

MINUTES

of the

SEVENTH MEETING OF THE

RESEARCH COUNCIL'S STANDING COMMITTEE

held on

APRIL 7, 2010



INDIRA GANDHI NATIONAL OPEN UNIVERSITY
Maidan Garhi, New Delhi – 110 068

MINUTES OF THE 7th RESEARCH COUNCIL'S STANDING COMMITTEE HELD ON 7TH APRIL, 2010 AT 11.30 A.M. IN THE BOARD ROOM, BLOCK-8, IGNOU, MAIDAN GARHI, NEW DELHI – 110 068.

The following were present:-

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| 1. | Prof. V.N. Rajasekharan Pillai, Vice-Chancellor | - | Chairman (Ex-officio) |
| 2. | Prof. Omprakash Mishra, Pro-Vice –Chancellor | - | Member |
| 3. | Prof. Pravin Sinclair, Pro-Vice-Chancellor | - | Member |
| 4. | Dr. D.K. Chaudhary, Pro-Vice-Chancellor | - | Member |
| 5. | Dr. Latha Pillair, Pro-Vice-Chancellor | - | Member |
| 6. | Prof. Manohar Lal, Director, SOCIS | - | Member |
| 7. | Prof. P.R. Ramanujam, Director, STRIDE | - | Member |
| 8. | Prof. K. K. Dwivedi, Head, NCST | - | Member |
| 9. | Dr. Nehal Farooquee, Reader, SOEDS | - | Member |
| 10. | Dr. V. Venugopal Reddy, Director, Research Unit | - | Convenor (Ex-officio) |

Prof. K. R. Srivathsan (PVC), Dr. Joseph Dorairaj and Dr. Veena Vinayakrao could not attend the meeting. Shri K. Laxman, OSD (SED) attended the meeting as special invitee.

At the outset, the Chairman welcomed the members to the meeting. He then requested the Member-Secretary to present the items on the agenda of the meeting.

The following agenda items were taken up

ITEM NO.1 To confirm the Minutes of the 6th Meeting of the Research Council's Standing Committee held on 5th March 2009 and to note the Action Taken Report on the same .

RCSC 7.1.1 The Minutes of the 6th Meeting of Research Council's Standing Committee held on **5th March 2009** were circulated to the members. No comments have been received in this regard from the members of the Research Council's Standing Committee.

The RCSC considered the Minutes of the 6th RCSC meeting. Further the RCSC noted the Action Taken Report on the 6th RCSC and confirmed

ITEM NO. 2 To consider and approve the Progress Report of Mr. M. Raja Mannar, Ph. D. in Distance Education (STRIDE)

RCSC 7.2.1 The Progress Report submitted by Mr. Raja Mannar, Ph.D. in Distance Education forwarded by his Research Supervisor and Director (STRIDE) is placed below:

Name	Research Topic	Supervisor
Mr. M. Raja Mannar	Instructional Design and Development under Multi-Media Approach in Distance Education in India	Prof. P.R. Ramanujam, STRIDE, IGNOU

The supervisor expressed his satisfaction on the progress report of Mr. M. Raja Mannar.

RCSC 7.2.2 The RCSC considered and approved the Progress Report of Mr. M. Raja Mannar, Ph.D in Distance Education (STRIDE).

ITEM NO. 3 To consider and approve restructuring course work for M.Phil./Ph.D. programmes in Economics and addition of five optional courses for the same (SOSS).

RCSC 7.3.1 The School Board of SOSS in its 47th meeting held on 8th March, 2010, has considered and approved the restructuring of Course Work of M.Phil./Ph.D. Programme in Economics and approved the addition of five new courses among the option category courses for the same.

RCSC 7.3.2 The RCSC considered and approved the restructure of Course Work of M.Phil/Ph.D. Programme in Economics and also the addition of five new courses for the same (SOSS).

ITEM NO. 4 To consider and approve the list of supervisors for M.Phil/Ph.D programmes in Economics (SOSS)

RCSC 7.4.1 It is submitted that the discipline has recommended the following research supervisors for M. Phil/Ph.D. The 47th School Board (SOSS) held on 8th March, 2010 has approved the recommendations of the Economics discipline.

Institute	Name of the faculty members	Designation	Area of specialization
National Institute of Public Finance & Policy, New Delhi	1. Dr. M. Govinda Rao	Director, NIPFP	Public Economics
	2. Dr. Tapas K Sen	Sr. Fellow	Public Eco.
	3. Dr Pinaki Chakroborty	Sr. Fellow	Public Eco.
	4. Dr. Kavita Rao	Sr. Fellow	Public Eco.
	5. Dr. Subrata Mandal	Sr. Economist	Environmental Economics
	6. Dr. Manish Gupta	Sr. Economist	Environmental Economics
	7. Dr. Simanti Bandhopadhyaya	Sr. Economist	Environmental Economics
Institute for Human Development, New Delhi	1. Prof. Alak N Shama	Director, IHD	Labour Eco., Human Devp.
	2. Prof. Shiela Bhalla	Visiting Prof. and National Fellow, ICSSR	Labour Eco., Human Devp.
	3. Prof. Dev Nathan	Visiting Prof.	Human Devp.
	4. Dr. Preet Rustagi	Sr. Fellow	Human Devp.
	5. Dr. Sandeep Sarkar	Sr. Fellow	Labour Economics
	6. Dr. R.P. Mamgain	Sr. Fellow	Labour Economics

RCSC 7.4.2

The RCSC asked the Discipline of Economics to submit a brief of CVs of each supervisor to the RCSC. However, the RCSC has considered and approved the above names for supervising M. Phil/Ph.D. candidates in Economics.

ITEM NO. 5

To consider and approve the Ph.D. research proposals submitted by Mr. Prem Chandra Mishra and Mr. Sanjay Chadha (SOL).

RCSC 7.5.1

It is submitted that the Doctoral Committee of School of Law recommended the following candidates for Ph.D. in Law as proposed below:

	Name of the Candidate	Topic	Remarks	Supervisors/Co-Guide
1.	Mr. Prem Chandra Mishra	“A Study of Priority lending by Public Sector Banks in Post Reform Era in India”	Approved. He was suggested to conduct empirical enquiries and to include case studies	Prof. Srikrishna Deva Rao, Director, SOL, Prof. B.B. Pande Former Professor of Criminal Law and Criminology 34, Shankar Nagar (Nirala Nagar)Lucknow-226020
2.	Mr. Sanjay Chadha	A Critical Evaluation of Provisions of “Investigation” and Provisional Attachment under Anti Money Laundering Law in India”.	Approved. He was suggested to improve the research proposal particularly in respect of hypothesis	Prof. Srikrishna Deva Rao, Director, SOL,IGNOU Prof. G.S. Bajpai National Law Institute, University, Bhopal Kerwa Dam Road Bhopal – Pin- 462044 MP

RCSC 7.5.2

The RCSC considered and approved the above names for Ph.D. registration in Law for July 2010 cycle.

ITEM NO. 6

To consider and approve request from Ms. Preeti Gupta for the continuation of Ph.D. Programme in Law.

RCSC 7.6.1

It is submitted that Ms. Preeti Gupta, RTA in School of Law has registered for Ph.D. in October 2008 and is working on the topic “Transplantation of Organs Act: A Critical Appraisal. As she has been selected as the Asstt. Prof (Law) on NEHU, Shillong and requested for discontinuance of scholarship. However, she requested for continuing her Ph.D with IGNOU under the same topic with the same guide.

RCSC 7.6.2

The RCSC considered and approved her request to continue her Ph.D as proposed above. However, she will continue to do her research from NEHU, Shillong where she is working as an Asstt. Professor.

ITEM NO. 7	To consider and approve reporting about the Ph.D. registration of Ms. Jeanne Marie Rokesh from Canada.
RCSC 7.7.1	Ms. Jeanne Mari Rokesh submitted an application for Ph.D. in Human Rights. She wanted to work for Ph.D. on the topic “Human Rights through Researching Gender issues”. This application was forwarded to SOSS in July 2009. The Director, SOSS in turn forwarded to the School of Law for consideration of Ph.D in Human Rights.
RCSC 7.7.2	After receiving the Ph.D. application of Ms. Jeanne, an email has been sent to her in August 2009 confirming the receipt of her Ph.D application. She wanted to clarify that she did not apply to School of Law and wanted to include the Ph.D. registration as per her actual application preferences. However, the Director, SOL informed her that her application would be considered in the SOL explaining reasons for which she had finally agreed to.
RCSC 7.7.3	The Director, School of Law informed that Ms. Jeanne’s case is a very unique case of an international student wanted to register for Ph.D. in an interdisciplinary area combining law, human rights, health and gender. Hence, he mentioned that the School need to have a panel of two supervisors for her Ph.D. along with the Director himself me. She was asked her preferences for a co-guide from her country, Canada. However, she informed the Director, SOL that she prefers to have a Co-Guide from India.
RCSC 7.7.4	Her Ph.D. registration will be processed once the SOL identify a co-guides in the area of law, human rights, health and gender. She also has to defend her Ph.D proposal before the Doctoral Committee, in the month of April, 2010. Defence of her proposal will be conducted online. The School has requested to consider and approve two guides to supervise her and also to permit to organize the Ph.D. defence and later three seminars through online in presence of two guides.
RCSC 7.7.5	The members had detailed discussion with regard to allowing registration of International candidates in the disciplines other than Distance Education (STRIDE) in view of 16 th RC decisions. The members felt that Ms. Jeanne Marie Rokesh from Canada’s case may be considered positively for registration for Ph.D. in Law, subject to Ministry of External Affairs guidelines. Further, the members also suggested that in the absence of a clear-cut policy for international students for registration into research degree programmes, University should develop a policy for international candidates for registration for Research Degree Programmes.
RCSC 7.7.6	The RCSC considered and approved in principle request of Ms. Jeanne for Ph.D registration in Law subject to Ministry of External Affairs guidelines. The RCSC also asked the RU to develop specific guidelines for Research Degree Programmes for international candidates.

ITEM NO. 8**To consider and approve proposals for Ph.D registration in Education (SOE).****RCSC 7.8.1**

It is submitted that the following candidates have presented their Ph.D proposals in Education before the Doctoral Committee on 20th January'2010.

Sl. No	Name of Candidate	Topic	Name of the Research Supervisor (s)	Name of M.Phil/Ph.D Candidates so far attached	Category A/B(RTA-B)	Course work, if any recommended for category 'A' (specify)
1	Ms.Nisha K.P.	A comparative study of relationship between psychological factors and parents profession with cognitive abilities of Std. IX students in Bengaluru.	Prof.C.B.Sharma, IGNOU	Full-01	RTA (B)	Yes
2	Mr. Vinod Kumar Kanvaria	A study of concept attainment in Mathematics: traditional Methods and Information and Communication Technology.	Prof.C.B.Sharma, IGNOU		A	No
3	Ms Puran Prabha Sharma	A study of quality of work life and organizational commitments of teachers of higher education.	Dr.S.P.Malhotra, National University of Educational Planning & Admn., New Delhi		A	No
			Dr Sutapa Bose, IGNOU	01		
4	Ms.Poonam	A socio-psychological study of burnout teachers working in Secondary/Senior Secondary schools in the National Capital Region	Prof B.S. Dagar, Sr. Consultant, IUC, IGNOU		A	No
			Prof N.K.Dash, IGNOU	02		
5	Mr Binay Pattanayak	Development of a framework for improving quality of Sciences Education at elementary level	Prof. Sitansu Sekhar Jena, NIOS, New Delhi		A	No
			Prof Vibha Joshi, IGNOU	02		

RCSC 7.8.2

The School Board recommended the proposals for Ph.D in its 30th meeting held on 28th January'2010. The names of research supervisor(s) were also approved by the School Board. Abridged Ph.D research proposals and short CVs of external research supervisor(s) were placed.

RCSC 7.8.3

The RCSC considered and approved registration of above candidates for Ph.D in Education with the topics and research supervisors as suggested above for July 2010 cycle.

ITEM NO. 9

To consider and approve the candidates for M.Phil and Ph.D registration at Sri Aurobindo Centre for Advanced Research (SACAR) under the SOITS, IGNOU.

RCSC 7.9.1

It is submitted that IGNOU and SACAR have collaboration for running various academic programmes. Accordingly the SACAR had an MOU with IGNOU on 15th August, 2008 under which Sri Aurobindo Centre for Advanced Research (SACAR), Pondicherry had enrolled students for M.Phil and Ph.D under the terms and conditions of MOU dated 15th August, 2008.

RCSC 7.9.2

The item was placed before the 16th Research Council held on 3rd February, 2010. After detailed deliberations, the Research Council directed the School to place proposals before the Doctoral Committee and School Board and assign/allot research topics and supervisors to each recommended candidate. Accordingly, the School (SOITS) obtained M.Phil/Ph.D title, name of the research supervisor(s) assigned and a brief on each research proposal as given below:

M.Phil January, 2009			
Sl. No.	Name	Topic	Research Supervisor(s)
1.	Lakshmi Jayaram	Making deeper connections with students and fellow teachers, reflections of a teacher at and integral school.	Dr. Beloo Mehra, SACAR, Pondicherry
2.	Gajjela Jyothirmai	Integral Education and its applicability for rural children at primary level.	Dr. Beloo Mehra, SACAR, Pondicherry
3.	Jahnvi Mehta	Vision of Sri Aurobindo for Education.	Dr. Beloo Mehra, SACAR, Pondicherry
4.	China Venkateswara Rao	An examination of evidence pertaining of Sri Aurobindo's Theory of rebirth and the spiritual evolution of the soul.	Dr. V. Ananda Reddy, SACAR, Pondicherry
5.	Geetanjali Prabhu	A quest for Sri Aurobindo's Metaphysics in his poetry.	Dr. Larry Seidlitz, SACAR, Pondicherry
6.	Rajesh Kumar Mishra	Love, unless broadened in focus with inclusion of divine aspect, will continue to struggle for survival.	Dr. Larry Seidlitz, SACAR, Pondicherry

M.Phil July, 2009			
Sl. No.	Name	Topic	Research Supervisor(s)
1.	Geetanjali J B	The concept of immortality in the Upnishads and the Gita in the light of Sri Aurobindo.	Dr. V. Ananda Reddy, SACAR, Pondicherry
2.	Gilu Mishra	Integration of the principles of integral education into the modern educational system: applications and challenges.	Dr. Beloo Mehra, SACAR, Pondicherry
3.	Sibabrata DeJahnvi Mehta	Philosophy and spritual vision of bauls – an expression of Indian spirituality.	Dr. V. Ananda Reddy, SACAR, Pondicherry
4.	A.K. Saravanan	Role of integral yoga in present age.	Dr. Larry Seidlitz, SACAR, Pondicherry
5.	Avik Gangopadhyay	Degrees of psychological reality in SAVITRI.	Dr. Larry Seidlitz, SACAR, Pondicherry

M.Phil January, 2010			
Sl. No.	Name	Topic	Research Supervisor(s)
1.	Dinesh Agarwal	A comparative study of Sri Aurobindo's teachings the Bhagwad Gita.	Dr. V. Ananda Reddy, SACAR, Pondicherry
2.	M Kuppuswamy	Yogic life of Sri Aurobindo in the light of Patanjali's yoga sutras.	Dr. V. Ananda Reddy, SACAR, Pondicherry
3.	Padmanabhan TV	Effect of structured yoga programmes on social abilities and frustration among mentally retarded children.	Dr. Larry Seidlitz, SACAR, Pondicherry

Ph.D January, 2009			
Sl. No.	Name	Topic	Research Supervisor(s)
1.	Siddharthan Sreerangan (Category 'B')	Emotional literacy mass counseling.	Dr. Larry Seidlitz, SACAR, Pondicherry
2.	Narendra Joshi (Category 'B')	A study of the philosophy and futurology of artificial intelligence in the light of Sri Aurobindo's integral thought.	Dr. Larry Seidlitz, SACAR, Pondicherry

Ph.D July, 2009			
Sl. No.	Name	Topic	Research Supervisor(s)
1.	Deepali Gupta (Category 'B')	Implications of Sri Aurobindo's integral philosophy for education in management..	Dr. Beloo Mehra, SACAR, Pondicherry
2.	Lakshmi Jyothi Manapragada (Category 'B')	Reviving native cultures and their contribution to the world advancement and human unity.	Dr. Beloo Mehra, SACAR, Pondicherry
3.	Sona Singh Gill (Category 'B')	Sri Aurobindo's future poetry and contemporary streams of poetic theories.	Dr. V. Ananda Reddy, SACAR, Pondicherry

RCSC 7.9.5

The candidates recommended for M.Phil/Ph.D (as shown above) were placed in the 7th School Board of SOITS held on 5th February, 2010. The School Board approved names of M.Phil/Ph.D candidates along with Ph.D proposal and research supervisors. The Minutes of the School Board were also approved by the Vice Chancellor.

RCSC 7.9.6

The RCSC considered and approved names proposed above for M.Phil/Ph.D. for January, 2009, July 2009, January, 2010, January 2009 and July, 2009. under IGNOU SACAR collaboration as proposed above.

ITEM NO. 10

To consider and approve the proposals in Agriculture Extension for Ph.D under Category 'B' (SOA).

RCSC 7.10.1

The 16th Research Council held on 3rd Feb., 2010 has approved the following candidates for Ph.D. registration under Category 'A' taking into consideration their professional experience. The Research Unit has issued Admission Offers to all the candidates whose Ph.D. proposals were approved by the 16th Research Council. However, having seen offers under Category 'A' the School of Agriculture informed the Research Unit that the SOA had considered their Ph.D proposals under Category 'B' despite candidates have professional experience.

Sl. No.	Name	Title of Synopsis	Research Supervisor
1.	Mr. Joshua Rufus Godfrey V	Farming Community Awareness and Preparedness to Cope with Climate Change.	1. Prof. B. S. Hansra, IGNOU 2. Dr. J. Vasanthakumar Deptt. of Agri. Extension, Anamalai University, TN
2.	Mr. M. R. Ramasubramaniyan	Studies on Constraints in Adoption of conservation Agriculture Technologies among the Farming	1. Prof. B. S. Hansra, IGNOU 2. Dr. J. Vasanthakumar Deptt. of Agri. Extension, Faculty of Agriculture Anamalai University, TN.
3.	Mr. Narayan V. Kumbhare	Influence of Changing Agricultural and Socio-Economic Environment on Household Food Security in Vidarha Region of Maharashtra: An Analytical Study.	1. Prof. B. S. Hansra, IGNOU 2. Dr. L.B. Kalantri Director, Sericulture, Government of Maharashtra, Nagpur (M.S.)
4.	Mr. M. Venkatachalam	Impact of Bt cotton on Indian Agriculture - A Critical Analysis.	1. Prof. B. S. Hansra, IGNOU 2. Dr. M.J. Chandra Gowda Additional Commissioner (Ext.Mgt.), GOI, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi -01
5.	Mr. N. Venkateshwar Rao	A Study on the Impact of Technologies Assessed, Refined, Demonstrated and Disseminated through KVK related to Major Crops in Karimnagar District of Andhra Pradesh.	1. Dr. P.K. Jain, IGNOU 2. Dr. R. Ratnakar EEI, Rajendra Nagar, Hyderabad (AP)
6.	Mr. Mr. P. Bala Hussain Reddy	A study on the Impact of Acharya Ranga Krishi Vigyan Kendras (ARKVK) in Transfer of Agricultural Technology in Chittoore District of Andhra Pradesh.	1. Dr. PVK Sasidhar IGNOU 2. Dr. T.P. Shastry Deptt. of Agri. Extension SV Agri College, Tirupati AP

7.	Mr. Balwinder Singh	An Appraisal of “Mera Pind Mere Khet” Programme of Jalandhar Doordarshan.	1. Dr. P.K. Jain, IGNOU 2. Dr. Ranjit Singh Former Dean, COA Ludhiana, (Punjab)
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RCSC 7.10.2 The RCSC considered and approved that the Ph.D. proposals approved by the 16th RC were considered under Category ‘B’.

ITEM NO. 11 To consider and approve the synopsis for M. Phil. dissertation in the discipline of Economics (SOSS) with Integrated mode.

RCSC 7.11.1 It is submitted that the Standing Committee of the SOSS held on 25th January, 2010 recommended M. Phil. dissertation for two of its RTAs for Ph.D with Integrated mode. The names of two RTAs who have submitted their synopsis for M. Phil. dissertation are given below:

1. **Iti Vyas, RTA**
2. **Sahba Fatime, RTA**

RCSC 7.11.2 The University has introduced research degree programmes with Integrated mode w.e.f. July 2010. A candidate under integrated mode for M.Phil./Ph.D is required to register additionally 12-16 credits for M.Phil. dissertation besides 64-68 credits for Ph. D Thesis.

RCSC 7.11.3 The members felt that registration under integrated mode cannot be extended to each and every candidate as and when they apply as registration for Ph.D with integrated mode will come into effect from w.e.f July 2010. Therefore, the members felt that one-time offer may be given to all candidates with a specific deadline for July 2010 cycle irrespective of date of registration. Anybody who will not report under this offer before the deadline cannot be permitted.

RCSC 7.11.4 The RCSC considered and approved the suggestion given above with a specific deadline for July 2010 cycle as a one-time measure for those candidates who are interested to register with Integrated Mode irrespective of date of registration.

ITEM NO. 12 To consider and approve the curriculum for M. Phil./Ph.D. with Integrated Mode for the discipline of Gandhian Studies (SOITS).

RCSC 7.12.1 It is submitted that the discipline of Gandhian Studies (SOITS) has developed syllabi for M.Phil./Ph.D. with Integrated mode. The courses developed by the expert committee are given below:-

Core Courses:

1. Research Methodology (RGP-001)
2. Gandhian Thought : Texts and Contexts (RGP-002)

Optional Courses:

1. Peace and Conflict Studies (RGPE-003)
2. Gandhian Political Economy (RGPE-004)
3. Rural Development and Panchayati Raj (RGPE-005)
4. Environment and Development (RGPE-006)

RCSC 7.12.2 Detailed curriculum, programme and course codes and evaluation methodology are approved by the 7th School Board (SOITS) held on 5th Feb., 2010.

RCSC 7.12.4 The RCSC considered and approved the curriculum for M.Phil/Ph.D. with Integrated Mode for the discipline of Gandhian Studies (SOITS).

ITEM NO. 13 To consider and approve the change of Ph.D Registration from part-time to full-time for Ph. D. in History, SOSS.

RCSC 7.13.1 It is submitted that **Mr. Satish kumar Singh, Enrl. No. 097328135 (History, SOSS)** has requested for change of registration from part time to full time. The request of the above candidate was recommended by his research supervisor(s) through the Director of the School.

RCSC 7.13.2. While deliberating, the members felt that in all such conversions (Part-time to Full-time), the Discipline/School/Centre should recommend clearly name of the institute where he/she will be attached, complete address of the institution and other related details in case if the candidate is opting for full-time research outside the IGNOU campus/Headquarter. However, in the instant case, it is approved as he will be with the discipline of History, SOSS, IGNOU, Head Quarter.

ITEM No.14 To consider and approve the Model Institute of Education and Research (MIER), Jammu as recognised centre of IGNOU.

RCSC 7.14.1 A committee was constituted to visit the Model Institute of Education and Research (MIER) to recognise it as a Research Centre of IGNOU for Education discipline. The Committee visited and submitted its report

recommending recognition to MIER, Jammu for conducting Ph.D degree programme in the discipline of Education taking into consideration the facilities and infrastructure available with the institute.

RCSC 7.14.2 The RCSC considered and approved the Model Institute of Education and Research (MIER), Jammu as Recognised Research Centre of IGNOU.

ITEM NO. 15 To consider and approve specific format for recommending M.Phil/Ph.D proposals for registration and information to be furnished in the Agenda note for placing before the RC/RCSC.

RCSC 7.15.1 It is submitted that the Research Unit is being received M.Phil/Ph.D proposals for registration in a variety of formats due to which some of the information

required for deliberations and subsequently for issuing admission offers confirmation of registration are not available. Some times even if it is available, it may not be complete in one or many of the following areas:

1. Category of the candidate A or B not specified on the application as well as in the minutes of the DCs of each discipline.
2. No mention of Course Work if any given to category 'A' by the Doctoral Committee under exceptional cases.
3. No allotment of title and supervisor(s) for Ph.D candidate and do not enclose recommendations of Doctoral Committees and approvals of School Board(s).
4. Do not declare that supervisors assigned are approved by the School Board in the past/present.
5. Do not mention number candidates already attached to a particular research supervisor as there is a maximum limit prescribed.
6. Do not enclose briefs on each M.Phil/Ph.D proposal (100-200 words) for deliberations.
7. Do not attach brief on each research supervisor(s), if he/she is a research supervisor from outside IGNOU.

RCSC 7.15.2

It is therefore felt that there is a need to standardize information to be forwarded under Agenda notes with regard to M.Phil/Ph.D proposals for registration as well as furnishing information. Based on the advice of 16th Research Council held on 3rd February 2010 the following format is proposed for furnishing information by each discipline M.Phil/Ph.D Coordinator through the Director/Head of the School/Centre/Institute for placing before the RC/RCSC.

Sl. No	Name of the candidate (if RTA Specify)	Discipline/School / Centre	Names of Research Supervisor (s) (Briefs of each external research supervisor to be enclosed)	Number of M.Phil/Ph.D candidate taken		Category A or B (specify M.Phil/Ph.D with 5 years exp. If any)	Course Work , if any recommended for Category 'A' specify	Date & approval of School Board
		Topic for M.Phil/Ph.D (Briefs in 200 words to be enclosed)		Till the previous allotment	Present allotment			

RCSC 7.15.3

The members of the RCSC expressed that the Member Secretary of the RCSC/RC should consider only those proposals in the Agenda Items, which comes to the Research Unit with the above information along with the format for placing M.Phil/Ph.D proposals for consideration of registration.

RCSC 7.15.4

The members also felt that the RU should consider agenda notes received up to a particular date i.e., 3 days before the RC/RCSC begins for preparation/compilation of Agenda notes/items and for smooth deliberations and feed back.

RCSC 7.15.5

The RCSC considered and approved that (a) information to be provided in the Agenda note as well as (b) the format for placing M.Phil/Ph.D proposals for registration in the Agenda note by the disciplines of the School/Centre/Institute. Further, the RCSC also approved (c) that the agenda notes to be provided by the School/Centre/Institute and others should reach the Research Unit 3 days before the RC/RCSC begins.

ITEM NO. 16**To consider and approve Progress Report format for M.Phil/Ph.D candidates.****RCSC 7.16.1**

It is submitted that the Research Unit has modified the present format of Progress Report being submitted by the candidates based on the 16th Research Council recommendations. The revised Progress Report (Annexure-I) and format for preparing a brief on the progress made by the candidate (Annexure-2) for M.Phil/Ph.D candidates and a format for presentation of Progress Report(s) in the Agenda note (Annexure-3) in the RC/RCSC by the School/Centre/Institute are placed for obtaining information on the following:-

1. Research work undertaken/done by the candidate (with specific dates and status of the work).
2. Teaching work undertaken by the candidate (with specify dates and status of the work)
3. Research publications by the candidate (specify details).

RCSC 7.16.2

The members has appreciated the revised proforma. Members also asked the Member Secretary to incorporate a brief on the progress made by the candidate (200 words) into the progress report proforma itself instead of a separate programme.

Format for presentation of Progress Report of M.Phil/Ph.D candidates in the Agenda**Note:**

Sl. No	Name of the candidate	Discipline & School/ Centre/ /Institute	Enrl No. and month & year of registration	Topic for M.Phil /Ph.D	Name of the research supervisor (s)	Progress Report(s) so far submitted (specify number of reports submitted & periods)	Current Progress Report (sequence in number & period	Comments of the research supervisor (s)	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10

RCSC 7.16.3

The Members of the RCSC asked the Member Secretary to place only brief of progress made by the candidate authenticated by the research supervisor and forwarded by the Director of the School/Centre/Institute.

RCSC 7.16.4

The RCSC considered and approved the (a) revised proforma for Progress Report as well as (b) format for placing Progress Reports of candidates in the Agenda Note.

ITEM NO. 17**To consider and approve M. Phil.Ph.D. Course Work and Evaluation Methodology for Humanities (SOH).****RCSC 7.17.1**

It is submitted that the M.Phil/Ph.D. Course work with detailed syllabus in Hindi, English, Malayalam, Tamil, Gujarati and Urdu were duly approved by the 39th School Board Meeting of SOH held on 24th June, 2009. The Phase 3 Forms for the said courses have already been approved by the Forty Ninth Meeting of the Academic Council.

It is also submitted that the Evaluation Methodology for the course work of RTAs in Hindi, English, Tamil and Sanskrit where course work is required is as follows:

70% Examination

30% Continuous Assessment through written assignments

In case of Second Language Acquisition Paper (English) 70% continuous assessment will be evaluated in terms of 20% for seminars, discussions and presentations and 10% for the written assignments

RCSC 7.17.2 The RCSC considered and approved M. Phil.Ph.D. Course Work and Evaluation Methodology for Humanities (SOH).

ITEM NO. 18 To consider and approve Dr. K. Murugaiah as a Research Supervisor for Mr. M. Bhaskaraiah, a Ph.D candidate in Rural Development, SOCE.

RCSC 7.18.1 It is submitted that Mr. M. Bhaskaraiah's Ph.D Proposal in Rural Development was approved by the 16th Research Council held on 3rd February, 2010 with the following:

Topic – Primary Rural Health Care for Rural Elderly – A study in Chittor Revenue Division of Chittor District (A.P.).

Research Supervisors – Prof. Bir Singh, Professor & Head, Centre for Community Medicine, All India Institute of Medical Sciences and Dr. K. Murugaiah, Professor, Deptt. of Social Work, Sri Padmavathi Mahila Vishwavidyalam (Women's University) Tirupati, Andhra Pradesh. Prof. Bir Singh's name was recommended by the School Board and it was approved by the 16th RC. However, Dr. K. Murugaiah's name was not approved by the School Board held earlier due to certain documents like CV etc were not available. Therefore, Dr. K. Murugaiah's name was shown as to be approved in the 16th Research Council. The 41st School Board of SOCE held on 18th February, 2010 approved Dr. K. Murugaiah's name as second research supervisor to Mr. M. Bhaskaraiah.

RCSC 7.18.2 The RCSC considered and approved Dr. K. Murugaiah as a second research supervisor for Mr. M. Bhaskaraiah, a Ph.D candidate in Rural Development, SOCE.

ITEM NO. 19 To consider and approve activation of Ph.D programme in "Corporate Management and Allied Areas" in the CCETC.

RCSC 7.19.1 The CCETC was established in the 2008 with the following objectives:

- To develop professional capabilities
- To identify and meet the educational and training needs of corporates.
- To promote research
- To provide professional consultancy and
- To collaborate with quality institutions having special emphasis on corporate education, training and research

Within one year of existence, CCETC has established the following collaborations with different corporates/ institutions/ organizations in the areas of professional education and training:

- Cochin International Aviation Services Ltd.
- Future Learning and Development Ltd.

- Centum Learning Ltd. (A Bharti Associate)
- Institute of Rail Transport
- Core Projects & Technologies Ltd.
- WLC College India Ltd

Further, the CCETC has also launched the following academic programmes in collaboration with the above institutions independently/jointly. They are:

- Post Graduate Diploma in Corporate Governance
- Master of Business Administration
- Master of Business Administration (Retail) – from July 2010 session
- Master of Business Administration (Aviation Business Management)
- Advanced Diploma in Airport Operations Management
- Advanced Diploma in Air Cargo Management
- Certificate in Rescue and Fire Fighting
- Certificate in Airport Ramp Handling
- Certificate in Security and Intelligence

It is submitted that there is a demand from professionals and others in the corporate world that they would like to register for PhD degrees under CCETC, as it deals with corporates and professionals. Some of the corporates have even shown keen interest to become Recognized Research Centres of IGNOU for conducting PhD programmes at their end as per IGNOU procedures.

The CCETC has its own faculty and also a few new faculty members will be joining shortly. The academics of RSD, P&DD, other Divisions and Units of IGNOU and out side IGNOU are also interested to become supervisors for PhD candidates of CCETC .

RCSC 7.19.2	The RCSC considered and approved in principle activation of Ph.D programme in “Corporate Management and Allied Areas” in the CCETC subject to fulfilling the procedures of the University.
ITEM NO. 20	To consider and approve the proposal for launching of M.Phil/Ph.D Programmes from Centre for Extension Education (CEE).
RCSC 7.20.1	The proposal for M.Phil/Ph.D programmes in CEE has been approved by the Extension Council held on 26 th March, 2010. The eligibility criteria, mode of selection, course work details, names of research supervisors internal and external were approved by the Extension Council.
RCSC 7.20.2	The RCSC considered and approved the proposal from CEE for M.Phil / Ph.D programmes.
ITEM NO. 21	To consider and approve the registration of candidates for M.Phil/Ph.D in Extension Education/Community Outreach for July, 2010 session.
RCSC 7.21.1	As per the recommendations of the Doctoral Committee, the following candidates were recommended for July, 2010 session for M.Phil/Ph.D as per the details shown against their names.

(A) Registration for M.Phil Programmes (July-2010)

Name of the Discipline	Name of the Candidate	Topics	Name of Supervisor (s)	Remarks / Conditions
Extension Education	Mrs. Divya Santhanam	A Study on Life Skills Based Approach in Teaching Social Science in High Schools	Dr. M. C. Nair & Dr. A. Radhakrishnan Nair (external).	Course Work worth 32 Credit & Thesis (qualified) entrance examination & Interview)
Community Outreach	Ms. Gayathri. V. G.	Imparting Nutrition Education on Adolescent and its Effectiveness – A Study	Dr. M. C. Nair & Dr. Rathna. H. (external)	Course Work worth 32 Credit & Thesis (qualified) entrance examination & Interview)

(B) Registration for Ph.D Programmes (July-2010)**1) Category A**

Name of the Discipline	Name of the Candidate	Topics	Name of Supervisor (s)	Remarks / Condition
Extension Education	Mr. Anand Khati	A Study to Evolve a Model for Sustainable Transport System with special reference to Indian Railways	Dr. M. C. Nair & Dr. V. Venugopal Reddy, IGNOU	Course Work worth 24 Credit recommended since he has no exposure / qualification in Extension Education (qualified presentation & Interview)

2) Category B

Name of the Discipline	Name of the Candidate	Topics	Name of Supervisor (s)	Remarks / Condition
Community Outreach	Ms. Nisha Tiwari	A Critical Study of the Training Programme Undertaken for the Development of Tribal Women by the Krishi Vigyan Kendra in Jharkhand	Dr. M. C. Nair (Internal) & Dr. S. N. Tripathi (External)	Course Work worth 32 Credits (qualified entrance examination & Interview)

Briefs pertaining to M.Phil and Ph.D proposals were placed before the RCSC. Research Supervisors assigned to the above candidates were approved by the Extension Council held on 26-3-2010. The minutes of the Doctoral Committee and Extension Council were also placed before the RCSC.

RCSC 7.21.2

The RCSC has considered and approved M.Phil/Ph.D. registration for the above candidates under CEE for July 2010 cycle.

ITEM NO. 22

To consider and approve Progress reports of Mr. Umapati Pattar and Ms. Arti Kaushik (SOS).

RCSC 7.22.1

It is submitted that following two Ph.D candidates have submitted their Progress Reports to the School of Sciences. The details are placed below:

Sl. No.	Name of the Candidate	Discipline & School	Progress Report	Topic for Ph.D	Research Supervisor
1.	Sh. Umapati Pattar	Physics (SOS)	Jul'2009 To Dec'2009	An investigation of efficacy of using innovative physics experiments suitable for the undergraduate level on the academic performance of students	i. Prof. S C Garg (internal) ii. Dr. Vijay H Raybagkar (external)
	Ms Arti Kaushik	Mathematics (SOS)	Jul'2009 To Dec'2009	Some problems in bubble dynamics and stability problems in fluid dynamics.	i. Prof. Poornima Mital (internal) ii. Dr. Dinesh Khattar (external)

The Research Supervisors expressed their satisfaction about the progress of work done by candidates.

To consider and approve Ph.D proposals for registration in Life Sciences (SOS) for January 2010.

It is submitted that the discipline of Life Sciences has scrutinized all Ph.D proposals it has received through Doctoral Committee and provided feedback to candidates. Another Doctoral Committee meeting was held on 25.09.2009 to assess modified synopsis of the following candidates and the consent letter of the Co-supervisor along with his/her bio-data and information regarding research facilities available with the Co-supervisor. After detailed assessment of proposals, the DC recommended the following candidates for Ph.D in Life Sciences.

Sl. NO.	Name of the Student	Research Topic proposed by the candidate	Supervisor from IGNOU	Co-Supervisor
1	Meenakshi Thakur	Ethno Botanical studies on Darlaghat Wild Life Sanctuary, Himachal Pradesh, India	Prof. Amrita Nigam	Dr. V. K. Santvan Institute of Integrated Himalayan Studies, HPU, Shimla
2	Virender Kumar Aggarwal	Effect of botanicals on growth and reproduction of diamond back moth <i>Plutella xylostella</i> and their use in integrated Pest Management.	Prof. Neera Kapoor	Dr. Kamla Kumar Gupta University of Delhi, Delhi – 110007
3	Kavitha. S	Role of Zinc in modulation of silk production in silkworm, <i>Bombyx mori</i>	Dr. Bano Saidullah	Prof. K. Yellamma Sri Venkateshwara university, Tirupati, Andhra Pradesh
4	Puja Awasthi	Isolation and characterization of thermostable amylase producing bacteria.	Prof. Neera Kapoor	Dr. Sarita Sachdeva Manav Rachna International University, Sector- 43, Faridabad.
5	Anjan Kumar Sharma	Studies on Post harvest spoilage of cow pea seeds and its prevention.	Prof. Amrita Nigam	Dr. Manju Rani Department of Botany, Cotton College, Guwahati, Assam.
6	Pratibha Prashar	Isolation and characterization of plant growth promoting bacteria with antifungal activity from pearl millet and tomato.	Prof. Neera Kapoor	Dr. Sarita Sachdeva Manav Rachna International University, Sector- 43, Faridabad.
7	Vikas Premzada	Isolation and characterization of soil fungi as biological control agents.	Prof. P. Tripathi	Dr. Sarita Kumar University of Delhi, Delhi – 110007
8	Debasis Roy	Bioremediation of water by removal of heavy metals using composting bacteria.	Dr. Bano Saidullah	Dr. Rupa Bhawmick St. Joseph's College, Darjeeling.

- RCSC 7.23.2 The discipline has presented briefs on Ph.D. proposals and research supervisors before Doctoral Committee. The DC allotted topics for Ph.D. and research supervisors to each candidate. The discipline could not place minutes of the DC before the School Board as SOS had conducted a SB meeting on 10th March 2010. However, the discipline of Life Science through the Director, SOS requested to consider their proposal for Ph.D. registration. The discipline and School informed asked that they would place minutes of the RCSC/RC for rectification. Members of the RCSC discussed in detail and authorized the Chairman of the RCSC to take an appropriate decision. The decisions to be taken by the Chairman will be reported to forthcoming RC for rectification.
- RCSC 7.23.3 The RCSC considered and approved the suggestion of the members of RCSC authorizing the Chairman to take an appropriate decision.
- ITEM NO. 24 **To consider and approve Dr. Paramita Suklabaidya, Lecturer, as a Supervisor for Ph.D. Candidates in Tourism and Hospitality (SOTHSM).**
- RCSC 7.24.1 It is submitted that Dr. Paramita Suklabaidya is a Senior Lecturer in SOTHSM, IGNOU. Dr. Paramita Suklabaidya has 09 years of teaching experience of which 2½ years of experience at IGNOU and 4 years PG and UG teaching experience at BHU, Varanasi. The 5th School Board has approved her CV for supervising research candidates in Tourism and Hospitality Services.
- RCSC 7.24..2 The RCSC considered and approved Dr. Paramita Suklabaidya as research supervisor for Tourism and Hospitality Services.
- ITEM NO. 25 **To consider and approve the candidates for Ph.D programme in Tourism and Hospitality Service Management (SOTHSM).**
- RCSC 7.25.1 The Doctoral Committee of the School of Tourism and Hospitality Services Management selected 06 candidates for the Ph.D Programme of the School. The Doctoral Committee selected the candidates in the meeting held on 18th December, 2009. The same was approved by the School Board held on 27th January, 2010.

Sl.No	Name	Modified Research Topic	Supervisor
1.	Mr. Shelji Mathew	Ecotourism in Kerala : A Study of Marketing Strategy with special Reference to Wayanad district of Keralal	Kr. Dileep M.R. KITTS, Trivandrum
2.	Ms. Amanpreet Kaur Dutta	-	Prof. Kapil Kumar, Adjunct Professor, SOTHSM
3.	Mr. Tony K. Thomas	Determinants in destination choice : A critical analysis of destination benchmarking in Kerala	Dr. Robinet Jacob, Head, Dept. of Travel and Tourism Management, Pazhassi Raja College, Wayanad Dist., Kerala
4.	Mr. K.C Robbins	Resorts and homestays in Wayanad district – A critical analysis of tourisms impacts and services.	Dr. Dileep M.R., KITTS, Trivandrum

RCSC 7.25.2

The RCSC considered and approved in research proposals candidates for Ph.D registration in Tourism and Hospitality Management Services.

ITEM NO. 26

To consider and approve the change in research supervisorship for Ph.D programme in Tourism and Hospitality Service Management (SOTHSM).

RCSC 7.26.1

The Doctoral Committee Meeting of the School of Tourism and Hospitality Services Management held on 18th December, 2009, approved the change of supervisor for the following candidates. The same was approved by the School Board held on 27th January, 2010.

Sl. No	Name	Research Topic	Supervisors allotted earlier	Present Supervisor
1.	Ms. Neetu Srivastava	Marketing Strategies in Medial Tourism : A case study of National Capital Region.	1. Prof. Kapil Kumar, Adjunct Prof., SOTHSM 2.Prof. Sandeep Kulshrestha, IITM, Gwalior	Prof. S. Kulshrestha, IITTM, Gwalior
2.	Ms. Babli Rani	Promotional Planning and Strategies : A case study of destination and product promotion by Delhi Tourism Industry segments	1. Prof. Kapil Kumar, Adjunct Prof., SOTHSM 2.Prof. Sandeep Kulshrestha, IITM, Gwalior	Prof. S. Kulshrestha, IITTM, Gwalior
3.	Mr. Nim Tshering Lepcha	Role of local community for promoting village tourism in Sikkim Himalaya (CV of research guide to be provided topic approved)	Dr. Harkirat Bains, Reader, SOTHSM	Dr. Iyatta M. Upreti Associate Professor Dept. of Geography, Sikkim Govt. Tadong.
4.	Ms Rashmi Kumar Gautam	Tourism and Planning and its socio-economic impact with reference to Kutch and Bhuj in Gujrat (with course work).	Prof. Kapil Kumar, Adjunct Professor, SOTHSM.	Dr. K.C. Barot, Head, Dept. of History, H.D. Arts College, Ahmedabad.

RCSC 7.27.2

The RCSC considered and approve the changes in research supervisors allotted to above candidates registered for Ph.D in Tourism and Hospitality Management Services.

ITEM NO. 27

To consider and approve proposals for Ph.D. registration in Journalism and Mass Communication (SOJNMS) for Jan. 2010

RCSC 7.27.1

The 16th RC held on 03.02.2010 asked the Director(SOJNMS) to fulfill all formalities that are required for consideration by the RCSC/RC in terms of allotment of Ph.D. topics, research supervisors placement of Doctoral Committee minutes before the School Board and approval of research supervisors. The School Board held on 18th December, 2009 was authorized the School to recommend topics for Ph.D and research supervisors. Accordingly

the School has recommend topics for Ph.D and research supervisors as given below:

Sl No.	Name of the candidate	Title of the proposal	Name of research supervisor	Number of M.Phil/Ph. D. so far attached	Category A/B (RTA-B)
01.	Ms. Moina Khan	The Role of community rado in empowerment and social change: A study with reference to radio, Jamia, Delhi and Sangham radio Medak Distric (AP)	Prof. S.N. Singh	None	Category - B
02.	Ms. Sana Jafri	Challenges of Indian Radio Broadcasting with special reference to youth. A study on Genre Based Radio Stations	Prof. S. N. Singh	None	Category - B
03.	Ms. Neeraj	Jansampark Vibhag Ki Gramin Kshetron Mein Pahunch aur Uplabdhata Haryana Rajy Ke Sandharbh Mein	Dr. Kiron Bansal	None	Category - B
04.	Ms. Sushmita Bala	Community Broadcasting and Role of Campus Radio in India	Dr. G. P. Dewal	None	Category - B
05.	Mr. Manawwar Alam	A study of Digital Media Strategies in Contemporary Indian Political Campaigus and its Impact on Indian Democracy	Prof. Subhash Dhuliya	None	Category - B

RCSC 7.27.2

After detailed discussion, the members felt that the School has not approved the names of research supervisors allotted to the candidates. Further the School has also not prepared briefs on Ph.D. proposals and research supervisors. The Director (SOJNMS) who was invited in person explained that he would comply same and present it before the SB & RC. However, he has requested members

to consider the candidates' proposals for Ph.D registration provisionally to avoid further delay. On his request, the members authorized the Chairman, RCSC to take an appropriate decision .

RCSC 7.27.3 The RCSC considered and approved the suggestion of the members of the RCSC authorizing the Chairman to take an appropriate decision.

TABLED ITEMS

ITEM NO. 28 To consider & approve the Teaching Work to be done by RTAs under the RTA Scheme.

RCSC 7.28.1 It is submitted that the members expressed that every RTA engaged in the University need to work (besides his/her research work) five hours of teaching work weekly which includes course material preparation (unit writing), revision of course material, assignments preparation, face to face contact/ counseling for students. participation in radio and teleconferencing programmes, etc. After detailed deliberations, it was decided that every RTA needs to produce two credits worth teaching and related activities before he/she submit his/her thesis for Ph.D. Teaching work in terms of credits shall be authenticated by his/her research supervisor in consultation with the Ph.D Coordinator of the Discipline.

RCSC 7.28.2 The RCSC considered and approved the suggestion made by the members.

ITEM No. 29 To consider and approve the publication of research work to be done by RTAs under the RTA Scheme.

RCSC 7.29.1 It is submitted that members of the RCSC proposed that every candidate needs to publish a research paper in his/her area of research in a refereed journal well before his/her submission of thesis for Ph.D. List of such refereed journals shall be identified by the Discipline of the School/Centre/Institute and the same shall be placed on the IGNOU's website as well as circulated among the faculty of the discipline and RTAs. This will be applicable to each and every candidate registered for Ph.D irrespective of the year of registration.

RCSC 7.29.2 The RCSC considered and approved the suggestion made by the members.

ITEM No. 30 To consider and approve the number of research candidates for research under a Research Supervisor.

RCSC 7.30.1 It is submitted that the members expressed that the eligible faculty in each discipline of the School/Centre/Institute and other Recognized Research Centres (under collaboration) needs to register prescribed number of candidates for M.Phil/Ph.D as per University norms. Members further expressed that every Discipline/School/Centre/Institute shall provide number of research candidates attached to a particular research supervisor with a declaration that a supervisor shall not have, at any given point of time, more than prescribed number of Ph.D & M.Phil candidates. This declaration needs to be done by the faculty concerned through the discipline of the School/Centre/Institute as and when required.

- RCSC 7.30.2 It was also brought to the notice of the Members that a similar item was approved in the past and a notification/circular was also issued. However, members of the RCSC requested that this matter should brought to the notice of the concerned that “ a supervisor shall not have at any given point of time more than prescribed number of Ph.D and M.Phil candidates”.
- RCSC 7.30.3 The RCSC considered and approved the suggestion made by the members.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

(V.N.Rajasekharan Pillai)
Chairman