

HEMVATI NANDAN BAHUGUNA GARHWAL UNIVERSITY
(A Central University)
SRINAGAR (GARHWAL) Uttarakhand

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Academic Council of the University
Dated 22nd February 2018

The Special Meeting of the Academic council of the University was held on 22nd February 2018. The List of attendees is annexed.

At the outset, Dr. A.K. Jha, Registrar and Member Secretary of Academic Council, welcomed hon'ble members of the Academic Council. Dr Jha apprised the hon'ble members about the removal of Ex. Vice Chancellor Prof. J.L. Kaul vide MHRD letter No. F.No. 53-05/2016-Desk (U) dated 28th December, 2017. Subsequently, MHRD vide letter dated 3rd January, 2018 instructed University administration for alternate arrangement for discharge of duties of the Vice Chancellor, HNBGU. In compliance of MHRD instructions Prof. Ajay Ballabh Bhatt, senior-most professor of the University has taken over the charge of Vice Chancellor on 3rd January, 2018, until further orders. Member Secretary requested hon'ble members of the Academic Council to welcome Prof. A.B. Bhatt as Chairperson of the Academic Council.

Prof. A.B. Bhatt, Chairperson Academic Council welcomed the hon'ble members of the Academic council and expressed special gratitude towards outstation members of the Council for attending the meeting in spite of their busy schedules.

Thereafter, the agenda items were taken up for discussion and approval.

Agenda Item No. 01: To consider and approve the list of Experts/Examiners recommended by the Board of Studies of University.

The Academic Council in its meeting held on 5th May 2016 has approved the panel of experts/examiners submitted by the Departments after the approval of concern Board of Studies for selections, examinations and other academic activities of the University. The tenure of present panel of experts/ examiners is going to expire on 4th May 2019. However, in some departments list of experts have been exhausted and departments have submitted a fresh list of panel for above purpose. The detailed list



of experts/ examiners recommended by the Board of Studies are placed at Annexure- A.

Submitted for consideration.

Resolution:

The Academic Council approved the list of experts/ Examiners recommended by the Board of Studies of University.

TABLE AGENDA

Item No. 01: Consideration of exemption to the students registered in Ph.D. Programme who could not submit their Thesis within the stipulated time period of six years for submission of respective Ph.D. Thesis as a special case.

In the University Ordinance for Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) under clause 11(a) it has been laid down that :

11. (a) The candidate shall be required to complete his/her research work and submit the thesis within a period of four years reckoned from the date of his/her enrolment for the Ph. D. programme in the academic entity concerned:

Provided that the School Board may, after considering the recommendation of the Board of Studies, in a very special case and for reasons to be recorded, grant further extension, of not more than one year.

Provided further that in case the candidate fails to submit the thesis within the period permitted for the submission of the thesis, including the periods of the extension thereof his/her admission to the Ph. D. programme shall be liable to be terminated and he /she shall, upon such termination, forfeit all the fees and other dues paid by him/her for and during such admission.

However, looking into the work of the candidate and recommendation of the supervisor the Board of Studies may consider the case of re - registration and shall forward such applications to the Vice- chancellor through the Dean of the School for the decision. After getting the permission of re- registration the candidate shall have to pay admission and other fees as determined by the University and may submit the thesis within one year of re -registration.



However, in spite of above provision, it has come to the notice of University that a few students could not submit their thesis within stipulated time period i.e. six years due to various reasons. One such case was placed before the Executive Council and the EC has referred the case to Academic council for consideration.

Now a few candidates those who have completed their six years and could not submit their thesis are requesting to submit their thesis for evaluation as a special case.

Submitted for consideration.

Resolution:

The academic council resolved to grant two months time from date of issue of such office orders of extension granted to all such candidates who could not submit their thesis within stipulated six years as a special case. However, all such cases may be recommended by the concerned BoS and it should not be taken as precedence in future.

Item No. 02: Consideration of application of Shri Rinku Verma to continue his Ph.D. course in History in light of Order of Hon'ble High Court of Uttarakhand dated 23.8.2017.

Order dated 23.8.2017 of Hon'ble High Court is placed at Annexure-3. The Board of Studies of Department of History has also referred the matter to Academic Council for consideration. Mr. Verma admitted to the Ph.D. programme on 9.2.1011. The University vide its letter dated 27.8.2013 has cancelled the admission on the basis of recommendation of Board of Studies.

Submitted for consideration.

Resolution:

The academic council referred back the matter to the BoS of concerned department for taking a clear decision in this regard as per laid down provisions and order of the Hon'ble High Court on subject matter.



Item No. 03: The matter related to affiliation of courses/ Increase of seats (student intake) in view of direction of the MHRD.

Resolution:

The Academic Council resolved that all such seats increased by the University in the affiliated colleges on or after 15.1.2009 (the day of conversion into Central University) and as such are not in conformance with provisions of Central University Act 2009 be reverted/rolled back from the Academic Session 2018-19 onwards.

Further the Academic council resolved that the University should submit a proposal to MHRD to de-affiliate all the affiliated institutions from the University and further action to be taken up by the University as per direction of the MHRD in this regard.

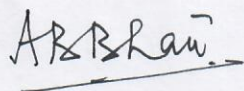
Item No. 04: The matter related to conduct of Examination of Paramedical courses.

It was informed by the Registrar/Member Secretary to the council that to comply with the provisions of Central University Act 2009 the University has already constituted a committee in this regard and Committee constituted vide office order No. RO/HNBGU/2018/61 dated 02-02-2018 had a meeting on 21-02-2018 in the chamber of Registrar to examine facts with rules positions regarding the affiliation of Paramedical Courses. Minutes of the committee meeting are annexed herewith.

Resolution:

The Academic Council resolved that University administration shall proceed on the matter as per recommendations of the committee constituted for this purpose.

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



Chairman, Academic Council



Member Secretary