

## i) Implementation of Five-Day Week in the University.

The decisions taken by the Academic Council and the Executive Council with regard to implementation of Five-Day Week in the University are as follows :-

- i) No:AC:66:2001:5:8(vi) The Council considered the implementation of Five-Day Week in the University and RESOLVED to approve the same and modalities to keep the Library open on Saturdays as well as Changes in the mess timings of the Hostels to be worked out and necessary amendments to be made in the Ordinance on Academic Calendar. It was also resolved that Exams shall continue to be held on Saturdays as well.
- ii) EC:111:2001:5:8(i) The Council considered the introduction of a Five-Day Week in the University and RESOLVED to approve the same and necessary amendments to be made in the relevant Ordinances. However, examinations shall continue to be held on Saturdays also. Further, a one to one Earned Leave may be credited to the Leave account of Teachers conducting End Semester Examinations on Saturdays.

Pursuant to the above decisions, necessary amendments to the Ordinance on Academic Calendar of the University was proposed to the MHRD as per Annexure-'A' for the Visitor's assent.

In this connection, the reply as received from the MHRD vide its D.O.No.F.8-2/02-Desk(U) of 26th March,02 is placed as Annexure-'B'. The contents of the letter has been examined by the Committee as earlier constituted by the Council on the above matter. The reports of the Committee is placed as Annexure-'C' and an interim reply as sent to the Ministry is placed as Annexure-'D'

The above/<sup>matter</sup> was placed before the Academic Council in its 67th meeting wherein the Council has resolved that necessary amendements be made in the Ordinances to de-link the Colleges from the purview of the Ordinance and that the University shall have at least 30 weeks actual teaching of at least 40 hours teaching per week.

The matter is placed before the Council for consideration.

SG/4/7/02

NEW ORDINANCE ON ACADEMIC CALENDAR OF THE  
UNIVERSITY (UNDER SECTION 26 (1) (f))

ANNEXURE 'A'

5:8:1(2)

Existing Provisions	Provisions after amendment
1. The University/Colleges shall have at least 180 teaching days i.e. 30 weeks of actual teaching in a 6 days week in a year.	1. The University/College shall have at least 30 weeks of actual teaching.
2. In the University, 2 weeks shall be devoted to admission/examination/preparation for examination which shall be limited to 10 weeks in case of Colleges.	2. No change
3. The University shall have a vacation of 8 weeks while Colleges shall have a vaction of 10 weeks.	3. No change
4. The University/Colleges shall have 2 weeks public holidays	4. No change
5. The above is summarised as follows :	5. The above is summarised as follows :

	No. of weeks			No. of weeks	
	University	Colleges		University	Colleges
Teaching	30(180 days)	30(180 days)	Teaching	30	30
(a) Admission/Examination preparation for Examination.	12	10	(a) Admission/Examination preparation for Examination	12	10
(b) Vacation	8	10	(b) Vacation	8	10
(c) Public Holidays to increase and adjust teaching days accordingly	2	2	(c) Public Holidays to increase and adjust teaching days accordingly	2	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>52</b>

10487	Existing Provisions	Provisions after amendment
<p>Note i) As 'b' above curtails the vacation of University teachers by two weeks, they shall be entitled to earned leave at the rate of 1/3rd of the period of curtailment.</p> <p>(c) BORT</p> <p>(p) ABOO</p>	<p>Note i) As 'b' above curtails the vacation of University teachers by two weeks, they shall be entitled to earned leave at the rate of 1/3rd of the period of curtailment.</p>	<p>Note i) No change</p> <p>(c) BORTIC NOTICBLE TO 5 5</p> <p>(p) ABOO 8 10</p>
<p>(a) VQHT</p>	<p>ii) Wherever the actual teaching days exceeds 180 days, 1/3 of the period in excess leave of 180 days may be credited as earned leave to the teachers of the University.</p>	<p>ii) No change</p> <p>(a) VQHT 15 10</p> <p>1030 30 30</p>
<p>6, The list of academic holidays for the University and Colleges shall be as notified by the University.</p>	<p>6. The list of academic holidays for the University and Colleges shall be as notified by the University.</p>	<p>6. No change</p>
<p>7. In addition to the holidays notified by the University, the Pro-Vice-Chancellor of the Outlying Campuses and the Principals of the Affiliated Colleges shall be competent to declare local holidays according to their need and significance of the day under intimation to the University.</p>	<p>7. In addition to the holidays notified by the University, the Pro-Vice-Chancellor of the Outlying Campuses and the Principals of the Affiliated Colleges shall be competent to declare local holidays according to their need and significance of the day under intimation to the University.</p>	<p>7. No change</p>
<p>8. Winter vacation for the Colleges shall be fixed by the Principals of the respective Colleges subject to Clause 6 above.</p>	<p>8. Winter vacation for the Colleges shall be fixed by the Principals of the respective Colleges subject to Clause 6 above.</p>	<p>8. No change</p>

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5:8:1 (3)  
2:9:1 (5)

SEMESTER CALENDAR

Existing Provisions	Provisions after amendment
Commencement of 1st and 3rd Semester Classes 1st working day of August.	1st working day of August.
Commencement of 1st and 3rd Semester Examinations 1st Monday of December.	No change
Winter Vacation 21st December to 20th February.	19th December to 18th February.
Commencement of 2nd and 4th Semester Classes 1st Monday after 20th February.	19th February.
Commencement of 2nd and 4th Semester Examinations 1st Monday of July.	No change.
Semester break 20th to 31st July.	No change.

5:8:1(4)

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D.O.No.F.8-2/02-Desk(U)

Dated 26th March, 2002

Dear Prof. Miri,

Kindly refer to your office communication No. Conf/13-5/Ord/99 Vol./1461 dated 7.1.2002 forwarding therewith Amendment of Ordinance on Academic Calendar of the University.

2. The amendment proposal has been examined in consultation with UGC. The UGC has commented that in case of NEHU, it is not feasible to have a five days week. It has been mentioned that two years back one of the teachers of NEHU affiliated colleges filed a writ petition in the Guwahati High Court on the ground that University is not adhering to the norms of UGC for having 180 teaching days in a year due to many reasons specially geographical conditions. The Hon'ble Court in its judgement directed the UGC to appoint a Committee to look into the matter. Accordingly, a Committee was set up by UGC and in its report the Committee suggested that the University should adhere to the norms of UGC for having 180 teaching days in a year. The UGC also stated to have given assurance in the Court about following of UGC norms viz. maintenance of 180 teaching days in a year. A detailed note may, therefore be submitted as to how the University will follow UGC norms of 180 days if five days a week schedule is adopted and the assurance to Hon'ble Court by the UGC is also not violated.

3. As regards crediting of EL in the accounts of teachers in lieu duty given by him/her on Saturdays, it has been stated by UGC that the teachers concerned are required to do invigilation/examination work as part of their duty. However, as per norms, the Earned Leave admissible to a teacher is 1/30th of the actual service during vacation plus 1/3rd of the period, if any, during which he/she is required to perform duty during vacation.

4. I shall be grateful if you kindly look into the matter for further consideration and in the meanwhile ensure that the University does not notify the Ordinance.

With regards,

Yours sincerely

Sd/-  
( S.P. Gaur )

Prof. Mrinal Miri  
Vice-Chancellor  
NEHU.

**MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE ON IMPLEMENTATION OF FIVE-DAY  
WEEK IN THE UNIVERSITY**

**Members present :**

1. Professor(Ms) Veena Tandon  
Department of Zoology  
NEHU, Shillong.
2. Professor D.T. Khathing  
Registrar  
NEHU, Shillong.
3. Ms. B. Bareh  
Deputy Registrar(Estt-II)  
NEHU, Shillong.

The Committee on the 5-day week met at 2:30 P.M. in the office chamber of the Registrar on the 23<sup>rd</sup> April, 2002. The Committee was apprised of the communication from MHRD (D.O. No.F.8-2/02-Desk(U) of 26.3.2002) whereby the implementation of the 5-day week was advised to be held in abeyance and that the University should look into the matter for further consideration. The Committee appreciated the concern of MHRD on maintaining the 180 teaching days in a year and its request to submit a noting on how the University proposed to maintain this limitation.

The Committee felt that the concerned MHRD communication was more to do with the affiliated colleges, which follow the annual system unlike the University departments, which follow the semester system. Till date the colleges are still following the 6-day week and have been independent of the University calendar in all its activities except for examinations which are conducted by the University. The confusion has perhaps arisen owing to the Ordinances which were amended. In the noting given to the Committee, the combined calendar for the University and colleges was not addressed and the Committee had dealt with only the calendar for the University. However, when the Ordinances were amended, common amendments were made for both the University and the colleges.

The Committee felt that the word 'college' should perhaps be deleted from this specific Ordinance since the colleges are working independently as far as their academic calendar is concerned.

With regard to the new time table, the Committee submits that the present 5-day week has 40 teaching hours, whereas earlier 6-day week had only 39 teaching hours in a week. The number of teaching time for the same 30 week period is, therefore, greater by 30 teaching hours in a semester or 60 teaching hours in a year (about 7 days).

The Committee expresses that the time schedule recommended under the 5-day week is very much in keeping with the UGC norms and maintains its recommendation on its implementation.

( V. Tandon )

( D.T. Khathing )

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Dated : The 24<sup>th</sup> April, 2002

Yours faithfully

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P. J. Baskaranna  
(Asst. Registrar)

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SHILLONG.

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Dated 15th May, 2002

To

Shri S.P.Gaur,  
Joint Secretary,  
MHRD, Department of Secondary Education  
& Higher Education, Government of India,  
Shastri Bhavan,  
New Delhi - 110 001.

Sir,

With reference to your D.O.Letter No.F.8-2/02-Desk(U) of 26th March, 2002, addressed to the Vice-Chancellor, NEHU with regard to implementation of 5-day week in this University, I am directed to inform you that the points raised in your above letter relates only to the affiliated Colleges of the University, but, they are not affected by the implementation of 5-day week programme as they are still following the annual system of 180 teaching days and hence, there is no conflict with the Hon'ble High Court ruling or the U.G.C's assurance to it.

In view of the above, the University is initiating necessary amendment so as to delete the word 'College' from the relevant Ordinance on the Academic Calendar of the University.

Yours faithfully

Sd/-

P.K.D.Purkayastha  
Asstt.Registrar(Conf)

12.	Christian Academy College.	<p>hold the required number of classes as per duration prescribed.</p> <p>Opening of a new College. Initial affiliation for a period of two years from 2002-2003 to 2003-2004 for B.A. (Pass) in English, Khasi, Education, History, Economics, Sociology, Political Science.</p>
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The Council also noted that the Shillong College of Engineering had been given an extension of provisional affiliation for a period of six months only and RESOLVED to approve the same.

#### **5:8- Others**

##### **(i) Implementation of Five-Day Week in the University.**

EC:113:2002:5:8:(i): The Council considered the implementation of Five-day Week in the University and RESOLVED to approve the recommendation of the Academic Council. The Council, further, RESOLVED that the various Departments should send their Time-Tables to the Registrar for scrutiny.

##### **(ii) Bifurcation of reservation quota for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled tribes in admission to PG Courses and University Hostels and in appointments etc.**

EC:113:2002:5:8:(ii): The Council considered the bifurcation of the reservation quota for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes for the purpose of appointments and RESOLVED that a University Level Roster may be maintained. However, for admissions due to the demographical structure of the region 50% reservation would be made for SC and ST out of which 10% will be reserved for SC but would be dereserved to ST in case there are no Scheduled Castes applicants. The matter may, however, be first placed before the Academic Council for its recommendation.