## 65TH MEETING OF ACADEMIC COUNCIL'S STANDING COMMITTEE - MINUTES 17th January 2025

**ITEM NO. 47:** To consider and approve the Proposal to discontinue Certificate in Tourism Studies (ODL) and Diploma in Tourism Studies (ODL) Programme - SOTHSM

ACSC 65.47.1: The Academic Council's Standing Committee was informed that the "Certificate in Tourism Studies" (CTS) and "Diploma in Tourism Studies" (DTS) are on offer since 1990s. The students, who have completed CTS and DTS could also take admission in "B.A. Tourism Studies" (BTS) for a graduate degree by asking for Credit Transfer. However, the School revised (BTS/BATS) programme as per NEP 2020 as "Bachelor of Tourism and Travel Management" (BTTM) from January 2025 academic session, wherein, students after completion of first year can exit with a Certificate and after 2 years can exit with a Diploma in Tourism Management. Hence, the Certificate and Diploma programmes of Tourism Studies offered at present would no longer be on offer in the present format.

In the light of the above, the proposal to discontinue CTS and DTS programmes (ODL) in the present format; and to be replaced with the "Certificate and Diploma" (Exit Policy) of FYUP "Bachelor of Tourism and Travel Management" (BTTM) programme was approved by School Board.

ACSC 65.47.2: The Academic Council's Standing Committee approved the proposal to withdraw "Certificate in Tourism Studies" (ODL) and "Diploma in Tourism Studies" (ODL) programme in the present format from January 2025 academic session, and to replace them with the Certificate and Diploma (Exit Policy) of FYUP Bachelor of Tourism and Travel Management (BTTM) programme.

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**ITEM NO. 72:** To consider and approve the proposal to discontinue "Certificate in Tourism Studies" (OL) and "Diploma in Tourism Studies" (OL) Programmes – SOTHSM

**ACSC 65.72.1:** The Academic Council's Standing Committee was informed that "Certificate in Tourism Studies" (CTS) and "Diploma in Tourism Studies" (DTS) are on offer since 1990s and "Certificate in Tourism Studies – online" (CTSOL) and "Diploma in Tourism Studies – online" (DTSOL) are offered as online programme from 2019 and 2020 respectively.

School has launched "Bachelor of Tourism and Travel Management" (BTTM) from January 2025 academic session which is a revised BTS/BATS programme as per NEP 2020 with an inbuilt exit policy after one year and two years as Certificate and Diploma in Tourism Management, respectively. Therefore, School, after taking approval of School Board, proposed to withdraw CTS and DTS (ODL) programmes and replace them with the Certificate

and Diploma level programmes of the FYUP "Bachelor of Tourism and Travel Management" (BTTM) programme and also withdraw "Certificate in Tourism Studies" (OL) and "Diploma in Tourism Studies" (OL) Programme in the present format from January 2025 academic session. The school also ensured that all the students already enrolled in CTS and DTS programmes (OL) be given support till the maximum time period of their registration.

ACSC 65.72.2: After detailed deliberations, the Academic Council's Standing Committee approved the proposal to discontinue "Certificate in Tourism Studies (OL)" and "Diploma in Tourism Studies (OL)" Programmes from January 2025 academic session with the rider that already enrolled students in "Certificate in Tourism Studies (OL)" and "Diploma in Tourism Studies (OL)" programmes be given support till the maximum time period of the registration.

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