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July 05, 2024

## MEETING OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL Minutes of the Meeting

A meeting of the Academic Council of Mata Tripura Sundari Open University, Udaipur, Tripura was held on July 05, 2024 to discuss the following:

1. To Consider Construction of Academic and Administrative Blocks of the University
2. To Consider Establishment of Schools of Studies
3. To Consider Offering of Academic Programmes
4. To Consider Recruitment of Academic and Administrative Staff
5. To Consider and Approve the Important Norms for ODL Programmes
6. Any Other Matter with the Permission of the Chair

The following members were present in the meeting:

1. Prof. Masood Parveez - Vice Chancellor – Chairperson
2. Prof. Manoj Varshney, Dean, Academics – Ex – Officio
3. Prof. Munish Kumar Sharma, Director, School of Management and Commerce
4. Prof. Jai Veer Pratap Sharma, HoD, History, MTSOU, Tripura
5. Prof. kamaljeet, HoD, Economics, MTSOU, Tripura
6. Prof. Dharam Veer Mahajan, HoD, Sociology, MTSOU, Tripura
7. Prof. Anil Kumar, Commerce, MTSOU
8. Dr Tariq Anwar, Associate Professor of political Science, MTSOU, Tripura
9. Dr. Rahul Kumar, Associate Professor of Hindi, MTSOU
10. Dr Ankur Kumar, Assistant Professor of Computer Science, MTSOU, Tripura
11. Dr Hage Ysnka, Assistant Professor of Environmental Studies, MTSOU, Tripura
12. Prof. D Prakash, PVC, Himalayan University, Itanagar
13. Prof. Dinesh Kumar Sharma, Controller of Examination, Mangalayatan University, Aligarh
14. Dr Vinay Kumar, Controller of Examination, Usha Martin University, Ranchi
15. Prof. T K Jena, School of Health Sciences, IGNOU, New Delhi
16. Prof. Jitendra Kumar Srivastava, School of Humanities, IGNOU, New Delhi
17. Dr R K Upadhyay, Registrar – Secretary (Ex – Officio)

### AGENDA ITEM NO. 1: TO CONSIDER CONSTRUCTION OF ACADEMIC AND ADMINISTRATIVE BLOCKS OF THE UNIVERSITY

The Registrar presented the requirement prescribed by the University grants Commission (UGC) for offering Open and Distance Learning (ODL) Programmes. As per the requirement there is need to a minimum of 15000 sq ft of the carpet area for the academic and administrative functioning of an Open University.

The Academic Council has requested the Registrar to initiate the process of construction of the University, as per the provisions made in the MTSOU Act 2024 keeping in view of the requirements laid down in the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance learning and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020.



## **AGENDA ITEM NO. 2: TO CONSIDER ESTABLISHMENT OF SCHOOLS OF STUDIES**

As per the provisions made in the MTSOU Act 2024, the Registrar proposed for the establishment the following six schools of Studies initially.

1. School of Management Studies and Commerce
2. School of Humanities and Social Sciences
3. School of Computer Science and Information Technology
4. School of Vocational Education and Training
5. School of Tourism and Hospitality Service Management
6. School of Health Sciences

The Board of Management after thorough discussion has considered and approved establishment of six schools of Studies as proposed, and recommended that more Schools of Studies may be established in future as per requirement of the University.

## **AGENDA ITEM NO. 3: TO CONSIDER OFFERING OF PROGRAMMES OF STUDY**

The Registrar proposed for offering 04 Under Graduate (UG) Programmes and 07 Post Graduate (PG) Programmes to offer through ODL mode of programme delivery, initially. They were:

1. Bachelor of Arts - English, Hindi, History, Sociology, Political Science, Economics, Value Added Courses, Skill Enhancement Courses, Ability Enhancement Courses as per NEP 2020 Guidelines
2. Bachelor of Commerce
3. Bachelor of Business Administration
4. Bachelor of Computer Applications
5. Master of Business Administration - Marketing Management, Financial Management, Human Resource Management, Operations Management
6. Master of Commerce
7. Master of Computer Applications
8. Master of Arts - English
9. Master of Arts - Political Science
10. Master of Arts - Sociology
11. Master of Arts - Economics

The Academic Council considered and approved offering of 04 UG Programmes and 07 PG Programmes, as proposed to offer through ODL mode of study. The Board has advised the Dean, Academics to develop the Self Learning Material (SLM), Video Programmes following the guidelines mentioned under University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020. The Board has advised to develop Programme Project Reports (PPR) and the SLM of the Programmes to be offered, and present the same before the forthcoming meeting of the Academic Council for consideration and approval.

## **Agenda No 4: TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE IMPORTANT NORMS FOR ODL PROGRAMMES**

The Dean, Academic presented the following:

1. Nomenclature of the ODL Programmes to be offered would be as per UGC Notification on Specification of Degrees, 2014 and its Amendments issued from time to time by the UGC.
2. Entry level qualification for all the ODL Programmes to be offered would be as per the UGC guidelines.
3. Evaluation methodology in 30:70 ratio for continuous assessment and term end examination
4. Curriculum of the would be Programmes would be in accordance with the University Grant Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programme) Regulation, 2020, following the National Education Policy, 2020.
5. Pattern of the question papers for end semester examination as per requirement of the Programme.



6. Minimum passing marks shall be 40%.

After detailed discussion, the Academic Council considered and approved the ODL Norms proposed above.

#### AGENDA NO. 5: TO CONSIDER AND APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF THE ACADEMIC AND ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

The Registrar presented the list of the Academic and the Administrative Staff appointed by the University as per the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020. Annexure.

The Academic Council examined approve the list of the academic and the Administrative Staff appointed, which was as per the UGC guidelines.

The meeting ended with vote to thanks to the Chair

1. Prof. Manoj Varshney, Dean, Academics – Ex – Officio *MDJ*
2. Prof. Munish Kumar Sharma, Director, School of Management and Commerce *MS*
3. Prof. Jai Veer Pratap Sharma, HoD, History, MTSOU, Tripura *Jai Veer*
4. Prof. kamaljeet, HoD, Economics, MTSOU, Tripura *Kamaljeet*
5. Prof. Dharam Veer Mahajan, HoD, Sociology, MTSOU, Tripura *Dharam*
6. Prof. Anil Kumar, Commerce, MTSOU *Anil Kumar*
7. Dr Tariq Anwar, Associate Professor of political Science, MTSOU, Tripura *TA*
8. Dr. Rahul Kumar, Associate Professor of Hindi, MTSOU *Rahul*
9. Dr Ankur Kumar, Assistant Professor of Computer Science, MTSOU, Tripura *Ankur*
10. Dr Hage Ysnka, Assistant Professor of Environmental Studies, MTSOU, Tripura *Hage*
11. Prof. D Prakash, PVC, Himalayan University, Itanagar *D Prakash*
12. Prof. Dinesh Kumar Sharma, Controller of Examination, Mangalayatan University, Aligarh *Dinesh*
13. Dr Vinay Kumar, Controller of Examination, Usha Martin University, Ranchi *Vinay*
14. Prof. T K Jena, School of Health Sciences, IGNOU, New Delhi *T K Jena*
15. Prof. Jitendra Kumar Srivastava, School of Humanities, IGNOU, New Delhi *Jitendra*

The Minutes of the Meeting are submitted for the consideration and approved of the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor.

Udaipur, Tripura  
July 05, 2024

~~Vice Chancellor~~

*Approved*

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Vice Chancellor  
Mata Tripura Sundari Open University  
(MTSOU)  
Agartala, Tripura

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Registrar  
MTSOU, Tripura