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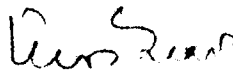
The Members of  
the Academic Council,  
North-Eastern Hill University.

Subject: Minutes of the 35th Meeting of the Academic Council

Sir/Madam,

I am forwarding herewith the Minutes of the 35th Meeting of the Academic Council held on 14th December, 1988 for favour of your information and comments, if any.

Yours faithfully,



(D. C. Pant)  
Registrar

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NORTH-EASTERN HILL UNIVERSITY  
SHILLONG- 793 001

M I N U T E S  
THIRTY FIFTH MEETING  
OF THE  
ACADEMIC COUNCIL

Wednesday, the 14th December, 1988  
Shillong.

MINUTES OF THE THIRTYFIFTH MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL

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The Thirtyfifth meeting of the Academic Council was held on the 14th December, 1988 at 11:00 A.M. in the Seminar Hall, Mayurbhanj Complex, North-Eastern Hill University, Shillong.

WELCOME:

The Chairman welcomed the members to the Thirtyfifth meeting of the Academic Council.

PRESENT :

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

At the outset, the Chairman informed that Prof. Haimendorf will be arriving Shillong on the 16th December, 1988 and that it will be desirable to arrange 'Barpujari' Lectures.

Item No.1 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE THIRTY-FOURTH MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL -

No.AC:35:88:01: The Council considered the comments received from Dr. S.N. Bhat as circulated in the agenda and also the letter received from Prof. S.S.Khare placed in the meeting. After prolonged discussion and clarifications were given, the Council RESOLVED to confirm the minutes of the 34th meeting of the Academic Council as circulated, without modification.

5:1 Statutes, Ordinances, Regulations & Rules

- (i) Amendment of Clause 2(b) (i) of Ordinance OB-8 on the Scheme of Exchange of Teachers/Experts

No.AC:35:88:5:01:(i): The Council considered the recommendations of the Deans' Committee in its 46th meeting held on the 16th December, 1988 for delegation of the powers of the Academic Council to the

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School Boards to approve short-term academic exchange programmes with such Departments of other Universities and Institutions of higher learning. The Council further RESOLVED that Clause 2 (b) (i) of Ordinance OB-8 on the Scheme of Exchange of Teachers/Experts may be amended as indicated below :-

"The University shall have agreement for a general long-term or specific short-term academic exchange programme with such departments of other Universities and other institutions of higher learning as may be approved by the School Board, under which the scholars of the two institutions may collaborate in research, participate in teaching and other academic pursuits as may be decided from time to time."

It also RESOLVED that the matter may be referred to the Executive Council for its consideration and approval.

The Council was of the view that the scheme of exchange of teachers should extend to foreign Universities also as collaboration with foreign Universities will be very useful. The Council, therefore, RESOLVED to authorise the Vice-Chancellor to take up the matter. As the exchange of teachers with foreign Universities will involve Restricted Area Permit for Meghalaya and there had always been difficulty in obtaining the same, the Vice-Chancellor was requested to take up with concerned authorities for suitable amendment of procedure so that with the Vice-Chancellor's recommendations it will cut short delays drastically.

(ii) Amendment of Statute 27 relating to removal of Teachers -

AC:35:88:05:1(ii): The Council considered the proposal submitted by Prof. J.B. Bhattacharjee and NEHUTA for amendment of Statute 27 and appreciated the need to define the terms "good ~~name~~" and "misconduct". It, however, felt that the matter can better be examined by a

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Committee consisting of members drawn from Sciences and Social Sciences. The Council, therefore, resolved to authorise the Vice-Chancellor to constitute Committee and to submit the report of the Committee for its consideration.

- (iii) UGC Guidelines for minimum number of Teaching days, Programme of Examination Reform and workload for teacher -

No.AC:35:88:05:1:(iii): The Council perused the contents of the letter No.F.1-28/84(CPP)/(Vol.III) dated 26.11.88 of the Secretary, University Grants Commission and considered the University Grants Commission Guidelines laying down the minimum number of actual teaching days, minimum programme of Examination reform, workload of teachers etc and resolved to adopt the guidelines.

- (iv) Amendments to Ordinance OC-4 on the Doctor of Philosophy Programme and Ordinance OC-5 on the Master of Philosophy Programme -

No.AC:35:88:05:1:(iv): The Council considered the proposal for amendment of OC-4 relating to the Doctor of Philosophy Programme and OC-5 on the Master of Philosophy Programme together with the draft prepared by the Sub-Committee constituted by the School of Physical Sciences. The Council resolved that a joint meeting of the two Board of Research Studies may be convened on 23rd February, 1989 specifically to consider possible amendments to the two Ordinances with a view to bringing about simplification of the procedure and examining University level courses and School level courses. It further decided that the joint meeting may also examine the possibility of introduction of Doctor of Science, D.Litt, Programmes in the University.

- (v) External Research Projects

No.AC:35:88:05:1:(v): The Council considered the two draft Regulations prepared by the Finance Department and the School of Physical Sciences and after examining the two drafts clause by clause, resolved to approve the Draft Regulations with modifications as appended at Appendix- "A". It further resolved to recommend the Draft Regulation

to the Executive Council for its consideration and approval

5:2 - Syllabus -

(i) Syllabi in Geology for M.Sc. and M.Phil

No.AC:35:88:5:2:(i): The Council resolved to approve the Syllabus for M.Sc. in Geology. As regards the Syllabus for M.Phil, the Council resolved that the Syllabus be approved with a modification in the opening sentence to read as follows.

"The M.Phil Programme after M.Sc is for three semesters".

(ii) Syllabus in Psychology .....B.A Pass -

No.AC:35:88:5:2:(ii): The Council resolved to approve the syllabus in Psychology for B.A. Pass Course as framed and recommended by the Board of Under Graduate Studies in Psychology with observation that attempts should always be made to frame balanced Syllabi for courses.

5:5 - EXAMINATION MATTERS :

(i) Panel of Examiners -(Ph.D)

No.AC:35:88;5:5:(i): The Council RESOLVED to approve the panel of examiners for examining the Ph.D. theses of the following candidates and to recommend to the Executive Council for its consideration and approval.

Department	Name of candidates
Chemistry	1. Mr. Akhilesh Kumar Gupta
	2. Shri M.L. Purkayastha
	3. Shri R.T. Chakrasali
	4. Shri A. Thomas
Physics	1. Shri A.K. Sarma
	2. Mr. Ganesh Thakur

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Departments	Name of candidates
English	1. Mr. S.B. Sen Gupta 2. Mr. R. K. Dkhar
Zoology	1. Ms. J. Chakravarty

(ii) Panel of Examiners - (M.Phil)

No. AC:35:88:5:05:(ii): The Council RESOLVED to approve the panel of examiners for examining the M.Phil dissertations of the following candidates and to recommend to the Executive Council for its consideration and approval.

Departments	Name of candidates
Zoology	1. Mr. Arun C. Sarmah
Geography	1. Mr. Hiambok Jones Syiemlieh 2. Mr. J.C. Dharabdhara 3. Mr. D.P. Hazarika 4. Ms. M. Agarwal 5. Ms. M. Berthakur
Physics	1. Mr. Saibal Gupta 2. Miss Vicky Grace Shylla 3. Miss Estherly Buam Lyngdoh 4. Ms. Supriya Bhattacharjee

(iii) Request of a blind student,  
Shri Kapil Das Gupta and  
facilities to the blind -

No. AC:35:88:5:05:(iii): The Council RESOLVED to allow Shri Kapil Das Gupta, a blind and former P.U.(Com.) student of Dinapur College to appear in the P.U.(Arts) final examination of this University. It further RESOLVED that the following facilities may be provided to Shri Kapil Das Gupta and other blind candidates appearing in NEHU Under- Graduate Examinations in future.

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1. Exemption from payment of tuition fees and examinations fees.
2. Half an hour extra time at the time of examinations.
3. The writer at the time of examination to be academically less qualified than that of a blind examinee and should not belong to the institution to which the Blind Candidate belongs.
4. Suitable remuneration be paid to the writer by the University.
5. Other facilities as may be deemed fit by the Academic Council from time to time .

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

(i) Opening of Post-Graduate Departments  
of Commerce and Geology in the Shillong  
Campus -

No.AC:35:88:5:06:(i): The Council considered the request received from the State Government of Meghalaya for opening Post-Graduate classes in Commerce and Geology at the Shillong Campus but RESOLVED to keep it in abeyance. The Council felt that the Departments of Commerce and Geology, which were established at Kohima, should first be strengthened and consolidated.

(ii) Change of nomenclature of the  
Department of Ancient History  
and Culture -

No.AC:35:88:5:06:(ii): The Council examined and considered the approval submitted by the Pro Vice-Chancellor, Nagaland Campus for a change of nomenclature of the Department of Ancient History and Culture, which was sanctioned by the University Grants Commission. It RESOLVED to supersede its earlier resolution No.AC:33:88:5:06:(iv) and decided that the nomenclature of the "Department of Ancient History and Culture" be changed to that of a "Department of History and Archaeology". The Council further RESOLVED to recommend the change of nomenclature to the Executive Council for its consideration and approval.

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- (iii) Institution of two Chairs in the names of Dr. S. Radhakrishnan and Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru -

No.AC:35:88:5:06:(iii): The Council considered the recommendation of the State Working Committee on National Foundation of Teachers' Welfare Fund, Meghalaya received through the Government of Meghalaya for instituting a Chair in the name of Dr. S. Radhakrishnan, Ex-President of India, in "Philosophy of Tribals in North-East India" together with the comments received from the Head, Department of Philosophy and the Dean of the School of Social Sciences. It also considered the recommendation of the School Board of Social Sciences to institute another Chair in the name of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru to mark his Birth Centenary. The Council welcomed and RESOLVED to approve both the proposals, subject to availability of funds from the Government of India, University Grants Commission and the Government of Meghalaya.

5:7 - Affiliation, etc. -

- (i) Provisional affiliation of Baptist College, Kohima for P.U. (Arts) and P.U. (Com.) -

No.AC:35:88:5:07:(i): The Council considered the recommendations of the Inspection Committee and RESOLVED to grant provisional affiliation to Baptist College, Kohima for teaching Pre-University Arts and Pre-University Commerce for a period of three years with effect from the current academic session, subject to the conditions laid down by the Inspection Committee.

- (ii) Provisional affiliation of Tikrikila College, Garo Hills, Meghalaya for P.U. (Arts) -

No.AC:35:88:5:07:(ii): The Council RESOLVED to approve the recommendations of the Inspection Committee and to grant provisional affiliation to Tikrikila College, Tikrikila for teaching Pre-University Arts for a period of three years from the current academic session,

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subject to the conditions laid down by the Inspection Committee.

5:8 - Others -

(i) Evaluation of M.Phil/Ph.D. thesis  
by a relation -

No.AC:35:88:5:08(i): The Council considered the decision of the two Boards of Research Studies in Sciences and Humanities and Social Sciences and RESOLVED that a Supervisor should not act as an examiner where a candidate is a wife or a husband of the Supervisor. The term "relation" should be restricted to a wife or a husband. Where a candidate is a wife or husband of the Supervisor, the thesis submitted by a candidate for Ph.D/M.Phil Degree shall be sent to a third examiner selected from the panel of examiners approved by the Council.

The Council further RESOLVE that Clause 11 of Ordinance OC-4 may accordingly be amended and the matter may be referred to the Executive Council for its consideration. The draft amendment may be placed in the next meeting of the Council.

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

No.AC:35:88:5:08:(ii): The Council RESOLVED to nominate the members to the Board of Under-Graduate Studies in Home Science and in Mizo as indicated below :-

BUGS in Home Science

1. Prof.R. Lalthantluanga, Department of Bio-Chemistry, NEHU, Shillong.
2. Prof. P. Gokulanthan, Department of Education, NEHU, Shillong.
3. Dr. M.Y.Khan, Reader in Bio-Chemistry, NEHU, Shillong.

BUGS in Mizo

1. Shri L.F.Sailo, Deputy Registrar, NEHU, Mizoram Campus, Aizawl.
2. Dr. Lalruanga, Principal, Aizawl College, Aizawl.
3. Shri H. Lallungmana, Hoed, Mizo Department, P.U. College, Aizawl.

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(iii) Increase of M.Phil seats in  
Social Sciences Departments -

No.AC:35:88:5:08:(iii): The Council considered the proposal submitted by the School Board of Social Sciences to increase the number of students for M.Phil programme in the Departments of Social Sciences to 20 and RESOLVED to approve the proposal. It also RESOLVED that the number of admissions to M.Phil programme to raised to 20 in all the Schools and Institute of the University, subject to availability of facilities.

(iv) Admission of Diploma Holders in M.A.  
Programme in Public Administration -

No.AC:35:88:5:08:(iv): The Council considered the proposal received from the Head, Department of Public Administration, through the School Board of Social Sciences, to allow one year Diploma in Public Administration to join the M.A. programme in Public Administration in the third semester but felt that a separate Regulation should first be framed for the purpose. One year Diploma Holders can be admitted to the third semester of the Post- Graduate programme, provided such Diploma Holders possessed Honours Degree.

Item No. 8 ITEMS FROM THE CHAIR :

AC:35:88:08: The Chairman apprised the Council of the objection of the College Teachers to 5% deduction from the remuneration bills of the examiners towards the NEHU Teachers' Welfare Fund. The Council discussed the matter and the following points were brought up in the deliberations.

1. In many other Universities this practice of deduction towards the Teachers' Welfare Fund exist.
2. Regulations from other Universities had been collected and such provisions for deduction are made in those Regulations.
3. Examiners are being appointed from other Universities also not limiting it to teachers of affiliated colleges of NEHU only and there have been no objections from them.


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4. The benefit of taxes do not always go to the tax payers and the taxes are paid for the benefit of others also.
5. The Council had considered and examined the matter for about three years and after that only a decision was taken.
6. It should be clearly mentioned in the appointment orders of examiners that 5% deduction will be made out of the remuneration bill.

The Council, after careful consideration, RESOLVED that the status-quo should be maintained.

The meeting concluded with a Vote of Thanks from the Chair at 2:20 P.M.

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

  
(D.C. Pant)  
Registrar

LIST OF MEMBERS ATTENDING THE 35TH  
MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL HELD  
ON 14TH DECEMBER, 1988 .

APPENDIX - 'I'

Members Present :-

1. Dr. R.K.Mishra,  
Vice-Chancellor,  
North-Eastern Hill University,  
Shillong.
2. Shri. Kirenwati Ao,  
Pro Vice-Chancellor,  
Nagaland Campus, Kohima.
3. Prof. P. Shukla.
4. Prof. T.S.B. Narasaraju.
5. Prof. R.P. Bajpai.
6. Prof. Mrinal Miri.
7. Prof. S.N. Bhat.
8. Prof. M.K. Chaudhuri.
9. Prof. H. Ila.
10. Prof. R.S. Tripathi.
11. Prof. S. Prakash.
12. Prof. Y.S.T. Rao.
13. Prof. S.S. Khare.
14. Prof. Pramod Tandon.
15. Fr. Francis.
16. Prof. A.N. Rai.
17. Prof. N. Hasan.
18. Prof. S. Homdhudhury.
19. Dr. E.N. Lall.
20. Prof. R.R. Mishra.

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21. Prof. A.L. Verma.
22. Prof. H. Junjappa.
23. Prof. A. Raghu Varman.
24. Prof. K. Chatterjee.
25. Prof. N. Malla.
26. Dr. Lalruanga.
27. Dr. A.P. Sinha.
28. Dr. S. Mathew George.
29. Dr. . Imdad Hussain.
30. Prof. J.P. Singh.
31. Prof. B.K. Ratha.
32. Prof. R.K. Rai.
33. Dr. S. Y.S. Chauhan.
34. Prof. R. Gopalakrishnan.
35. Prof. H.W. Sten.
36. Dr. H.B.N. Kynta.
37. Prof. K.K. Upadhyaya.
38. Prof. O.P. Kejariwal.
39. Dr. A.K. Ghosh.
40. Prof. S.N. Guhathakurta.
41. Prof. M.C. Pandey.
42. Dr. Man Mohan Singh.
43. Prof. V. Vankata Rao.
44. Prof. J.B. Bhattacharjee.
45. Prof. B.K. Deb Sarma.
46. Prof. M.Y. Khan.

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47. Prof. J.C. Biswal.
48. Prof. Sajata Miri.
49. Prof. K.K. Sharma.
50. Prof. Saingenga.
51. Dr. R.S. Wangu.
52. Prof. R.P. Kachhara.
53. Prof. P.L. Kar.
54. Prof. K. Bez.
55. Prof. Ali Ahmad.
56. Prof. P.K. Ganguli.
57. Prof. A.N. Jaiswal.
58. Shri D.C. Pant,  
Registrar,  
NEHU, Shillong.

APPENDIX - 'A'

Regulations on External Research Projects.

1. Various national and international funding agencies provide attractive research grants to the faculty solely on the scientific standing of the investigator and the merit of the project.
2. Each project proposal is thoroughly referred by experts in respective fields and sanctions are made on the basis of recommendation of the experts.
3. Once the project is sanctioned, the Director/ investigator-in-charge is solely responsible for its successful completion. He is referred to submit periodical progress reports and a final report which are referred by panel of experts.
4. In view of the academic as well as financial responsibilities associated with the Director/investigator-in-charge, the following regulations are framed for smooth implementation and execution of the project.
  1. These regulations may be called ' Regulations on External Research Projects'.
  2. All research Projects which may be funded by organisations other than the North-Eastern Hill University shall be called "External Research Projects".
  3. A teacher desirous of seeking financial support from an external financial agency will prepare the project proposal as per the requirements of the funding agency.
  4. The project proposal duly forwarded by the Head of the Department/ Institution will be sent to the funding agency.
  5. Action on the project may be initiated by the Director/investigator-in-charge in Advance, if necessary, with the prior approval of the Vice-Chancellor soon after the receipt of sanction without waiting for the release of funds.
  6. The funds received will be deposited in the "External Research Projects Fund" of the University and a separate ledger maintained in the Finance Branch in respect of each project. The University may support the research work of the project until the funds are received by the funding agency.

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Provided that the Director/Investigator-in-charge may be allowed to open and operate an account in a Scheduled Bank for drawal of the Contingency Fund upto the extent of 50% of the fund to be decided by him.

7. Requisition for the selection of the sanctioned staff/research scholar will be sent to the Registrar by the Director/Investigator-in-charge with intimation to the Head of the Department. The sanctioned posts will be advertised by the Registrar within two weeks.
8. In the absence of any specific procedure laid down by the funding agency, the Director/Investigator-in-charge will constitute a selection committee comprising not less than three members, including the co-investigators if any, and Head of the Department with the Director/Investigator-in-charge as the chairman. The selected staff/research scholar will be allowed all the usual facilities of the University at par with those enjoyed by other regular University Staff.
9. All the infrastructural facilities shall be provided by the University for smooth running of the Projects.
10. The Investigator-in-charge shall be the controlling and sanctioning officer for all the financial, administrative and academic matters related to the project. In the absence of Director/Investigator-in-charge and/or any co-investigator, the faculty member nominated by the Director/Investigator-in-charge shall look after the matters related to the project.
11. Purchase of equipment costing up to Rs. 5,000/- shall be made by the Director/Investigator-in-charge as per the requirements of the project. He will draw advance for such purchase in his name.
12. Purchase of chemicals, glasswares and other consumables will be made by Director/Investigator-in-charge from the advance drawn by him in his name after observing codal formalities.

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13. Expenditure on analytical services, computer charges, books, secretarial assistance, travel, maintenance of equipment, postage and such of the services related to the project will be incurred by the Director/Investigator, in-charge from the advance drawn by him in his/her name.
14. Utilization certificates on the project expenditure shall be submitted by the Director/Investigator/Investigator-in-charge to the University to be forwarded within one month to the funding agency.
15. All the administrative, academic and financial matters in relation to the projects shall be governed by the provisions of these regulations and/or the terms and conditions of the concerned funding agency.