CENTRAL UNIVERSITY OF GUJARAT

Minutes of the 05thMeeting of the Academic Council held on 16thJuly, 2011 at 11:00 A.M. in the Conference Room of the University

The following were present:

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| 1. Prof. R.K. Kale, Vice-Chancellor | - | Chairman |
| 2. Prof. B. Hanumaiah | - | Me,mber |
| 3. Prof. H.A. Ranganath | | Member |
| 4. Prof. Tara Chandra Kandpal | _ | Member |
| 5. Prof. M.H. Qureshi | - | Member |
| 6. Prof. Jose Varghese | _ | Member |
| 7. Prof. A.S. Narang | | Member |
| 8. Prof. Sushma Yadav | - | Member |
| 9. Prof. Sharit K. Bhowmik | - | Member |
| 10. Prof. Arun Dalvi | _ | Member |
| 11. Prof. C. Manoharachary | = | Member |
| 12. Prof. Riaz Shakir Khan | _ | Member |
| 13. Prof. Tapati Basu | | |
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| 14. Prof. P.L. Vishweshwar Rao | 704 | Member |
| 15. Dr. Gitesh Joshi, Registrar | Ŧ | Secretary |
| 16. Shri A.V. Rajasekhar, IA&AS, Finance Officer | - | Special Invitee |
| 17. Col. (Retd.) S.K. Sharma, Special Officer | - | Special Invitee |
| 18. Prof. E.V. Ramakrishnan, Dean, SLL&CS | _ ' | Special Invitee |
| 19. Prof. N. Rajaram, Dean, SSS | - | Special Invitee |
| 20. Prof. Man Singh, Dean, SCS | - | Special Invitee |
| 21. Prof. Rana P. Singh, Dean, SLS | - | Special Invitee |
| 22. Prof. Ajay Dandekar, Dean, SIS | - | Special Invitee |
| 23. Dr. (Mrs.) Indira Dutta, Assistant Professor, SSS | _ | Special Invitee |
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The following could not attend the meeting:

| 1. | Prof. Dilip Mohite | - | Member |
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| 2. | Prof. Dharmendra Kumar | - | Member |
| 3. | Prof. Ranjit Singh Ghuman | - | Member |
| 4. | Prof. B.K. Punia | | Member |
| 5. | Prof. Sunrinder S. Jodhka | - | Member |
| 6. | Prof. G.D. Yadav | - | Member |

The following were present to assist:

- 1. Shri A.N. Kunjunny, OSD (Admn.)
- 2. Dr. Sanjay Negi, Assistant Registrar

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At the outset, the Vice-Chancellor informed the members about the untimely and sad demise of Prof. (Mrs.) Anuradha Bhoite, member of the first Academic Council (AC) on 26.02.2011 after prolonged illness. He warmly remembered her contributions in the area of teaching and research as well as her keen interest and contributions in the academic activities of the University. He also recalled that she had attended the first three meetings of the AC, and because of her illness she could not attend the 04th meeting which, incidentally, was held on the day of her death, i.e. 26.02.2011. Prof. N. Rajaram, Prof. Sharit K. Bhowmik and Prof. Tapati Basu gave their own accounts of her academic achievements, particularly her contributions in the field of Sociology. The members lauded her accomplishments and joined the Vice-Chancellor in paying tributes to the departed soul, and requested him to convey condolences to the bereaved family on behalf of AC. Further, the members paid homage to her memory by observing two minutes' silence.

Subsequently, the Vice-Chancellor welcomed the members to the 05thmeeting of the AC. He introduced Dr. Gitesh Joshi and Shri A.V. Rajasekhar, IA&AS, who have assumed charge as the first Registrar and first Finance Officer respectively of the University. This followed a power-point presentation highlighting various achievements of the University on various fronts since the last meeting of the AC. The members particularly appreciated that the University is giving full credit to the student researchers for their publications. The AC suggested to consider setting up an Intellectual Property Cell (IPR Cell) in the University. In this connection the Vice-Chancellor informed that the Executive Council (EC) at its meeting held on 12.03.2011 has already created, in principle, a Research Management & IPM Cell to provide administrative and legal support to such activities. The AC was unanimous in placing on record its appreciation to Professors E.V. Ramakrishnan and Rana P. Singh in having successfully organised two International Conferences. The members also appreciated Prof. Man Singh for the award of US Patent for his Mansingh Oscosurvismeter. They expressed their happiness that the University has introduced a three-month Certificate Course in Analytical Techniques for the Visually Challenged from the academic session 2011-12. The members suggested that the University may consider introducing the remedial course in English.

The Vice-Chancellor assured that the suggestions made by the members as above will be examined and all efforts will be made to implement them as early as possible.

The contents of the power-point presentation of the Vice-Chancellor were taken on record (Annexure-I to these Minutes).

Thereafter, the Agenda items were taken up for consideration.

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CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

01. Considered confirmation of the Minutes of the 04thmeeting of the AC held on 26.02.2011, and resolved to confirm the Minutes, as already circulated.

REPORT ON THE ACTION TAKEN ON THE MINUTES

O2. Noted the report on action taken on the Minutes of the 04thmeeting of the AC held on 26.02.2011.

In respect of Item No. 10, the revised Ordinances/Guidelines incorporating the recommendations of the Sub-Committee of the AC, as placed on table, were noted and taken on record (Annexure II to VII to these Minutes).

With regard to Item No. 11, the AC resolved to delete the words "by virtue of the powers vested in him under Section 11(3) of the Act".

With reference to Item No. 13, the Vice-Chancellor invited the attention of the members to p. 69 of the Agenda and informed that note (2) therein was got incorporated in the "Guidelines for Conduct of Entrance Examination" (Academic Session 2011-12) inadvertently. He, therefore, desired it to be withdrawn from the Guidelines and consequently from the Agenda, which was approved by the AC.

ITEM NOTED

03. Noted the Memorandum of Understating signed by the University with the UGC Information and Library Network Centre (INFLIBNET) to facilitate research scholars to submit their theses into the Digital Repository "Shodhganga". Also resolved that the theses may be submitted into the Digital Repository "Shodhganga" only after the degree is awarded.

With reference to above MOU the AC authorised Vice Chancellor to constitute a committee to look into the matter related to IPR, Patent issue etc. for Research work to be publish under said MOU.

ITEMS CONSIDERED

O4. Considered appointment of external examiners for the M.Phil/Ph.D dissertations of the students admitted in the year 2009-10 (deferred item), and resolved to recommend to the EC for their approval in terms of Statute 12(xiv) of the Central Universities Act, 2009 (No. 25 of 2009).

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Further resolved to authorize the Vice-Chancellor to approve the panels of external examiners for the M.Phil and Ph.D dissertations/theses of the students admitted from the year 2010-11 onwards.

O5. Considered the recommendations of various Subject Expert Committees regarding the proposed course structures, syllabi and readings for the new academic programmes in the year 2011-12.

In this connection the Vice-Chancellor informed that as there are no students available for the M.A. course in Chinese Language and Culture at the School of Language, Literature and Culture Studies in the academic session 2011-12, no Subject Expert Committee was constituted for framing the course structure, syllabi and course readings for this course. As a result, this course would not be operative during the academic session 2011-12.

Taking note of the above clarification, the AC resolved to approve the course structure, syllabi and course readings for the remaining eight academic programmes, as placed on table (Annexure VIII to XV to these Minutes).

Further resolved that the typographical and other errors observed by the members may be got corrected and fine tuned in consultation with the respective Subject Expert Committee, if necessary.

O6. Considered creation of a Department of Disability Studies as recommended by the Group of Ministers, Government of India on Equal Opportunities to the Differently-abled Persons, and resolved to accord in principle approval to the proposal.

Further resolved to authorize the Vice-Chancellor to have consultations with experts in the area so that a detailed proposal may be considered by the AC at appropriate time.

OTHER ITEMS CONSIDERED WITH PERMISSION OF THE CHAIR

- O1. Considered the recommendations of the Subject Expert Committees appointed for framing course structures, syllabi and readings for the following academic programmes, as placed on table (Annexure XVI to XVIII to these Minutes), and resolved to approve:
 - (i) M.A. programme in Society and Development (Semesters III and IV).
 - (ii) M.A. programme in English (Semesters III and IV).
 - (iii) M.Phil/Ph.D programme in Life Sciences (syllabi and readings)

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O2. Considered the draft Academic Performance Indicator (API) based Performance Based Appraisal System (PBAS) in pursuance of UGC Regulations on Minimum Qualifications for Appointment of Teachers and Other Academic Staff in Universities and Colleges and Measures for the Maintenance of Standards in Higher Education 2010, as placed on table (Annexure IXX to these Minutes), and resolved to recommend to the EC for its adoption.

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