

Minutes of the 74th meeting of Academic Council of the University
held on 10th November, 2021 at 12:00 noon at SES Conference Hall,
SES Building, BBAU, Lucknow.

The following were present:

1. Prof. Sanjay Singh, Vice Chancellor	Chairman
2. Prof. S.K. Dwivedi	External Member
3. Prof. Shivaraj	External Member
4. Prof. Rana Pratap Singh	Member
5. Prof. R.B. Ram	Member
6. Prof. Sunita Mishra	Member
7. Prof. Kameshwar Chaudhary	Member
8. Prof. S. Victor Babu	Member
9. Prof. D.R. Modi	Member
10. Prof. Priti Saxena	Member
11. Prof. K.L. Mahawar	Member
12. Prof. Kamal Jaiswal	Member
13. Prof. Kaman Singh	Member
14. Prof. B.S. Bhadauria	Member
15. Prof. Ram Chandra	Member
16. Prof. Shubhini A. Saraf	Member
17. Prof. B.B. Malik	Member
18. Prof. Sanjay Kumar	Member
19. Prof. S.K. Dwivedi, DCS	Member
20. Prof. R.A. Khan	Member
21. Prof Preeti Misra	Member
22. Prof. L.C. Malliah	Member
23. Prof. B.C. Yadav	Member
24. Prof. M.S. Khan	Member
25. Prof. Surinder Kumar	Member
26. Prof. Sangeeta Saxena	Member
27. Prof. V. Elangovan	Member
28. Prof. M.P. Singh	Member
29. Prof. Sudarshan Verma	Member
30. Prof. Gopal Singh	Member
31. Prof. Sanatan Nayak	Member
32. Prof. Govind Ji Pandey	Member

33. Prof. Sartik Bagh	Member
34. Prof. B.N. Dubey	Member
35. Prof. Naveen Kumar Arora	Member
36. Prof. Shilpi Verma	Member
37. Prof. Shura Darapuri	Member
38. Prof. Rajesh Kumar	Member
39. Prof. Jaya Shrivastava	Member
40. Dr. Harishankar Singh	Member
41. Prof. Shikha	Member
42. Prof. U.V. Kiran	Member
43. Prof. Gaurav Kaithwas	Member
44. Dr. Sarvesh Kumar Singh	Member
45. Prof. Sanjeev Kumar Chadha	Member
46. Prof. Shishir Kumar	Member
47. Dr. Narendra Kumar	Member
48. Dr. M.R. Vejendala	Member
49. Dr. Sifiya Ahmed	Member
50. Dr. Mahendra Kumar Padhy	Member
51. Dr. Sunil Gorla, Librarian	Member
52. Dr. Rachana Gangwar, PRO	Spl. Invitee
53. Registrar	Ex-officio Secretary

Following members did not attend the meeting:

1. Dr. G. N. Singh	External Member
2. Prof. A. N. Maurya	External Member
3. Prof. N.M.P. Verma	
4. Prof. S.K. Dwivedi, DES	
5. Prof. Ripu Sudan Singh	
6. Prof. Manish Kumar Verma	
7. Prof. Kushendra Mishra	
8. Prof. Devesh Kumar	
9. Prof. S.K. Pandey	
10. Prof. Deepa H. Dwivedi	
11. Prof. Madhulika Dube	
12. Prof. Gajanan Pandey	
13. Prof. Venkatesh Dutta	
14. Prof. Ram Pal Gangwar	
15. Dr. Shashi Kumar	

At the outset, Chairman welcomed all the members and after that the following agenda were taken up:

Agenda Item No. 01: Confirmation of minutes of 72nd meeting of Academic Council held online on 29.07.2021.

Minutes of the 72nd meeting of Academic Council held on 29.07.2021 were sent to all the members and comments of the members of Academic Council have been received on the following agenda of 71st meeting of Academic Council of the University:

In this reference, the following Academic Council members offered their comments (enclosed):

- i. Prof. S. Victor Babu
- ii. Prof. Shashikant Pandey
- iii. Prof. Sanatan Nayak
- iv. Prof. L.C. Mallaiah
- v. Prof. Venkatesh Dutta
- vi. Prof. Gajanan Pandey
- vii. Prof. Priti Saxena
- viii. Prof. Shubhini A. Saraf
- ix. Prof. S.K. Dwivedi, External Member
- x. Prof. R.A. Khan
- xi. Prof. Jaya Shrivastava
- xii. Prof. Surinder Kumar
- xiii. Prof. Shura Darapuri
- xiv. Prof. Sartik Bagh
- xv. Prof. B.N. Dubey
- xvi. Prof. Ram Chandra
- xvii. Prof. B.B. Malik

The minutes of the meeting are enclosed as **Annexure-A** for confirmation please.

Resolution

The Academic Council resolved to confirm the minutes of the 72nd meeting of Academic Council. However, the comments received from the

various members w.r.t. the resolution under the Agenda Item No. 09 may be placed before the next Academic Council meeting.

Agenda Item No. 02: Confirmation of minutes of 73rd Special meeting of Academic Council (For 9th Convocation) held through online mode on 25.08.2021.

Minutes of 73rd Special meeting of Academic Council (For 9th Convocation) held through online mode on 25.08.2021 was sent to all the members and no comment has been received. The minutes of 73rd Special meeting of Academic Council (For 9th Convocation) held through online mode on 25.08.2021 is enclosed as **Annexure-B**.

The minutes are placed for confirmation please.

Resolution

The Academic Council resolved to confirm the minutes of 73rd Special meeting of Academic Council.

Agenda Item No. 03: To consider the Minutes of the urgent meeting with Deans, HoD's/ Coordinators and Sectional Heads of BBAU under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Vice Chancellor held on 28.10.2021 of the University.

The urgent meeting with Deans, HoD's/ Coordinators and Sectional Heads of BBAU under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Vice Chancellor was held on 28.10.2021 wherein agenda pertaining to the withdrawal of the application for NAAC 2nd cycle assessment as an agenda item no. 1 was discussed and deliberated in the said meeting. The Minutes of the said committee is enclosed as **Annexure-C**.

The matter is placed for kind consideration and approval.

Resolution

The Academic Council resolved to approve the same.

Agenda Item No. 04: To consider the certain modification in the BBAU M.Phil./Ph.D. Regulation (2016) as amended in 2019 of the University.

There are certain critical problems which have emerged and need to be looked into. These are the following –

1. Discontinuation of Ph.D. and re-registration in case of getting a regular job –

While doing their Ph.D., some research scholars of the University get regular jobs. When they wish to join a job they have to give up their Ph.D. research, as there is no provision in the existing Ph.D. Regulations to permit them to do Ph.D. if they join a job. Like other departments, in the Department of Sociology there are several cases of research scholars leaving their Ph.D. mid-way to join job. This results into complete waste of time, energy and public resources already devoted to their Ph.D. research work – on the part of research scholars, their Supervisors, Department and the University. So, to remedy this problem, some provision needs to be made under the existing Ph.D. Regulations, and later as well whenever the regulations are modified, to permit the Ph.D. scholars to complete their research subject to the following conditions –

- i) The research scholar must have completed the Ph.D. Course work and her/his Ph.D. Synopsis has been approved by the Departmental Research Committee (DRC);
- ii) On getting a regular job, he/she may discontinue his/her Ph.D. registration after completion of the preceding condition. For discontinuation, she/he must give an application to the Head of Department, through Supervisor, with proof of regular job, which will be placed before the DRC for granting permission to discontinue;
- iii) For rejoining his/her Ph.D. research, she/he must apply to the Head of Department with NOC from her/his organization before the number of vacant seats are finalized by the concerned Department for admission to the Ph.D. programme, so that such seats are counted against the vacant seats in the department and remaining vacant seats will be advertised for admission;

- iv) After getting permission by the DRC of the concerned department, the research scholar shall re-register in a particular Semester for continuing her/his Ph.D. research on submitting proof of grant of leave and relieving letter from his/her organization;
- v) He/she will be allowed to complete his/her Ph.D. research and submit Thesis only within the maximum period permissible under the relevant Ph.D. Regulations applicable to his/her case;
- vi) Those who re-register, have to complete the minimum period of residency (with required attendance, six-monthly progress report and other requirements) in the University for completing Ph.D.
- vii) Only one chance shall be given for re-registration for completion of Ph.D. research.
- viii) Those who re-register for completing Ph.D. will not be entitled to get any fellowship from the University and the UGC- JRF/SRF;

2. Change of Supervisor -

Sometimes it is observed that relation between a research scholar and his/her Supervisor gets highly strained which adversely affects research of scholar and their personal relations, and also vitiates the academic environment in the department. Currently, there is no provision under the existing M.Phil. & Ph.D. Regulations to deal with such a situation.

Hence, the Academic Council may consider to incorporate an additional provision in the existing M.Phil. & Ph.D. Regulations of the University, for change of Supervisor as per the following procedure -

- i) Change of Supervisor of a research scholar may be permitted by Departmental Research Committee (DRC) with mutual consent of the original Supervisor and new Supervisor, for which the concerned research scholar shall submit an application to the Head of Department along with consent of the original Supervisor and of the new Supervisor;
- ii) For a particular research scholar, change of Supervisor may be permitted only once by the DRC only up to three years in

case of Ph.D. from the date of registration. It may also be permitted for M.Phil. research scholars till their final year.”

Further, Prof. Kameshwar Choudhary suggested that two more conditions pertaining to discontinuation of Ph.D. and re-registration in case of getting a regular job. These two conditions are as under:

- (i) Those who re-register for Ph.D. will not be entitled to get any fellowship from the University and the UGC-JRF/SRF;
- (ii) Those who re-register have to complete the minimum period of residency (with required attendance and other requirements) in the University for completing Ph.D. b

The matter is placed for kind consideration and approval.

Resolution

The Academic Council resolved to constitute a committee under the Chairpersonship of Dean, Research & Development and all the members of Academic Council will send their suggestions/comments/observations and committee will prepare modalities/provisions with respect to discontinuation of Ph.D. and re-registration in case of getting a regular job and change of supervisor under the existing M.Phil./Ph.D. Regulation and these modalities/provisions prepared by the committee will be placed before the Academic Council for consideration.

Agenda Item No. 05: To consider the *General waiver for M.Phil./Ph.D. research scholars due to Covid-19 Pandemic.*

The Corona Pandemic emerged in the country in January 2020. Particularly since March 2020, the Pandemic has badly disrupted research work of all the Ph.D. and M.Phil. research scholars enrolled in the University, like other universities in the country. The UGC has permitted only the Final year research scholars to submit their thesis/dissertation till 31 December 2021 even if the maximum period of completion of their research has ended. But besides the final year research scholars, the research work of other research scholars also has been adversely affected resulting in unsatisfactory progress of

research, some missing even the deadline for depositing Semester fee and submission of Six-monthly Progress Report.

So, given the highly adverse situation for research during the period of Covid-19 pandemic, the Academic Council may sympathetically consider cases of 'all' research scholars whose progress of research has not been satisfactory since January 2020 when the Pandemic began in the country and give a general waiver allowing them to continue with their research even if the progress of their research work has been unsatisfactory, or they missed to submit their six-monthly progress report or deposit their semester fee. This waiver may be given to all M.Phil./Ph.D. research scholars for the period from January 2020 to December 2021.

Resolution

The Academic Council resolved to approve the same.

Agenda Item No. 06: To ratify the Examination Manual of the University.

The Examination Manual of the University is placed as **Annexure-D** for ratification.

Resolution

The Academic Council ratified the agenda. Further, members suggested that the Examination Manual may be circulated among the members of Academic Council for obtaining their suggestion, if any. After that the same will be placed in the forthcoming meeting of Academic Council in the form of Regulation/Ordinance.

Agenda Item No. 07: To consider the request of the Head, Department of Law pertaining to the case of the Mr. Anuj Kumar, Ph.D. scholar, Department of Law of the University.

"This is regarding the application of Mr. Anuj Kumar, Research Scholar, under the Department of Law regarding change of supervisor.

2. With respect to Dean (AA)'s observation at page page7-8/N, Head, department of Law furnished the facts which may please be seen at page 9-10/N.

3. Mr. Anuj Kumar, Research Scholar made a complaint against his supervisor before the Head of the Department of Law. This complaint may be seen at page-1/C.

4. This complaint was placed before Departmental Committee held on 05.03.2021 in the Department of Law. As per the minutes of the committee, committee discussed the matter (Dr. Anis Ahmad) and Research Scholar (Mr. Anuj Kumar) and enquired the case. The said committee recommended the change of the supervisor. The minutes of the committee may be seen at page 7/C.

5. After that the matter was placed before the Department Research Committee (DRC) held on 05.03.2021 under the agenda item no.4 (page no.5/C) as well as 22.09.2021 under the agenda item no.3 (page no.12-13/C). As per the minutes of the DRC, supervisor of Mr. Anuj Kumar (Dr. Anis Ahmad) may be changed in the interest of the scholar. It is also pointed out the present supervisor Dr. Anis Ahmad is also agreed for change of supervisor in the interest of the scholar.

6. As per Ph.D regulation, the condition of the change of the supervisor as proposed in the DRC is not covered in the Ph.D regulation. However, a clause namely **Difficulty** under the Ph.D regulation is mentioned which is as under:

'Notwithstanding anything contained in these Regulations, any question, which is not covered by these Regulations, or any difficulty arising out of these Regulations, shall be dealt with by the Academic Council'.

7. Keeping in view of above facts, matter is placed before the academic council to consider the request of Anuj Kumar regarding Change of his supervisor, which has been dully endorsed by the DRC.

The matter is placed as **Annexure-E** for kind decision of the House.

Resolution

The Academic Council resolved to change the supervisor of the Mr. Anuj Kumar and Head, Department of Law will supervise the scholar. However, Academic Council further resolved that seat of Mr. Anuj Kumar may be treated as a supernumerary seat if a maximum Ph.D. scholars i.e. 08 are engaged with Prof. S.K. Chadha (Head, Department of Law) and this supernumerary seat may be adjusted in the future against vacant seat of Ph.D. of Prof. S.K. Chadha.

Table Agenda 01: To consider and approve the Tentative Academic Calendar for Academic Session 2021-22 of the University.

Tentative Academic Calendar for Academic Session 2021-22 has been prepared by the committee vide notification no. 258/BBAU/21/Acad. dated 01.09.2021 under the Chairpersonship of Prof. Shubhini A. Saraf, Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences of the University.

A copy of the Tentative Academic Calendar for Academic Session 2021-22 is attached as **Annexure-T1**. It is stated that result of Entrance Examination 2021-22 is still awaited from the National Testing Agency (NTA). Academic Calendar for the 1st semester will be revised after declaration of result by NTA.

Matter is placed for kind consideration and approval of the House.

Resolution

The Academic Council resolved to approve the same with minor modification in reference to fresh admission for the session 2021-22.

Table Agenda 02: To consider the celebration of Foundation day of Babasaheb Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Lucknow on 14th April instead of 10th January, 1996.

Matter is placed for deliberation and decision of the House.

Resolution

The Academic Council resolved to approve the same.

Table Agenda 03: Reporting item for sanction of Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee Chair by the UGC, New Delhi.

University Grants Commission (UGC) vide letter no. D.O.F.No. 7-2/2021 (Chairs) dated 01.10.2021 has sanctioned of Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee Chair in the BBAU, Lucknow. A copy of the same is attached at **Annexure-T2** for information.

Resolution

The Academic Council noted.

Table Agenda 04: To consider the Minutes of the meeting of Examination Committee held on 21.01.2021, 01.02.2021 and 22.08.2021 of the University.

The Minutes of the meeting of Examination Committee held on 21.01.2021, 01.02.2021 and 22.08.2021 of the University are placed at **Annexure-T3**.

The matter is placed for kind consideration and approval.

Resolution

The Academic Council noted.

Any other item:

1. The Academic Council resolved to allow the students namely Ms. Aradhya Diwadi and Ms. Swati Yadav to attend the pre-republic parade as they have been selected to participate in the pre-republic parade by the Ministry of Youth Affairs & Sports,

GOI, New Delhi and this period will not be treated as absence. The Academic Council further resolved that students of the University selected in such events like Inter-University events/NSS/NCC/Sports etc. may be allowed in future in the same manner.

2. The minutes of the committee under the Chairmanship of Prof. Ram Chandra pertaining to the issue related Ph.D. like fresh proforma for Panel for evaluation of Ph.D., Proforma for Ph.D. thesis evaluation report, Online Ph.D. thesis submission/evaluation and conduction of Ph.D. Viva-Voce examination/RDCU etc. held on 09.11.2021 at 03:00 p.m. in the chamber of Controller of Examination as presented by COE. The Academic Council resolved to approve the proforma for Panel for evaluation of Ph.D thesis. Further, Academic Council resolved the said minutes may be circulated among the members of Academic Council for obtaining their suggestion, if any. After that the same will be placed in the forthcoming meeting of Academic Council for deliberation and decision.

S. V. Bly
20.11.21
Ex-Officio Secretary