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39<sup>th</sup> meeting of Academic Council (AC) was held on **13<sup>th</sup> March, 2023 (Monday)** at **3.00 PM** in the Board Room of the University (3<sup>rd</sup> Floor) at University Head Quarters, DD – 26, Sector – I, Salt Lake City, Kolkata – 700 064.

## Members present

1. Professor Ranjan Chakrabarti, Vice-Chancellor, Chairperson.
2. Professor Chandan Basu, Professor of History & Director of School of Social Sciences.
3. Professor Manan Kumar Mandal, Professor of Bengali & Director of School of Humanities.
4. Professor Anirban Ghosh, Professor of Commerce & Director of School of Professional Studies and School of Vocational Studies.
5. Professor Atindranath Dey, Director of School of Education.
6. Dr. Ashit Baran Aich, Director of Study Centres.
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9. Smt. Anamika Das, Assistant Professor of Library and Information Science.
10. Dr. Sintu Ganai, Assistant Professor of Chemistry.
11. Dr. Premananda Jana, Director, Kalyani Regional Centre.
12. Dr. Pranab Giri, Associate Professor of Botany and Coordinator, Motijhil College Study Centre, Dum Dum.
13. Shri Suparno Moitra, Secretary, Bengal National Chamber of Commerce & Industry – Govt. Nominee.
14. Shri Anindya Ch. Majumdar – Govt. Nominee.
15. Dr. Shiva Kumar G. N. – Sr. Regional Director, IGNOU, Eastern Region.
16. Dr. Ashit Baran Aich, Registrar (Acting) – Member Secretary.
17. Smt. Ananya Mitra, Joint Registrar (Administration) – Invitee
18. Dr. Sudeshna Chatterjee (Biswas), Joint Registrar (Academic) - Invitee

## Resolution:

- A. **Confirmation of the minutes:** To confirm the minutes of the 38<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Academic Council held on 3<sup>rd</sup> November, 2022. **(Annexure – I)**  
**Noted and Ratified**
- B. To report and ratify the minutes of 15<sup>th</sup> CIQA meeting to be held on 13.03.2023. **(Annexure – II)**  
**Noted and Ratified**



C. To approve the Programme Project Report (PPR) of 33 programmes (17-UG & 16-PG).

**Approved**

The house has considered the issue for seeking programme approval from UGC-DEB against vide letter F.No. 1-1/2023(DEB-I) dated 1<sup>st</sup> March 2023 for offering following 17 existing Under Graduate programme, 14 existing Post Graduate programme and 2 new Post Graduate Programme through Open Distance Learning mode from Academic Year 2023-24 (starting with July 2023 session) onwards. After detailed deliberation the house has approved the Programme Project Report (PPR) of following programmes as prepared by the respective faculty members of the University following the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and as recommended by the respective Board of Studies (statutory body of the University) and CIQA (in 15<sup>th</sup> CIQA meeting):

**PPR approved for following 17 existing Under Graduate Programmes:**

Degree	Name of the Programme	Minimum Duration
Bachelor of Arts (Hons)	BA in Bengali	3 Years
	BA in English	3 Years
	BA in History	3 Years
	BA in Political Science	3 Years
	BA in Public Administration	3 Years
	BA in Sociology	3 Years
	BA in Economics	3 Years
	BA in Education	3 Years
Bachelor of Commerce (Hons)	BA in Commerce	3 Years
Bachelor of Science (Hons)	B.Sc. in Mathematics	3 Years
	B.Sc. in Physics	3 Years
	B.Sc. in Chemistry	3 Years
	B.Sc. in Botany	3 Years
	B.Sc. in Zoology	3 Years
	B.Sc. in Geography	3 Years
B. Lib. I. Sc.	Bachelor of Library and Information Science	1 Year
Bachelor of Education – Special Education	B.Ed. Special Education –ODL (ID/HI/VI)	2 Years/2 years and 6 months

**PPR approved for following 14 existing Post Graduate Programmes:**

Degree	Name of the Programme	Minimum Duration
Master of Arts	MA in Bengali	2 Years
	MA in English	2 Years
	MA in English Language Teaching	2 Years
	MA in History	2 Years
	MA in Political Science	2 Years
	MA in Public Administration	2 Years
	MA in Education	2 Years
Master of Science	M.Sc. in Mathematics	2 Years
	M.Sc. in Zoology	2 Years
	M.Sc. in Geography	2 Years





Master of Commerce	Master of Commerce	2 Years
Master of Social Work	Master of Social Work	2 Years
M. lib. I. Sc.	Master of Library and Information Science	1 Year
Master of Education – Special Education	Master of Education Special Education – ODL (ID/HI)	2 Years 6 Months

**PPR approved for following 2 new Post Graduate Programmes:**

Degree	Name of the Programme	Minimum Duration
Master of Business Administration	Master of Business Administration	2 Years
Master of Science	M.Sc. in Environmental Science	2 Years

D. To approve the SLMs of 33 programmes to be submitted for approval of UGC.

**Approved**

The house has considered the issue and in continuation with the deliberation done against agenda C for seeking programme approval from UGC-DEB against vide letter F.No. 1-1/2023(DEB-I) dated 1<sup>st</sup> March 2023 for offering following 17 existing Under Graduate programme, 14 existing Post Graduate programme and 2 new Post Graduate Programme through Open Distance Learning mode from Academic Year 2023-24 (starting with July 2023 session) onwards, the house has approved the Self Learning Material (SLMs) as prepared by the respective faculty members of the University and as recommended by the respective Board of Studies (statutory body) of the University for following programmes:

**SLMs approved for following 17 existing Under Graduate Programmes:**

Degree	Name of the Programme
Bachelor of Arts (Hons)	BA in Bengali
	BA in English
	BA in History
	BA in Political Science
	BA in Public Administration
	BA in Sociology
	BA in Economics
	BA in Education
Bachelor of Commerce (Hons)	BA in Commerce
Bachelor of Science (Hons)	B.Sc. in Mathematics
	B.Sc. in Physics
	B.Sc. in Chemistry
	B.Sc. in Botany
	B.Sc. in Zoology
	B.Sc. in Geography
B. Lib. I. Sc.	Bachelor of Library and Information Science
Bachelor of Education – Special Education	B.Ed. Special Education –ODL (ID/HI/VI)



**SLMs approved for following 14 existing Post Graduate Programmes:**

Degree	Name of the Programme
Master of Arts	MA in Bengali
	MA in English
	MA in English Language Teaching
	MA in History
	MA in Political Science
	MA in Public Administration
	MA in Education
Master of Science	M.Sc. in Mathematics
	M.Sc. in Zoology
	M.Sc. in Geography
Master of Commerce	Master of Commerce
Master of Social Work	Master of Social Work
M. lib. I. Sc.	Master of Library and Information Science
Master of Education – Special Education	Master of Education Special Education – ODL (ID/Hi)

**SLMs approved for following 2 new Post Graduate Programmes:**

Degree	Name of the Programme
Master of Business Administration	Master of Business Administration
Master of Science	M.Sc. in Environmental Science

- E. To approve the formation of Executive Working Committee (EWC) by Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor. The said committee will help to guide in expediting and execution of urgent matters which are required to be resolved without delay.

**Noted and Approved**

- F. To ratify the Resolutions taken relating to certain academic matters in the 1<sup>st</sup> meeting of the Executive Working Committee (EWC) [vide Resolution point nos. 19, 20, 22, 23 and 25] held on 28.12.2022. (Annexure –III)

**Noted and Ratified**

- G. To ratify the Resolutions taken relating to certain academic matters in the 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting of the Executive Working Committee (EWC) [vide Resolution point nos. 9, 12, 13, 14, 19, and Table Agenda Resolution point nos. 4, 5 and 7] held on 15.02.2023. (Annexure –IV)

**Noted and Ratified**

- H. To report engaging faculties in different subjects on strictly contractual temporary basis, to fulfil the UGC mandate regarding full time dedicated faculties for each subject (both UG and PG), till the selection process can be completed for substantive posts which have been already advertised.

**Ratified**





I. To report that :

**(1) REPORTING OF UG ADMISSION, ACADEMIC YEAR 2022-23 (JULY 2022)**

Registrar Department has conducted online admission for Under Graduate Programme, Academic Year 2022-23, against vide memo no.: Reg/1555 dated 15.07.2022; Reg/1742 dated 17.08.2022; Reg/1845 dated 09.09.2022 and Reg/1917 dated 21.09.2022. The admission process of Under Graduate Programme (UG) for session 2022-23 was closed on 18.10.2022

**Subject and Zone Wise number of applicants:**

Subject	Durgapur Regional Centre	Jalpaiguri Regional Centre	Kalyani Regional Centre	Head Quarters	Total
BA in Bengali	3739	1739	2366	5272	13116
BA in Economics	34	28	43	85	190
BA in Education	350	612	347	818	2127
BA in English	1140	913	1071	1820	4944
BA in History	1607	1156	3512	2724	8999
BA in Political Science	406	459	533	641	2039
BA in Public Administration	82	20	91	150	343
BA in Sociology	332	262	318	584	1496
BA in Commerce	158	48	319	907	1432
B.Sc. in Botany	43	19	63	83	208
B.Sc. in Chemistry	42	50	40	144	276
B.Sc. in Geography	67	39	129	254	489
B.Sc. in Mathematics	98	90	103	183	474
B.Sc. in Physics	40	40	78	56	214
B.Sc. in Zoology	235	63	420	727	1445
<b>Total</b>	<b>8373</b>	<b>5538</b>	<b>9433</b>	<b>14448</b>	<b>37792</b>

**Ratified**

**(2) REPORTING OF PG, BLIS AND ADVANCE DIPLOMA ADMISSION, ACADEMIC YEAR 2022-23 (JANUARY 2023)**

Registrar Department has conducted online admission for Post Graduate Programme, BLIS and Advance Diploma Programme, Academic Year 2022-23, against vide memo no.: Reg/3104; Reg/0113 dated 14.12.2022 and 31.01.2023. The admission process for Academic Year 2022-23, session January 2023 was closed on 24.02.2023

**Subject and Zone Wise number of applicants:**

Subject	Number of Applicants
MA in Bengali	7672
MA in Economics	118
MA in Education	4551
MA in English	3953
MA in English Language Teaching	78
MA in History	5470
MA in Journalism and Mass Communication	222
MA in Political Science	2540



Subject	Number of Applicants
MA in Public Administration	392
Master of Commerce	1133
Master of Library and Information Science	216
M.Sc. in Geography	135
M.Sc. in Mathematics	1456
M.Sc. in Zoology	141
Master of Social Work	2206
<b>Total</b>	<b>30283</b>

Subject	Number of Applicants
Bachelor of Library and Information Science	2625
Advance Diploma in English Language Teaching	18
Advance Diploma in Journalism & Mass Communication	31
Advance Diploma in Public Relations and Advertising	20
<b>Total</b>	<b>2694</b>

#### Ratified

### (3) REPORTING OF Ph.D. ADMISSION, ACADEMIC YEAR 2022-23

Registrar Department has conducted Ph.D. application collection process from 23.01.2023 to 08.02.2023 vide memo no.: Reg/0080 date 19.01.2023. Total 260 applicants have applied in 12 different disciplines to pursue Ph.D. programme for academic year 2022-23.

Discipline and status wise number of applicants given below for reference:

DISCIPLINE	Vacancy published	Total Applicants
Bengali	4	32
Botany	1	1
Chemistry	13	7
Education	2	45
English Language Teaching	3	24
History	5	30
Library & Information Science	12	61
Management	6	9
Commerce		19
Physics	4	9
Sociology	1	7
Zoology	6	16
<b>Total</b>		<b>260</b>

### (4) REPORTING FOR STATING OF LEARNER SUPPORT SERVICES FOR UG/CBCS LEARNERS

Registrar Department opened an online platform for the enrolled learners of UG/BDP to provide various support services related to registration as "Learner Support Service" from the Academic Year 2022-23.

#### Ratified





1. Any other miscellaneous agenda arising with permission of the chair.

Sri Suparno Moitra, one of the esteemed members of the Academic Council forwarded a proposal to consider starting of some additional certificate and diploma courses such as on financial literacy, entrepreneurship ; and in this context Hon'ble Vice Chancellor also pointed out the prospects of having courses on content writing and archiving, which the university can consider to start.

Another matter was raised by the House, that is the completion of vernacular translation of all Study materials in CBCS as far as practicable.

Sd/-  
Registrar  
Member Secretary  
A.C., NSOU

### Table Agenda

1. To approve the Academic Calendar for 2022-2023 and 2023-2024. (Annexure – V)  
**Approved**
2. To report and approve the different Committees as given below :
  - (i) Equivalence Committee
  - (ii) ABC Committee
  - (iii) Committee on Code of Conduct
  - (iv) Academic-Administrative Audit (AAA) Committee
  - (v) NEP Cell [to explore the possibilities of implementation various provisions like issue of certificate (1<sup>st</sup> year), diploma (2<sup>nd</sup> year) and degree (3<sup>rd</sup> year) for three years undergraduate degree programme, multiple entry and exist provision, multidisciplinary approach etc.]

**Approved, with note that in the Academic-Administrative Audit (AAA) Committee some members of the faculty maybe included**

On the table was discussed the following matter  
Hon'ble Vice Chancellor pointed out the need to complete the work of setting up separate web pages in the university website for every School of Studies as early as possible.



3. To approve the fees for application for approval of different courses by UGC.

**The application fees for approval of programmes may be paid as per UGC requirements.**

**Sd/-  
Registrar  
Member Secretary  
A.C., NSOU**

Memo No.: Reg/0322/21

Date: 14.03.2023

**Copy to :**

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2. Professor Kajal De, Professor of Mathematics & Director of School of Sciences(On lien)
3. Professor Chandan Basu, Professor of History & Director of School of Social Sciences.
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13. Dr. Pranab Giri, Associate Professor of Botany and Coordinator, Motijhil College Study Centre, Dum Dum.
14. Dr. (Smt.) Chaitali Bhattacharjee, Associate Professor of Anthropology and Coordinator, APC College Study Centre, 24 Pgs.
15. Shri Suparno Moitra, Secretary, Bengal National Chamber of Commerce & Industry – Govt. Nominee.
16. Shri Somesh Dasgupta, President (Corporate Affairs & Administration), India, Power Corpn. Ltd. – Govt. Nominee.
17. Shri Debashis Bhattacharya, Faculty – Management & Technology, Bharatiya Bidyabhaban – Govt. Nominee.
18. Shri Anindya Ch. Majumdar – Govt. Nominee.
19. Regional Director, IGNOU, Eastern Region.
20. Registrar – Member Secretary.
21. Guard File

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