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To,

The Chairman and Esteemed Members of
Academic Council
Dr. Harisingh Gour Vishwavidyalaya
Sagar, (M.P.)

Sub:- Minutes of 02nd Emergent Meeting of the Academic Council (AC) held on 14th December 2020 in Virtual Mode.

Respected Sir/Madam,

This is to inform that 02nd Emergent Meeting of the Academic Council (AC) held on 14th December 2020 at 03:30 PM in Virtual Mode.

The approved copy of the Minutes is enclosed for perusal and action please.

With Regards,

By Order,

Registrar (I/c) 16/12/2020

Copy to:-

1. I/c Website Cell - for uploading the same on the Vishwavidyalaya Website.
2. Coordinator, Admission Cell, Dr. Harisingh Gour V.V., Sagar.
3. PS to VC - for information of Hon'ble VC please.
4. Assistant Registrar, O/o Registrar.

Registrar (I/c) 16/12/2020

Dr. Harisingh Gour Vishwavidyalaya, Sagar, (M.P.)
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Minutes of 02nd Emergent Meeting of the Academic Council (AC) held in Virtual Mode

- Date : 14 December 2020
- Time : 03: 30 PM

At the outset, the Chairperson extended a warm welcome to all the esteemed members particularly the external members who attended the meeting for the first time. The list of members attended the meeting and leave of absence is annexed. The Vice Chancellor (I/c) and the Chairperson of the Academic Council explained the esteemed members about the single point agenda item and invited suggestions from them one by one.

AC:EM:02:(1) To consider the issue of unequal weightage of the questions given in all the branches of the M.Tech. in Applied Geology Entrance Test 2020-21 (Code-203).

It is informed to the Council that the Vishwavidyalaya conducted an Entrance Test for admission of the students in various UG, PG and Ph.D. courses in Academic Session 2020-21 on all-India basis at 16 centres in different parts of the country from 13th October to 17th October 2020. The Entrance Test for admission in M.Tech (Applied Geology) was conducted on 13th October 2020. **A total 649 candidates were registered for M.Tech. Applied Geology, out of them 365 candidates appeared in the test. The answer keys of the questions asked for were uploaded on the University website on 20th October 2020.**

One representation dated 19th October 2020 made by a candidate addressed to the Admission Committee alleges that equal weightage has not been given in all the branches of the syllabus prescribed for M.Tech. (Applied Geology) Entrance Test 2020-2021. The same candidate made a complaint to the Hon'ble Member of Parliament, Sagar constituency, on 29th October 2020 that keeping in view the career of 1000 students the Entrance Test held for M.Tech program may be cancelled and the Entrance Test be conducted again. Taking cognizance of the said Complaint the Hon'ble Member of Parliament wrote a letter on 02nd November 2020 to the Vice Chancellor of the Vishwavidyalaya that keeping in view the career of 1000 students an inquiry be conducted to examine the issue and till then the result of the Entrance Test be kept pending. The letter further says that the

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Entrance Test may be cancelled and be conducted afresh in accordance with the guidelines of the Vishwavidyalaya. Further, a representation by a group of 8 students was moved on 26th October 2020 alleging therein that 70 percent questions were asked from two branches i.e. Petrology and Earth Science and as such corrective measure should be taken and bonus marks should be given.

The Head of the Deptt. of the Applied Geology vide his letter dated 22nd October 2020 conveyed to the Admission Cell of the Vishwavidyalaya that equal weightage should be given to all the branches, specified in the syllabus for Entrance Examination for M. Tech. program. Since there are 10 branches in the Syllabus, 10 Questions should have been asked from each branch of Geology. But in some branches very few questions (Stratigraphy 4 questions, Palaeontology 2 questions, Structural Geology 5 questions) whereas from other branches like Petrology and Economic Geology 27 and 24 questions, respectively have been asked. He requested to take a corrective measure so that equal weightage may be given to the each branch of Geology in the best interest of the Students.


A close scrutiny of the question paper by the expert reveals that the following number of questions were asked from the respective branches of the Applied Geology:

Branches:

1. General Geology, Geomorphology & Geodynamics	=	08
2. Crystallography & Mineralogy	=	08
3. Petrology	=	27
4. Structure geology & Tectonics	=	03
5. Palaeontology	=	02
6. Indian Stratigraphy	=	10
7. Environmental Geology	=	07
8. Earth Resources	=	24
9. Applied Geology	=	11
Total	=	100

In this regard, a Committee of 5 faculty members was constituted to examine the issue. The Committee recommended that **'the Entrance Examination of the aforesaid paper be cancelled and it may be conducted afresh strictly in accordance with the syllabus prescribed by the BoS of the Department of Applied Geology or any other decision as Competent Authority deems fit.'**

The recommendation of the Committee was placed before the APC (a Standing Committee of the Academic Council) in its 32nd Emergent meeting held on 03rd December 2020 for consideration. **The APC after due deliberations resolved to cancel the Entrance Test of M.Tech. (Code 203) in Applied Geology held on 13-10-2020 and it may be conducted afresh strictly in accordance with the syllabus prescribed by the BoS of the Department of Applied Geology. The number of Test Centers may be minimized as far as possible.**


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In this regard, it is relevant to mention the provisions of clause 54 of ordinance 22(A) which stipulates that the Entrance Examination of the candidates who are found using unfair means in the Common Entrance Examination shall be cancelled. Further, the Ordinance 5 under which the examinations of Affiliated Colleges are conducted stipulates that the Executive Council may cancel an Examination at all Centres, if it is satisfied that there has been **leakage of question papers** or any other irregularity, which warrants such a step.

It is further informed that there is no such complaint of unequal weightage of questions from a larger section of students from the test centres of other 15 different cities of India. There is no complaint of leakage of question paper or unfair means or questions from out of syllabus from any student.

Although the APC has resolved to conduct re-examination, yet in view of the COVID-19 pandemic situation the Coordinator, Admission Cell has submitted that it will be very difficult to conduct re-exam soon. If the process of holding the Entrance Test is now initiated, it being time consuming rendering the Academic Session to be declared as Zero Session for this program

In light of above and in the best interest of a large section of students, it is proposed

(A) To allow to declare the result of Entrance Test for the M.Tech. in Applied Geology program, without any change.

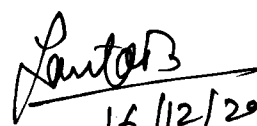
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(B) Weightage should be given in the following manner:

S. No	Branch	No. of Questions Asked	Marks (02 Marks each question)	Weightage
1.	General Geology, Geomorphology & Geodynamics	08	16	$2.75 \times 8 = 22$
2.	Crystallography & Mineralogy	08	16	$2.75 \times 8 = 22$
3.	Petrology	27	54	$0.85 \times 27 = 22.95$
4.	Structure geology & Tectonics	03	06	$7.33 \times 3 = 22$
5.	Palaeontology	02	04	$11 \times 2 = 22$
6.	Indian Stratigraphy	10	20	$2.2 \times 10 = 22$
7.	Environmental Geology	07	14	$3.15 \times 7 = 22.05$
8.	Earth Resources	24	48	$.95 \times 24 = 22.80$
9.	Applied Geology	11	22	$2 \times 11 = 22$
	Total	100	200	199.8

Or

(C) Any other decision as the Academic Council considers fit.


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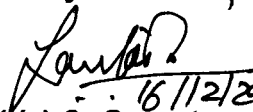
Resolution:- The esteemed members of the Academic Council deliberated the issue in length and majority of the esteemed members were not in favour of re-conducting Entrance Test as there is no issue involved of malpractices, leakage of paper and questions out of syllabus. All the questions were asked from the syllabus prescribed by the Board of Studies (BoS). The only issue involved here is that equal weightage has not been given by the paper setter while setting the questions from all 10 branches of the Applied Geology as prescribed in the syllabus. On this issue, one of the external members belonging to Applied Geology subject explained that equal weightage doesn't mean that equal number of questions should be asked from all the branches. Number of questions may vary from branch to branch depending upon the number of topics contained in that branch. Since the syllabus of Petrology and Earth Resources is comparatively vast, it is but natural to ask more number of questions from these two branches. Moreover, a student who is appearing in Entrance Test for admission is supposed to prepare the whole syllabus for qualifying the Test. Furthermore, the questions asked represent almost all the branches of the Applied Geology. Dean, School of Engineering and Technology and HoD, Applied Geology submitted to take corrective measures in the light of the representation of Seven (07) students. 03 Internal Members (Prof. R.K. Trivedi, Prof. P.P. Singh and Prof. K.K.N. Sharma) opined that the equal number of questions was not asked from all the branches of the Applied Geology whereas it ought to have been as per the resolution of Board of Studies of the Department concerned. The proposal of granting weightage to all the students as per the table contained in the agenda note was also discussed. But the majority of the esteemed members were not in favour of granting any weightage as there is no fault on the part of the University. Some of the esteemed members suggested that in future moderation of question papers of Entrance Test should be done to avoid any confusion. The Chairperson assured that suggestion of the esteemed members for moderation will be considered in future.

After considering all the aforesaid facts and in the interest of larger section of the students, the Council resolved that the result should be declared as such, at the earliest.

(Action: Coordinator, Admission Cell)

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the Chair and all the esteemed members by the Registrar of the University.

Encl: As above.


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Registrar (I/c) & Secretary
of the Academic Council

**List of Members attended 02nd Emergent Meeting of Academic Council in
Virtual Mode on 14 December, 2020 (Monday) at 03:30 PM**

1.	Prof. J. D. Ahi	Vice Chancellor (I/c) &, Chairperson Academic Council
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	External Members	
1.	Prof. G. D. Sharma	Former Vice-Chancellor, Atal Behari Vajpayee Vishwavidyalaya, Bilaspur, (Chhattisgarh)
2.	Prof. A. D. N. Bajpai	Former Vice-Chancellor, University of Himachal Pradesh, and presently Prof. in the Deptt. of Economics, Rani Durgawati Vishwavidyalaya, Jabalpur, (M.P.)
3.	Prof. Vasant Shivram Shinde	Department of Archaeology, Deccan College Deemed University Post-Graduate and Research Institute, (Deemed to be a University) Pune
4.	Dr. Purnima. P Pattanshetti	Dean, School of Education, RANI CHANNAMMA UNIVERSITY Vidyasangama, PB-NH-4, Bhutaramanahatti, BELAGAVI
5.	Prof. Khemsingh Daheriya	Professor & Head, Department of Hindi, IGNTU, Amarkantak (M.P.)
6.	Prof. R. C. Tiwari	Department of Physics, Mizoram University, AIZAWL Mizoram
7.	Dr. D. K. Sinha	Director, Atomic Minerals Directorate (AMD), Hyderabad.

	Dean (Ex-Officio Members)	
1.	Dr. Lalit Mohan	Dean, School of Arts & Information Science
2.	Prof. Diwakar Shukla	Dean, School of Mathematical & Physical Sciences
3.	Prof. Farid Khan	Dean, School of Chemical Science & Technology
4.	Prof. D. K. Nema	Dean, School of Commerce & Management
5.	Prof. P.P. Singh	Dean, School of Law
6.	Prof. A. D. Sharma	Dean, School of Humanities & Social Sciences
7.	Prof. B. I. Guru	Dean, School of Languages
8.	Prof. R. K. Rawat	Dean, School of Engineering & Technology
9.	Prof. K. K. N. Sharma	Dean, School of Applied Sciences

	Heads of Departments (Ex-Officio Members)	
1.	Prof. R. P. Mishra	Head, Dept. of General & Applied Geography
2.	Prof. P. P. Singh	Head, Dept. of Law
3.	Prof. A. D. Sharma	Head, Dept. of Psychology
4.	Prof. A. D. Sharma	Head, Dept. of Philosophy
5.	Prof. S. K. Jain	Head, Dept. of Pharmaceutical Sciences
6.	Prof. Diwakar Shukla	Head, Dept. of Computer Science & Applications
7.	Dr. Lalit Mohan	Head, Dept. of Communication & Journalism
8.	Dr. Lalit Mohan	Head, Dept. of Music
9.	Dr. Lalit Mohan	Head, Dept. of Fine Arts & Performing Arts

10.	Dr. Lalit Mohan	Head, Dept. of Library & Information Science
11.	Prof. Nivedita Maitra	Head, Dept. of English & Other European Languages
12.	Prof. Nivedita Maitra	Head, Dept. of Urdu & Persian
13.	Prof. (Smt.) Archana Pandey	Head, Dept. of Chemistry
14.	Prof. Nagesh Dubey	Head, Dept. of AIH. C. & Arch.
15.	Prof. B. K. Shrivastava	Head, Dept. of History
16.	Prof. B. K. Shrivastava	Head, Dept. of Adult Education
17.	Prof. Anupma Kaushik	Head, Dept. of Political Science & Public Admin.
18.	Prof. A. P. Tripathi	Head, Dept. of Sanskrit
19.	Prof. S. H. Adil	Head, Dept. of Applied Geology
20.	Prof. Deepak Vyas	Head, Dept. of Botany
21.	Prof. Naveen Kango	Head, Dept. of Applied Microbiology
22.	Prof. R. K. Gangele	Head, Dept. of Mathematics & Statistics
23.	Prof. D. K. Nema	Head, Dept. of Commerce
24.	Prof. Mamta Patel	Head, Dept. of Criminology & Forensic Science
25.	Prof. Ranveer Kumar	Head, Dept. of Physics
26.	Prof. Rajesh K. Gautam	Head, Dept. of Anthropology
27.	Dr. Kalinath Jha	Head, Dept. of Sociology
28.	Dr. Utasav Anand	Head, Dept. of Economics

Nominated Professors		
1.	Prof. A. P. Mishra	Dept. of Chemistry
2.	Prof. R. K. Trivedi	Dept. of Applied Geology
3.	Prof. (Mrs.) Varsha Sharma	Dept. of Zoology
4.	Prof. G.L. Puntambekar	Dept. of Commerce
5.	Prof. Ashok Ahirwar	Dept. of History
6.	Prof. A. N. Sharma	Dept. of Anthropology
7.	Prof. H. Thomas	Dept. Applied Geology
8.	Prof. Shweta Yadav	Dept. of Zoology

Nominated Assistant Professors		
1.	Dr. Ritu Yadav	Dept. of Chemistry
2.	Dr. Krishna Kumar Raj	Dept. of Chemistry
3.	Dr. Keshav Tekam	Dept. of Economics
4.	Dr. Payal Mahobiya	Dept. of Zoology

Dean Students Affairs & Proctor		
1.	Prof. A. D. Sharma	Dean, Students Affairs
2.	Prof. G. M. Dubey	Proctor

	Registrar	
1.	Shri Santosh Sohgaure	Registrar (I/c) & Secretary, Academic Council

	Leave of Absence	
1.	Prof. Kapil Tiwari	Former Director, Adivasi lok Kala Parishad, Bhopal.
2.	Prof. Ganesh Shankar Giri	Dean, School of Educational Studies, Head, Deptt. of Yogic Science
3.	Prof. P.K. Khare	Dean, School of Biological Science & Head, Deptt. of Biotechnology
4.	Prof. Chanda Bain	Head, Deptt. of Hindi & Linguistic
5.	Dr. Shree Bhagwat	Head, Dept. of Business Management
6.	Dr. Rashmi Jain	Head, Dept. of Education

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