

MINUTES

of the

EIGHTH MEETING OF THE

RESEARCH COUNCIL'S STANDING COMMITTEE

held on

SEPTEMBER 7TH, 2010



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

MINUTES OF THE 8th RESEARCH COUNCIL'S STANDING COMMITTEE HELD ON 7TH SEPTEMBER, 2010 AT 3.00 P.M. IN THE CONFERENCE 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. K.R. Srivathsan, Pro-Vice –Chancellor | - | Member |
| 3. | Prof. K. K. Dwivedi, Head, NCSTC | - | Member |
| 4. | Prof. Joseph Dorairaj, GRU | - | Member |
| 5. | Dr. Veena Vinayakrao Thakare | - | Member |
| 6. | Prof. B.K. Pattnaik, Director, SOEDS | - | Member |
| 7. | Prof. G. Pradhan, Director, SOSS | - | Member |
| 8. | Dr. Nehal Farooquee, Reader, SOEDS | - | Member |
| 9. | Dr. V. Venugopal Reddy, Director, Research Unit | - | Convenor (Ex-officio) |

At the outset, the Chairman welcomed all 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 Confirmation of the Minutes and part-minutes of the 07th Meeting of the Research Council Standing Committee held on 07th April, 2010 and note the action taken thereon.

RCSC 8.1.1 The Minutes of the 7th Meeting of Research Council's Standing Committee held on 7th **September, 2010** were circulated to all members. No comments have been received from the members. Part-minutes pertaining to Item No. 25 approved by the Chairman of the RCSC are also enclosed for approval.

RCSC 8.1.2 The RCSC considered and approved the 7th RCSC Minutes along with the part-minutes. The RCSC also noted the Action Taken Report on the 7th RCSC and confirmed the minutes.

ITEM NO. 2 To consider and approve the Progress Reports of 6 Ph.D candidates in Commerce and Management Disciplines (SOMS).

RCSC 8.2.1 It is submitted that the Ph.D candidates in Commerce (SOMS) have submitted Progress Reports to the respective supervisors of the disciplines in a format along with recommendations of the supervisors and briefs on progress made by the candidates. Supervisors expressed their satisfaction on the progress made by the candidates. Names of candidates are given below:

Sl. No	Name of the candidate	Discipline & School
1.	Mr. Venkatesh C.K.	Commerce, SOMS
2.	Mr. Sony Kuriakose	Commerce, SOMS
3.	Mr. Libision K.B.	Commerce, SOMS
4.	Ms. Kavitha Rangathan	Commerce, SOMS
5.	Ms. Lishin Moothery Joshy	Management, SOMS
6.	Ms. Reena	Management, SOMS

RCSC 8.2.2 The RCSC considered and approved the Progress Reports of the above.

ITEM NO. 3**To Consider and approve admission of 8 candidates to Ph.D Programme in Commerce (SOMS) for July 2010 (Category 'A').**

RCSC 8.3.1

It is submitted that the Doctoral Committee of the discipline of Commerce have recommended 8 candidates for Ph.D in Commerce (SOMS) for July, 2010. Minutes of the Doctoral Committee were circulated to members of School Board through e-mail and the same were approved. The list of candidates, topics for Ph.D, names of Research Supervisors, Category of candidates etc. are enclosed (**Annexure 8.3.1**). The list of 8 candidates recommended (Category 'A') for Ph.D in Commerce are placed below:

1. Mr. Andrews C. Ravi Kumar
2. Ms. Neeru Kapoor
3. Mr. Gagandeep Singh
4. Ms. Sree Lata
5. Ms. Abha Jaiswal
6. Ankita Bhatiya
7. Poonam Kakkad
8. N V Chandra Sekhar Reddy

RCSC 8.3.2

The RCSC considered and approved all above proposals for Ph.D registration in Commerce for July 2010.

ITEM NO. 4**To consider and approve the Progress Reports of 5 part-time Ph.D candidates in Agriculture Extension (SOA).**

RCSC 8.4.1

It is submitted that the Ph.D candidates in Agriculture Extension (SOA) have submitted Progress Reports to the respective supervisors of the disciplines in a format along with recommendations of the supervisors and briefs on progress made by the candidates. Supervisors expressed their satisfaction on the progress made by the candidates. Names of the candidates are given below:

1. Mr. Randhir Singh
2. Mr. Vishal Raina
3. Mr. Devinder Singh
4. Mr. Sanjeev Nayan
5. Mr. Kishore S.

RCSC 8.4.2

The RCSC considered and approved the Progress Reports of the above.

ITEM NO. 5**To consider and approve the JJ College of Education, Ammapettai, Tiruchirapalli, as a Recognised Research Centre (RRC) of IGNOU.**

RCSC 8.5.1

It is submitted that a Committee constituted by the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, visited the JJ College of Education, Ammapettai, Tiruchirapalli for assessing the infrastructure and ability to conduct research programmes at the college. The Committee consists of the following members:

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| 1. Prof. M. L.Koul | Chairman |
| 2. Prof. A. Sukumaran Nair | Member |
| 3. Prof. N. K. Dash | Member |

The Committee visited the JJ College of Education Ammapettai, Tiruchirapalli, on 25th May, 2010 and submitted a report with the following suggestions recommending the college for a Recognized Research Centre (RRC) of IGNOU.

“The Committee strongly recommended the recognition of the J.J. College of Education, as a Research Centre of IGNOU for Education discipline. The Research Centre will be governed by the terms and conditions of the University for Research Degree Programmes in Education to be recognized by IGNOU. The Committee recommends a maximum of 10 to 14 research scholars for registration taking the present strength of qualified research supervisors and the infrastructure available. However, no research supervisor may not be assigned more than two research scholars at a time.

The college must constitute a Doctoral Committee with the Director (SOE) as its Chairperson and all research proposals should be passed through the Doctoral Committee before placing in other Statutory Bodies of the University. The research activities of the college may be reviewed from time to time to maintain the standards and quality of research by the SOE of the University.

The Research Centre will be governed by the terms and conditions of the University for its Research Degree Programmes like other Research Centres approved earlier by the University”.

RCSC 8.5.2 After detailed deliberations, the RCSC considered and approved JJ College of Education, Ammapettai, Tiruchirapalli, as a Recognised Research Centre of IGNOU for conducting Ph.D programme in Education.

ITEM NO. 6 To consider and approve the Centre for Social Studies, Surat, as a Recognised Research Centre (RRC) of IGNOU.

RCSC 8.6.1 It is submitted that a Committee constituted by the Hon’ble Vice-Chancellor, visited the Centre for Social Studies, Surat, for assessing the infrastructure and ability to conduct research programmes. The Committee consists of the following members:

1. Prof.Gopinath Pradhan, SOSS Chairman
2. Prof. D. Gopal, SOSS Member
3. Prof. Salil Mishra, SOSS Member

The Committee visited the Centre for Social Studies, Surat, on 25th May, 2010 and submitted a report with the following suggestions recommending the institute for a Recognized Research Centre (RRC) of IGNOU.

The Committee mentioned that “there is no doubt that the CSS has been functioning as an important public institution and an intellectual platform for the civil society in Gujarat. It is indeed one of the more reputed and recognised centres of the ICSSR. An affiliation with IGNOU would enable the Centre to carry out its own Ph.D programmes and train young social sciences researchers who can then take their place in the community of social scientists and contribute to the production of knowledge. The affiliation would also bring credit to IGNOU”.

The Research Centre will be governed by the terms and conditions of the University

for its Research Degree Programmes like other Research Centres approved earlier by the University.

RCSC 8.6.2 After detailed deliberations, the RCSC considered and approved Centre for Social Studies, Surat, as a Recognised Research Centre of IGNOU for conducting Ph.D programmes in Economics, Social Work, Sociology and Anthropology.

ITEM NO. 7 To consider and approve the panel of research supervisors of the School of Vocational Studies (SOVET).

RCSC 8.7.1 It is submitted that the School Board of School of Vocational Studies have recommended names of the following teachers/academics as Research Supervisors:

1. Prof. C.G. Naidu, Director, SOVET, IGNOU, New Delhi
2. Prof. M.K. Salooja, Director, SOA, IGNOU, New Delhi
3. Dr. Ashok K. Gaba, Associate Professor, SOVET, IGNOU, New Delhi
4. Dr. R.S.P. Singh, Reader, SOVET, IGNOU, New Delhi
5. Dr. Geetika S.Johry, Assistant Professor, SOVET, IGNOU, New Delhi
6. Dr. Rachna Agarwal, Assistant Professor, SOVET, IGNOU, New Delhi
7. Dr. V.Venugopal Reddy, Director, Research Unit, IGNOU, New Delhi

RCSC 8.7.2 The RCSC considered and approved the above teachers/academics as Research Supervisors for Research programmes in Vocational Studies.

ITEM NO. 8 To Consider and ratify the registration of 25 candidates for Ph.D in Computer and Information Sciences (SOCIS) for July 2010 (Category 'A' and 'B').

RCSC 8.8.1 It is submitted that the 25 candidates were recommended by the Doctoral Committee for Category 'A' and 'B' for Ph.D in Computer Sciences and the same was approved by the School Board of SOCIS. The details of candidates, topics assigned, names of Research Supervisors and related matters are enclosed (**Annexure 8.8.1**). The names of candidates recommended by the School Board are placed below:

1. Sunil V. K. Gaddam
2. Pankaj
3. Kotak Himali Bhailalbhair
4. Suresh Kr. B
5. Prerna Mahajan
6. Saurabh Shukla
7. Ruchika Asija
8. Taha Hafeez Siddiqi
9. Lalit Kr. Bhasin
10. Vijay Kr. Mani Tiwari
11. Sanjay Pahuja
12. Shazia Manzoor
13. Sandeep Kr. Gupta
14. Shibendu Debbarma
15. Deepti Sharma
16. Rakesh Kr.
17. Sunil Kr. Sharma
18. Vipul Vashisth

19. Piyush Prakash
20. Hemant Rana
21. Renuka S Mathapati
22. Ruchi Sharma
23. Mohd. Amin Shah
24. Ashraf Ali Tpo
25. R Munisamy

RCSC 8.8.2 Since the School Board was not held well in time immediately after the Doctoral Committees, the Director of the School had taken approval of the Vice-Chancellor for provisional registration for Ph.D in Computer Sciences for July 2010. The Research Unit of the University had issued admission offers.

RCSC 8.8.3 The RCSC considered and ratified action taken by the Vice-Chancellor for the registration of 25 candidates for Ph.D in Computer and Information Sciences for July 2010.

ITEM NO. 9 To consider and ratify the action taken by the Vice Chancellor for approving eight candidates for Ph.D registration in Life Sciences for July 2010 (Category 'A').

RCSC 8.9.1 It is submitted that 8 candidates were registered provisionally for Ph.D in Life Sciences based on the recommendations of the Doctoral Committee and Director of the School of Sciences. These candidates were admitted based on the recommendations of the RCSC authorizing the Chairman of the RCSC to permit the Research Unit to issue admission offers. The Research Unit had issued admission offers for July 2010. The names of candidates, topics assigned for Ph.D, names of Research Supervisors and related matters are enclosed (**Annexure 8.9.1**). Names of candidates are given below:

1. Meenakshi Thakur
2. Virender Kumar Aggarwal
3. Kavitha. S
4. Puja Awasthi
5. Anjan Kumar Sharma
6. Pratibha Prashar
7. Vikas Premzada
8. Debasis Roy

RCSC 8.9.2 After detailed deliberations members asked the Director of the School to place minutes of the 8th RCSC before the School Board (SOS) for ratification along with the minutes of the Doctoral Committee of Life Sciences.

RCSC 8.9.3 The RCSC considered and ratified the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor with the above suggestions for approving registration of 8 candidates for Ph.D in Life Sciences for July 2010.

ITEM NO. 10 To consider and ratify the action taken by the Vice Chancellor for approving five candidates for Ph.D registration for Journalism and Mass Communication (SOJNMS) for July 2010.

- RCSC 8.10.1 It is submitted that 5 candidates were admitted for Ph.D in Journalism and Mass Communication (SOJNMS) on the recommendations of the Doctoral Committee and Director of the School of Journalism and Mass Communication. These candidates were admitted based on the recommendations of the RCSC authorizing the Chairman for permitting the Research Unit to issue admission offers. Accordingly, the Research Unit had issued admission offers. The names of candidates, topics assigned for Ph.D, names of Research Supervisors and related matters are enclosed (**Annexure 8.10.1**). Names of candidates are given below:
1. Ms. Moina Khan
 2. Ms. Sana Jafri
 3. Ms. Neeraj
 4. Ms. Sushmita Bala
 5. Mr. Manawwar Alam
- RCSC 8.10.2 After detailed deliberations members asked the Director of the School to place minutes of the RCSC before the School Board (SOJNMS) for ratification along with the minutes of the Doctoral Committee of Journalism and Mass Communication (SOJNMS).
- RCSC 8.10.3 The RCSC considered and ratified the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor with the above suggestions for approving registration of 5 candidates for Ph.D in Journalism and Mass Communication.
- ITEM NO. 11 To consider and note the action by the Vice-Chancellor with regard to fee sharing between Recognized Research Centre (RRC) and IGNOU.**
- RCSC 8.11.1 It is submitted that the University initiated recognizing such institutions which have infrastructure (buildings, labs, library, IT etc.), academic resources (faculty and research supervisors) and ability to conduct research as “Recognized Research Centres” of IGNOU. Under this concept a Committee with subject experts from the University/outside the University shall be identified for assessing the infrastructure of the institute. Specific formats and guidelines have been designed for applicant institution as well as for the committee to recommend its recommendations. The committee’s report alongwith its recommendations shall be placed before RC/RCSC. On approval from the RC/RCSC a notification shall be issued to the applicant institution recognizing the institute/centre as a Recognized Research Centre of IGNOU. A few institutes under this concept have already been recognized.
- With the approval of the Hon’ble Vice Chancellor, the following guidelines for fee sharing and related matters between RRC and IGNOU were issued to RRCs. The are:
1. Each RRC shall prepare a basic brochure/hand-out on Research Degree Programmes (M.Phil/P.hD) following the guidelines of the University. Every RRC shall utilize IGNOU Prospectus & Application form for M.Phil/ Ph.D Programmes in developing their own Hand-outs.

2. **The fee sharing between Recognized Research Centre (RRC) and IGNOU shall be 70% and 30%. A standard minimum registration fee sharing formula is in practice in the University approved by the BOM (i.e., 30:70 between IGNOU and Partner Institute). The fee shall be calculated per student basis year-wise which includes re-registration. Re-registration of registered candidates is the responsibility of the RRC.**
3. In case of students who buy Prospectus & Application form printed by IGNOU shall be permitted to submit filled-in application to the RRC directly. Such candidates need not send any Demand Draft (for Rs.750/-) as they have already paid Rs.750/- towards cost of printed Prospectus & Application form bought from IGNOU Head Quarter or Regional Centres of the University.
4. RRC shall send the share of IGNOU (30% fee plus cost of the prospectus Rs.750/- if the soft copy is used by the candidate) to the Research Unit of the University. The fee shall be sent in the form a Demand Draft drawn, in favour of IGNOU, payable at New Delhi. The fee and cost of prospectus of soft copy shall be sent to IGNOU with in the 45 days from the date of depositing Demand Drafts of selected candidates in RRC's accounts.
5. Candidates shall submit filled-in application forms along with the Demand Draft at the Recognized Research Centre (RRC). Each RRC shall open a separate savings account in a bank, preferably a Nationalized Bank. Accounts of this nature shall be subject to Audit as per University rules.
6. The Research Unit shall issue Admission Offers to all selected candidates of RRCs based on the recommendations of the Research Council of the University. Confirmation of Registration shall be done by the Research Unit based on the RRC's recommends that a particular student has submitted programme fee, qualifying certificates (photo copies), etc.
7. RRC shall follow rules and regulations in conducting Research Degree Programmes of the University.

The fee sharing of IGNOU varies from 30% to 70% depending upon roles being performed by the University in the design, development and implementation of academic programmes.

RCSC 8.11.2

The RCSC considered and noted the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor regarding the guidelines issued on fee sharing between RRC and IGNOU.

ITEM NO. 12

To consider and note the guidelines for conduct of Entrance Test (ET) and Term-end-Examination (TEE) for M.Phil/Ph.D Programmes.

RCSC 8.12.1

It is submitted that the Research Unit of the University has placed a detailed proposal for conduct of Entrance Test as well as Term-end-Examination for

Research Degree Programmes (i.e. pre-exam, during exam and post-exam preparations) (**Annexure 8.12.1**). Detailed deliberations were held on conduct of Entrance Test as well as Term-end-Examinations.

- RCSC 8.12.2 The guidelines proposed by the Research Unit were approved by the Vice-Chancellor and the same were notified by the Research Unit of the University.
- RCSC 8.12.3 The RCSC considered and noted the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor regarding guidelines issued for conducting Entrance Test and Term-end-Examination for M.Phil/Ph.D programmes.
- ITEM NO. 13 To consider and approve registration for Ph.D in Sociology (SOSS) for July 2010 (Category B).**
- RCSC 8.13.1 It is submitted that the Doctoral Committee of the Discipline of Sociology has recommended 4 candidates for Ph.D in Sociology and the same was approved by the Standing Committee of the School Board as well as by the School Board held in April, 2010 (**Annexure 8.13.1**). Names of candidates are:
1. Ms, Jyoti Raghavan
 2. Mr. Surinder Singh
 3. Ms. Mamta Srivas
 4. Mr. Karnail Singh
- RCSC 8.13.2. The RCSC considered and approved all above proposals for Ph.D registration in the Discipline of Sociology for July 2010.
- ITEM No.14 To consider and approve the panel of two research supervisors for Ph.D in French (SOFL).**
- RCSC 8.14.1 It is submitted that the School of Foreign Languages (SOFL) recommended names of 2 Research Supervisors for guiding research students for Ph.D Programme in French. These names (mentioned below) were approved by the School Board held on 09.07.2010.
1. Dr. S.K. Mishra, Reader (Director I/c), SOFL, IGNOU
 2. Dr. Gulab Jha, Reader, Gauhati University, Guwahati
- RCSC 8.14.2 The RCSC is considered and approved the above two names as research supervisors for guiding research students in French.
- ITEM NO. 15 To consider and approve the Course Work for Ph.D in French (SOFL) for ‘Category B’ candidates.**
- RCSC 8.15.1 It is submitted that the Ph.D Discipline in French has submitted Course Work for Ph.D in French approved by the 4th School Board of SOFL. The Course codes, course titles recommended by the Expert Committee approved by the School Board are enclosed (**Annexure 8.15.1**).
- RCSC 8.15.2 The RCSC considered and approved the Course Work proposed for Ph.D in French.
- ITEM NO. 16 To consider and approve relaxation of 5 years teaching experience condition for becoming Research Supervisor for Ph.D in Arabic (SOFL).**

RCSC 8.16.1 It is submitted that Mr. Tauquir Alam, RTA, has registered for Ph.D in Arabic under the supervision of Prof. M. Aslam Islahi (external guide), Centre for Arabic & African Studies, JNU, New Delhi. The faculty of SOL recommended Dr. Md. Saleem as an internal Research Supervisor to Mr. Tauquir Alam (RTA) who is an Assistant Professor at SOFL, who is yet to complete 5 years of teaching based on the recommendations of guide. 4th School Board of SOFL held on 9th July, 2010.

RCSC 8.16.2 Detailed deliberations were held taking into consideration the regulations and eligibility criteria for guiding research students. In view of shortage of faculty and demand from the School that there should be an internal guide, members recommended Dr. Md. Saleem name could be considered as an internal research supervisor to Mr. Tauquir Alam, RTA as a 'Special Case'.

RCSC 8.16.3 The RCSC considered and approved relaxation of 5 years teaching experience condition as a special case in view of the reasons proposed by the School.

ITEM NO. 17 To consider and approve Progress Report of Mr. Anand Gupta for Ph.D in Law (SOL).

RCSC 8.17.1 It is submitted that Mr. Anand Gupta has submitted his 6 monthly Progress Report duly approved by his guide Prof. Srikrishna Deva Rao and approved by the School Board held on 21st April, 2010.

RCSC 8.17.2 It is observed in the minutes of the School Board that Mr. Ananad Gupta himself was a member of the School Board in which his Progress Report was approved. The members expressed that Mr. Anand Gupta cannot be a party in approving Progress Report of himself. Members felt that the Director of the School needs to send his comments for placing before the Chairman of the RCSC for further action. The members of the RCSC authorized the Chairman of the RCSC to take an appropriate decision and the decision to be taken by the Chairman shall be reported to the forthcoming RC/RCSC meeting for ratification.

RCSC 8.17.3 The RCSC considered and approved the suggestions of the members of RCSC authorizing the Chairman to take an appropriate decision in this matter.

ITEM NO. 18 To consider and approve research proposal for Ph.D registration in Law (SOL) for July 2010 (Category B).

RCSC 8.18.1 It is submitted that the Doctoral Committee of Law recommended proposal of Ms. Sophy K.J. (RTA), for registration for Ph.D in Law and the same was approved by the 9th School Board are furnished below:

Sl.No	Name of the candidate (if RTA Specify)	Discipline/School/ Centre	Names of Research Supervisor (s)	Number of M.Phil/Ph.D candidate taken	Category A or B (specify)	Date of approval of School Board
		Topic for M.Phil/Ph.D	(Briefs of each external research	Till the present allotment	with 5 years exp. If any)	

		(Briefs in 200 words to be enclosed)	supervisor to be enclosed)	allotment			
1.	Ms. Sophy K.J. (RTA)	School of Law "Farmers' Rights under Protection of Plant Varieties and Farmers' Rights (PPV & FR) Act, 2001: Issues and Concerns".	Prof. Srikrishna Deva Rao	1	1	RTA	3-5-2010

RCSC 8.18.2 The RCSC considered and approved research proposal of Ms. Sophy K.J. for Ph.D registration in Law for July 2010.

ITEM NO. 19 To consider and ratify activation of Ph.D programme in Corporate Management and Allied Areas (CCETC) for January 2011 cycle.

RCSC 8.19.1 It is submitted that the 7th RCSC considered and approved in principle activation in Ph.D programme in Corporate Management and Allied Areas in the Centre for Corporate Education Training and Consultancy (CCETC) subject to fulfilling the procedures of the University.

RCSC 8.19.2 The CCETC had placed a detailed proposal before its "Centre Management Committee" (CMC) of the CCETC held on 29th July, 2010 and the same was approved. The eligibility criteria, names of research supervisors and related details pertaining to Ph.D in Corporate Management and Allied Areas approved by the CMC (CCETS) are enclosed (**Annexure 8.19.1**).

RCSC 8.19.3 Detailed deliberations were held regarding status of the CCETC with regard to offering of Research Programmes vis-à-vis Ordinances on Research programmes of the University. The members of the RCSC recommended that CCETC may be given the status of a "Recognised Research Centre".

RCSC 8.19.4 The RCSC considered and approved CCETC as a Recognised Research Centre of IGNOU.

ITEM NO. 20 To consider and ratify registration of candidates for Ph.D in Management (SOMS) for July, 2010 (Category B).

RCSC 8.20.1 It is submitted that the research discipline of management recommended 13 candidates for Ph.D in Management (SOMS). These candidates were recommended based on the Doctoral Committees held on different dates for different disciplines as given below:

General Management – 26.04.2010 and 11.05.2010
Marketing Management – 23.04.2010 and 07.05.2010
Operations Management – 27.04.2010 and 12.05.2010
Financial Management – 21.04.2010 and 07.05.2010
Human Resource Management – 22.04.2010

The list of recommended candidates by Doctoral Committees are enclosed (**Annexure 8.20.1**).

RCSC 8.20.2	The Ph.D disciplines in Management conducted presentations before the Doctoral Committees of respective disciplines for those students who had submitted filled in applications in the year 2008 and 2009. In view of the delay in processing of Ph.D applications by the discipline of Management, large number of students' queries were pouring in. It was therefore, the Research Unit (based on the recommendations of the School) had taken approval of the Vice-Chancellor for offering provisional registration for all 13 candidates. The Research Unit had issued admission offers accordingly.
RCSC 8.20.4	Detailed deliberations were held as why such delay had happened in processing applications. It was felt by the members that the discipline should not have delayed in processing of applications with a view to promote research in the discipline where there is a huge demand in the corporate as well as other sectors for research programmes in the management. The RCSC expressed serious concern on this and advised Schools/Centres/Institutes/others involved in research programmes should avoid delays.
RCSC 8.20.5	The RCSC considered and ratified the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor for registration of candidates for Ph.D in Management for July, 2010 for Category 'A' with the suggestions suggested above.
ITEM NO. 21	To consider and approve the Little Flower Medical Research Centre for conducting Research Programmes under the Recognised Research Centre of IGNOU.
RCSC 8.21.1	It is submitted that the recommendations of the School Board regarding research supervisors' viz., Dr. N.J. Antony and Dr. J.K. Mukkadan as research supervisors in Physiology were approved.
RCSC 8.21.2	The Chairperson of the Committee recommended Little Flower Medical Research Centre (LFMRC) for conducting Research Degree Programmes in Physiology as the Chairperson feels that the Medical Faculty of the School of Health Sciences, IGNOU already accepted the facilities available with the institute for conducting research in Physiology. The Medical Faculty also mentioned in their observations that the LFMRC was a Recognized Research Centre of Mahatma Gandhi University for Ph.D programme in Physiology.
RCSC 8.21.3	After detailed deliberations, members of the RCSC felt that the recommendations recommending the LFMRC for a Recognised Research Centre was based on Medical Faculty's (SOHS) recommendations. However, members of the RCSC felt that a visit to applicant institution (LFMRC) is mandatory for assessing infrastructure and ability to conduct research at the institute.
RCSC 8.21.4	The RCSC considered and approved the names of research supervisors proposed for Physiology for guiding research students. It has also approved the suggestions of the members of the RCSC that the committee must visit the institute for assessment of infrastructure and ability to conduct research at the institute in Physiology.

ITEM NO. 22	To consider and approve the Progress Report of Ms. D.G.S.K. Doluweera in Distance Education (STRIDE).
RCSC 8.22.1	It is submitted that Ms. D.G.S.K. Doluweera, a candidate registered for Ph.D in Distance Education (STRIDE) submitted his Progress Report to her supervisor. The research supervisor expressed his satisfaction over the progress made by the candidate.
RCSC 8.22.2	The RCSC considered and approved the Progress Report of Ms. D.G.S.K. Doluweera for Ph.D in Distance Education.
ITEM NO. 23	To Consider and approve admission of 4 candidates to Ph.D Programme in French (SOFL) for July 2010 cycle (Category A & B).
RCSC 8.23.1	It is submitted that the 4 proposals have been recommended by the Doctoral Committee for French on 15 th July, 2010 and the same was approved by the School Board on August 11 th , 2010. List of candidates, Ph.D topics, names of research supervisors etc. are enclosed (Annexure 8.23.1). Names of candidates are given below: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Sh. Dhritabrata Bhattacharjya 2. Sh. Jatinder Singh 3. Sh. Sriniket Kumar Mishra 4. Ms. Nayan Moni Nath
RCSC 8.23.2	The RCSC considered and approved provisional registration for Ph.D in French for the above candidates for July, 2010 cycle for Category A and B as proposed in agenda note.
ITEM NO. 24	To consider and approve research proposals for Ph.D in Nursing (SOHS) (Category B) for July, 2010.
RCSC 8.24.1	It is submitted that the 3 candidates were recommended by the Doctoral Committee of Nursing for Ph.D in Nursing and the same was approved by the 42 nd School Board held on August, 2010. Details pertaining to names of candidates, Ph.D topics, names of research supervisors and related matters are enclosed (Annexure 8.24.1). Names of candidates are given below. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mr. Pawan Kumar Sharma 2. Ms. S. Punitha Jose Phine 3. Ms. Binu Mathew
RCSC 8.24.2	The RCSC considered and approved provisional registration for Ph.D in Nursing for July 2010 cycle as proposed in the agenda note.
ITEM NO. 25	To consider and ratify the action taken by the Vice-chancellor in cancellation of Provisional Registration to Ph.D programme in Extension Education and Offer of admission to Ph.D in Management.
RCSC 8.25.1	It is submitted that Mr. Anand Khati has been registered for Ph.D in Extension Education with Registration No. 100165552 for July 2010. However, he has also been offered admission to Ph.D in Management as he had applied for Ph.D

in Management well before he applied for Ph.D in Extension Education. Based on Mr. Anand Khati's request, his case has been placed before the Vice-Chancellor for cancellation of registration for Ph.D in Extension Education recommending his request for registration for Ph.D in Management as he cannot pursue two Ph.D registrations simultaneously as per University rules. Mr. Anand S. Khati has already paid registration fee for Ph.D in Extension Education and was allotted a registration number. As per University rules fee cannot be refunded once registration is done in any programme of the University.

RCSC 8.25.2 His request for cancellation of provisional registration in Extension Education recommending provisional registration for Ph.D in Management has been approved by the Vice-Chancellor on 22.07.2010. Accordingly, he was issued a letter cancelling his first registration for Ph.D in Extension Education and also issued provisional registration for Ph.D in Management.

RCSC 8.25.3 The RCSC considered and ratified the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in cancellation of Provisional Registration to Ph.D programme in Extension Education and Offer of admission to Ph.D in Management for July 2010 to Mr. Anand Khati.

ITEM NO. 26 To consider and approve the Gujarat Institute of Development Research (GIDR), Ahmadabad as a Recognised Research Centre of IGNOU for conducting Research programmes in the Development Studies in Social Sciences.

RCSC 8.26.1 It is submitted that a committee constituted by the Vice-Chancellor visited the Gujarat Institute of Development Research (GIDR) for assessing the availability of infrastructure, faculty/research supervisors, ability of conduct research resources etc. The committee constitutes Prof. S.S. Hasan, SOS and Prof. G.Pradhan, SOSS visited the institute on 13th August, 2010 and submitted a detailed report recommending the institute for a Recognised Research Centre for conducting Research Degree Programmes in the field of Development Studies in Social Sciences (Development Economics, Sociology and Environmental Economics, Trade and Global Economics and Econometrics).

RCSC 8.26.2 Detailed deliberations were held among the members regarding GIDR institute and its current status and ability to conduct research programmes in Development Studies in Social Sciences. Members have appreciated the institute's contributions towards Research in Social Sciences.

RCSC 8.26.3 The RCSC considered and approved GIDR as a Recognised Research Centre of IGNOU.

ITEM NO. 27 To consider and approve the proposal for offering Ph.D with Integrated Mode in Translation Studies (SOTST) as well as names of Research Supervisors.

RCSC 8.27.1 It is submitted that the School of Translation Studies (SOTST) has submitted a proposal for offering Ph.D programmes in Translation Studies for Category A and B (**Annexure 8.27.1**). The School intends to offer research programmes

w.e.f. January 2011 cycle.

- RCSC 8.27.2 The School has also submitted names of 3 faculties as research supervisors' viz., 1. Dr. Deo Shankar Navin, SOTST, Reader (Associate Professor), IGNOU 2. Dr. Jagdish Sharma, SOTST, Reader (Associate Professor), IGNOU 3. Dr. Rajendra Prasad Pandey, SOTST, Reader (Associate Professor), IGNOU.
- The proposal of offering Ph.D programmes with Integrated Mode as well as names of the above 3 research supervisors was approved by the School Board on 30th July, 2010.
- RCSC 8.27.3 The RCSC considered and approved **a)** offering of Research programmes with Integrated Mode for Category 'A' and 'B' and **b)** names of research supervisors for Ph.D in Translation Studies.
- ITEM No. 28 To consider and approve registration of 3 candidates for Ph.D programme in Extension and Development Studies (SOEDS) for July, 2010 cycle (Category B).**
- RCSC 8.28.1 It is submitted that the 3 candidates have been recommended by the Doctoral Committee of Extension and Development Studies held on 16th July, 2010 and the same was approved by the School Board held on 26th July, 2010. However, one candidate Ms. Renuka Pattanaik had requested for her admission for January 2011 cycle. Details of candidates' viz., names of candidates, Ph.D topics, names of the research supervisors are enclosed (**Annexure 8.28.1**). Names of candidates are given below:
1. Mr. Nawal K. Srivastava
 2. Mr. M. Ravi Kumar
 3. Ms. Renuka Pattanaik – **January 2011 cycle**
- RCSC 8.28.2 The RCSC considered and approved Mr. Nawal K. Srivastava and Mr. M. Ravi Kumar for Ph.D registration for July 2010 cycle and Ms. Renuka Pattanaik for January 2011 cycle.
- ITEM No. 29 To consider and approve Progress Report of Ms. Rubina Nusrat, RTA for Ph.D in Extension and Development Studies (SOEDS).**
- RCSC 8.29.1 It is submitted that Ms. Rubina Nusrat, RTA, has submitted Progress Report to her supervisors' Prof. B.K. Pattanaik and Dr. N.A. Farooquee (SOEDS). The research supervisors reviewed her Progress and expressed satisfaction over her progress.
- RCSC 8.29.2 The RCSC considered and approved Progress Report of Ms. Rubina Nusrat (RTA) in Extension and Development Studies (SOEDS).
- ITEM No. 30 To consider and approve Seminar presentation of work in progress by Ph.D candidates in Commerce, SOMS.**

RCSC 8.30.1	<p>It is submitted that the 5 candidates have presented their work in progress in a Seminar conducted by the discipline of Commerce (SOMS) before the Doctoral Committee conducted by the discipline of Commerce (SOMS). Names of candidates are given below:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ms. Kavitha Rangathan 2. Mr. Venkatesh C.K. 3. Mr. B.K. Sathyanarayana 4. Mr. Libision K.B. 5. Mr. Sony Kuriakose 										
RCSC 8.30.2	<p>After detailed deliberations, Members of the RC felt that the matters like Seminar presentations is an internal matter of the discipline and such matters need not be reported to RCSC/RC. However, members suggested that the matters pertaining to such presentations may be shown in the Progress Reports of candidates to be placed before the RC/RCSC.</p>										
RCSC 8.30.3	<p>The RCSC considered and noted the matter with the suggestions made by members.</p>										
ITEM No. 31	<p>To report the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor for giving one-time opportunity for RTAs to register for M.Phil with Integrated Mode (Ph.D).</p>										
RCSC 8.31.1	<p>The RCSC considered and approved the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor for giving one-time opportunity for 7 RTAs to register for M.Phil with Integrated Mode as proposed in the agenda note. Names of the Candidates approved are given below:</p> <table> <tr> <td>1) Ms Rafat Aara, Social Work, SOSW</td><td>5) Ms Kanika Singh, History, SOSS</td></tr> <tr> <td>2) Ms Iti Vyas, Economics, SOSS</td><td>6) Ms Seema Chelhat, Economics, SOSS</td></tr> <tr> <td>3) Ms Sabha Fatima, Economics, SOSS</td><td>7) Ms Akansha Shukla, Sanskrit, SOH</td></tr> <tr> <td>4) Mr Lal Khawangaiha, Rural Development,</td><td></td></tr> </table>	1) Ms Rafat Aara, Social Work, SOSW	5) Ms Kanika Singh, History, SOSS	2) Ms Iti Vyas, Economics, SOSS	6) Ms Seema Chelhat, Economics, SOSS	3) Ms Sabha Fatima, Economics, SOSS	7) Ms Akansha Shukla, Sanskrit, SOH	4) Mr Lal Khawangaiha, Rural Development,			
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4) Mr Lal Khawangaiha, Rural Development,											
ITEM No. 32	<p>To consider and approve proposal for Ph.D registration in Tourism and Hospitality Services (SOTHSM) (Category B).</p>										
RCSC 8.32.1	<p>It is submitted that the 9 proposals recommended by the Doctoral Committee of Tourism and Hospitality Services for Ph.D registration was approved by the School Board on 3rd August, 2010. Details of 9 candidates viz., names of candidates, Ph.D topics, and names of the research supervisors are enclosed. (Annexure 8.32.1). Names of the candidates are given below:</p> <table> <tr> <td>1. Mr. Amitabh Telang</td><td>6. Mr. Gagan Pratap Singh</td></tr> <tr> <td>2. Ms. Anupama S Katour</td><td>7. Mr. Deepanshu</td></tr> <tr> <td>3. Mr. Bhupesh Kumar</td><td>8. Mr. Chiranjib Kumar</td></tr> <tr> <td>4. Mr. Narendra Kumar</td><td>9. Ms. Seema Paul</td></tr> <tr> <td>5. Mr. Babu Joseph</td><td></td></tr> </table>	1. Mr. Amitabh Telang	6. Mr. Gagan Pratap Singh	2. Ms. Anupama S Katour	7. Mr. Deepanshu	3. Mr. Bhupesh Kumar	8. Mr. Chiranjib Kumar	4. Mr. Narendra Kumar	9. Ms. Seema Paul	5. Mr. Babu Joseph	
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5. Mr. Babu Joseph											
RCSC 8.32.2	<p>The RCSC considered and approved proposals of 9 candidates for Ph.D registration in Tourism and Hospitality Services for July 2010.</p>										
ITEM No. 33	<p>To consider and approve the Progress Reports of Ph.D candidates in Tourism and Hospitality Services (SOTHSM).</p>										

RCSC 8.33.1	<p>It is submitted that 8 Ph.D. candidates in Tourism and Hospitality Services submitted their Progress Reports. The supervisors expressed their satisfaction on the Progress made by candidates. These Progress Reports were placed before the Doctoral Committee held on 15th May and 2nd August, 2010 and the same was approved by the School Board of SOTHSM on 3rd August, 2010. Names of the candidates are given below:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ms. Kanchan Kalia 2. Archana P. Vyas 3. Vikram Singh (RTA) 4. Jyotsna Mishra (RTA) 5. Neha Tandon (RTA) 6. Irengbam Rubita (RTA) 7. Semanta Deka (RTA) 8. Nim Tshering Lepcha
RCSC 8.33.2	The RCSC considered and approved Progress Reports of Ph.D candidates for Tourism and Hospitality Services as placed in the agenda note.
ITEM No. 34	To consider and approve the change of research supervisor for Ph.D in Tourism and Hospitality Services (SOTHSM).
RCSC 8.34.1	It is submitted that the SOTHSM proposed change of supervisor to Mr. Jigme Wanchuk Bhutia, recommended by the Doctoral Committee as well as School Board on August, 2010.
RCSC 8.34.2	Detailed deliberations were held regarding proposed supervisor (Dr. Sudhanshu Shekhar Mahapatra) based on the CV placed before the RCSC. Members of the RCSC felt that CV supplied by the School was not adequate as the School provided only a 'qualifying certificate'. Members expressed that the School should submit a detailed CV as well as a brief (as approved by the 7 th RCSC) to the Research Unit.
RCSC 8.34.3	The members also expressed that the discipline of the School should clearly specify as why there was a need for change of Supervisor. Members also expressed that reasons for such change of supervisorship should be placed before the RC/RCSC only after fulfilling necessary formalities by the School/Centre/Institute through Doctoral Committees and School Boards for placing before the RC/RCSC. The members authorized the chairperson of the RCSC to take an appropriate decision based on the information to be submitted by the SOTHSM to the Research Unit. Members also expressed that these matters shall be applicable across all research disciplines.
RCSC 8.34.4	The RCSC considered and approved suggestions given by the members with regard to change of research supervisor and procedure to be followed in changing research supervisors for placing before the RC/RCSC.
ITEM No. 35	To consider and approve non-requirement of Course work for Mr. Semanta Kumar Deka, RTA in Guwahati (SOTHSM).

- RCSC 8.35.1 It is submitted that the Mr. Semanta Kumar Deka, RTA already completed his M.Phil before joining as a RTA of IGNOU. As per the guidelines, a candidate with M.Phil is not required to undertake any Course Work. Doctoral Committee held on 15th May, 2010 approved the non-requirement of Course work for Mr. Semanta Kumar Deka, RTA. The same was approved by the School Board in its 6th meeting held on 3rd August, 2010.
- RCSC 8.35.2 After deliberations, members of the RCSC asked the Research Unit to obtain the following from the School:
- (i) Whether RTA obtained M.Phil Degree prior to his joining as RTA in the School or after he joined as RTA in the School as this information is required to decide to assign or not to assign Course Work to Mr. Semanta Kumar Deka. Members also authorized the Chairperson of the RCSC to take an appropriate decision on placing necessary information before him.
- RCSC 8.35.3 The RCSC considered and approved the suggestions given by the members of the RCSC.
- ITEM No. 36 To consider and approve proposal for Ph.D registration in Nutritional Sciences (SOCE) for July 2010 (Category B).**
- RCSC 8.36.1 It is submitted that the Doctoral Committee for Nutritional Sciences recommended Ms. Jyoti Sachan and the same was approved by the School Board through the circulation of the minutes through e-mail. Name of the candidate, research topic, names of research supervisor and related details are enclosed (**Annexure 8.36.1**).
- RCSC 8.36.2 The RCSC considered and approved proposal of Ms. Jyoti Sachan for Ph.D registration in Nutritional Sciences (SOCE) for July 2010.
- ITEM No. 37 To ratify the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor for approving of admission of candidates for M.Phil/Ph.D programmes in Economics for July 2010.**
- RCSC 8.37.1 It is submitted that an Entrance Test for M.Phil/Ph.D was conducted followed by an interview on 23rd July 2010 for selecting candidates for admission to M.Phil/Ph.D programmes in Economics. 29 candidates appeared in the written test. 8 candidates who already qualified NET/JRF by UGC or GATE were exempted from the Entrance Test and their selection was made only on the basis of interview. On the basis of the Entrance Test and interview, the following candidates were selected for admission to M.Phil/Ph.D. They are:
- (A) M.Phil programme in Economics**
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| (1) Priti Agarwal | - NET qualified |
| (2) Mandeep Kumar | - NET qualified |
| (3) Naresh Kumar | - NET qualified |
| (4) Sangita Kumari | - NET qualified |

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| (5) | Annu | - | qualified the entrance test |
| (6) | Samahita Phul | - | qualified the entrance test |
| (7) | Love Gogia | - | qualified the entrance test |
| (8) | Hareram Sinha | - | qualified the entrance test |
| (9) | Daljit Kaur Saini | - | qualified the entrance test |
| (10) | Anita Kumari | - | qualified the entrance test |
| (11) | Vani Kapoor | - | qualified the entrance test |

(B) Ph.D programme in Economics (Category B)

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| (1) | Renuka Jain Gupta | - | GATE qualified |
| (2) | Kavita Pandey | - | GATE & JRF qualified |
| (3) | Ram Jeet | - | NET qualified |
| (4) | Vandana Sethi | - | NET qualified |
| (5) | Gitanjali Kapoor | - | entrance test qualified |
| (6) | Aman Pal | - | entrance test qualified |

Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor approved provisional admission for the above candidates for M.Phil/Ph.D as recommended by the Economics Discipline through the Director of the School.

RCSC 8.37.2 Members expressed that the minutes of the RCSC be placed before the School Board for ratification with a view fulfill the procedures of the University.

RCSC 8.37.3 The RCSC considered and ratified the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor for approving of admission of candidates for M.Phil/Ph.D programme in Economics for July 2010 with suggestions given by the members of the RCSC.

ITEM No. 38 To consider and approve the research proposals for registration for M.Phil/Ph.D in Economics (SOSS) for July 2010 (Category 'A' & 'B').

RCSC 8.38.1 It is submitted that the Research Proposals submitted by Ms. Renuka Jain Gupta and Ms. Vandana Sethi were considered and approved by the Doctoral Committee in its meeting held on 6th August 2010 and were subsequently approved by the Standing Committee of the School Board in its meeting held on 13th August 2010. The Research Proposals submitted by the candidates whose names have been noted were considered and approved by the Doctoral Committee in its meeting held on 26th August 2010 and were subsequently approved by the Standing Committee of the School Board in its meeting held on 30th August 2010. Details pertaining to names of candidates, Ph.D topics, names of research supervisors and related matters are enclosed (**Annexure 8.38.1**). The list of 10 candidates recommended (Category 'A' & 'B') for Ph.D in Economics are placed below:

1. Ms. Renuka Jain Gupta
2. Ms. Vandana Sethi
3. Sanjukta Sarkar
4. Neelam Garg
5. Vijeta Banwari

6. Nizami Nausheen Khizerahmed
7. Nidhi Tewathia
8. Gurpreet Kaur
9. Seema Chelat
10. Ritu Kataria

RCSC 8.38.2 The RCSC considered and approved above research proposals for registration for M.Phil/Ph.D in Economics for July 2010.

ITEM No. 39 To consider and approve Progress Reports of Ph.D candidates in Economics (SOSS).

RCSC 8.39.1 It is submitted that the 15 Ph.D candidates in Economics (SOSS) have submitted Progress Reports to the respective supervisors of the disciplines in a proper format along with recommendations of the supervisors and briefs on progress made by the candidates and the same were reviewed. Supervisors expressed their satisfaction on the progress made by the candidates. Names of candidates are given below:

1. Suman Devi
2. Sahba Fatima
3. Swetalina Das
4. Manisha Kul-shrestha
5. Iti Vyas
6. S. Aruna Devi
7. Shruti Sarma
8. N.Krishanswamy
9. Krishan Kumar Sharma
10. A.Balu
11. Pragya Shankar
12. Ramesh Chandra Sharma
13. Moumita Bagchi
14. Sanjay Kumar
15. Parshotam Das Aggarwal

RCSC 8.39.2 The RCSC considered and approved the Progress Reports of the above.

ITEM No. 40 To consider and approve registration of candidates for Ph.D in History (SOSS) (Category A) for July 2010 cycle.

RCSC 8.40.1 It is submitted that 4 candidates were selected in a Doctoral Committee meeting on the basis of the presentation of their research proposals and interview held on 4th August, 2010. The proposals were approved at the 10th meeting of the Standing Committee subsequently by the 50th meeting of the School Board of School of Social Sciences held on 18th August, 2010. The summarized statement presenting details of candidates, topics for Ph.D, names of Research Supervisors and abstracts of Ph.D proposals are enclosed (**Annexure 8.40.1**). Names of candidates are given below:

1. Ms. Swati Sengupta
2. Ms. Renu Baliyan
3. Mr. Muhammad Ismail
4. Ms. G. Vijayalakshmi

RCSC 8.40.2 The RCSC considered and approved registration of candidates for Ph.D in History for July 2010 cycle.

ITEM No. 41**To consider and approve Progress Reports of Ph.D candidates in History (SOSS) (RTAs & others).**

RCSC 8.41.1

It is submitted that the 23 Ph.D candidates in History (SOSS) have submitted Progress Reports to the respective supervisors of the disciplines in a proper format along with recommendations of the supervisors and briefs on progress made by the candidates. Supervisors expressed their satisfaction on the progress made by the candidates. The list of 23 candidates for Ph.D in History are placed below:

1.	Rsman Kumar Soni	13.	Syed Damsaz Ali
2.	Avijit Chakravarti	14.	Rachna Grover
3.	Apam Muivah	15.	Bindu Sahni
4.	Kanika Singh (RTA)	16.	Alok Bajpai
5.	Samson Kamson (RTA)	17.	Satish Kumar Singh
6.	Brijesh Kumar	18.	Hemlata Yadav
7.	Sanjay Kumar	19.	Sumit
8.	Sanghamitra Rai Verma	20.	P. Kannappan (Unsatisfactory progress)
9.	Nisar Kizhakkayil	21.	Milisa Srivastava
10.	Rupali Gupta (Unsatisfactory progress)	22.	Charles Rayapati, RTA (Unsatisfactory progress)
11.	Birbal	23.	Neeta
12.	R. Sathis Kumar		Singhal(Unsatisfactory progress)

RCSC 8.41.2

The RCSC considered and approved the Progress Reports (**except Sl. Nos. 10, 20, 22 and 23**) of the above.

ITEM No. 42**To Consider and approve admission of 4 candidates to Ph.D Programme in Agriculture Extension (SOA) (Category B).**

RCSC 8.42.1

It is submitted that the School of Agriculture received a total 12 applications for admission to Ph.D in Agriculture Extension. An Entrance Test for admission was conducted on 1st August, 2010. Out of the 12 candidates only 11 candidates appeared in the Examination. A total of 6 out of 11 candidates qualified the Entrance Test examination. The qualified candidates were called for presentation of their research synopsis before the Doctoral Committee. The Doctoral Committee meeting was held on 12.08.2010. Committee recommended the following candidates for admission to Ph.D programme for July 2010 session and the same was approved by the 16th School Board meeting dated 13th August, 2010, of the School:

1. Mr. Pankaj Kumar
2. Mr. Deepak Kumar
3. Mr. Prashant Shamrao Armorikar
4. Mr. Phani Bhusan Jamatia

All the selected candidates were asked to revise the synopsis and submit to the School by 25.8.2010. All the candidates have to undergo the Course Work of 32 credits.

Details of the 4 selected candidates viz., name of the candidate, Ph.D topic, name of the guide, etc. are enclosed (**Annexure 8.42.1**).

RCSC 8.42.2 The RCSC considered and approved all above proposals for Ph.D registration in the Discipline of Agriculture Extension for July 2010.

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ITEM NO. 43 To consider and approve provisional admission for Ph.D in Library and Information Sciences (SOSS) for July, 2010 cycle (Category B).

RCSC 8.43.1 It is submitted that Doctoral Committee of Library Sciences recommended 2 candidates for admission into Ph.D in Library Sciences under Category 'B'. The names of candidates are:

1. Mr. Abhishek Sharma and
2. Mr. Biswajit Sinha.

Doctoral Committee recommendations were approved by the Standing Committee of the School Board on 13.08.2010 as well as the School Board dated 18.08.2010.

RCSC 8.43.2 The matter was considered and approved provisional admission for Ph.D in Library Sciences for July 2010 cycle.

ITEM No. 44 To consider and approve Progress Reports of Ph.D. candidates in Library and Information Sciences (LIS), (SOSS).

RCSC 8.44.1 It is submitted that 6 candidates registered for Ph.D. in LIS submitted their Progress Reports to their respective guides. The reports were reviewed by the respective guides were approved by the Doctoral Committee of the Discipline of LIS of the School (SOSS) on 30.08.2010. The names of candidates are given below:

1. Mr. Shyam Sunder Rao
2. Mr. Nikhil Eyeroor
3. Ms. Yogita Sharma
4. Ms. Taruna Joshi
5. Mr. Jnanendra Narayan Singh
6. Ms. Soubam Sophirani

RCSC 8.44.2 The RCSC considered and approved the Progress Reports of the above as placed in the agenda note.

ITEM No. 45 To consider and approve proposal of Ms Surbhi Saini (RTA) for registration for Ph.D in Library and Information Sciences (SOSS).

- RCSC 8.45.1 It is submitted that the Ph.D proposal submitted by Ms. Surbhi Saini (RTA) was approved by the Doctoral Committee of Library Sciences on 09.08.2010. The proposal was approved by the Standing Committee of the School Board dated 30.08.2010 and School Board on 18.08.2010. Details are given below:
- Name of Candidate - Ms Surbhi Saini (RTA), Library Sciences, SOSS
 Topic of Ph.D - Public Library Legislation in Mizoram: An Evaluative Study
 Name of Supervisor - Dr P.K. Jayaswal
- RCSC 8.45.2 The RCSC considered and approved Ms. Surbhi Saini's (RTA) registration for Ph.D in Library Sciences for July 2010.
- ITEM No. 46 Recognition of Mount Carmel College (MCC), Bangalore as a Research Centre of IGNOU (RRC).**
- RCSC 8.46.1 It is submitted that a Committee was constituted to visit and assess the infrastructure facilities available and ability to conduct research programmes at the Mount Carmel College (MCC), Bangalore.
- The committee consists :
- (1) Prof. Sunaina Kumar, SOH, IGNOU
 - (2) Prof. Javed Farooqui, SOS, IGNOU
 - (3) Prof. Neera Kapoor, SOS, IGNOU, Convenor
- The Committee visited the Mount Carmel College, Bangalore on 19th July, 2010. Committee assessed the academic and physical facilities available with the institution and submitted a Report.
- RCSC 8.46.2 As per the proposal submitted by the College it is offering various programmes at Under Graduate, Post-Graduate and Post Graduate Diploma levels. The college enrolls around 6500 students every year in different disciplines. The college has a separate Centre for Scientific Research & Advanced Learners head by a Research Director.
- RCSC 8.46.3 According to the Committee's Report, the institute has:
- (i) 16 eligible research supervisors for various disciplines viz Zoology, Botany, Biotechnology, Electronics, Chemistry, Hindi and Sanskrit. The committee noted that qualified staff members will be able to guide students for M.Phil and Ph.D programmes in the respective departments.
 - (ii) adequate physical/ infrastructural facilities for accommodating 10-30 research students at a time. The Committee also noted that the minimal requirements for conducting research programmes are available by way of authentic books and journals and well-structured labs to initiate research.

The Committee recommended the following to acquire/establish at the college:

- separate and full time working space for research scholars.

- more space for science labs as the number of disciplines for offering research programme is increasing.
- acquire important foreign journals for reference.
- acquire renowned reference research volumes.

The Committee also recommended that initially 1-2 research scholars per faculty is desirable.

RCSC 8.46.4 Detailed deliberations were held by the members about the recognition of a Research Centre status to Mount Carmel College. Members felt that the College has required infrastructure, research supervisors and ability to conduct research.

RCSC 8.46.5 The RCSC considered and approved the Mount Carmel College (MCC), Bangalore as a Research Centre of IGNOU (RRC).

ITEM No. 47. To consider and approve Ph.D candidates for provisional admission in Social Work (SOSW).

RCSC 8.47.1 It is submitted that 6 students have been recommended by the Doctoral Committee of the Social Work for provisional admission for Ph.D in Social Work for July 2010. The details of candidates are placed below.

1. Kiirri Aniljoy
2. Athokpam Surchandra Singh
3. Kaushalendra Pratap Singh
4. Ghanshyam Dass
5. S. Vaidehi
6. GH Hassan Lone

Minutes of the Doctoral Committee were approved by the School Board on 3rd September, 2010. However, minutes of the School Board could not be placed in the RCSC as they were not ready by that time.

RCSC 8.47.2 After detailed deliberations, the members felt that provisional admission for the above candidates may be offered. However, members asked the Director, Research Unit to obtain minutes of the School Board (SOSW) and the same may be placed before the Chairperson of the RCSC for an appropriate decision.

RCSC 8.47.3 The RCSC considered and approved the suggestions given by the members as mentioned above.

ITEM No. 48. To consider and approve M.Phil candidates provisional admission in Social Work at the Rajagiri College of Social Sciences, Kochi at the SOSW, IGNOU.

RCSC 8.48.1 It is submitted that the Rajagiri College of Social Sciences, Kochi, Kerala is a Recognised Research Centre (RRC) of IGNOU. The College (RRC) will conduct research programmes at its premises located at Kochi under the School

of Social Work, IGNOU following the guidelines of the University.

It is submitted that a test and an interview for M.Phil in Social Work was held at Rajagiri College of Social Sciences, Kochi on July 17, 2010. The candidates also had interaction with the Doctoral Committee. Seven students have been selected for the July 2010 session. Names of the candidates are given below:

1. Ms. Prathibha Mathai
2. Marghese K.K.
3. Minimole V.U.
4. Sijo Scaria
5. Sreekumar T.L.
6. Thaha P. Haneef
7. Harishkumar V.G.

Minutes of the Doctoral Committee were approved by the School Board on 3rd September, 2010. However, minutes of the School Board could not be placed in the RCSC as they were not ready by that time.

RCSC 8.48.2 After detailed deliberations, the members felt that provisional admission for the above candidates may be offered. However, members asked the Director, Research Unit to obtain minutes of the School Board (SOSW) and the same may be placed before the Chairperson of the RCSC for an appropriate decision.

RCSC 8.48.3 The RCSC considered and approved the suggestions given by the members as mentioned above.

ITEM No. 49 To consider and approve change of guide of Ms Ranjita Christie Borgoary (Ph.D) in Social Work (SOSW).

RCSC 8.49.1 Ranjita Christie Borgoary (Enrolment No. 86450036) is under the supervision of Dr. Hemlatha, Head, Department of Social Work, Christ College, Bangalore. Since Ms Ranjita Christie Borgoary has shifted from Bangalore to Chennai along with her family, she has requested for change of Supervisor.

Dr. Sandra Joseph, Head, Department of Social Work, Stella Maris College, Chennai has agreed to supervise Ms. Ranjita for her integrated M.Phil/ Ph.D programme. The 6th School Board approved the proposal.

RCSC 8.49.2 The RCSC considered and approved change of Research Supervisor.

ITEM No. 50 To consider and approve unsatisfactory progress of Ph.D candidates in History (RTAs & others) (SOSS) under clause 3.6(ii) of the Ordinance of Research Degree Programmes.

RCSC 8.50.1 It is submitted that the research supervisors presented their unsatisfactory progress and recommended action on the following candidates:

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| 1. | Rupali Gupta (RTA) | Supervisor : | Prof. Ravindra Kumar |
| 2. | Charles Rayapati (RTA) | Supervisor : | Prof. Swaraj Basu |
| 3. | Neeta Singhal | Supervisor : | Prof. Abha Singh |

The unsatisfactory progress of the above candidates as forwarded by their respective Supervisors was considered in the Doctoral Committee meetings held on 22nd June, 2010 and 4th August, 2010. The unsatisfactory progress was placed for endorsement at the 9th and 10th meetings of the Standing Committee and were subsequently endorsed by the 50th meeting of the School Board of School of Social Sciences held on 18th August, 2010.

RCSC 8.50.2

Detailed deliberations were held regarding unsatisfactory progress expressed by the respective Research Supervisors of the above candidates. On verification of comments of Research Supervisors, it is noticed the following:

Sl. No.	Names of candidates	Comments given by the respective Research Supervisor
1.	Rupali Gupta (RTA) Supervisor : Prof. Ravindra Kumar	The candidate has not reported since Sept.2009. She has also not submitted the mandatory progress report since then. The Doctoral Committee recommends action against the candidate as per Clause 3.6 (ii) of the Ordinance on Research Degree Programmes.
2.	Charles Rayapati (RTA) Supervisor : Prof. Swaraj Basu	The candidate has not reported since June 2009. He has also not submitted the mandatory progress report since then. The Doctoral Committee recommends action against the candidate as per Clause 3.6 (ii) of the Ordinance on Research Degree Programmes.
3.	Neeta Singhal Supervisor : Prof. Abha Singh	The candidate has not reported since August 2007. She has also not submitted the mandatory progress report since then. The Doctoral Committee recommends action against the candidate as per Clause 3.6 (ii) of the Ordinance on Research Degree Programmes.
4.	P. Kannappan Supervisor : Prof. Kapil Kumar	It was reported by the Supervisor that the candidate had not contacted him since the date of his admission. The Doctoral Committee recommends action against the candidate as per Clause 3.6 (ii) of the Ordinance on Research Degree Programmes.

- RCSC 8.50.3 Members expressed serious concern on unsatisfactory progress reported by Research Supervisors and taken note of it. Members also expressed that this matter should be addressed appropriately by the respective research discipline.
- RCSC 8.50.4 The RCSC considered and noted the matter with the suggestions given by the members.
- ITEM No. 51.** **To consider and approve admission of students for Ph.D in Social Work for School of Social Work, IGNOU, New Delhi and Rajagiri College of Social Sciences, Kochi.**
- RCSC 8.51.1 It is submitted that the Doctoral Committee for Ph.D in Social of Work recommended research proposals for Ph.D registration in Social Work for School of Social Work, IGNOU as well as Rajagiri College of Social Sciences, Kochi. 8 candidates have been selected for July 2010 session namely, 6 for Rajagiri College of Social Sciences and 2 for School of Social Work, IGNOU, New Delhi. Names of recommended candidates, Ph.D topics and names of research supervisors are enclosed (**Annexure 8.51.1**). Names are placed below:
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| 1. I.V. Soman | 1, 2, 3 and 4 were approved by the 6 th School Board on 3 rd May, 2010 |
| 2. M.P. Antony | |
| 3. Piyali Ghosh Banerjee | |
| 4. Arti Mann | |
| 5. Archana T.S. | 5, 6, 7 and 8 were approved by the 7 th School Board on 3 rd September, 2010. Minutes of the School Board could not be placed as they were not ready by that time. |
| 6. Saju P.P. | |
| 7. Kochurani P.J. | |
| 8. Nycil Romis Thomas | |
- RCSC 8.51.2 After detailed deliberations, proposals recommended by the Doctoral Committee approved by the School Board held on 3rd May, 2010 recommended for provisional registration for Ph.D in Social Work. However, members of the RCSC asked the Director, Research Unit to obtain minutes of the 7th School Board held on 3rd September, 2010 to place it before the Chairman of the RCSC for an appropriate decision on Sl. Nos. 5, 6, 7 and 8.
- RCSC 8.51.3 The RCSC considered and approved recommendations of the members suggested above for Ph.D registration in Social Work for July 2010.
- ITEM No. 52** **To consider and approve optional courses for M.Phil/ Ph.D Programmes in Social Work.**
- RCSC 8.52.1 It is submitted that the research discipline of the Social Work proposed to offer eleven optional theory papers of four credits each. A candidate is expected to opt any five of these courses. Similarly, there are four practicals of six credits

each and one must choose any two. The total number of credits required for Course Work is 32 (theory 20 credits and practical 12 credits). The M.Phil/Ph.D programmes will be offered with Integrated Mode.

RCSC 8.52.2 Since School could not submit minutes of the School Board, members of the RCSC asked the Director, Research Unit to obtain minutes of the School Board so as to place before the Chairperson of the RCSC for an appropriate decision.

RCSC 8.52.3 The RCSC considered and approved suggestions given by the members as mentioned above.

ITEM No. 53 To consider and approve Progress Reports of RTAs associated with Life Sciences Discipline (SOS).

RCSC 8.53.1 It is submitted that 2 RTAs associated with Life Sciences (SOS) have submitted their Progress Reports to respective supervisors of the disciplines in a format along with recommendations of the supervisors and briefs on progress made by the candidates. Supervisors expressed their satisfaction on the progress made by candidates. Names of candidates are given below:

1. Ripu Daman Sood (RTA)
2. Anamika Tripathi (RTA)

RCSC 8.53.2 The RCSC considered and approved the Progress Reports of the above 2 RTAs associated with Life Sciences (SOS).

ITEM No. 54. To consider and approve registration for PhD in the Gender and Development Studies (SOGDS).

RCSC 8.54.1 It is submitted that Ms Pragya Dubey (RTA) was recommended for Ph.D proposal by the Doctoral Committee of the Gender and Development Studies on 27th Aug, 2010 and the same was approved by the School Board by circulation. Details pertaining to Ms Pragya Dubey, RTA for registration of Ph.D are below:

Name of the candidate (if RTA specify)		Ms Pragya Dubey (RTA)
Discipline/School/Centre (Topic for M.Phil/ Ph.D)		Gender and Development Studies (SOGDS) Mothering: Ideologies, Practices and the Development of Tribal Children
Names of Research Supervisors (Briefs of each external supervisor to be enclosed)		Dr. Nilima Srivastava
Number of M.Phil/Ph.D candidate	Till previous allotment	_____
	Present allotment	
Category 'A' or 'B'		Category 'B'
Course Work, if any, recommended for Category A		Yes, Course Work recommended
Date & approval of School Board		Approved through circulation in Aug, 2010
Remarks		Recommended for provisional registration under Category 'B' (Full time). The proposal should be revised focusing on the mothering aspect of the topic and submitted. In addition, course work

	equivalent to the first two semesters of MA in Gender and Development Studies [MA(GD)] would need to be completed prior to registration.
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RCSC 8.54.2 The RCSC considered and approved the Ms. Pragya Dubey (RTA) proposal for Ph.D registration in Gender and Development Studies (SOGDS).

ITEM No. 55 Discussion on preparation of Progress Reports by candidates and review of Progress Reports by Research Supervisors and Fundamental Research to be undertaken by RTAs in Social Sciences.

RCSC 8.55.1 Preparation of Progress Reports and review and assessment by Research supervisors were considered for discussion on the present Format of Progress Report for Research Candidates in the University with a view to make the researcher to provide qualitative information from the work he/ she has done. After a detailed discussion, Members felt that the existing format must include a five point scale instead of 'satisfactory/unsatisfactory' comments to be given by the supervisor.

1. Excellent.....
2. Very Good.....
3. Good.....
4. Average.....
5. Poor.....

Research Supervisor shall be asked to specify his/her comments on the progress of the Candidate against the scale to be given.

RCSC 8.55.2 It was also felt by the members that there is a lack of fundamental research in Social Sciences. Therefore, the Research Council members felt that fundamental research may be encouraged through the RTA Scheme of the University. Customarily the fundamental research will increase the scientific knowledge base of the research scholars with an emphasis on theoretical interpretation of the phenomenon.

RCSC 8.55.3 The RCSC considered and approved the suggestions given by the members of the RCSC with regard to review of Progress Reports by Research Supervisors and Fundamental Research to be undertaken by RTAs in Social Sciences.

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

(V.N.Rajasekharan Pillai)
Chairman