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MINUTES

FOR

32nd MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL

Date : 26th December, 2020
Time : 11.00 A.M
Venue : Board Meeting Room

Minutes for the 32nd Meeting of Academic Council

Following members were present:

1. Prof. H.S. Yadav, Director, NERIST & Chairman, Academic Council	Chairman
2. Prof. P. Parida, Dean (Academic)	Member
3. Prof. K.N. Dewangan, Dean (Admn.)	Member
4. Prof. Sanjeev Kumar, Dept. of Physics, Rajiv Gandhi University, Rono Hills, Doimukh, Arunachal Pradesh	Member
5. Prof. S.K. Singh, Dept. of Civil Engg.	Member
6. Prof. M.F. Hussain, Dept. of Chemistry	Member
7. Prof. P.K. Tripathy, Dept. of Chemistry	Member
8. Prof. Binay Singh, Dept. of Forestry	Member
9. Prof. C.L. Sharma, Dept. of Forestry	Member
10. Prof. S.K. Shrivastava, HoD, Dept. of Agri. Engg	Member
11. Prof.(Mrs) M.Sharma , Dept of Forestry	Member
12. Prof. M. Chandrasekaran, HoD, Dept. of Mech. Engg.	Member
13. Prof.(Mrs.) K. Shrivastava, HoD, Dept. of Forestry	Member
14. Prof. S.K. Bhagat, HoD, Dept. of Electrical Engg	Member
15. Prof. S. Mahto, Dept. of Mech. Engg.	Member
16. Prof. S. Mishra, HoD, Dept. of Civil Engg	Member
17. Prof. A.K. Gupta, HoD, Dept. of Chemistry.	Member
18. Prof. B.K. Singh, HoD, Dept. of Mathematics	Member
19. Dr. M. Marjit Singh, HoD Dept. of CSE	Member
20. Dr. Rajesh Kumar, HoD Dept. of ECE.	Member
21. Mr. R. Prasad, HoD, Dept. of HSS.	Member
22. Dr. S.Choudhary , HoC (CMS)	Member
23. Dr N.K.Rana, Assistant Professor , Dept of M.E	Member
24. Shri Maryom Dabi, Assistant Professor, Dept of M.E	Member
25. Mr. Radak Blange, Associate Professor	Invitee
26. Mr. M.K. Camder, Registrar (i/c)	Non-Member Secretary

Following members could not attend the meeting.

1. Prof. B.P. Mishra, Department of Environmental Science, Mizoram University, Aizwal,	Member
2. Prof. Utpal Bhattacharjee , Department of Computer Science , Rajiv Gandhi University, Rono Hills, Doimukh	Member
3. Mr. Talo Potom, ADM cum CEO, Office of the Chief Estate Officer Govt. of A.P., Itanagar	Member
4. Prof. R.K. Prasad, Dean (Planning & Development)	Member
5. Prof. P. Lingfa, Dean (Students Affairs)	Member
6. Prof. Md. A. Hussain, Deptt. of ECE.	Member
7. Prof. M. Muralidhar, Deptt. of Mechanical Engg	Member
8. Prof. N. Deb, Dept. of Chemistry	Member
9. Prof. B.D. Nayak, Dept. of HSS	Member
10. Prof. A. Giri, Dept. of Mechanical Engg.	Member
11. Prof. O.P. Roy, Deptt. of Electrical Engg	Member
12. Prof. R.K. Mehta, Dept. of Electrical Engg.	Member
13. Prof. T. Karlo, HoD Deptt. of Physics	Member

14	Prof. S. Gao, Dept. of Electrical Engg & CoE	Member
15	Prof. S. Baishya, Deptt. of Civil Engg.,	Member
16	Prof. A.K. Singh, Dept. of Electrical Engg	Member
17	Dr.(Mrs) N.Marchang, Associate Professor , Dept of CSE	Member
18	Dr. P. R. Gajurel, Associate Prof. Deptt. of Forestry	Member
19	Dr Awadesh Kumar, Associate Professor, Dept of Forestry	Member
20	Shri. Ukil Singh, Assistant Professor, Dept of A.E	Member

The Chairman welcomed all the learned members of the Academic Council specially the external members, who attended the meeting. He requested the Dean (Acad) to present the agenda items for deliberation.

AC. 32.01: To consider confirmation of the minutes of the 31st Meeting of the Academic Council held on 29/02/2020.

[Note: The minutes of the 31st Meeting of the Academic Council held on 29/02/2020 were circulated to the Hon'ble Members of Academic Council on 05.03.2020. No Comment were received from any member.

The Academic Council may like to confirm the minutes.]

Resolution: As no comments were received, the minutes of 31st Meeting of Academic Council was confirmed.

AC. 32.02: To consider Action Taken Report on the minutes of the 31st Meeting of Academic Council.

[Note: The Action Taken Report on the minutes of 31st Meeting of the Academic Council is placed at **Annexure-II** for consideration.]

The Academic Council noted the Action Taken Reports and the following were resolved –

AC. 31.02 : [(29.02)(26.02):

Academic Council suggested as:

The 31st Academic Council approved the Draft Ph.D. Regulation mentioning some minor corrections and the corrected copy of the approved Ph.D. Regulation should be printed by the Academic Section.

The Dean (Acad) informed that the Store and Purchase Section had already issued the printing order. Press has also sent for proof reading which has been circulated to all HoD/HoC for proof reading by Dean (Acad.) before it is sent to Press for printing.

Resolution: The 32nd Academic Council suggested that all HoD/HoC will return the corrected draft of Ph.D. Bye –Law by 15.01.2021 to the Dean (Acad) for final Printing.

AC. 31.02 : [30.02 (29.04)] To consider various essential criteria for application of EoA from AICTE for UG/PG Courses of the Institute.

Academic Council suggested as:

It was informed in the meeting that the matter is under process and shall be completed in due course.

Resolution: Matter needs to be expedited and suggested that Dean(P&D) and Prof. S.Mishra ,AICTE Coordinator of the Institute try to complete the matter before the approval process of AICTE for 2021.

AC: 31.02 [30.06 & 30.12] To consider MoU with NIRD-PR,Guwahati.

It was informed by the Dean (Acad) that the MoU is drafted and shall be signed with NIRD-PR, Guwahati. The MoU has to be signed by the Registrar, NERIST and Director, NIRD - PR, Guwahati.

Resolution: Noted.

AC.31.02: (30.06 & 30.12) To consider the following proposals of the Chairman, NEE –

- (1) The enhancement of the honorarium for NEE Committee and
- (2) The enhancement of remuneration of Centre Superintendent/ Assistant Centre Superintendent, Centre Representatives, Invigilators and medical team.

The Academic Council accepted and approved the Report of the Committee constituted for the Enhancement of the remuneration of NEE & NEPGET Committee along with rates /honorarium for different activities of NEE/NEPGET. The typographical corrections on rates of remuneration for Member Secretary (NEPGET) will be 12,500/- instead of 12,250/- was also accepted.

Resolution: Noted.

AC.31.04 To Consider the problems faced in implementation of automation of Exam Cell works through ERP.

The matter needs to be discussed in the Meeting of HoD/HoC along with Dean(Acad), CoE and Automation Coordinator and appropriate solution needs to be worked out to resolve the problem.

Dean (Acad) informed that the matter is resolved.

Resolution: Noted

AC.31.05[AC 30.12 (2)] To consider for reconsidering Notification No.4 [ACAD/30th AC/ATR/2019 dated. 30.10.2019].

The Chairman, Academic Council informed that the issue was discussed at length and resolved that Ph.D. admission will be held only in the July-Dec. Semester and hence no further discussion is required in agenda item.

Resolution : Noted

AC: 31.06 Revision of Course Curriculum for Diploma and Degree Programmes in Engineering & Technology and B.Sc. (Forestry).

Academic Council suggested as:

The Academic Council approved the recommendation of the BoS of all the Departments for Revision of Course Curriculum for Diploma and Degree Programmes in Engineering and Technology with permission for corrections of typographical errors except for some points of the Department of Forestry and the Department of Physics. It was also resolved that the necessary corrections in the existing UG Bye Laws needs to be incorporated and the update UG Bye Laws should be printed.

The Academic Council made the following resolutions and observations on the Agenda Items submitted by the Department of Forestry:

1. Accepted the BoS recommendations held on 21.02.2020 with the following observations:
 - a. Course titles and contents as per 5th Dean's Committee of ICAR was accepted but should be as per broad outline of NERIST Course Structure.
 - b. Contact hours allotted should not be changed – The Academic Council has not accepted the recommendations.
 - c. No shifting of credit from practice to theory and vice versa is allowed – The Academic Council has not accepted the recommendations.
2. Accepted the change of Nomenclature of Forestry UG Programme from B.Sc.(Forestry) to B.Sc. (Hons) Forestry.
3. Introduction of 'Examination and Evaluation System' was not accepted by Academic Council. NERIST Examination and Evaluation norms will continue.
4. Question Paper Setting: The Academic Council has not accepted the recommendations. The Institute's norms/pattern needs to be followed.
5. Accepted the Continuation of M.Sc.(Forestry) course structure and Course Contents.
6. Evaluation of NCC/NSS and Physical Education shall continue as per existing norms.

The Academic Council made the following resolutions and observations on the minutes of the BoS of Department of Physics held on 21.02.2020:

Academic Council decided that the HoD (Physics) will review and update UG Syllabus/PG Syllabus with the BoS members along with external experts, Dean(Acad) and Director. The Academic Council accepted the proposal for Internal Revenue Generation (IRG) from FIST Lab as per the details under "Charges for the External Sample Analysis" and the revenue

generated should be deposited in the Institute Account. The norms given in Modified Rules for administration of SRIC of NERIST should be followed.

The other points of the BoS Minutes of the Department of Physics are to be taken up administratively.

Resolution: It was resolved in the meeting that the formed committee for updating of UG Bye Laws will finalize the necessary changes and after that the Chairman of the committee shall circulate the updated UG Bye Laws to all HoD/HoC for their comments, if any within January 2021. After obtaining the approval of the Chairman, Academic Council the UG Bye Laws shall be sent to the press for final printing.

HoD(Physics) has to submit the UG syllabus after administrative approval to Dean(Acad) for printing.

Points nos. (1) to (6) of the above - Noted

AC : 31.07 To consider the request for introduction of Supplementary Examinations in Post Graduate Courses

The 31st Academic Council has not accepted the proposal.

Resolution: Noted

AC: 31.08 [Any other item]

(i) Establishment of SPOKE under Science and Technology Intervention for North East Region (STINER) scheme etc. in collaboration with NEIST, Jorhat, Assam where farmers, artisans etc. can bring their produce and use machineries to dry /process and value addition.

(ii) Creation of the Statistical Data & Research Analysis Centre at NERIST where all the data related to students' intake, results of examinations, placement, training, performance outcome and details of institute land, buildings details as per AICTE requirements, faculty details as well as details of research projects, research students and outcome will be maintained so that queries under RTI & other organisations including Parliamentary questions would be replied suitably.

(iii) Incubation and Innovation Centre at NERIST. It was informed that the MoU with the State Govt. is under process.

The 31st Academic Council approved the proposal as above under (i), (ii) and (iii).

Resolution: Noted.

AC. 32.03: To consider the minutes of the 39th Meeting of Board of Post Graduate Studies (BPGS) held on 11.09.2020.

[Note: The meeting of the Board of Post Graduate Studies (BPGS) was held on 11.09. 2020. The minutes of the meeting is placed at **Annexure-III** for consideration.

The Academic Council may like to approve the recommendations of BPGS]

Resolution: Academic Council approved the recommendations of BPGS.

AC: 30.11

The Academic Council did not approve the proposal. It was suggested to submit the Progress Report of the Scholar carefully and fellowship of the Scholar may be discontinued immediately if found dissatisfactory.

Resolution: Noted.

AC. 32.04 To Consider the Revised Academic Calendars for UG, PG and Ph.D. Programme for Jan-May 2020 [May to August 2020], [May to September 2020] & July –December 2020 [October to February, 2021].

[Note:, In view of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the Academic Calendar has been revised from time to time as per the guidelines issued by the UGC and by AICTE . The revised Academic Calendars for Jan-May 2020 and July December 2020 were prepared and issued and are placed at **Annexure-IV**.

The Academic Council may like to approve and ratify.]

Resolution: Approved and ratified.

AC. 32.05 To report the Seat Matrix for admission in B.Tech Course through JoSAA and CSAB NEUT.

[Note: Institute has participated for admission of students in the B. Tech Courses through JoSAA/CSAB NEUT from the academic year 2020-21. Hence as per the requirement the seat matrix has to be sent to JoSAA/CSAB in the format provided by them. As such seat matrix of the institute for 2020 to 2027 for admission through JoSAA/CSAB NEUT was prepared by the committee and approved by the Competent Authority of NERIST.

The Academic Council may like to approve and ratify.]

Resolution: Approved and ratified.

AC.32.06: To report on successful uploading the data of All India Survey on Higher Education (AISHE) 2019-2020.

[Note: Certificate No. U-0046-2019, dated: 14/012/2020 has been obtained from Shri Madan Mohan, Additional Director General, Govt. of India (MHRD), Statistics Division, New Delhi that the Institute has successfully uploaded the data of All India Survey on Higher Education (AISHE) 2019-2020.]

Resolution: Noted.

AC.32.07: To report the Counselling cum Admission 2020 at NERIST.

[Note: The counselling cum admission process for the year 2020 has been conducted smoothly. This year the Institute has initiated the Online Counselling cum Admission and the process went smoothly and successfully conducted by the Institute. It is informed that the admission for the B. Tech courses were done through NEE 2020 and through JoSAA/CSAB NEUT.

A list of new intake of students in various courses alongwith seats are attached at **Annexure-VII** for information of the Academic Council.]

Resolution: Noted.

AC. 32.08 To consider the proposal sent by HoD(HSS) regarding complete profile of shortlisted Ph.D. candidates and the question papers of the Ph.D. Written Entrance Test conducted by NEPGET.

[Note: HoD(HSS) has submitted a proposal that complete profile of the shortlisted Ph.D. candidates after the completion of written test along with the Question papers may be sent to the Department. Further, the HSS Department also proposed that the question papers for the HSS Department must be segregated on the specific subject lines rather than be a common one for all.

The Academic Council may like to deliberate and decide.]

Resolution: The issue was discussed at length and the following were resolved by the Academic Council:

- a. **There shall be 3 (three) separate sections of Question Papers English/Communication Theory, Economics and Psychology/HRM of 50 marks each along with a Common Section of the Research Methodology (50 Marks) for Ph.D. candidates in the Department of HSS to be conducted by NEPGET from 2021 onwards.**
- b. **Printed copy of the application form of the shortlisted Ph.D. candidates after the completion of Written Test are to be sent to the respective Departments.**
- c. **Question Papers to be made available to the candidates after the completion of the NEPGET 2021 and onward.**
- d. **Answer Keys of both NEE and NEPGET to be uploaded in the Institute website.**

AC. 32.09 To report the minutes of the meeting of Deans/HoDs/HoCs/CoE/Automation Coordinator/HMC Chairman with the Director held on 26.11.2020

[Note: In view of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the online classes will continue for the Jul-Dec 2020 semester. The practical classes are to be completed by arranging demonstrations, sharing videos of live experiments, sharing link to similar videos hosted in internet and available in public domain, performing calculations with synthetic data, etc. In view of the GATE 2021 coinciding with our End Semester Exam, the End Semester Exams for DEGREE (B.Tech. and B.Sc.) final year and pre-final year students will be advanced and will start from 11th January 2021. In view of the academic assignments allotted to the Research Scholars, they will now be allowed to return to hostels by following the codal formalities as discussed in the meeting. For the NP21161, NP21162, NP21261, NP21262, NP22161, and NP22162 courses of the newly adopted B.Sc. Forestry curriculum, the following were decided NP21161/ NP21261/ NP22161 (NCC/ NSS) – Any one faculty member from among the NCC/ NSS In-charges will be the CC while the marks will be given by NCC coordinator (Male) for male students opted for NCC, by NCC coordinator (Female) for female students opted for NCC, and by NSS coordinator for students opted for NSS. NP21162/ NP21262/ NP22161 (Physical Education) – The Gymkhana Chairman will be the CC. The minutes of the meeting and the notifications issued in this regard is placed at **Annexure –IX**.

The Academic Council may like to ratify the notification issued in this regard.]

Resolution: Approved and ratified. It was also informed that the End Semester Exams for PG Final Year Students has also been advanced and shall start from Jan 11, 2021. Notifications dtd Acad/Calendar/08-09/128 (Vol -I) dtd. 17.12.2020 was issued.

AC. 32.10 To report the approval in respect of Prof. A. Giri's request to opt out for Ph.D. guidance for Mr Sidharatha Das, Ph.D.(FT)/15/ME/01.

[Note: Prof. A.Giri, Supervisor of Mr S.Das , Roll No Ph.D.(FT)/15/ME/01, Department of M.E requested to opt out in writing and requested to approve Dr S.Samanta, Co-Supervisor of the research scholar as Supervisor. The Competent Authority has approved the request as forwarded for consideration by HoD(ME) is placed at **Annexure X**.

The Academic Council may like to ratify.]

Resolution: Approved and ratified.

AC. 32.11 To change the Names of the Hostel Blocks into local indigenous famous rivers/ mountains of Arunachal Pradesh.

[Note: Chairman, HMC has submitted the proposal for the renaming of the existing hostels as under and the detailed proposal is placed at **Annexure -XI**

Present Hostel name	Proposed Hostel name
Hostel Block A	Lohit
Hostel Block B	Dibang
Hostel Block C	Kameng
Hostel Block D	Pare
Hostel Block E	Dikrong
Hostel Block F	Paniu
Hostel Block G	Siang
Hostel Block H	Kurung

The Academic Council may like to deliberate and decide.]

Resolution: The Academic Council deliberated the matter in detail and to finalize the renaming of the existing hostels the following Committee is constituted:

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| 1. | Dean (SA) | - | Chairman |
| 2. | Registrar | - | Member |
| 3. | Chairman, HMC | - | Member |
| 4. | Dr. M.Upadhayay | - | Member |
| 5. | Ms. Piyali Das | - | Member |
| 6. | One Student Representative | - | Member |
| 7. | Mr. A. Basu, AR (HMC) | - | Member Secretary |

The committee should submit the report to the Chairman, Academic Council within one month from the date of issue of notification of the constituted committee. The report shall be placed in the next Academic Council for deliberation and decision.

[Handwritten Signature]
12/1/2021
Registrar
NERIST, MoE, Govt. of India
Nirjuli, Arunachal Pradesh

AC. 32.12 To impose late fine against non-deposit of Hostel Mess fee and Caution money as per the Academic Bye Laws.

[**Note:** Chairman, HMC has submitted the proposal for imposing late fine against non-deposit of hostel mess fee and caution money. It is proposed that all the hostel boarders who fail to pay their mess dues/Mess Advance within the prescribed date and time may be imposed late fine @ Rs. 500/- or Rs.1000/- (whichever is applicable) to enable the Hostel Management Council to make the hostel mess function smoothly

The Academic Council may like to deliberate and decide.]

Resolution: The Academic Council deliberated the matter in detail and the following Committee is constituted:

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| 1. Dean(S.A) | - | Chairman |
| 2. Chairman, HMC | - | Member |
| 3. Wardens of all Hostels | - | Member |
| 4. One Student Representative | - | Member |
| 5. Mr. A.Basu, A.R (HMC) | - | Member Secretary |

The committee should submit the report to the Chairman, Academic Council within one month from the date of issue of notification of the constituted committee. The report shall be placed in the next Academic Council for deliberation and decision.

AC. 32.13 Any other item(s) with the permission of Chairman.

The Chairman, Academic Council permitted the following item and was placed in the meeting as an additional agenda:


To consider the creation of new NEE Centres at Ziro, Lower Subansiri District and Namsai, Namsai District of Arunachal Pradesh.

[**Note:** The Registrar, has submitted a proposal to create a new NEE Centres at Ziro and Namsai in the state of Arunachal Pradesh, to facilitate the candidates of that region and also to reduce the pressure on the Itanagar Centres.

Academic Council may like to consider the proposal.]

RESOLUTION: The Academic Council approved the proposal.

The Meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair.


12/1/20
Registrar
VERIST, MoE, Govt. of India
Nirjuli, Arunachal Pradesh