

**MINUTES OF THE EMERGENT MEETING OF ACADEMIC COUNCIL HELD
AT 3.30 PM ON 11 DEC 2020 THROUGH ZOOM APP**

Prof. Annpurna Nautiyal, Chairperson, welcomed the Hon'ble members of the Academic Council and expressed special gratitude to the outside members who, despite their busy schedules, attended the meeting. Thereafter, the agenda item was taken up for discussion and approval.

Agenda Item No. 1:

To consider the pro and feasibility of conversion of one of the campuses as 'Women Only' Campus as per communication received from MOED.

Academic council may please take a view on this.

Resolution:

Detailed discussion was held by the Academic Council on this matter. It was finally agreed that Birla Campus can be converted into as 'Women Only' Campus where only Undergraduate classes for female students can be held. However, detail plan of action consisting of infrastructure, resources, fund and administrative requirements, etc., should be assessed by the university before submitting a final proposal, if demanded by MOED.

It was also resolved that in case Birla Campus is converted into as 'Women Only' Campus, then Undergraduate classes for male students can be conducted at Charaus Campus in addition to Post Graduate, post PG, and research classes.

It was also resolved that University is having big land in Nunisain, (near Kirtinagar) Tehri Campus. In this land, either university can develop a new campus as 'Women Only' campus, or it can be made campus for Co-Education for providing undergraduate classes to students if Birla Campus is considered for conversion as 'Women Only' Campus by the MOED. University may propose to MOED to provide a grant for developing Nunisain as a new campus.

Academic council also resolved that Holistic planning in a comprehensive manner needs to be done of all campuses, i.e., Pauri, Tehri, Charaus, and Birla Campus, including Nunisain (which may be developed as one of the campuses of HNBGU) through an expert committee to be nominated by Chairperson of Academic Council.

Agenda Item No. 2:

To consider issuance of a notification for Charaus campus as a separate campus located due to geographical problems in district Tehri with its headquarter at Administrative block Srinagar, Pauri Garhwal. To date, no official notification in this regard has been issued by university.

Academic Council may please take a view on this.

Resolution:

Academic Council had a detail discussion on this matter and approved to issue notification for Charaus campus as a separate campus of the university with the condition that there will not be any change in the administrative setup and it will continue as it is at present.

Agenda Item No. 3:

To consider and ratify the order issued by the university, extending the time for submitting the thesis by M.Phil and Ph.D. students.

A letter no. F.1-10/2020 (CPP-II) dated 3 December 2020 has been received from UGC granting six months extension of date for submission of thesis for terminal M.Phil/Ph.D. students, i.e., up to 30 Jun 2021. An office order no. HNBGU/Academic/2020/459 dated 8 Dec 2020 has been also issued by the university in compliance with the above UGC letter.

Academic Council may please ratify the order as stated above.

Resolution:

Academic Council noted and approved/ratified the office order issued by the university as stated in the above agenda.

Agenda Item No. 4:

To consider the case of Sh. Vineet Posti, Research Scholar of Yoga Department, to submit his thesis.

Sh. Vineet Posti, Research Scholar of Yoga Department, had contested as a candidate in Municipality Election in 2019. He did not take prior permission to participate in this election. As such, an explanation was called from him by the university. He had stated that he did not break any rules of the university. He mentioned in his reply that there is no condition in our ordinance barring the student contesting an election.

His case was sent to BoS of the Yoga Department. BoS also stated the same thing and agreed in principle that Sh. Vineet Posti be permitted to undertake his research work and to submit his thesis.

Further, legal advise was also taken by the university from the Legal Counsel of the university. Legal Counsel opined that his case should be refereed to Academic Council for decision.

Academic Council may please take a view on this.

Resolution:

Detail discussion on this matter was held by the Academic Council. Considering all the statements submitted by Dean, Education, Academic Council approved to allow Sh. Vineet Posti to continue his research work and to submit his thesis to the university as per the permissible time frame.



Agenda Item No. 5:

To consider and approve admission for the vacant seats of MBA and MBA (Tourism and Travel Management) courses under School of Management based on the merit in the qualifying UG exams like other PG courses of our University after completing the admission based on the scores of All India Tests, i.e., CAT, XAT, CMAT, MAT, GMAT, etc. for the current Academic year 2020-21 only due to COVID-19.

Dean, School of Management informed the Academic Council that All India Tests i.e CAT, XAT, CMAT, MAT, GMAT etc. are the criteria/basis for admission into MBA and MBA (Tourism and Travel Management) courses of our University. In many of the States, some of the above entrance tests could not be conducted due to fear of the spread of the Corona Virus. For the benefit of both the Institutions as well as the students, in the current scenario, AICTE issued a circular dated 19 Aug 2020, in which the PGDM / MBA institutions are allowed to admit the students on the basis of marks obtained in qualifying examination by preparing a merit list in a transparent manner. However, first preference will be given to those candidates who have appeared in any of the entrance tests (2020-21) mentioned above. If vacant seats are still available, candidates shall be selected based on the merit in the qualifying UG exams.


A request letter has been sent to the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor by Dean, School of Management, and it has been approved by the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor. It has been further instructed to get it ratified in the Academic Council.

Resolution:

The Academic Council discussed in detail this issue considering the ongoing pandemic due to Covid-19 and approved the above-stated agenda and permission accorded by VC as a special case. This relaxation shall be applicable only for the Academic Year 2020-21, and this cannot be taken as a precedent for future academic years.

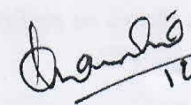
Academic Council also resolved that other departments which are governed by different regulating bodies can also admit students as CMTHS has proposed if such regulating bodies have issued a direction in this regard.

Meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair.


(Prof. N.S. Panwar)

Registrar

Secretary, Academic Council


14.12.2020

(Prof. Annpurna Nautiyal)

Vice Chancellor

Chairperson, Academic Council