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of the

SEVENTEENTH MEETING

of the

RESEARCH COUNCIL

held on

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MINUTES OF THE SEVENTENTH MEETING OF THE RESEARCH COUNCIL, HELD ON DECEMBER 28, 2010 AT 03.00 P.M. IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM, BLOCK-8, IGNOU, MAIDAN GARHI, NEW DELHI – 110 068.

The following were present:

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| 1. Prof. V. N.Rajasekharan Pillai, Vice-Chancellor, IGNOU | - | Chairman |
| 2. Prof. K.R. Srivatsan, Pro Vice-Chancellor, IGNOU | - | Member |
| 3. Prof. P.R. Ramanujam, Pro Vice-Chancellor, IGNOU | - | Member |
| 4. Prof. S.B. Singh Bhadauria, Member, BOM, IGNOU | - | Member |
| 5. Prof. Veena Vinayak Thakare, Member, BOM, IGNOU | - | Member |
| 6. Prof. J Shashidhara Prasad, VC, Sri Sathaya Sai Higher
Institute of Learning, Anantapur, A.P | - | Member |
| a. Dr. B.S. Sudhindra, RD, IGNOU, RC Bangalore | - | Member |
| 7. Prof. Gopinath Pradhan, Director, SOSS, IGNOU | - | Member |
| 8. Prof. B.K. Pattanaik, Director, SOEDS, IGNOU | - | Member |
| 9. Dr. Geeta Kaicker, Director, SOS, IGNOU | - | Member |
| 10. Prof. M.K. Salooja, Director, SOA | - | Member |
| 11. Dr. Latha Pillai, Pro Vice-Chancellor, IGNOU | - | Special Invitee |
| 12. Dr. K. Subramanian, Director, ACIIL, IGNOU | - | Special Invitee |
| 13. Dr. V.Venugopal Reddy, Director, Research Unit | - | Member-Secretary |

Prof. Joseph Dorairaj, GRU, Dindigul, TamilNadu, Prof. Mohamed Miyan, VC, MANUU, Hyderabad, Prof. Kamal K Dwivedi, Head, NCSTC (DST), New Delhi, Dr.S.N. Ambedkar, RD, Jaipur, Dr. Babu P Ramesh, Reader SOITS, IGNOU and Dr. Hemlata, Dy.Director, NCDS, IGNOU could not attend the meeting.

At the outset, the Chairman welcomed all members of the Research Council. He then requested the Member-Secretary to present the agenda items listed for the meeting.

The following items were taken up:

ITEM NO. 1 To confirm the Minutes of the 16th Meeting of the Research Council held on 03rd February, 2010 and note the Action Taken thereon.

RC.17.1.1 The Minutes of the 16th Meeting of the Research Council (RC) held on 3rd February, 2010 were circulated to the members. No comments have been received in this regard from the members of the Research Council.

RC.17.1.2 The Research Council considered and approved the Minutes of the 16th Meeting. Further the Research Council noted the Action Taken Report on the 16th RC and confirmed the minutes.

ITEM NO.2 To consider and approve the Minutes of the 7th Meeting of the Research Council's Standing Committee held on 07th April, 2010 and note the Action Taken thereon.

RC.17.2.1 The Minutes of the 7th Meeting of Research Council's Standing Committee held 07th April, 2010 were circulated to the members. No comments have been received in this regard from the members of the Research Council Standing Committee (RCSC) and the same is confirmed by the 8th RCSC held on 7th September 2010.

RC.17.2.2 Further, the Research Council noted the Action Taken Report of the Minutes of the 07th Research Council's Standing Committee and confirmed the minutes.

ITEM NO.3 To consider and approve the Minutes of the 8th Meeting of the Research Council's Standing Committee held on 07th September, 2010 and note the Action Taken thereon.

RC. 17.3.1 The Minutes of the 8th Meeting of Research Council's Standing Committee held on 07th September, 2010 were circulated to the members. No comments have been received in this regard from the members of the Research Council's Standing Committee.

RC. 17.3.2 Further, the RC noted the Action Taken Report of the Minutes of the 08th Research Council's Standing Committee and confirmed the minutes.

ITEM NO. 4 To consider and ratify Registration for Ph.D in the Discipline of Interdisciplinary Studies (SOITS) for July 2010.

RC. 17.4.1 The Doctoral Committees constituted for Interdisciplinary Studies held on May 14th, 2010 and 20th July 2010 recommended the following candidates for Ph.D registration for July 2010 cycle:

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| 1. Mr. Vivek Bajpai | 2. Maj. Gen. S.P. Kochar |
| 3. Ms. Raunak Ahmed, RTA | 4. Lt. Gen Mukesh Sabarwal |
| 5. Ms. Surbala Sagolsem | |

RC.17.4.2 The recommendations of the Doctoral Committee were approved by the 8th School Board of the School of Interdisciplinary and Trans-disciplinary Studies (SOITS) held on 27th July 2010.

RC. 17.4.3 The Research Council considered and ratified Registration of above candidates for Ph.D in the Discipline of Interdisciplinary Studies (SOITS) for July 2010.

ITEM NO. 5 To consider and approve Dr.Deepanwita Srivastava as Ph.D. Supervisor in the Discipline of French, SOFL

RC 17.5.1 The 5th School Board of SOFL held on 11/08/2010 approved Dr. Deepanwita Srivastava's CV as Research Supervisor for guiding students in the Discipline of French. Dr.Deepanwita Srivastava is

an Assistant Professor with the SOFL presently.

RC 17.5.2 The Research Council approved Dr. Deepanwita Srivastava as Ph.D. Supervisor in the Discipline of French.

ITEM NO. 6 To consider and approve Prof.S.B. Arora, as Research Supervisor for research programmes in the Discipline of Vocational Studies (SOVET).

RC 17.6.1 It is submitted that Prof. S.B. Arora, Faculty of Health Sciences has been approved as Research Supervisor by the 13th School Board of SOVET held on 3rd September 2010.

RC 17.6.2 Members of Research Council suggested that Director, Research should collect information about his area of research to be conducted under the School of Vocational Studies. Members also expressed that Prof.S.B. Arora is a faculty of School of Health Sciences, where the faculty of the Health Sciences should also initiate research in Medical Sciences as the Discipline has qualified faculty.

RC 17.6.3 The Research Council considered and approved Prof. S.B Arora as Research Supervisor with the above suggestions for initiating research programmes in Medical Sciences under School of Health Sciences.

ITEM NO. 7 To consider and ratify provisional registration for Ph.D of Mr.Lakhan Lal Meena in the Discipline of History (SOSS) for July 2010.

RC 17.7.1 It is submitted that Mr. Lakhan Lal Meena registered for Ph.D for July 2010 based on the recommendations of the Doctoral Committee of SOSS dated 01.09.2010 and Standing Committee of the School Board, SOSS dated on 30.08.2010. The Vice Chancellor approved registration of Mr. Lakhan Lal Meena for Ph.D in the Discipline of History based on the recommendations of the Discipline and Director of the School in order to avoid delay in registering for Ph.D for July 2010. Accordingly, the candidate was given provisional registration for Ph.D in History as given below:

RC 17.7.2

- Name of the Candidate : Mr. Lakhan Lal Meena
- Name of the Discipline : History (SOSS)
- Category: B
- Topic for Ph.D: "Popular culture in Mughal India as reflected in the Foreign Travellers' Accounts"
- Research Supervisor Prof. Ravindra Kumar, SOSS

RC 17.7.3 The Research Council approved and ratified Mr. Lakhan Lal Meena's registration for Ph.D in History for July 2010.

ITEM NO. 8 To consider and approve Sri Kuvempu Vidyavardhaka Trust

(SKVT) as Recognised Research Centre of IGNOU.

- RC 17.8.1 It is submitted that a three member committee consisting of Prof. Renu Bhardwaj, faculty of English from IGNOU and Prof. Khandobha and Dr. R.K. Rajendra from Mysore and Gulbarga, Karnataka respectively visited **Sri Kuvempu Vidyavardhaka Trust, Mysore** on November 25, 2010.
- RC 17.8.2 Considering the recommendations of the Committee and deliberations among members of Research Council, the institute was recommended for research programmes in Kannada and English disciplines.
- RC 17.8.3 The Research Council considered and approved **Sri Kuvempu Vidyavardhaka Trust, Mysore** as a Recognised Research Centre of IGNOU for Kannada and English.

ITEM NO. 9 To consider and approve Jyoti Nivas College, Bangalore as Recognised Research Centre of IGNOU.

- RC 17.9.1 A Committee consisting of Prof. Kapil Kumar, SOSS; Prof. Renu Bhardwaj, Director, SOH; Prof. B.S. Saraswat, SOS; Prof. T.U. Fulzele, SOMS visited Jyoti Nivas College (autonomous), Bangalore on 06th and 07th August 2010 and assessed the physical facilities available in the Institute.
- RC: 17.9.2 After detailed deliberations, members of the Research Council felt that the College may be given an opportunity to conduct research programmes in the areas wherever it has full-time faculty cum eligible research supervisors. Accordingly, it was recommended for conducting research programmes in the disciplines of English, Hindi, Economics, Sociology, Zoology, Chemistry, Psychology and Management.
- RC 17.9.2 The Research Council considered and approved **Jyoti Nivas College, Bangalore** as a Recognised Research Centre of IGNOU in the disciplines suggested above.

ITEM NO. 10 To consider and approve research proposals for Ph.D in Sociology (SOSS) for January 2011.

- RC 17.10.1 It is submitted that Ph.D Discipline of Sociology had conducted entrance examinations followed by presentation before the Doctoral Committees for Category "B" candidates. The Discipline also conducted presentations before the Doctoral Committees for Category "A" candidates. Minutes of the Doctoral Committees were approved by the 11th Standing Committee on 30.08.2010; 12th Standing Committee on 03.11.2010 and 13th Standing Committee on 19.11.2010 and the same were approved by 51st School Board held on 22.11.2010:

Candidates for Registration

	Under Category 'B'	Under Category 'A'
1.	Mr. Om Prakash Manjhi	Mr. Ram Awatar Ram
2.	Mr. Vijay Pal	Ms. Babita
3.	Mr. Ashok Kumar	Ms. Shivani Singh
4.	Ms. Avantika Singh	Mr. Sheikh Kasif
5.		Ms. Manisha Kumari Jha
6.		Ms. Meenakshi Neb
7.		Mr. Narinder Singh Sandhu
8.		Mr. Sudhir Kumar
9.		Mr. Panjab Doley
10.		Mr. Latheef P.P
11.		Ms. Shaheen Akhtar

Details of candidates under Category A and Category B are enclosed **(17.10.1)**.

RC 17.10.2 The Research Council considered and approved the registration of above candidates for Ph.D in Sociology.

ITEM NO. 11 To consider and approve Little Flower Medical & Research Centre (LFMRC), Angamaly, Kerala as Recognised Research Centre of IGNOU.

RC 17.11.1 A Committee consisting of Prof. Parvin Sinclair, PVC (Chairperson); Prof. A.K. Agarwal, SOHS; and Prof. Haridas, Kannur University, Kerala visited the **Little Flower Medical & Research Centre (LFMRC), Angamaly, Kerala** on 08th November 2010 as suggested by the 8th RCSC. The Committee mentioned that the Institute has required infrastructure for conducting research activities. After detailed deliberations, taking into consideration the available infrastructure and two of the approved research supervisors, the Institute (LFMRC) was considered for conducting research programmes in Physiology.

RC 17.11.2 The Research Council considered and approved **Little Flower Medical & Research Centre** as a Recognised Research Centre of IGNOU for Ph.D programme in Physiology.

ITEM NO. 12 To consider and approve exemption from Course Work, Registration Fee and to place RTAs under category A those who have successfully completed M.Phil well before Ph.D registration.

RC 17.12.1 It is submitted that a representation from RTAs those who have successfully completed M.Phil well before registering for Ph.D has been received by the Research Unit requesting to consider:

- (i) exemption of Course Work
- (ii) registration fee for Course Work;
- (iii) placing them under Category A instead of Category B under which originally registered for Ph.D.

Students under RTA Scheme claimed for exemption for the above as they had completed their M.Phil Programmes prior to their registration to Ph.D programme which entitles them to be placed under Category- A as per research regulations.

- RC 17.12.2 Members expressed that RTAs who have completed M.Phil successfully be given exemption for from Course Work, fee for Course Work and transfer their registration from Category B to Category A as they full-fill eligibility criteria of Category A.
- RC 17.12.3 Members also suggested that RTAs being full-time drawing fellowship need to make presentations before the academic committee consisting of Research Coordinator of the Discipline (Convener), Director of the School (Chairperson), faculty of the Discipline (as Members) and two external experts. RTAs completed 18 months tenure from the date of joining should make presentations. Members suggested that these meetings should be convened in the next 2 or 3 months.
- RC 17.12.4 The RC considered and approved exemption from Course Work, and fee for Course Work to those who have completed M.Phil successfully prior to their registration for Ph.D at IGNOU. The Research Council also approved change of registration of such candidates from Category B to Category A. The RC also approved other suggestions of the members inviting RTAs for presentation before the committees to be constituted discipline-wise.

ITEM NO. 13 To consider and approve Research Proposal for Ph.D Admission/ Registration in the Discipline of Distance Education (STRIDE) for January 2011.

- RC 17.13.1 The Doctoral Committee of the Discipline of Distance Education held on 30.11.2010 recommended Ms. G. Mythili's research proposal for Ph.D registration under Category A and the same was approved by the Research Committee held on 08.12.10. The details are:

- 1. Name of the Candidate** : **Ms. G. Mythili**
Topic for Ph.D : *A Study of Factors Associated with Online Training on Performance and Satisfaction of Academic Counsellors*
- Name of the Supervisor** : Prof. P.K. Bisis, Professor of Distance Education, STRIDE, New Delhi.
- Course work** : No Course Work is recommended

- RC 17.13.2 Mr. Somasi Saunand, Assistant Regional Director also presented synopsis before the Doctoral Committee held on 30.11.2010. The Doctoral Committee suggested change in topic and scope of the study. Further, the Research Committee held on 8th December 2010 observed the following:

- The Overall focus needs to be reoriented.
- The title has to be revised to include 'the contribution of ODL in access and equity of the disadvantaged communities of Andaman & Nicobar Island'; and the term 'impact' will be deleted.
- Based on the new title, the objectives and methodology have to be revised.
- The profile of the Andaman & Nicobar Island must be simplified to focus on educational status with indicators.
- A review of literature must be done from the available national and international resources.
- The revised proposal needs to be circulated by email within 5 days for finalization before submission to the Research Council of IGNOU.

RC 17.13.3 In view of the above observations, the members felt that the Research Unit should obtain clarification from the STRIDE as why they recommended admission when the Doctoral and the Research Committees raised number of observations on the proposal.

RC: 17.13.4 The Research Council considered and approved registration of Ms. G. Mythili for Ph.D in Distance Education. The Research Council also approved suggestion of the members with regard to Mr. Somasi Saunand proposals seeking clarifications from the Discipline concerned.

ITEM NO. 14 To consider and approve the Progress Reports submitted by Ph.D students in the Discipline of Sociology (SOSS).

RC 17.14.1 It is submitted that the following candidates submitted their Progress Reports before the Doctoral Committees held on 25th & 26th August 2011 and the same was approved by the 11th and 13th Standing Committees of the Discipline held on 30th August 2010 and 19th November 2010 respectively. The names of the candidates are:

SI No	Name	Period	SC of the SB
1.	Mr. Karunagar Singh	July 2009 to June 2010	11 th
2.	Ms. Valarmathi M	July 2009 to June 2010	11 th
3.	Ms. Shalini Luthra	Dec 2008 to May 2009 June 2009 to Nov 2009	11 th
4.	Mr.Laltanpuri Rpkhum	July 2009 to Dec 2009 Jan 2010 to June 2010	13 th

The Research Supervisors expressed their satisfaction over

progress of the students.

RC 17.14.2 The Research Council considered and approved the Progress Reports of the above candidates.

ITEM NO. 15 To consider and approve the Progress Report of Ms.D.G.S.K. Doluweera (Ph.D) in the Distance Education (STRIDE).

RC 17.15.1 Ms.D.G.S.K. Doluweera from the Open University, Sri Lanka submitted her Ph.D Progress Report to STRIDE. Her Research Supervisor Prof.P.K. Bisis expressed his satisfaction over her progress. The Progress Report was placed before the Doctoral Committee held on 30th November 2011 and the same was approved. Similarly, the recommendations of the Doctoral Committee were also approved by the 1st Research Committee on 08.12.2010.

RC 17.15.2 The Research Council considered and approved the Progress Report submitted by the candidate.

ITEM NO. 16 To consider and approve Course Work for the Research Programmes in Interdisciplinary and Trans-disciplinary Studies.

RC 17.16.1 It is submitted that Course Work developed by the Expert Committee for Ph.D/M.Phil programmes was approved by the 8th School Board of SOITS held on 27th July 2010. The course titles and the credit distribution approved by the School Board are given below:

Course-I	Interdisciplinary and Trans-disciplinary Research - 8 credits
Course-II	Research Methodology - 8 credits
Course-III	Area Studies - 8 credits
Course-IV	Literature Survey -8 credits

RC 17.16.2 The Research Council considered and approved Course Work for research programmes proposed in the Interdisciplinary and Trans-disciplinary Studies.

ITEM NO. 17 To consider and approve research proposals for registration/admission in the Discipline of Translation Studies and Training (SOTST).

RC 17.17.1 It is submitted that the Doctoral Committee of Translation Studies and Training (SOTST) held on 26.11.2010 recommended the following candidates of category 'A' and 'B' for registration/admission for January 2011 cycle:

S.N.	For Registration under	For Registration under
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	Category 'A'	Category 'B'
1.	Ms. Archana Devi	Mr. Vivekanand Jha
2.	Mr. Maheswar Ghankot	
3.	Ms. Ankita Srivastav	

Details pertaining viz., research topic, name of the discipline, research supervisor and related matters are enclosed (**Annexure 17.17.1**)

RC 17.17.2 The Research Council considered and approved registration/admission of the above candidates.

ITEM NO. 18 To consider and approve Research Supervisors (External) for Ph.D students in the Disciplines of Knowledge Management /Information Technology (ACIIL).

RC 17.18.1 It is submitted that the following students were admitted to Ph.D Programmes in the Discipline of Knowledge Management/Information Technology (ACIIL) for July 2010 cycle. Doctoral Committee of the Discipline recommended names of external Research Supervisors as given below:

S. No.	Name of Student & Enrolment Number	Name of proposed External Supervisor
1.	Mr. M. Nizamuddin En.No.100165525	Dr.P. Shahabudeen Anna University
2.	Mr. Anant Bhaskar Garg En.No.100165544	Dr.K.K. Govil, Panel Consultant, Ministry of Power, GOI
3.	Mr.Asil Gaerard Sylverster En. No. 100165523	Dr.V. Balaji, Global Leader, Knowledge Management and Sharing, ICRISAT, Hyderabad

RC 17.18.2 Members expressed that there should be at least one Internal Supervisor to guide students registered under ACIIL. The Director, ACIIL should identify and assign Internal Supervisors.

RC 17.18.3 The Research Council considered and approved the Research Supervisors with the suggestions that there should be at least one Research Supervisor to guide students internally.

ITEM NO. 19 To consider and approve (a) Guidelines and (b) Course Work for Ph.D with integrated mode in the discipline of Astrophysics (SOITS).

RC 17.19.1 Member expressed that guidelines presented by the Nodal Officer do not match the guidelines which are in practice in the University. After detailed deliberations, it was felt that a Committee may be constituted for developing guidelines for M.Sc. – Ph.D (integrated mode) in Astrophysics for registration, Course Work, credit distribution for course work and thesis, evaluation methodology for course work and thesis. Members authorized the Chairman to constitute a Committee for developing guidelines.

- RC 17.19.2 The Chairman recommended the Committee consists of:
1. Director, IIA, Bangalore : Chairperson
 2. Faculty of the discipline : IIA & IGNOU
 3. At least one external member from the panel to be appointed by the Vice Chancellor
 4. Ph.D Programme Coordinator : Convenor

RC 17.19.2 The Research Council considered and approved the suggestion for constituting a Committee as suggested by the Chairman for developing guidelines for M.Sc – Ph.D in Astrophysics in integrated mode.

ITEM NO. 20 To consider and approve the Progress Reports submitted by M.Phil/Ph.D candidates of Aurobindo Studies (SACAR) (SOITS).

RC 17.20.1 M.Phil/Ph.D students submitted their progress reports, which were approved by the faculty of SACAR and the same was approved by the 8th School Board (SOITS) on 27th July 2010. The names of the candidates are placed below:

S. No.	Names and Enrolments of candidates for Ph.D	Names and Enrolments of candidates for M.Phil.
1.	Mr. Narendra Madhav Joshi, En.No.097328404	Ms. Lakshmi Jayaram En.No. 097328260
2.	Mr. Sreerangan Siddharthan En.No.097328411	Ms. G. Jyothirmai En.No. 097328278
3.	Ms. Deepali Gupta En.No.097328371	Ms. Jahnvi Kishorbhai Mehta En.No. 097328285
4.	Ms. Lakshmi J. Manapragada En.No.097328389	Mr.T.C. Venkateswara Rao En.No. 097328292
5.	Ms.Sona Singh Gill En.No.097328396	Ms. Geetanjali Prabhu En.No. 097328300
6.		Mr. Rajesh Kumar Mishra En.No. 097328318
7.		Ms. Gitanjali J.B En.No. 097328325
8.		Ms. Gilu Mishra En.No. 097328332
9.		Ms.Sibabrata De En.No. 097328340
10.		Mr.A.K.Saravanan En.No. 097328357
11.		Mr.Dinesh Agarwal En.No. 100165511
12.		Mr.Padmanabhan T.V En.No.100165513

The Progress Reports were reviewed by their Supervisors and expressed their satisfaction over the progress.

RC 17.20.2 The Research Council considered and approved the Progress Reports of above candidates.

ITEM NO. 21 To consider and approve change of titles for Ph.D candidates registered for Ph.D in Interdisciplinary Studies (SOITS).

RC 17.21.1 It is submitted that two candidates registered for Ph.D in Interdisciplinary Studies requested for change of titles for the Ph.D. This was approved by the 8th School Board held on 27th July 2010. The details are as follows:

RC 17.21.2	Name of the student	Earlier title for Ph.D	Proposed new title
	Mr.Rambo Odyuo	"Folklore and Pragmatics: Towards Historical, Societal and Cultural approach of the Lotha (Kyong) folklore"	Folklore in the lives of a tribe: A case study of Lotha Folklore
	Mr. Irene Awungashi	"Culture Diversity and Lanuguage Socialization in Manipur: An Analysis"	"Culture, Language and Identity: A Case Study of the Tangkhuls in Manipur"

RC 17.21.3 The Research Council considered and approved change of titles.

ITEM NO. 22 To consider and approve Progress Reports of Ph.D students in the Disciplines of Hindi, English, Tamil & Gujarati (SOH).

RC 17.22.1 It is submitted that research students registered for Ph.D (include RTAs) submitted their progress reports to the School of Humanities and the same was approved by the 41st School Board held on 22nd September 2010. The list of students submitted progress reports (discipline-wise) are placed below:

PROGRESS REPORTS IN HINDI		
1. Mr. Narender Singh En.No.093754464	2. Ms. Rajwanti En. 093754250	3. Mr.Rameshwar Dayal En. 093754385
4. Ms.Amita Pandey En. 093754385	5. Ms.Archana En. 083492153	6. Mr. Sanjeev Kumar jain En. 093754267
7. Ms.Rambha Tripathy En. 093754440	8. Ms.Sarita En. 093754425	9. Mr.Pramod Meena En. 093754156
10. Mr.Prasant Kumar En.062400077		
PROGRESS REPORTS IN HINDI (RTAs)		
1. Ms. Anamika Yadav En.093575711	2. Ms. Asmita Sharma En.093575743	3. Mr. Wavalkar Shivdata Bajiro, En.093575782
4. Ms. Rekha Kurre En.093575790	5. Ms. Namita Satyen En.093575729	6. Ms. Smita Mishra En.093575750
PROGRESS REPORTS IN ENGLISH		

1. Mr.Lalrinmawii Tochhawng En. 093754590	2. Ms. Pooja Rani En. 093754210	3. Mr. Satyawan Polist En.No.100165457
4. Mr.Trivedi Payal Kishore En. 093754432	5. Mr. Avbdul Naseeb Khan En. 093754575	
PROGRESS REPORTS IN ENGLISH (RTAs)		
1. Ms. Irengam Runita Devi, En.097327459	2. Ms. Chingangabam Anupama, En.097327466	3. Mr. Niroj Kumar Sethi En.093575775
4. Mr. Anish Kumar En.093575689	5. Ms. Miranda Mary Sapna Peter En.093576057	6. Ms. Roseliz Francis En.093575704
PROGRESS REPORTS IN GUJARATI & TAMIL (RTAs)		
1. Mr. Parmar Hareshkumar Virajbhai, En. 093575886 (Gujarati)		
2.Mr.S. Dhana Dhayalan En. 093576040 (Tamil)	2. Ms.J.S. Anarkali, En.093575696 (Tamil)	

RC 17.22.2 The Director of the School also certified that the following RTAs have contributed "half credit worth teaching in Hindi and English":

S.N.	RTAs (Hindi)	RTAs (English)
1.	Ms. Anamika Yadav En.093575711	Ms. Miranda Mary Sapna Peter, En.093576057
2.	Mr. Wavalkar Shivdata Bajiro, En.093575782	Ms. Roseliz Francis En.093575704
3.	Ms. Rekha Kurre En.093575790	Ms. Irengam Runita Devi, En.097327459
4.	Ms. Namita Satyen En.093575729	Ms. Chingangabam Anupama, En.097327466

RC 17.22.3 Members expressed that the Research Supervisors and Research Coordinator of the Discipline should obtain and certify what "teaching activities" he/she has undertaken. Every RTA in each discipline should provide teaching activities undertaken to his/her supervisor along with the progress report that he/she submit after every six months.

RC 17.22.3 The Research Council considered and approved the Progress Reports of above Ph.D students in the Disciplines of Hindi, English, Tamil & Gujarati (SOH) with the suggestions to provide details of teaching activities undertaken by RTAs.

ITEM NO. 23 To consider and approve Dr. Parmod Kumar as Ph.D Supervisor of English Discipline (SOH).

RC 17.23.1 It is submitted that 41st School Board (SOH) held on 22nd September 2010 approved Dr. Parmod Kumar as Ph.D Supervisor for the English Discipline. Dr.Promod Kumar is an Assistant Professor in the discipline of English, SOH, IGNOU, New Delhi.

RC 17.23.2 The Research Council considered and approved Dr. Parmod Kumar as Ph.D Supervisor of English Discipline.

ITEM NO. 24 To consider and approve Prof.V.D. Singh as 2nd research supervisor to Mr.Satyawan Polist registered for Ph.D in English (SOH).

RC 17.24.1 It is submitted that 41st School Board (SOH) held on 22nd September 2010 approved Prof.V.D. Singh as 2nd research supervisor to Mr. Satyawan Polist who registered for Ph.D in English.

RC 17.24.2 The Research Council considered and approved Prof.V.D. Singh as Research Supervisor of Mr.Satyawan Polist, Ph.D in English.

ITEM NO. 25 To consider and approve registration of Ms. Shubhda Bhakay Kaul in the Ph.D Programme in French (SOFL).

RC 17.25.1 Doctoral Committee in French held on 09th December 2010 recommended Ms. Shubhda Bhakay Kaul for Ph.D registration in French. The Director, SOFL informed that the minutes of the Doctoral Committee got approved through circulation. Details of the research proposal is enclosed (**Annexure 17.25.1**).

RC 17.25.2 The Research Council considered and approved registration of Ms. Shubhda Bhakay Kaul for Ph.D in French under the Category 'A'.

ITEM NO. 26 To consider and approve the progress reports of students of Ph.D in Agriculture Extension (SOA).

RC 17.26.1 It is submitted that the following students had sent their six monthly progress reports to the School of Agriculture Extension. The 17th School Board held on 10.12.2010 approved progress reports of the following:

1	Mr. Joshua Rufus Godfrey V	2	Mr. M.R. Ramasubramaniam
3.	Mr. M. Venkatachalam	4	Mr. N. Venkateshwar Rao
5	Mr. P. Bala Hussain Reddy	6	Mr. Balwinder Singh
7.	Mr. Narayan V. Kumbhare	8	Mr. Vishal Raina
9.	Mr. Davinder Singh	10	Mr. Randhir Singh

RC 17.26.2 The Research Council considered and approved the progress reports of the above students.

ITEM NO. 27 To consider and approve candidates for registration to Ph.D in Agriculture Extension for January 2011.

RC 17.27.1 The Doctoral Committee held on 29.11.2010 recommended the following candidates for registration for Ph.D Programme in Agriculture Extension for January 2011 under **Category 'B'**.

1	Mr. Jata Shankar Choudhary	2	Mr. Dilip Kumar Das
3.	Mr. Yashvant Patel Kumar	4	Mr. Mariappan S

All the candidates will have to undergo the course work of 32 credits. The School Board in its 17th meeting held on 10.12.2010 approved registration for Ph.D in Agriculture Extension.

Details such as topics for Ph.D, names of Supervisors etc., are enclosed (17.27.1).

RC 17.27.2 The Research Council considered and approved registration for Ph.D in Agriculture Extension for the above candidates for January 2011 Session.

ITEM NO. 28 To consider and approve the candidates for registration to Ph.D in Dairy Science and Technology for January 2011 Session.

RC 17.28.1 Based on the Doctoral Committee recommendations dated 30th November 2010 the following candidates were recommended for registration for Ph.D in Dairy Science and Technology under Category 'B'.

1. Mr. Rupesh Shrikant Chavan;
2. Mr. Hari Ram
3. Mr. R. Nagaraju

The recommendations of the Doctoral Committee were approved by the 17th School Board held on 10.12.2010. Details of recommended candidates were placed in the prescribed format **(Annexure 17.28.1)**.

RC 17.28.2 The Research Council considered and approved registration of the above candidates for Ph.D in Dairy Science and Technology for January 2011 cycle under Category 'B'.

ITEM NO. 29 To consider and approve Chinmaya International Foundation (CIF) as a Recognized Research Centre of IGNOU.

RC 17.29.1 A Committee consisting of the following visited the Chinmaya International Foundation (CIF) on 9th and 10th December 2010 and submitted a report:

1. Prof.K.R. Srivathsan : Chairperson
Pro Vice-Chancellor, IGNOU
2. Prof. K.V. Ramaakrishnamacharulu : Member
Rashtriya Sanskrit Vidya Peeth,

Triupati

3. Prof. Ujjwala Jha : Member
Director, Centre for Advanced Studies
in Sanskrit, University of Pune, Pune.
4. Prof. Rajendra Ishwar Nanavaty : Member
Former Director, Oriental Institute of
M.S. University, Vadodra, Gujarat

RC 17.29.2

The observations of the Committee are:

1. CIF is located on 8 acres of land and provides a serene and scholarly ambience for good academic and research activities. It is established in the year 1989.
2. CIF is a dedicated centre of Excellence in Indian Philosophy and Sanskrit.
3. CIF carries academic and research activities in the disciplines of Sanskrit, Philosophy and computational Linguistics in Indian Languages and Manuscriptology.
4. The Library has around 16,000 titles of Sanskrit heritage and related works. The Centre has rich collection of palm leaf and manuscripts.
5. Three eminent Research Supervisors viz., 1. Dr. Dilip K. Rana, Director, Dr. V.R. Manoj, Deputy Director and Dr. Sheeba Sudhir, Deputy Director, CIFSS are closely associated on campus in teaching and research related activities.
6. The Committee also mentioned that 10 more external/research supervisors are associated with CIF.

Recommendations of the Committee:

The four member committee recommended the following disciplines for conducting research by the CIF under the Recognised Research Centre concept of IGNOU:

1. Darsanas
2. Sanskrit Computational Linguistics
3. Multimedia Information Systems and Digital Preservation of Sanskrit Heritage and Traditional Knowledge
4. Vyakarana
5. Epics and Aesthetics and Comparative Aesthetics
6. Ayurveda

Detailed deliberations were held regarding availability of infrastructure for conducting research programmes at the CIF. Members expressed that the Institute be recognized permitting them to conduct research in the discipline of "Sanskrit and Indology". Members also felt that the fields/areas recommended above could be considered under the inter-disciplinary studies. Members also suggested that the discipline could be placed under the School of Inter-disciplinary Studies.

RC 17.29.3

The Research Council considered and approved Chinmaya

International Foundation (CIF) as a Recognized Research Centre of IGNOU for the discipline in Sanskrit and Indology housing the same under School of Inter-disciplinary and Trans-disciplinary Studies.

ITEM NO. 30 To consider and discuss the response of the School of Social Sciences regarding observations of the 8th RCSC.

RC 17.30.1 Members of the Research Council felt that it was not discussed keeping in view of any particular discipline. It was discussed in general with a view to give more emphasis on fundamental research in all research disciplines specially with the RTA scheme available in the University.

RC 17.30.2 The Research Council considered and noted the response of the School of Social Sciences with the observations of the Research Council.

ITEM NO. 31 To consider and approve Pre-registration and Post-registration Guidelines for Research Programmes (SOCE).

RC 17.31.1 The Chairman of the Research Council informed that the item is withdrawn. Response required on this item will be sent to the School/Centre/Institute by the Chairman himself.

RC 17.31.2 The Research Council agreed for the suggestions of the Chairman of the Research Council and withdrawn the item listed on the agenda.

ITEM NO. 32 To consider and approve payment norms for evaluation of M.Phil Dissertation & conduct of Viva-Voce.

RC 17.32.1 It is submitted that the 6th Research Council dated 13th January 2005 approved remuneration for Ph.D Thesis and Viva-voce as follows:

Evaluation of Ph.D thesis (64-68 credit thesis) (out of 96-100 total credits)	=	Rs.1,000/-
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Viva-voce	=	Rs.500/-

plus Actual postal charges

There are no such guidelines for M.Phil Dissertation as M.Phil was introduced from July 2009 beginning with Economics. More and more disciplines are now introducing M.Phil independent /with integrated modes.

The following remuneration has been proposed for evaluation of M.Phil dissertation and conduct of Viva-voce:

M.Phil Dissertation is of 12-16 credits (out of 48 credits total)

Proposed remuneration:

(i) for evaluation of Dissertation = Rs.500

(ii) for Viva-voce = Rs.250

(iii) plus actual postal charges and transport allowance as per University rules.

RC 17.32.2 Members deliberated on payment norms expressing that the existing payment norms for Ph.D and proposed norms for M.Phil (based on Ph.D norms) are proposed based on 6th RC, dated 13.01.2005. Since then it is almost 6 years have gone. Members suggested to follow Central University Rules for Ph.D. and M.Phil Programmes. Till such date University may adopt proposed recommendations for M.Phil for evaluation of dissertation and Viva-voce viz., Rs.500/- and Rs.250/- respectively.

RC 17.32.3 The Research Council considered and approved proposed remuneration for M.Phil, till University adopts Central University's payment norms for Ph.D and M.Phil programmes.

ITEM NO. 33 To consider and approve (a) marks for Course Work for M.Phil/Ph.D and (b) M.Phil Dissertation & Viva-Voce.

RC 17.33.1 It is submitted that the University offers Research Degree Programmes at two levels viz., M.Phil and Ph.D (with integrated / independent modes). The credit distribution for course work and dissertation (for M.Phil) are enclosed (**Annexure 17.33.1**). Presently, weightage of credits and marks for course work including proposed marks for M.Phil Dissertation and Viva-voce as follows:

Course Work	Marks
8 credits	100 marks
4 credits	50 marks
32 credits (8X4)	400 marks
36 credits (8X4+1X50)	450 marks
16 credits M.Phil Dissertation	150 marks
Viva-voce (on dissertation)	50 marks

The Economics Discipline already proposed the above model for M.Phil Dissertation and Viva-voce and got approved by the competent authority in conducting evaluation of M.Phil Dissertation and Viva-voce held recently. The same is reproduced as given below:

i. M.Phil with 32 credits Course Work + 16 credits Dissertation = 400 marks + 200 marks (150+50) = 600 marks

ii. M.Phil with 36 credits Course Work = 450 marks +200 marks (150+50) = 650 marks.

RC 17.33.2 The Research Council considered and approved (a) marks for Course Work for M.Phil/Ph.D and (b) M.Phil Dissertation & Viva-Voce for all research programmes of the University.

ITEM NO. 34 To consider and approve Admission/Registration for Ph.D in the Discipline of Economics for those who have registered for M.Phil and undergone pre-Ph.D work.

RC 17.34.1 The Doctoral Committee of the Discipline of Economics dated 16th November 2010 recommended the following candidates for admission/registration to Ph.D as given below:

S.N	Name of the candidate	Category	Recommended for
1.	Ms. Vijeta Gupta	B	Registration
2.	Ms. Vijeta Banwari	B	Admission
3.	Ms. Nidhi Tewathia	B	Admission
4.	Ms.Nizami Nausheen Khizerahmed	B	Admission
5.	Ms. Neelam Garg	B	Admission

The filled-in format for proposals for admission/registration with relevant details are enclosed (**Annexure 17.34.1**). The minutes of the Doctoral Committee held on 16th November 2010 were placed before the 13th Standing Committee held on 19th November 2010 and the same was approved by the 51st School Board held on 22nd November 2010.

RC 17.34.2 The Research Council considered and approved admission/registration for Ph.D in the Discipline of Economics for those who have registered for M.Phil and undergone pre-Ph.D work.

ITEM NO. 35 To consider and approve Admission/Registration for Ph.D in the Discipline of Public Administration (SOSS) for January 2011.

RC 17.35.1 The Doctoral Committee held on 16th November 2010 recommended the following candidates for registration/admission:

S. No.	Recommended for Registration (Category 'A') (With/ without Course Work)	Recommended for Admission with Course Work (Category 'B')
1.	Dr.K. Lakshminarayana Rao	Mr. P. Nagaraju
2.	Ms. Sudha Singh	Ms. Vinita
3.	Mr. Mukesh Kumr Srivastava	Mr. Sanket Kumar
4.	Mr. R. Srinivas	Mr. Kamal Joshi
5.	Ms. Neepa Saha	
6.	Ms. Anita Chaudhary	

7.	Ms. Ajmal. J	
8.	Mr. Francis Charuvila	
9.	Ms. Radhika Shrivastava	
10.	Ms. Vandana Dabal	
11.	Mr. Satish Chandra	
12.	Mr. George Varughese	
13.	Mr. Abhishek Shukla	

Details such as topic, supervisors for Category 'A' and Category 'B' are enclosed (**Annexure 17.35.1**). The minutes of the Doctoral Committee were approved by the the 13th Standing Committee on 19th November 2010 and by the 51st School Board held on 22nd November 2010.

RC 17.35.2 The Research Council considered and approved admission/registration for Ph.D in the Discipline of Public Administration for January 2011.

ITEM NO. 36 To consider and approve provisional admission for Ph.D in the Discipline of Library and Information Science (SOSS) for January 2011.

RC 17.36.1 It is submitted that the faculty of Library and Information Science recommended 9 candidates viz., 5 candidates under Category 'A' and 4 candidates under Category 'B' for provisional admission.

S. N	Candidates under Category 'A' recommended for Provisional Admission	S. N.	Candidates under Category 'B' recommended for Provisional Admission
1.	Mr. Shibu K.M.	1.	Ms. Perna
2.	Ms. Sangeeta	2.	Ms. Saima Qadri
3.	Mr. Nazrul Islam Azmi	3.	Mr. Satyanand Pandey
4.	Mr. Hilal Ahmad Bhat	4.	Ms. Sharmistha Mitra
5.	Ms. Neera Aggarwal		

RC 17.36.2 Details of candidates of Category 'A' and Category 'B' are placed in the format (**Annexure 17.36.1**). The minutes of the Doctoral Committee held on 15th November 2010 were approved by the 13th Standing Committee on 19th November 2010 and by the 51st School Board held on 22nd November 2010.

RC 17.36.3 The Research Council considered and approved admission/registration for Ph.D in the Discipline of Library and Information Science for January 2011.

ITEM NO. 37 To consider and approve provisional admission for Ph.D in the Discipline of Political Science (SOSS) for January 2011.

RC 17.37.1 It is submitted that 9 candidates have been short-listed for provisional admission for Ph.D in Political Science as given below:

Candidates under Category 'B' recommended for Provisional Admission			
1.	Ms. Mithila Bagai (NET	2.	Mr. Sudhanshu Kumar (NET

	qualified)		qualified)
3.	Ms. Jyoti (NET qualified)	4.	Mr. Tarun Kumar Duggal
5.	Ms. Madhu Bala	6.	Ms. Savita Sagar
7.	Ms. Nitumoni Kakati	8.	Ms. Bhawana
9.	Ms. Mamta Kumari		

Details of candidates are placed in the format **(Annexure 17.37.1)**. The proposal placed by the discipline is approved by the 13th Standing Committee held on 19th November 2010 by the 51st School Board held on 22nd November 2010.

RC 17.37.2 The Research Council considered and approved provisional admission for Ph.D in the Discipline of Political Science for January 2011.

ITEM NO. 38 To consider and approve Ph.D Registration to Mr. G.H. Rasool Bhat and Ms. Shuchi Sharma for January 2011.

RC 17.38.1 It is submitted that Mr. G.H. Rasool Bhat and Ms. Shuchi Sharma's research proposals for Ph.D registration were recommended by the Doctoral Committees held on 22nd June 2010 and 10th December 2010 respectively. The minutes of the Doctoral Committees were approved by the 9th and 14th Standing Committees held on 29th June 2010 and 15th December 2010 respectively. The minutes of the 9th Standing Committee was also approved by 50th School Board held on 18th August 2010. Details of candidates such as topic, discipline, research supervisors etc., are given in the format **(Annexure 17.38.1)**.

RC 17.38.2 The Research Council considered and approved Ph.D Registration of Mr. G.H. Rasool Bhat and Ms. Shuchi Sharma for January 2011.

ITEM NO. 39 To consider and approve research proposals for registration for Ph.D in the Discipline of Disability Studies (NCDS) under Category 'A'.

RC 17.39.1 Members expressed that the item need to be placed before the Research Council after obtaining recommendations of the Research Committee of the discipline.

RC 17.39.2 The RC considered and approved the suggestion made by the members.

ITEM NO. 40 To consider and approve research proposals for admission to Ph.D in the Discipline of Corporate Management (CCETC) under Category 'A'.

RC 17.40.1 It is submitted that that the Doctoral Committee of the Discipline short-listed 10 candidates for admission to Ph.D Programme as given below:

Candidates recommended for Ph.D under Category 'A'

S.N	Name	S.N	Name
1.	Mr. Dominic Joseph	6.	Ms. Kiran Kanwal

2.	Mr. Sanjay Chandhoke	7.	Mr. Raghavan Sundararajan
3.	Mr. Deepak Kumar Syal	8.	Mr. Ravi Gangadhar Kanitkar
4.	Mr. Sanjeev Mishra	9.	Mr. Santosh Kumar Pandey
5.	Mr. Krishan Kumar Chug	10.	Mr. Vatsal Srivastava

The minutes of Doctoral Committees held on 15th November 2010 and 14th December 2010 were approved by the Centre Management Committee of CCETC on 21st December 2010.

RC 17.40.2 Members expressed that the CCETC should make sure that every candidate to be admitted/registered be given (individually/jointly) support through qualified research supervisors. Research Council also suggested that CCETC should begin with a few students for January 2011 cycle taking its limitations in terms of Internal Research supervisors.

RC 17.40.3 The Research Council considered and approved admission for Ph.D for the above candidates with suggestions as proposed by the Research Council.

ITEM NO. 41 To consider and approve research proposal for registration in the Discipline of Physics under Category 'A' for January 2011.

RC 17.41.1 It is submitted that the Doctoral Committee held on 6th September 2010 recommended Mr.B.N. Dileep for Ph.D registration in Physics and the same was approved by the 41st School Board held on 29th November 2010.

RC 17.41.2 Members expressed that brief of the research proposal, place of the lab in which student proposed to be working not provided. Dr. P.M. Ravi, present external research supervisor's brief as well as his place of working (address) not provided. It was suggested to place the proposal in the forthcoming RC/RCSC after obtaining the above from the Discipline.

RC 17.41.3 The Research Council considered and approved the suggestions of the members.

ITEM NO. 42 To consider and approve research proposals for admission in the Discipline of Mathematics for January 2011 (Category 'A').

RC 17.42.1 It is submitted that the Doctoral Committee constituted for Mathematics held on 15th November 2010 recommended the following candidates for Ph.D under Category 'A'.

1. Mrs. Nidhi Ashwanit Gupta;
2. Mrs. Y.V. Sita Vani

Candidates were recommended for admission subject to clearing of Course Works of 32 credits. The minutes of the Doctoral

Committee was approved by 41st School Board held on 29th November 2010.

RC 17.42.2 The Research Council considered and approved admission for Ph.D in the Discipline of Mathematics under Category 'A'.

ITEM NO. 43 To consider and approve research proposal for admission in the Discipline of Mathematics Education under Category 'A' for January 2011.

RC 17.43.1 It is submitted that the Doctoral Committee constituted for Mathematics Education held on 15th November 2010 recommended Mrs. Hemlata Maurya, for Ph.D in Mathematics Education under Category 'A'. **The candidate was recommended for admission subject to clearing of compulsory courses.** The minutes of the Doctoral Committee was approved by 41st School Board held on 29th November 2010.

RC 17.43.2 The Research Council considered and approved admission for Ph.D in the Discipline of Mathematics Education subject to clearing of compulsory courses under Category 'A'.

ITEM NO. 44 To consider and approve progress reports submitted by students registered for Ph.D in Life Sciences, Physics and Mathematics.

RC 17.44.1 It is submitted that the following students have submitted their progress reports through their Research Supervisors to the Director of the School (SOS). The details are given below:

1. LIFE SCIENCES (RTAs)	
i.	Ms. Ripu Daman Sood, En. 093575671
ii.	Ms. Anamika Tripathi, En. 093575879
iii.	Ms. G. Lakshmi, En. 093575664
2. PHYSICS	
i.	Mr. Umapati Pattar, En.No. 072676254
ii.	Mr. Xavier S. Gama, En.No.072676222
3. MATHEMATICS	
i.	Ms. Arti Kaushik

The research supervisors expressed their satisfaction over the progress made by the students in all disciplines specified above.

RC 17.44.2 The Research Council considered and approved progress reports submitted by students registered for Ph.D in Life Sciences, Physics and Mathematics.

ITEM NO. 45 To consider and approve progress reports submitted by students registered for Ph.D in various disciplines in the School of Social Sciences.

RC 17.45.1 It is submitted that the following students have submitted their progress reports through their Research Supervisors to the Director of the School (SOSS). The details are given below:

1. HISTORY	
i.	Mr. Brijesh Kumar, En.No.083492271
ii.	Ms. Sangamitra Rai Verman, En.No.093575600
iii.	Mr. Nisar Kizhakkayil, En.No.093575640
iv.	Ms. Rachna Grover, En.No. 093754504
v.	Ms.Bindu Sahni, En.No. 086450050
vi.	Mr.Alok Bajpai, En.No.072676261
2. POLITICAL SCIENCE	
i.	Ms. Mukesh Devi, En.No.100165437
3. PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION	
i.	Mr. Ajay Pal Sharma, En.No.083492257
ii.	Ms. Anita R, En.No.093575808
iii.	Ms. Nirananjani, En.No.093575822
iv.	Mr. Ramesh Gandotra, En.No. 072676175
v.	Ms. Ranjeeta Basra Korgaonkar
vi.	Ms. Sandhya Chopra, En.093575815
vii.	Mr. Senthamizh Kanal, En.No.093575847
viii.	Mr. B. Senthil Nathan, En.No.093575861
4. ECONOMICS	
i.	Mr. Arup Kanti Konar, En. 097327989
5. LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCES	
1.	Mr. Hosur Gururaja Gaud, En.No.100165439
2.	Mr. Adoni Gururaja

The research supervisors expressed their satisfaction over the progress made by the students in all disciplines specified above.

RC 17.45.2 The Research Council considered and approved progress reports submitted by students registered for Ph.D in the above disciplines of School of Social Sciences.

ITEM NO. 46 To consider and approve research proposals for Ph.D registration in Life Sciences for January 2010 under Category 'A' (RTAs).

RC 17.46.1 Two RTAs are attached with Center for Bioinformatics, University of Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram under the collaboration of SOS, IGNOU - Center for Bioinformatics, University of Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram were recommended by the the Doctoral Committee of Life Sciences held on 9th and 10th December 2010 for Ph.D registration under Category 'A'. The details of candidates viz., topics for Ph.D, names of research supervisors etc., are enclosed. **(Annexure 17.46.1).**

RC 17.46.2 These two RTAs were appointed in the year 2010 and they are working with the Center for Bioinformatics, University of Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram without fellowship past few months. Based on the recommendations of the Research Programme Coordinator of Life Sciences and the Director,SOS, Mr. Vipin Thomas and

Mr.Girinath G. Pillai research proposals were recommended for registration for Ph.D in Life Sciences with an assurance that the Director would place their proposals in the forth-coming School Board for ratification. Honourable Vice Chancellor approved their recommendations for placing before the Research Council.

RC 17.46.3 The Research Council considered and approved registration for Ph.D in Life Sciences under Category 'A' with a condition that the minutes of the Research Council shall be placed for ratification before the School Board of Sciences.

ITEM NO. 47 To consider and approve research proposals for Ph.D registration in the Discipline of Computer Science for January 2011 (SOCIS).

RC 17.47.1 It is submitted that the Doctoral Committee of the discipline held on 8th August 2010 recommended the following candidates for registration for Ph.D in the Discipline of Computer Science under the Category 'A' subject to modification of their research proposals:

1. Mr. Parameshwaran Seshan; 2. Mr. Amit Mahajan

Details such as topics for Ph.D, names of research supervisors etc., are enclosed (**Annexure 17.47.1**). The minutes of the Doctoral Committee were approved by the 31st School Board held on 23rd October 2010.

RC 17.47.2 The Research Council considered and approved registration for Ph.D in the Discipline of Computer Science under Category 'A'.

ITEM NO. 48 To consider and approve research supervisors to Mr. Amit Kumar, Ph.D student in Computer Science (SOCIS).

RC 17.48.1 It is submitted that 31st School Board of SOCIS held on 23rd October 2010 approved the following Research Supervisors to Mr. Amit Kumar, a student registered for Ph.D in Computer Science:

- i. Prof. I.V. Malhan, Jammu University, Jammu
- ii. Prof.G.S. Sambyal, Jammu University, Jammu
- iii. Dr. Naveen Kumar, Assistant Professor, SOCIS, IGNOU

The 31st School Board dated 23rd October 2010 approved names of research supervisors.

RC 17.48.2 Members enquired about the number of students registered for Ph.D and number of internal research supervisors availability in the School. The Member Secretary informed that more than 25 students are registered for Ph.D in the Discipline of Computer Science. The Member Secretary also informed that majority of students are guided by the external research supervisors as the discipline has only one internal research supervisor till July 2010 cycle. Members expressed that the Research Unit should obtain details of names of research supervisors and their status in terms of past/present occupation, address and a brief profile of external

supervisors for regularization taking student and research supervisor ratio and university guidelines.

- RC 17.48.3 The Research Council considered and approved proposed research supervisors to Mr. Amit Kumar, Ph.D student in Computer Science. The Research Council also approved suggestions given by the members to obtain required information to place before the Research Council for regularization of research supervisors and students allotted to them for Ph.D in Computer Science.

ITEM NO. 49 To consider and approve Prof. Manohar Lal as second research supervisor to Mr. Vipul Vashisht, Ph.D student registered for Ph.D in the Discipline of Computer Science.

- RC 17.49.1 It is submitted that 31st School Board of SOCIS held on 23rd October 2010 approved Prof. Manohar Lal as second supervisor to Mr. Vipul Vashisht (En.No. 100165558).

- RC 17.49.2 The Research Council considered and approved Prof. Manohar Lal as second research supervisor to Mr. Vipul Vashisht, a student registered for Ph.D in the Discipline of Computer Science.

ITEM NO. 50 To consider and approve the revised Evaluation Methodology for Course Work and Dissertation for M.Phil/Ph.D in Sociology.

- RC 17.50.1 It is submitted that the revised Evaluation Methodology submitted by the Discipline of Sociology was approved by the 51st School Board of Social Science held on 22nd November 2010.

- RC 17.50.2 The Research Council considered and approved revised Evaluation Methodology for Course Work and dissertation for M.Phil/Ph.D in Sociology.

ITEM NO. 51 To consider and approve proposal for monitoring the activities and Progress Reports of RTAs and full time Ph.D. students (SOSS).

- RC 17.51.1 It is submitted that the a proposal was placed before 12th Standing Committee of the School Board of Social Sciences held on 3rd November 2010 for monitoring the activities and progress reports of RTAs and full time Ph.D students. The proposal placed before the Standing Committee of the School Board are as follows:

- i. The School Council recommended that the work of the RTAs/Full-time Ph.D students should be regularly monitored. All RTAs working in the School will mark their attendance regularly in the register to be maintained by the Office of the Director. RTAs visit any library or any office for the purpose of data collection need to inform the Director in written with due permission from their respective Supervisor.

- ii. Six monthly progress reports submitted by the RTA are inadequate to monitor their progress. Hence RTA required to submit their progress reports once in every three months.
 - iii. RTA should properly utilize and regularly use the place allotted to them in the School for sitting purpose.
- RC 17.51.2 Member also suggested that a national level workshop of 3 days duration should be organized inviting eminent experts from different disciplines involving faculty research supervisors and RTAs. Members also expressed that these proposed measures for monitoring RTAs activities should be across all disciplines.
- RC 17.51.2 The Research Council considered and approved proposal for monitoring the activities and Progress Reports of RTAs and full time Ph.D. students across all disciplines. The Research Council also approved members suggestion for conducting a national workshop to RTAs.

ITEM NO. 52 To consider and approve proposal for introducing Ph.D Programme in Arabic.

- RC 17.52.1 It is submitted that an Expert Committee in Arabic was held on 20th April 2009 recommended Ph.D Programme in Arabic designing Course Work for Category 'B'. The School Board of the Foreign Languages held on 23rd June 2009 approved the minutes of the Expert Committee recommending Ph.D Programme in Arabic. Brief on the Ph.D Programme is enclosed (**Annexure 17.52.1**).
- RC 17.52.2 The Research Council considered and approved launching Ph.D Programme in Arabic by the SOFL.

ITEM NO. 53 To consider and approve Ph.D Programme in Theatre Arts, Fine Arts and Music (SOPVA) for July 2011 cycle.

- RC 17.53.1 The 7th School Board of SOPVA held on 10th September 2010 approved the proposal for launching (i) Ph.D in Theatre Arts (ii) Ph.D in Fine Arts and (iii) Ph.D in Music.
- The School Board also approved names of Programme Coordinator and Research Supervisors as given below:
1. Prof. Sunil Kumar as Ph.D Programme Coordinator
 2. Dr. G. Bharadawaza as Research Supervisor for Theatre Arts
 3. Dr. Sunil Kumar as Research Supervisor for Fine Arts and
 4. Dr. Seema Johari as Research Supervisor for Music
- Briefs on the proposed research programmes viz., Theatre Arts, Fine Arts and Music are enclosed (**Annexure 17.53.1**).
- RC 17.53.2 The Research Council considered and approved launching Ph.D Programme in in Theatre Arts, Fine Arts and Music for July 2011 cycle.

ITEM NO. 54 To consider and approve Ms. Amita Pandey's request for full-time Ph.D in Hindi (SOH).

RC 17.54.1 Ms. Amita Pandey, En.No.0973727410, a student registered for Ph.D in Hindi under part-time requested the School (SOH) to consider change of registration from part-time to full-time. Her Supervisor and Director of the School recommended her case for full-time registration.

RC 17.54.2 The Research Council considered and approved registering Ms. Amita Pandey as a full-time Ph.D student in the Discipline of Hindi instead of part-time student as registered earlier.

ITEM NO. 55 To consider and approve IGNOU- I²IT, Pune as a Recognised Research Centre of IGNOU for conducting research degree programmes.

RC 17.55.1 It is submitted that a Pre-JCC meeting of IGNOU- I²IT, Pune held on 05th October 2010 at the International Institute of Information (I²IT), Pune in which the following members were present:

1. Prof. K.R. Srivathsan, PVC, IGNOU – Chairperson
2. Dr. Vijay P. Bhatkar, Chief Mentor I²IT, Pune
3. Aruna K. Katara, President- I²IT, Pune Co-Chair
4. Prof. K. Subramanian, Director, ACIIL
5. Prof. Manohar Lal, Director, SOCIS
6. Prof. S.S. Hassan, SOS
7. Prof. Ravindra Joshi, Director In-charge & Registrar, I²IT
8. Dr. Bharat Chaudhari, HoD (NTC) & Dean Planning and Development, I²IT
9. Prof. Rabinder Henry – Hod (SoST) & Associate Dean (Academics), I²IT
10. Dr. Samir K. Das – HOD (OGM Programme), I²IT
11. Prof. Sunil Mahajan – HoD (OGM Programme), I²IT
12. Mrs. Priya Angle – HoD (in-charge, General Management), I²IT
13. Prof. Tathagata B – HOD (Advanced Software Technologies), I²IT
14. Prof. Shashank Pujari – HoD (Embedded Systems Design), I²IT
15. Mrs. Sheetal Bhandari – HoD (Microelectronics & VLSI Design), I²IT
16. Dr. Sheo M. Singh – HoD (Biotechnology), I²IT
17. Prof. Pankaj Roy Gupta – Vice President, International Relations & Special Projects, I²IT

The Committee suggested M.Tech and MBA in various disciplines and Ph.D Programmes in the following disciplines under I²IT and IGNOU collaboration.

1. Integrated Ph.D (M.Tech) in Advanced Information Technology
2. Integrated Ph.D (M.Tech) in Interdisciplinary Science and Technology

3. Integrated Ph.D (MS) in Bio-technology

- RC 17.55.2 The recommendations of the Pre-JCC meeting held at I²IT, Pune was approved by the 4th JCC held on 06th October 2010 for conducting research programmes with Integrated Mode (M.Phil/MS-Ph.D) with the following titles:
1. Ph.D in Advanced Information Technology
 2. Ph.D in Interdisciplinary Science and Technology
 3. Ph.D in Bio-technology
- The 4th JCC also suggested that students may be permitted to exit the programme, if they wish to, upon successful completion of all requirements of respective M.Tech/MS Programmes.
- RC 17.55.3 Detailed deliberations were held on Pre-JCC and 4th JCC meeting minutes and infrastructure and research supervisors availability in conducting research programmes at the I²IT. Members expressed that the I²IT, Pune may be recognized as a Research Centre of IGNOU for the above three research disciplines.
- RC 17.55.4 The Research Council considered and approved I²IT, Pune as a Recognized Research Centre of IGNOU for conducting research degree programmes in the above disciplines as per IGNOU's Ordinances and Regulations in conducting research programmes which include registration fee for students to be charged.

ITEM NO. 56 To consider for discussion on issues pertaining to Recognized Research Centres (RRCs) of IGNOU concept (viz., pre-admission/registration, allotment of research supervisors, course work, presentation of progress reports, pre-submission seminars etc.)

- RC 17.56.1 Based on the recommendations of the Expert Committees and with the approval of the Research Council, the University has recognized 11 (eleven) Research Centres so far (list enclosed). A few more are in the pipeline. These RRCs are expected to follow the procedures laid down under the IGNOU's Ordinances and Regulations of Research Degree Programmes.
- RC 17.56.2 Detailed deliberations were held with regard to various activities pertaining to Recognized Research Centre taking into consideration prevailing guidelines of research degree programmes of the University. The decisions taken/suggested by the members of the Research Council activity-wise are given below:

1. **Pre-admission matters:**

- i. **Release of an advertisement and receipt of applications:** Recognized Research Centre (RRC) shall release advertisement through the mode whichever they decide. RRCs may also keep such advertisements on their website. Similarly IGNOU shall also keep advertisements pertaining to RRCs on the IGNOU's website. Prospectus

and application forms prepared by the Research Unit shall be applicable for IGNOU as well as RRCs. Filled-in applications pertaining to RRC shall be submitted by candidates at the respective RRC.

ii. **Question Paper Setting and Moderation for Entrance Test and Term End Examinations:** The Director of the School/Centre shall initiate necessary action on question paper setting and moderation discipline-wise as per IGNOU norms. Payments for setting question papers and moderation shall be met by the School/Centre from the Research Unit funds.

iii. **Conduct of Entrance Test:** RRCs will conduct entrance test at their respective institute as per the guidelines of the University. Answer scripts pertaining to entrance test will be evaluated as per the guidelines of the University under over all supervision of the Director of the School/Centre. Payments shall be met by the School/Centre from the Research Unit funds.

2. Constitution of Doctoral Committees (discipline-wise) and conduct of presentations (for Category A & B).

i. **Existing research disciplines:** Doctoral Committees constituted for disciplines at the Schools/Centres will continue to function as Doctoral Committees for all those discipline, which are activated at RRC.

ii. **Newly activated Research Disciplines:** New Doctoral Committees shall be constituted wherever RRCs are approved for new disciplines which are not existing in the Schools/Centres in the University. In such cases, the Director of the School shall remain as Chair-person of the Doctoral Committee. However respective RRC shall suggest one or two external experts (to be approved by the Vice Chancellor) and internal experts (eligible research supervisors as per IGNOU norms). Programme Coordinators of the discipline shall be the Convener of the Committee.

iii. Expenditure pertaining to conduct of Doctoral Committee meetings shall be borne by the RRC concerned.

3. Research Supervisors:

i. All eligible Research Supervisors of RRCs shall be approved by the School Board / Research Committee of the School/Centre and the Research Council. Unapproved research supervisors shall not be allotted to any research students to be admitted/registered at the RRCs.

ii. All approved Research Supervisors (by the School Board and the Research Council) can independently/jointly guide research students as per IGNOU norms in terms of allocation of students and number of students per

supervisor.

4. Course Work (for Category 'B'):

- a. Any RRC which come into existence with the research discipline, the institute shall adopt available approved course work and evaluation mode with the research discipline of the School/Centre of the University.
- b. RRC which introduces new research discipline shall prepare curricula and evaluation methodology for Course Work and get the approval of the Research Council and Academic Council of the University. RRCs shall develop curricula using the services of the Expert Committee to be approved by Vice Chancellor based on the recommendations of the School/Centre.
- c. All expenses pertaining to Expert Committees and development of Course Work shall be met by the RRC concerned.

5. Presentation of progress reports, presentation of seminars and pre-submission seminars:

- a. **Progress Reports:** Progress Reports shall be placed before the faculty of the Discipline/Doctoral Committee of the Discipline at the institute. Progress Reports submitted by the students shall be sent to the Director of the School/Centre in a specific format for placing before the School Board/Research Committee and the Research Council.
- b. **Seminars :** Seminars shall be presented by the candidate before faculty of the discipline at the RRC and the same shall be incorporated into the progress report.
- c. **Pre-Seminars:** Students shall present Pre-seminars before Doctoral Committee of the discipline in an open defense. Feed back to be provided in the presentation shall be incorporated into the thesis.

6. Conduct of evaluation of Course Work and thesis & Viva-voice:

These activities shall be undertaken as per the university guidelines. Payments pertaining to evaluation of Course Work and Thesis and Conduct of Viva-voce shall be met from the Research Unit funds.

RC 17.56.3 The Research Council considered and approved suggestions of the members of the Research Council for items listed above under 1 to 6 pertaining to RRCs.

ITEM NO. 57 To consider and approve the change of Supervisors for Ph.D students (RTAs) in Economics.

RC 17.57.1 It is submitted that Research Supervisors for the following Ph.D students (RTAs) have been changed as given below:

Sl. No.	Name of RTA	Previous Supervisor	Proposed (present) Supervisor
1.	Ms. Suman Devi (RTA)	Prof. Anjila Gupta	Prof. Gopinath Pradhan
2.	Ms. Manisha Kulshrestha (RTA)	Dr. B.S. Prakash	Prof. Madhu Bala

Change of Research Supervisors proposed by the Doctoral Committee of the discipline was approved by the 8th Standing Committee of the School Board (SOSS) on 12.04.2010. The change of Research Supervisors has been proposed with mutual discussion and consent among the Supervisors of the Discipline.

RC 17.57.2 The Research Council considered and approved change of Supervisors as proposed above.

ITEM NO. 58 To consider and approve recognition of 2nd Supervisor for Mr. Parashotam Dass Aggarwal and Ms. Aruna Devi, Ph.D students in Economics.

RC 17.58.1 It is submitted that the Doctoral Committee of the Discipline of Economics recommended 2nd Research Supervisor for the following students registered for Ph.D in Economics.

S.N.	Name	Proposed 2 nd Supervisor
1.	Mr. Parashotam Dass Aggarwal	Dr. Sukhpal Singh
2.	Ms. Aruna Devi	Dr. K.R. Shanmugam

Dr. Sukhpal Singh and Dr. K.R. Shanmugam are approved Research Supervisors of the Discipline.

RC 17.58.2 The Research Council for considered and approved allotment of 2nd Supervisor for the above mentioned students.

ITEM NO. 59 To consider and approve research proposals for Ph.D Programme in Tourism and Hospitality Services Management under Category 'A'.

RC 17.59.1 The Doctoral Committee of the School of Tourism and Hospitality Services Management held on 30th November 2010 recommended the following candidates under Category 'A'.

1. Mr. Tewari Jatashankar Ramprasad
2. Ms. Shailja Sharma
3. Mr. Sandilyan P.R.
4. Mr. Pankaj Kumar Gai Rola
5. Ms. Sadaf Shah
6. Mr. Peter Lobo
7. Ms. Lakmi Todiwan

Filled in format consists of list of candidates, topics allotted, names of supervisors etc. enclosed (Annexure 17.59.1).

RC 17.59.2 The Research Council considered and approved the above candidates for registration for Ph.D in Tourism and Hospitality Services Management under Category 'A'.

ITEM NO. 60 To consider and approve change of Supervisor from Dr.Dileep M.R to Dr.H. Bains (SOTHSM).

RC 17.60.1 The 6th School Board held on 16th December 2010 observed that Dr. Dileep M.R. does not fulfil the criteria to be a Ph.D Supervisor, as he does not possess 5 years post doctoral experience. As per directives of the School Board, all the three Ph.D scholars attached with Dr. Dileep M.R were shifted to Dr. Harkirat Bains, as their supervisor **(Annexure 17.60.1)**.

RC 17.60.2 The Research Council considered and approved the proposed change of Research Supervisor from Dr.Dileep M.R to Dr.H. Bains.

ITEM NO. 61 To Consider and Approve Progress Reports of the Research Scholars.

RC 17.61.1 The progress reports of the following RTA and Ph.D Scholars were placed before the Doctoral Committee and the same was approved by the 6th School Board held on 16th December 2010. Supervisors expressed their satisfaction over the progress made by the students:

- i. Mr. Semanta Deka, RTA
- ii. Ms. Rekha Maitra
- iii. Mr. Sanjay Jamwal
- iv. Ms. Malini Singh
- v. Mr. Abrar Maqbool Singh

RC 17.61.2 The Research Council considered and approved the progress reports of the above students.

ITEM NO. 62 To consider and approve list of Research Supervisors (External) for Ph.D in Tourism and Hospital Services Management (SOTHSM).

RC 17.62.2 It was discussed in the Doctoral Committee and decided that the list of supervisors (external) should consist of those experts who are associated with Tourism Education. The Supervisors should either have Masters/Ph.D in Tourism/Hospitality or at present be associated with Tourism/Hospitality Department on full time basis. Considering the above criteria and other criteria of the University list of external supervisors are considered as follows:

(i). Considered to delete existing Research Supervisors (external)

1. Prof. J.C Dua, Delhi University, Delhi (Not from Tourism/Hospitality)
2. Prof. Ramaprasada Rao, S.K. Institute of Management, S.K. University, Anantapur, Andhra Pradesh (Not from Tourism/ Hospitality)
3. Prof.M. Madhusudhan Rao, Dept. of Commerce and Management, Andhra University, Visakhapatnam, A.P. (Not from Tourism/ Hospitality)
4. Prof. M. Basheer Ahmad Khan, Dean, School of Management, Pondicherry University, Pondicherry – 605 014 (Not from Tourism / Hospitality)
5. Prof. Dulari Qureshi, Head, DT, BRAM University, Aurangabad (Retd.)
6. Dr. Dileep M.R. KITTS, Thiruvananthapuram (Do not possess 5 years Post Doctoral Experience).

(ii). Considered for approval for placing in the panel of Research Supervisors of the Discipline of the School (external).

1. Prof. Nimit Chaudhry, IITTM, Gwalior
2. Dr. Praikshat Singh Manhas, Associate Professor, the Business School, University of Jammu.
3. Dr. Puneet Gautam, Institute of Tourism & Hotel Management, Bundelkhand University, Jhansi
4. Dr. Sunil Kabia, Institute of Tourism & Hotel Management, Bundelkhand University, Jhansi.

Supervisors proposed for deletion and addition by the Doctoral Committee was approved by the School Board held on 16th December 2010.

RC 17.62.2 The Research Council considered and approved list of Research Supervisors (External) for Ph.D in Tourism and Hospitality Services Management as proposed above.

ITEM NO. 63 To consider and approve Course Work and Evaluation Methodology for Ph.D in Tourism and Hospitality Services Management.

RC 17.63.1 The 6th School Board suggested certain modifications in the Course Work proposed for Ph.D by an Expert Committee. The revised Course Work (approved in the 7th School Board) along with the Evaluation Methodology (approved in the 6th School Board) are placed before the Research Council for approval. Proposed Course Work titles approved by the School Board are:

1. Interdisciplinary Approaches in Tourism and Hospitality;
2. Tourism Concepts;
3. Research Methodology in Tourism and Hospitality

4. Seminars Presentations.

RC 16.63.2 The Research Council considered and approved the revised Course Work and Evaluation Methodology as proposed by the School.

ITEM NO. 64 To consider and approve eligibility criteria for admission in Ph. D Programmes in Tourism and Hospitality Services Management.

RC 17.64.1 A revised eligibility criteria for admission to Ph.D in Tourism and Hospitality Services Management has been proposed as given below:

For Category 'A'

Students possessing Masters Degree in either Tourism or Hospitality with M.Phil or 05 years work experience in the relevant area (Tourism/Hospitality) shall be eligible.

For Category 'B'

Candidates with Masters Degree in other disciplines but with relevant 05 years work experience will be considered in Category 'B'. These candidates will have to take the Entrance Examination for admission to Ph.D programme.

The revised criterion for Category 'A' and 'B' were approved by the School Board on 16th December 2010 (**Annexure 17.64.1**).

RC 17.64.2 The Research Council considered and approved revised eligibility criterion for Category 'A' and 'B' for admission to Ph.D Programme in Tourism and Hospitality Services Management.

ITEM NO. 65 Any other items with the permission of the Chair.

RC 17.65.1 Members expressed that the University should have /create the following:

- (i) 100 Fellowships for full-time research students (other than RTA Fellowships) of Rs.5000/- each for every person.
- (ii) Data base of all approved research supervisors discipline and School/Centre-wise.
- (iii) Data base of teachers' profile (approximately 100-150 words) School/Centre-wise.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

(V.N.Rajasekharan Pillai)
Chairman