

MINUTES OF THE SEVENTY-THIRD MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL

The 73rd meeting of the Academic Council was held on 15th June, 2005 at 10:00 Hours in the Science Seminar Hall at NEHU, Permanent Campus, Shillong.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

A list of members who attended the meeting of the 73rd Academic Council is appended at Appendix-I.

WELCOME:

The Chairman welcomed all the members and introduced the new members to the Council.

APOLOGY :

Letter of apology received from:

Dr. (Mrs.) M.B.Jyrwa,
Department of Khasi,
NEHU, Shillong.

Prof. B.M. Jyrwa, Professor Kamal Kumar, & Professor P.N. Pandita, raised a point of order objecting to the presence of Professor Satish Kumar, at the meeting on the ground that according to them Professor Satish Kumar is not a member of the Council. It was pointed out that according to the Statutes and the Ordinances of the University Professor Satish Kumar is a *bonafide* member of the Academic Council.

1. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES

**Confirmation of the Minutes of the 72nd meeting
of the Academic Council which was held on
6th & 7th December' 2004.**

AC:72:2005:6:1: The minutes of the 72nd meeting of the Academic Council, held, on 6th & 7th December, 2004 were circulated to all the members. As no comments were received on the minutes, the minutes were confirmed.

2. - REPORTING ITEMS.

- (i) For re-insertion of the word
"Academic" in the Ordinance of
USIC, NEHU.

AC:73:2005:6:2:(i): The Council considered the report of the committee and **RESOLVED** to accept its recommendation to include the word "academic" at the relevant places of the Ordinance concerned. The council advised that the matter may be placed in the Executive Council.

Cot (ii) **M.Phil Syllabus in English.**

AC:73:2005:6:2:(ii): The Council considered the item and **RESOLVED** that in view of the Letter Grading System on the 10.point scale in operation for the M.Phil Examination the suggestion that specific marks may be clearly indicated in the syllabus itself was not viable.

(iii) **Promotion of Research in the various disciplines of the Social Sciences by ICSSR.**

AC:73:2005:6:2:(iii): The Council considered the report of the committee on
(1) Automatic recognition and non charging of fees and
(2) MoU with ICSSR institutions in this region and **RESOLVED** to accept the recommendation of the Committee.

(iv) **Draft Regulation on appointment of Joint Supervisor to guide Ph.D. Scholars in the University.**

AC:73:2005:6:2:(iv): The Council **RESOLVED** to refer back the Draft Regulation to the committee and **RESOLVED** that both the Regulations i.e. the proposed and the existing one (RC-4) may be combined in one Regulation and modified accordingly in a suitable manner.

(v) **Eligibility of faculty members attending meeting of various Bodies and Committees when they are on Sabbatical Leave.**

AC:73:2005:6:2:(v): The Council considered the report of the Committee regarding eligibility of faculty members for attending meetings of various Statuary Bodies of the University when on Sabbatical Leave and **RESOLVED** to consider the possibility of amending the provisions of leave rules governing the teachers of the University so as to accommodate the recommendation of the committee. The Council advised that a Committee may be constituted for the purpose.

3. - **RATIFICATION OF ACTION TAKEN BY
THE VICE-CHANCELLOR.**

(i) **Syllabus for B.A.Programme in Music**

Cor **AC:73:2005:6:3:(i):** The Council ratified the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in approving the Syllabus for B.A.Programme in Music.

(ii), (viii), (ix) & (xiii) **Declaration of Ph.D/M.Phil Results.**

AC:73:2005:6:3:(ii):(viii):(ix) & (xiii): The Council ratified the action taken by the respective School Boards in declaring the results of the following Ph.D and M.Phil. Candidates.

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<u>SLNo.</u>	<u>Name of candidates</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Degree</u>
1.	Ms.Basansy Kharlukhi	Education	Ph.D.
2.	Ms.Belinda Marwein	Education	Ph.D.
3.	Ms.Lalcharliani	Education	Ph.D.
4.	Ms. Imnainla	Philosophy	Ph.D.
5.	Ms.G.Zisangliani	Philosophy	Ph.D.
6.	Mr.Mohan Devbarma	Philosophy	Ph.D.
7.	Mr.R.G.Myrthong	Philosophy	Ph.D.
8.	Mr.M.Daniel	Philosophy	Ph.D.
9.	Ms.Ayola Imchen	Philosophy	Ph.D.
10.	Ms.Soma Bhattachariya	English	Ph.D.
11.	Ms.Anjali Daimari	English	Ph.D.
12.	Walter Thabah	Khasi	M.Phil.
13.	Donna M.Ranee	Khasi	M.Phil.
14.	Rodalyne Lyngdoh	Khasi	M.Phil.
15.	Sajol Kharrymba	Khasi	M.Phil.
16.	Bulsilian L.Mawphlang	Khasi	M.Phil.

DECLARATION OF ACTION TAKEN BY THE VICE-CHANCELLOR			
17.	Gayreen Lyngdoh	English	M.Phil.
18	Ms. Mereninala P.Jamir	Sociology	Ph.D.
19.	Mr. M.A.Singh	Sociology	Ph.D.
20.	Mr. Surojit Sengupta	Sociology	Ph.D.
21.	Ms. Anita P.Jyrwa	Sociology	Ph.D.
22.	Mr. R.Lalfakzuala	Botany	Ph.D.
23.	Mr. Shivaraj Bhattarai	Zoology	Ph.D.
24.	Mr. Adani Lokho	Botany	Ph.D.
25.	Ms. Ningombam Rashi Devi	Botany	Ph.D.
26.	Mr. Shanwell Khongwir	Zoology	Ph.D.
27.	Ms. Z.Y.Kharbuli	Zoology	Ph.D.
28.	Ms. V. Ralte	Botany	Ph.D.
29.	Ms. Debipreeta Dutta	Bio-Chemistry	Ph.D.
30.	Ms. S.Prabhu	Botany.	Ph.D.
31.	Shri R. Vanlalvena	Geography	M.Phil.
32.	Shri T.Ngulkhomang	Geography	M.Phil.
33.	Miss Nang Halina Mantaw	Geography	Ph.D.
34.	Mr. Kalidas Sarma	Geography	Ph.D.
35.	Mr. Aparesh Patra	Geography	Ph.D.
36.	Mr. Dilip Kr. Singh	Geography	Ph.D.
37.	Mr. Pankaj Thapa	Geography	Ph.D.

**(iii), (vi),(vii), (x),(xii), (xiv) & (xvi) Panel of Examiners for M.Phil/
Ph.D. Candidates.**

AC:73:2005:6:3:(iii):(vi):(vii):(x):(xii):(xiv) & (xvi): The Council ratified the action taken by the respective Board of Schools in approving the panel of Examiners for the following Ph.D. & M.Phil. candidates

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<u>Sl.No.</u>	<u>Name of students</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Degree</u>
1	Ms.Ridalin Paswett	Education	Ph.D.
2.	Ms.Hmingthansiami	Education	Ph.D.
3.	Ms.Emiliana Syngkon	Education	Ph.D.
4.	Ms.Rekha Roy	Philosophy	Ph.D.
5.	Mr.Sahllindro.R.Marak	Philosophy	Ph.D.
6.	Ms.C.Lalrempui	Linguistics	Ph.D
7.	Ms. Emerencia Kon	Sociology	M.Phil.
8.	Ms. Fiasta Diengdoh	Sociology	M.Phil
9.	Ms.Wansha Nongrum	Sociology	M.Phil
10.	Mr. I.Wati Imchen	History	Ph.D.
11.	Ms. Koseno	Sociology	Ph.D.
12.	Ms. Nokhweno Khariitso	Sociology	Ph.D.
13.	Ms. J. Longkumer	Sociology	Ph.D.
14.	Mr. Paochon Tuboi	Sociology	Ph.D.
15.	Pebam Munindro Singh	Chemistry	Ph.D.
16.	Ms. Thongama Gomti Devi	Physics	Ph.D
17.	Mr. Bruno D.Cajee	Physics	Ph.D.
18.	Lalngur Liana Sailo	History	Ph.D.
19.	Benjamin Ralte	History	Ph.D.

20.	Binayak Dutta	History	Ph.D.
21.	Marto Ette	History	Ph.D.
22.	S.Debbarma	History	Ph.D.
23.	N.Patton	Political Science	Ph.D.
24.	C.Sanate	Sociology	Ph.D.
25.	Ms. Debipreeta Dutta	Bio-Chemistry	Ph.D.
26.	Ms. Nonibala Khumanthem	Bio-chemistry	Ph.D.
27.	Ms. Arundhati Bhattacharjee	Zoology	Ph.D.
28.	Shri Dibyendu Adhikari	Botany	Ph.D.
29.	Shri A.R.Rehman	Botany	Ph.D.
30.	Ms.Sanghamitra Purkayastha	Botany	Ph.D.
31.	Shri Anil Kumar	Botany	Ph.D.
32.	Zarzoliana	Geography	Ph.D.
33.	Ms. Tsukjemchila Imchen	Geography	Ph.D.
34.	Lopamudra Bhattacharjee	Geogrphy	M.Phil.

(iv) & (xv) Appointment of new/ Change of Ph.D. Supervisor.

AC:73:2005:6:3:(iv) & (xv): The Council ratified the action taken by the respective School Board in approving the Change of Supervisor/New Supervisor of the following candidates:

Sl. No.	<u>Name of candidate</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>Old Supervisor.</u>	<u>New Supervisor</u>
1.	Arundhoti Dutta	English	Dr.S.N.Singh (Retd)	Prof.R.P.Sharma
2.	Neeta Lagachu	English	Dr.S.N.Singh(Retd)	Dr.U.Sewa
3.	<u>Name</u> Mr. Sunilpio	<u>Department</u> Geography	<u>Supervisor.</u> Prof. R.Gopalakrishnan (Supervisor Dr. Ali Ahmed (Jt.Supervisor)	

(ii) The M.Phil Syllabus in English

The M.Phil Syllabus in English was placed in the 72nd Academic Council held on 6th & 7th December, 2004. The Council decided that the distribution of marks may be made in the syllabus and the syllabus was approved.

The syllabus along with the observation of the Academic Council was sent to the Chairman BPGS, who had referred the provision under-OC-5 of Clause 8 of the Ordinance and requested that the matter may be brought to the notice of the Chairman, Academic Council for clarification.

The provisions of the OC-5 Clause 8 is quoted below:

Evaluation of Course work

1. The evaluation of the course work will be internal.
2. The performance of the scholar shall be evaluated in the following grades:

'O' (Outstanding), 'A' and 'B' with grade point valuation in the 10 point scale, i.e. 7.00-10.00 corresponding to 'O' grade, 6.00-6.99 corresponding to 'A' grade, 5.00 to 5.99 corresponding to 'B' grade. Those securing less than 5 points shall be grade as 'C'. To clear a course, a candidate should secure at least grade 'B'

The matter was put up to the Chairman Academic Council, and decided that since it is Letter Grading in M.Phil there is hardly any scope for 'clearly indicating the distribution of marks'.

As the syllabus has already been approved by the Academic Council, the matter is therefore reported before the Council for information.

2: - Reporting Item

- (iv) Draft Regulation on appointment of Joint Supervisor to guide Ph.D Scholars in the University

The 72nd Academic Council vide resolution No:AC:2004:5:1(iii) constituted a Committee to draft a Regulation on appointment of a Joint Supervisor to guide Ph.D Scholars. Prof. R.Lalthantluanga, the Chairman of the Committee submitted a draft Regulation, which is placed at Annexure-A. The Committee suggested that the scholars should submit their applications with their bio-data. It may perhaps, also imply that the applications are to be submitted through the concerned Heads of the Departments and the Departments will recommend the names to the BPGS. The recommendation of the Board will be placed to the School Boards and the Academic Council for approval.

The Committee is also of the opinion that a superannuated teacher of the University may function as a Joint Supervisor, subject to the provision of RC-4A

The matter is submitted for kind consideration and decision of the Council.

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No.D.5/SLS/Ph.D/2005/263

May 24, 2005.

To

The Assistant Registrar(Conference)
NEHU, Shillong.

Madam,

With reference to your notification No.A
AC: 72-4/Conf/2004-879 dated 14th March, 2005, please
find enclosed a Draft Regulation for appointment of
Joint Supervisors and the recommendation of the
Committee regarding appointment of superannuated
teachers as Supervisors.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/
(R.Lalthanluanga)
Dean
School of Life Sciences
NEHU, Shillong.
& Chairman of the Committee

Copy to:

All members of the Committee.

Prof. S.Singh

Prof. S.K. Mishra

Prof. Jagat Pal

Prof. R.N. Sharan

On the recognition of scholars as Joint Supervisors to guide Ph.D. research under NEHU.

(under OC-4/3(2))

The recognition of a scholar as a Ph.D. Joint Supervisor shall be initiated by the concerned Department through its BPGS on the basis of a written application from the scholar concerned.

- (1) For scholars who are employed, the application shall be routed through the Head of the employing institution; scholars not in employment/superannuated scholars may submit the application directly. The application shall be accompanied by a bio-data and other supporting documents including reprints of publications.
- (2) The minimum qualification of the scholar for Joint Supervisor shall be a doctorate with three years of post-doctoral research/teaching.
- (3) The Chairman, BPGS shall forward the application along with recommendations of the Board to the concerned School Board for its consideration and onward transmission to BRS/AC.

The Committee considered whether a superannuated teacher would continue as supervisor and recommended that superannuated teachers may not continue as supervisor. However, if desired, the superannuated teacher may continue supervision as Joint Supervisor under provision in RC-4A.

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- (v) Eligibility of Faculty members attending meetings of various Bodies and Committees when they are on Sabbatical Leave.

In the 71st meeting of the Academic Council, a Committee was constituted to submit a report on eligibility of faculty members attending meetings of various Bodies and Committees when they are on Sabbatical leave.

The Committee met on 13.05.05 under the Chairmanship of Prof. Promod Tandon and the report of the Council is placed as Annexure 'A'.

The matter is therefore placed before the Council for consideration

Minutes of the meeting of the Committee constituted vide Notification No. Ac:7-4/Conf/2004-6134 dated 22nd July 2004 held at 2:00 P.M. on 13th of May 2005 in the office of chamber of Prof. Pramod Tandon, Department of Botany.

Members present:

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| 1. Prof. Pramod Tandon | Chairman |
| 2. Prof. Nikhlesh Kumar | Member |
| 3. Sri K.M. Deb
Deputy Registrar | Convener |

Terms of Reference of the Committee:

“Preventing members from attending meetings, who are on Sabbatical Leave”.

1. The Chairman welcomed the members and the Convener initiated the discussion.
2. The minutes of the meeting held on 9th September 2004 were confirmed.
3. The committee had a threadbare discussion on the term of reference of the committee constituted by the Vice-Chancellor in pursuance of the decision of the 71st Academic Council and the provisions of NEHU Ordinance governing leave to teachers. The views of the committee are given below for the consideration of the Academic Council:

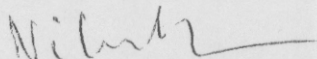
Sabbatical leave as per NEHU Ordinance OE-6: 11 is granted to permanent whole time teachers of the University who have completed three years of service to undertake study or research or other academic pursuits solely for the object of increasing their proficiency and usefulness to the University.

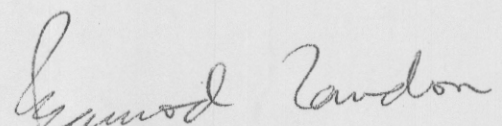
The committee was of the view that Sabbatical leave, as any other kind of leave, would mean official absence from duties relating to office/ post held by the person granted leave. Consequently, absence, in the present context, would also imply absence from duties relating to one's position as member of the Academic Council. Therefore the Committee is of the opinion that a member of the Academic Council should not be allowed to attend the meetings if such a member is on Sabbatical Leave.

However, the committee was of the considered view that the Academic Council, if it so desires, may consider the aforesaid for leaves other than Sabbatical as well. Moreover, the provisions, if applied in general to all kinds of leave, may also apply to attending meetings of various other bodies of the University.

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


(K.M. Deb)


(Nikhlesh Kumar)


(Pramod Tandon)