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To

The members of the
Academic Council;
N.E.H.U., Shillong.

Subject : Minutes of the 28th meeting of the Academic Council.

Sir/Madam,

I am forwarding herewith the minutes of the Twenty-Eight meeting of the Academic Council held on 27th April, 1987 for favour of your information and comments, if any.

Yours faithfully,

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TWENTYEIGHTH MEETING
OF THE
ACADEMIC COUNCIL

Monday, the 27th April, 1987
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MINUTES OF THE TWENTYEIGHTHMEETING OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL

The Twentyeighthmeeting of the Academic Council was held on the 27th April, 1987 at 11:00 a.m. in the Seminar Hall, Mayurbhanj Complex, NEHU, Shillong.

PRESENT:

The list of members who participated in the meeting is appended as Appendix -I.

WELCOME:

The Chairman welcomed the members to the 28th meeting of the Academic Council.

Item No.1 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE 27TH MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL -

AC:28:87:01: The Council RESOLVED to confirm the minutes of the 27th meeting of the Academic Council held on the 30th August, 1987.

The members of the Council drew the attention to the fact that the Council normally used to meet in alternate months in the past and desired that the meetings of the Academic Council may be convened more frequently as in the past.

Item No.1A Action taken on the minutes of the 27th meeting of the Academic Council -

AC:28:87:01A: The Council noted the follow-up action on the decisions arrived at in the 27th meeting held on the 30th August, 1986.

(i) Award of Honours Degree on the basis of 5 papers against 8 papers -

AC:28:87:01A(i):The Council considered the recommendations of the Executive Council that the Pass and Honours Degree Courses being conducted at present be re-termed as Three-Year Degree Course with specific categorisation of first division, second division and third division/simple pass so as to enable the students to seek admission to the Master's Degree Course.

The Council deliberated on the issue at length. It was also brought to the notice of the Council how the innovation and mechanism developed and introduced in NEHU has been recognised and appreciated in the policy perspective "Challenge of Education" issued by the Ministry of Education, Government of India and a paragraph has been devoted on the merits of the system introduced in NEHU and this has been circulated all over the country by the Ministry.

According to the earlier decision of the University 2+1 Degree Course was to continue for a period of 5 years and the decision was taken in 1982. As such, the status-quo will have to be maintained till the completion of 5 years.

The Council also noted that Two-Year Degree may not be recognised for competitive examinations and there is also a provision that no student will be eligible for the first degree unless he has completed a Three-Year Degree Course. Since the University forms part of the University Grants Commission, the UGC and the National Guidelines will have to be implemented by the University so that our Degrees may be recognised by the UGC and other agencies. The Council also noted that some of the colleges cannot go for the Three-Year Degree Course because of the lack of infrastructure.

The Council, therefore, RESOLVED that a Committee may be constituted by the Vice-Chancellor to make a thorough and careful study of the matter and to submit its report within a period of three months. It further RESOLVED that the report of the Committee, when available, may be considered in a joint meeting of the Executive Council and the Academic Council.

1A(ii) Establishment of a School of Spiritual and Moral Values -

AC:28:87:01A(ii): The Council received the recommendations of the Executive Council in the matter of establishment of a School of Spiritual and Moral Values vide its resolution No. EC:55:87:01B(iv) and on consideration of the recommendation, it RESOLVED that the nomenclature of the School may be "School for Studies of Spiritual and Moral Values". The Council RESOLVED also that

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that the/sentence of the first recommendation, Sl.No.2 &No.3 of the recommendations of the Executive Council which are reproduced below may be deleted.

1. "However, the implementation may proceed ~~cautiously~~ .
2. The School should aim at academic studies.
3. In the School, the teachers and other members should be persons of good character with spiritual and moral standing."

The Council also RESOLVED that there should be no deviation from the structure, rules and practice prevalent in other Schools of the University, The Council RESOLVED to approve the recommendations of the Executive Council with the above modifications.

Item No.1B MATTERS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES:

- (i) Grouping of Departments in the College of Agriculture, Medziphema - Report of the Pro Vice-Chancellor -

AC:28:87:01B(i): The Council noted the action taken by the Executive Council in the matter of grouping of Departments in the College of Agriculture, Medziphema and also the decision of the Executive Council vide its resolution No. EC:55:87:01B(i). The Council RESOLVED to confirm the decision of the Executive Council to group the Departments as at Appendix - II .

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

- (i) Extra Departmental Course for the students of Geography Department, 1984-86 batch -

AC:28:87:03(i): The Council RESOLVED to ratify the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in ordering that the marks secured by the 1984-86 batch of students of Geography in Extra Departmental Course be excluded from the aggregate for determining their percentage and division and that a separate certificate to the effect that the students have offered and passed the Extra Departmental Course may be issued.

- (ii) Nomination of University representatives in the Governing Body of Saiha College, Saiha, Mizoram -

AC:28:87:03(ii): The Council RESOLVED to ratify the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in nominating the following teachers to represent in the Governing Body of Saiha College, Saiha, Mizoram as University representatives for a period of two years with effect from 12 September, 1986.

1. Dr K.K. Upadhyay, Department of Economics, NEHU, Mizoram Campus, Aizawl.
2. Dr R.C.Wangu, Department of Education, NEHU, Mizoram Campus, Aizawl.

- (iii) Granting of provisional affiliation to Patkai Christian College, for teaching Honours in Economics-

AC:28:87:03(iii): The Council RESOLVED to ratify the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in granting provisional affiliation to Patkai Christian College, Chumukedima, Nagaland for the current academic session of 1986 for teaching Honours in Economics and that affiliation beyond 1986 will be subject to fulfilment of conditions as laid down by the Inspection Committee.

Item No.5 ACADEMIC MATTERS :

5:1 - Statutes, Ordinances, Regulations & Rules -

- (i) Regulation regarding qualification of teachers -

AC:28:87:05:1(i): The Council RESOLVED that the Research Associates may be included in the Ordinance as members of the teaching staff incorporating them as the fourth category of teachers after the Lecturers and it RESOLVED to recommend the matter to the Executive Council.

The Council also observed that in future UGC instructions in the matter of appointment of Research Associates may be strictly implemented.

- (ii) Amendments of Ordinances on
Ph.D. and M.Phil Programmes -

AC:28:87:05:1(ii): The Council RESOLVED that the proposed amendments to the two approved Ordinances may first be circulated to all concerned and the item may be treated as deferred.

5:2 - Syllabus -

- (i) Syllabus for M.A. in Public Administration
(Two-Year Professional Programme) -

AC:28:87:05:2(i): The Council RESOLVED to approve the syllabus for M.A. in Public Administration (Two-Year Professional Programme) as considered and approved by the Board of Post Graduate Studies in Public Administration.

- (ii) Syllabus for Post-Graduate Diploma/
Certificate Programme in Public
Administration -

AC:28:87:05:2(ii): The Council RESOLVED to approve the syllabus for Post-Graduate Diploma/Certificate Programme in Public Administration as considered and approved by the Board of Post-Graduate Studies in Public Administration.

- (iii) Revised syllabus for B.Sc. Zoology
(Pass and Honour) -

AC:28:87:05:2(iii): The Council RESOLVED to approve the revised syllabus for B.Sc. Zoology (Pass and Honours) Courses as approved and recommended by the Board of Under-Graduate Studies in Zoology.

- (iv) Certificate Course in Linguistics -

AC:28:87:05:2(iv): The Council felt that there is scope for improvement and desired that the Pro Vice-Chancellor, Mizoram Campus may go through the syllabus and make improvements. The item, therefore, was withdrawn.

- (v) All India and Central Services
Examinations Coaching Programmes
(Preliminary draft of the scheme) -

AC:28:87:05:2(v): The Council RESOLVED to approve the All India and Central Services Examination Coaching Programme.

- (vi) Draft Syllabus for Certificate
Course in Folkloristics -

AC:28:87:05:2(vi): The Council RESOLVED to approve the syllabus for Certificate Course in Folkloristics as approved by the Steering Committee of the Centre for Literary and Cultural Studies and as approved by the School Board of Social Sciences.

The Council also considered the recommendation of the School Board of Social Sciences and RESOLVED to allow the Centre for Literary and Cultural Studies to start Degree Courses including M.Phil and Ph.D. and ^{to} recommended to the Executive Council

- (vii) Syllabus for M.Sc Course in Zoology -

AC:28:87:05:2(vii): The Council RESOLVED to approve the syllabus for M.Sc. in Zoology with the following modifications as approved by the Board of Post-Graduate Studies in Zoology.

"The project report of M.Sc.IV Semester (Special Paper) will be evaluated by the External Examiner. Out of 3 internal assessments one test will be based on the Viva related to the project work,"

(Viii) Change of text-books in Khasi
for Degree courses -

AC:28:87:05:2(viii): The Council RESOLVED to approve the text-books in Khasi as indicated below for Degree courses as alternative in view of the non-availability of prescribed text-books and as recommended by the Board of Under-Graduate Studies in Khasi.

1. "Ka Mahadai" by H.V.Sten for
"Ka Shangkhawiah Ki Rang" by
Peace Roy Pariat.
2. "Haba ka Kupa Jot ka Dawa" by
Anthony Jala for "Ka Tiewlarun"
by S.J.Duncan.

(ix) Foundation Course in NEHU - A Note
submitted by Shri D.P.Chakraborty,
member of the College Development
Council -

AC:28:87:05:2(ix): The Council observed that there had been careful and thorough deliberations before arriving at a decision for introduction of Foundation Course. A conscious decision was taken after careful consideration of various aspects of the matter. The Council, therefore, RESOLVED that there should be no change at this stage. However, the Director, College Development Council may send letters to the colleges inviting their opinion so that the matter may again be considered, if necessary.

It also observed that a member of the College Development Council had come directly to the Council, the highest academic body in this case and desired that such cases should not occur again in future.

(x) Revised M.Sc.syllabus for Bio-Chemistry -

AC:28:87:05:2(x): The Council RESOLVED to approve the syllabus for M.Sc. in Bio-Chemistry as approved by the Board of Post-Graduate Studies in Bio-Chemistry.

(xi) Hindi Syllabus :

AC:28:87:05:2(xi): The Council RESOLVED to approve the syllabus in Hindi as approved by the Board of Under-Graduate Studies.

(xii) M.Com. syllabus -

AC:28:87:05:2(xii): The Council approved the syllabus for M.Com., as considered and approved by the Board of Post-Graduate Studies in Commerce.

(xiii) Mizo syllabus -

AC:28:87:05:2(xiii): The Council RESOLVED to approve the syllabus for Mizo MIL for Vocational Courses at PU level.

5:3 - Research -

- (i) Presentation of M.Phil/Ph.D. synopsis by Supervisors in the Board of Research Studies -
Change of procedure -

AC:28:87:05:3(i): The Council considered the recommendations of the Boards of Research Studies for a change of procedure in the matter of presentation of M.Phil/Ph.D. synopsis by Supervisors in the Boards of Research Studies and RESOLVED to approve the recommendation that it may not be necessary for the Boards of Research Research Studies to scrutinise each and every M.Phil/Ph.D. research proposal in detail and that the School Boards should carefully, strictly and objectively examine every research proposal. The School Boards should, however, act more responsibly and they should recommend to the Boards of Research Studies for formal approval, only after careful consideration accompanied by a covering note containing the observations or comments of the School Boards in each case,

- (ii) Name of degrees of M.Phil/Ph.D. programme of the Institute of Self-Organising Systems and Bio-Physics -

AC:28:87:05:3:(ii): The Council RESOLVED that a candidate admitted for Ph.D. programme of the Institute of Self-Organising Systems and Bio-Physics may be allowed to register for Ph.D. degree in Self-Organising Systems/ - Bio-Physics or Ph.D. in basic discipline in the

Master Degree like Bio-Chemistry, Botany, Chemistry, Physics etc. and the degrees may be awarded indicating the basic discipline, e.g. Ph.D. (Botany), Ph.D.(Sociology). Such option will not, however, be available in the case of M.Phil degrees. Similar situation for the Ph.D. Degree in other Schools will be dealt with in similar manner, if so desired.

5:5 - Examination Matters -

(i) Panels of Examiners -

AC:28:87:05:5(i): The Council RESOLVED to approve the panels of examiners for examining the M.Phil/Ph.D. theses of the following candidates and to recommend the panels to the Executive Council for its consideration :-

<u>Name of the Candidate</u>	<u>Department</u>
Ph.D. -	
1. Mr.P.R.Deb -	Botany.
2. Ms.D.D.Yumnam -	Botany.
3. Mr.M.D.Khan -	Botany.
4. Mr.S.K.Sharma -	Botany.
5. Mrs.Neerja Mishra	Zoology.
6. Mrs.Catherine A.- Rodrigues Diengdoh.	Zoology.
7. Mr.Sudipta Choudhury	Zoology.
8. Mr.Debyendu Paul -	Zoology.
9. Mrs.Varparhi Khiante	Education.
10. Shri T.Lawma -	Economics.
11. Ms.Reba Bhattacharjee	Zoology.
12. Shri C.Lalrawna -	Botany.
13. Shri R.S.Khiewtam -	Botany.
14. Shri S.C.Ram -	Botany.
15. Mrs.A.Khan -	Botany.
16. Ms.D.Wankhar -	Botany.
17. Ms.M.Sarkar -	Physic

18. Mr. Taposh Chakravorty	-	Physics
19. Mr. Ganesh Thakur	-	Physics
20. Miss. A. Purkayastha	-	Physics
21. Sri. K.M. Warjri	-	Education
22. Mrs. P.K. Reddy.	-	Education
23. Mrs. B.R. Basaiawmoit	-	Education
24. Mr. Donkuper Roy	-	Economics

M.Phil

1. Dhirendro Ramsiej	-	Philosophy.
2. Soumitra Choudhury	-	Economics.
3. Sri. S.B. Konale	-	Philosophy.
4. Sri Girish Kumar	-	Philosophy.
5. Sri Lalrinawma	-	History.
6. Smt. Erbanoris Jyrwa	-	Political Science.
7. Mrs. Sipra Naik	-	Education.
8. Mrs. Medalin Nongrum	-	Education
9. Ms. Neena Chakravarty	-	Education.
10. Shri C.O. Koshy	-	Political Science.
11. Shri R.K. Mandhual	-	Philosophy.
12. Mrs. Manorama Sharma	-	History.
13. Shri A. Razaque	-	Economics.
14. Shri Yogendra Narain Karma	-	Sociology.
15. Shri Madhab Chandra Goswami	-	Sociology
16. Ms. Tejimala Gurung	-	History
17. Ms. Sheela Kenchuria	-	Zoology.
18. Mr. B.B. Das	-	Botany.
19. Smt. Jayashri Goswami	-	English.
20. Mr. A. Pusa	-	Political Science.
21. Mr. D.K. Majumdar	-	Economics.
22. Mr. John Santar Shangpliang-	-	Khasi
23. Shri Vanlalruata Rengsi-	-	History.
24. Shri Myambemi Kikon Lotha-	-	Anthropology

- (ii) Discontinuance of issue of Migration Certificates by the Universities.

AC:28:87:05:5(ii): The Council considered the resolution adopted by the Association of Indian Universities at its 47th Annual Session and RESOLVED to discontinue issue of Migration Certificate, as suggested by the National Integration Committee and as endorsed by the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India to promote feelings of national integration and to facilitate free mobility of students among Universities and States. For administrative purposes, however, it will be necessary for a student to furnish particulars relating to himself while seeking admission to a new institution and for this purpose a Transfer Certificate may be issued by his or her college or University

- (iii) Recommendations of the Board of Under-Graduate Studies in Chemistry -

AC:28:87:05:5(iii): The Council considered the recommendations of the Board of Under-Graduate Studies in Chemistry and RESOLVED to approve the first two recommendations of the Board, as indicated below:-

1. The college teachers will act as External B.Sc (Hons.) Practical Examiners since the University teachers are not available for the Examination. There will be one External Examiner and one Internal Examiner for each paper having full mark of one hundred. A panel of sixteen college teachers may be made according to the seniority who are teaching at the Honours level.
2. There should be two external and two internal examiners for each group of thirty students for B.Sc. (Pass) Practical examination in Chemistry. One external and one internal examiner will conduct the practical examination for first two days and the other similar set of examiners will conduct for another two days, since the experiments for the said practical examination is spread over for four days.

As regards the appointment of paper setters and moderation of papers, the Council RESOLVED that the procedure laid down in the Ordinance of the University may be followed. The remaining items of the recommendations were considered together with Item No. 5:5(v).

- (iv) Discontinuance of the Two-Year B.A. Degree Course in the University -

AC:28:87:05:5 (iv): The Council, while considering the issue on the award of Honours Degree, RESOLVED to constitute a Committee to examine the matter and submit its report within three months.

- (v) Appointment of Chairman, Chief Examiners and Examiners for the Under-Graduate Examinations -

AC:28:87:05:5 (v): The Council noted that some recommendations were made by the Board of Under-Graduate Studies in Chemistry also in the matter of appointment of Chairman, Chief Examiner and Examiners and it considered the recommendations together. After careful consideration, the Council RESOLVED that the Chairman may be appointed from among the teachers who have completed 15 years or more of service and Chief Examiners from among the teachers who have completed 10 years or more of service. For this purpose, panels of names may be prepared, out of which appointments for either the Chairmanship or Examinership may be made with the approval of the Vice-Chancellor. This will evolve a healthy system of rotation among the teachers and will ensure that the confidentiality is maintained.

As regards the appointment of Examiners, the Council RESOLVED that the present practice of appointing teachers with five or more years of experience for the Degree Pass Course Examinations and teachers with three years or more of service for the Pre-University Examinations may continue.

- (vi) Recognition of the Examination conducted by the Rashtrabhashe Prachar Samity, Wardha-

AC:28:87:05:5 (vi): The Council observed that the recognition of the examinations or degrees should first be considered by the Equivalence Committee of the University.

(vii) System of Practical Examinations at Under-Graduate level -

AC:28:87:05:5(vii): The Council deliberated on the issue and after careful consideration RESOLVED that there may be a Chairman of Practical Examinations at the honours level only and it may be implemented this year on an experimental basis.

5:6 - Establishment of new Departments/Centres/Courses -

(i) Establishment of a Law Department in the Mizoram Campus, NEHU -

AC:28:87:05:6(i): The Council considered the proposal submitted by the Pro Vice-Chancellor of Mizoram Campus for establishment of a Law Department in the Mizoram Campus and after consideration of the various aspects of the matter RESOLVED to establish a Constituent University College of Law at Aizawl for preparing candidates for LL.B. Degree.

(ii) Establishment of new Schools and Departments in the University -

AC:28:87:05:6(ii): The Council considered the proposal submitted by Prof. T.Mathew, Head, Department of Economics, NEHU for establishment of seven new Schools, namely (1) School of Development Studies, (2) School of Technological Studies/Engineering Sciences, (3) School of Sports and Athletics, (4) School of Eastern Himalayan Ecological Studies, (5) School of Music and Creative Arts, (6) School of Liberal Arts and Humanities and (7) School of Legal Studies, but felt that indepth and serious examination will be necessary before they are set up though it agreed, in principle, the need for setting up new Departments and Schools.

(iii) Introduction of Courses in Perception in Science and Mathematical Language -

AC:28:87:05:6(iii): The Council noted that the stipulated period of two years will expire in the month of November, 1987 and reiterated its earlier decision that the matter may be reviewed in the meantime.

5:7 - Affiliation, etc. -

- (i) Minutes of the Affiliation Committee held on the 5th September, 1986 -

AC:28:87:05:7(i) : The Council considered the recommendations of the Affiliation Committee contained in the minutes of the meeting held on the 5th September, 1986 and RESOLVED to approve the Committee's recommendations .

- (ii) Inspection reports of the affiliated colleges -

AC:28:87:05:7(ii): The Council considered the Inspection Reports in respect of the affiliated colleges and RESOLVED to approve the recommendations to grant affiliation to the following colleges as indicated against each of them :-

1. Hrangbana College - for P.U. Arts, P.U. Commerce.
2. Hrangbana College - B.A./B.Sc.Pass Course Commerce in Degree level Political Science and Education at Honours level
3. Lunglei Govt. College - Honours courses in History and Education .
4. Serchip College - Geography at P.U. level Honours Courses in History and Political Science.
5. Saiha College - B.A.(Pass) in Sociology Honours in Political Science History, Economics and Education.

5:8- Others -

- (i) Improvement of Linguistic Competence, Communication Skill, Scientific Temper and Performance in Mathematics -

AC:28:87:05:8(i) : The Council considered the recommendations of the College Development Council based on the report of the Study Committee set up by it for improvement of Linguistic Competence, Communication Skill, Scientific Temper and Performance in Mathematics and RESOLVED to approve the recommendations.

(ii) Nomination of members to various School Boards -

AC:28:87:05:8(ii): The Council RESOLVED to nominate the members for various Boards as indicated below for a term of two years :

I. For the School Board of Social Sciences :

1. Prof. A.C. Bhagawati, Department of Anthropology Guwahati University, Guwahati.
2. Prof. A.S. Patel, 35, Nirman Society, Alakapuri Baroda.
3. Prof. Amalendu De, Department of History, Jadavpur University, Calcutta.
4. Prof. B.N. Dutta, Head, Department of Folklore Research, Guwahati University.
5. Prof. T.N. Madan, Institute of Economic Growth Delhi.

II. For the School Board of Life Sciences :

1. Prof. Y.R. Malhotra, Department of Bio-Sciences, University of Jammu, Canal Road, New Campus, Jammu Tawi.
2. Prof. Y.D. Pande, Department of Life Science, Calcutta University Post Graduate Centre, Agartala.
3. Prof. K.S. Bilgrami, Department of Botany Bhagalpur University, Bhagalpur, Bihar.
4. Prof. B.K. Bachhawat, Department of Bio-Chemistry University of Delhi, South Campus, New Delhi.
5. Prof. M.R. Das, Deputy Director, Centre for Cellular and Molecular Biology, Hyderabad.

III. For the School Board of Physical Sciences :

1. Prof. S.L. Agarwal, Department of Applied Mathematics Institute of Technology, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi.
2. Prof. Shankar Mukherjee, Department of Physics, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi.
3. Prof. H.L. Duarah, Department of Physics, Guwahati University, Guwahati.
4. Prof. I.S. Ahuja, Professor of Chemistry, Banaras Hindu University, Varanasi.
5. Prof. H.P. Tewari, Allahabad.

IV. For the School Board of Environmental Sciences :

1. Prof. Indra Pal, Professor of Geography, Geography Department, Rajasthan University, Jaipur.
2. Prof. Bireshwar Banerjee, Professor of Geography, Geography Department, Calcutta University, 35, Bally Gunge, Circular Road, Calcutta.
3. Prof. H.N. Sharm, Professor of Geography, Geography Department, Guwahati University.
4. Prof. V.K. Nayak, Department of Applied Geology Dhanbad, Bihar.
5. Prof. C.C. Bhattacharjee, Professor and Head Department of Geology, Guwahati University.

V. For the School Board of Education :

1. Dr. R.P. Singh, Dean, Faculty of Education, Patna University.
2. Dr (Mrs) Renu Devi, Head, Department of Education Guwahati University.
3. Dr. V.S. Mishra, Head, Department of Education, Gorakhpur
4. Dr. Eswara Reddy, Professor, Department of Education Osmania University, Hyderabad.

VI. For the School Board of Languages :

1. Prof. Hiren Gohain, English Department, Guwahati University.
2. Prof. V.D. Singh, Regional Centre, CIEFL, Lucknow
3. Rev. Dr. S. Sngi Lyngdoh, Sacred Heart College, Mawlai.
4. Prof. Kitty Dutta, English Department, Jadavpur University.
5. Prof. G.K. Das, English Department, Delhi University New Delhi.

(vii) Nomination of members to the Board of Under-Graduate Studies -

AC:28:87:05:8 (iii) : The Council RESOLVED to nominate the members for various Boards of Under-Graduate Studies as indicated below for a term of three years.

I. Board of Under-Graduate Studies in Law :-

1. Shri K.N. Sharma, Dean, Faculty of Law Guwahati University.
2. Shri O. Hussain, Principal, University Law College, Guwahati.
3. Shri H.N. Kalita, Principal, Government Law College, Guwahati.

- II. Board of Under-Graduate Studies in Garo :
1. Prof. I.M.Simon, Head, Department of Khasi, NEHU
 2. Dr. H.W.Sten, Reader in Khasi, NEHU
 3. Dr. M.Langma, Reader in History, NEHU
- III. Board of Under-Graduate Studies in Assamese :
1. Prof. S.Homchaudhuri, Head, Department of English, NEHU.
 2. Dr. E.N.Lal, Reader in English, NEHU.
 3. Prof. R.S.Lyngdoh, Dean, School of Languages, NEHU.
- IV. Board of Under-Graduate Studies in Sanskrit:
1. Prof. S. Homchaudhuri, Head, Department of English, NEHU.
 2. Prof. D.P.Singh, Department of English, NEHU.
 3. Dr. R.P.Sharma, Reader in English, NEHU.
- V. Board of Under-Graduate Studies in Bengali :
1. Prof. S. Homchaudhuri, Head, Department of English, NEHU.
 2. Prof. H.Bareh, Head, Centre for Creative Arts, NEHU.
 3. Dr. B.K.Bhattacharjee, Reader in English, NEHU.
- VI. Board of Under-Graduate Studies in Hindi :
1. Prof. I.M.Simon, Head, Department of Khasi, NEHU.
 2. Dr. N.Hassan, Reader in English, NEHU.
 3. Prof. D.P.Singh, Department of English, NEHU.
- VII. Board of Under-Graduate Studies in Statistics :
1. Dr. A.M.Goon, Professor of Applied Statistics, NEHU
 2. Dr. S.K.Mishra, Reader in Economics, NEHU.
 3. Dr. H.K.Mukherjee, Reader in Mathematics, NEHU.

(iv) Academic session in the North-Eastern Hill University -

AC:28:87:05:8 (iv): The Council considered the letters of Shri Kiremwati, Pro Vice-Chancellor, Nagaland Campus and Prof. T. Mathew, Head, Department of Economics in the matter of reversion from the present academic session, which is coterminus with the calendar year, that is , from January to December, to the old

academic calendar commencing from July. Pros and cons of the matter were discussed and advantages and disadvantages were pointed out to the Council. The main drawbacks which were brought out during the discussions were that the students under the jurisdiction of the University could participate in various tournaments and athletic meets etc as they were mostly held in the month of November, when the students of the region are fully engaged in their preparations for the examinations. The Post-Graduate students who have passed out from the University have to wait for about six months to sit for the University Grants Commission examinations and that various courses of training for the teachers are usually conducted during the summer season when the teachers of this region are deeply involved in teaching the compact course of study.

It was pointed out to the Council that many valid grounds and far-reaching advantages were fully explained in the meetings of the Council before changing over to the present academic session and a conscious decision was taken after thorough and careful consideration. It was only three years ago that the system had been switched over to the present one and it did not speak well of the wisdom of the University and this august body of Academic Council to make frequent changes in their decisions.

The Council felt that it was not desirable to change again so soon over its earlier decision. However, it decided to give an opportunity for discussion on the matter in a Committee with the Directors of Education of the three State Governments, Director, College Development Council, Prof. H. Junjappa and all the Deans of the University. It further opined that the views of the Colleges may also be obtained, if felt necessary

(v) Pre Ph.D. degree be equated to M.Phil degree -

AC:28:87:05:8(v): The Council noted that the matter relates to a case of Shri Makhan Lal Purkayastha, a teacher of St. Edmunds College, Shillong, who was engaged in research for Ph.D. in the University and RESOLVED that the University may inform the State Government to the effect that Shri Makhan Lal Purkayastha is qualified to be a College Lecturer as per the Regulations of the University.

(vi) Non-Vacational Centres -

AC:28:87:05:8(vi): The Council noted that the Centres of the University had now been brought under one Ordinance and the teachers in the Centres are now expected to conduct various courses of study. It, therefore, RESOLVED that the Centres of the University, including the teaching Department of Library and Information Sciences, may now be declared as vocational.

Item No. 6 ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS :

6:2 -Appointment/Creation-upgradation of posts/
Confirmation/Extension/Option/Transfer/
Release/Termination -

(i) Specialisations for the posts of
Reader and Lecturer in Creative Arts-

AC:28:87:06:2(i): The Council considered the specialisations proposed for the posts of Reader and Lecturer in Creative Arts and RESOLVED that the specialisations may better be prescribed as under :-

- a) Reader - Ph.D. in the subject concerned and experience in conducting Art programme and similar courses and familiarity in Art criticism.
- b) Lecturer- Ph.D. in a subject concerned.

The Council further RESOLVED to recommend the matter to the Executive Council.

Item No.7 FINANCIAL MATTERS :

7:1 - Finance Committee

- (i) Air travel by members of the Academic Council and Boards -

AC:28:87:07:1(i): The Council noted the difficulties being faced by external experts and members of various Councils and Boards while attending the meetings of the University, It, therefore, RESOLVED that the members of the Academic Council, Boards, Advisory Committees and Steering Committees and outside experts attending the meetings in the University may be allowed to travel by air as indicated below and further RESOLVED to recommend it to the Executive Council for consideration.

- (a) outside experts attending the meetings of various Boards, Advisory Committees and Steering Committees.
- (b) members of the Academic Council, Boards, Advisory Committees and Steering Committees coming from Aizawl and Dimapur .

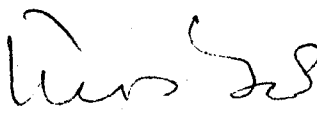
The Council, while arriving at this decision, took note of the general permission issued by the Government of India to non-entitled persons for air travel on Guwahati-Imphal, Guwahati-Silchar, Guwahati-Agartala and Calcutta-Agartala routes. The Council also noted the instructions of the Government of India for further exemption, which runs as follows :-

"In respect of journeys between Calcutta and places in the North-Eastern region the powers for permitting air travel in the case of non-entitled officers would be exercised by the respective Secretaries of the Ministries or Departments".

Before the close of the meeting, the Vice-Chancellor spoke on the future programme and direction of the University and emphasised on the need for academic integration and for thrust areas to be developed. He also presented the policy objectives framed by him as may be seen at Appendix - 'III'

The meeting ended at 4:35 P.M. with a vote of thanks from the Chair.

Sd/- R.K.Mishra
Chairman
Academic Council.


(D. C. Pant)
Secretary
Academic Council

LIST OF MEMBERS ATTENDING 28TH MEETING
OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL.

1. Prof. R.K.Mishra,
Vice-Chancellor,
North-Eastern Hill University,
Shillong.
2. Dr. R.R.Mehrotra,
Pro Vice-Chancellor,
Mizoram Campus, Aizawl.
3. Prof. T. Mathew
4. Prof. C.N. Bhalerao
5. Prof. R.S.Lyngdoh
6. Prof. I.M.Simon
7. Prof. R.S. Tripathi
8. Prof. R.P. Bajpai
9. Dr. J. Bhagabati
10. Dr. A.B. Dutta
11. Dr. A.N. Rai
12. Prof. S.N. Duba
13. Prof. R.R.Mishra
14. Prof. M.N.Karna
15. Prof. T.S.B.Narasaraju
16. Prof. S.N.Guhathakurta
17. Prof. R. Lalthanthuanga
18. Prof. A. Raghu Varman
19. Prof. K. Chatterjee
20. Dr. Y.S.T. Rao
21. Prof. (Mrs) H.Ila
22. Prof. A.M. Goon.

23. Prof. S. Homchaudhury
24. Prof. B. Pakem
25. Dr (Mrs) K.S. Lyngdoh
26. Prof. P.P. Gokulnathan
27. Dr. Soumen Sen
28. Dr. R. Borgohain
29. Dr. R. Gopalakrishnan
30. Mrs. A. Tham
31. Dr. Man Mohan Singh
32. Shri K.C. Murry
33. Shri Niu Francis Whiso
34. Dr. R. P. Kachhara
35. Dr. V. Krishna Kumar
36. Prof. H. Junjappa
37. Prof. M. Miri
38. Prof. P.K. Mishra
39. Prof. B.N. Saraswati
40. Shri A. Patton
41. Shri D.C. Pant.

Grouping of Departments in the
College of Agriculture, Medziphema.

(A)	<u>Department</u>	<u>Discipline</u>
1.	Agronomy	Agronomy
2.	Plant Breeding	Plant Breeding Genetics Botany
3.	Entomology	Entomology Zoology
4.	Agricultural Engineering	Agril. Engineering Physics Mathematics Meteorology
5.	Horticulture	Olericulture Pomology Floriculture
6.	Plant Pathology	Plant Pathology Microbiology Mycology
7.	Agricultural Economics	Farm Management Agril. Economics Statistics
8.	Animal Science	Animal Husbandry (Dairy, Poultry, Piggery) Veterinary Medicine, Animal Health
9.	Agricultural Extension	Rural Sociology Mass Communication Extension English (and other Languages)
10.	Soil Science	Soil Science Biochemistry Chemistry
11.	Rural Development Planning	Rural Development Planning

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APPENDIX - III

The Policy Objectives of the
North-Eastern Hill University

14th of April 1987.

1. As Jawaharlal Nehru said "A University stands for humanism, for tolerance, for reason, for the adventure of ideas and for the search of truth. It stands for the onward march of the human race towards ~~over~~ higher objectives". No University can forsake these obligations. NEHU does not wish to do so and is dedicated to their pursuits. It is often debated that in a society which has a retarded economy and is getting up by its bootstraps, this view might result in an elitist or an ivory-tower institution shrouded of concern for the common man and his pain, privation and suffering.

2. We do not share this criticism. We believe as suggested in the above lines that pursuit of academic excellence, must by its nature, lead paripassu to humanism, that is to a view that goodness and desirability of an activity must be tested by examining whether or not it enlarges man's welfare, sanctity of his rights and obligations, and that of life and love. The University must emphasize the centrality of man and life in directing our thought and existence.

3. With the above objectives in view it is paramount that the University must dedicate itself to the service of the people in the region. To work with all these agencies local and central which strengthen people in their homes, children, adults, women, artisans, artists, players, athletes, in short to help people realise their full potential, such that they share power in running and leading our country.

4. To get on with this adventure, and to cope with the urgency, the University will need peace, decision by voice, respect for moral and physical cleanliness and will on its part offer justice, fairness and equity.

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