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**Minutes of the 6<sup>th</sup> Academic Council Meeting**

**Date :** 9<sup>th</sup> January, 2009  
**Time :** 10:00 a.m.  
**Venue :** Board Meeting Hall, NERIST

The following Members were present :

1. Director, NERIST & Chairman Academic Council	Chairman
2. Prof. D. K. Saikia, Tezpur University	Member
3. Dr. B.K. Nath, Principal Wangeha Rajkunmar Triap Govt. College	Member
4. Shri Tomer Ete, Principal, D.N. Govt. College	Member
5. Shri T. Talom, Principal, J.N. College, Pasighat	Member
6. Prof. P.K. Das, Dean (Academic) & HoD(MA)	Member
7. Prof. L.S. Yadav, Dean (P&D)	Member
8. Prof. H.S. Yadav, Dean (SA) & HoD(CH)	Member
9. Prof. S.K. Singh, Deptt. of Civil Engg.	Member
10. Prof. M. Husain, Deptt. of Chemistry	Member
11. Prof. R.M. Pant, Deptt of HSS	Member
12. Dr. S. Baishya, HOD(CE)	Member
13. Dr. O.P. Roy, HOD(EE)	Member
14. Dr. R.A. Mishra, HOD(EC)	Member
15. Dr.(Mrs.) T. Thuithang, HOD(CSE)	Member
16. Dr. S.K. Srivastaba, HOD(AE)	Member
17. Dr. C.M. Krishnan, HOD(ME) i/c	Member
18. Dr. M.L. Khan, HOD(Forestry)	Member
19. Dr. A. Chaterjee, HOD(PH)	Member
20. Dr. B.D. Nayak, HOD(HSS)	Member
21. Dr. M. Muralidhar, HOC(CATRD)	Member
22. Dr. V.K. Dhar, Deptt. of Physics	Member
23. Dr. S.K. Pandey, Deptt. of Maths	Member
24. Dr. Md. A. Husain, A.P. Deptt. of EC	Member
25. Dr. S.K. Bhagat, Lercturer(Sr.)(EE)	Member
26. Mr. S.K. Sahu, Lercturer(Sr.)(CE)	Member
27. Dr. Arunachalam, I/C. T & P Cell	Invitee
28. Dr. S. Mishra, CoE	Invitee
29. Dr. R.P. Bhattacharjee, A.R. (Academic)	Invitee
30. Mr. P.K. Modak, Registrar i/c	Non-Member Secretary A.C.

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The members who could not attend the meeting are as follows:

1. Prof R Prasad : Dept of Physics
2. Prof A.K.Das : RGU, Doimukh
3. Dr.U.K.Saha : IIT Guwahati.
4. Mr. D.K.Shyamal : Dept of AE.
5. Mr. Joram Lali : AE,Dept of Power, Govt. of AP, Itanagar.

At the outset, the Chairman, AC welcome the members present and called the meeting to order. He appreciated the presence of outside members particularly Prof. D.K.Saikia of Tezpur University, Principals Dr.B.K.Nath, Mr. Tomer Ete and Mr. T.Talom.

The agenda items as circulated to the members were taken up for deliberations .

**AC 6.1 To consider confirmation of the Minutes of the 5<sup>th</sup> Academic Council Meeting held on 30th August, 2008.**

(The minutes of the 5<sup>th</sup> Academic Council were circulated on 17.9.2008 and no comments received till date.)

**Resolution:** The minutes of 5<sup>th</sup> AC were approved.

**AC 6.2 To consider Action Taken Report on the Minutes of 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Academic Council Meeting held.**

(The action taken reports were presented by Dr.R.P.Bhattacharjee as directed by the Chairman as follows.)

**A.C 5.9 After through deliberation, the following resolution was taken.**

**Resolution:** One Gold medal will be awarded discipline-wise to PG pass out students with minimum pass out marks of 75% or its equivalent CGPA.

**AC 4.7 (b):** The admission and registration of M.Tech.(By Research) and Ph.D. (Part Time) candidates for Academic Session 2007-08 and follow-up of the recommendations of the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> BPGS.

(The Committee submitted a report on enrolment of Ph.D Students under different faculties of the Institute as follows:

Professor	- 08
Assistant Professor	- 06
Lecturer(with 3 years teaching experience)	- 04

The report is based on UGC guidelines)

**Resolution:** The report is accepted with the addition that co-guide ship may be treated as half score against each research scholars.

**AC 5.13 (f): Duration of Mid-Semester Examination**

(Recommendation of the Committee is follows:

- a) i) The duration of mid-semester examination should be of 2 hrs.
- ii) Total marks should be 30.
- iii) The total number of questions should be 5 out of which 3 questions are to be attempted by the students.
- b) The committee members also discussed and recommend that the total marks for practical examination should be reduced to percentage weight- age directly.)

**Resolution:** The recommendation of 2 hours duration has been accepted. The total marks has been considered to be 60 for the mid semester examination and 100 marks for the end semester examination . Total number of questions in a paper will be 5 out of which 3 questions are to be answered during the mid semester examination. Also the total marks for the practical examination should be reduced to percentage weightage directly.

**AC 5.14(b): Revision of Under Graduate Syllabi of the Institute.**

**Resolution:** Recommendation of the committee on credit requirements of each Department has been accepted by the Academic Council.

**AC 5.3: M.Tech (Part time) will replace M.Tech (By Reasearch) which has been discontinued.**

**AC 5.5: Extra coaching for academically weaker students.**

**Resolution:** Extra coaching for academically weaker students will be started soon for the 1<sup>st</sup> year 2<sup>nd</sup> semester students of each module provided at least 10 students opt for a course.

**AC 6.3 To consider the proposal of Department of Agricultural Engineering to start Diploma and Degree in Food Processing Engineering.**

(The Agricultural Engineering Department has proposed to start Food Processing Engineering course in Diploma & Degree Module. The syllabus has already been approved by the concerned BoS in its meeting held on 25.10.2008.)

**Resolution:** The proposal is accepted in principle with initial intake of 20 students subject to the approval of AICTE and availability of other infrastructural facilities.

**AC 6.4 To consider Starting of full time Ph.D. programme from Academic Session 2009-2010 in the Institute.**

(Prof. P. K. Das, Head of the Department of Mathematics and Dean (Academic) suggested to run the Ph.D. (Full Time) Programme in the Institute from the session 2009-2010 besides the Ph.D.(Part Time) programme.)

**Resolution:** The proposal was accepted by the AC and efforts should be there for Scholarship to each of full time Research Scholars. For conversion of part time Ph.D students to full time Ph.D. Students safe guarding the terms and condition of full time Ph.D. programme be decided by the BPGS.

**AC 6.5 To Consider vertical mobility of ITI pass out students in to NERIST Diploma courses through NEE-II (vocational).**

(It is to mention here that Lateral Entry for Diploma (ITI pass candidates) has been approved by AICTE for NERIST Base Module pass out students or students of similar course structure such as SLIET etc. only through NEE-II (Voc.). The Ministry of Labour, Govt. of India and AICTE, New Delhi have directed all the State Directorates to allow vertical mobility of ITI pass out students and 10+2 vocational students into diploma courses of the technical Institutes. NERIST is already allowing lateral entry of 10+2 (Voc.) student through NEE-II(Voc), for NERIST and SLIET students. Hence it proposed to consider ITI pas out students also be allowed entry through NEE-II (Vocational).

**Resolution:** The matter was deliberated in detail and decided to constitute a committee to study the pros and cons of the proposal vis-à-vis ITI pass out students. Director is authorized to constitute the committee for the purpose.

**AC 6.6 To Consider merger of CMS with the Department of Humanities & Social Sciences.**

(The Centre for Management Studies was created by 62<sup>nd</sup> BOM in its meeting held on 11.08.2007. Now, a note has been submitted by HOD (HSS) & HOC (CMS) to merge the Center for Management Studies with the Department of HSS by vide order No.Esst-111/2/05 dated 28.05.2008.)

**Resolution:** The merger as proposed has not been accepted. HOD (HSS) has been asked to hold the charge of HOC (CMS) till CMS functions independently. The Institute will enquire the possibility for special funding for the MBA programme from MHRD.

**AC 6.7 To Consider confirmation of BPGS Meeting.**

(The 9<sup>th</sup> BPGS Meeting was held on 19.11.2008 and the 10<sup>th</sup> BPGS meeting was held on 1<sup>st</sup> Jan., 2009 and the minutes of BPGS were placed for consideration of Academic Council.)

**9<sup>th</sup> BPGS Meeting:**

- (1) To consider the proposal of project evaluation scheme of M.Tech(ME).

**Resolution:** Council accepted the proposal in principle with the remark that BPGS would take care of it for uniformity.

- (2) To consider floating of M.Tech (Soil and Water conservation Engineering) and M.Tech (Diary and food Processing Engineering) under the Department of Agricultural Engineering.

**Resolution:** The proposal is accepted in principle. However, the starting of the programmes will depend upon the infrastructural requirement for the purpose.

- (3) To consider the vision, mission and objectives of CATRAD .
- (4) To consider Co-Guide ship to Dr.Kh.I.Singh , senior Assistant Professore,dept. of Entomology, College of Agriculture, CAU, Imphal, Manipur to guide Ms.N.S.Devi, Roll. No.Ph.D(P)/08/Fo/05.
- (5) To consider the change of topic of specialization of Mr. H.S.Gangwar, Roll.PHDR/06(II)/FO/04.
- (6) To consider the change of topic of specialization of Mr. Salam Dilip, Roll.No.PHDR/06(II)/FO/05.
- (7) To consider the change of supervisor and co-supervisor of Mr. Bhabajit Doley Roll. PHDR/06(II)FO/02.
- (8) To consider the formal notification for Ph.D of Mr. Padma Hazarika, Roll.No.Ph.DR(P)/07/HS/001.
- (9) To consider relaxation of time for submission of thesis by Ms. Ningrila Marchang

**Resolutions:** The Council accepted the recommendations of the BPGS for (3) - (9).

- (10)To consider the comprehensive Examination of the following students and change their guides.

1. Mr. Om Praksh,Dept of HSS.
2. Mr. M.D.Singh, Dept of EE.
3. Mr. Gauri Shankar, Dept of EE.
4. Mr. P.D.Kashyap, Dept of EE.

**Resolution:** The Council decided that the candidates registered under Prof. K. Kumar (who is on long leave) may change their guide/co-guide in consultation with HOD & DRC of the Department.

**10<sup>th</sup> BPGS Meeting:**

- (i) To consider the application of Mr. N.K.Rana Lecturer of Mechanical Engineering regarding Ph.D. guide.
- (ii) To consider the minutes of DRC of of the Forestry Deptt.
- (iii) To consider the proposal of HOD(HSS) for inter changing of two courses between two semesters

**Resolution:** The Council accepted the recommendations of the BPGS and noted.

**A.C 6.8 To Consider the Sports Quota in Post Graduate Admission.**

(A note submitted by Dr. Saibal Chatterjee, Chairman Gymkhana to introduce Sports Quota for the Post Graduate Students either in terms of number of seats or in terms of minimum percentage of qualifying marks at entry level.)

**Resolution:** The matter has been kept in abeyance for further examination.

**AC 6.9 Reporting Items.**

- (a) Composition/Modification of B.P.G.S. constitution vide clause D.5.3 of Academic Byes Laws.

**Resolution:** Accepted

- (b) To consider Academic Calendar 2009.

**Resolution:** Accepted

- (c) To consider constitution of a Mini Research Committee.

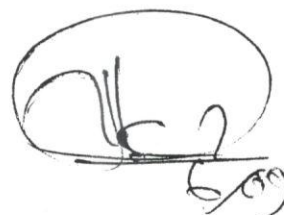
**Resolution:** Accepted in principle but external funding has been preferred as per 6<sup>th</sup> CPC recommendation of UGC research guidelines.

- (d) To consider evaluation, procedure of M.Tech. Thesis/Dissertation.

**Resolution:** BPGS is advised to finalise the procedure in consultation with the HODs

- (e) To consider approval of the result of July-Dec, 2008 Semester.

**Resolution:** Accepted



**AC 6.10** Any other item with permission of the Chairman.

- (a) To consider modification of Academic Calendar, 2009 in view of change of holiday list.

**Resolution:** Accepted.

- (b) To consider the procedure for conduct of convocation in NERIST.

**Resolution:** Accepted

- (c) To consider the list of experts of respective departments for faculty recruitment.

**Resolution:** Accepted

- (d) Members pointed the repetition of instructions in the question papers, difficulty in question paper setting with a fixed number of questions.

**Resolutions:** The matter was discussed at length and it was decided that


- (i) Repetition of instruction will be avoided.  
(ii) Department may decide the number of questions for the courses which do not fit to the current pattern being practised in the Institute.

- (e) The following suggestions were made to make the NERIST Central Library more useful and attractive:

- (i) Requisition for latest edition books may be submitted by the Departments.  
(ii) Books may be purchased through Book Exhibition or from the market directly.  
(iii) Seating arrangements may be made inside the stack room.

The Chairman thanked the members for their cooperation, patience and active participation during the proceeding of the Council. He also thanked the Principals of the Govt. Colleges and specially Prof. D.K. Saikia for their valuable contribution in the meeting and hoped that they will extend their participation also in the future.

**The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.**

  
( Shri P.K.Modak ) 2/6/09

Registrar i/c and non-member secretary, AC