



MINUTES

OF

148TH MEETING

OF THE

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

HELD ON
20th APRIL 2022 AT 12.30 P.M.
IN THE HEMANGA BISWAS MEETING HALL OF
THE VICE-CHANCELLOR'S SECRETARIAT

ASSAM UNIVERSITY
(A CENTRAL UNIVERSITY ESTABLISHED BY AN ACT OF
PARLIAMENT)
SILCHAR



Assam University, Silchar

**Minutes of 148th Meeting of the Executive Council
held on 20th April 2022 at 12.30 pm in the Hemanga Biswas
Meeting Hall of the Vice-Chancellor's Secretariat,
Assam University, Silchar.**

The following Members were present :

1. Prof. Rajive Mohan Pant, Vice-Chancellor : Chairman
2. Prof. Jayashree Rout, Dean, School of Environmental Sciences : Member
3. Prof. G.P. Pandey, Dean of Creative Arts & Communication Studies: Member
4. Prof. Sumanash Dutta, Dean of Economics & Commerce : Member
5. Dr. Ajit Kumar Tamuli, Senior most Associate Professor : Member
6. Dr. Baharul Islam Laskar, Principal, M.C.D. College, Sonai : Member
7. Dr. Debashish Roy, Principal, Radhamadab College, Silchar : Member
8. Prof. Sivasish Biswas, In-Charge Diphu Campus : Special Invitee
9. Dr. Subhadeep Dhar, Finance Officer i/c. : Permanent Invitee
10. Dr. Pradosh Kiran Nath, Registrar : Ex-officio Secretary

Members participated in the meeting through online :

1. Dr. Bharati Singh, Visitor's Nominee : Member
Director, Dept. of Home Science Extension Education,
Institute of Home Science, Khandari, Agra.
2. Prof. Amarendra Kumar Das, Visitor's Nominee : Member
Department of Design, Indian Institute of Technology, Guwahati

Members absent :

1. Dr. Anupam Mishra, Visitor's Nominee : Member
(Absent without intimation)
2. Shri Jahnu Barua, Visitor's Nominee : Member
(Absent without intimation)
3. Dr. Devika Barman, Visitor's Nominee : Member
(Absent without intimation)

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4. Smt. Drimsibon Kharkongor, Visitor's Nominee : Member
(Absent without intimation)
5. Prof. Madhumita Dhar Sarkar, Dean, School of Legal Studies : Member
(Absent without intimation)
6. Dr. M. K. Sharma, Principal, Diphu Govt. College : Member
(Absent without intimation)
7. Director, Higher Education, Govt. of Assam : Member
(Absent without intimation)

At the outset the Vice-Chancellor and the Chairman of the meeting welcomed all the members of the Executive Council. The Chairman also welcomed Dr. Bharati Singh and Prof. Amarendra Kumar Das, Visitor's Nominees for attending the meeting online.

Thereafter the meeting formally started and following agenda items were taken up for discussion and resolutions were adopted accordingly.

(A) Agenda item for confirmation:

Item No. 1 : Confirmation of the minutes of the 146th meeting & 147th meeting (Emergent) of the Executive Council:

EC:148:04-22:01 : The minutes of the 146th meeting & 147th meeting (Emergent) of the Executive Council held on 12th January 2022 & 1st April 2022 respectively were placed for consideration and confirmation. Actions taken report of the above meetings was placed in the meeting.

Resolution : The Council perused the minutes of the 146th meeting & 147th meeting (Emergent) of the Executive Council held on 12th January 2022 & 1st April 2022 respectively and in absence of any comments from members the minutes were considered as confirmed. However, with regard to the issue related to CIL matter vide resolution No. **EC:146:01-22:50.3** of 146th meeting of EC, the Council authorized the Vice Chancellor to take necessary steps to implement the decision by removing hardships, if any. Further, minor modification in the resolution No. **EC:147:04-22:01** of 147th meeting of EC has been effected.

(B) Agenda item for ratification by the Council:

Item No. 2 : Appointment of Heads of the Departments :

EC:148:04-22:02 : The competent authority has appointed the following faculty members as HODs or HOD in-charges which were placed for ratification by the Executive Council :

Sl. No.	Name of the Faculty	Department	Effective Date	Order No.	Period
1.	Prof. H. Nani Kumar Singh	Manipuri	17.01.2022	102/4/2020-Estt dated. 20.12.2021	3 Years

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2.	Prof. Kh. Dhiren Singh	Linguistics	10.01.2022	102/4/2020-Estt dated. 27.12.2021	3 Years
3.	Prof. Nirmal Kanti Roy	Visual Arts	27.01.2022	102/4/2020-Estt Dated. 24.12.2022	3 Years
4.	Prof. Anindya Syam Choudhury	English	27.01.2022	102/4/2020-Estt Dated. 24.12.2022	3 Years
5.	Prof. Sudipta Roy	Computer Science & Engineering	10.01.2022	113/102/2020/2-Estt dated. 29.09.2021	3 Years
6.	Prof. Partha Sarkar	Mass Communication	02.02.2022	102/4/2020-Estt Dated. 24.12.2022	3 Years
7.	Mr. Pintu Saha (Head i/c)	Performing Arts	04.02.2022	102/4/2020-Estt Dated. 24.12.2022	Until further order
8.	Dr. Arijita Pradhan (Head i/c)	Applied Science & Humanities	28.02.2022	102/4/2020-Estt dated. 25.02.2022	Until further order
9.	Dr. Pius V.T.	Philosophy	25.01.2022	102/4/2020-Estt Dated. 24.01.2021	3 Years
10.	Prof. Shahin Ara Begum	Computer Science	01.04.2022	102/4/2020-Estt dated. 29.03.2022	3 Years

Resolution : The Council ratified the item.

Item No. 3 : Appointment of Deans of Schools :

EC:148:04-22:03 : The competent authority has appointed the following faculty members as Deans or Dean in-charges which were placed for ratification by the Executive Council :

Sl. No.	Name of the Faculty	School	Effective Date	Order No.	Period
1.	Prof. Baby Pushpa Sinha	English & Foreign Language Studies	17.01.2022	102/3/2020-Estt dated. 20.12.2021	3 Years

Resolution : The Council ratified the same. Appointment of Prof. R. R. Mishra as Dean was not added in the agenda item. The Council also ratified the same as given below :

Sl. No.	Name of the Faculty	School	Effective Date	Order No.	Period
1.	Prof. R. R. Mishra	Legal Studies	13.04.2022	102/3/2020-Estt dated. 25.03.2022	3 Years

Item No. 4 : Promotion of faculty members under CAS :

EC:148:04-22:04 : The Screening cum Evaluation Committee meeting were held on 09-11-2021, 04-01-2022, 07-01-2022 & 10-01-2022 at the Vice-Chancellors Secretariat for promotion of the following faculties under CAS. The recommendations of the Screening cum Evaluation Committee meetings are detailed below.

Sl. No.	Name of the faculty	Department	Promoted		Date of effect of promotion
			From	To	
1.	Dr. Himanshu Kishore Prasad	Life Science & Bioinformatics	Assistant Professor Stage-II	Assistant Professor Stage-III	03-11-2018

2.	Dr. Umesh Kumar	Law	Assistant Professor Stage-II	Assistant Professor Stage-III (Academic level-12)	03-12-2018
3.	Dr. Paramita Purkait	Linguistics	Assistant Professor Stage-I	Assistant Professor Stage-II (Academic level-11)	30-10-2019
4.	Dr. Sreeparna Bhattacharjee	Education	Assistant Professor (Academic Level-11)	Assistant Professor (Academic Level-12)	11-01-2021
5.	Dr. Rajiya Shahani	Sociology	Assistant Professor (Academic Level-11)	Assistant Professor (Academic Level-12)	30-03-2019
6.	Dr. Purnendu Das	Computer Science	Assistant Professor (Academic Level-11)	Assistant Professor (Academic Level-12)	25-01-2021

Notification for promotion of above faculty members has already been issued.

The matter was placed before Executive Council for ratification.

Resolution : The Council ratified the above recommendations under CAS.

Item No. 5 : Termination of lien in respect of Dr Ram Kumar Mahato, Dept of Education

EC:148:04-22:05 : Subject to ratification of the Executive Council the competent authority has terminated the lien granted to Dr Ram Kumar Mahto, Assistant Professor, Department of Education w.e.f. 2/8/2021 (A/N) as his lien has been completed on 2/8/2021. The item was placed before the Council for perusal and ratification.

Resolution : Ratified with correction of name as Dr. Ram Kumar Mahto.

Item No. 6 : Termination of lien in AUS & Confirmation of Service in AUDC in respect of Dr Sheetanshu Kumar :

EC:148:04-22:06 : Subject to ratification of the Executive Council, the competent authority has terminated the lien granted to Dr Sheetanshu Kumar, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Hindi, AUS w.e.f. 5/11/2020 (A/N) as his lien has been completed on 5/11/2020. Further, his service as Associate Professor, Dept. of Hindi, AUDC has been confirmed in the 146th EC held on 12th January 2022 vide resolution no. EC:146:01-22:18 subject to receipt of Police Verification Report. However, the Police Verification Report in respect of Dr. Kumar as received by the office of the undersigned and recorded in his personal file, the matter was placed before the Council for perusal and ratification.

Resolution : The Council ratified the same.

Item No. 7 : Termination of lien in respect of Dr Prabhat Kumar Mishra, Dept of Hindi

EC:148:04-22:07 : Subject to ratification of the Executive Council the competent authority has terminated the lien granted to Dr Prabhat Kumar Mishra, Assistant Professor, Department of Hindi w.e.f. 30/7/2021 (A/N) as his lien has been completed on 30/7/2021.

The item was placed before the Council for perusal and ratification.

Resolution : Ratified.

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Item No. 8 : Termination of lien in respect of Dr Joyeeta Deb, Dept of Commerce :

EC:148:04-22:08 : Subject to ratification of the Executive Council the competent authority has terminated the lien granted to Dr Joyeeta Deb, Assistant Professor, Department of Commerce w.e.f. 2/8/2021 (A/N) as her lien has been completed on 2/8/2021.

The item was placed before the Council for perusal and ratification.

Resolution : The Council ratified the same.

Item No. 9 : Proposal for ratification for grant of lien to Dr. Ayekpam Ibemcha Channu, Assistant Professor, Department of Commerce, AUDC :

EC:148:04-22:09 : Consequent upon the appointment of Dr. Ayekpam Ibemcha Channu, Assistant Professor, Department of Commerce, Assam University, Diphu Campus, Diphu as Professor in the Department of Commerce, at Bodoland University, Kokrajhar, Assam vide offer of appointment letter issued by the Vice Chancellor, Bodoland University, vide no BU/Estt/Advt-Appt/TS-NTS/21/2020/415 Dated 13.11.2021 and as per approval accorded by the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, AUS subject to ratification by the Executive Council, AUS, Dr. Ayekpam Ibemcha Channu, Asstt. Professor was released from the duties of the Assam University, Diphu Campus w.e.f. 08.12.2021 (Afternoon) with lien for a period of one year w.e.f. 09.12.2021 (Forenoon) to 08.12.2022 (Afternoon).

The matter was placed before the Council for ratification.

Resolution : Ratified.

Item No. 10 : Lien of Shri Niharendu Dhar, Assistant Registrar AUS :

EC:148:04-22:10 : Sri Niharendu Dhar , Assistant Registrar AUS was appointed to the post of Deputy Registrar in National Institute of Technology, Silchar (NITS) vide offer of appointment No. NITS/Estt/NT/Appointment/21/11768-72 dated 30-12-2021 and on his request, he has been released from the service of Assam University on 19-01-2022 (afternoon) by granting lien for a period of one (01) year to enable him to join in this new assignment as Deputy Registrar at NIT, Silchar.

The matter was placed before the Executive Council for ratification.

Resolution : The EC ratified the same.

Item No. 11 : Voluntary retirement of Non-Teaching staff :

EC:148:04-22:11 : On receipt of request on 20/10/2021 from Smt. Camelia Tarat, Professional Assistant, Dept. of Law, the competent authority of the University accepted her voluntary retirement application under provision with FR -56 (k) (1) from the service of the Assam University w.e.f 30/11/2021 vide this office order No.103/520/95-Pers/8721-24 dated 28/12/2021.

The matter was placed before the Executive Council for ratification.

Resolution : Ratified.

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Item No. 12 : Grant of Lien of Sri Nataraj Nath, Blacksmith, TSSOT :

EC:148:04-22:12 : Sri Nataraj Nath, Blacksmith, TSSOT AUS was appointed to the post of Laboratory Assistant, Department of Agricultural Engineering in this University vide offer of appointment letter No. 102/2/2019-Rect/932 dated 18/12/2020 and joined as Laboratory Assistant on 19/12/2020 by granting him lien for the period of two (02) years w.e.f 19/12/2020 to 18/12/2022 to enable him to join in his new assignment as Laboratory Assistant.

The entire period of lien of the incumbent will be regulated as per terms and condition of "Regulation regarding grant of lien" However, no further extension of lien beyond the prescribed probation period shall be considered.

The matter was placed before the Executive Council for ratification.

Resolution : The Council ratified the same.

Item No. 13 : Grant of two years lien i.ro Sri Chandrajit Nunia, UDC :

EC:148:04-22:13 : Sri Chandrajit Nunia, UDC, AUS was appointed to the post of Section Officer, Assam University Diphu Campus vide offer of appointment letter No. 102/4/2021-RECT/2091-95, dated 27.08.2021 and joined as Section Officer in Silchar campus on 27.8.2021 and release him on 1st April 2022 from Assam University by granting him lien for the period of two (02) years w.e.f 28.8.2021 to 27.08.2023 to enable him to join in his new assignment as Section Officer, AUDC.

The entire period of lien of the incumbent will be regulated as per terms and condition of "Regulation regarding grant of lien" However, no further extension of lien beyond the prescribed probation period shall be considered.

The matter was placed before the Executive Council for ratification.

Resolution : Ratified.

(C) Agenda item for approval/decision by the Council:

Item No. 14 : Confirmation of Service of Teachers (Silchar Campus) :

EC:148:04-22:14 : It has been found that the following faculty members of Silchar Campus have already completed one year of service as stipulated in the terms and condition of offer of appointment as per the date indicated against their names. It has been verified administratively about the satisfactory performance of concerned faculty.

In pursuance of the provisions of Clause 11 of the UGC Regulations of "Minimum Qualification for Appointment of Teacher and Other Academic Staff in Universities and Colleges and Measures for the Maintenance of Standard in Higher Education, 2018" the teachers are found eligible for confirmation.

Sl. No.	Name of the Teacher	Department	Designation	Date of joining	Date of completion of probation period
1	Dr. Kalyan Das	Business Administration	Assistant Professor	04.08.2020	03.08.2021
2	Dr. Monali Longmailai	Linguistics	Assistant Professor	04.08.2020	03.08.2021
3	Dr. Subrata Paul	Chemistry	Assistant Professor	05.08.2020	04.08.2021
4	Dr. Naresh Kumar	Education	Assistant Professor	11.08.2020	10.08.2021
5	Dr. Mohammed Basheer K.	Arabic	Professor	12.08.2020	11.08.2020
6	Dr. K.N. Lokesh Kumar	Hospitality & Tourism Management	Assistant Professor	14.08.2020	13.08.2021
7	Dr. Venkatarao Chukka	Mathematics	Assistant Professor	17.08.2020	16.08.2021
8	Dr. Pradip Kumar	Hospitality & Tourism Management	Assistant Professor	19.08.2020	18.08.2021
9	Dr. T. Manichander	Education	Assistant Professor	19.08.2020	18.08.2021
10	Dr. Soumendra Bhattacharjee	Commerce	Associate Professor	15.09.2020	14.09.2021
11	Dr. Amrita Pramanick	Economics	Assistant Professor	14.10.2020	13.10.2021
12	Dr. Sarbani Dey Ray	Pharmaceutical Science	Assistant Professor	11.12.2020	10.12.2021
13	Dr. Anup Kr. Das	Pharmaceutical Science	Assistant Professor	16.12.2020	15.12.2020
14	Dr. Vivek Verma	Statistics	Assistant Professor	18.01.2021	17.01.2022
15	Dr. Akshay Mangain	Education	Assistant Professor	31.08.2020	30.08.2021

The matter was placed before Executive Council for approval.

Resolution : The Council approved the above confirmation of service of Teachers.

Item No. 15 : Proposal for appointment of Head in the various academic department of Assam University Diphu Campus, Diphu :

EC:148:04-22:15 : The term of headship of various department of Assam University Diphu Campus, Diphu as mentioned below are likely to be expired soon. The details of Professor/ Associate Professor in the department are given below:

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Sl No.	Name of the Department	Name of the Professor/Associate Professor/ Assistant Professor being present Head/Head In-charge/Head of Centre	Date of appointment as Professor /Associate Professor/ Assistant Professor	Date of expiry of term of Head	Remarks
1	Assamese	Dr. Kusumbar Boruah	01.04.2010 (Appointed as Reader now Professor)	12.03.2022	There is no other Professor /Associate Professor in the department. Hence Prof. Kusumbar Boruah may be allowed to continue as Head from the next day of expired term
2	Commerce	Prof. Amalesh Bhowal	12.10.2007 (Appointed as Professor)	Consequent upon the resolution in 146 th E C vide item no office order was issued in the name of Prof. Amalesh Bhowal to take the charge of Headship of the department of commerce, AUDC W.E.F. 11.02.2022, but Prof. Bhowal seeking more time to take the responsibility of HOD.	As there is no other Prof. /Asso. Prof in the department only senior most Assistant Professor Dr. Subit Dutta (Joined in AUDC on 13.01.2012) may be allowed to continue as Head i/c of the department

Resolution : The Council approved the Headship of Dr. Kusumbar Bourah for the Dept. of Assamese. For the Dept. of Commerce, due to unwillingness of Prof. A. Bhowal to be the Head, the Council authorized the Vice Chancellor to nominate Head i/c.

Item No. 16 : Acceptance of technical resignation and relieving of Dr. Ratan Das from the post of Assistant Professor, Dept. of Earth Science, AUS:

EC:148:04-22:16 : Dr. Ratan Das has submitted resignation letter from the post of Assistant Professor, Dept. of Earth Science of this University vide his communication dated 01/04/2022. It may be noted here that Dr. Das joined this University as a Assistant Professor in the Dept. of Earth Science on 14/7/2021 and his service has not been confirmed yet as he is on probation now. As per AU Statute 28 (6) "a teacher, member of

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the academic staff or other employee may resign. (b) If he is not a permanent employee, only after giving one month's notice in writing to the Executive Council or, as the case may be, the appointing authority or by paying one month's salary in lieu thereof; provided that such resignation shall take effect only on the date on which the resignation is accepted by the Executive Council or the appointing authority, as the case may be".

As Dr. Das is not a permanent employee in his case one month notice is required. In his application he has mentioned that his one month notice may be considered w.e.f. 01/04/2022 i.e, on the date of submission of his application. However, he has to submit no dues certificates from all concerned departments/sections. Moreover, he had taken joining T.A. of Rs. 1,667/- vide order 21st February 2022. Hence Dr. Das needs to be refunded the amount to the University. The matter was placed before the Council for approval.

Resolution : After threadbare discussion on the matter the Council approved the technical resignation of Dr. Ratan Das to release him from the post of Assistant Professor, Dept. of Earth Science, AUS. However, amendment of Statue to be taken up in this regards to ensure that the employees should serve at least for 3 years in the University on joining.

Item No. 17 : Grant of Lien of Sri Navajyoti Nath, STA Deptt. of Computer Science & Engineering, AUS:

EC:148:04-22:17 : Sri Navajyoti Nath, STA Deptt. of Computer Science & Engineering, AUS was appointed to the post of Assistant Registrar , AUS vide offer of appointment order No.102/2/2019-RECT/1021 dated 25/02/2021 and joined as Assistant Registrar on 04/3/2021 by granting him lien for the period of one(1) year w.e.f 04/03/2021 to 03/3/2022. However, as per the corrigendum office memorandum No.102/2/2019-RECT/2198 dated 7/01/2022 Sri Navajyoti Nath in regards to probation period of 2 years, the incumbent again requested for extension of lien which was considered and granted lien further for a period of one(1) year w.e.f 04/03/2022 to 03/3/2023 vide order No.103/767/2009-Pers/346-49 dated 23/02/2022.

The entire period of lien of both the cases will be regulated as per terms and condition of "Regulation regarding grant of lien" However, no further extension of lien beyond the prescribed probation period shall be considered.

The matter was placed before the Council for approval.

Resolution : The Council approved the same.

Item No. 18 : Recommendation of the 63rd meeting of the Finance Committee of the Assam University held on 10th March 2022 :

EC:148:04-22:18 : The 63rd meeting of the Finance Committee of the University held on 10th March 2022 at DELNET Guest House, New Delhi. The Minutes of the Finance Committee were placed in the meeting for perusal and approval of the Council.

Resolution : The minutes of 63rd meeting of the Finance Committee held on 10th March 2022 was presented by the Finance Officer before the Council and the same was approved.

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Item No. 19 : Common University Entrance Test (CUET) :

EC:148:04-22:19 : The UGC vide letter No. F.13-11/2020(CU) dtd. 22nd March 2022 has issued new directives and communicated to the Vice Chancellors of Central Universities for taking appropriate measures for the Common University Entrance Test (CUET) for admission in Undergraduate programmes from the Academic Session 2022-23 to be conducted by the National Testing Agency (NTA). The said letter of UGC and the Public Notice in this regard was placed before the Council for consideration.

Further, the Admission Committee of Assam University as constituted held its meeting on 31st March, 2022 and discussed about the new directives of the UGC on CUET. The resolution as adopted in this regard was placed before the Council for consideration.

The matter was placed in the 90th meeting of Academic Council vide resolution No. **AC:90:04-22:7** and thorough discussion took place on the issue and it was resolved that the directive of the UGC on NTA-CUET shall be followed for the session 2022-23. Necessary action shall be taken by the University. Further the point of implementation of the same in the Colleges under AUS was raised in the meeting and it was decided that the action shall be taken in course of time on the basis of directives, if any received from the appropriate authority. The Council recommended the same to the Executive Council for consideration and approval.

Resolution : Mr. Jayantha Bhattacharjee, Director i/c, CDC & Nodal Officer, NTA-CUET was invited in the meeting to present the above matters before the Council. On being heard the same the Council approved the item.

Item No. 20 : Amendment of Ordinance 26, On the Notification of Vacancies and Preliminary Selection :

EC:148:04-22:20 : The Executive Council vide its resolution No **EC: 139:02-21:21** has constituted a Committee to suggest amendments of the Ordinance 26, On the Notification of Vacancies and Preliminary Selection in view of Web Based Recruitment Framework adopted by the University. The Committee was notified vide No 102/7/2018-RECT/1026 Dated 06.04,2021.

The Committee after examining the details of the ordinance found certain changes are essential with the alteration in mode of processing of application and scrutiny of application forms etc. The Committee has proposed the necessary amendments, additions and substitutions etc in view of online application forms processing, short listing, uploading of the list of shortlisted candidates, and preservation of data etc and submitted its recommendation to the competent authority.

The letter of the chairperson, minutes of the committee and proposed amendment in tabular format shall be placed in the meeting. The matter has already been scrutinized administratively.

The matter was placed in the 90th meeting of Academic Council vide resolution No. **AC:90:04-22:8** and the Council accepted the same and recommended to the Executive Council for approval.

Resolution : The Council approved the same.

Item No. 21 : Matter related to the Dept. of Business Administration collaborative Self Financing Programme :

EC:148:04-22:21 : The Dept. of Business Administration is planning to start in Self-finance mode One year Post Graduate Diploma in Business Management for Working Executive (PGDBM -WEx) . The program and classes for the same will be run in the DBA City Extension Centre in an affiliated College under the Assam University. The classes will be held on the weekends and when necessary in evening slots. The Certificate will be provided by the University. The tentative Course fee for the one-year (two Semesters) program is Rs. 99,000/- (Ninety-nine thousand). The program will have the Core papers, specialisation papers along with compulsory project work. The admission process will comprise of Personal Interview and presentation round. The eligibility criteria for the same is Graduation in Science/Commerce/Arts/Engineering with 55% marks (relaxation as per GOI rule for reserve categories) with a minimum of two years of working experience in Companies.

The revenue that will generate from the program will be in the following way:-

60% will go to the Department of Business Administration Course fee-PGDBM-WEx fund +40% to the University A/C (out of which the rent is to be paid for the extension center in college). The prospectus fee is Rs. 1000/- (one thousand only). The admission fee is to be payable at the time of admission.

The number of seats for the programme is 25. The admission session will start in July 2022.

The matter was placed in the 90th meeting of Academic Council vide resolution No. **AC:90:04-22:12** and the Council accepted the same and recommended to the Executive Council for approval.

Resolution : After detailed discussion, the Council approved the same in principle. However it was resolved that the course structure & syllabus shall be as per the UGC norms.

Item No. 22 : Minutes of the 51st meetings of the BRS (Science) & BRS (SSH), held on 24th March 2022 & 25th March 2022 respectively.

EC:148:04-22:22 : The minutes of the 51st Meetings of Board of Research Studies (Science) & (SSH), held on 24th March 2022 & 25th March 2022 respectively was placed in the meeting for consideration and approval by the Council.

The matter was placed in the 90th meeting of Academic Council vide resolution No. **AC:90:04-22:14** and the Council accepted the same and recommended to the Executive Council for approval.

Resolution : The Council approved the minutes of the 51st Meetings of Board of Research Studies (Science) & (SSH). Further it was also resolved that now onward after approval in the Executive Council the minutes of BRS & AC need not be placed in the next BRS & AC meeting again for confirmation. However, the same may be placed as Reporting item.

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Item No. 23 : Recommendation of the 91st meeting of Academic Council of AUS slated on 18th April 2022 :

EC:148:04-22:23 : The 91st meeting of Academic Council of AUS slated on 18th April 2022. The Minutes of the Academic Council was placed in the meeting for perusal and approval of the Executive Council.

The Registrar placed the minutes of the 91st meeting of Academic Council of AUS held on 18th April 2022 item wise before the Council for consideration.

(A) Agenda item for ratification :

Item No. 1 : Panel of paper setter, moderator and evaluator of PG/UG/Integrated courses

EC:148:04-22:23-1 : Panel of paper setter, moderator and evaluator of PG/UG/Integrated courses of Odd & Even Semester examination, 2020 and Even Semester Examination, 2021. List was submitted by the Chairman, BPGS and approved by the University Authority.

The Resolution No. **AC:91:04-22:1** of Academic Council was placed to AC for ratification.

Resolution : The item was ratified in AC and now considered by EC.

Item No. 2 : Panel of the paper setter, moderator and evaluators of TDC (CBCS) & Non-CBCS :

EC:148:04-22:23-2 : Panel of paper setter, moderator and evaluators of TDC (CBCS) & Non-CBCS Odd & Even Semester Examination, 2020& Even Semester Examination, 2021. List was submitted by the Chairman, BUGS.

The Resolution No. **AC:91:04-22:2** of Academic Council was placed to AC for ratification.

Resolution : The item was ratified in AC and now considered by EC.

Item No. 3 : Ph.D. Course and syllabus in Hospitality and Tourism Management :

EC:148:04-22:23-3 : As approved by the University Authority, the dept. of Hospitality and Tourism Management has started the Ph.D. programme. The dept. will follow the syllabus of the Business Administration except specialisation part of the paper 503B, it has been changed and 'Hospitality and Tourism' portion added for 2 (two) credits under the School of Management Studies.

The Resolution No. **AC:91:04-22:3** of Academic Council was placed to AC for ratification.

Resolution : The item was ratified in AC and now considered by EC.

Item No. 4 : Declaration of Rank Certificate :

EC:148:04-22:23-4 : Name of the Rank holders of different courses of the University has been prepared and declared as per PG, UG and Integrated CBCS Regulation 2015 and AUS, TDC CBCS Regulation 2018 from the session 2020 onwards. The matter is approved by the Vice-Chancellor and placed for ratification of the Council.



The Resolution No. AC:91:04-22:4 of Academic Council was placed to AC for ratification.

Resolution : The item was ratified in AC and now considered by EC.

(A) Agenda item for approval/decision :

Item No. 5 : Conferment of degrees in the 19th Convocation :

EC:148:04-22:23-5 : 19th Convocation of the University has rescheduled on 5-7 May 2022. The degrees proposed to be conferred in the 19th Convocation are as follows:

Name of degree	Year of passing 2020	Year of passing 2021
M. Sc.	237	316
M. A.	499	581
M. Com.	72	85
M.V.A.	15	28
M.S.W.	28	31
M. Lib.	21	24
Mass. Com.	28	17
M.B.A.	48	52
M. Tech.	11	15
B.V.A.	22	25
B. Tech.	53	79
B.. Pharma.	30	33
B.Sc. B.Ed	17	25
BA LLB(H)	30	41
M.Ed.	5	21
M. Phil.	49	40
Ph.D.	174	156
B. VOC. (U)	5	12
B. VOC. (IT)	6	-
B.A.	7787	-
B.Sc.	1799	-
B. Com	1747	-
B.B.A.	45	-
B.C.A.	31	-
B. Ed.	840	712
LL.B.	34	-
TOTAL	13664	2336

The above recommendation from the COE was placed before the Council for approval.

The Academic Council accepted the recommendation of the COE vide resolution no. AC:91:04-22:5 for the conferment of degrees mentioned above in the 19th

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Convocation. However, conferment of degree to B.S.W. pass outs was not recorded in agenda and was therefore, recorded in the meeting as follows :

B.S.W.	31	43
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Resolution : The Council approved the same.

Item No. 6 : Selection of certificate template for National Academic Depository (NAD)

EC:148:04-22:23-6 : Ten(10) different certificate templates are available for National Academic Depository(NAD) under DigiLocker which are used by all academic institutions in our country including central universities as their certificate template for NAD. These certificate templates are not same as our existing certificate templates. For selection of certificate templates available in DigiLocker for various programmes of Assam University, a Committee has been constituted by the university authority. The Committee submitted its report that *to make any change in the certificate template for any degree awarded by the University, the decision needs to be taken by the Academic Council.* The certificate template supplied for National Academic Depository (NAD) under Digilocker shall be placed by the COE in the meeting. The matter was placed before the council for consideration.

The matter was discussed in detail and in the 91st meeting of the Academic Council vide resolution no. **AC:91:04-22:6** and it was resolved to refer the issue before the Template Committee for the purpose.

Resolution : The Council approved the same.

Item No. 7 : Adoption of Digilocker service under NAD programme :

EC:148:04-22:23-7 : Communication received for consideration of adoption NAD programme by Assam University are :

UGC's D.O. No. F.1-46/2020(NAD/Digilocker) dated 3rd January, 2022

MeitY's Ref No. NeGD/01-05/2022 dated 19th January, 2022

E-Mail from President and CEO NeGD<ceo@digitalindia.gov.in>dated Feb, 03, 2022.

Ministry of Education, GoI has assigned the National Academic Depository(NAD) implementation to Ministry of Electronics & IT (MeitY) under Digital India programme via DigiLocker to facilitate students to get authenticated documents/certificates in digital format directly from their original issuers anytime, anywhere without any physical interface. Under NAD programme, the Academic Institutions will issue digital awards to students through National Academic Depository. The Institution issuing the awards is the custodian of these awards and manages the lifecycle of the award. As of now, more than 9.3 crores people are using DigiLocker services and DigiLocker is hosting more than 475 crore documents issued by 1653 government and private organizations Vide MEITY's letter No. NeGD/01-05/2022 dated 19th January, 2022. The students' degree, mark-sheet and other documents into the issued documents section in an electronic form once uploaded through the DigiLocker-NAD platform by the original issuer are valid documents as per the provisions of the information Technology Act, 2000 Vide UGC's

letter No. D.O. No.1-46/20209NAD/DigiLocker) dated 3rd January, 2022. Academic institutions and Universities across the country more than 1160 institutions have already been on-boarded on the National Academic Depository(NAD).

Both Secretary, UGC Vide D.O. No. 1-46/20209NAD/DigiLocker) dated 3rd January, 2022 and President & Chief Executive Officer, National e-Governance Division, MeitY vide Ref. No. NeGD/01-05/2022 dated 19th January, 2022 *requested to all Academic Institutions to accept Degree, Mark-sheet & other documents available in issued documents in DigiLocker account as valid documents.*

Clause 5 of MEITY's Ref. No. NeGD/01-05/2022 dated 19th January, 2022 further requested to all *Vice-chancellors of all Central Universities for kind intervention in initiating the process of accepting the academic documents from the DigiLocker for admission processes.*

As decided by the competent authority, the matter was placed before the Council for discussion and consideration.

The matter placed before the Academic Council vide resolution No. **AC:91:04-22:7** for approval. The Academic Council accepted the same and recommended to the Executive Council for approval.

Resolution : The Council approved the same.

Item No. 8 : Matter related to Diploma in Photography and Video Production of Assam University under Community College :

EC:148:04-22:23-8 : Applications received from the students for one year Diploma Course in Photography and Video Production under Community College. College Development Council, AUS shall issue course completion certificate and mark sheets.

The matter placed before the Academic Council vide resolution No. **AC:91:04-22:8** for approval. The Academic Council accepted the same however, Certificates/Mark sheet shall be issued by the COEs office as like other Diploma courses and recommended to the Executive Council for approval.

Resolution : The Council approved the same in principle. However, it is required to be ascertained in respect to status of the course whether self financing or not and the same needs to be vetted administratively. Further, the UGC norms in force shall have to be followed.

Item No. 9 : Matter related to Non-CBCS & Special Examination Centres :

EC:148:04-22:23-9 : For the backlog papers of TDC(Non CBCS) Examination and a Special Examinations may be held during May/June, 2022. As per information available in the examination section, number of students to be appeared will be very less. Accordingly, it is proposed by the COE to conduct TDC(Non-CBCS) exam & special exam in five examination centres (one exam centre in each district) in five districts. The matter was placed before the Council for consideration.

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The COE placed before the Council the necessity of holding of examination as proposed and it was decided that the exam shall be held in 05 Colleges of 05 districts under jurisdiction of Assam University.

The matter placed before the Academic Council vide resolution No. **AC:91:04-22:9** for approval. The Academic Council accepted the same and recommended to the Executive Council for approval.

Resolution : The Council approved the same.

Item No. 10 : Publication of Ph.D. Thesis :

EC:148:04-22:23-10 : Examination Section has received a good no. of applications from the Ph.D. degree awardees for providing evaluation report of the thesis for publication of Ph.D. thesis.

The matter placed before the Academic Council vide resolution No. **AC:91:04-22:10** for discussion and decision.

The members deliberated on the issue and the Academic Council was in the opinion that a Committee shall be formed to look into the issue and authorised the Vice Chancellor to act accordingly.

Resolution : The resolution taken in Academic Council was noted by the Council and the Vice Chancellor has been authorized to act accordingly.

Item No. 11 : Guidelines and measures for monitoring and restricting unfair practices in the forthcoming online PG examinations :

EC:148:04-22:23-11 : Any type of malpractices like use of identical language/detection of common mistakes or the identification of different handwritings in the manuscripts etc. on the part of candidates appearing for online examinations should lead to disqualification after scrutiny through a Moderation Committee.

Uniformity in the time limit allowed for submission of the pdf files (if any) and mode of online exams for all the departments is imperative. The very submission of AUTA was placed before the Council for consideration.

The very submission of AUTA placed before the Academic Council vide resolution No. **AC:91:04-22:11** for consideration.

In respect to guidelines and measures for monitoring and restricting unfair practices in the forthcoming online PG examinations, the members expressed their views and it was decided that the code of conduct for practicing unfair means during examination shall be as like offline examination. The Academic Council accepted the same and recommended to the Executive Council for approval.

Resolution : The Observation of AC was approved

Item No. 12 : Implementation of the recommendations of the NIRF Committee :

EC:148:04-22:23-12 : The AUTA has requested the competent authority of the University for implementation of the recommendations of the NIRF Committee. The

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recommendation of the NIRF Committee was displayed in the meeting for perusal and consideration by the Council.

The matter placed before the Academic Council vide resolution No. **AC:91:04-22:12** for consideration.

The members of the Academic Council discussed the issue in detail with reference to NIRF issue and it was resolved that a meeting shall be convened soon by DIQAC with representatives of AUTA and the authorities for proper implementation of the recommendation.

Resolution : The resolution taken in Academic Council was noted by the Council and the DIQAC shall act accordingly.

Item No. 13 : Matter related to the Promotion of Research - Reg :

EC:148:04-22:23-13 : The Assam University Teachers' Association (AUTA) submitted a proposal for constitution of a Research Committee to monitor and address issues related to research. The Research Coordination Committee (RCC) of AUS is aimed to mandate policies to promote research and to resolve the issues related to research. Monitoring of the research activities can be done by the Office of the Director of Research and Development (DRD). This committee can have representation from all the relevant departments and may be headed by a senior Professor and Director R & D as member secretary.

Terms of Reference of the RCC and their impact :

- (i) To encourage interdisciplinary research within the different departments of the University, within the different research institutions of the country and also internationally. Special Interest Groups (SIGs) can be encouraged to apply for projects related to national importance with high budgets over a few crores.
- (ii) The running of an elaborate and detailed research website to monitor the progress and timely submissions of the UC etc., by a subcommittee formed to maintain and upgrade the contents of the website.

The matter placed before the Academic Council vide resolution No. **AC:91:04-22:13** for consideration.

The members of the Academic Council discussed the issue in detail with reference to promotion of research and it was resolved that a meeting shall be convened soon by DIQAC with representatives of AUTA and the authorities for proper implementation of the recommendation of the Committee constituted for the purpose.

Resolution : The resolution taken in Academic Council was noted by the Council and the DIQAC shall take appropriate action.

Item No. 14 : Inclusion of members in the School Board of Legal Studies :

EC:148:04-22:23-14 : The Dean, D. C. School of Legal Studies has forwarded a proposal for inclusion of members in the School Board of Legal Studies.

- (i) Prof. K. M. Jha in place of Prof. S. P. Singh Chouhan who has superannuated.

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- (ii) Ms. Pompita Paul, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Law in place of Dr. Umesh Kumar who is on lien.

The matter placed before the Academic Council vide resolution No. AC:91:04-22:14 for approval. The same was approved by the Academic Council.

Resolution : The item was accepted in AC and now approved by EC.

Item No. 15 : Ph. D Eligibility Criteria (Social Work):

EC:148:04-22:23-15 : The Dean, School of Social Sciences has forwarded the proposal of the Head, Dept. of Social Work relating to eligibility criteria for admission of candidates to the Ph D programme in the Department. The matter routed through concerned BPGS & School Board.

- (i) Minimum percentage at Post-graduate level will be followed as per UGC and GOI guidelines.
- (ii) The applicants have to have a Post-graduate Degree in Social Work or allied discipline of Social Sciences for being eligible for admission to the Ph D course of the Department.
- (iii) No objection certificate from the employer of the applicant is required if he/she is employed.

The matter placed before the Academic Council vide resolution No. AC:91:04-22:15 for approval. The Academic Council accepted the same and recommended to the Executive Council for approval.

Resolution : The Council approved the same.

Item No. 16 : Clarity on NOC for pursuing PhD by College teachers :

EC:148:04-22:23-16 : The Dean, School of Social Sciences has forwarded the following for placement before the Council :

Some members felt as per University Ordinance it is mandatory to submit a No Objection Certificate (NOC) from the Employer by Ph. D Candidate (Part-time) at the time of admission. The employer here means the Director, Department of Higher Education, Government of Assam for all college teachers. Hence, it is mandatory for college teachers to submit No Objection Certificate from the said authority.

However, others felt that No Objection Certificate from the Principal of the college is enough pre-requisite to admit college teachers in the Department. However, it has been felt that it is better to place the matter before other statutory bodies for the sake of clarity and uniformity in implementing a provision.

Some members strongly felt that the letter from College Principal should be enough otherwise it blocks College teachers from pursuing Ph. D programme and in securing and upgrading knowledge in times of life-long learning. It takes lot of time in securing No Objection Certificate from Department of Higher Education, Government of Assam. It grossly violates academic interests of the college teachers. Still, others felt that it is unnecessary to bureaucratise procedures for admission. It is highly desirable to facilitate

academic pursuits of all college teachers in the interest of education. An academic department should think of just academic considerations and not bureaucratisation of procedures. It is against the spirit of free pursuit of knowledge.

The department has decided to put forward these diverse and important views to the Dean and the School Board where it was discussed and since it requires administrative scrutiny, it is now being forwarded to the Academic Council for clarification.

The issue was discussed in the Academic Council vide resolution No. **AC:91:04-22:16** in detail and the Council was in the opinion that the University shall have no objection if the Principal of the concerned College issues NOC in compliance of DHEs letter dtd. 24-10-2018. The Academic Council recommended to the Executive Council for approval.

Resolution : The resolution of Academic Council was approved by the EC.

Item No. 17 : Matter related to Panel of Practical Paper Examiners :

EC:148:04-22:23-17 : The Dean, S. V. School of Library Sciences submitted the Panel of Practical Paper Examiners for Practical Examinations for 2nd and 4th Semester Examination, May 2022. The Panel of External Practical Examiners, as mentioned, handed over in SEALED COVER to the Chairman in the meeting.

The matter placed before the Academic Council vide resolution No. **AC:91:04-22:17** for approval. The Academic Council accepted the same and recommended to the Executive Council for approval.

Resolution : The Council approved the same.

Item No. 18 : Matter related to Revision of Course Curriculum as per NEP-2020 guidelines with the provision of Lateral Entry and Lateral Exit. :

EC:148:04-22:23-18 : The Dean, S. V. School of Library Sciences submitted the following proposal for placement in the Academic Council.

- (i) Dept. of Library and Information Science to revise the Course Curriculum as per the guidelines of NEP-2020 and format issued by CoE based on the discussion held in 89th Academic Council Meeting for introducing Certificate in Library and Information Science (C.Lib.I.Sc.) Course; Bachelor of Library and Information Science (B.Lib.I.Sc.) after qualifying two Semesters and M.Lib.I.Sc. after completing four Semester examinations with the provision of Lateral Entry and Lateral Exit will be introduced. Detailed guidelines need to be formulated.
The Syllabus has already been revised to include outcome-based learning objectives in each paper. Only minor modifications will be made by reshuffling the course content. Finally, the Revised Syllabus shall be submitted in the meeting.
- (ii) Matter related to sanction of Teaching and Non-Teaching Positions for the Dept. of Library and Information Science (Detailed proposal shall be placed in the meeting)
- (iii) Matter related to the requirement of furniture, equipment and need to develop new Computer / Practical Laboratory for accommodating classes and practical parallel in parallel session (Detailed proposal shall be placed in the meeting)

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The matter placed before the Academic Council vide resolution No. **AC:91:04-22:18** for consideration.

On detail discussion over the issue it was resolved that the COE shall convene a meeting with Dean's and Head's of the departments to finalize a common guideline to be implemented from July 2022. Further the Vice Chancellor was authorized to constitute a Syllabus Implementation Committee to ensure that the syllabus framed is as per the requirement of NEP 2020.

Resolution : While approving the resolution taken in the AC the members were of the opinion that the COE shall take action as per the resolution and the Vice Chancellor was authorised to constitute the Syllabus Implementation Committee as decided in AC. Further, EC desired for a model structure to be framed for the purpose.

Item No. 19 : Matter related to Panel of Question setters cum Examiners for Legal Studies :

EC:148:04-22:23-19 : The Dean, D.C.R. School of Legal Studies has submitted the Panel of Question Setters and Examiners for LL.M. 2nd Semester and LL.M. 4th Semester Examination, May 2022. The Panel of Question Setters and Examiners, as mentioned, handed over in SEALED COVER to the Chairman in the meeting.

The matter placed before the Academic Council vide resolution No. **AC:91:04-22:19** for approval. The Academic Council accepted the same and recommended to the Executive Council for approval.

Resolution : The Council approved the same.

Item No. 20 : Matter related to the Dept. of Performing Arts :

EC:148:04-22:23-20 : The Head, Dept. of Performing Arts has submitted the following proposals of the Dept. of Performing Arts for placing in the 91st AC meeting.

- (i) Change of the Course Title "Theatre to BPA in Theatre Arts" instead of "BPA Drama/Theatre"
- (ii) To make the specialization entitled 'History of Arts' against the vacant post as per the need of the Department.

The above proposals were accepted by the School Board and concerned BUGS.

The matter placed before the Academic Council vide resolution No. **AC:91:04-22:20** for approval.

The Academic Council has not accepted the Sl. No. (i) of the item. However, the AC accepted the item at Sl. No. (ii) for advertisement accordingly.

Resolution : The Council noted the decisions of the Academic Council and approved.

Item No. 21 : Matter related to the School of Economics & Commerce :

EC:148:04-22:23-21 : The Dean, M.G. School of Economics & Commerce forwarded the following item (I to III) for placing before the Academic Council :

I) Course Work revised syllabus of Paper 502 (School Level), 503 & 504 (Department Level)

The Chairman placed the syllabus of School Level and Department Level Papers 503 & 504. The Members suggested minor modifications in the same which were accepted and finally, the syllabus is recommended for forward transmission. The complete syllabus will be placed in the meeting.

The matter was placed before the Academic Council for approval.

II) Revision of M. Com & PGDMM Annual Course Fee and seat Capacity : Department of Commerce :

The matter has been accepted by the School Board with recommendation of BPGS (Commerce). The resolution of BPGS (Commerce) is submitted below.

Revision of M.Com and PGDMM course fee from the forthcoming session were routed through DAC (Commerce) AUS and DAC (Commerce), AUDC and BPGS found these revisions quite justified since revision has not been made for more than a decade and hence BPGS Commerce, AUS, approved, recommended and forwarded to the School Board for onward transmission to appropriate statutory bodies.

Revised Annual course fee for both Silchar and Diphu Campus are as follows:

Name of Course	Present Annual Course Fee	Revised Annual Course Fee
M.Com.	INR 1200/- PA	INR 3600/- PA
PGDMM	INR 10000/- PA	INR 12000/- PA

Seat capacity of M.Com for Silchar Campus :

Name of Course	Present intake capacity	Revised intake capacity
M.Com	81 Nos.	60 Nos.

It has been decided to restrict the seat capacity of M.Com in Silchar to Sixty (60) only keeping in view the size of the existing class room.

The matter has been recommended to the school Board for necessary action and transmission to appropriate bodies of the authority".

The matter was placed before the Council for consideration.

III) Reduction in the intake capacity of Department of Economics in PG Course, Economics :

The Chairman, School Board informed the members that HOD, Department of Economics requested the University authority in writing in the last admission period to reduce the intake capacity in PG Course from 96 to 77 seats in view of space and infrastructure limitations being faced by the department.

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The members joined the discussion and observed that the intake capacity of the Department was 77 till 2021, but during 2021 admission time, it was suddenly increased to an unmanageable number of 96.

The members resolved that the seat capacity of the department can be at most 77 which the department can somehow manage.

Hence, it is resolved that the matter shall be sent to Academic Council meeting with recommendation to fix the intake capacity of the department at 77 seats from academic session 2022.

The matter placed before the Academic Council vide resolution No. **AC:91:04-22:21** for approval.

The Academic Council accepted the item at Sl. No. (I). In respect of items at Sl. No. (II) the EC accepted the revision of fees as recommended by AC and item No. (III) & (IV- Dept. of Bengali 100 to 80- placed in the meeting) was approved. The Council discussed in detail and the issue was provisionally agreed upon due to shortage of facilities and recommended to the Executive Council for approval.

Resolution : The Council approved the same.

Item No. 22 : Course structure and fee structure of the proposed Certificate course titled 'CERTIFICATE OF PROFICIENCY IN ENGLISH & COMMUNICATION SKILLS' (CPECS) in the Dept. of English :

EC:148:04-22:23-22 : The Dean, School of English & Foreign Languages Studies has forwarded a proposal of the Chairperson of BPGS in English. The course structure for the one-semester self-financing Certificate Course titled 'Certificate of Proficiency in English & Communication Skills' (CPECS), which was proposed by the Dept. of English (AUS). The School Board accepted the course structure and opined that the starting of the Certificate Course in the Department of English would be greatly beneficial to a cross-section of people.

The School Board accepted the Course Structure and Fee Structure proposed by the BPGS, English, and resolved to forward the same to the Academic Council for consideration.

The matter was approved in principle by the Academic Council vide resolution No. **AC:91:04-22:22** and decided that the Exam Branch shall issue the Certificates for the course. However, it is decided that a small committee to be framed to look into the financial aspects in respect to the said course to ensure that all expenses appropriately met from the course.

Resolution : The EC approved the same with the observation that for all courses UGC prescribed norms shall be followed.

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Item No. 23 : Post Graduate Certificate Course in French for Hospitality and Tourism Management (PGCCFHTM) :

EC:148:04-22:23-23 : The Dean, School of English & Foreign Languages Studies has forwarded a proposal pertaining to the Post Graduate Certificate Course in French for Hospitality & Tourism Management (PGCCFHTM) proposed by the BPGS, French, and School Board accepted the proposed Course Structure and Fee Structure and forwarded the same to the Academic Council for consideration and approval.

The matter placed before the Academic Council vide resolution No. **AC:91:04-22:23** for approval. The Academic Council accepted the same and recommended to the Executive Council for approval.

Resolution : Approved.

Item No. 24 : P.G. Revised Syllabus in Linguistics under (CBCS) :

EC:148:04-22:23-24 : The Department of Linguistics, AUS has submitted the P.G. syllabus in Linguistics under (CBCS) duly revised by the concerned BPGS and accepted by the School Board held on 11/03/2022.

The matter placed before the Academic Council vide resolution No. **AC:91:04-22:24** for approval. The Academic Council accepted the same and recommended to the Executive Council for approval.

Resolution : Approved.

Item No. 25 : Minor modification of syllabus for pre-PhD integrated course work related to Course no: 503 and 504 :

EC:148:04-22:23-25 : The Department of Linguistics, AUS has submitted the syllabus of pre-PhD integrated course work related to Course: 503 and 504 in Linguistics duly made minor modification by the concerned BPGS and accepted by the School Board held on 11/03/2022.

The matter placed before the Academic Council vide resolution No. **AC:91:04-22:25** for approval. The Academic Council accepted the same and recommended to the Executive Council for approval.

Resolution : Approved.

Item No. 26 : Introduction of Manipuri Scripts :

EC:148:04-22:23-26 : The Chairman, BPGS, Manipuri & HOD, Manipuri forwarded a proposal regarding the introduction of Manipuri scripts along with Bengali scripts with effect from the academic session 2021-22 was accepted and resolved to forward the same to School Board and Academic Council for consideration.

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The matter placed before the Academic Council vide resolution No. **AC:91:04-22:25** for approval.

Dean of the concerned School was advised to submit a report to the Vice Chancellor in consultation with the COE on the feasibility of the matter. The Council authorized the Vice Chancellor to take action accordingly on the basis of the report.

Resolution : The Council noted the decisions of the Academic Council and approved.

Item: No. 27 : Re-constituted Board of Under Graduate Studies (BUGS) in CSE.

EC:148:04-22:23-27 : The Head, Dept of Computer Science & Engineering has forwarded the panel for reconstitution of BUGS in Computer Science & Engineering :

1. Head, Dept. of Computer Science & Engineering, AUS : Chairman
2. Prof. Sudipta Roy, Professor of Computer Sc. & Engg, AUS : Member
3. Dr. Sunita Sarkar, Asso. Professor of Computer Sc. & Engg, AUS : Member
4. Dr. Tapodhir Acharjee, Asstt. Prof. of Computer Sc. & Engg, AU : Member
5. Dr. Rinku Rabidas, Dept. of Electronics & Computer EngG., AUS : Member
6. Dr. Avinash Kumar, Dept. of Agricultural Engineering, AUS : Member
7. Dr. Pranab Kr. Sarkar, Dept. of Applied Sc. & Humanities, AUS : Member
8. Dr. Debomalya Ghosh, Dept. of Business Administration, AUS : Member
9. Dr. Himadri Sekhar Das, Dept. of Physics, AUS : Member
10. Prof. Amlan Chakrabarti : Ext. Member
Professor and Director, A.K.Choudhury School of Information
Technology, Room No. 415, Academic Tower Technology Campus,
University of Calcutta, JD-II, Sector-III, Saltlake, Kolkata-700106,
11. Dr. Mrinal Kanti Debbarma : Ext. Member
Associate Professor, Department of CSE, NIT, Agartala.

The matter placed before the Academic Council vide resolution No. **AC:91:04-22:27** for approval.

Resolution : Approved.

Item: No. 28 : Re-constituted Board of Post Graduate Studies (BPGS) in CSE :

EC:148:04-22:23-28 : The Head, Dept of Computer Science & Engineering has forwarded the panel for reconstitution of BPGS in Computer Science & Engineering

1. Head, Dept. of Computer Science & Engineering, AUS : Chairman
2. Prof. Sudipta Roy, Professor of Computer Sc. & Engg, AUS : Member
3. Dr. Sunita Sarkar, Associate Prof. of Computer Sc. & Engg, AUS : Member



4. Mr. Sourish Dhar, Asst. Professor of Computer Sc. & Engg, AUS: Member
5. Dr. Abhijit Biswas, Asst. Professor of Computer Sc. & Engg, AUS: Member
6. Prof. Debaprasad Das, Dept. of Electronics & Comm. Engg, AUS: Member
7. Dr. Ajita Tiwari, Dept. of Agricultural Engineering, AUS : Member
8. Dr. Pradip Debnath, Dept. of Applied Sc. and Humanities, AUS : Member
9. Prof. P. K. Deva Sarma, Dept. of Computer Science, AUS : Member
10. Prof. Sanjib Sengupta, Dept. of Mathematics, AUS : Member
11. Prof. Khumanthem Manglem Singh : Ext. Member
Professor, Dept. of CSE, National Institute of Technology,
Manipur, Langol, Imphal-795004,
12. Prof. Biplab K. Sikdar : Ext. Member
Professor, Department of Computer Science & Engineering,
Indian Institute of Engineering Science and Technology, Shibpur
P.O. - Botanic Garden, Howrah - 711 103, West Bengal.
13. Prof. Diganta Goswami : Ext. Member
Professor, Department of Computer Science & Engineering,
Indian Institute of Technology, Guwahati- 781039, Assam,

The matter placed before the Academic Council vide resolution No. **AC:91:04-22:28** for approval.

Resolution : Approved.

Item No. 29 : Department specific policy for UG/IG admission with CUET score:

EC:148:04-22:23-29 : The duly constituted Admission Committee of the University in its meeting dtd. 11th April 2022 has framed the draft department specific policy for UG/IG admission with NTA-CUET score, implementation of the same needs approval of the Academic Council. Accordingly, the resolutions taken in the meeting was placed before the Council for consideration.

The matter placed before the Academic Council vide resolution No. **AC:91:04-22:29** for approval. The Academic Council accepted the same and recommended to the Executive Council for approval.

Resolution : Approved.

Item No. 30 : New syllabus for Dept. of Business Administration in the light of NEP

EC:148:04-22:23-30 : The Head, Dept. of Business Administration has submitted new syllabus in the light of NEP for consideration and approval of the Academic Council. The matter is routed through the concerned BPGS & School Board. The syllabus was placed by the HOD in the meeting.

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The matter placed before the Academic Council vide resolution No. AC:91:04-22:30 for consideration.

Resolution : The Council noted the same. However, final approval shall be accorded on the basis of the recommendation of the syllabus implementation committee.

Item No. 31 : Proposal for the implementation of Assam University brand manual :

EC:148:04-22:23-31 : Head, Dept of Visual Arts has forwarded a proposal for implementation of Assam University brand manual and in this regard a presentation will be made by the department before the Council.

The matter placed before the Academic Council vide resolution No. AC:91:04-22:31 for consideration.

On detail discussion the Academic Council was of the opinion that a Committee should be constituted by the competent authority to look into the issue.

Resolution : The decision of the AC was considered by EC and accordingly the committee to be constituted shall submit its report to the Vice Chancellor.

Item No. 32 : Recommendation of National Service Scheme (NSS) Advisory Committee of Assam University, Silchar :

EC:148:04-22:23-32 : The National Service Scheme (NSS) Advisory Committee of Assam University in its meeting dtd. 27/08/2021 has resolved the following for consideration of the Academic Council :

- (i) Introduction of National Service Scheme (NSS) as optional paper at undergraduate level in the affiliated colleges of AU.
- (ii) Incentives for the volunteers in admission to PG courses on successful completion of two years of NSS volunteer-ship along with a Special Camp.

The matter placed before the Academic Council vide resolution No. AC:91:04-22:32 for consideration.

Resolution : (i) Agreed in principle. However, the course structure and syllabus to be provided to the Colleges before notification of admission.

(ii) The issue was approved in principle and the same shall be taken up with the Admission Committee of the University.

Resolution : The EC approved the decisions of the AC in respect to (i) & (ii) of the agenda.

Item No. 33 : Introduction of Digital Signature/Monogram in AU Certificate :

EC:148:04-22:23-33 : The 19th Convocation of the University is scheduled for 5-7 May 2022 and there are about 10,000 Certificates required to be issued to the candidates applied for the 19th Convocation. In view of signing of these huge number of certificates during a short span, it would be appropriate for the University to go for Digital Signature/Monogram on the certificates to be issued during the Convocation. It is

therefore placed before the Council for consideration of use of Digital Signature/Monogram.

The matter placed before the Academic Council vide resolution No. **AC:91:04-22:33** for consideration.

A detail discussion took place on the issue, however, considering the constraints brought to the notice of Council by the COE the Vice Chancellor agreed to put manual signature on the certificates and the Council gladly accepted the same.

Resolution : The decision of the Academic Council has been agreed upon.

Item No. 34 : Opening of Academic Departments/ Centres at AUDC :

EC:148:04-22:23-34 : The proposal of In-Charge, Diphu Campus for opening of Academic Departments/Centres at AUDC is received and placed before the Academic Council for discussion and consideration.

- (i) Department of Education Science
- (ii) Department of Business Economics
- (iii) Department of Mass Communication
- (iv) Department of Hospitality & Tourism Management
- (v) Centre for Northeast Studies
- (vi) Centre for Entrepreneurship Development

The matter placed before the Academic Council vide resolution No. **AC:91:04-22:34** for consideration.

The complete proposal of the in-charge Diphu Campus where it was proposed to open four departments and two centres were accepted in principle and it was advised that the in-charge Diphu Campus shall place the proposal in detail for onward placement to the UGC on approval of the Executive Council of the University.

Resolution : The decision of the Academic Council in respect to opening of four departments and two centres proposed by the i/c, AUDC was agreed by the EC with the observation that the Department of Ecology & Environmental Science shall be included in the list as decided in the Executive Council on proposal of one of the member and the i/c AUDC shall act as per the decision of the meeting.

Item No. 35 : Item from the Chair :

EC:148:04-22:23-35.1 : Non Core department faculties guiding/supervising Ph.D.

The Chairman was pleased to raise the issue regarding Non Core department faculties doing Ph.D. and after detail discussion the following resolution was taken.

The matter placed before the Academic Council vide resolution No. **AC:91:04-22:35.1** for consideration.

The Academic Council referred the findings of the Committee constituted for the purpose whereas it was necessary to hold a discussion with the department concerned by

the COE and accordingly the House was in the opinion that the COE shall write to concerned departments at the earliest to resolve the issue.

Resolution : The Executive Council approved the decision of the AC.

EC:148:04-22:23-35.2 : External Experts for Ph.D. Viva to be Subject Expert from outside University :

On the issue of inviting External Experts for Ph. D. Viva voce, the Chairman's observations on maintaining quality of Ph.D. work was considered and the Council resolved as follows.

The matter placed before the Academic Council vide resolution No. AC:91:04-22:35.2 for consideration.

The Academic Council approved the proposal to the effect that the External Experts for Ph.D. Viva are to be the Subject Expert from outside University. However, the members were of the opinion that the utmost economy to be maintained on TA/DA expenses and wherever possible the Viva Voce to be held in blended mode with a view to restrict expenses on TA/DA.

Resolution : The Executive Council corrected the agenda of AC as External Examiner in place of External Experts and rest was approved.

EC:148:04-22:23-35.3 : Collaboration with Autonomous Council and FISS for skill development initiatives :

The Vice Chancellor, the In-Charge AUDC and the Registrar visited the ready infrastructure nearby Lanka in Dima Hasao District on invitation from the Autonomous Council for collaboration with Autonomous Council and FISS for skill development initiatives.

The matter placed before the Academic Council vide resolution No. AC:91:04-22:35.3 for consideration.

On being heard the Vice Chancellor the Academic Council approved the issue in principle to explore possibilities of collaboration with NCAC and FISS.

Resolution : The decision of the AC was consented by the Executive Council.

Item No. 36 : Any other matter with permission from the Chair :

EC:148:04-22:23-36.1 : Academic Calendar of the University :

One of the learned member of the Council raised the issue of Academic Calendar of the University and on discussion the issue was resolved as follows :

The matter placed before the Academic Council vide resolution No. AC:91:04-22:36.1 for consideration.

The matter related to preparation of Academic Calendar of the University was discussed and it was decided that the Admission Committee of the University shall prepare the Academic Calendar for the session 2022-2023 of the University for placing before the Vice Chancellor for approval.

Resolution : The EC approved the decision of AC.

EC:148:04-22:23-36.2 : Dates of different examinations :

The COE has announced the following dates for various examinations and placed before the Council for approval :

- (a) 1st Semester PG, UG and IG - from 20th May, 2022
- (b) 4th Semester PG, UG and IG - from 3rd week of August, 2022.
- (c) Ph. D Course Work - 2nd week of July, 2022.
- (d) TDC examination - 3rd week of August, 2022.

The matter placed before the Academic Council vide resolution No. **AC:91:04-22:36.2** for consideration. The Academic Council accepted the same and recommended to the Executive Council approval.

Resolution : The Council approved the same.

Item No. 24 : Item from the Chair :

EC:148:04-22:24.1 : Nomination of the members to the Finance Committee by the Executive Council of the University :

As per Statute 19 (1) (iii) of Assam University Act & Statute, in the Finance Committee, three persons nominated by the Executive Council, out of whom atleast one shall be a member of the Executive Council. The membership in the Finance Committee/Executive Council in respect to Prof. Madhumita Dhar Sarkar has been seized due to completion of her tenure as Dean.

Resolution : The Council nominated Prof. Jayashree Rout, Dean, School of Environmental Sciences as member in the Finance Committee in place of Prof. Madhumita Dhar Sarkar.

EC:148:04-22:24.2 : Appointment of Pro Vice Chancellor at A. U. Dhipu Campus :

As the post of Pro Vice Chancellor in AUDC is an open post, to fulfill the vacancy it needs maintaining of appropriate procedure. Accordingly, after threadbare discussion the following resolution was taken.

Resolution : The Council appointed Prof. Sivasish Biswas, Dept. of English, AUDC as Pro Vice Chancellor i/c of Dhipu Campus till further order. However, clarification for applicable allowances to PVC i/c is required to be obtained from UGC. The Council



authorized the PVC i/c, AUDC as sanctioning authority with a limit of Rs, 5,00,000/-. The Council also authorized the PVC i/c, AUDC to sanction leave for teaching & non-teaching staff of Diphu Campus. However, the Vice Chancellor shall remain the sanctioning authority of leave of PVC i/c, AUDC.

Item No. 25 : Any other matter with permission from the Chair.

EC:148:04-22:25 : Consideration of financial support for extension activities and outreach programmes :

Prof. Jayashree Rout, EC member, with the permission from the Chair raised the issue of financial support for extension activities and outreach programmes of the University and having discussion on the issue the Council decided as follows.

Resolution : To take up the extension activities and outreach programmes by the University and to provide financial support for such programmes the members were of the opinion that while placing Annual Budget to the concerned Ministry, the University may include financial requirement for such programmes also.

There being no other agenda, the meeting ended with thanks to and from the chair.



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