGNF
	14	SOSS	Sociology	Ms. Madhavi Yadav	-	127723235	M.P hil	Jul y 12	06.10.2012	05.10.2016	Yes	UGC-JRF
	15	SOSS	Sociology	Ms. Kavita,	-	127723321	M.P hil	Jul y 12	06.10.2012	05.10.2016	Yes	UGC-JRF
	16	SOE DS	Extension & Development Std.	Sh. C. Rajendra Prasad Swain,	-	131638111	Ph D	Jan. 13	28.12.2012	27.12.2017	YES	ICSSR-DF
	17	SOS	Geography	Ms. Ritvik Chauhan	-	131636472	Ph D	Jan. 13	11.02.2013	10.02.2020	YES	UGC-RGNF
	18	SOS	Geography	Sh. Ranajit Jan	-	131636458	Ph D	Jan. 13	11.02.2013	10.02.2018	YES	ICSSR-DF

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19	SOS	Life Sciences	Ms. Neha Dhyani,	-	131636900	Ph D	Jan. 13	15.02.2013	14.02.2020	Yes	IGNO U-RF	
20	SOS	Life Sciences	Sh. Abhishek Jha,	-	131636956	Ph D	Jan. 13	15.02.2013	14.02.2018	Yes	IGNO U-RF	
21	SOS	Life Sciences	Ms. Aisha Siddiqi,	-	131636917	Ph D	Jan. 13	15.02.2013	14.02.2020	YES	UGC-MANF	
22	SOS	Life Sciences	Ms. CharuGupta,	-	131637481	Ph D	Jan. 13	24.07.2013	23.07.2020	Yes	IGNO U-RF	
23	SOS	Life Sciences	Sh. Mukul Jain,	-	131637467	Ph D	Jan. 13	24.07.2013	23.07.2018	Yes	IGNO U-RF	
24	SOS	Life Sciences	Ms. Pooja Bhadoriya,	-	131637450	Ph D	Jan. 13	24.07.2013	23.07.2020	Yes	IGNO U-RF	
25	SOS	Life Sciences	Ms.Aarti Sharma,	-	131636949	Ph D	Jan. 13	15.02.2013	14.02.2020	Yes	IGNO U-RF	
26	SOS	Life Science	Ms.Deepmala Kaushik,	-	131636931	Ph D	Jan. 13	15.02.2013	14.02.2020		IGNO U-RF	
27	SOS	Life Sciences	Sh. Rajranjan Tiwari,	-	131636924	Ph D	Jan. 13	15.02.2013	14.02.2018	Yes	IGNO U-RF	
28	SOH	Hindi	Ms. Jyoti	-	131636734	Ph D	Jan. 13	11.01.2013	10.01.2018		UGC-JRF	
29	SOT HSM	Tourism Studies	Sh. Sanjay Kumar	Part-Time	138001287	Ph D	July 13	16.01.2014	15.01.2019	YES	UGC-RGNF	
30	SOS	Geography	Sh. Amarjeet,	-	138001151	Ph D	July 13	17.09.2013	16.09.2018	YES	UGC-JRF	
31	SOS	Geography	Sh. Girish Kumar	-	138000626	Ph D	July 13	18.08.2013	17.08.2018	YES	ICSSR-DF	
32	SOSS	History	Ms. RenuKhatana	-	138000436	Ph D	July 13	03.08.2013	02.08.2020	YES	UGC-JRF	
33	SOSS	History	Sh. Moti Lal	-	138000221	Ph D	July 13	03.08.2013	02.08.2018	YES		
34	SOSS	Political Science	Ms. Parul Khari,	-	138000980	Ph D	July 13	18.08.2013	17.08.2020	Yes	IGNO U-RF	
35	SOSS	Political Science	Sh. Mukul Kumar Singh,	-	138000790	Ph D	July 13	18.08.2013	17.08.2018	Yes	IGNO U-RF	
36	SOSS	Political Science	Ms. Jyoti	-	138000450	Ph D	July 13	25.07.2013	24.07.2020	YES	UGC-JRF	
37	SOSS	Sociology	Ms. Vineeta Singh	-	138001040	M.Phil	July 13	18.08.2013	17.08.2017	YES	UGC-JRF	
38	SOSS	Sociology	Sh. Abhishek	-	138001058	M.Phil	July	18.08.2013	17.08.2017	YES	UGC-JRF	

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39	SOSS	Sociology	Ms. Rukmini Datta	-	138000894	M.Phil	July 13	18.08.2013	17.08.2017	YES	UGC-RGNF	
40	SOSS	Sociology	Sh. Woryaomi Kharay	-	138000751	M.Phil	July 13	18.08.2013	17.08.2017	YES	UGC-JRF	
41	SOMS	Commerce	Ms. Nazia Hasan	-	144500374	M.Phil	Jan. 14	15.05.2014	14.05.2019	YES	UGC-JRF	

The RCSC discussed at length the procedure followed in IGNOU for deciding the part time or full time status of a research student which is done by the RC/ RCSC on the recommendation of the Doctoral Research Committee and the School Board. The Committee felt that the matter related to conversion from part time to full time and vice versa passes through several decision-making bodies causing procedural delays. Since convening RC/ RCSC meetings frequently may not be warranted, there is a need for simplifying the procedure.

Underlining the factor of accountability, the RCSC observed that Research Programme Coordinators should ensure that attendance of the students receiving scholarship/ fellowship is in strict compliance of the stipulated norms. Adding to the deliberations on the matter, Director, RU suggested that the progress report of a student should also contain the academic contributions of a scholar to the concerned discipline in the School. Accordingly, the scholars should be involved in the academic work of the concerned faculty. The committee advised the RU to revise the progress report form accordingly.

- RCSC 17.1 8.2** The RCSC noted and approved the cases of conversion status of the above mentioned 41 candidates' status to Regular full-time mode.
- The RCSC decided that conversion of status from part time to fulltime and vice versa shall be approved by the Vice Chancellor on the recommendation of Doctoral Committee and School Board. The Schools shall route the requests for conversion of part-time to full time and vice versa through the Research Unit.

RCSC 17.1 9 **To consider and approve the MoU signed between IGNOU and Indian Air Force for academic progression of officers of IAF by providing opportunity to pursue research in the areas of mutual interest and decide regarding constitution of joint Implementation & Coordination Committee(JICC)**

RCSC 17.19 .1 The Committee was apprised of the MoU between IGNOU and Indian Air Force (IAF) initiated by VCO and signed on 23rd August 2017 with the objective of collaborating for academic progression of officers of IAF by providing them opportunity to pursue research in the areas of mutual interest. The MOU (cl 2.1 of Terms and Conditions of MOU) has made provisions of 10 seats for PhD Programmes for nominated officers of IAF in the fields of mutual interest in strict compliance of the UGC (Minimum standards and Procedure for award of MPhil/ PhD Degree) Regulations 2016.

	<p>The matter was discussed as to how to make the MOU operational. The Director Research Unit invited the attention of the committee to cl. 3 of the MOU regarding constitution of a Joint Implementation and Coordination Committee (JICC) for operationalizing the MoU and said that allocating 10 seats in PhD programmes without further qualification may not be feasible as some of the Disciplines may not have the vacancy in a particular session in which the candidate from IAF might apply for admission to Research programme. Therefore the modus operandi for making provisions for admission of IAF officers may be chalked out only after the constitution of JICC and till such arrangements are in place, the officers aspiring to take admission in IGNOU Research Programme may apply in response to advertisement of admission in Research Programmes in various Disciplines, provided they fulfill the eligibility criteria as per IGNOU Regulations for conduct of research programme.</p>
RCSC 17.19 .2	<p>The RCSC resolved that till such time the JICC is constituted for operationalization of the MOU and procedure is laid down, applications may be received from aspiring officers of IAF along with other candidates for admission to research programme in IGNOU in various disciplines, and offering all applicants a similar treatment. Further, admission of applicants from IAF shall be as per IGNOU Regulations for conduct of Research Degree programmes.</p>
RCSC 17.20	<p>Consideration and approval guidelines for Institutional Ethics</p>
RCSC 17.2 0.1	<p>To ensure the compliance of various ethical issues in research undertaken by research scholars at IGNOU for the award of MPhil and PhD degrees, the Competent Authority constituted a Committee for formulation of Guidelines on Institutional Ethics.</p> <p>The committee prepared the Guidelines for Institutional ethics covering various related issues such as obtaining informed consent from human participants, protecting their rights, upholding harmony in research, authenticity of data collection, acknowledgement of earlier contributions to research and making use of data. The guidelines prepared by the Committee are given as Annexure 17.20.1.</p>
RCSC 17.2 0.2	<p>The RCSC decided that the guidelines be circulated among Schools of Studies and Concerned Divisions for their comments. The comments received may be placed before the Committee on Ethics for incorporation of suggestions, if any. After incorporation of the comments received from Schools and Divisions, the report may be placed before the Research Council.</p>

RCSC Table Agenda Item	
RCSC TI. 1	Consideration and approval of the allotment of internal supervisors to Mr. Anant Bhaskar Garg, Mr. M. Nizamudeen and Mr. Asil Gerard Sylvester, students in the discipline of Knowledge Management admitted in erstwhile ACIIL (Advance Centre for Informatics and Innovation Learning)
TI.1 .1	<p>The RCSC was apprised that the Area Committee for ACIIL in its meeting held on 16.03.2016 had decided to allocate internal research supervisors to PhD students namely Mr. M. Nizamudeen, Mr. Asil Gerard Sylvester and Mr. Anant Bhaskar Garg who were enrolled through erstwhile ACIIL for PhD programme in the discipline of Knowledge Management.</p> <p>The RCSC also noted that the RU had convened meeting twice in this regard on 02.06.2016 and 29.09.2017 with Prof. Uma Kanjilal, SOSS, Dr. P.V. Suresh, Director, SOCIS and Dr. Rakhi Sharma, Director, SOET to discuss the allocation of supervisors to Mr. M. Nizamudeen and Mr. Asil Gerard Sylvester and Mr. Anant Bhaskar Garg. Prof. Kanjilal has consented to be supervisor of Mr. M. Nizamudeen and Mr. Asil Gerard Sylvester while Dr. Suresh and Dr. Sharma consented to be joint supervisor for Mr. Anant Bhaskar Garg.</p>
TI.1	<p>The Committee approved the names of internal supervisors i.e., Prof. Uma Kanjilal from SOSS, IGNOU and Dr. P.V. Suresh, SOCIS and Dr. Rakhi Sharma, SOET, IGNOU to guide the above mentioned students in the discipline of Knowledge Management admitted in erstwhile ACIIL.</p> <p>The Committee approved the name of Prof. Uma Kanjilal from SOSS, IGNOU as internal supervisor for Mr. Asil Gerard Sylvester and Mr. M. Nizamudeen. The Committee also approved Dr. P.V. Suresh, SOCIS and Dr. Rakhi Sharma, SOET, IGNOU as internal supervisors for Mr. Anant Bhaskar Garg in the discipline of Knowledge Management admitted in erstwhile ACIIL.</p>

The Meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair,

(Dr Kaustuva Barik)
Member- Convener