

5: 6: Establishment of new Department/Centres/Courses

(v) Starting of Ph.D. Programmes in the Centres of Studies

In pursuance of the Resolution No. EC: 110: 2001: 5: 3: (i) adopted at the 110th meeting of the Executive Council held on 17th August, 2001, a committee was constituted to recommend necessary amendments to the relevant Ordinance for Starting of Ph.D. Programmes in the Centres of Studies. The said committee met on 19.11.2001 and submitted the Minutes of the committee as per Annexure-'A'.

The matter is placed before the Council for consideration.

**MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE APPOINTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL
 VIDE RESOLUTION NO.EC:110:2001:5:3(i) TO LOOK INTO STARTING OF
 PH.D PROGRAMMES IN THE CENTRES OF STUDIES HELD ON 19TH
 NOVEMBER, 2001 AT 2:00 P.M. IN THE OFFICE CHAMBER OF THE CO-
 ORDINATOR, IGNOU, STUDY CENTRE, NEHU .**

The following members were present :

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| 1. | Prof. Biloris Lyndem Laso | - | Chairperson |
| 2. | Prof. Nikhlesh Kumar | - | Member |
| 3. | John MS. Khongwir | - | Convener. |

At the outset the Chairperson welcomed all the members.

Apologies were received from Prof. BK. Tiwari.

The Committee noted that with the promulgation of the new education policy effective from 1996, the Universities in the country consisted of three arms, namely, teaching, research and extension work. The basic idea of establishing the Centres of Studies in the North-Eastern Hill University was to encourage inter-disciplinary research or teaching in any discipline not specifically assigned to any department, to provide guidance and facilities for the development of the students of a wide spectrum including Creative Arts, to make field studies in relation to social and cultural life of the people of the North-East, to formulate and conduct programmes in various fields of knowledge which can be appreciated and assimilated by the people and thus become a link between the University and the community, to provide service by way of studies, lectures and training in order to advance the social and economic conditions of the people of the hill areas.

The Committee also noted that the Centres of Studies in the University consisted of a wide spectrum of faculty members which cannot be attributed to any particular discipline or subject. It would therefore, be difficult, say for e.g. in a certain Centre where there is a teacher in English to admit M.Phil/Ph.D. students for English when there already exist a department of English in the University. Besides there is also the problem of equating the Steering Committee with the Board of Post Graduate Studies for recommending the topic of research. For it is

needless to point out that the Board of Post Graduate Studies consist of subject experts and who are in the know of the discipline, whereas the Steering Committee of Centre of Study does not consist of subject experts and, therefore, the recommendation of the topic for research to the School Board would not be feasible. It may further be pointed out that the Ordinance on Ph.D. states that a supervisor shall be a teacher of this University with at least three years in research/teaching.

There exist in the University the facility of adjunct faculty and the Committee is of the strong opinion that teachers from the Centres of Studies should be allowed to act as supervisors/co-supervisors and have their research scholars registered through the regular departments of the University.

In view of the above, the Committee has decided to refer the matter back to the Executive Council.

Sd/-
Prof. Biloris Lyndem Laso
Chairperson

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John MS. Khongwir
Convener

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Prof. Nikhlesh Kumar
Member

(v) Starting of Ph.D. Programmes in the Centre of Studies.

EC:111:2001:5:6:(v): The Council considered the recommendations of the Committee appointed by it to recommend necessary amendments to the Ordinances for starting Ph.D. Programmes in the Centres of Studies and RESOLVED that the Committee may recommend necessary changes in the relevant ordinances so that the Steering Committees of these Centres may also consist of subjects experts.

5:7- Affiliation etc.

(i) Affiliation of various Colleges.

EC:111:2001:5:7:(i): The Council considered the recommendations of the Academic Council on the various cases of affiliation of Colleges and RESOLVED to approve the same as under:

Name of the College	Recommendations
1. Tikrikilla College West Garo Hills, Meghalaya.	Permanent Affiliation subject to the Regulation to be approved by the Executive Council.
2. Khat-Ar-Doloi Law College, Jowai, Jaintia Hills, Meghalaya.	Renewal of Provisional Affiliation in Degree Courses (Law) for a period of one year.
3. North-East Adventist College, Thadlaskein, Jowai, Jaintia Hills, Meghalaya.	Renewal of Provisional Affiliation in English, History, Political Sc., Economics, Education, Alternative English, Elective English, Elective Mizo, MIL (Mizo & Khasi) subject to conditions laid down by the Inspection Team.
4. Morning Star College, Nongthymmai, Shilong.	Renewal of Provisional Affiliation for English, Economics, Political Science,