

**PART-III AGENDA FOR THE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTIETH
MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL**

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Item No.3. RATIFICATION OF ACTION TAKEN BY THE
VICE-CHANCELLOR.

(X.I). Handing over charge of
Headship of the Department of
Botany.

In terms of Notification issued vide No.F.5-5/XII/Estt.II/89-416 dt.16.11.2004, Prof N.K. Chrungoo has been appointed as Head of the Department of Botany NEHU, Shillong for a period of 3 years w.e.f.17.12.2004(AN) till the end of the concerned semester. The present Head of the Department, Prof. A.K. Mishra was requested to hand over the charge of Headship to Prof. N.K. Chrungoo accordingly.

In view of the above, notification Prof. A.K. Mishra in his letter dt.3.12.2004 vide Annexure 'B' has informed that he was invited by the Department of Biotechnology, Government of India, for a meeting of Working Group for discussing future priorities of Biotechnological approaches to improvement of Tea. In this connection Prof. A.K. Mishra shall have to attend the meeting which is to be held on December 13, 2004 at Tea Research Association, Tocklai, Jorhat. He has, therefore made a request to allow him to hand over the charge of headship of the Department to Prof. N.K. Chrungoo on December 13, 2004.

Subject to the ratification by the Executive Council has accorded approval for the same.

The matter is therefore, placed before the Council the Vice-Chancellor for ratification on action taken by the Vice-Chancellor.

No.F.17-187/Estt-II/2001-488,
Dated 13/12/2004.

6:1:1(1)

Item No. 6. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS.

6:1 Selection Committee.

ITEM FROM THE CHAIR :

(i) Recommendation of the Selection Committee for placement of the following Readers to the post of Professor under Career Advancement Scheme.

1. Dr.R.C.Laloo (Botany) ✓

2. Dr.M.S.Dkhar (Botany) ✓

II. Placement of Senior Lecturer as Reader

1. Dr.Sushmita Sengupta (Political Science)

Administrative Secretary - Before next meeting

III. Placement of Lecturer in Senior Scale

1. Dr. (Mrs) M.B.Syiem (Bio-Chemistry) ✓

The above recommendations are placed before the Council for consideration and approval.

No.F.26-1/Estt-II(B)/93-203/-
Dated 13/12/04.

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6:2 Appointment/Confirmation/Resignation/Transfar, etc.

(iii) Acceptance of Resignation of Prof.
T. Nongbri, Deptt. of Sociology
w.e.f.01.01.2005

Prof. T. Nongbri, from J.N.U., Delhi, has joined this University on 8.12.2003(F/N) as Professor in the Department of Sociology. At present, she is under probation period.

Prof Nongbri, through her letter dt.01.12.2004, (copy enclosed) expressed her inability to continue to work in NEHU due to unforeseen circumstances and desired to go back to J.N.U. in view of this Prof. Nongbri has tendered her resignation from the post of Professor in Sociology w.e.f.01.01.2005 and requested the University to consider the same and relieve her from the services of NEHU from the said date.

As per provision laid down vide Clause 11 of Section OE-5 of the Ordinance "(A teacher may at any time terminate his/her engagement by giving the Executive Council three months notice in writing". Provided that the Executive Council may waive the requirement of notice at its discretion.

Since, Prof. Nongbri is a temporary teacher and presently under probation period, perhaps the requirement of 3 months notice may be waived by the Council.

The matter is placed before the Council for consideration.

No.F.17-220/Estt-II/03-499.
Dated 13/12/2004.

To

The Vice-Chancellor,
North Eastern Hill University,
Mawkynroh-Umshing, Shillong,
Meghalaya-793 022

01 December 2004

Dear Sir,

This is to inform you that due to unforeseen circumstances I am forced to leave Shillong hence would have to resign from my present position at the Department of Sociology and return to JNU. I may note Sir that it has been a great pleasure and learning experience for me to work under your leadership and wish I could have stayed on. Though I have not had much opportunity to interact with the faculty and staff of the University my short tenure has given me a deeper perspective on the role of the University and the academic fraternity here in accelerating the process of socio-economic and intellectual development in the North-Eastern region as a whole and Meghalaya in particular. I feel particularly heartened to recall the sight of the bright and enthusiastic faces of the e and present alumni who lined up for their certificates at the recent convocation. I consider it a privilege to have been part of the academic community of NEHU and sincerely hope that I can maintain the relationship established in what ever form possible.

I would also like to place on record that the report on the gender profile of Meghalaya I am currently preparing for the National Commission for Women, New Delhi is part of my academic engagement at NEHU and I will send you a copy of it as soon as the work is complete.

Though I am pained to leave, I request you Sir to kindly accept my resignation and relieve me from my duties with effect from 1st January 2005. Words fail to express my gratitude to you for your constant support and encouragement for which I will forever cherish. Please accept my sincere apology for any inconvenience caused to you and the University by my departure.

With warm regards,

Yours sincerely,

Sd/-
Tiplut Nongbri
Department of Sociology,
NEHU, Shillong.

- (iv): Transfer and posting of repatriated teachers from Mizoram University to NEHU vis-a-vis accommodation against existing vacancies.

The matter related to placement of teaching and non-teaching staff from the erstwhile Mizoram Campus/PUC, who opted for services with NEHU was deliberated in the last 15th emergent meeting of E.C held on 7.11.2004. The Council, in its meeting, resolved that such teaching and non-teaching employees will join NEHU headquarters in supernumerary posts in a common pool, created for time being.

The Council further resolved that depending upon the requirements of the University, both in academic and administration, services of such employees will be utilised in the Centres/Departments/Administration at any campuses of the University as and when necessary. For utilisation of their services, the recommendation of the Placement Committee as reviewed by the Council will be taken into account. Meanwhile, the Council desired that suitable order transferring such employees be issued by the concerned section. In view of the decision of the Council, necessary transfer orders were issued accordingly with the direction that the concerned employees of erstwhile Mizoram Campus and PUC should report for duties at Shillong latest by 15th of December, 2004. The teachers so repatriated have been posted in Common Pool and the Pool is considered as a vocational Department.

In the meantime, a letter has been received from the Ministry (placed at Annexure-A) directing the University to absorb all the repatriated employees of erstwhile Mizoram Campus and PUC against the existing vacancies in NEHU. While doing so, in cases where, there is no vacancy in a particular subject, a teacher of that subject may even be considered for appointment against an existing vacancy in an allied subject. However, in case of the number of employees being more than the number of existing vacancies, a specific proposal for creation of supernumerary posts only to the extent of the actual requirement may be sent to the Ministry in due course.

No.F.12-24/Estt-II/96-(Pt-1)-300.
Dated 13/12/04.

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Keeping the above directives of the Ministry in view, the Vice Chancellor constituted a Committee to decide the criteria for accommodation of repatriated teachers against vacant positions. A copy of the Minutes of the concerned Committee is placed at Annexure-B.

The matter is, therefore, placed before the Council for deliberation and decision.

Annexure-A

R.D.Sahay
Deputy Secretary
Tel. No. 2338 4861

Ministry of Human Resource Development
Department of Secondary & Higher Education
Government of India
Shastri Bhavan
New Delhi - 110 001

D.O No.F.13-1/2001-Desk(U)

Dated: 9.11.2004

Dear Sir

Please refer to your d.o letter No.F.12-24/Estt.II/96 (Part-I)-208 dated 29.9.2004 regarding implementation of the judgement of Aizawl Bench of Gauhati High Court in Civil Writ Petition filed by the employees of the erstwhile Aizawl Campus of NEHU challenging the vires of section 33(1) of the Mizoram University Act, 2000.

2. You would kindly appreciate that according to the judgement of the High Court, all employees working in the erstwhile Mizoram Campus of NEHU immediately before establishment of Mizoram University are employees of NEHU for all purposes until and unless they opt for their transfer to Mizoram University. They were appointed by NEHU in accordance with the procedure as laid down in the Act, Statutes and Ordinances of the University. Now that the posts against which these employees were appointed stand abolished consequent upon establishment of Mizoram University, they are to be allocated other posts in NEHU. Their transfer to the existing vacant posts in NEHU would in no way tantamount to fresh appoint against these posts and may not be violative of any legal provision as apprehended by the University.

3. It is, therefore, requested that all the employees of the erstwhile Aizawl Campus opting to continue with NEHU may immediately be accommodated against the existing vacancies in NEHU. While doing so, in cases where there is no vacancy in a particular subject, a teacher of that subject may even be considered for appointment against an existing vacancy in an allied subject. However, in case of the number of employees being more than the number of existing vacancies, a specific proposal for creation of supernumerary posts only to the extent of the actual requirement may be sent to this Ministry in due course.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

Sd/-

(R.D.Sahay)

Prof.M.Miri
Vice Chancellor,
North-Eastern Hill University,
Shillong.

Annexure-B

Minutes of the meeting of the Committee constituted under order No. F.12-24/Estt.II/96/Part-I-478 dated 1.12.2004 held on 2nd December, 2004 at 3 p.m. Members present:-

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| 1. | Prof.D.T.Khathing | Chairman |
| 2. | Prof.R.Lalthantluanga | Member |
| 3. | Shri K.M.Deb | Member |
| 4. | Shri T.K.Singha | Member |

The Chairman apprised that the Ministry of Human Resource Development had declined to create supernumerary posts to accommodate the 36 repatriated teachers from Mizoram University. He also informed the decision of the Finance Committee that these teachers are to be accommodated against the vacant posts in the University. The Committee considered the sanctioned strength vis-à-vis the vacant posts in each of the Department of the University. It made all out effort to see that the pressure is evenly distributed among all the academic departments. Accordingly, it was decided that under mentioned teachers be accommodated against the post as mentioned against each name:-

Sl.No	Name	Designation	Subject	Accommodated against the post
1.	Dr R.S.Wangu	Professor	Education	Against one vacant post of Professor in the Department of Education, Shillong.
2.	Shri S.N.Sarma	Lecturer	Education	Against one post of Lecturer in the Department of Education, Shillong.
3.	Dr L.K.Jha	Professor	Forestry	Against one post of Professor in Distance Education.
4.	Dr Rakesh Mohan	Reader	Forestry	Against supernumerary post
5.	Dr D.Paul	Lecturer	Forestry	Supernumerary post
6.	Dr U.K.Sahoo	Lecturer	Forestry	Supernumerary post
7.	Dr L.N.Singh	Professor	Psychology	To be decided on his repatriation from deputation
8.	Dr R.N.Rai	Reader	Psychology	Supernumerary
9.	Shri R.C.Pandey	Lecturer	Psychology	Supernumerary

10.	Dr Girindra Kumar	Reader	Geography	Against one post of Professor in the Department of Geography
11.	Dr N.K.Sinha	Lecturer	Geography	Against one post of Lecturer in the Department of Geography.
12.	Shri B.K.Dutta	Lecturer	Economics	Against one post of Professor in Economics.
13.	Shri Devesh Walia	Lecturer	Geology	Supernumerary
14.	Dr Shiva Kumar	Lecturer	Geology	Supernumerary
15.	Dr K.K.Singh	Reader	Mathematics	Against one post of Reader in the Mathematics Department.
16.	Shri M.Das Kushwaha	Lecturer	Mathematics	Against one Reader's post in the Department of Mathematics.
17.	Shri M.M.Singh	Lecturer	Mathematics	Against one post of Reader in Mathematics.
18.	Dr M.Ansari	Lecturer	Mathematics	Against one post of Reader in Mathematics.
19.	Shri D.V.Kumar	Lecturer	Sociology	Against one post of Reader in Sociology.
20.	Dr R.K.Satpaily	Reader	Pol.Sc	Against one post of Reader in Pol.Sc
21.	Shri K.C.Kabra	Lecturer	Commerce	Supernumerary
22.	Shri A.B.Chettri	Lecturer	Chemistry	Against one post of Reader in Chemistry.
23.	Shri Hassan Askari	Lecturer	Chemistry	Against one post of Reader in Chemistry.
24.	Shri Aseem Sinha	Lecturer	Chemistry	Supernumerary
25.	Shri M.K.Sahoo	Lecturer	Chemistry	Supernumerary
26.	Dr(Mrs) S.Wangu	Reader	Botany	Against one post of Reader in Botany
27.	Dr(Mrs) P.Ramanujam	Lecturer	Botany	Against one post of Lecturer in Botany.
28.	Dr S.N.Ramanujam	Reader	Zoology	Against one post of Reader in Zoology.
29.	Dr A.S.Dixit	Reader	Zoology	Supernumerary
30.	Shri B.P.Roy	Lecturer	Zoology	Supernumerary

31.	Dr Y.N.Tiwari	Reader	Physics	Against one post of Reader in Physics.
32.	Shri Atul Saxena	Lecturer	Physics	Against one post of Professor in Physics.
33.	Shri A.K.Das	Lecturer	Physics	Supernumerary
34.	Dr R.Singh	Lecturer	Statistics	Supernumerary
35.	Shri S.K.Jha	Lecturer	Statistics	Supernumerary
36.	Shri N.Parthasarathy	Lecturer	Philosophy	Against one post of Lecturer in Philosophy Department.

It was also recommended that all the 36 teachers be now placed in the Common Pool and the Vice Chancellor be requested to appointment somebody to head the common pool. The final posting of the teachers will be decided after the meeting of the Executive Council and also on getting the clearance from the Ministry for creation of 14 supernumerary posts. The Finance Department may be requested to arrange the payment of salary against the vacant posts of the teachers and Establishment will take care that these posts are not being filled in.

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

Prof.D.T.Khathing
Chairman

(v) : Appointment of Head Department of Hindi

Dr. V.K. Srivastava, Professor in the Department of Hindi was appointed as H.O.D. for a period of 3(three) years, w.e.f.20.02.2002.. His term of Office, therefore, will expire on 19.02.2002, and as a fall out of this a new incumbent need to be appointed as next Head of the Department of Hindi.

Statute 7 of NEHU Act,1973 deals with the criteria on appointment of H.O.D. the provisions as laid down under Statute 7 is reproduced below:

1. In the case of Departments, which have more than one Professor, the Head of the Department shall be appointed by the Executive Council on the recommendation of the Vice-Chancellor from among the Professors.
2. In the case of Departments where there is only one Professor, the Executive Council shall have the option to appoint, on the recommendation of the Vice-Chancellor, either the Professor or a Reader as the Head of the Department:

Provided that it shall be open to a Professor or Reader to decline the offer of appointment as the Head of the Department.

3. A person appointed as the Head of the Department shall hold office as such for a period of three years and shall be eligible for re-appointment:

Provided that, if the term of the Head ends during the academic session, it shall automatically stand extended up to the end of the concerned semester.

Notwithstanding anything contained above a teacher shall cease to be Head of attaining the age of Superannuation.

4. A Head of a Department may resign his office at any time during his tenure of office.
5. A Head of a Department shall perform such functions as may be prescribed by the Ordinances.

In order to facilitate the Council to appoint next Head in the Department of Hindi, the names of the faculty members up to the grade of Readers, available in the Department are indicated below:

Sl.No.	Name	Designation	D.O.J.	Headship if held any
1.	Dr. V.K. Srivastava	Professor		20.02.02 to 19.02.05
2.	Dr. D.K. Chaubey	Reader	30.01.02	-
3.	Dr. S.K. Sharma	Reader	06.05.02	-

The matter is placed before the Council to consider appointment of next Head of the Department of Hindi.

F.No. 5-5/XL-VIII/Estt-II/97-501,
Dated 13/12/04.

Next Sr. Not for

6:6:2(1)

6:6 Service Conditions/Financial & Other Benefits.

- (ii) Consideration of Senior Scale in respect of Dr.T.S.B.Baul under CAS.

Dr.T.S.Basu Baul, joined as Lecturer in the Deptt. of Chemistry on 10.4.2002 and prior to this he was working as Scientific Officer in RSIC w.e.f 19.8.1993 to 9.4.2002 in the pay scale of Rs.8000-275-13500/- which is an equivalent scale to that of Lecturer in the University.

On the strength of his previous service as Scientific Officer in RSIC, Dr.Baul has requested the University to consider him for Senior Scale under Career Advancement Scheme.

The guidelines for consideration of Sr.Scale to Lecturer as framed by the UGC is reproduced below:

- (i) Complete 6(six) years of service after regular appointment with relaxation of one year and two years, respectively, for those with M.Phil and Ph.D.
- (ii) participated in one orientation course and one refresher course of approved duration, or engaged in other appropriate continuing education programme of comparable quality as may be specified or approved by the UGC. Candidates with Ph.D degree shall be exempted from one refresher course, and
- (iii) possesses satisfactory self appraisal report(3)

In order to count the previous service of Dr.Baul, a clarification from UGC has been sought by the University vide this letter No.F.19-354/Estt.II/2002-154 dated 2.6.2004 (Annexure-'A'). On non receipt of reply from the Commission a reminder was issued on 26.7.2004 (Annexure-'B') but till date no reply/clarification has been received from the Commission.

The matter is therefore, placed before the Council for deliberation and decision.

No.F.19-354/Estt-II/2002,
Dated 13/12/04.

NORTH-EASTERN HILL UNIVERSITY
PERMANENT CAMPUS
MAWLAI SHILLONG-22

No.F.19-354/Estt.II/2002-154

Dated Shillong the 2nd June, 2004

To

The Secretary
University Grants Commission,
Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg,
New Delhi-110002.

Subject: Consideration of past service in RSIC for the purpose
of placement in the Senior Scale.

Sir,

I am to state that one of our teachers, namely,
Dr T.S.Basu Baul was appointed as Lecturer in the Department of
Chemistry on 10.4.2002. Prior to that, he was working as Scientific
Officer in RSIC since 19th August, 1993. He has now requested to
count his past service as Scientific Officer in RSIC for the
purpose of placement in the Senior Scale. Dr Baul obtained his
Ph.D in the year 1984 and he has secured 59.2% marks at Master
Degree.

The qualification required to be appointed as Lecturer
is quoted as under:

A good academic record with at least 55% marks or grade
B in the 7 point scale of letter grade O.A.B.C.D.E.F at the
Masters Degree level in the relevant subject from an Indian
University established by law or any equivalent degree from a
recognised Foreign University.

Besides fulfilling the above qualifications, candidate
for Lecturership in any of the subjects specified above must have
cleared the National Eligibility Test (NET) for Lecturership
conducted by UGC, CSIR.

OR

Possessed a M.Phil degree awarded within 31st December,
1992.

OR.

Possessed a Ph.D degree or who have already submitted
their Ph.D thesis within 31st December, 1993.

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The qualification prescribed for the Scientific Officer in RSIC is as under:

(i) M.Sc in any science or equivalent with at least 55% marks with preference in Electronic Instrumentation/Physics. Minimum 5(five) years experience in servicing/repairing maintaining sophisticated equipments like electron microscopes, mass spectrometers spectrophotometers, ICP-AES, FT-IR, etc. This is an instrument maintenance post and the incumbent would be expected to undertake trouble shooting of some of the above type of instruments.

(ii) Scientific Officer (FT-NMR) - M.Sc in any science or equivalent with at least 55% marks and 5(five) years in handling sophisticated instruments. Essential experience with at least 5 years experience with the Operating cum maintenance of NMR Systems Preferably FT-NMR.

The post of Scientific Officer carries the same scale of pay as that of a Lecturer.

Thus, it may be seen that both the posts of Lecturer and Scientific Officer are equivalent and Dr. Baul had the qualification at the time of appointment as Scientific Officer as required for the post of a Lecturer.

The case is, therefore, brought to the notice of the Hon'ble Commission with a request to kindly guide the University, whether the service of Dr. Baul as Scientific Officer can be considered for his placement in the Sr. Scale of Lecturer.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-D.T. Khathing
Registrar

Annexure-'B'

No.F.19-354/Estt.II/2002-101

Dt.26th July, 2004.

To

The Secretary,
University Grants Commission,
Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg,
New Delhi-110 002.

Subject: Counting of past service in respect of Dr.
T.S.B.Baul, Lecturer in Chemistry.

Reference: This office letter of even No.154 dt.2.6.2004.

Sir,

With reference to the letter on the above subject
(copy enclosed) you are requested to kindly convey the
approval at the earliest to enable this University to
process the case of Dr. T.S.B.Baul for his placement in the
Senior Scale under C.A.S.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-K.M.Deb
Deputy Registrar(Estt.II)

6. Administrative matters

6:1:2(ii): Panel of names of experts for selection Committee for faculty selection, deptt of Bio-Chemistry was placed before the 72nd meeting of the Academic Council held on 6 & 7 December, 2004. The Council resolved to approved the same vide Resolution No.AC:72:2004:6:1(i).

The matter is placed before the Council for approval.

7. FINANCIAL MATTERS:

7:1: (i): Draft Rule on Extending Financial support for Organizing Conference/seminars/ Workshops/ Short term training programme etc.

The 72nd Academic Council held on 6th & 7th December, 2004 approved the Draft Rule on Extending Financial support for Organizing Conference/seminars/ Workshops/ Short term training programme etc. which is placed as Annexure 'A'.

The matter is placed before the Council for approval.

ANNEXURE AON EXTENDING FINANACIAL SUPPORT FOR ORGANIZING
CONFERENCES/SEMINARS/WORKSHOPS/SHORT TERM TRAINING PROGRAMME ETC

(Up to 20 % of the Total Allocation Under UGC Unassigned Grant)

1. The University shall provide financial support for organizing Conferences/Seminars/workshops/Short-Term training (less than 15 days.) Programmers However, long term programmed the summer institutes and refresher courses will not be considered under this category.
2. The following criteria may be followed for giving preference:
 - (i) Schools/Departments/Centres that organized none or fewer programmes.
 - (ii) Department / Centre not being able to hold the sanctioned programmes due to unavoidable reasons at the appointed year.
 - (iii) Programmes that are likely to give awareness and break new grounds
 - (iv) Programmes in area of research in which there is considerable activity or thrust/emerging areas.
3. The maximum assistance to be provided for organizing the programmes shall be as follows:

(i) International	Rs 50000/-
(ii) National	Rs. 35000/-
(iii) Regional /State level	Rs 25000/-

The extent to which assistance will be provided will depend on the details submitted by the proposer as well as the number of participants who have confirmed their attendance in the Seminar. The proposer will therefore have to submit the full details of the financial assistance required to the University.

4. The financial assistance could be used for the following I terms as per NEHU rules:
 - (i) Traveling allowance and incidental expenses for outstation participants and resource persons and local hospitality.
 - (ii) Secretarial and clerical assistance including Class IV, transport office supplies postage, Xeroxing, miscellaneous and contingent expenses essential for organizing the programme.
 - (iii) Honorarium to the Director/Coordinator of workshops and the resource persons should not exceed Rs 1200/-each No honorarium will be admissible for the other programmes.
 - (iv)
5. The application in the prescribed form must be submitted at least 3 months prior to the date of organizing the programme with the recommendation of the Head of the Department and Dean of the School concerned.
6. The organizers of the programme requiring addition support shall approach different funding agencies as per the guidelines of the funding agencies.
7. The registration fee as mentioned below shall be charged from all participants

(i) International	Rs 1000/- (SAARC)4\$ 150
(ii) NATIONAL:	Rs 500/-
(iii) Regional/ State level	Rs 250/-
(iv) Workshop/	Rs 250/-

The encourage participation of youth, 50% of the above registration fee shall be payable by the research scholars. The organizer of the programme may waive the registration fee of all research scholars who are not in receipt of scholarships/ contingency grant.

- 8.. Confirmation of participation of minimum of 40 persons shall be essential for holding an International/National Conference/Seminar and for Regional/State Level the number shall be 25. For holding a Workshop/ participants may be 15-30 depending upon the availability of facilities.

9. The Convener of the programme shall submit the accounts for the financial assistance extended to the Finance Department with in 3 months of its completion.

5. Academic Matters:

5:1 : Statute/Ordinances/Regulations & Rules.

Amendment of Rules

5:1(v): The BUGS in Under Graduate Studies in law held on 3rd December, 2004 recommended to amend the paragraph 2 of Rule 16 as under.

Existing

A candidate who appears in the said annual examination but failed to pass in not more than two theoretical papers shall be allowed to appear in the subsequent supplementary examination of that year, which can be availed only once by the candidate.

Proposed amendment

A candidate who appeared in the said annual examination but failed to pass in not more than two theoretical papers or a candidate who has passed in all the papers but failed to secure the aggregate of 45% marks shall be allowed to appear in two papers in in the subsequent supplementary examination of that year, which can be availed only once by the candidate.

The 72nd Academic Council, which was held on 6th & 7th December, 2004, approved the amended rule and placed before the council for approval and along with the minutes of the BUGS (Law) at annexure 'A'.

Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Undergraduate Studies in Law (BUGS-Law) held on 3rd December 2004, at 11.30 a.m. at the Committee Room, Administrative Building, NEHU.

Members present

1. Mr. Sharif Uddin
2. Dr. (Mrs) J.J. Mozika
3. Dr. B.P. Dwivedi
4. Mr. Deba K.N. Kharshiing
5. Dr. O.D. Ladia
6. Prof. A.K. Baruah
7. Prof. B.J. Deb
8. Prof. T. Nongbri

1. The chairperson wished and welcomed the members and informed them about the outcome of the last meeting held on 18th November 2004
2. The representation made by the students of Shillong Law College regarding the omission of paragraph 3 of Rule 16, which is included in the Examination Regulation for the old LLB course (18 papers) from the Examination Regulation relating to the new LLB course (28 papers) was discussed. The omitted paragraph runs:

Also such failed candidates, who failed in the aggregate (below 45 %) although they had cleared in all the papers; the concerned candidates shall select any two papers for appearing the supplementary examination of that year, which can be availed only once by the student

The omission of this paragraph from Rule 16 in the Regulation for the new LLB Course (28 papers) denies students who had cleared all their papers (that is secure above 30% in each paper) but securing less than 45% in the aggregate from appearing in the Supplementary Examination, thereby treated as failed. After intense deliberation on the matter the Board recommends amendment of paragraph 2 in Rule 16 to incorporate the permitting clause contained in the omitted paragraph.

Accordingly, paragraph 2 of Rule 16, which reads:

However, a candidate who appeared in the said annual examination but failed to pass in not more than two theoretical papers shall be allowed to appear in the subsequent supplementary examination of that year, which can be availed only once by the candidate

is amended as under:

However, a candidate who appeared in the said annual examination but failed to pass in not more than two theoretical papers or a candidate who had passed in all the papers but failed to secure the aggregate of 45 % marks shall be allowed to appear in two papers in the subsequent supplementary examination of that year, which can be availed only once by the candidate.

Ec.
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Notified

However, to legitimize the amendment, the matter has to be ratified by the Academic Council and other relevant bodies in the University. To facilitate the process it was decided that the chairperson (BUGS-Law) should immediately write to the Chairman of the Academic Council and the Conference section to place the matter in the agenda of the next Academic Council meeting scheduled on 6th and 7th of December 2004.

Having made the above recommendation, the Board also expressed the need for a critical review of Supplementary Examination. It is recommended that the matter be placed in the agenda of the next BUGS-Law meeting.

3. The resignation letter of Dr. J.J. Mozika from the Moderation Committee of Law was discussed. After ascertaining the reasons for the action from the honourable member the House requested her to withdraw her resignation letter, to which she acceded and *status quo* is maintained.

4. Under the item, 'Any other Matter', the chairperson brought to the attention of the House two vacancies in the Board created by the sad demise of two sitting members, Mr. C. Kharkongor, Principal of Khadar Daloi College and Dr. H.N. Kalita, member, Assam Human Rights Commission. After condoling the death of the two members the House recommended the name of Dr. Bhaskar Chakravorty, Principal, University Law College, Gauhati University to fill up the position occupied by Dr. Kalita.

As the vacancy created by Mr. Kharkongor's demise goes with the office no names were suggested as it automatically goes to the incumbent of the Principal's office of the concerned college. Conference section is to take note of this development for necessary action.

5. The issue of Revision of LLB Syllabus also came up for discussion. The Principal, Shillong Law College was requested to take up the responsibility in consultation with his faculty and send the 'Revised Syllabus' to the Chairman (BUGS-Law), who would circulate it to the other colleges for comments and then convene a special BUGS meeting for discussion of the matter.

6. Dr. Mozika brought to the attention of the House the request made by the students of Shillong Law College to prepone the annual LLB examination from the month of August to July every year, as this prevents interested students from seeking admission into LLM programmes in other universities. Those who did so had to lose a year. Since the request does not interfere with the completion of teaching or other course work, the Board recommends the preponement of LLB Law examination by a period of one month from the existing schedule. It authorized the chairperson to write to the Controller of Examinations about the matter.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks from the chair.

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